

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time + July 23, 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 remember in your prayers the soul of Edward Faye. May he rest in peace.

Please pray for the sick. . . Patricia Kane, Marta Pares, Kathleen Ruggeri, Rich Ruggeri, Pedro Antonio Turcios Moreno, Valerie Santiago, Rose Vera Kaeppel, Joeline Stearns, James Roughneen, Elizabeth Szabo, Eve Vitale, David Gagliardotto, Irene Ciccarino, Louise Stacey, Jack Schuvar and Lois Wolf.

The Eucharistic Chapel Candles will burn this week in loving memory for Maurice Hine requested by Marie Hine.

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 members, Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla, for Stephen Vesper (Irene Ciccarino's grandson), for Henry Knaz and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

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

A Christian's mission in the world is splendid, it is a mission intended for everyone, it is a mission of service, excluding no one.

To defend human life, above all when it is wounded by illness, is a duty of love that God entrusts to all.

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

They shall reign forever and ever.
Revelations 22:5

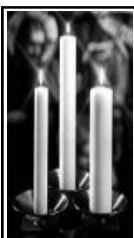
Think for a moment. The One who created you and set all those loves and gifts in your heart, the who has shaped all your life experiences (including the ones that seem to make no sense), this God has prepared a place for you that is more than a perfect fit for all your gifts and quirks and personality traits -- even those you don't know you have. Christ is not joking when He says that we shall inherit the kingdom prepared for us and shall reign with Him forever.

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, 10 am, 2 pm, 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: 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, July 22nd, Vigil, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM
Mary Presuto
Req. by Yolanda Hummel

Sunday, July 23rd, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Katherine Reilly Reid
Req. by the Family
9:30 AM For the People of the Parish
11:30 AM Russ Cardoni
Req. by the Family

Monday, July 24th, St. Sharbel Makhluf

7:30 AM Bob Hummel
Req. by Yolanda Hummel

Tuesday, July 25th, St. James

7:30 AM Felicitacion Evangelista
Req. by Theresa Evangelista

Wednesday, July 26th, St. Joachim and Anne

7:30 AM Mary & Carl Leonhard
Req. by the Family

Thursday, July 27th

7:30 AM Vera Cocchia
Req. by Eve Vitale & the Mountainside Seniors

Friday, July 28th

7:30 AM Marcos Gonzalez Gandolfi
Req. by the Burvett Family

Saturday, July 29th, St. Martha

8:00 AM Phyllis Baum
Req. by Rod & Carlene Dunne

Saturday Evening, July 29th, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Louis Rose
Req. by the Oesterle Family

Sunday, July 30th, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:30 AM William Tomko
Req. by Frank & Jeannine Galka
11:30 AM Ryan Faella
Req. by the Family

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

SUMMER CHANGE: Beginning Monday, July 3rd until Tuesday, September 5th, there will be no 8:30 am Mass.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE SCRIPTURES



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-6; Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28

Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28;
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Dn 3:52-56;
Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 34:2-11; Jn 11:19-27 or
Lk 10:38-42

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77,
127-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 [44-46]

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.

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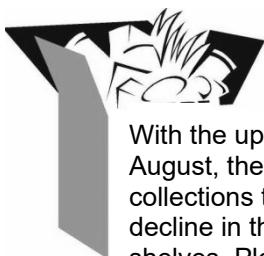
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\$5,568

Year to Date Actual

\$24,778*

* includes June's online giving received in July. Budget is being finalized.



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!

On the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time we are reminded that God has sown good seed, but, of course, an enemy has sown weeds in the same field. We are not supposed to go out there judgmentally pulling up weeds, but to leave judgment to God. The way the Kingdom of God grows is the way tiny seeds grow and the way yeast makes dough rise: it is surprising and slow and almost imperceptible. If we have ears, we ought to hear.

Tuesday is the Feast of St. James, the Apostle.

The daily readings continue our second week from the Book of Exodus continuing the story of God's faithful deliverance of the people from slavery in Egypt. Pharaoh has a change of heart and chases the fleeing Israelites. Moses tells them to "Fear not! Stand your ground, and you will see the victory the Lord will win for you today." With Moses' outstretched arm, they pass through the sea on dry land, while their pursuers drown. Still the people grumble against God in the desert and God gives them manna to eat, with Moses saying, "This is the bread which the Lord has given you to eat." Then God comes to the people in smoke and fire. He summoned Moses and gave him the Ten Commandments and Moses shares them with the people in a covenant ceremony, sprinkling the blood of sacrificed bulls on the altar, saying, "This is the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you."

In Matthew's Gospel this week some people come up and ask Jesus for a sign. He answers mysteriously by saying that the only sign they will receive is the sign of Jonah the prophet, whose preaching brought about conversion. His family comes looking for Jesus and he again asks the mysterious question about who is really a relative, an intimate, with him. His answer is that all of us who do the will of his Father. Then we hear the parable of the sower. It is important for us not to be discouraged because all of the seed doesn't find its way to good soil. Jesus encourages us to be sowers of the Word. He will guarantee a rich harvest. To understand his parables is Jesus' gift to us. Finally, we hear the parable about the weeds in the field again.

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!

Men’s Retreat San Alfonso Retreat

Please join us for the Men's retreat at San Alfonso Retreat House from September 22nd to September 24, 2017. Registration starts at 4 pm on September 22nd. 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 10th. 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 email him at Bmichael103@aol.com. Also, there are several dates available for a women's retreat in October and November.

SPECIAL MISSIONARY COLLECTION

“Each year the Archdiocesan Office for the Propagation of the Faith assigns a Diocese or Religious Community to each parish asking for financial assistance. This year, Fr. Stanley Gomes a priest of our Archdiocese, but originally from Bangladesh will ask for assistance for the Holy Spirit Major Seminary in Bangladesh. Fr. Stanley will speak at all Masses on August 5th & 6th. Please support this special Missionary Appeal with your prayers and financial support.

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



WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

We will have only one daily Mass at 7:30 am until Friday, September 1st.
The 8:30 am Mass will resume on Tuesday, September 5, 2017.

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



SPECIAL COLLECTION

Today, July 23rd, there will be a special collection for paying the Church/Hall AC bill. Please support this collection.



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!

CIRCLE OF COMPASSION

Thank you for your generous response to our appeal in support of St. Joseph's Social Service Center in Elizabeth (Sister Jacinta) and also to The Catholic Parish of the Transfiguration in Newark (Father Josephat Kalema). We donated over \$1,000 to each in non-perishable food and monetary gifts in July of this year.

Circle of Compassion
Liz Kelly, Barbara Plucienik, Mike Billy, Deacon Mike DeRoberts, Mike Margello, Glenn Rosivack, Bob Miragila, Norma Weinstein, Gerry Gallagher

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!





NEW FOR 2017-18 HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL MOUNTAINSIDE CAMPUS

Beginning September 2017 Holy Trinity Mountainside Campus will be offering a Full Day PreK-3 Program with extended care. The day can be structured to your needs, 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. If you are interested in enrolling your child in a faith-based full day preschool program call the Holy Trinity Mountainside Campus at 908-233-1899 or email us at htismc@comcast.net.

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.

Focus on Faith Formation



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 7th at 6:30 pm.

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

Catechist Spirituality Certification: Saturday, September 16th at 9 am.

1st Grade Orientation: Monday, September 11th at 7 pm.

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

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

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

Family Faith Start Date: Sunday, October 1st beginning with 5 pm Mass.

1st Reconciliation/1st Holy Eucharist Parent Meeting: Monday, September 25th 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 are in need of more teachers for the upcoming school year. If you can give some time to volunteer in our program we would greatly appreciate it. If we do not get enough teachers we may have to cancel some classes. If you can help please contact the Faith Formation office at reled@ollmountainside.org or 908-277-1777.

Here are our needs:

Tuesday grade 1 - teacher needed

Tuesday grade 3 - co-teacher needed

Tuesday grade 4 - co-teacher needed

Tuesday grade 5 - teacher needed

Wednesday grade 4 - co-teacher needed

Wednesday grade 7 - co-teacher needed

ORATORY PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Committed to our motto of “Preparing Lives, One by One,” we invite you to come live the “Oratory Experience” at our OPEN HOUSES on Sunday, October 1, 2017 from 1 - 3 pm and on Thursday, October 19, 2017 from 6:45 - 8:15 pm. Faculty and students will be present to give tours and answer questions for prospective 7th - 12th grade boys and their families. Oratory Prep is located at 425 Morris Avenue, Summit, NJ. For further information call: 908-273-1084, ext. 1 or visit us at www.oratoryprep.org.



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.

Marriage Encounter

DO YOUR VACATION PLANS INCLUDE TIME FOR JUST THE TWO OF YOU TO REFRESH YOUR MARRIAGE RELATIONSHIP? On a **Marriage Encounter** weekend married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones for 44 hours—and focus only on each other. If you’d like greater depth, growth, and enrichment in your relationship, you’ll like the difference a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend can make! For more information Contact Janet and Mike Turco 973 427-7016 or 609 335 - 6880 (njwwme@peoplepc.com) or go to njwwme.org.



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

