

# THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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## Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time + August 30, 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 remember in your prayers the soul of* Doris Lueddeke and Pedro Antonio Turcios Moreno (Milagro Schlutter's father). May they rest in peace.

*Please pray for the sick.* . . 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, Peter Spadaccini, Richard Kontra and Romaine Malaker.

*The Sanctuary Lamp* will burn this week in loving memory for Valentine Olsosky requested by the Plucienik 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.

## 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!

## 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 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...

God does not love you because you behave well. He loves you, plain and simple.  
His love is unconditional; it does not depend on you.

Amid so many passing things, the Lord wants to remind us of  
what will remain forever: love, because "God is love".

**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**

GOD is faithful: He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear.  
1 Corinthians 10:13 Niv

God came down and lived in this same world as a man. He showed us how to live in this world, subject to its vicissitudes and necessities that we might be changed -- not into an angel or a storybook princess, not wafted into another world, but changed into saints in this world. The secret is Christ in me not me in a different set of circumstances.

**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 11<sup>th</sup>.

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](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: NJ125. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

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](mailto:lcandela@ollmountainside.org)  
Text or call: 908-391-3737



**Saturday Evening, August 29<sup>th</sup>, Vigil, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM Dr. John P. Fenton  
Req. by the Family

**Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, Twenty-Second 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 Robert Vanderloo  
Req. by Marianne & Bill Taylor

**Monday, August 31<sup>st</sup>**

7:30 AM Irene Ciccarino\*  
Req. by Rose Vera Kaepfel

**Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>**

7:30 AM Protection of Unborn Babies\*  
Req. by the K of C Council #1711

**Wednesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>**

7:30 AM Robert H. Kaepfel  
Req. by the Family

**Thursday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, St. Gregory**

7:30 AM Hope Hernandez\*  
Req. by the Lledo Family

**Friday, September 4<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 AM Rose Frieri\*  
Req. by the Frieri Family

**Saturday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, St. Teresa of Calcutta**

8:00 AM Bassillo & Lamendola Families\*  
Req. by Karen Shaneen

**Saturday Evening, September 5<sup>th</sup>, Vigil, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM Piera Gagliano  
Req. by the Family

**Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 AM Felice T. Zukowsky\*  
Req. by M/M John Calderone  
9:30 AM Marie Kelly  
Req. by the Greeley Family  
11:30 AM Deceased Members of the Militello & Shaneen Families  
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 13<sup>th</sup>.**

## Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### THE SCRIPTURES



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30  
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37  
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44  
 Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6;  
 Lk 5:1-11  
 Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40;  
 Lk 5:33-39  
 Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5  
 Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10;  
 Mt 18:15-20

### Financial Figures

August 23 - \$3,510  
 Restricted Fund - \$1,174

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament will resume in the Church on September 14<sup>th</sup>, 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***

Our week ends 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."

Wednesday is the Memorial of Saint Gregory the Great, pope and doctor of the Church.

Our first weekday reading for the next several weeks will be from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians, offering a look at the struggles and joys of the early life of the Church in Corinth. Paul admits, "I came to you in weakness and fear and much trembling, and my message and my proclamation were not with persuasive words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of spirit and power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God."

This week we begin reading from Luke's Gospel, which brings us the vivid stories of Jesus' early public ministry. We will continue reading Luke's gospels during the week until Advent. Jesus teaches in the synagogue in his hometown of Nazareth. "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor," he reads from Isaiah, but his listeners wanted only to see the miracles they had heard about him. He cleanses a man of an unclean spirit - a spirit who recognizes Jesus as the "Holy One of God" when those around Jesus did not. He cures Simon's mother-in-law and then tells the crowds he must leave to spread the good news to other towns. As Jesus comes upon Peter, James and John, he invites the weary fishermen to lower their empty nets one more time. When they bring up nets overflowing with fish, Peter says, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man" but Jesus reassures him not to be afraid and says Peter will be catching people now. He tells them, "No one pours new wine into old wineskins." Otherwise, the new wine will burst the skins, and it will be spilled, and the skins will be ruined. When he is criticized for allowing his disciples to pick grain to eat on the sabbath, Jesus is compassionate toward their hunger and defends them saying, "The Son of Man is lord of the sabbath."

Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on Creighton University's *Online Ministries* web site: [www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html](http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html) Used with permission.

**REJOICE IN THE LORD IN A TIME OF PANDEMIC (PART TWO)  
JOSEPH CARDINAL TOBIN ARCHBISHOP OF NEWARK**

Ministry in a Time of Social Distancing: As Christians, we encounter Jesus in his people—our families and friends, our neighbors and fellow parishioners, our co-workers and school mates, even people we don’t know personally (strangers) who we come in contact with as we go about our daily lives. Jesus tells us that we find him in the “least of these” brothers and sisters (cf. Mt 25: 31-46), so being close to them means being close to Him. During this unprecedented time of pandemic, we need to be especially concerned about those who are experiencing intense anxiety, feel lonely and abandoned, and who really count on public worship for their own support. We also should be concerned about how the spiritual lives of our people will be impacted by the drastic changes we are all experiencing for the first time in our lives. The Eucharist and the celebration of the Mass are so central to our Church that those who are unable to participate physically really suffer as a result. “Social distancing” is necessary for the common good, but we need to counter this with a dramatic increase in what Pope Francis calls “spiritual closeness.” How can we stay close to Jesus, and all our sisters and brothers, at a time when concern for them demands that we keep our distance? How can we remain spiritually close at the same time that we practice social distancing? Ministry in a time of pandemic is like walking a tightrope. We must keep our distance—out of respect for the health and well-being of others, especially those who are most vulnerable. At the same time, we must find ways of being close to our brothers and sisters, and we must search for opportunities to invite all members of the Body of Christ to walk with us and to become intimately involved in the Church’s life and ministry. No one ever said it would be easy. After all, as Pope Francis reminds us: “Embracing your cross means finding the courage to embrace all the hardships of the present time,” and it means “finding the courage to create spaces where everyone can recognize that they are called, and to allow new forms of hospitality, fraternity and solidarity. “Since it became clear that this pandemic is a serious threat to the lives and wellbeing of millions of people throughout the world, I have been asking Mary, Mother of the Church and our mother, to intercede on behalf of all who are suffering and all who are ministering to the needs of others. May her example inspire us all to find ways to be close to one another even when we are keeping a safe distance.

**Circle of Compassion**

We continue to receive requests to assist the Transfiguration Catholic Church (formally St. Ann’s Church and St. Rocco’s in Newark) and also from St. Joseph’s Social Service Center in Elizabeth. We have utilized whatever funds were remaining in the benevolent account and with the limitations placed on the Archdiocese of Newark to maintain social distancing, the donations of non-perishables have also been impacted. It is not the ideal situation. Covid-19 is not limited to the inner-cities and we know there may have been difficulties within family situations in Mountainside. We are asking the parishioners to respond to this appeal that best fits their circumstances, even if that is simply keeping us in your prayers. God Bless you abundantly!

**TWO CLASSROOM RENTAL**

With the approval of the Archdiocesan Office of Property Management our parish will be renting two of our school classrooms (closest to the parking lot playground) to the Acton Academy of Morristown, New Jersey. The Acton Academy provides instruction for students K-12.

The Acton Academy model uses the latest technology in a self-paced learning environment designed to foster responsibility, goal-setting, and teamwork. Acton students are empowered to thrive in a world that needs independent, motivated thinkers and learners.

The term for this lease is for one academic year beginning in September. The parish will realize a rental fee of \$22,000.00 from this agreement.

**REPAIRS TO BE DONE**

The parish has contracted with Deegan Roofing of Plainfield, NJ to address leaks on the school roof. The work includes: reseal all loose seams where leaking, re-secure loose metal edging, install 2 x 2 patch. Price \$1,800.00

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

As part of our new virtual program, all families will need to fill out a google form for each child to be placed in a virtual google classroom. If you haven't done this yet, here is the link [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSewqE1TGVvmUo-6KUHxE08oaCNOvffOz\\_cBt5RkqSGrcqZDWg/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSewqE1TGVvmUo-6KUHxE08oaCNOvffOz_cBt5RkqSGrcqZDWg/viewform?usp=sf_link) but you can also access it from a link that was emailed to all registered families a few weeks ago. If you have not yet registered, please go to the [ollfaithformation.org](http://ollfaithformation.org) website and click on the registration tab. Print out the registration and emergency forms and send those in to the Faith Formation Office along with payment ASAP.

Kevin Donahue is working on the details of the **9<sup>th</sup> grade** immediate Confirmation preparation program and they will be released as soon as they are available.

#### Important Dates:

**Wednesday, September 9, 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm: Grade 1** Socially distance Meet & Greet/Book and Orientation Material Pick up for children and parents outside the double glass doors of Pollard Hall.

**Thursday, September 10, 7:00 pm:** Zoom meeting on new virtual program.

**Tuesday, September 29, 7:00 pm: 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation & 1<sup>st</sup> Communion,** Zoom parent meeting.

#### Textbook Pickup Dates and Time in Pollard Hall

**Monday, September 14: 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm**

**Wednesday, September 16: 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

**Saturday, September 19: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm**

#### Confessions for First Communicants

**Saturday, September 12, 1:00 pm**

**Saturday, September 19, 1:00 pm**

**Saturday, September 26, 1:00 pm**

**Saturday, October 3, 1:00 pm**

#### First Communion Rehearsal Dates

**Monday, September 14, 7:00 pm**

**Monday, September 21, 7:00 pm**

**Monday, September 28, 7:00 pm**

**Monday, October 5, 7:00 pm**

#### First Communion

**Saturday, September 19, 10:00 am**

**Saturday, September 26, 10:00 am**

**Saturday, October 3, 10:00 am**

**Saturday, October 10, 10:00 am**

#### Confirmation

**Friday, September 18, 7:00 pm**

**Friday, October 9, 7:00 pm**

#### Confirmation Rehearsal

**Wednesday, September 16, 7:00 pm**

**Wednesday, October 7, 7:00 pm**

#### Confirmation Retreat

**Sunday, September 13, Details will be provided via email**

For more information, contact the Faith Formation Office.



**Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land**  
*Commissariat of the Holy Land*



At the request of Pope Francis the

**2020 PONTIFICAL  
GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION**

is to be taken up  
**SEPTEMBER 13, 2020**

**Faith Formation for Incoming 1<sup>st</sup> Graders**

If you have a child entering 1<sup>st</sup> grade public school in September, it is time to register for Faith Formation/First Communion Preparation. The Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharistic take place in 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto:reled@ollmountainside.org) or go to our website at [ollfaithformation.org](http://ollfaithformation.org) and go to the registration tab. Read about our program 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!

**Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark continues to serve poor**

Despite a global pandemic, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark continues to serve the poor and spread God’s message of hope and mercy.

“We never stopped working,” said John Westervelt, the Chief Executive Officer of CCAN. “A lot is still going on in Catholic Charities even though today is 128 days since the pandemic started. We’re still servicing the poor either through Telehealth or in person.” Catholic Charities provides financial assistance through its Community Access division. In addition to emergency rental assistance, the organization helps the needy pay utility bills, or insurance. They also provide adult protective services, assistance for caregivers of the elderly, older adult services for Hispanic populations, food shopping, and much more.

The Emergency Food and Nutrition Network supports over 70 food pantries throughout the Archdiocese of Newark. Because local food pantries are mostly run by elderly volunteers, some needed to close. However, most of them stayed open and volunteers managed to feed those in need during difficult circumstances.

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark runs one of the largest and oldest shelter systems in New Jersey. They are a big part of the organization’s mission. Many of the services offered by Catholic Charities are needed even more now. Despite these difficult times, there are still many positive stories of hope and healing.

**CATHOLIC CEMETERY**

**NEW UPDATE:**

**Visitation Hours & Limits On Family Members Increased,  
Continue Safety First Directives**

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this transitional period as we continue following CDC and state safety guidelines regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

Summer hours have begun and the cemetery gates will be open for visitation everyday from **8:00 am to 5:00 pm**, and **Wednesdays until 7:00 pm (except Holy Sepulchre Cemetery will open 8 am to 3 pm everyday)**. **Mausoleums will open 8 am to 6:30 pm on Wednesdays until September 15th, 2020.**

**SHINING THE LIGHT OF  
CHRIST  
2020 ANNUAL APPEAL**

**OVERALL PERFORMANCE**

**PERCENTAGE OF GOAL**

68.22%

**AMOUNT PLEDGED**

\$5,695,256

**NUMBER OF DONORS**

17,786