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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME— September 26, 2021

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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
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 the deceased parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes.

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, September 25th**
5:00 PM Michael Mastrolacasa
Req. by The Melo Family
- Sunday, September 26th, Twenty-Sixth Sunday Ordinary Time**
7:30 AM Ruth Kletz
Req. by Pat & Joan Fernicola
- 9:30 AM People of the Parish
- 11:30 AM Marie Ciavoella
Req. by Lillian Corsi
- Monday, September 27th, St. Vincent de Paul**
7:30 AM Nicole Zipeto
Req. by The Zipeto Family
- Tuesday, September 28th, St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions & St. Wenceslaus**
7:30 AM Ralph Rapuano
Req. by Walter & Evelyn Heckel
- Wednesday, September 29th, Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael**
7:30 AM Victor Barbato
Req. by Karen Shaneen
- Thursday, September 30th, St. Jerome**
7:30 AM William Magtivyoy
Req. by Karen Shaneen
- Friday, October 1st, St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus**
7:30 AM MariaJose Martinez-Steinberg
Req. by Mother
- Saturday, October 2nd, The Holy Guardian Angels**
8:00 AM Paul McGlynn
Req. by Barbara McGlynn
- 5:00 PM Rose Baccarella
Req. by Karen Shaneen
- Sunday, October 3rd, Twenty-Seventh Sunday Ordinary Time**
7:30 AM People of the Parish
- 9:30 AM Fernando Raphael Piastre
Req. by Miguel Perez-Santalla
- 11:30 AM Desmond Lennon
Req. by The Aberle Family

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: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

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

The Gospel is the Good News and the force that changes our lives and hearts for the better. For this I ask you to read the Gospel every day and meditate on a short passage to be nourished from this inexhaustible source of salvation

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Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel

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!



UNAVAILABLE AT THIS TIME

September 19th = \$.00
Repair Fund = \$.00

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

- October 10th: All Souls Day Remembrance Mass**
- October 17th: World Missions**
- October 24th: 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-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

On the **Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time** Jesus tells his disciples not to worry about someone driving out evil in his name. He warns about giving scandal, especially to children and calls for a radical avoidance of evil.

We are to separate ourselves from it and choose to turn away from sin and its sources as radically as if to cut off our hand or pluck out our eye. It's about life itself.

The week is filled with special days, including Tuesday's, **Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, archangels;** Wednesday's **Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church,** and Thursdays remembrance of the Little Flower, **Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church.** Friday is the **Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels.**

The first readings continue with the prophet **Zechariah** of the period of recovery after the exile.

"They shall be my people, and I will be their God, with faithfulness and justice."

The **Book of Nehemiah**, like Ezra, chronicles this history. The prophet **Baruch** gives us a prayer of the people in captivity and God's reply,

"Fear not, my children; call out to God!"

We continue reading **Luke's Gospel**, as the disciples argue about who is the greatest. Jesus points out a young child and asks them to strive to be the **"least"** not the greatest.

Jesus stops his disciples from preventing people, not of their group, from healing, because they are with Jesus, too. When Nathanael believes because Jesus could say where he had been, Jesus tells him that as a follower,

"You will see greater things than this."

People come up, offering to follow Jesus, but have excuses for why they can't do it now.

Jesus calls them to not **"look back"** once they have said, **"yes."** He sends his disciples to other towns:

"The harvest is rich but the workers are few."

Jesus tells us to humble ourselves like a defenseless child. He prays,

"I give you praise, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike."

On the **Twenty-seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time** the readings speak of marriage and partnership. In the **Book of Genesis**, Adam does not find a suitable partner until the Lord creates woman. **Psalm 128** praises the Lord who blesses home and family.

In **Mark's Gospel** the Pharisees test Jesus asking if it is lawful for a husband to divorce his wife. The question is meant to be a trap for Jesus but he repeats the scripture in Genesis.

The gospel ends with Jesus urging us to be like children were in that society - unimportant and with no status.

"The kingdom of God belongs to such as these." Then he embraced and blessed the children.

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 2 First Reconciliation/First Eucharist Parents:

Parent only Zoom Meeting 7 PM Tues. 9/28

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Rite of Enrollment Mass 9:30 AM Sun. 10/3

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.

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!

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: **\$60,286.00**

Donors Have Pledged : **\$63,486.00**

THANKS ALL FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY.

MASS BOOK 2021

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday : 9 am to 3 pm

Friday—9 am to 12 pm

Please plan accordingly

Dear Parishioners:

Please be advised that there is no parking allowed in the front of the church. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause, but the town has advised that there needs to be ample space for emergency vehicles to access. There is handicap parking available on the exit side of the church and ample parking in the lot in front of the rectory.

Thanks for your help and support!

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**OUR LADY OF LOURDES
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY
MEETING**

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2021

1:00 PM - ROSARY IN CHURCH

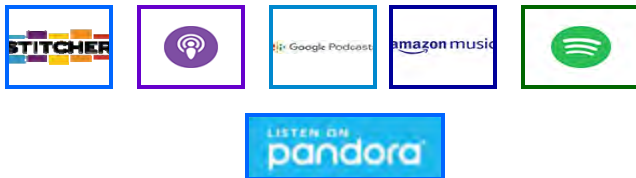
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Dear Parishioners of Our Lady Of Lourdes.
I am very happy for you that the Lord has brought you a good pastor who I know will take very good care of you and who has a great love for the Lord. Fr Jeivi and Fr. Bill B. will do some great work together serving you in the Lord's love.
I will look forward to seeing you soon, though I have realized that I will not be able to be there as much as I was in the past. During this academic year, you will most probably be seeing me two Sundays a month at the 9:30 am Mass. I have a special place in my heart for all of you "mountain folk" and it will be a joy to continue to celebrate Mass with you.
Your friend in Jesus,
Fr. Bill McDonald



The Official 365 Day Reading Plan for *The Bible in a Year*
(with Fr. Mike Schmitz), featuring Jeff Cavins

Welcome to *The Bible in a Year* reading plan that follows along with Ascension's new podcast: *The Bible in a Year (with Fr. Mike Schmitz)*, featuring Jeff Cavins.

In *The Bible in a Year* podcast, Fr. Mike Schmitz walks you through the entire Catholic Bible in 365 days, providing commentary, reflection, and prayer along the way. In addition to the 365 daily episodes, Fr. Mike Schmitz will be joined by Jeff Cavins for twelve additional special episodes to introduce each new time period. Find out more about *The Bible in a Year* podcast and how to listen at ascensionpress.com/bibleinayear.

About the Reading Plan:

Ascension's *Bible in a Year* podcast follows a reading plan inspired by [The Great Adventure Bible Timeline](#), a ground-breaking approach to understanding salvation history developed by renowned Catholic Bible teacher Jeff Cavins.

The Great Adventure Bible Timeline Philosophy:

- Identifies the **14 narrative books** that tell the story of Scripture from beginning to end. The remaining "supplemental books" of the Bible are then contextualized within the storyline of the 14 narrative books.
- Divides the Bible into **12 time periods**, identified by different colors, which serve as "chapters" in Salvation History.

How to Use the Reading Plan:

This reading plan covers the entire Catholic Bible in 365 days. Each episode, Fr. Mike Schmitz will read 2-3 Scripture passages that coincide with the 12 periods of *The Great Adventure Bible Timeline*, denoted by the colors on the left side of the reading plan. Readings in **bold** refer to the 14 narrative books of the Bible.

The Psalms and Proverbs are spread out throughout the year to provide additional opportunity for prayer, reflection, and practical wisdom. The Psalms in *italics* have a particular connection to that day's other readings.

Thank you for joining us on this journey! We can't wait to get started!

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Get connected:

Join us at the [Ascension's Catholic Bible Studies Facebook Group](#) to connect with others about *The Bible in a Year (with Fr. Mike Schmitz)*, featuring Jeff Cavins, and build community around this journey!



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