

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time + September 20, 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
Lisa A. Mergolin. May she rest in peace.

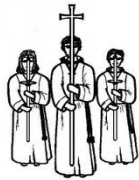
Please pray for the sick. . . Valerie Santiago, Elizabeth Szabo, Eve Vitale, David Gagliardotto, Martha Pares, James Leung, Joseph Iacono, Fred Perna, Frances Kayton, Manny Teixeira, Logan Alseika, Edward Stacy, Joe Raughbaugh, Jim Loomam, Angelo (Buddy) Latora, Peter Spadaccini, Richard Kontra, Romaine Malaker, Antonetta Ferrara and Helen Ahlquist.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in loving memory for Stella Meier requested by Gregory Meier.

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.

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 AS SOON .**

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!

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.

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

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

Nature is filled with words of love, but how can we listen to them amid constant noise, and interminable and nerve-wracking distance.

To love everyone, including enemies, is difficult - I would say it is even an art! But an art that can be learned and improved. True love, that makes us fruitful and free, is always expansive and inclusive. This love cares, heals and does good.

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

This is the day the Lord has made;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.
Psalm 118.24

As we open our eyes each morning, God sets before us a priceless present. Unique, fresh and full of potential, each day God gives us time. "Rejoice" the psalmist, says has God granted you another day? "Rejoice and be glad in it". With each new day, God gives us time as a gracious gift. Rejoice!

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. Now accepting intentions.

**MASS BOOK 2020
&
MASS RESCHEDULING**

All Masses that were to be offered while the Church was closed have been rescheduled for the remaining months of this current year 2020. Consequently there are 13 new Mass slots available for your intentions for the year 2020 as of September 8th. The new Mass Book for the year 2021 will open on November 2nd. The Mass Book will be open for Masses only from January 1, 2021 to August 31, 2021.

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!



Saturday Evening, September 19th, Vigil, Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Don Oberding
Req. by Barbara Oberding

Sunday, September 20th, Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Michael Ruzek*
Req. by Carlos & Marlene Perez-Santalla
For the Protection of Unborn Babies
Req. by the K of C Westfield Council 1711
11:30 AM M/M Joseph Quillen
Req. by Virginia Quillen
5:00 PM Genevieve & Matthew Powers*
Req. by their Daughters, Mary Ellen, Kathy & Eileen Powers

Monday, September 21st, St. Mathew

7:30 AM John Burvett, Jr.*
Req. by the Family
8:30 AM Arthur & Theresa Sauerborn
Req. by the Family

Tuesday, September 22nd

7:30 AM Jim Pascuiti*
Req. by Jean Pascuiti
8:30 AM Patricia & George Shaneen*
Req. by Karen Shaneen

Wednesday, September 23rd, St. Pius of Pietreicina

7:30 AM Theresa Ann Carpenter*
Req. by Francine & Eddie Perez Santalla
8:30 AM Dr. Edward Mayer
Req. by Dolores Mayer

Thursday, September 24th

7:30 AM James J. Dunne
Req. by the Family
8:30 AM Alfred De Reid, Jr.*
Req. by the Family

Friday, September 25th

7:30 AM Stella Meier
Req. by Gregory Meier
8:30 AM Thomas & Joseph Caputo*
Req. by Karen Shaneen

Saturday, September 26th, Sts. Cosmas & Damian

8:00 AM Carl Leonhard*
Req. by the Family

Saturday Evening, September 26th, Vigil, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Irene Ciccarino
Req. by Bob & Joan Ventura

Sunday, September 27th, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM John Burvett, Jr.*
Req. by the Family
9:30 AM Anne Russell
Req. by Fran Michetti & Family
11:30 AM Veronica McLaughlin
Req. by Veronica Quillen
5:00 PM Paul McGlynn*
Req. by Barbara McGlynn

* This denotes rescheduled Mass due to pandemic.

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE SCRIPTURES



For the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time we receive the powerful parable about the landlord who represents God's way of caring for us. Though workers go out into his vineyard at various times of the day, he pays them all the same. When they grumble, he simply explains that he desires to be generous. How this can change our view of God and our own sense of justice?

Monday is the Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle. Wednesday is the Memorial of Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, known familiarly as Padre Pio.

In Luke's Gospel this week. Jesus shares his wisdom with the crowds he addresses. We must share the light that has been entrusted to us, not hide it. The tables will be turned on those who try to greedily hold on to what they have. When people report that Jesus' family is looking for him, he uses the occasion to highlight the nature of our relationship with him: "My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and act on it." When Jesus sends the Twelve to heal and to proclaim the Kingdom he tells them to serve, trusting in God: "Take nothing for the journey." Herod hears about the new prophet and wonders who it is - he has already beheaded John the Baptist. When Jesus tells his disciples that he will be handed over to others, they can't possibly understand until another day. They were afraid to ask Jesus about this.

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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
 Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21
 Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9; Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163; Lk 9:1-6
 Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc; Lk 9:7-9
 Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4; Lk 9:18-22
 Saturday: Eccl 11:9 — 12:8; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Lk 9:43b-45
 Sunday: Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32

Financial Figures

September 13- \$4,340

Holy Land & Catholic University Collections - \$916

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.

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!

In Celebration of the
Feast of
St. Francis of Assisi
Patron of Nature & Ecology

Blessing of Pets & Animals
Sunday, October 4th
1:00 pm on the Plaza



Congratulations to those Confirmed

Friday, September 18th at a special 7 pm Mass, Rev. Richard Carrington administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to 20 young teenagers into full fledged members of the Catholic Church. Please keep these newly confirmed in your prayers. May they always be open to the prompting of the Holy Spirit and be faithful witnesses to Jesus Christ, His Gospel and His Catholic Church. We thank in a particular way Mr. Kevin Donahue who prepared our teenagers to receive this Sacrament. We also thank Fran Michetti, Cindy Di Pietro, and all of the catechists who helped with their Faith Formation throughout the years.



Bridget Boreale
Devon Boreale
James Boreale
Margo D’Angelo
Rylee Doll
Olivia Ferraro
Justin Franco

Caroline Freer
Dante Giola
Colin Goldbeck
Noreen Healy
Meghan Herrighty
Ava Huss
John Huss

Ryan Kennedy
Lucca Napoli
Matthew Petersen
William Reyes
Sofia Vega
William Zipeto

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS**

Our parish offers prayerful congratulations to the following boys and girls who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday, September 19th at the 10:00 am Mass. We thank our Faith Formation Director Mrs. Fran Michetti, her assistant Mrs. Cindy DiPietro and the teachers who prepared the children to receive this Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.

John DeNoble
George Ferreira
Declan Flynn
Regan Flynn

Emma Hasselgren
Eleanor Hough
Bianca Kannaley
Emma Petrazzuoli

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR CATECHISTS AND AIDES

Jennifer Hasselgren
Marissa Keenan

Pam Kisciras
Fatima Wilches

We would like to say a special thank you to **Denise Coscia** who taught the Tuesday children in 1st grade and the first half of 2nd grade and made such a difference in their lives. May her soul rest in peace.

Brothers in Christ, The Men's Group of Our Lady of Lourdes, will have a meeting at 7:00 pm on September 21, in Pollard Hall. Scripture, Catholic issues and ways to serve the Parish and the Community will be discussed. Light refreshments will be served. New members are always welcome to join this Catholic Fellowship. Please let us know if you will be attending. Hopefully we will hold the meeting outside in the parking lot with a surprise feature. Social distancing will be maintained and other safe practices will be followed. For further information contact Mike Billy (bmichael103@aol.com)

Please remember the Parish of Our Lady of Lourdes in your estate planning.

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 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 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 9th grade immediate Confirmation preparation program and they will be released as soon as they are available.

Important Dates:

First Communion

Saturday, September 26, 10:00 AM
Saturday, October 3, 10:00 AM
Saturday, October 10, 10:00 AM

Confessions for First Communicants

Saturday, September 19, 1:00 pm
Saturday, September 26, 1:00 pm
Saturday, October 3, 1:00 pm

First Communion Rehearsal Dates

Monday, September 21, 7:00 pm
Monday, September 28, 7:00 pm
Monday, October 5, 7:00 pm

Confirmation

Friday, October 9, 7:00 pm

Confirmation Rehearsal

Wednesday, October 7, 7:00 pm

For more information, contact the Faith Formation Office.

Mark Your Calendars Rosary Rally on Oct. 10

Let us rally and pray the rosary in reparation for all violence against human life especially the unborn, for the sins of blasphemy, Satan worship, same-sex marriage, clergy abuse and for an end to civil unrest and lawless violence.

Date: Saturday, Oct. 10, 2020 Time: 12 noon
Place: Outdoors at the Dominican Nuns Monastery of Our Lady of the Rosary, 543 Springfield Ave., Summit, NJ 07901
(corner of Springfield Ave. and Morris Ave.)

We urge you, your family and friends to join this *America Needs Fatima* nationwide Rosary Crusade for the urgent conversion of America. Let us pray for our nation and our Church.

For more info, please contact:
Vinny Candela (908) 463-1026 Teresa Evangelista (908) 389-0531

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

Faith Formation for Incoming 1st Graders

If you have a child entering 1st grade public school in September, it is time to register for Faith Formation/First Communion Preparation. The Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharis take place in 2nd 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 or go to our website at 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!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament resumed in the Church on Monday, September 14th, Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross.

The usual 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.

**HOURS & DATES OF EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH MODIFICATIONS:
FOR 2 BAPTISMS, 1 WEDDING & REHEARSAL, 4 FIRST COMMUNIONS
WITH REHEARSALS, 2 CONFIRMATIONS WITH REHEARSALS**

MODIFICATIONS

9/21	9 am to 6 pm	10/2	9 am to Noon
9/26	9 am to 6 pm	10/3	12 Noon to 4 pm
9/28	9 am to 5 pm	10/5	9 am to 6 pm
9/30	1 pm to 4 pm	10/7	9 am to 6 pm
		10/9	9 am to 5 pm
		10/10	12 Noon to 4 pm

Masks must be worn in Church

School Bells Signal a New Start



The sound of the school bell is a welcomed sound to most parents who have worked diligently to prepare their children to work up to their potential. Many students will not be able to work up to their full potential as they are lacking in nourishing food and are dealing with stressful family situations. Please help Catholic Charities in its mission to help individuals and families who are hurting. This is a most opportune time to clean out the summer clothes for the Catholic Charities donation bin. We also welcome small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, novels, knickknacks, toys, and children’s books. Thank you.