

# THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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## Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time + July 2, 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

Summer Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 am

Weekdays 7:30 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 souls of* Marie Marino and Concetta Casey. May they rest in peace.

*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, Louise Stacey, Eve Vitale and Jack Schuvart.

*The Eucharistic Chapel Candles* will burn this week in loving memory for Paul Mc Glynn requested by Tara Mc Glynn Kennedy, in loving memory for Antoine Bachmeier requested by Mark Farinella and in loving memory for Julie Spinelli requested by Irene Ciccarino.

*The Sanctuary Lamp* will burn this week for the loving memory for Romano Schell requested by Barbara Plucienik.

*Please Pray for our service member,* Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla and Stephen Vesper (Irene Ciccarino's grandson) and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.



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](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: NJ125.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

## 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....

Each one of us is precious; each one of us is irreplaceable in God's eyes.

Mercy warms the heart and makes it sensitive to the needs of brothers and sisters with sharing and participation.

## 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**

I will be merciful to their unrighteousness,  
and their sins... I will remember no more.  
Hebrews 8:12

WOW! Now, that is a remarkable promise. God doesn't just forgive, He forgets. He erases the board. He destroys the evidence. He burns the microfilm. He clears the computer. He doesn't remember my mistakes. For all the things He does do, this is one thing He refuses to do. He refuses to keep a list of my wrongs.

**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, 11 pm
- Tuesday: 7 am, 6 pm, 8 pm
- Wednesday: 3 pm, 6 pm
- Thursday: 4 am, 1 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm, 10 pm
- Friday: 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.



**Mass Intentions for the week**

**Saturday Evening, July 1<sup>st</sup>, Vigil, Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM John Waters (30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
Req. by the Family

**Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish  
9:30 AM John Vitale  
Req. by Eve Vitale  
11:30 AM Genevieve & John Novak  
Req. by Maurice Lake

**Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, St. Thomas**

7:30 AM Werner Schon  
Req. by Andrea & Gary Bregman & Family

**Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Independence Day**

9:00 AM Richard & Genevieve Carrington  
Req. by the Family

**Wednesday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, St. Anthony Zaccaria**

7:30 AM Paul Mc Glynn  
Req. by Barbara Mc Glynn

**Thursday, July 6<sup>th</sup>, St. Maria Goretti**

7:30 AM Amelia Klebous  
Req. by Alice & Dick Fallon

**Friday, July 7<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 AM Janice Casino  
Req. by Bob & Annette Conway

**Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 AM William Tomko  
Req. by the Knodel Family

**Saturday Evening, July 8<sup>th</sup>, Vigil, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM For the People of the Parish

**Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 AM George Geswaldo  
Req. by Catharine & Al Giota  
9:30 AM Stephen Heckel  
Req. by Irene Ciccarino  
11:30 AM Patricia & George Shaneen  
Req. by Karen Shaneen

**No Sunday 5 pm Mass. The 5 pm Mass will resume on Sunday September 10<sup>th</sup>.  
SUMMER CHANGE: Beginning Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> until Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, there will be no 8:30 am Mass.**

**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

THE SCRIPTURES



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 20:24-29
- Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-12; Mt 8:23-27;  
or, for Independence Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Country or a City," nos. 882-886, or "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891
- Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Ps 34:7-8, 10-13; Mt 8:28-34
- Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8
- Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-5; Mt 9:9-13
- Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-6; Mt 9:14-17;
- Sunday: Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

Sunday is the Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time. Jesus tells us that his call is one we cannot look back from. But, he consoles us with the words, "Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."

This week we celebrate the Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle.

The ordinary narrative from Genesis offers stories of Abraham's relationship with the Lord.

The Psalms this week offers praise to God for his mercy and faithfulness to us.

Matthew's Gospel follows Jesus on his journeys, constantly teaching his disciples about faithfulness. He heals the sick, calms a violent storm at sea and forgives sins. At the end of the week, he does something extraordinary - he invites the reviled tax collector, Matthew, to be one of his followers. Then he indicates that the old ways of relating to God are gone - that he is the new way, the new wineskin.

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

**Collection**

6/25/17

\$ 5,842

**Year to Date Actual**

\$ 442,938

**Year to Date Budget**

\$ 445,229

**Deficit**

- \$ 2,291

**A Gentle Reminder:**

Please slow down while driving on our campus. With the fields in use during the summer there are many children around. With the Adoration Chapel in use, people leave by the side door at all times. Please be careful while driving on our campus. Keep everyone safe!



**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Beginning Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> until Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup> we will have only one daily Mass at 7:30 am. The 8:30 am Mass will resume on Tuesday, September 5, 2017.

**BAGELS**

Bagels will resume on September 10<sup>th</sup> after the 9:30 am Mass.

Holy Communion and Confirmation pictures can be picked up at the Parish Office, Monday - Thursday 9 am to 5 pm or Friday, 9am - 2pm.



The Parish Office summer hours for all Fridays of July, August and September 1<sup>st</sup>, will be 9:00 am - 2:00 pm. The regular Friday Office Hours until 5:00 pm will resume on September 8<sup>th</sup>.





**HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL  
MOUNTAINSIDE CAMPUS**

Looking for Afternoon Supervisor for children PreK-3 through Kindergarten.

- 17 years to Senior Citizens eligible
- Experienced with children
- 2:30 to 5:30 Monday through Friday

For more information, please contact the Mountainside Campus at 908- 233-1899 or email us at [htismc@comcast.net](mailto:htismc@comcast.net).



**Fireworks will be held on Our Lady of Lourdes fields on July 4<sup>th</sup> at dusk.**

This Monday, our nation celebrates its 241<sup>st</sup> birthday! We wish all members of our parish a joyful Independence Day! This day, so many families will gather to share time and a meal with each other. Whether we are native-born members of this land, naturalized citizens or those waiting to become citizens, we all rejoice in a day which remembers the principles on which our nation is built. We sometimes do forget these principles and fail in our commitment to live up to the standards found in the Declaration of Independence and our Constitution. May God bless our efforts to be dedicated citizens of this nation and of the world.

**Please note that the parish offices will be closed on Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> and there will be one mass at 9 am.**

**INDEPENDENCE DAY**



On Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> we will have one Mass at 9 am. After Mass the Church will be closed. The Rectory Office will also be closed on this day.  
Happy Birthday USA!!!



**START SPREADING THE NEWS**  
**PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH FAMILY,**  
**FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS**

**Why Full Day Kindergarten at HTIS?**

- Faith based program
- Kindergarten curriculum emphasizing Language Arts and Mathematics
- Specialized teachers for art, music, creative movement, computers and library
- Foreign language instruction
- Computers, iPads and Smart Boards in classrooms
- Age appropriate playground
- Before and after care, 7:30 am - 5:45 pm
- Tuition discount for multiple children



## Circle of Compassion



Sister Jacinta at St. Joseph's Social Service Center is appealing again for support for the annual summer camp for children, ages 7-13. This may be the one opportunity for a child from the inner-city of Elizabeth to experience and enjoy a summer vacation.

**Any assistance we can provide will help cover the cost which is estimated at \$250 per child. Please make whatever donation you can, payable to:**

**The Eddie Gray Camp Fund  
c/o St. Joseph Social Service Center  
118 Division Street  
Elizabeth, NJ 07201**

You may send your contribution to the above address or place it in the Sunday offering in an envelope marked "**Circle of Compassion – Summer Camp**". Please include your name and address to allow Sister Jacinta to acknowledge the donation.

Another way to support this effort is by providing the following items to be placed in the bins at the entrances of the Church. The bags should be clearly marked "**CAMP**".

Bathing Suits (**One piece only and no Speedos**), Soap and Soap Dishes, Sunscreen, Body Lotion and Shampoo (**Travel Sizes**), Tooth Paste (**Travel Size**), Folding Toothbrushes (**Travel Size**), Towels & Wash Cloths, Shorts & Tee Shirts, Sleeping Bags, Small Flashlights & Batteries (**Triple AAA & Double AA**).

Please direct any questions to: Gerry Gallagher at 908-232-4687.

If you have a child entering 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> grade. Please contact the Faith Formation office at [reled@ollmountainside.org](mailto:reled@ollmountainside.org) or 908-233-1777 for more information. We look forward to working with you and your child!

## Focus on Faith Formation



Happy Summer and Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July to our families!

Thanks to all of our families who have registered for our next Faith Formation school year. We are currently working on dates, class assignments, and book orders. Letters with your child's class assignment, dates, and important information will be going out in mid to late July. For now we are asking you to save these dates:

Volunteer Opening Meeting: Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

Catechetical Sunday: September 17<sup>th</sup> - volunteers will be blessed at the 9:30 am Mass.

Catechist Spirituality Certification: Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 9 am.

1<sup>st</sup> Grade Orientation: Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.

Traditional Classroom Model Start Date: Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 4 - 5:15 pm.

Grade 8 Confirmation Prep Year 1 Start Date: Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 7 - 8:15 pm.

Grade 9 Confirmation Prep Year 2 Right of Enrollment followed by session: Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 11:30 am - 2 pm.

Family Faith Start Date: Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> beginning with 5 pm Mass

1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation/1<sup>st</sup> Holy Eucharist Parent Meeting: Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.

If you still have not sent in your registration, please do so. Many classes are now closed. Also, be sure to include the \$50 late fee.

We have many classes without teachers and also many teachers seeking a co-teacher or aide. Please consider volunteering in our program. Our faith is a wonderful gift to share with children. If you can help, please contact the Faith Formation Office at 908-233-1777 or [reled@ollmountainside.org](mailto:reled@ollmountainside.org).

Please remember that current privacy laws regarding patients in hospitals do not allow the hospitals/pastoral care offices to contact parishes if their parishioners are in the hospital. If you or a loved one are going into the hospital and want a priest to visit you or that loved one, please call the Parish Office and let us know.



With the upcoming vacation months of July and August, the food pantries that we send our food collections to will experience a precipitous decline in the amount of food that is on their shelves. Please remember that unfortunately there is no vacation from hunger. Donated food items (non-perishable) can be left in the vestibules any weekend in the summer. As always, your generosity makes a difference in the lives of so many people. You are great!

### Men's Retreat San Alfonso Retreat

Please join us for the Men's retreat at San Alfonso Retreat House from September 22 to September 24, 2017. Registration starts at 4 pm on September 22. The retreat House is run by the Redemptorists and is located at 755 Ocean Ave, Long Branch, New Jersey. The site is located on 8 beautiful acres overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. We have had a group from our Parish that make the trip every year. "It is a place to experience the presence of God and to reflect on the action of God in one's life." The cost is \$210 and a \$50 non refundable deposit is due by September 10. Brochures are available in the rear of the Church. For further information or to sign up contact Michael Billy, by phone at 233-4841 or e mail him at [Bmichael103@aol.com](mailto:Bmichael103@aol.com). Also there are several dates available for a women's retreat in October and November."

## RCIA

*Rite of  
Christian  
Initiation  
for Adults*



**Interested in becoming Catholic?**

Are you searching for meaning or trying to make sense out of life? Have you ever thought about becoming a Catholic? Are you married to a Catholic and wonder what Catholics believe? Have you considered sharing the same faith as your spouse or your kids? Were you baptized Catholic but never received the Sacraments of Penance, Holy Eucharist or Confirmation? **MAYBE GOD IS CALLING YOU...** The R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process by which we "make new Catholics": a process of learning, and asking questions, and growing together in a nurturing welcoming community of faith. Find out more: contact Fr. Bill Benedetto at [frbill@ollmountainside.org](mailto:frbill@ollmountainside.org) or you can call the parish office at 908-232-1162.

### ACCOUNTABILITY WITH HEARTFELT THANKS



Catholic Charities received a check for \$2,791 as a result of your donations from December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 to May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017. These funds combined with monies from other parishes in a similar program throughout the Archdiocese alleviated the sufferings of the needy who sought relief through the many operations of Catholic Charities. We value our older adults and were privileged to assist 1,999 older adults with a range of compelling needs through 12 Catholic Charities programs (FY 2016). Thank you for being our partner and enabling us to bring Christ's love to the most vulnerable in our society.