

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time + August 9, 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 Loomam, Angelo (Buddy) Latora, Marilyn Hart, Peter Spadaccini, Lenore Vega, Richard Kontra and Romaine Malaker.

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

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.

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.**

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

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

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.

On the Day of Judgment we will not be judged for our ideas,
but for the compassion we have shown to others.

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

The generous soul will be made rich, and he who waters will also be watered himself.
Proverbs 11:25

Whatever we may own, whether in large or small measure, when placed gladly in God's great strong hands can be blessed and multiplied a thousand times to enrich countless other lives. If clutched tightly and timidly to our own selfish souls it will shrivel away to a mere whimsy wasted on one's self.

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 8st, 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 Clappsy
9:30 AM Protection of Unborn Babies
Req. by the K of C Westfield Council 1711
11:30 AM Vincent Spagnola
Req. by Diane Manziano

Monday, August 10th, St. Lawrence

7:30 AM Charles Tocko*
Req. by Karen & Phil Shaneen

Tuesday, August 11th, St. Clare

7:30 AM Laurence Meier
Req. by Gregory Meier

Wednesday, August 12th, St. Jane Frances

7:30 AM Special Intentions Theresa Mantone*
Req. by Millie Juliano

Thursday, August 13th, St. Pontian

7:30 AM Irene Ciccario*
Req. by Ed & Marie Smith

Friday, August 14th, St. Maximilian Kolbe

7:30 AM Dr. John P. Fenton
Req. by the Family

Saturday, August 15th, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM Paul McGlynn
Req. by Barbara McGlynn

Saturday Evening, August 15th, Vigil, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Mary Della Serra
Req. by Esther Rinaldo

Sunday, August 16th, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Stella Meier
Req. by Gregory Meier
9:30 AM Robert Wyckoff
Req. by Joyce Wyckoff
11:30 AM Michael Sr. & Jr. & James Geron
Req. by Karen Shaneen

** This denotes rescheduled Mass due to pandemic.*

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

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE SCRIPTURES



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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

Tuesday: Ez 2:8 — 3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Ps 113:1-6; Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21 — 19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 [59-63]; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Financial Figures

August 2 figures will appear in next weeks bulletin.

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 **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**, Elijah finds God not in the thunder and driving wind, but in a gentle breeze. Peter's fear gets the best of him, when Jesus calls him out of his boat in a stormy sea. Peter takes his eyes off of Jesus and would have perished without Jesus' rescuing him.

Monday is the **Feast of Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr**. Tuesday is the **Memorial of Saint Clare**. Friday is the **Memorial of Saint Maximilian Mary Kolbe, priest and martyr**. Saturday is the **Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, with its own special readings.

This week we begins a two week series of readings from the **Prophet Ezekiel**. He his vivid visions tell of the destruction of Israel to come and the salvation that will follow.

Matthew's Gospel offers us a number of familiar and powerful stories as we reflect upon God's mercy and our call to imitate God's love. Jesus predicts his passion and miraculously resolves a conflict over temple tax. It is not the temple tax for which he will be executed, but for what he reveals about God's love and mercy to sinners. Unless we are humble and trusting like children, we will not enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus tells us the hard work we should go through to reconcile with a sinner. He says that whenever we are gathered together, in his name, he is with us. He tells us to forgive - over and over again - and tells the parable of the servant who is forgiven but won't forgive a fellow servant. Children were not regarded very highly and the disciples tried to bar them from bothering Jesus. Jesus welcomes them - and all the powerless they represent: "for the Kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

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.

PLEASE NOTE

The Feast of the Assumption of Mary on Saturday, August 15 is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

Does the Parish have your current email? Occasionally we reach out to parishioners in this manner especially during this period of social distancing.

Please let us know the best way to reach you!

Email: lcandela@ollmountainside.org

Text or call: 908-391-3737

Words of Encouragement from Cardinal Tobin

We want always to be good neighbors who reverence and respect one another, especially the most vulnerable people in our communities. That’s why we urge everyone to be conscious of our serious responsibility for the health and wellbeing of all.

Love of God and Love of Neighbor are the two great commandments given to us by our Redeemer. Nothing is more important. Nothing should be allowed to get in the way of our wholehearted, unconditional observance of these Laws of Love. But, as I also observed, the question we invariably ask (consciously or subconsciously) is “Who is my neighbor?” Who are we required to love especially when we are in the midst of a pandemic that threatens our health, our economic well-being and our peace of mind?

May we always extend to others the same welcome that Christ extended to strangers. May we do whatever it takes to protect our most vulnerable neighbors. May the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of all the Americas, inspire us to meet Christ in our neighbors, so that we all may be united in our diversity, as members of the one family of God.

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!

Please remember the Parish of Our Lady of Lourdes in your estate planning.