

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time + July 28, 2019

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
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

Prayer Requests

Please remember in your prayers the souls of Robert Burke and Constance Chapla. May they rest in peace.

Please pray for the sick. . . Patricia Kane, Rich Ruggeri, Pedro Antonio Turcios Moreno, Valerie Santiago, Rose Vera Kaepfel, James Roughneen, Elizabeth Szabo, Eve Vitale, David Gagliardotto, Louise Stacey, Jack Schuvart, Luke Granger, Martha Pares, Irene Ciccarino, James Leung, Joseph Iacono, Fred Perna, Frances Kayton, Manny Teixeira, Jack Ford, Logan Alseika, Anthony DePalma, Edward Stacy, Joe Raughbaugh, Kathleen Bachman and Mary Reich.

The Eucharistic Chapel Candles will burn this week for the loving memory for Madeline Madden requested by Bill Madden and for the loving memory for Roberta Hoefele requested by the Westermanns.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the special intentions for parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Please Pray for our service member, Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla and Petty Officer 2nd Class Stephen Vesper and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

In difficult times, even more than in times of peace, the priority for believers is to be united to Jesus, our hope.

We all go through difficult days at times, but we must always remember that life is a grace. It is the miracle that God drew forth from nothing.

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.

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. Choir practice resumes in late September. If you have questions, please see Joe Neglia or call him at 973-503-9675.



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.



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!

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

All boys and girls are welcome to sign up, the only qualification is that you already received your First Holy Communion!



IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT FR. BILL.



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!

Jesus longs for our company—just one hour...

PERMANENT ADORERS NEEDED FOR HOURS BEGINNING:

- Monday: Noon; 2 pm
- Tuesday: 10 am
- Thursday: 3 pm
- Friday: Noon; 8 pm
- Saturday: 3 am (that's Friday into Saturday); 3 pm

2nd ADORERS NEEDED FOR HOURS BEGINNING:

- Sunday: between 9 am & 1 pm, 4 pm, 6 pm, 7 pm, 9 pm, 11 pm
- Monday: 11 pm
- Tuesday: 4 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm
- Wednesday: 9 am, 11 am, 2 pm, 5 pm, 7 pm
- Thursday: between 6 am & noon; 5 pm
- Friday: 7 am, 2 pm, 3 pm, 10 pm,
- Saturday: between 9 am & 11 am, between 1 pm & 5 pm between 7 pm & 11 pm

All days of the week - between Midnight & 6 am.

SUBSTITUTE & ON-CALL ADORERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED!

CONTACT:

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or **MARIANNE TAYLOR (908-233-6074)**

Mother of the Holy Eucharist Pray for Us!



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.

Mass Intentions for the week



Saturday Evening, July 27th, Vigil, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Protection of Babies in the Womb & their Families
Req. by Filipino Group of Our Lady of Lourdes

Sunday, July 28th, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Special Intentions for Mildred Plucienik
Req. by the Amon Family
9:30 AM Donald Carrelli
Req. by Meurice Lake
11:30 AM Marcos Gonzalez-Gandolfi
Req. by the Burvett Family

Monday, July 29th, St. Martha

7:30 AM Kevin Ward
Req. by Ethel Ward

Tuesday, July 30th, St. Peter Chrysologus

7:30 AM Ryan Faella
Req. by the Family

Wednesday, July 31st, St. Ignatius of Loyola

7:30 AM Martha Beck Reid
Req. by the Family

Thursday, August 1st, St. Alphonsus Liguori

7:30 AM Madeline Madden
Req. by Bill Madden

Friday, August 2nd, St. Eusebius of Vercelli

7:30 AM Thomas Reid
Req. by the Family

Saturday, August 3rd

8:00 AM Rosemary Gagliardi
Req. by Marianne & Bill Taylor

Saturday Evening, August 3rd, Vigil, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Lourdes Corpus
Req. by the Family

Sunday, August 4th, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:30 AM Don Oberding
Req. by Barbara Oberding
11:30 AM Florence Cardoni
Req. by the Family

No Sunday 5 pm Mass.

The 5 pm Mass will resume on Sunday, September 8th.

SUMMER CHANGE

Beginning Monday, July 3rd until Friday, September 1st we will have only one daily Mass at 7:30 am. The 8:30 am Mass will resume on Tuesday, September 3, 2019.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE SCRIPTURES



The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time begins with a reading from Genesis. Abraham pleads for compassion for those few innocent people of Sodom and Gomorrah. God promises him, "For the sake of those ten, I will not destroy it." Jesus teaches us to pray in the reading from Luke's gospel, using the familiar words, "Father, hallowed be your name." He urges us to be persistent in our prayer: "And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you."

Monday is the Memorial of Saint Martha. Wednesday is the Memorial of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Thursday is the Memorial of St. Alphonsus Liguori.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23 or
Ps 34:2-11; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-11;
Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8, 11;
Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37;
Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12

Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17;
Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

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. It may be compared to a field where an enemy sowed weeds among the good seed. Jesus knows the world is full of both the children of God, and also the children of the Evil One - mixed together. We need not worry. It is God who will judge at the end of time. 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 net used for fishing which gathers everything in it. At the end of time 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 Used with permission.

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!



COLLECTION

July 21 - \$4,084

Repair Fund - \$2,232

Mass Book for 2019 is open.

BAGELS

Bagels will resume on September 8th.

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.



ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL 2019

On the weekend of August 3rd and 4th our parish will host Fr. Aro Nathan a priest of this Archdiocese who will be speaking for the Diocese of Tiruchirappalli in India, his native land. Each year the Archdiocesan Office for the Propagation of the Faith assigns a priest or sister religious to speak on the temporal needs of their respective Diocese or Religious Congregation at a particular parish. Fr. Nathan will speak at all weekend Masses on this date. He will ask for your prayers and financial support for the Apostolic works of this Diocese in India. Please be generous in your support. By the way Fr. Nathan is my successor as Pastor at Sts. Joseph & Michael Parish in Union City.

Here are some facts:

The diocese consists of 73 parishes grouped into five Vicariates: Vicariate of Puthur, Crawford, Ponmalai, Keeranur and Manaparai.

There are 110 Diocesan Priests. Among the ministries of the Diocese are: Tamilnadu Family Welfare Centre, TNBC Commission for Justice, Peace and Development, TNBC Labour & Laity Commission, TNBC Vocation & Youth Commissions, Tamilnadu Social Service Society.

There are 7 Colleges located in the Diocese, 29 Higher and Secondary Schools, 28 High Schools and 31 Professional and Training Schools. There are 2 Catholic Hospitals and 11 Dispensaries.

SUMMER CHURCH ATTIRE

Some people may find it unnecessary to address the question of what to wear in Church, particularly during the summer months. The opinion is that God doesn't care what you wear. Maybe, but the manner of your dress can affect in either a positive or negative way the worship of a fellow parishioner. One should not dress crudely or provocatively. Modesty and propriety should be the rule. After all the Church is a sacred space, the House of God, that deserves respect. One would not dress in vulgar manner for a job interview. The problem is when does summer casual dress become almost beach attire?

All we ask is that one think twice regarding how one dresses for Holy Mass especially during the summer months. To quote the Catechism of the Catholic Church: "Modesty is decency. It inspires one's choice of clothing." (2252)

Thank you. Fr. Richard

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Today, July 28th, there will be a special collection for paying the Church/Hall AC bill. Please support this collection.



**Men's Retreat
San Alfonso Retreat**

Please join us for the Men's Directed retreat at San Alfonso Retreat House from September 20th to September 22, 2019.

Registration starts at 4 pm on September 20th. The retreat House is run by the Redemptorists and is located at 755 Ocean Ave, Long Branch, New Jersey. (Cardinal Tobin is a Redemptorist.) 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 theme this year is 'The Call to Holiness: Journeying with Christ and Others towards the Fullness of Life'. The cost is \$240. A \$50 non refundable deposit is due by September 10. Make check payable to San Alfonso Retreat House, but please mail to Michael Billy, 1275 Virginia Avenue, Mountainside NJ 07092. Retreatants outside the parish are certainly welcome. A brochure is posted on the bulletin boards in the front and rear of the Church. For further information or to sign up contact Michael Billy, by phone at 908-233-4841 or email him at Bmichael103@aol.com. Or see him at the 11:30 am Mass where he is an usher. Also there are several dates available for a women's retreat in October and November. I can help you organize a women's retreat."

Focus on Faith Formation



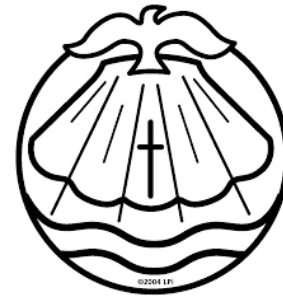
Save These Dates:

Monday, Sept. 9, 6:30 pm: 1st Grade Orientation
 Thursday, Sept. 12, 7 pm: Catechist Meeting
 Sunday, Sept. 15, 9:30 am Mass: Catechetical Sunday Celebration
 Tuesday & Wednesday, Sept. 17 & 18, 4 pm: Weekly Classes begin
 Sunday, Sept. 22, 5 pm Mass: Family Faith Formation begins
 Monday, Sept. 23, 7:30 pm: 2nd Grade parent meeting
 Sunday, Sept. 22, 10:30 am & Tuesday, Sept. 24, 7 pm: 8th Grade classes begin
 Sunday, Oct. 6, 11:30 am Mass: 9th Grade Rite of Enrollment
 Saturday, Nov. 2, 9:30 am: Catechist Doctrinal Training

We have an urgent need for teachers in our Faith Formation program on Tuesdays beginning in September for grades 4, 5, and 7. We ask that you prayerfully consider helping out to fill one of our needs. The lessons are prepared for you in advance so it's easy to follow, and the children are a pleasure to work with. Please contact the Faith Faith Office if you can help. If you are a parent with a child in the program, you will receive a tuition discount for teaching.

The registration deadline has passed. If you still haven't sent in your registration, please do so ASAP and be sure to include the late fee.

If you have a child entering 1st grade in the public school in the Fall it is time to register for Faith Formation. Contact the Faith Formation Office for more information.



The Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms will be celebrated at 1 pm on the following Sundays:

August 4th
 September 8th
 October 13th
 November 10th
 December 8th

New parents are reminded that they MUST register for Baptism and attend a preparation class prior to the celebration of the Sacrament.

The prep classes are held every other month, on Sunday afternoons at 12:30 pm. Attendance of the class may be completed during pregnancy.

Dates of these sessions are:

August 11th
 October 20th
 December 15th

For more information, or to register for Baptism, please contact the Parish Office at 908-232-1162.

MARRIED COUPLES

Give your marriage a well-deserved vacation. Plan to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and come back with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy! The next Marriage Encounter Weekend in North Jersey will be held on September 27-29, 2019.

Go to www.wwme.org to find other weekend dates and locations.

For more information contact:

Mike and Janet Turco at 973-427-7016 or 609-335-6880 or email: mikeandjanetwwme@gmail.com

LOST AND FOUND

Kid's black "Gerry" quilted winter jacket
 Girl's pink "Osh Kosh" quilted jacket
 Navy Blue "Old Navy" front zip jacket
 Jackets can be picked up at the back sacristy.

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 or you can call the parish office at 908-232-1162.



**To benefit St. Joseph's Social Service Center
in Elizabeth, New Jersey**

School Supplies Needed to help relieve the financial strain for the families dependent on the generosity of parishes like Our Lady of Lourdes who support the work of Sister Jacinta Fernandes at St Joseph's Center.

The Circle of Compassion is seeking assistance in our annual drive to benefit the young students who need the most basic of supplies for the coming academic year.

Please consider responding by donating the following essential items:

- Backpacks,
- NEW Notebooks
- Accent Markers,
- Loose Leaf Paper
- Construction Paper,
- NEW Pens & Pencils
- Large Pink Erasers
- NEW Crayons & NEW Colored Pencils
- Pencil Sharpeners (with two openings for pencils & crayons)

Donations can be brought to OLL the weekends of
August 3/4, 10/11, 17/18, 24/25th.

The Circle of Compassion will sort and distribute
beginning on August 26, 2017

*(If you wish to support this effort with a donation, please deposit in envelope at the Church clearly marked **School Supplies-St. Joseph's** and the Circle of Compassion volunteers will do the shopping)*

Thank you for your continuous support.

Any questions, please call Gerry Gallagher,
908-232-4687.