

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Pentecost Sunday + June 4, 2017

OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church was founded in 1958 and is an integral part of the Mountainside community.

As a parish, we strive to:

form one family in Christ embracing our various backgrounds and age differences;

unify and strengthen our parish bonds through living our Catholic faith supported by Eucharistic Adoration, Educational, Service, and Social Ministries;

To evangelize and minister to the needs of God's people under the patronage of Our Lady of Lourdes, reflecting the greater Church's efforts to promote love of God and love of neighbor - through our Catholic faith and works.

Throughout this journey, we strive to become stronger families, neighbors and Catholics living our lives according to the teaching of Jesus Christ, under the protection and intercession of Our Blessed Mother.

COME AND WORSHIP WITH US

Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 am & 5:00 pm

Weekdays 7:30 am & 8:30 am

Saturday 8:00 am

Holy Days As Announced

Penance Saturdays 1:00 pm

Novena to the Miraculous Medal
Saturdays following 8:00 am Mass

Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Fridays following the 7:30 am Mass

Baptisms scheduled monthly excluding Lent

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Prayer Requests

Please pray for the sick. . . Patricia Kane, Marta Pares, Kathleen Ruggeri, Rich Ruggeri, Pedro Antonio Turcios Moreno, Valerie Santiago, Rose Vera Kaepfel, Joeline Stearns, James Roughneen, Elizabeth Szabo, David Gagliardotto, Irene Ciccarino, Nancy Smith, Louise Stacey, Eve Vitale and Anthony Inguagiato.

The Eucharistic Chapel Candles will burn this week in loving memory for Mike Ruzek requested by Irene Ciccarino, in loving memory for Francisco Gennaro requested by Kathy Snyder and in loving memory for Werner Schon requested by Mark Farinella.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the loving memory of the deceased parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Please Pray for our service member, Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla, and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.

Parish Calendar

Sunday, June 4th

Parish Picnic

Monday, June 5th

1 pm - Rosary Altar Society Meeting

Saturday, June 10th

8:45 pm - Gathering of Women

OVERLOOK MEDICAL CENTER

Overlook Medical Center is seeking Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to volunteer at Overlook, Monday through Friday, if you are interested please contact Sue Thomas at Volunteer Services, at 908-522-2841.

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

A few of this week's tweets from Pope Francis....

Christian joy comes from the Holy Spirit, who gives us true freedom and the gift of bringing Jesus to our brothers and sisters.

The motherly presence of Mary reminds us that God never tires of lowering himself in mercy over humanity.

Fall into eGiving through Faith Direct, which is the most convenient and secure way for you to make your weekly offering to Our Lady of Lourdes. Your automatic contributions through Faith Direct will save valuable time for both you and our parish staff.



Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: NJ125.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!



New members are most welcome. We meet Sunday mornings at 10:30 am in the library and sing at the 11:30 am Mass. If you have questions, please see Joe Neglia or call him at 973-503-9675.

ARE YOU REGISTERED ?

We have people coming to Our Lady of Lourdes on a regular basis who need a form of some kind filled out and, when we check our records, we find that they are not registered parishioners. **ARE YOU REGISTERED AS A PARISHIONER OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES?** If you are not, it becomes more complicated if you need some kind of form to be filled out stating that you are a parishioner. The best way for you to know that you are registered is the fact that you receive collection envelopes, either on a regular basis or only at Christmas or Easter. PLEASE – save yourself and our parish staff a great deal of time and trouble -- Visit the PARISH office and register!

ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS: Even if you are not scheduled to serve Mass, please check the Sunday Sacristy 10 minutes before Mass to see if you are needed.

ATTENTION LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: You have already been assigned, please check the schedule.

Everyone is welcome! Please contact our Parish Office to register with us.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

We love Him because He first loved us.

1 John 4:19

Jesus.... Have you seen Him? Those who first did were never the same. "My Lord and my God!" cried Thomas. "I have seen the Lord" exclaimed Mary Magdalene. "We have seen His glory" declared John. But Peter said it best. "We were eyewitnesses of His majesty." All the splendor of heaven revealed in a human body.

Mother of the Holy Eucharist Pray for Us!

One Hour... Our Lord Needs Us!

- Sunday: 4 am, 9 am, 10 am, 11 am, 6 pm, 7 pm, 12 midnight
- Monday: 4 am, 11 am, 11pm
- Tuesday: 7 am, 6 pm, 8 pm
- Wednesday: 3 pm, 6 pm
- Thursday:
 - Friday: 4 am, 1 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm, 10 pm
- Saturday: 7 am, 1 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm, 4 pm, 7 pm, 8 pm, 9 pm, 10 pm

...the more difficult the sacrificial hour, the greater the blessing...an early AM adorer or a 2-3 AM adorer.



Adoration chapel candles may burn in Memory of, or in Honor of a Loved one, Special Birthday or Anniversary, or for a Special Intention. When you don't know what to purchase as a gift, consider a gift of Prayer.

Contact the Parish Office... Donation \$25.00.

ATTENTION GIFT BEARERS

If you are having a weekend Mass offered for yourself or a relative living or deceased and would like to bring up the gifts of bread & wine at the Offertory of the Mass, please advise the ushers beforehand so that you may present the Offertory Gifts at that particular Mass.



Saturday Evening, June 3rd, Vigil, Pentecost Sunday

5:00 PM Irene Duffy
Req. by Irene Ciccarino

Sunday, June 4th, Pentecost Sunday

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:30 AM Mary Mirabelli
Req. by Kisten Ciccimarra
11:30 AM DiGeronimo & Geron Families
Req. by Karen Shaneen

Monday, June 5th, St. Boniface

7:30 AM Ruth Goldschmidt
Req. by Mary Ann & John Kitchell
8:30 AM Werner Schon
Req. by the Cataldo Family

Tuesday, June 6th, St. Norbert

7:30 AM Dick Vanderloo
Req. by Bill & Marianne Taylor
8:30 AM Peter Buhlinger
Req. by Irene Zehetleitner

Wednesday, June 7th

7:30 AM Mindy Santos Sweeney
Req. by Terry & Maureen Reilly
8:30 PM Antonie Bachmeier
Req. by the Alvarez Family

Thursday, June 8th

7:30 AM Mary Warnock
Req. by Bill O'Shea
8:30 PM Julie Spinelli
Req. by Ken & Jean Dalrymple

Friday, June 9th, St. Ephrem

7:30 AM Nancy Wozniak
Req. by Carmen & Santos Santiago
8:30 AM Julie Spinelli
Req. by Susan Schnakenberg

Saturday, June 10th

8:00 AM Deceased Members of A Gathering of Women
Req. by the Gathering of Women

Saturday Evening, June 10th, The Most Holy Trinity

5:00 PM Frank Ciccarino (10 Anniversary)
Req. by Irene Ciccarino

Sunday, June 11th, The Most Holy Trinity

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:30 AM Susan Letnik
Req. by Irene Ciccarino
11:30 AM William McKinlay
Req. by Mary McKinlay & Mary Hilongos

**No Sunday 5 pm Mass.
The 5 pm Mass will resume on Sunday
September 10th.**

Pentecost Sunday

THE SCRIPTURES



Sunday is the Feast of Pentecost. It is the birthday of the Church and the end of the Easter Season. The Acts of the Apostles tells the Pentecost story of the coming of the Holy Spirit to the Apostles. The Gospel of John tells how Jesus gave his Spirit to the Apostles on Easter Sunday, along with his own peace and the mission to forgive sins.

As we resume Ordinary Time this week, we begin reading from the Book of Tobit - a righteous man in the midst of those deported to Assyria. It is a story of great faith and fidelity in the midst of persecution.

We return to reading from Mark's Gospel this week. Jesus is speaking "to the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders in parables." He reveals that he is the "stone rejected by the builders." They try to snare him in traps and he tells them to give "to God what belongs to God." He defends the resurrection, against the Sadducees who mock it. He's asked what is the greatest commandment and he gives them two: "The second is this: *You shall love your neighbor as yourself.*" While these religious leaders spurn him, the ordinary people take delight in Jesus. He denounces the showy corruption of some of the religious leaders which recognizing the small but powerful donation of a poor widow.

Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on Creighton University's *Online Ministries* web site: www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html Used with permission.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1a-8; Ps 112:1b-2, 3b-6;
Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112:1-2, 7-9; Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Ps 25:2-5ab, 6, 7bc-9;
Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a;
Ps 128:1-5; Mk 12:28-34

Friday: Tb 11:5-17; Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-10; Mk 12:35-37

Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8;
Mk 12:38-44

Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52-55;
2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

Collection

5/28/17

\$ 6,000

Year to Date Actual

\$ 401,433

Year to Date Budget

\$ 414,846

Deficit

- \$ 13,413

Rosary Society News!

Please join us on Monday, June 5th at 1 pm for a Potluck Luncheon and the Installation of our new officers. Please bring your favorite Dish to share - Hope to see you there!

President: Carol Leick

Vice President: Pat Knodel

Recording Secretary: Marie Hine

Treasurer: Linda Esemplare

Corresponding Secretary: Stephanie Szabo

COFFEE & BAGELS



There will be no coffee and bagels this weekend due to the Parish Picnic.

Join us after the 9:30 am Mass on Father's Day, June 18th for a special continental breakfast.

The last week for our regular coffee and bagels will be Sunday June 11th. Bagels will resume after Labor day weekend.

Brothers in Christ, The Men's Group of Our Lady of Lourdes, will have a meeting at 7 pm on June 19, 2017 in Pollard Hall. The upcoming Gospel and ways to serve the Parish and the Community will be discussed. New members are always welcome to join this Catholic Fellowship. Light refreshments will be served.

**Family Promise
Interfaith Hospitality Network
Union County, NJ**

Tend My Sheep Ministry

The next Tend My Sheep Ministry is almost here. Our hosting date is Thursday, June 15, 2017, at the Church of the Little Flower in Berkeley Heights.

There is an online sign-up sheet at <http://goo.gl/379DuT> for donating food and supplies, and there are still slots available. If you do not have internet access and wish to donate, or, you cannot access the sign-up sheet, please contact either of the coordinators via email, and we can send you the link or enter the donation for you.

If you have any questions, please contact Karen Hahner, hahnerk@comcast.net, (908) 789-4639, or Deacon Michael DeRoberts, mderoberts@aol.com, or at (908) 868-0727.

Thanks again for all you do to make Our Lady of Lourdes a great parish!

Deacon Mike and Karen Hahner
Coordinators

WANTED: Only 3 Hours a YEAR for the Lord

Your help is needed:

To: Serve as a 2017 On-Call Adorer for our Midnight to 6 am Adoration Team.

Purpose: To cover for Midnight to 6 am Adorers during vacations, illness, etc.

Commitment Length: UP TO only 3X per year

Details:

- You would be 1 of at least 3 Adorers On-Call at a given time
- If you have any restrictions (e.g., weekends only, Mondays only, etc.), you can let us know what they are and we will note them
- Before contacting On-Call Adorers, we first ask regular and sub adorers for help
- Depending on our needs and other coverage resources, you may never be called
- Our Chapel is secure; additional information will be provided to you

Our number of On-Call Adorers has dropped significantly due to moves, illness etc., and we need to replace them in order to keep our Chapel going. Please prayerfully consider this special opportunity to serve the Lord. Remember, it would be for UP TO only 3X per year and that the Lord will never be outdone in generosity.

Contact Kathy Snyder (phone: 908-232-4817; email auntkit@comcast.net) to sign up or obtain information.

**THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST MESSAGE
OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS**

The central purpose of Jesus' mission, which culminated in the gift of the Holy Spirit, was to renew our relationship with the Father, a relationship severed by sin, to take us from our state of being orphaned children and to restore us as his sons and daughters.

The Spirit is given to us by the Father and leads us back to the Father. The entire work of salvation is one of "regeneration", in which the fatherhood of God, through the gift of the Son and the Holy Spirit, frees us from the condition of being orphans into which we had fallen. In our own day also, we see various signs of our being orphans: in the interior loneliness which we feel even when we are surrounded by people, a loneliness which can become an existential sadness; in the attempt to be free of God, even if accompanied by a desire for his presence; in the all-too-common spiritual illiteracy which renders us incapable of prayer; in the difficulty in grasping the truth and reality of eternal life as that fullness of communion which begins on earth and reaches full flower after death; in the effort to see others as "brothers" and "sisters", since we are children of the same Father; and other such signs.

"I will not leave you orphans". Today, on the feast of Pentecost, Jesus' words remind us also of the maternal presence of Mary in the Upper Room. The Mother of Jesus is with the community of disciples gathered in prayer: she is the living remembrance of the Son and the living invocation of the Holy Spirit. She is the Mother of the Church. We entrust to her intercession, in a particular way, all Christians, families and communities that at this moment are most in need of the Spirit, the Paraclete, the Defender and Comforter, the Spirit of truth, freedom and peace.

Please remember the Parish of Our Lady of Lourdes in your estate planning.



Holy Trinity School

HT had their annual Art & Music Show on May 23rd. Students from both campuses proudly displayed their artwork which they created throughout the school year. The elementary school children delighted the audience with their musical talents.

The ducklings have hatched in the PreK-4 classrooms. The students were excited when they arrived at school to hear the chirping from the ducklings.

In honor of the Blessed Mother, the May Crowning took place on May 24 at Holy Trinity Church. Dressed in their First Communion attire, the second graders served as the honor guard for this special day and were then invited back to the school gym with their families for an afternoon reception.

The 4th graders in Mrs. Gribbin's class are creating a Kindness Carnival. Each carnival game will be based on a lesson learned from their religion classes throughout the year and they will invite the younger HT students to play and learn!!

The HT Westfield Campus Annual Heritage Festival was held at the gym. Displays of ethnic origins were displayed and ethnic foods were served. This project was sponsored by the 6th grade students, sharing their favorite heritage foods and historical events with their fellow students.

The 8th graders are busy preparing to graduate and leave behind their grammar school days. All are welcome to join them for their Graduation Mass at St. Helen's on Thursday, June 8 at 6:00 pm. The Graduation Ceremony will be held at Holy Trinity Church on Friday, June 9 at 7:30 pm. This year's graduating class has earned more than \$800,000 in scholarships to private and parochial high schools! Congratulations to the students, their parents, and teachers on such amazing achievements.

Would you like to have your child in a full day PreK or Kindergarten program in September? *Breakfast Club and Afterschool Enrichment can extend the Kindergarten and PreK-4 day from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm.* For more information about our kindergarten and preschool program, please contact the Mountainside Campus at (908) 233-1899. For information about grades K through 8 at the Westfield Campus, please call (908) 233-0484.

FATHER'S DAY NOVENA OF MASSES

Sunday, June 18th is Father's Day. What better way to remember our living and deceased Fathers, Grandfathers & Godfathers than to pray for them at the Altar of God. Novena Mass envelopes are available from the ushers and are placed on the vestibule tables at the two entrances of the Church. St. Joseph pray for them!!



Focus on Faith Formation



The registration deadline for the 2017-2018 Faith Formation school year has passed. Thanks to all the families who have registered. Many of our classes are now closed. We are ordering books based on the number of children registered in the program. If you have not registered yet, please do so ASAP. Keep in mind that you may not get your first choice at this point, and please add in the \$50 late fee.

The Faith Formation Office summer hours are now in effect. The office will be open Mondays and Wednesdays from 9 am - 2:30 pm and Fridays from 9 am - 1 pm. If you need us at any other time, please leave a message at 908-233-1777 or email Fran Michetti at fmichetti@ollmountainside.org to schedule an appointment.

Just a reminder that all outstanding work needs to be turned in ASAP. Individual emails have been sent out regarding missing work, and we are waiting for responses. Students cannot be placed in classes for next year until all work is complete. This includes Family Faith, Home School, and Community Service logs. If you have any questions, please contact Fran Michetti.

We are in need of catechists and aides for the next school year. Please consider sharing our faith with the children of our parish. We are especially in need of volunteers on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 4 - 5:15 pm. If you can help please contact the Faith Formation Office. If you have a child entering public school 1st grade in September, it is time to register for Faith Formation. Sacrament preparation for First Holy Communion is a two year process that begins in 1st grade. Please contact the Faith Formation office at 908-233-1777 or reled@ollmountainside.org for more information. We look forward to working with you and your child!

SPECIAL CONFIRMATION

Fr. Richard has received permission from Bishop Cruz, Episcopal Vicar of Union County to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to the following young adults:

Nicolette Angelo and Madaline Catullo

These two individuals will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation today at the 11:30 am Mass. Fr. Bill Benedetto has prepared them for their sacramental reception.

FOUND

Black and silver magnetic clip bracelet.
Gold and cream string magnetic clip bracelet.

Please contact the Parish Office
at 908-232-1162.



Join us for the Parish Picnic

Sunday, June 4, 2017
following the 11:30 am Mass
on the Plaza in front of the Church

BURGERS, HOTDOGS, SALADS,
SOFT DRINKS
GAMES FOR THE KIDS
SHARING TABLE FOR
SALADS AND DESSERTS

Adults (Ages 14 and up):	\$12
Children (under 14)	\$ 5
Families (maximum with Children under 14)	\$ 40

Tickets are available after all masses.

2017 SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL

We are often reminded by our Holy Father Pope Francis and Sacred Scripture that in order to love one another we must share the blessings which God has provided to us.

In Acts, Chapter 4, we learn that the early church shared all possessions with one another so that the Apostles and early Christian communities could fully proclaim "the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them."

We are called to similarly share what is granted to us by God and return it to Him so that not one of our brothers and sisters goes without: without the gift of faith; without the essential human needs; and without a personal relationship with Our Lord. We are called to Share God's Blessings, and when we do, we find freedom and joy in proclaiming the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus, just as the Apostles did over 2,000 years ago!

Will you join your brothers and sisters in Sharing God's Blessings?

Our goal has been reduced by \$17,868.00. The parish goal for 2017 is \$ 34,500.00.

If you have not yet made a pledge, please consider doing so. Pledge envelopes are on the church vestibule table.

Circle of Compassion

"Demonstrate your faith to me without works and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works"

Please continue your generous support of the efforts of the Circle of Compassion. You may bring your non-perishable food items any weekend and deposit these items in the containers at the entrances of the Church.

You may also make a monetary donation by submitting an envelope marked CIRCLE OF COMPASSION and placing it in the collection basket at Sunday Mass. We will make the necessary purchases for delivery to St. Rocco's.

On behalf of Father Josephat and the many families in Newark that are sustained by your generosity, we ask God's continued blessing on the parish of Our Lady of Lourdes. God Bless You!

The Circle of Compassion,
Mike Billy, Elizabeth Kelly, Norma Weinstein, Mark Margello, Bob Miraglia and Gerry Gallagher