

# THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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## Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary Time + July 26, 2020

### 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.

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### COME AND WORSHIP WITH US

Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm

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

## Prayer Requests

*Please remember in your prayers the soul of*  
Lenore Lafferty Vega. May she rest in peace.

*Please pray for the sick.* . . . Rich Ruggeri, Pedro Antonio Turcios Moreno, Valerie Santiago, Elizabeth Szabo, Eve Vitale, David Gagliardotto, Luke Ranger, Martha Pares, James Leung, Joseph Iacono, Fred Perna, Frances Kayton, Manny Teixeira, Logan Alseika, Edward Stacy, Joe Raughbaugh, Jim Looram, Angelo (Buddy) Latora, Marilyn Hart, Peter Spadaccini, Roberta Wegryn, Lenore Vega, Richard Kontra and Romaine Malaker.

*The Sanctuary Lamp* will burn this week in loving memory for Henry J. Plucienik requested by the Family.

*Please Pray for our service member,* Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla and AZ2 Stephen Vesper USN and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.

**Sponsor Letters**—Canon (Church) Law states that a Godparent for Baptism and a Sponsor for Confirmation be an active, fully-initiated Catholic (Confirmed). An active Catholic is a parishioner who is registered, attends Mass weekly, contributes to the support of the Church, is in a valid Catholic marriage (an individual married civilly, by a judge, mayor, or divorced and remarried without an annulment is not eligible to act as a sponsor) and publicly leads a genuine Christian lifestyle. Please note that we can only write Letters of Eligibility for parishioners who meet these criteria.

## 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 GIFT BEARERS

Due to temporary regulations from the Chancery there will be no presentation of the gifts at the offertory of the Mass for the time being.

## Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

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

Prophecy is born whenever we allow ourselves to be challenged by God, not when we are concerned to keep everything quiet and under control.

When love for parents and children is inspired and purified by love for the Lord, it then becomes wholly fruitful and produces good fruits within the family itself and well beyond it.

**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**

How precious is Your loving kindness, O God therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Your wings.

Psalm 36:7

The Hebrew word for loving kindness means "unfailing love, steadfast love, mercy, goodness, "God extends loving kindness to us, His children. Like a mother hen brooding over her chicks, the Father invites you under His wings to be protected, warmed, and filled. There, you can relax and rest.

**Mother of the Holy Eucharist Pray for Us!**

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Due to social distancing we will have Eucharistic Adoration in the Church very soon. I am awaiting a report from Kathy Snyder as to which adorers have committed to which hours of adoration. When that report is completed we will temporarily resume Eucharist Adoration in the Church.

**Adoration Chapel Candles**

Intentions to be rescheduled when the church opens for temporary adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

**RESCHEDULING OF MASSES**

As we have resumed the regular Mass schedule, those Mass intentions, beginning this past March will be rescheduled where there are presently Mass slots available.

**MASS BOOK 2020**

Due to the Virus Pandemic, 115 Mass intentions (all Masses for 14 weeks) must be transferred to the first available dates in the Mass Book. Except for those Mass intentions already taken, there are some new Mass intentions open after November 11<sup>th</sup>.



**Saturday Evening, July 25<sup>th</sup>, Vigil, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM Deceased Members of Militello & Shaneen Families  
Req. by Karen Shaneen

**Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 AM Frank Carpency\*  
Req. by the Family  
9:30 AM Marie Kelly  
Req. by the Fenton Family  
11:30 AM Julie Spinelli  
Req. by the Kontra Family

**Monday, July 27<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 AM Henry Gore\*  
Req. by Karen & Phil Shaneen

**Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Wednesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, St. Martha**

7:30 AM Kevin Ward  
Req. by Ethel Ward

**Thursday, July 30<sup>th</sup>, St. Peter Chrysologus**

7:30 AM Ryan Faella  
Req. by the Family

**Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, St. Ignatius of Loyola**

7:30 AM Veronica Honecker\*  
Req. by the Kontra Family

**Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, St. Alphonsus Liguori**

8:00 AM Madeline Madden  
Req. by Bill Madden

**Saturday Evening, August 1<sup>st</sup>, Vigil, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM John Liss  
Req. by Aranja Family

**Sunday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 AM Joseph Dooley\*  
Req. by Dr. & Mrs. Dunne  
9:30 AM Robert Kaepfel  
Req. by the Family  
11:30 AM William Quandt  
Req. by the Zipeto Family

*\* This denotes rescheduled Mass due to pandemic.*

**No Sunday 5 pm Mass.  
The 5 pm Mass will resume  
on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>.**

## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### THE SCRIPTURES



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13;  
Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 34:2-11; Jn 11:19-27  
or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34;  
Mt 14:1-12

Sunday: Is 55:1-3; Ps 145:8-9, 15-18;  
Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21

### Financial Figures

July 19 - \$2,760

### Faith Formation for Incoming 1<sup>st</sup> Graders

If you have a child entering 1<sup>st</sup> grade public school in September, it is time to register for Faith Formation/First Communion Preparation. The Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharistic take place in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, but the Archdiocese of Newark requires children to have two years of Faith Formation to participate in the sacraments. Please contact the Faith Formation Office at [reled@ollmountainside.org](mailto:reled@ollmountainside.org) or go to our website at [ollfaithformation.org](http://ollfaithformation.org) and go to the registration tab. Read about our program and print out the registration and emergency forms and send them in with your payment. If you are not a registered parishioner, please fill out the parish registration form/survey as well. We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you into our program!

On the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time we see how God admires Solomon because he asked for wisdom rather than riches. Jesus is the source of God's wisdom and teaches us more about the Kingdom of Heaven. We imagine the passion of one discovering a treasure buried in a field or finding a pearl of great value, sacrificing everything to buy what is so deeply desired. A dragnet hauls in fish that can nourish others as well as what is not useful for others. Jesus invites us into deeper reflection on what we value and prepares us for our mission.

Wednesday is the Memorial of Saint Martha with its own special readings. On Friday, Jesuit and lay partners from around the world celebrate the Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Society of Jesus. Saturday we remember Saint Alphonsus Liguori, bishop and doctor of the Church.

The first readings this week continue to be from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah. Jeremiah delivers God's messages about the laxity of the rulers. It is a powerful call to conversion for all of us today.

We continue to read from Matthew's Gospel this week, entering into sayings of Jesus about the Kingdom of God. God's reign is like mustard seeds and it is like yeast. It's coming and growth is small and slow, but it is assured. The Kingdom is like a buried treasure or a merchant's search for a really fine pearl. It is worth investing all we have in it. The Kingdom is like the dragnet used for fishing which gathers everything in it. It is at the end of time when God will gather all to separate the good from the evil. We hear that Jesus could not work miracles in his home town, because of their lack of faith in him. They thought they knew him and therefore took him for granted. Herod arrested John because John's preaching was bothering his conscience. He had John beheaded to honor a drunken promise to his niece and an oath to impress his guests.

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.

### RECENT REPAIRS TO THE SOUND SYSTEM John Leone Sound Systems

#### RE: EQUIPMENT INSTALL PHASE I

- A) To trouble-shoot & repair Church sound system as per your request.
- B) To replace all (3) Wireless Microphone Systems in the equipment Church rack with (3) New Wireless Microphone Systems (one Handheld + two Lapel Systems)
- C) To replace the Wireless Handheld System in the school system rack. Complete: \$4260.00

**Focus on Faith Formation**



**Registration:** The registration deadline for the 2020-2021 school year has passed! If you still haven't submitted your registration, please go to [ollfaithformation.org](http://ollfaithformation.org), go to the registration tab, and read all descriptions as some of our programs have changed. Please print out the registration forms, emergency form, and volunteer form, if applicable. Fill out all forms and return them to the Faith Formation Office or to the rectory along with payment. Remember that children will be placed in programs and classes on a first come/first served basis. If you have any questions, please contact the Faith Formation Office at 908-233-1777.

**Circle of Compassion**

We are asking the parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes to resume their generous response for donations as we prepare to answer the appeals from St. Rocco's in Newark and St. Joseph's Social Service in Elizabeth. We have utilized whatever monetary donations were available to assist these communities the past two months. If you wish to purchase non-perishable food items, please leave them in the two containers at the entrances of the Church. You may also make cash donations by placing an envelope clearly marked "Circle Of Compassion" and place it in the collection basket.

Thank you and God bless you for your continued support.

**Volunteers Needed!**

In order for the Faith Formation program to run properly here at Our Lady of Lourdes, we need volunteers from our community to help the children of our parish learn about our faith. Please prayerfully consider sharing your faith with our children. We are in need of a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade catechist and a 6<sup>th</sup> grade catechist on Tuesdays from 4 pm - 5:15 pm and a 5<sup>th</sup> grade catechist on Wednesdays. If you can help or would just like more information, please contact Fran Michetti at 908-233-1777 or [fmichetti@ollfaithformation.org](mailto:fmichetti@ollfaithformation.org).

**True Freedom**



Mount Carmel Guild Behavioral Health System  
Mount Carmel Guild Schools

Christ freed us from sin. Patriots throughout the ages fought for our freedom. There are still those today who cannot enjoy freedom from poverty.

Why not celebrate your freedom by an act of kindness? One way to do this is by donating your unwanted used clothing, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, novels, toys and children's books to our Catholic Charities donations bin located on our property. Thank you.

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!