

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time + September 3, 2017

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.

COME AND WORSHIP WITH US

Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 am & 5:00 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

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Prayer Requests

Please pray for the sick. . . Patricia Kane, Marta Pares, Kathleen Ruggeri, Rich Ruggeri, Pedro Antonio Turcios Moreno, Valerie Santiago, Rose Vera Kaeppel, Joeline Stearns, James Roughneen, Elizabeth Szabo, Eve Vitale, David Gagliardotto, Irene Ciccarino, Louise Stacey, Jack Schuvart and Luke Granger.

The Eucharistic Chapel Candles will burn this week in loving memory for Joan Hackett requested by Susan Mooney & Maureen Lopez, and special intentions for Edward Graziano requested by Anna Graziano.

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

Please Pray for our service member, Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla and Stephen Vesper (Irene Ciccarino's grandson) and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, September 4th

9 am - Mass, Parish Office Closed

Wednesday, September 6th

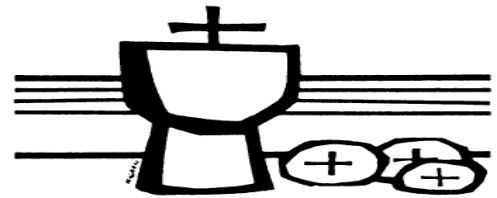
7:30 pm - Youth Group

Thursday, September 7th

6:30 pm - Faith Formation Volunteer Meeting

Saturday, September 9th

8:45 pm - Gathering of Women



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May the Holy Spirit grant peace to the whole world and heal the wounds of war and terrorism.

When we are feeling sad, when it feels like everything is going wrong, we should remember:
"God loves me. God never abandons me."

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!

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.

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!

One Hour... Our Lord Needs Us!

- Sunday: 4 am, 9 am, 10 am, 11 am, 6 pm, 7 pm, 12 midnight
- Monday: 4 am, 11 am, 11 pm
- Tuesday: 7 am, 10 am, 2 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm
- Wednesday: 3 pm
- Thursday:
- Friday: 4 am, 1 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm, 10 pm
- Saturday: 1 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm, 4 pm, 7 pm, 8 pm, 9 pm, 10 pm

...the more difficult the sacrificial hour, the greater the blessing...an early AM adorer or a 2-3 AM adorer.



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.

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.



- Saturday Evening, September 2nd, Vigil, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**
5:00 PM For the People of the Parish
- Sunday, September 3rd, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**
7:30 AM William Tomko
Req. by Nancy Schoenhodfer
9:30 AM Sal Pampinella
Req. by Lois & Edward Wolf
11:30 AM Jennie Bassillo
Req. by Karen & Phil
- Monday, September 4th**
9:00 AM Richard O'Lenick
Req. by the Colendenski Family
- Tuesday, September 5th, Blessed Teresa of Calcutta**
7:30 AM Mary & Carl Leonhard
Req. by the Family
8:30 AM Dr. & Mrs. James Brady
Req. by Mary Jane Ford
- Wednesday, September 6th**
7:30 AM Elaine Ferrera
Req. by Angela Pagano
8:30 AM Maria Sanchez Espinoza
Req. by Nedra Carvajal
- Thursday, September 7th**
7:30 AM Deceased Members of the Scharffenberger Family
Req. by Mary Jane Golomb
8:30 AM Patricia Cassidy
Req. by Terry & Maureen Reilly
- Friday, September 8th, The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
7:30 AM Meridith Reid
Req. by the Family
8:30 AM Salvatore Amalfe
Req. by the Cataldo Family
- Saturday, September 9th, St. Peter Claver**
8:00 AM Marie Dellipoali
Req. by Lynn Nolte
- Saturday Evening, September 9th, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**
5:00 PM For the People of the Parish
- Sunday, September 10th, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**
7:30 AM William Tomko
Req. by Walter, Sophie, Chris, Lori, Adam Kiewicz & Family
9:30 AM Jack & Doris Barrington
Req. by Michele & William Hopkins
11:30 AM Sandra Boles
Req. by Lisa Alvarez
5:00 AM David Frieri
Req. by Debbie & Miguel Perez-Santalla

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE SCRIPTURES



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13;
Lk 4:16-30, or, for Labor Day, any
readings from the Mass "For the Blessing
of Human Labor," nos. 907-911
- 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: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
- Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
- Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10;
Mt 18:15-20

Collection

8/27/17
\$ 6,274

Year to Date Actual

\$ 69,327

Year to Date Budget

\$ 55,463

Surplus

\$ 13,864



Please note, there is no
7:30 am Mass on
September 4th.
The morning Mass
will be at 9 am.

The Parish offices will be CLOSED on
Monday, September 4th in observance
of Labor Day!

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."

This week we celebrate the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Memorial of St. Peter Claver.

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."

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.



For the Men of the Parish

Brothers in Christ, the men's group of Our Lady of Lourdes will have a meeting on Monday night, September 18, 2017 in Pollard Hall at 7 pm. New members are welcome to join this Catholic Fellowship. We aim to serve not only the spiritual needs of ourselves but also to foster the well being of our Parish and the greater community. Generally we discuss the scripture readings.

However, this year we are pleased to announce that we will be showing an eleven part film series on the Sacrament and the Bible produced by St. Paul Center for Theology which is Scott Hahn's company, the noted Catholic convert and apologist. Each film is about 30 minutes and a discussion will follow.

The Bible and the Sacraments examines the Sacraments of the Catholic Faith. Not simply looking at the basic teaching of the Church but by also delving into their meaning and origin. It investigates the deeper mysteries they contain as illuminated by Scripture. Based on the work of renowned theologian Scott Hahn, the films are presented by popular speaker and author Matthew Leonard. The deep mysteries and truths of the Sacraments come alive in a whole new way.

Please join us for what promises to be a fantastic year.

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, Mark Margello,
Bob Miraglia, Gerry Gallagher,
Norma Weinstein, Glen Rosivack and Barbara Plucienik

**SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION
SEPTEMBER 2nd & 3rd**

This weekend, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This Collection supports Catholic organizations that provide affordable shelter and training for seminarians in a region that still struggles with the effects of Soviet rule. By providing pastoral care, catechesis, and funding for building renovations, your donations help to restore the Church and build the future in the region. Please given generously to the Collection. Visit www.usccb.org (search "Church in Central and Eastern Europe") to learn more.

"Come Back To Me".
Join us for prayer, reflection,
discussion and refreshments!



Saturday, September 9th

Gathering: 8:45 am -9:00 am
Prayer: 9:00 am -10:00 am

We hope to have you with us!

**Men's Retreat
San Alfonso Retreat**

Please join us for the Men's Retreat at San Alfonso Retreat House from September 22nd to September 24, 2017. Registration starts at 4 pm on September 22nd. The Retreat House is run by the Redemptorists and is located at 755 Ocean Ave, Long Branch, New Jersey. 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 cost is \$210 and a \$50 non refundable deposit is due by September 10th. Brochures are available in the rear of the Church. For further information or to sign up contact Michael Billy, by phone at 233-4841 or email him at Bmichael103@aol.com. Also, there are several dates available for a women's retreat in October and November.



Focus on Faith Formation

Save the dates:

Volunteer Opening Meeting: Thursday, September 7th at 6:30 pm.

1st Grade Orientation: Monday, September 11th at 7 pm.

Catechist Spirituality Certification: Saturday, September 16th at 9 am.

Catechetical Sunday: September 17th - volunteers will be blessed at the 9:30 am Mass.

Traditional Classroom Model Start Date: Tuesday, September 19th & Wednesday, September 20th, 4 - 5:15 pm.

Grade 8 Confirmation Prep (Year 1) Start Date: Tuesday, September 19th, 7 - 8:15 pm.

1st Reconciliation/1st Holy Eucharist Parent Meeting: Monday, September 25th at 7:30 pm

Grade 9 Confirmation Prep (Year 2) Right of Enrollment followed by session: Sunday, October 1st, 11:30 am - 2 pm.

Family Faith Start Date: Sunday, October 1st beginning with 5 pm Mass.

If you still have not sent in your registration, please do so. We are in need of more teachers for the upcoming school year. If you can give some time to volunteer in our program we would greatly appreciate it. If we do not get enough teachers we may have to cancel some classes. If you can help, please contact the Faith Formation Office at reled@ollmountainside.org or 908-277-1777. Here are our needs:

Tuesday grade 4-co-teacher needed

Tuesday grade 5-co-teacher needed

Tuesday grade 7-co-teacher needed

If you have a child entering 1st grade in September, it is time to registration for Faith Formation. Sacrament preparation for First Holy Communion is a two year process that begins in 1st grade. Please contact the Faith Formation office at reled@ollmountainside.org or 908-233-1777 for more information. We look forward to working with you and your child!

If you have a child entering 2nd or 9th grade in Catholic School, please contact the Faith Formation Office to sign up for our Sacrament Preparation Program.

2nd graders make the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist and our 9th graders make the Sacrament of Confirmation.

A RETREAT

For those facing life changing illness

GENNESART, a retreat designed to provide a spiritual and temporal oasis for men and women suffering with a life changing illness, will be held the weekend of October 20, 21, 22 at the Archdiocesan Retreat Center, located in Kearney, NJ. The retreat will begin Friday at 2:15 pm and end with a closing Prayer Service Sunday at 1:30 pm. There is no cost to you for the retreat.

For further information contact:

Linda Capobianco 732-608-7277

Hilare Reinold 732-566-7237

Peggy Walsh 908-499-7677

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL

The Holy Trinity Mountainside Campus will be offering before and aftercare for the full day kindergarten, PreK-4 and additionally, the PreK-3 students this year. There are a few available spots in several of the classes for the 2017-18 school year.

Please call the school office for information, 908 233-1899.

RCIA - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Do you know someone who has expressed an interest in our Catholic Faith? Have you thought about becoming a Catholic? Are you baptized and want to receive the other sacraments of initiation?

(FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION)

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a process of prayer, reflection and learning that allows for the continual discernment of God’s will in our lives.

Candidates for RCIA include:

- Non-baptized adults who wish to enter the Catholic Church,
- Baptized adult Christians of another faith denomination (Lutheran Anglican, Presbyterian, etc) who wish to continue their Christian faith in the Catholic Church,
- Adult baptized Catholics who have not yet completed the Sacraments of Initiation (Holy Communion, Confirmation) and wish to do so.

Classes will begin in the Fall. For more information or to register, please contact Fr. Bill Benedetto at the Rectory, 908-232-1162 or email frbill@ollmountainside.org.

Sandwich volunteers needed!

Are you interested in preparing sandwiches for St Joseph's Social Service Center? It's easier than you think and it happens on your time and budget!

What is involved?

Shop for and prepare 6 loaves of sandwiches.

Where?

In your own home then delivered to a Mountainside address (easy drop off).

When?

ANY Monday of your choice!

Who?

Families, sports groups, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, service hour volunteers, Church friends.

For more information please email Briege Lennon at blcellequi@aol.com or call 908.789.8581.

ATTENTION ALL YOUNG PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Youth Group begins September 6th. Open to all high school students, the Youth Group is an opportunity to explore your faith with other high school students. Youth Group meets every Wednesday evening, from 7:30 to 9:00 pm, in the Youth Group room in the Rectory basement. Come see for yourself what Youth Group is about -- and enjoy our first meeting with Ice Cream Sundaes.



The Youth Group will be kicking off a new school year with our Annual Car Wash on Sunday, September 10th, from 10 am to 1 pm (weather permitting). It's the best \$5 Car Wash around, and Kevin will valet you car while you're at the 11:30 am Mass, and the kids will wash your car while you pray. At \$5, you can bring all the cars in the family, and support the various activities of the Youth Group throughout the year. Thank you!



Attention 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders and Parents!!

Please join us for a **HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION NIGHT** hosted by

Holy Trinity School
336 First Street, Westfield, New Jersey
School Gymnasium
Tuesday, September 26, 2017
7:30 pm ~ 9:00 pm

Meet representatives from Mother Seton Regional High School, Mt. Saint Mary's Academy, Oak Knoll School, Oratory Preparatory High School, Roselle Catholic Regional High School, Seton Hall Preparatory School, St. Joseph's of Metuchen, St. Peter's Preparatory School, Bishop Ahr, and Union Catholic Regional High School. No pre-Registration required. Light refreshments will be served.

The Circle of Compassion

Thank you for your strong support for our appeals for food donations and especially the response for school supplies.



PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

We will be holding a Protecting God's Children Workshop in the Church on September 28th at 7 pm and a recertification class on Thursday, October 5th at 7 pm in Pollard Hall. Please contact Fran Michetti at fmichetti@ollmountainside.org.