

# THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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## Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time + September 4, 2016

### 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 remember in your prayers the soul of Florence Richard. May she rest in peace.*

*Please pray for the sick. . .* Patricia Kane, Helen Ahlquist, Marta Pares, Antonie Bachmeier, Kathleen Ruggeri, Pedro Antonio Turcios Moreno, Valerie Santiago, Rose Vera Kaepfel, Joeline Stearns, Linda Kehoe-Goldberg, James Roughneen, Javier Perez-Santalla and Barbara Dubno.

*The Eucharistic Chapel Candles* will burn this week in gratitude for Milagro Schlutter by Barbara Oberding.

*The Sanctuary Lamp* will burn this week for the loving memory of Maria Mirabelli requested by Julie Spinelli.

*Please Pray for our service member,* Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla, and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.

### Parish Calendar



**Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 pm - Youth Group

**Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 pm - Catechist Meeting and Training.

### LABOR DAY

Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, Labor Day is a National Holiday. We will have one Mass at 9 am. After Mass the Church will be closed as well as the Rectory Office. Enjoy the Holiday.



The Parish priests would like to thank 93 donors: individuals/families for making pledges to the Archdiocesan “Living Stones Campaign”. As of Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> the monies pledged for the Campaign amounts to \$220,100.00. Please remember that every pledged dollar realized after the “Works of Mercy” \$51,000.00, will be divided 50/50 between the Archdiocese and our Parish.

### Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

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

May God’s mercy towards us move us to be merciful towards our neighbors.

Consoling those who suffer we are able to help build a better world.

### Ministry Schedule for the Weekend of September 10 - 11, 2016

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
<b>5:00PM</b>	ALREADY ASSIGNED	ALREADY ASSIGNED	DOMENICO DELUCA DANNY WHELAN JIMMY WHELAN
<b>7:30AM</b>	ALREADY ASSIGNED	ALREADY ASSIGNED	JOHN BITTNER MICHAEL BITTNER
<b>9:30AM</b>	ALREADY ASSIGNED	ALREADY ASSIGNED	JACK WARGASKI RYAN WAGASKI WILLIAM ZIPETO
<b>11:30AM</b>	ALREADY ASSIGNED	ALREADY ASSIGNED	CONLETH GORHAM JAMES SNYDER LAURA PARRELL ZACH PATER

**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.

Everyone is welcome! Please contact our Parish Office to register with us.



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Let us, then, feel free to come before God's throne. Here there is grace. And we can receive mercy and grace to help us when we need it.

Hebrews 4:16

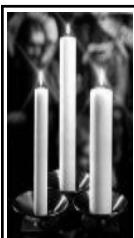
Don't we need someone to trust who is bigger than we are? Aren't we tired of trusting the people of this earth for understanding? Aren't we weary of trusting the things of this earth for strength? A drowning sailor doesn't call on another drowning sailor for help. A pauper knows better than to beg from another pauper. He knows he needs someone who is stronger than he is. Jesus' message is this; I am that person. Trust Me!

**One Hour... Our Lord Needs Us!**

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

Contact Irene Ciccarino at 732-574-0064.



**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 3<sup>rd</sup>, Vigil, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM Jack Graziano  
Req. by Mary Lou and Vinnie Sarna

**Sunday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish  
9:30 AM Jack and Doris Barrington  
Req. by Michele & Bill Hopkins  
11:30 AM Deceased Members of the Militello & Shaneen Families  
Req. by Karen Shaneen

**Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, Theresa of Calcutta**

9:00 AM Diane McGee  
Req. by Our Lady of Lourdes Church

**Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 AM William McCarthy  
8:30 AM Req. by Herbert & Barbara Oesterle  
Leo Kallo  
Req. by Jeanne Stamler

**Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 AM Mary & Carl Leonhard  
8:30 AM Req. by the Family  
Joseph Scuderi  
Req. by the Goggi Family

**Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:30 AM Meredith Reid  
8:30 AM Req. by the Family  
Matthew Burvett  
Req. by June Obayashi

**Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, St. Peter Claver**

7:30 AM Angela Raimondo  
8:30 AM Req. by the Gillon Family  
Jack Graziano  
Req. by Yvonne & Norman Hobbib

**Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 AM Paula Rath  
Req. by Karen Shaneen

**Saturday Evening, September 10<sup>th</sup>, Vigil, Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM David Frieri  
Req. by Debbie & Miguel Perez-Santalla

**Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish  
9:30 AM Mary Greeley  
11:30 AM Req. by Margie, Pete & Sue Dabrowski  
Anthony McGovern  
Req. by Gail Feathers & Walter Clarke  
5:00 PM Dr. Edward Mayer  
Req. by Dolores Mayer & Family

**NO SUNDAY 5 PM MASS. THE 5 PM MASS WILL RESUME ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>th</sup>.**

## Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### THE SCRIPTURES



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessings of Human Labor," nos. 907-911

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49

Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 [1-10]

#### COLLECTION

8/28/16

\$ 5,636

#### Year to Date Actual

\$ 66,832

### Archdiocesan Pilgrimage

On Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> in honor of the Jubilee Year of Mercy parishioners of the Archdiocese are invited to travel to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception for a Mass of Thanksgiving. We will be joining St. Teresa's Parish in Summit. They will reserve a number of seats on their bus for our interested parishioners. The price is \$25 for the bus fee. It will leave from St. Theresa's at 7:03 am and return by 5:30 pm. If interested please call our Rectory and Regina will reserve your seat. First come, First served!

On the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time we hear Wisdom marvel at God's ways. Paul writes to his friend, Philemon, about Philemon's slave, Onesimus, who is now a convert and in prison with Paul. Paul asks that he be taken back as a son or a brother. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus tells the crowd that following him will involve radical conversion and requires that each of us discern if we can prepare for the self-denial required.

Thursday is the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, with its own special readings. Friday is the Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest.

In our first reading, we continue with Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians, an intimate look at the struggles of an early Church community.

In Luke's Gospel this week we see Jesus healing a man on the Sabbath, in a synagogue, right in front of his religious critics who plot to deal with him. Jesus then spends a night in prayer and calls his twelve closest followers. When people come to him from all over, he heals them. Jesus announces that the poor, the hungry, those who weep, and those hated or excluded or denounced because of him are the blessed. He warns those who are rich, filled, laughing and spoken well of, for their fates will be reversed. Jesus urges us to love our enemies. "Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned." He cautions not to be quick to see the splinter in someone else's eye when we do not notice the "wooden beam" in our own eyes. He says that we will be known by our fruit. It is only by building our lives upon him, as a firm foundation, can we hope to survive crises.

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.

Dear Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes,

After approximately twenty-five years, the weekend of September 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> will be my last, here, before my move to Florida.

I am so indebted to all the pastors, from Fr. Mc Garry to Fr. Richard, for their great kindness, as well as to all the priests, deacons, parish staff, and all parishioners, living and deceased whose lives have interacted with mine.

Fr. Richard has graciously respected my wishes not to have any particular celebration on the occasion of my departure.

You have inspired me in many ways but the greatest gift with which I have been blessed is that I was forced to mediate upon the person, and message of Jesus Christ, sometimes daily, so I would have something to say to you each weekend at Mass.

Love, Peace, Joy,

Fr. Jack Holian

## Focus on Faith Formation



Service opportunity for 7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> graders: Volunteers are needed to help with 1<sup>st</sup> grade orientation on September 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.

We are still in need of a co-catechist for 6<sup>th</sup> grade on Tuesdays, a co-catechist for 7<sup>th</sup> grade on Tuesday evenings and a co-catechist for 7<sup>th</sup> grade on Sunday mornings.

We also need adult volunteers willing to help with our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade mini retreat on September 18<sup>th</sup> beginning with the 5 pm Mass.

We are also in need of someone who can drive a volunteer catechist to and from Brighton Gardens, each week, to faith formation on Wednesday afternoons.

Please contact the Faith Formation Office at 908-233-1777 or [reled@ollmountainside.org](mailto:reled@ollmountainside.org) if you can help.

### Save These Dates:

Catechist meeting and training: Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm (please note date change).

1<sup>st</sup> Grade parent/child orientation: Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.

Catechetical Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. All catechists should attend 9:30 am Mass.

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade mini retreat: Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, meet at 5 pm Mass.

TCM begins: Tuesday & Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> at 4 pm.

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade classes begin: Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30 am and Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.

Family Faith Session: Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, meet at 5 pm Mass.

First Reconciliation/First Eucharist Parent Meeting: Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.

Confirmation Session: Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, meet at 11:30 am Mass for Rite of Enrollment.

## **THIS WEEKEND SPECIAL COLLECTION September 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>**

For many in the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, as well as parts of Asia, the aftermath of 70 years of Soviet rule is still felt in the form of poverty, infrequent pastoral care, and lack of buildings in which the faithful can worship and cultivate their faith. Your support is needed to fund grants that strengthen the Church in this region and promote ministries for children and families, create affordable housing, and provide a cultural and spiritual education.

Attention 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> 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 27, 2016  
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.

## **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](mailto:frbill@ollmountainside.org).

## SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA



Pope Francis will canonize Mother Teresa Today Sunday Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, at the Vatican.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta will be proclaimed a saint today in an open-air Mass led by Pope Francis.

Born Agnes GonxhaBojaxhiu in 1910, in Skopje, Macedonia, the ethnic Albanian Teresa helped the poor in India for most of her life. She founded the Missionaries of Charity in 1950 and gained worldwide recognition for her work, including a Nobel Peace Prize in 1979.

"The canonization of Mother Teresa invites us to look to her as a Christian hero, an outstanding model of the Christian life," the Canadian priest who promoted her sainthood cause, the Rev. Brian Kolodiejchuk, said in March.

Mother Teresa was a revered figure throughout the world, but not universally liked. Her hard-line opposition to abortion and contraception, and her willingness to accept donations from dictators, have been a matter of controversy.

Private letters published after her death in 1997 also revealed that for the last 50 years of her life she despaired over having lost a personal connection with Jesus.

In a preface to a book on Mother Teresa, Pope Francis recalled how giving to the needy a key Christian teaching is. "Mother Teresa made this page of the Gospel the guide for her life and the path to her holiness — and it can be for us, as well."

The pope will lead a Mass in St. Peter's Square during which he will be asked three times, in Latin, to add Mother Teresa to the long list of Catholic saints.

The following are some highlights of her life:

69 years in Religious life of service.

There are 4500 Sisters /Missionaries of Charity worldwide.

In 1979 Mother Teresa was Awarded Nobel Peace Prize.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta died on September 5, 1997 age 87 years.

## ATTENTION ALL YOUNG PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Youth Group begins Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. 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 next weekend on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, from 10 am to 1 pm (weather permitting). It's the best \$5 Car Wash around, and Kevin will valet your car while you're at the 11:30 am Mass, and your car is washed 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!





Brothers in Christ, The Men's Group of Our Lady of Lourdes, will have a meeting at 7 pm on September 19, 2016 in Pollard Hall. The upcoming Gospel and ways to serve the Parish and the Community will be discussed. We will also start a series on Defending the Faith. Light refreshments will be served. New members are always welcome to join this Catholic Fellowship.

**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!

**STARTING THIS FALL FOR THE WOMEN OF OUR COMMUNITY!!!!**

**A 22-Session Scripture-Based Study Program**

Do you feel pulled in many directions? Do you find it hard to balance the demands placed on your time? God wants to support and help us so that we can be our best in every season of our lives. *"Keeping in Balance"* will take us on a journey throughout Scripture to explore biblical ways that we can use to manage life's pace and pressure while living with calm and steadiness. A lifestyle of health and wholeness/holiness awaits!

**Dates:** Every Wednesday & Thursday as follows:  
Sessions 1 thru 10 - Sept. 14-15 thru Nov. 16-17, 2016  
Sessions 11 thru 22 - Jan. 11-12 thru April 5-6, 2017

**Times:** 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm on Wednesdays; 9:00 am to 10:30 am on Thursdays

**Location:** OLL's Pollard Hall

**Cost: (includes all program materials; you also will need access to a Bible): \$65**

For additional details, contact Sue Zavodny (908-789-8543; [zavodnys@comcast.net](mailto:zavodnys@comcast.net));  
Beth Haydanek (908-789-1496; [haydanek@verizon.net](mailto:haydanek@verizon.net));  
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or Maria DeAnna (908-232-3437; [deannafamily@comcast.net](mailto:deannafamily@comcast.net))

**OLL "KEEPING IN BALANCE" 2016-2017 REGISTRATION FORM**

Please return completed form with \$65 registration fee, making checks payable to "Our Lady of Lourdes-WWP." If mailing your registration, send to: Our Lady of Lourdes, 300 Central Ave., Mountainside, NJ 07092.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: Street \_\_\_\_\_

Town & Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Session Choice:**

Wednesday Evenings from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm starting on 9/14/16 \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday Mornings from 9:00 am to 10:30 am starting on 9/15/16 \_\_\_\_\_