

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time + October 25, 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 pray for the sick. . . Valerie Santiago, 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 Dr. Edward Mayer* requested by Dolores Mayer and in loving memory for Laura Das Flores de Pinho* requested by Antonio & Isabel DeOliveira.

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

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in loving memory for Henry J. Plucienik* requested by the Family.

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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....

Belonging to Christ, and the resulting way of life, do not isolate the believer from the world, but rather make him or her the protagonist in a service of love for the common good.

Hunger is not only a tragedy for humanity, it is shameful. Faced with this reality, we cannot remain insensitive or paralyzed. We are all responsible.

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

We have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens
11 CORINTHIANS 5:5

Earth's heartaches are healed by the promises of God. When we are home at last, the homesickness will be over. We shall praise the King who knew how to cut eternal doorways in mere holes cut in sod. Joy belongs to all those who understand that earth is but a rehearsal for heaven.

On dim evenings, if you squint at sunsets, you can all but see the promise. In Our Father's house there really are many mansions -- but one of them is ours.

Mother of the Holy Eucharist Pray for Us!



Saturday Evening, October 24th, Vigil, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Barbara Brinley
Req. by Barbara McGlynn

Sunday, October 25th, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Mary Warnock*
Req. by the Family
9:30 AM Louise Stacy
Req. by Helen & Candy Ahlquist
11:30 AM Deceased Members of A Gathering of Women*
Req. by the Family
5:00 PM Diane McGee*
Req. by the Kontra Family

Monday, October 26th

7:30 AM Ralph Della Serra
Req. by Esther Rinaldo
8:30 AM Elisa & Vincenzo DiGeronimo*
Req. by Karen & Phil Shaneen

Tuesday, October 27th

7:30 AM James Dunne
Req. by the Family
8:30 AM Marie Kelly*
Req. by the Perez-Santalla Families

Wednesday, October 28th, Sts. Simon and Jude

7:30 AM Mary and Carl Leonhard*
Req. by the Family
8:30 AM Rose Frieri*
Req. by the Frieri Family

Thursday, October 29th

7:30 AM Mildred Plucienik*
Req. by the Chiang Family
8:30 AM Anna Kuba*
Req. by the Family

Friday, October 30th

7:30 AM Suzanne Lindemann
Req. by the Michetti Family
8:30 AM Jim Pascuiti
Req. by Jean Pascuiti & Family

Saturday, October 31st

8:00 AM Paul McGlynn*
Req. by Tara Kennedy

Saturday Evening, October 31st, Vigil, All Saints

5:00 PM Protection of Unborn Babies*
Req. by K of C Westfield Council 1711

Sunday, November 1st, All Saints

7:30 AM Mildred Plucienik*
Req. by Rosemarie Graziano
9:30 AM Protection of Unborn Babies*
Req. by K of C Westfield Council 1711
11:30 AM Robert Amatucci
Req. by Pat & Jona Fernicola
5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Geron Family*
Req. by Karen Shaneen

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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.

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 is now open. The Mass Book will be open for Masses only from January 1, 2021 to August 31, 2021.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE SCRIPTURES



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16

Thursday: Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10;
Lk 13:31-35

Friday: Phil 1:1-11; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef;
Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3;
Mt 5:1-12a

Financial Figures

October 18 - \$ 4,292

World Mission - \$ 1,258

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!

Justice and compassion are keys to loving, in the readings for the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Exodus proclaims God's call that we act justly toward foreigners, and the most vulnerable among us: widows, orphans and the poor. Jesus says it most simply: "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. ...You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Wednesday is the Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles.

Luke's Gospel offers us lessons this week about humility. We see a vivid example of the compassion. Jesus heals a woman on the Sabbath over the protests of the synagogue leaders. "This daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound for eighteen years now, ought she not to have been set free on the sabbath day from this bondage?" He berates the Pharisees and scholars of the law: "You impose on people burdens hard to carry, but you yourselves do not lift one finger to touch them." He cautions his followers to be humble: "For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last." When Pharisees warn Jesus that Herod wants to kill him, he warns the people of Jerusalem: "how many times I yearned to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, but you were unwilling!" Jesus cures a man with dropsy under the critical eyes of the Pharisees. He turns to those at the table and tells them a story about guests at a banquet scrambling for places of honor. He tells them to take the lowest place, "For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

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.

EASTERN STANDARD TIME RESUMES



Reminder to change your clocks back one hour next Saturday evening, October 31st, before retiring for the night.

Also, remember to change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

"Spring ahead, Fall behind."

Catholic Voter Guide from EWTN

**General Moral Principles
Doing Good and Avoiding Evil**

Catechism of the Catholic Church# 1706. By his reason, man recognizes the voice of God which urges him "to do what is good and avoid what is evil." Everyone is obliged to follow this law, which makes itself heard in conscience and is fulfilled in the love of God and of neighbor. Living a moral life bears witness to the dignity of the person.

Catholics Must Form Their Consciences by Church Teaching

Conscience is a judgment of reason whereby the human person recognizes the moral quality of a concrete act that he is going to perform, is in the process of performing, or has already completed. It is not a matter of personal decision about what is good or evil, but upon the objective moral order willed by God, binding on human beings and known through reason (natural law) and divine revelation (Scripture, Tradition & Magisterial teaching).

Morally Good Acts Are Good in Object, End and Circumstances

The Object, or thing to be done, is good.

The End, or intention for doing it, is also good.

The Circumstances are also taken into account and are fitting.

In determining which candidate is a threat to religion and liberty, or, which of several candidates is the worse threat, there is a hierarchy of values. This hierarchy is moral common sense. For example, it is clearly more evil to kill a person than to slap them unjustly. In determining the hierarchy of political issues, therefore, non-negotiable issues outweigh negotiable issues.

Non-negotiable issues concern certain truths and are always morally applicable, such as taking the life of the innocent, depriving people of their liberty, especially religious liberty, and preserving the morality of society, since personal and social life depends on it.

Negotiable issues concern complex circumstances, for example, how to protect, preserve and pay for health care. Policy issues involve differing opinions about the best means to the good end both parties desire, even if they differ about the possibility of achieving it by the various means proposed. Tax issues, trade issues etc.

SECOND COLLECTION

This Sunday there will be a second collection for the Non Accessible Repair Fund for the needs of the Parish Plant Repairs. Please support this fund.

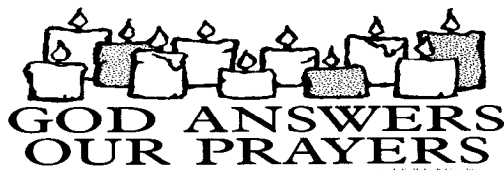
The Anointing of the Sick is not a Sacrament for those only who are at the point of death. Hence, as soon as anyone of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time for him (her) to receive this Sacrament has certainly arrived.

Catechism of the Catholic Church

**Feast of All Saints and the
Feast of All Souls**
November 1st and November 2nd

The communion of saints is the spiritual solidarity which binds together the faithful on earth, the souls in purgatory, and the saints in heaven in the organic unity of the same mystical body under Christ its head, and in a constant interchange of supernatural offices. The participants in that solidarity are called saints by reason of their destination and of their partaking of the fruits of the Redemption. The damned are thus excluded from the communion of saints. The living, even if they do not belong to the body of the true Church, share in it according to the measure of their union with Christ and with the soul of the Church. St. Thomas teaches that the angels, though not redeemed, enter the communion of saints because they come under Christ's power. The solidarity itself implies a variety of inter-relations: within the Church Militant, not only the participation in the same faith, sacraments, and government, but also a mutual exchange of examples, prayers, merits, and satisfactions; between the Church on earth on the one hand, and purgatory and heaven on the other, suffrages, invocation, intercession, veneration. Thus understood, the communion of saints, is, a dogma commonly taught and accepted in the Church. (Catholic Answers)

All Souls Novena of Masses will begin on Tuesday, November 3rd and conclude on Friday, November 6th. Remember the words of St. Monica to her son St. Augustine: "I care not where you lay this body of mine, only that you remember me at the altar of the Lord." All souls Novena envelopes are available from the ushers or on the table in the Church vestibule.



Focus on Faith Formation

All students in grades 1-8 should be working, a little at a time, on work in our October Google Classroom. All work is due October 31st, but please don't wait until the last day because it's Halloween.

This week's live Zoom classes are as follows:

Tuesday, October 27 th	Grade 7, 7:00 pm
	Grade 8, 7:45 pm
Wednesday, October 28 th	Grade 4, 4:00 pm
	Grade 6, 4:45 pm

Immediate Confirmation Prep Grade 9 - the first Zoom session will be Sunday, November 1st at 12:30 pm. An email will be sent with the codes to sign in.

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!

NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY STARTING SOON!

We are starting a virtual bible study for women from Ascension Press called Jesus: The Way, the Truth and the Life. You can access it here: Please go online and check it out. Each person would have to purchase their own study set and have their materials sent to their home. There is a video to watch each week and we will meet on zoom to discuss the video and workbook questions. We are planning to start on October 28-29 and we will offer the study at the same times as in the past, Wednesday evenings and Thursday mornings. For more information or to sign up, please contact Sue Zavodny at zavodnys@comcast.net or 908-789-8543. Please give this some thought, pray about it, and let me know if you would like to join us in this study. Hoping you will all be up for this new adventure in technology!

RCIA

Rite of
Christian
Initiation
for Adults



Interested in becoming Catholic?

Are you searching for meaning or trying to make sense out of life? Have you ever thought about becoming a Catholic? Are you married to a Catholic and wonder what Catholics believe? Have you considered sharing the same faith as your spouse or your kids? Were you baptized Catholic, but never received the Sacraments of Penance, Holy Eucharist or Confirmation? **MAYBE GOD IS CALLING YOU...** The R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process by which we “make new Catholics”: a process of learning, and asking questions, and growing together in a nurturing welcoming community of faith. Find out more: contact Fr. Bill Benedetto at frbill@ollmountainside.org or you can call the parish office at 908-232-1162.

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

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!

Hospital Privacy Please remember that current privacy laws regarding patients in hospitals do not allow the hospitals/pastoral care offices to contact parishes if their parishioners are in the hospital. **If you or a loved one is going into the hospital and want a priest to visit you or that loved one, please call the parish office and let us know.**



The Archdiocese, takes very seriously, any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at (201) 407-3256.

OAK KNOLL SCHOOL OF THE HOLY CHILD Virtual



Admission Events Fall 2020:

Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child, a Catholic Independent school, all girls, grades 7-12, invites you to attend our Upper School Virtual Information Sessions.

For more information and to register online visit our website www.oakknoll.org or call Admissions at 908-522-8109. Pre-registration is required.

Seton Hall Preparatory School

New Jersey's oldest Catholic college prep school – will be hosting its annual Open House for 7th and 8th grade boys and their families on Sunday, November 1st, (registration required) www.shp.org/openhouse. Visitors will tour the campus and our brand new 44-acre Kelly Athletic Complex, our state of the art John J. Murphy '52 Science Center, learn about the application process, and have the opportunity to meet with teachers, coaches, parents, and current students. For more information, please contact Michael T. Zinsmeister, Director of Admission, at (973) 325-6640 or visit shp.org.