

# THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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## Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time + November 4, 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 & 8:30

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*

*Remember in your prayers the soul of*

Gizella Mullen. May she rest in peace.

*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 Schuvert, Luke Granger, Martha Pares, Irene Ciccarino, James Leung, Joseph Iacono, Fr. Carl Arico, Fred Perna, George Strummer, Frances Kayton and Manny Teixeira.

*The Eucharistic Chapel Candles* will burn this week for the loving memory of Etta Romak requested by her sister and Family and for the loving memory of Mary Stawasz requested by Susan Mooney.

*The Sanctuary Lamp* will burn this week for the loving memory of Paul McGlynn requested by Barbara McGlynn.

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

**PARISH CALENDAR**

**Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**

1:00 pm - Rosary Alter Society Meeting

**Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 am - Brothers In Christ Meeting

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.

**Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex**

Faith is life: it is living in the love of God who has changed our lives. Faith has to do with encounter, not theory.

We are called to listen to what the Spirit tells us.  
The Holy Spirit is always something new.



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.

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](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: NJ125.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

**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**

God is more pleased by one work, however small, done secretly and without the desire that it be known, than a thousand works done with the desire that others know of them.

St. John of the Cross

**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



**Saturday Evening, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, Vigil, Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
5:00 PM All Souls Novena of Masses

**Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
7:30 AM All Souls Novena of Masses  
9:30 AM All Souls Novena of Masses  
11:30 AM All Souls Novena of Masses  
5:00 PM All Souls Novena of Masses

**Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**  
7:30 AM All Souls Novena of Masses  
8:30 AM Elena Petruccelli  
Req. by Angelo Fusco & Family

**Tuesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>**  
7:30 AM Mary & Carl Leonhard  
Req. by the Family  
8:30 AM Ruth Gavin Quinn  
Req. by the Family

**Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>**  
7:30 AM Teresa Hoang & Madelyn Njuisen  
Req. by Anne Hoang  
8:30 AM William McKinlay  
Req. by Mary McKinlay

**Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup>**  
7:30 AM Giuseppe Francolino  
Req. by the Rinaldo Family  
8:30 AM Peter Kuhn  
Req. by the Family

**Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup>**  
7:30 AM Ralph Della Serra  
Req. by Esther Rinaldo  
8:30 AM Thomas Feeney  
Req. by the Burvett Family

**Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>**  
8:00 AM Jack Graziano  
Req. by Rosemarie Graziano

**Saturday Evening, November 10<sup>th</sup>, Vigil, Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
5:00 PM Mary Elizabeth McGovern  
Req. by the McGovern & Strong Families

**Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
7:30 AM For the People of the Parish  
9:30 AM Gino Ferrara  
Req. by the Michetti Family  
11:30 AM Ralph & Babe Noha  
Req. by Theresa Manizano  
5:00 PM Dr. Lilia Gonzalez  
Req. by the Gonzalez & Laurenza Families

## The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

### THE SCRIPTURES



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26b-30ab, 30e, 31-32;  
Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9;  
1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Saturday: Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9;  
Lk 16:9-15

Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28;  
Mk 12:38-44 [41-44]

### COLLECTION

October 28 - \$5,342.00  
Repair Fund - \$1,345.00

Please stop by Pollard Hall after the Sunday  
9:30 am Mass for a cup of coffee.



### 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.

On the Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, in Mark's Gospel a scribe asks Jesus, "Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus tells him to love the Lord with all of his heart. The second commandment is: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The scribe agreed with Jesus, saying, "to love your neighbor as yourself" is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices." Jesus replied, "You are not far from the kingdom of God."

Friday is the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome with its own readings. Saturday is the Memorial of Saint Leo the Great, pope and doctor of the Church.

Continuing Luke's Gospel, Jesus talks about not only inviting all the "right" people into our lives, but to include "the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind." "For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." Then Jesus tells the parable of the invited guests who made excuses to decline the invitation. He sends his servants to invite everyone. Jesus tells a crowd that they have to renounce their possessions to be his disciple and that to do something really important, we have to prepare and be ready. In answer to the Pharisees' criticism of Jesus eating and drinking with sinners, Jesus tells parables of the man who finds his lost sheep and the woman with the lost coin, both of whom rejoice in finding what was lost. Jesus tells the parable of the dishonest steward who is caught overcharging his master's customers and saves himself by cutting his master's prices. Jesus praises his enterprise: "the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than the children of light." Finally, Jesus says that we can't have two masters, trying to love God and money. When a Pharisee sneered at him, he said: "what is of human esteem is an abomination in the sight of God."

Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on Creighton University's *Online Ministries* web site: [www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html](http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html) Used with permission.

#### 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](mailto:jc.eyegolf@gmail.com).

### Circle of Compassion



We are fast approaching our annual celebration of Thanksgiving Day. It is a reminder of how blessed we are as a nation and the freedoms we enjoy. As we reflect on this we must also recognize that not all of our neighbors share equally in these blessings and we are called by our faith to care for those struggling to place food on their tables.

This year we are concentrating on providing traditional holiday fare specific to the celebration of Thanksgiving. Please provide some or all of the following:

- Cans of vegetables: Cut Green Beans, Corn, Peas, Carrots, Cans of Brown Beans, Cans of Sweet Potatoes, Yams,
- Cans of Fruit: Peaches, Applesauce,
- Cans of Cranberry Sauce,
- Box of Instant Mash Potatoes

Cash donations are also welcome. There are envelopes specific for the Circle of Compassion at the entrances of the Church and we will do the shopping for you.

Thank you for your generous continued support of this appeal.

Parishioners can drop turkeys off on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon and after all the Masses on Sunday November 11<sup>th</sup> until 1:00 pm.

### Family Promise Interfaith Hospitality Network Union County, NJ

#### Tend My Sheep Ministry

On Thursday, October 25, 2018, our parish hosted 14 guests, six adults and eight children, ranging in age from 3 to 11, at First United Methodist Church in Westfield. As usual, the menu was delicious and included turkey chili and chicken fingers in addition to pot roast, and fixings and mac and cheese. As a special treat, homemade cookies were donated and consumed by all.

Again, we would like to say THANK YOU to all of our parishioners. Since our last hosting, six of our families have moved into their own apartments, with the help of Family First, a nonprofit organization that assists families in finding affordable housing. Your generous donations have provided many needed household items. Remember, if you have any small appliances, especially vacuum cleaners and microwaves that are no longer needed, please consider donating them to former Family Promise guests.

We would also like to thank our wonderful cooks, food providers and volunteers, all of whom make this program such a success. We could not do this without you.

Our next hosting will be in 2019 at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Scotch Plains on Wednesday and Thursday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. This will be our first time hosting two evenings in a row. Our teams are in place and we look forward to starting our sixth year helping our guests achieve independence.

If you have any questions, please contact:

- Deacon Michael DeRoberts, [mderoberts@aol.com](mailto:mderoberts@aol.com), or at (908) 868-0727 or
- Karen Hahner, [hahnerk@comcast.net](mailto: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

### CIRCLE OF COMPASSION COAT DRIVE

**NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup> AND 4<sup>th</sup>**

Please bring your unused coats to Pollard Hall.

### 2019 MASS BOOK OPENS NOVEMBER 5, 2018

For the year 2018 we have seven Masses still available. Before we open the 2019 Mass book we would prefer that the remaining vacant Mass intentions be taken. The tentative date for the opening of the 2019 Mass Book will be on November 5, 2018 at 10:30 am.



**Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>**

Gather: 8:45 am - 9:00 am  
Prayer and Reflection: 9:00 am -10:00 am

"Re-calling and Remember the People  
on Whose Shoulders We Stand"

Celebrating November 1<sup>st</sup> and November 2<sup>nd</sup>

## Focus on Faith Formation



**Weekly Classes:** The Tuesday class will not meet this week, on November 6<sup>th</sup>, but the Wednesday class will meet on November 7<sup>th</sup> to make up for Halloween.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Students were given their introduction to Confirmation book to complete between the Fall and Winter sessions. The entire book should be read, but the inside cover of the book has the pages that need to be completed. The books should be returned on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the winter session.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:** Please be sure to work on the Reconciliation books with your children a little at a time. They are due at the Reconciliation Family Retreat on December 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Important:** Please be sure your child arrives to class on time. The weekly elementary classes begin promptly at 4 pm. Students who arrive late miss important information during the opening prayer and mini lesson.

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

Just a reminder to all: if your child is going to be absent, please contact the Faith Formation office in advance by calling 908-233-1777 or [reled@ollmountainside.org](mailto:reled@ollmountainside.org). Be sure to include a reason.

## Sandwich volunteers needed!

Are you interested in preparing sandwiches for St Joseph's Social Service Center? It's easier than you think and it happens on your time and budget!

### What is involved?

Shop for and prepare 6 loaves of sandwiches.

### Where?

In your own home then delivered to a Mountainside address (easy drop off).

### When?

ANY Monday of your choice!

### Who?

Families, sports groups, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, service hour volunteers, Church friends.

For more information please email Briega Lennon at [blcellequi@aol.com](mailto:blcellequi@aol.com) or call 908.789.8581.

## Special Collection Catholic Relief Services

On the weekend of November 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> we will have a special second collection for Catholic Relief Services. The Catholic Relief Services Collection supports Catholic Church organizations that carry out international relief and solidarity efforts. Programs include relief and resettlement for victims of persecution, war, and natural disasters; development projects to improve living conditions for the poor; legal and support services for poor immigrants; peace and reconciliation work for people suffering from violence; and advocacy on behalf of the powerless. Please support this worthy effort.

## Union Catholic High School Information Night November 7, 2018 at 7 pm



If you missed Open House or want a closer look, join us and learn how UC's faith-based environment can support you on your journey to college and throughout life! Be Fearless, Be Faithful, Be Ready!

#UCFUTUREREADY

For more information, contact Betsy Thornton at 908-889-1600, ext. 302 or [bthornton@unioncatholic.org](mailto:bthornton@unioncatholic.org).  
1600 Martine Avenue, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076.

## ROSARY ALTER SOCIETY MEETING

Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>  
1:00 pm - Rosary and Novena.  
1:15 pm - General Meeting. A service project in preparing sandwiches for St. Joseph's.

## Future of Bagels & Coffee

With the departure of Dave Ferrell, the Parish needs someone to take the leadership role in the Bagel Program after the 9:30 am Mass on Sunday. We need someone to monitor the inventory of food, drinks and supplies, order and/or buy the amounts needed on a weekly or biweekly basis, as well as make sure that everything is running smoothly. This weekly event has been part of our community for 19 years, and is appreciated by young and old alike. The people who have been supporting Dave in recent years are willing to continue, but are not able to take on the leadership role, so you will not be doing this all by yourself. Please consider supporting the Parish in this way, and contact the Rectory with any questions you might have.

# Breakfast with St. Nicholas



Join us for good food, great prizes,  
fun crafts, activities, music, and more!

Sunday December 9, 2018  
Pollard Hall  
after 9:30 am Mass

Tickets on Sale after Mass on:

Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am and 5:00 pm

Sunday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am and 11:30 am

Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 5:00 pm



Adults and Teens \$12

Children under 12 \$5

Children under 3 Free

For more information contact:

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