

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time + October 7, 2018

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

Summer Mass Schedule

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

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Prayer Requests

Please pray for the sick. . . Patricia Kane, Rich Ruggeri, Pedro Antonio Turcios Moreno, Valerie Santiago, Rose Vera Kaepfel, James Roughneen, Elizabeth Szabo, Eve Vitale, David Gagliardotto, Louise Stacey, Jack Schuvart, Luke Granger, Martha Pares, Irene Ciccarino, James Leung, Joseph Iacono, Fr. Carl Arico, Fred Perna, Edward Lynaugh and George Strummer.

The Eucharistic Chapel Candles will burn this week for the loving memory of Edmund O'Brien requested by Marie Hine.

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

Please Pray for our service member, Master Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla and P.O. 3rd Class Stephen Vesper (Irene Ciccarino's grandson) and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, October 7th

10:00 am - Rosary Altar Society Annual Communion Breakfast
10:30 am - Grade 8 Faith Formation
11:30 am - Confirmation Session

Monday, October 8th

Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, October 9th

4:00 pm - Faith Formation
7:00 pm - Faith Formation

Wednesday, October 10th

4:00 pm - Faith Formation
7:30 pm - Women's Bible Study
7:30 pm - Youth Group

Thursday, October 11th

9:00 am - Women's Bible Study
7:00 pm - Fatima Slideshow

Saturday, October 13th

8:45 am - Gathering of Women

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Sunday is the day to say to God: thank you Lord, for life, for your mercy, and for all your gifts.

Life becomes more beautiful when we discover that our spirit finds rest in God alone.



The Parish Choir is now singing at the 11:30 am Mass. New members are welcome. Speak to Joe Neglia after the 11:30 am Mass if you would like to join.

COLUMBUS DAY HOLIDAY



Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, October 8th and there will be one mass at 9 am.

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

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!

One Hour... Our Lord Needs Us!

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

...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.



NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



**TOUCHING THE DIVINE
A STUDY OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN**

For additional info, contact:
Sue Zavodny 908-789-8543, zavodnys@comcast.net

Mass Intentions for the week



Saturday Evening, October 6th, Vigil, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Kevin Ward
Req. by Ethel Ward

Sunday, October 7th, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
- 9:30 AM Ida Civitano
Req. by Irene Ciccarino
- 11:30 AM Gaspar & Teixeira Families
Req. by the Family
- 5:00 PM Benedetta & Marino Zazzera
Req. by the DeAnna Family

Monday, October 8th
9:00 AM Josephine Sagumeri
Req. by the Graziano & McKeown Families

Tuesday, October 9th, St. Denis
7:30 AM Jane Klemm
Req. by Mary Ann & John Kitchell
8:30 AM Katherine R. & B. Meridith Reid
Req. by the Family

Wednesday, October 10th
7:30 AM Thomas Zimmermann
Req. by the Stephanie & Schwartz Family
8:30 AM Anthony Melise
Req. by the Michetti Family

Thursday, October 11th, St. John XXIII
7:30 AM Medford Penk
Req. by Irene Ciccarino
8:30 AM Peter Kuhn
Req. by the Family

Friday, October 12th
7:30 AM Giuseppe Francolino
Req. by the Rinaldo Family
8:30 AM No Mass Intention

Saturday, October 13th
8:00 AM Rose Bockus
Req. by Stephanie Szabo

Saturday Evening, October 13th, Vigil, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Hope Hernandez
Req. by the Family

Sunday, October 14th, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
- 9:30 AM John Vitale
Req. by Eve Vitale
- 11:30 AM Francis McGovern
Req. by the McGovern & Strong Families
- 5:00 PM Joseph Sgalia
Req. by M/M Paul Zavodny

The 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: Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-13;
Mk 10:17-30 [17-27]

COLLECTION

September 30 - \$6,786

There will be no bagels this Sunday,
October 7th. The Rosarians will have their
Annual Communion Breakfast in Pollard Hall.
All are welcome.



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.

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.

THE 2018 MASS BOOK IS OPEN.

TODAY IS RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2018

In 1531, when the indigenous peoples of Mexico were subjugated and the practice of human sacrifice was still a recent memory, the Mother of God appeared to St. Jun Diego as a pregnant native woman, now known as Our Lady of Guadalupe.

By embracing the mission entrusted to him, St Juan Diego helped bring Christ's transforming love to cultures gripped by oppression and death.

Today, we again see the dignity of human life disregarded. Unborn children are destroyed through abortion and ill people are encouraged and assisted to take their own lives. How do we respond?

The essence of our identity is that we are created in God's image and likeness and loved by Him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life. Every person is cherished.

FATIMA PILGRIMAGE

Everyone is invited to a slide show, Thursday Evening, October 11, 2018 at 7 pm in Pollard Hall. Come see Fr. Bill saying Mass at Fatima. For further information, please contact Fontaine Gatti at 908-727-0668.

Attention Parents:

If your children attend the Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) during 9:30 am Mass, please consider volunteering your time and talent to this ministry. As a minister of CLOW, you will receive guidelines and lesson plans for all sessions. For approximately 20 minutes of Mass, you will experience the sweet innocence of your children while engaging them in conversation about Catholic concepts. Also, you will leave Mass with heartfelt gratification that you're giving a special gift to the future generation of our church. Please call or text Janet Skinner at (908) 803-7556 or Joe Calderone at (908) 337-9861 with any questions. You can also email Joe at jc.eyegolf@gmail.com.

From the desk of Fr. Bill

Recently, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish sponsored a pilgrimage to Portugal, in which I had the privilege to participate. In addition to the religious sites, we also experienced the secular and historical culture, as well. We saw a number of towns and fortresses that were founded/built by the Knights Templar in the later Middle Ages, a couple of palaces built by the reigning monarch at the time, Sunday Mass at the Cathedral of Lisbon--one of the seven traditional Latin Patriarchal Sees, the renowned University of Coimbra with its famous Library, even a city tour of Lisbon. But, as this was a pilgrimage, the religious sites were the main focus, and for me three stood out.

The first was the Church of the Most Holy Miracle of Santarém. The miracle concerned the Most Holy Eucharist and took place in the middle of the thirteenth century. Paintings in the church memorialize the events: A woman living in Santarém who suffered routine abuse and cruelty at the hands of her husband consulted a sorceress about her situation. She was advised to obtain a consecrated host from Mass with which the sorceress planned to concoct a love potion for the woman's husband. When she received Communion, she did not swallow the host but kept it in her mouth and then hid it in her veil as she left the church. On her way, the host began to spontaneously and miraculously exude blood. She hurried home and deposited the host and veil in a chest in her room. Continuing to bleed, the host began to radiate light that illuminated the whole room. Fearful and contrite, she confessed what she'd done to her husband, who advised her to confess to the pastor of the church, which she did. The priest came to the home accompanied by acolytes and servers and gathered the host up in the veil and carried it in procession complete with canopy back to the church. The host is still kept in a reliquary in the high altar of the church almost 800 years later. We were admitted to the sacristy to get a close-up look at the host to marvel and adore. The host seemed an ordinary communion wafer except it was still partially covered in dried blood.

The second was the Monastery of Santa Clara-a-Nova, a convent of Franciscan Sisters. In this monastery, the incorrupt body of Queen Saint Elizabeth (Isabel in Portuguese) of Portugal is entombed. Queen Saint Elizabeth was a third-order Franciscan who used her royal station and means to care for the poor of her kingdom. When she was canonized in 1625, the monastery was built to house her remains which were found to have not undergone any decomposition. Centuries later, her body remains intact and incorrupt, one of the dozens of instances of saints' bodies that are untouched by decay despite the passage of time.

Finally, the third is Fatima itself. We toured the village and saw the houses where the three seers--Lucia, Jacinta, and Francisco--grew up. We saw the sites of the apparitions where the Angel of Fatima and Our Lady appeared. We even met Lucia's niece, still living in the same village and greeting the pilgrims as she prays her rosary in the door of her home. I gave her my priestly blessing and she kissed my hand. We saw the Basilica of the Holy Rosary (the main church of the shrine) in which are the tombs of the three seers. I was also privileged to be the main celebrant and deliver the homily at the English-speaking Mass on Wednesday afternoon in the Chapel of Apparitions. We offered Mass with 50-100 pilgrims from all over the world in the very spot where the Blessed Mother appeared in 1917.

This trip was indescribably faith- and hope-invigorating. We know by faith the mysteries and promises revealed in the Gospel. But, to experience them sensibly, in essence sacramentally, makes that knowledge all the more real. It fires the heart and the soul as well as the mind. To see and experience tangible signs of the reality of the Real/True Presence of the Living Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament; the reality of the Resurrection that Our Lord and Our Lady have already undergone and that is promised to all who believe; and the undying love of Our Father, Our Lord, and Our Blessed Mother and their great desire for our salvation and for us to join them for eternity in Heavenly bliss all reinvest the soul with devotion, gratitude, and resolve to heed Christ's call and relish His Gospel with a life rooted firmly in Him and His Church.

Dave & Patricia Ferrell are moving to Florida so... Join Us for Bye-Bye to the Bagel Guy



For Coffee and ... Sunday, October 21, 2018, after the 9:30 am Mass in Pollard Hall



Saturday, October 13, 2018

8:45 am - Gathering
9:00 am -10:00 am Prayer, Input and reflection
Join us as we reflect on the seasons of our life with the seasons in nature.

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.

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.

Focus on Faith Formation



All families are asked to read the family handbook and return the signed contract as soon as possible.

9th Grade Confirmation Year 2: The first session will take place today, Sunday, October 7th beginning with the Rite of Enrollment Mass at 11:30 am.

Family Faith Formation: Please be sure to complete the home assignments with your child/children each week by the due dates. The next Family Faith Formation session is scheduled for next Sunday, October 14th starting with the 5 pm Mass.

2nd Grade: The Rite of Enrollment Mass for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be next Sunday, October 14th at 5 pm. The Potter Retreat will take place on Friday, October 19th promptly at 7 pm in Pollard Hall.

Volunteers: If anyone is interested in attending the Catechetical Convocation at Paramus Catholic on Saturday, October 20th from 8 am - 3:15 pm, please contact the Faith Formation Office ASAP. Cardinal Tobin will preside at the morning prayer service and there will be workshops going on all day.

Presentation on Internet Safety for Children

Karen Clark from the Safety Office at the Archdiocese of Newark will be giving a presentation on **Internet Safety for Children** to the parents in our Family Faith Formation Program, but we are opening it up to all parents/adults in our parish because this is such an important topic. The presentation will take place after the 5 pm Mass on Sunday, October 14th in the Church. For more information contact Fran Michetti at fmichetti@ollmountainside.org.

Hearth & Home
Kitchen Tour
Sat., Oct. 13
Westfield, NJ Area Homes

HOLY TRINITY HEARTH AND HOME KITCHEN TOUR

The Kitchen Tour Is Back with Six Amazing Homes. The Hearth and Home Kitchen Tour, run by and for Holy Trinity School, is back this year for the eighth time. This year's tour, being held Saturday, October 13th, from 10 am to 4 pm, features another diverse group of six homes. Attendees will be able to tour the kitchens and main floors of the homes; discuss the interiors with the contractors and designers that created them; and sample local cuisine at every house. The tour will also feature a raffle and gift bags for the first 400 guests. Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$40 at westfieldkitchentour.com.

Family Promise Interfaith Hospitality Network Union County, NJ

Tend My Sheep Ministry

Our date for hosting at First United Methodist Church (FUMC) on Thursday, October 25, 2018, is approaching soon. There are still open slots on the sign-up sheet. FUMC is located at 1 East Broad Street, Westfield, NJ 07090.

The link for our signup sheet is:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c054eaba722a1fb6-ollfood2>

As mentioned in last week's bulletin, Family Promise informed us about many items that our guests who have moved into their own homes could use. First and foremost, are donated vehicles. If you are getting rid of your old car, please consider donating it to Family Promise for one of the families in need. Your donation is tax deductible for the Kelly Blue book value of the vehicle.

Other items that our families could use are small microwaves and vacuum cleaners. These can be new or used. If you have any of these items or will have them in the future, please keep Family Promise in mind.

If you have any questions, please contact:
Deacon Michael DeRoberts, mderoberts@aol.com,
or at (908) 868-0727 or
Karen Hahner, hahnerk@comcast.net or at
(908) 789-4639.

Thanks again for all you do to make Our Lady of Lourdes a great parish!

Deacon Mike and Karen Hahner
Coordinators

Mark Your Calendars Rosary Rally on October 13th

Let us rally and pray the rosary in reparation for the sins of abortion, euthanasia, clergy abuse, drug addiction, suicide, and Satan Worship.

Date: Saturday, October 13, 2018

Time: 12 noon

Place: Briant Park in Summit (along
Springfield Ave and Briant Pkwy)

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

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



SAVE THE DATE!!
PARISH AUTUMN EVENT
HARVEST FAMILY DINNER

POLLARD HALL
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd
AFTER 5 PM MASS

Western Theme Family Dinner.

Menu: Carved Beef Brisket,
Pulled Pork, Barbequed Chicken,
Macaroni & Cheese,
Children's menu available.
Beer & soda, bring your own wine.

Fabulous Tricky Tray
Line dancing for all ages
Music: DJ Line Dancing of Rockaway

Adult ticket \$25.00,
Children ticket under 14 is \$12.00,
Children under 4 years old are
free of charge.

Tickets on sale at all Masses
beginning October 14th
and at the Rectory Office.