

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time + August 18, 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 & 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. . . 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 George Lair requested by Mark Farinella and for the loving memory of William Dillon, Sr. requested by the Dillon Family.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in loving memory for Walter Olsofsky requested by Plucienik Family.

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

Basically, the Christian witness announces this alone: that Jesus is alive and that He is the secret of life.

In the midst of all those passing things in which we are so caught up, help us Father to seek what truly lasts: your presence and that of our brother or sister.

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

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. 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.

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.

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

If by one man's offense many died, much more the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ abounded to many.

ROMANS 5:15

We do not come to know God through works -- we come to know Him by faith through grace. We cannot work our way toward happiness and heaven; we cannot moralize our way, we cannot reform our way we cannot buy our way. Salvation comes as a gift of God through Christ.

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 17th, Vigil, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Sunday, August 18th, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:30 AM Maria Hubmann
Req. by Rosemarie Graziano
11:30 AM Edward Noha
Req. by Theresa Manzano

Monday, August 19th, St. John Eudes

7:30 AM Robert Wyckoff
Req. by Joyce Wyckoff

Tuesday, August 20th, St. Bernard

7:30 AM Virginia Lucas
Req. by Carol & Al Leick

Wednesday, August 21st, St. Pius X

7:30 AM Rosemarie Giordano
Req. by Karen Shaneen

Thursday, August 22nd, Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30 AM Gaspar & Teixeira Families
Req. by the Teixeira Families

Friday, August 23rd, St. Rose of Lima

7:30 AM Rita D'Anna
Req. by the Rosary Altar Society

Saturday, August 24th, St. Bartholomew

8:00 AM Georgette H. Grau
Req. by the Amalfe Family

Saturday Evening, August 24th, Vigil, Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Eileen Mary Gavitt
Req. by the Burvett Family

Sunday, August 25th, Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:30 AM Jack & Doris Barrington
Req. by Michele Hopkins
11:30 AM S. Hunter Taylor
Req. by Bill & Marianne Taylor

No Sunday 5 pm Mass.

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

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE SCRIPTURES



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

Sunday: Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1-2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

COLLECTION

August 11 - \$ 4,840

Mass Book for 2019 is open.

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.



Sunday is the Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus says, "I have come to set the earth on fire." He warns us that the divisions we see, even in our own families, are too often caused by the choices people make about his mission.

Tuesday is the Memorial of Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church. Wednesday is the Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope and Thursday the Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Saturday is the Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle.

In the first part of the week, we have readings from the Book of Judges. We read of how Israel worshiped other gods and fell into the power of their enemies; how God called Gideon to be a leader of his tribe; of Gideon's son Abimelech who was unfairly made king and his brother Jotham's response; and of Jephtha's promise to God to sacrifice the first person he saw if only he was victorious in battle. After his victory, Jephtha's only child ran to greet him and he sacrificed her. The Psalm reading for that day reminds us that "Sacrifice or oblation you wished not, but ears open to obedience." Two days of readings from the Book of Ruth tell the moving story of Naomi and her loving daughter-in-law Ruth. Ruth leaves her own homeland to return with Naomi to Bethlehem, where Ruth remarries and has a child, Obed, who will become the grandfather of the great king, David.

Matthew's Gospel this week includes some favorite parables, like the rich young man. Jesus says "it is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the Kingdom of God," and we know he is introducing the counter-cultural idea that riches may make it more difficult to be saved. Those are followed by stories of the Master of the vineyard who leaves us with the phrase "The last will be first and the first, last." Jesus tells the parable of the landowner who hires workers throughout the day, including the last hours. When he pays them all the same, those who worked all day grumbled. "Are you envious because I am generous?" He offers the parable of the guests who are too busy to attend the wedding feast of the king's son. Friday, Jesus tells us to love our neighbors as ourselves. Saturday, Jesus says, "Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

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.

BAGELS

Bagels will resume on September 8th.

High School Placement Test

Attention families of 8th grade students planning to attend Catholic High School in Fall 2020! The High School Placement Test (HSPT) administered as part of the Cooperative Admissions Exam Program for Catholic High Schools will be given on Friday, November 8, 2019. Registration for the HSPT exam is available online at www.njcoopexam.org beginning September 3rd. For more information about the Cooperative Admissions Program, go to www.catholicchoolsnj.org.

Additionally, the Catholic High Schools are holding their annual HS Expo Night. Parents and students are invited to meet with representatives from many Archdiocesan High Schools from 7:00-8:30 pm on the following dates and locations:

Tuesday, September 17th at St. John the Apostle School, 571 Valley Rd., Clark

Tuesday, September 24th at Visitation Academy, 222 Farview Ave., Paramus

Wednesday, September 25th at the Archdiocesan Center, 171 Clifton Ave., Newark

Thursday, September 26th at Primary Prep at St. Aedan, 41 Tuers Ave., Jersey City

For directions and more information, visit www.catholicchoolsnj.org or call 973-497-4260.

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

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!



Please clip and donate Box Tops Labels to help support Holy Trinity School.

Collection boxes are located in the Church lobby.



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.

you are
NOT *alone*

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.



Looking to make a few dollars while clearing out your attic or garage? Or are you hoping to find some "new" treasures for a low price? Start sorting out your items to join in the Mountainside Town-Wide Garage Sale, organized by the Mountainside Newcomers Club. We provide lawn signs, a participant map, and many sources of advertising to help make this event so popular. The sale will be held on Saturday, September 21st, 9 am - 2 pm, rain date September 22nd.

Please email mtsdnewcomers@gmail.com with questions or to register.

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 10th. 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."

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



**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 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 17/18
, 24/25.**

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.