

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time + August 2, 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 pray for the sick. . . Rich Ruggeri, Pedro Antonio Turcios Moreno, Valerie Santiago, Elizabeth Szabo, Eve Vitale, David Gagliardotto, Martha Pares, James Leung, Joseph Iacono, Fred Perna, Frances Kayton, Manny Teixeira, Logan Alseika, Edward Stacy, Joe Raughbaugh, Jim Loram, Angelo (Buddy) Latora, Marilyn Hart, Peter Spadaccini, Roberta Wegryn, Richard Kontra and Romaine Malaker.

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

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 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

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....

When someone offers us a service, we should not think that we deserve everything. Gratitude, appreciation is, first of all, good manners, but it is also a characteristic of a Christian. It is a simple, but a genuine sign of the Kingdom of God.

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

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!

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 11th.

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 Center 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.



Saturday Evening, August 1st, Vigil, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM John Liss
Req. by the Aranjo Family

Sunday, August 2nd, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Mark 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

Monday, August 3rd
7:30 AM Mary & Carl Leonhard
Req. by the Family

Tuesday, August 4th, St. John Vianney
7:30 AM Don Oberding
Req. by Barbara Oberding

Wednesday, August 5th
7:30 AM Edith Fazzini
Req. by Marianne & Bill Taylor

Thursday, August 6th, Transfiguration of the Lord
7:30 AM Frank Frieri
Req. by the Frieri Family

Friday, August 7th, St. Sixtus II
7:30 AM John & Lucy Cangro*
Req. by Linda Fedey

Saturday, August 8th, St. Dominic
8:00 AM Edward Sauerborn
Req. by the Family

Saturday Evening, August 8th, Vigil, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Anthony DePalma
Req. by Flora Servello

Sunday, August 9th, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM William Momberger*
Req. by Melissa Clapsy
9:30 AM Protection of Unborn Children
Req. by the K of C Westfield #1711
11:30 AM Vincent Spagnola
Req. by Diane Manziano

** This denotes rescheduled Mass due to pandemic.*

**No Sunday 5 pm Mass.
The 5 pm Mass will resume
on Sunday, September 13th.**

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE SCRIPTURES



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102;
Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29,
22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9;
2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab,
39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14;
Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

Financial Figures

July 26 - \$2,754

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament will resume in the Church on September 14th, Feast of the Exhalation of the Cross.

The hours are the following:

Monday thru Friday 9 am (following the 8:30 am Mass) to 9 pm.

Saturday, 8:30 am (following the 8 am Mass) to 4 pm.

Sunday No Adoration.

Masks must be worn in Church

On the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time we celebrate how Jesus fed the crowds by making it possible for the disciples to give the people what they had. It was not enough, but became enough because of the compassion Jesus had for the people. Isaiah 55 invites us to come to the water when we are thirsty, to come and eat though we have no money. We can stop spending on what fails to satisfy. Paul consoles us, too, by reminding us that nothing can "separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Tuesday is the Memorial of Saint John Mary Vianney.

Thursday is the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord with its own special readings. Saturday is

the Memorial of Saint Dominic.

This week we complete our readings from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah. Saturday has the consoling reading from the Prophet Habakkuk, "the vision still has its time."

We continue to read from Matthew's Gospel this week. The disciples watch Jesus walk across the water to reach them in a storm. "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." On Tuesday there is a choice of repeating that gospel or using another from Matthew. The Pharisees ask why Jesus' disciples don't follow the dietary laws and Jesus says, "It is not what enters one's mouth that defiles the man; but what comes out of the mouth is what defiles one." "Who do you say I am?," Jesus asks. Peter declares for all of the disciples, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus sums up our discipleship wonderfully: *"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life?"* The disciples wonder why they could not drive out a demon from a boy, Jesus answers, "Because of your little faith." Faith "the size of a mustard seed" is enough.

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.

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!

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT FROM CARDINAL TOBIN

Most of us have witnessed the presence and power of the Holy Spirit as families have come together to protect, comfort, and heal their members during these past months of “Stay home. Stay safe.” We’ve also seen the heroic efforts of healthcare professionals, first-responders, pastoral leaders, and even ordinary citizens who have placed themselves in harm’s way in order to care for those who are in need.

In his letter to families, Pope Francis said that by the power of the Holy Spirit, “Jesus is the one who brings together and unites generations! He is the inexhaustible font of that love which overcomes every occasion of self-absorption, solitude, and sadness.

How true these words are today as we struggle to stay close to one another while maintaining all the necessary precautions of “social distancing” and safe, sanitary environments at home and everywhere we gather as families. On top of everything, we need the love—and joy—that comes to us from Jesus in Word, sacrament, and service to those who are most in need of God’s love.

Our New Virtual Faith Formation Program for Grades 1-8 Starting in October

After a virtual meeting with the Archdiocese Catechetical Office, and with Fr. Richard’s approval, we determined that the best plan of action for the safety of all, is to have a virtual program in the Fall. **All grade 1-8 students in each program**, Family Faith, Weekly, and pre-Confirmation 7 & 8 will be going virtual.

We will begin the virtual program in October and we will cover one unit per month. The assignments for the month will be posted on google classroom for each grade level.

Here is a general outline of the virtual program. The students will have the entire month to work on the material. There are 3 chapters in each unit for elementary. **Grades 1-6** will have to:

1. watch a video of one of our priests doing an opening prayer and talking about the current liturgical season
2. read the pages in the book (younger children may need parent assistance)
3. watch 3 videos that help teach each chapter in the unit
4. complete a short attendance assessment - not for a grade but to let us know the child has read the book and watched the videos
5. complete a family activity and take a picture doing it such as saying grace before meals or donating food to the poor
6. go on a zoom class at the end of the month to review the unit with a catechist

If your child cannot attend the time of the assigned zoom class, the recorded class will be on google classroom at a later time and we ask that your child watch it. An attendance assessment will be given to let us know your child watched the zoom class.

7th & 8th grade will work the same as above except the family activity will fulfill the community service requirement, which will be socially distant and well explained on google classroom.

More details have been sent to each family and questions can be directed to the Faith Formation Office at 908-233-1777 or reled@ollmountainside.org.

As of now, the **9th grade** immediate Confirmation program will stay the same. Kevin Donahue will be contacting families if there are any changes.

Faith Formation for Incoming 1st Graders

If you have a child entering 1st grade public school in September, it is time to register for Faith Formation/First Communion Preparation. The Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist takes place in 2nd 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 or go to our website at ollfaithformation.org and go to the registration tab. Read about our new virtual program above 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!