

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time + August 4, 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 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, Mary Reich and Genevieve Powers.

The Eucharistic Chapel Candles will burn this week for the loving memory for Etta Romak requested by her sisters and for the loving memory for Laurence Meier requested by Gregory Meier.

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.

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.



Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

Jesus looks for witnesses who say to Him every day: “Lord, you are my life.”

Witness is born from the encounter with the living Jesus.

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.

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.

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!

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:

KATHY SNYDER (908-232-4817; auntkik@comcast.net) 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.



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

Monday, August 5th

7:30 AM Rita D'Anna
Req. by Joan & Pat Fericola

Tuesday, August 6th, Transfiguration of the Lord

7:30 AM Frank Frieri
Req. by Maria & Bob White

Wednesday, August 7th, St. Sixtus

7:30 AM Edith Fazzini
Req. by Bill & Marianne Taylor

Thursday, August 8th, St. Dominic

7:30 AM Edward Sauerborn
Req. by the Family

Friday, August 9th, St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

7:30 AM Christopher Grant
Req. by John & Mary Ann Kitchell

Saturday, August 10th, St. Lawrence

8:00 AM Laurence Meier
Req. by Gregory Meier

Saturday Evening, August 10th, Vigil, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Vincent Spagnola
Req. by Diane Manziano

Sunday, August 11th, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:30 AM Donald Carrelli
Req. by the Stolting Family
11:30 AM Deceased Members of the Shaneen & Militello Families
Req. by Karen Shaneen

No Sunday 5 pm Mass.

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

SUMMER CHANGE

The 8:30 am Mass will resume on Tuesday, September 3, 2019.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary TimeTHE SCRIPTURES

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9;
2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25 -- 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35;
Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Heb 11:1-2,
8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]**Collection**

July 28 - \$ 5,592

Air Conditioning Fund - \$2,021

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.



On the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, the first reading from Ecclesiastes offers a powerful caution about focusing too much on the things of this world: "Vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!" In Luke's gospel Jesus tells the parable of the rich man storing up treasures for the future, and he warns, "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

Tuesday is the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord, with its own special readings. Thursday is the Memorial of Saint Dominic and Saturday is the Feast of Saint Lawrence, deacon and martyr.

We continue the story of Moses leading the Israelites out of Egypt. This week our readings are from the Book of Numbers for the first several days and from the Book of Deuteronomy on Friday.

In Matthew's Gospel this week we hear some marvelous words about faith and discipleship. The "feeding of the 5,000" comes after the disciples ask Jesus to send the crowd away because they didn't know how to feed them. Jesus tells them to "give them some food yourselves" and blesses the loaves and fishes. Jesus comes to his disciples across the water in a storm, and invites Peter to come to him, across the water; when Peter comes, he takes his eyes off Jesus and goes down. A persistent Cannanite woman begs Jesus for help for her daughter. When he refuses, she persists and he replies, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." Jesus asks his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" and Peter replies, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." But when Peter tries to stop Jesus from talking about the hardships that are ahead, Jesus tells him, "Get behind me, Satan!" He gives his followers a guide for their lives: "Whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." 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.

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!



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 Formation 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.

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."

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

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Thursday, August 15, 2019 is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary a Holy Day of Obligation. Our Masses for this Holy Day are the following:

Vigil Mass on Wednesday Evening:
August 14th at 7:30 pm

On the Feast Day, Thursday:
August 15th at 7:30 am and 7:30 pm



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. Aro Nathan a priest of our Archdiocese, but originally from India will ask for assistance for the Diocese of Tiruchirappalli, India. Fr. Nathan will speak at all Masses this weekend. Please support this special Missionary Appeal with your prayers and financial support.

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.

A Time To Relax



Catholic Charities
of the Archdiocese of Newark
Mount Carmel Guild Behavioral Health System
Mount Carmel Guild Schools

Summertime is a time to relax. During this leisure time, would you be willing to go through your closets to get rid of all those unwanted heavy winter clothes and shoes which served you so well during the winter season? Please donate them to the Catholic Charities donation bin located on the Church grounds. Thank you for helping Catholic Charities continue its mission.

Circle of Compassion

"Demonstrate your faith to me without works and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works"

Please continue your generous support of the efforts of the Circle of Compassion. You may bring your non-perishable food items any weekend and deposit these items in the containers at the entrances of the Church.

You may also make a monetary donation by submitting an envelope marked CIRCLE OF COMPASSION and placing it in the collection basket at Sunday Mass. We will make the necessary purchases for delivery to St. Rocco's.

On behalf of Father Josephat and the many families in Newark that are sustained by your generosity, we ask God's continued blessing on the parish of Our Lady of Lourdes. God Bless You!

The Circle of Compassion,

Mike Billy, Elizabeth Kelly, Norma Weinstein,
Mark Margello, Bob Miraglia and Gerry Gallagher

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.

Celebration of Marriage Retreat September 27 - 28 Marianist Family Retreat Center 417 Yale Ave., Cape May Point, NJ 08212

This weekend is intended for couples married at least 10 years. It honors and celebrates the commitment of marriage. We strike a deliberate balance among participation/reflection, liturgy, free time, fun activities and plenty of "couple time" for walks on the nearby beaches.

Cost: \$280 per couple (includes all meals, room, and program)

Sign up online at www.capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829 for more information.



**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 3/4th, 10/11th, 17/18th, 24th/25th.**

The Circle of Compassion will sort and distribute beginning on August 26, 2019

*(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.