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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME— August 29, 2021

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 : Helen Ahlquist, Logan Alseika, Judy Burns, Ramona Fernandez, Gerry Gallagher, David Gagliardotto, Christopher Gore, Joseph Iacono, Frances Kayton, Conner LaVile, Angelo (Buddy) Latora, James Leung, Jim Loram, Janice Machin, Romaine Malaker, Martha Pares, Fred Perna, Joe Roughbaugh, Valerie Santiago, Michael Servello, Peter Spadaccini, Edward Stacy, Betty Lou Stypa, Manny Teixeira, & Eve Vitale.

The Eucharistic Chapel Candles will burn this week for the parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in loving memory of Valentine Olesofsky requested by The Plucienik Family.

Please Pray for our service member,
SGM. Nicholas Perez-Santalla and AZ2 Stephen Vesper USN and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.



Saturday, 5:00 PM	August 28th, St. Augustine Kevin P. Fenton Req. by The Family
Sunday, 7:30 AM	August 29th, Twenty-Second Sunday Ordinary Time People of the Parish
9:30 AM	Dr. John P. Fenton Req. by The Family
11:30 AM	Margaret Selby Req. by The Gorham Family
Monday, 7:30 AM	August 30th, Special Living Intention for Good Health Father Bill Benedetto Req. by Carmen & Santos Santiago
Tuesday, 7:30 AM	August 31st, Special Living Intention for Good Health Father Richard Carrington Req. by Carmen & Santos Santiago
Wednesday,	September 1st, World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation
7:30 AM	Kevin Ward Req. by Ethel Ward
Thursday, 7:30 AM	September 2nd, Ethel & Stephen Flaherty Req. by Ethel Ward
Friday, 7:30 AM	September 3rd, St. Gregory the Great The Ward Family Req. by Ethel Ward
Saturday, 8:00 AM	September 4th, Paul McGlynn Req. by Barbara McGlynn
5:00 PM	Kevin Ward Req. by Ethel Ward
Sunday, 7:30 AM	September 5th, Twenty-Third Sunday Ordinary Time Mary & Carl Leonhard Req. by The Family
9:30 AM	Arlene Minch & Irene Minch Req. by The Family
11:30 AM	People of the Parish

ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS

Even if you are not scheduled to serve Mass, we ask that you please check the Sunday Sacristy 10 minutes prior to Mass to see if you are needed.

ATTENTION LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

You have already been assigned, please check the schedule.

THE PRIESTS ASK THATAll lectors, altar servers, & extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion please report to the Sunday Sacristy at least 5 minutes prior to the scheduled Mass. This will allow the priest celebrant to know what type of help he has or does not have before the scheduled mass.

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.



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



WE ARE IN NEED OF USHERS FOR ALL MASSES

If interested, please contact Mike Billy for further details.
Bmichael103@aol.com

The Anointing of the Sick is not a Sacrament for those only who are at the point of death. Hence, as soon as anyone of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time for him (her) to receive this Sacrament has certainly arrived.

Catechism of the Catholic Church

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

THE SCRIPTURES



- Monday:** 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30
- Tuesday:** 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37
- Wednesday:** Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
- Thursday:** Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
- Friday:** Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39
- Saturday:** Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
- Sunday:** Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex
A few tweets from Pope Francis...

Like Jesus's fellow villagers, we risk not recognizing him. An abstract and distant god who doesn't get himself involved in situations is more comfortable. God incarnated Himself: humble, tender, hidden, drawing near to us, living the normality of our daily life.

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It would be good to ask ourselves every day: "What do I bring to Jesus today?". He can do a lot with one of our prayers, with a gesture of charity for others. This is how God loves to act: He does great things, starting from those small things.

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!



August 22nd	=	\$ 5021.00
Repair Fund	=	\$ 1907.00
Haiti	=	\$ 452.00



SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

- September 12th:** Catholic University of America
- September 19th:** Repair Fund

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

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our week begins as we look to the **Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**. We see a glimpse of the Prophet **Jeremiah** who understands the pain of following the Lord and decides not to speak the Lord's name again,

"but then it becomes like fire burning in my heart."

Paul's letter to the **Romans** encourages those ancient Romans - and us - not to conform to this age but to discern the will of God.

In **Matthew's Gospel**, Jesus corrects his disciples' resistance to his own passion and death, telling them that if they try to save their lives, they'll lose them.

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."

Thursday is the **Memorial of Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church**.

Paul's **First Letter to the Thessalonians** concludes on Tuesday.

Wednesday, we begin a week of readings from the **Letter to the Colossians**, with its gracious salutation and encouragement.

The readers are exhorted to see Christ as the **"head of the body"** noting that all is created **"in and through him."**

We now move from Matthew to **Luke's Gospel**, which we will read on weekdays from now until Advent begins.

We will feel the special way the evangelist will highlight healing, mercy, the poor, women, prayer, the Spirit and a gospel for a new, all inclusive, Israel.

Jesus teaches in the synagogue and reads from Isaiah:

"Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

Jesus heals a man with demons. He heals Simon's mother-in-law, and all the sick they brought him.

"I must proclaim the good news of the Kingdom of God, because for this purpose I have been sent."

He calls out to three discouraged fishermen to lower their nets, to show them his power. Peter is overwhelmed and protests he is unworthy.

"Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men."

At Jesus' persistence, Peter, James and John leave their nets to follow Jesus. The week ends with Jesus' tangling with the Pharisees who challenge the fasting of his disciples.

"Can you make the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them?"

He deflects the criticism by telling them

"no one pours new wine into old wineskins."

When his critics note that his disciples were **"unlawful"** by picking heads of grains to eat, he tells them,

"The Son of Man is lord of the sabbath."

Next Sunday is the **Twenty-Third week in Ordinary Time**. As faithful followers, we are encouraged to **"love one another"** throughout the readings. **Ezekiel** tells us that we are responsible for each other and Paul's letter to the **Romans** offers: **"Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another."**

In **Matthew's Gospel**, Jesus tells us to challenge each other on our behavior and to pray,

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

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.



**It's Time for Faith Formation
Program Start Dates**

Traditional Classroom Model:

4-5:15 PM Tues. 10/5 and Wed. 10/6

Family Faith:

Google Classroom assignments will post Fri. 10/1
First Zoom Classes- Sun. 10/17

Grades 7 & 8:

Google Classroom assignments will post Fri. 10/1
First in-person class 7-8:15 PM Tues. 10/5

Grade 9 Confirmation:

Rite of Enrollment Mass 11:30 AM Sun. 10/3
Followed by in-person session

More Important Dates

Grade 1:

“Meet and Greet” orientation for parent & child 6:30-7 PM
Wed. 9/8 in Pollard Hall.

Family Faith and Catechists:

Book pick up Mon. 9/13
2:30-3:30 PM and 6:30-7:30 PM in Pollard Hall.

Grade 2 First Reconciliation/First Eucharist Parents:

Parent only Zoom Meeting 7 PM Tues. 9/28

Catechists Opening Meeting:

Zoom Meeting 7 PM Thurs. 9/16

If you still need to register for the Fall:

Please go to ollfaithformation.org, click on the registration tab, then print out the volunteer, emergency, and registration forms.

Fill forms out completely, place in an envelope marked “Faith Formation” along with payment and drop it off at the rectory.

If you have a child entering 1st grade in the Fall and attending public school, it's time to register your child for Faith Formation.

The Sacraments of 1st Reconciliation and 1st Eucharist take place in 2nd grade, but the preparation is a 2 year process that begins in 1st grade.

Please contact the Faith Formation office or visit our website ollfaithformation.org, and click on the registration tab for more information.

If you have a child entering 2nd or 9th grades and attending Catholic school, please contact the Faith Formation office to register for the Sacraments of 1st Eucharist, Reconciliation or Confirmation.

First Communion Families

Communion photos are in!
If you ordered pictures, **PLEASE** pick them up at the rectory

**Monday-Thursday 9 AM-3 PM
Friday 9 AM-12 PM**



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!

Dear Parishioners:

We are looking for your help..

There has been an overflow of garbage being placed in the church dumpster.

This cost indirectly affects you the parishioners, as we are charged additional fees for an abundance of garbage and household items placed in the dumpster.

If you see someone outside dumping personal items, please bring it to the rectory's attention, so we may address it properly.

Thanks for your help and support

PARISH OFFICE HOURS CHANGING

NEW SUMMER HOURS

Monday thru Thursday : 9 am to 3 pm

Friday—9 am to 12 pm

Please plan accordingly



Newark priest exists to help encourage Christians to participate in the active discernment of their specific calling to love others. Whether you are discerning a call to the priesthood or trying to help someone else discern their call, we are here for you. www.newarkpriest.com

MASS BOOK 2021

The Mass Book for the year 2021 is now open.
The Mass Book is presently open for Masses through December 2021.

**Family Promise Interfaith Hospitality Network
Union County, NJ**

Tend My Sheep Ministry

Summer is the time of the year to enjoy the outdoors. From swimming to hiking to picnics with friends and family, summer is a great time to indulge in the fun, natural activities our planet has to offer. However, the Bible encourages us to work and remain prudent during this time since historically, this season includes cultivation and shepherding. In that vein, we would like to make August the month of cultivation and shepherding.

Our Family Promise guests are in need of gift cards in small denominations (\$25) to purchase food, summer items as well as back to school supplies. Gift cards to ShopRite and Costco will allow them to shop for what they need and to prepare home cooked meals for their families. We would like to provide cards throughout the month of August so that our guests can also enjoy the end of the summer.

These can be dropped off at the rectory, given to Deacon Mike, or put in the collection basket during all masses, in an envelope marked Tend My Sheep Ministry.

If you have any questions, please contact Karen Hahner, hahnerk@comcast.net or at (908) 789-4639 or Deacon Michael DeRoberts, mderoberts@aol.com, or at (908) 868-0727

**Thanks again for all you do to make
Our Lady of Lourdes a great parish!**

Deacon Mike and Karen Hahner
Coordinators

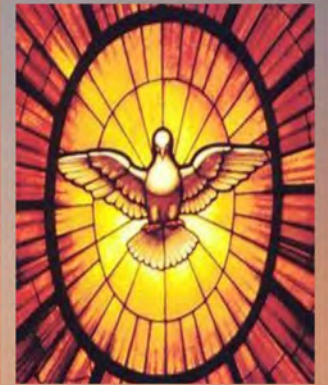


Please note, there is no 7:30 am Mass on September 6th.
The morning Mass will be at 9 am.
The Parish offices will be CLOSED on Monday, September 6th
in observance of Labor Day!

**PATRIOTIC ROSARY - 7:00 PM
HOLY MASS - 7:30 PM**

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2021

SEPTEMBER 2
OCTOBER 7
NOVEMBER 4
DECEMBER 2

2022

JANUARY 6
FEBRUARY 3
MARCH 3
APRIL 7
MAY 5
JUNE 2

2021 Annual Archdiocesan Appeal

The 2021 Annual Appeal will fund essential programs and ministries at the heart of our Catholic mission in our four counties – namely to proclaim the gospel, to pass on the faith to future generations, particularly through the celebration of the sacraments, and to care for the poor and those on the margins. Now more than ever, especially during this health crisis, our ministries and programs need your support.

Our parish goal is \$52,682.00

Your gift to the 2021 Annual Appeal supports essential programs and ministries including:

**Office of Evangelization * International Missions
Pastoral Ministry with the Deaf**

The Parish Priests wish to thank all parishioners who have contributed to the Annual Archdiocesan Appeal.

Monies received to date: **\$ 59,633.00**

Donors Have Pledged : **\$62,933.00**

THANKS ALL FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY.

Protecting God's Children

We are holding a **Protecting God's Children** class on Wednesday, September 8 at 7:30 PM in Pollard Hall.
If you are a new volunteer for the parish, or you need to re-certify, please contact Fran Michetti at 908-233-1777 or fmichetti@ollmountainside.org for registration information.



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