

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time + October 4, 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 Archbishop John Meyer and Susan Washuta. 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, Romaine Malaker, Antonetta Ferrara and Helen Ahlquist.

The Eucharistic Chapel Candles will burn this week in loving memory for Gerard Paris requested by Mark Farinella.

** This denotes rescheduled Eucharistic Candle due to pandemic.*

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

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.

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.

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**

Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex

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

Almighty God, present in the entire universe and in the smallest of Your creatures, fill us with the strength of Your love so that we might take care of life and beauty.

The journey of reconciliation calls for patience and trust. Peace will not be obtained unless it is hoped for.

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

Men have not heard nor perceived by the ear,
nor has the eye seen any God besides You,
who acts for the one who waits for Him.

Isaiah 64:4

When you wait on the Lord for an answer, you are saying, in effect, "God I'm here. I reverence You. I fear You with an awesome respect. I love You. And I'm waiting here in Your presence until I hear what You want me to do."

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. The new Mass Book for the year 2021 will open on Tuesday, October 13th. 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, October 3rd, Vigil, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Carmine Hernandez*
Req. by Carmine & Janice Families

Sunday, October 4th, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Nellie O'Shea*
Req. by the Family
9:30 AM For the People of the Parish
11:30 AM Marie & Gioachino Dell'Osso
Req. by Maria DeAnna
5:00 PM Robert Kaepfel*
Req. by the Family

Monday, October 5th, Blessed Frances Xavier Seelos

7:30 AM Mary & Carl Leonhard*
Req. by the Family
8:30 AM Hilda A. Cuff*
Req. by the Family

Tuesday, October 6th, St. Bruno

7:30 AM Mary & Carl Leonhard*
Req. by the Family
8:30 AM Lorraine Leber*
Req. by Bill Leber

Wednesday, October 7th, Our Lady of the Rosary

7:30 AM Dr. Edward Mayer*
Req. by Dolores Mayer
8:30 AM William Quandt*
Req. by the Zipeto Family

Thursday, October 8th

7:30 AM William Tomko*
Req. by Maria Tomko & Family
8:30 AM Gabriel McLaughlin*
Req. by Veronica Quillan

Friday, October 9th, St. Denis

7:30 AM Charles Tocko*
Req. by Karen Shaneen
8:30 AM Jimmy Haughey*
Req. by the Family

Saturday, October 10th

8:00 AM Robert Wyckoff
Req. by Joyce Wyckoff

Saturday Evening, October 10th, Vigil, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Genevieve Powers
Req. by Mary Ellen, Kathy & Eileen

Sunday, October 11th, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Genevieve Powers (1st Anniversary)
Req. by Mary Ellen, Kathy and Eileen
9:30 AM Protection of Unborn Babies
Req. K of C Westfield Council 1711
11:30 AM Ethel & Stephen Flaherty
Req. by Ethel Ward
5:00 PM Robert McComack*
Req. by Karen Shaneen

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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE SCRIPTURES



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c;
Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15;
Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20;
Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]

Financial Figures

September 20 - \$ 4,874

Archbishop Myers May He Rest in Peace

The Most Reverend John J. Myers, J.C.D., D.D., Archbishop Emeritus of Newark, entered into eternal life on Thursday, September 24, 2020. He was 79 years old. Archbishop Myers, who was born in Ottawa, Illinois and was the eldest of seven children, was ordained to the priesthood in 1966 and consecrated coadjutor Bishop of Peoria, Illinois, in 1987. On July 24, 2001, His Holiness, Saint John Paul II, called then-Bishop Myers to serve as the fifth Metropolitan Archbishop of Newark, NJ. Upon reaching the mandatory retirement age of 75, Archbishop Myers submitted his letter of resignation as Archbishop of Newark. His resignation was accepted on November 7, 2016.

Upon hearing the news of Archbishop Myers' passing, Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., Archbishop of Newark, said, "Let us thank God for Archbishop Myers' service and his love of our Church. I entrust him to the loving arms of our Blessed Mother Mary, and I pray that Our Lord grant him peace."

A parable about tenants who were entrusted with their master's fields is at the center of the Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time. We hear Jesus really challenge the religious leaders with this story of the tenant farmers who refused to listen to the master's servants (the prophets) and abused and killed his son (Jesus) in an attempt to usurp his inheritance. Jesus tells them, "Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."

Wednesday is the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary.

This week our first reading is from Paul's Letter to the Galatians. He chides and encourages this early Christian community and offers some history on the challenges he has faced as a disciple.

The gospel this week is from Luke, continuing with wonderful and familiar stories. The Good Samaritan who comes upon the robbery victim "treated him with mercy." Jesus' close friends Mary and Martha welcome him to their home, but Martha resents working while Mary listens to Jesus. "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part..." He teaches us to pray with a prayer to the Father. We are encouraged to ask, seek and knock on the door to get what we want from the Father. When doubters watch Jesus drive out demons, he gets discouraged and says, "Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters." When a woman calls out that the womb that carried him is blessed, he replies, "Rather, blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it."

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.

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.

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 OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS**

Our parish offers prayerful congratulations to the following boys and girls who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday, October 3rd 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.

Sarah Coscia
Catherine Dilkes
Rebecca Klemens
Olivia Ladenheim
Francesca Marano
Adriana Oliveira
Ava Plamenco

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR CATECHISTS AND AIDES

Jennifer Hasselgren
Marissa Keenan

Pam Kisciras
Fatima Wilches

Our New Virtual Faith Formation Program for Grades 1-8

Our new virtual Faith Formation program for grades 1-8 successfully launched on October 1. Parents, please be sure you "join" your child into their Google Classroom, and then go into "class work." Complete each assignment in order, and do a little at a time. Please do not leave it all until the end of the month. Contact the Faith Formation Office with any questions.

Important Dates:

First Communion

Saturday, October 10, 10:00 AM

First Communion Rehearsal Date

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.

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 Eucharist 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!

Beautiful October!!



The beauty of fall with its cool temperatures and beautiful foliage displays energizes most people. Would you be willing to channel some of your energy to gather any unwanted clothing, shoes, small appliances, linens, sheets, towels, toys, stuffed animals, and books (no reference books) for the Catholic Charities donation bin? Thank you.

Thousand Strong Rosary for Life Conference Call Tuesday, October 13th at 7:00 PM

LIFENET is organizing a "Thousand Strong – Rosary for Life Conference Call" on Tuesday, October 13th at 7:00 pm. Our goal is to have 1,000 on the call praying for the Protection of Babies in the Womb and in reparation for the sin of abortion. Cardinal Tobin, along with priests and deacons from throughout New Jersey will be leading the prayer. Note: October 13th is the 103rd anniversary of the 'Miracle of the Sun' at Fatima. Our Lady wants us to pray the rosary! Please sign up at www.lifeneteducation.org/1000strong.

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!

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

For more info on America Needs Fatima visit www.ANF.org

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

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The Rosarians will meet on Monday, October 5, at 1 pm to make sandwiches for St. Josephs Social Service Center. All are welcome to participate.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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 BAPTISMS, FIRST COMMUNION, PLUS CONFIRMATION WITH REHEARSALS**

MODIFICATIONS

10/5	9 am to 6 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

**UNION CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
1600 Martine Avenue, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076**

Fall Open House - Wednesday, October 7th - 7:00 pm

Prospective students and their families have two options to attend our Fall Open House

In-Person, Drive-In Format or Virtual Open House Via Zoom.

For additional information, or to reserve your spot, visit our website at www.unioncatholic.org or call 908-889-

Learn How to Spot the Signs of a Stroke during an online conversation hosted by Holy Trinity Parish in Westfield. The discussion will include Holy Trinity’s Parish Nurse Lori Arena, RN, who will be joined by Yocasta Corona, MSN, BSN, RN, Stroke Program Coordinator at Trinitas Regional Medical Center. According to Ms. Corona, “The Coronavirus Pandemic has caused many to put off doctor visits and even worse, to ignore symptoms of life-threatening illnesses. The most important aspects of stroke care are prompt recognition and treatment time, which significantly impact the patient’s recovery and functional abilities.”

VILLA WALSH ACADEMY

Villa Walsh Academy invites prospective students and parents to join us on campus for our Open House tours Sunday, October 4, 1 - 4 pm, and Wednesday, October 7, 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Due to limited space, advance registration is required. A virtual experience will be available on October 7 for those who are interested. Follow the link to begin your Villa Walsh experience.

www.villawalsh.org/2020openhouse or contact Jennifer Hornyak hornyakj@villawalsh.org, (973) - 538 - 3680, ext. 181. Villa Walsh Academy is an independent, college preparatory, Catholic Day School for girls grades 7 - 12 with a tradition of educating, empowering, and enriching the lives of young women for the future.

**MOUNT SAINT MARY ACADEMY
OCTOBER 18, 2020**

On Sunday, October 18th, Mount Saint Mary Academy in Watchung will host its Open House Expo from 2 to 4:30 pm on the Angels of Victory Field on campus. Prospective students will learn more about the wide variety of challenging academic and athletic offerings as well as the slate of extra-curricular activities. Members of our faculty, department chair heads, coaches, current parents and students will be on hand to answer questions. Registration for the Open House Expo is now open. Visit www.mountsaintmary.org under Admissions to register. To learn more, contact Ms. Toryak at (908) 757-0108, extension 4506 or dtoryak@mountsaintmary.org.