

# THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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## Feast of Christ the King + November 26, 2017

### 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 & 5:00 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

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## *Prayer Requests*

*Please pray for the sick.* . . Patricia Kane, Marta Pares, Kathleen Ruggeri, Rich Ruggeri, Pedro Antonio Turcios Moreno, Valerie Santiago, Rose Vera Kaepfel, Joeline Stearns, James Roughneen, Elizabeth Szabo, Eve Vitale, David Gagliardotto, Louise Stacey, Jack Schuvert, Luke Granger, Gerardo & Marta Pares, Irene Ciccarino, Kathleen Michetti, James Leung and Al Leick.

*The Eucharistic Chapel Candles* will burn this week for the loving memory for Robbie Krienke requested by the Polce Family.

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

*Please Pray for our service member,* Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla and Stephen Vesper (Irene Ciccarino’s grandson) and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.

## **Parish Calendar**

### **Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>**

4 pm - Faith Formation

### **Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>**

4 pm - Faith Formation  
7:30 pm - Walking with Purpose  
7:30 pm - Youth Group

### **Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup>**

9 am - Walking with Purpose



New members are most welcome. We meet Sunday mornings at 10:30 am in the library and sing at the 11:30 am Mass. If you have questions, please see Joe Neglia or call him at 973-503-9675.

## **Follow Pope Francis on Twitter @Pontifex**

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

Nothing and nobody can block the light that Christ puts in our hearts and on the face of His friends.

When we pray, we need to have the courage of faith.  
Have trust that the Lord hears us!

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

## **UNION CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP EXAM**

Saturday, December 2, 2017 at 9:00 am and Sunday, December 3, 2017 at 1:00 pm. There is no make-up for this exam. The exam fee is \$30.00.

To register for the Scholarship Exam and for more information regarding scholarship opportunities, call the Admissions Office at 908-889-1600, ext. 302 or 328 or visit our website at <http://m.unioncatholic.org/admissions>.

## **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**

We according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteous dwells.

11 PETER 3:13

If God could make the heavens and earth as beautiful as we think they are today -- which includes thousands of years of wear and tear, corruption and pollution, sin and selfishness -- can you imagine what the new heaven and the new earth will look like.

**Mother of the Holy Eucharist Pray for Us!**

**One Hour... Our Lord Needs Us!**

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

**...the more difficult the sacrificial hour, the greater the blessing...an early AM adorer or a 2-3 AM adorer.**



**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.



**Mass Intentions for the week**



**Saturday Evening, November 25<sup>th</sup>, Feast of Christ the King**

5:00 PM John Petik, Jr.  
Req. by Kristen Ciccimarra

**Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, Feast of Christ the King**

7:30 AM For the People of the Parish  
9:30 AM William Tomko  
Req. by John & Virginia Grillo  
11:30 AM George & Patricia Shaneen  
Req. by Karen Shaneen  
5:00 PM Marie Dellipoali  
Req. by the Michetti Family

**Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 AM Ricky Parao  
Req. by Angela Pagano  
8:30 AM Jennifer D. McAvoy & Joan Bieszcak  
Req. by Jean & Ken Dalrymple

**Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 AM Carl Sprick  
Req. by Jean Pascuiti  
8:30 AM Ed Gosda  
Req. by the Schlutter Family

**Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 AM Ana Risso Meyer  
Req. by the Wagner Family  
8:30 AM James Coffee  
Req. by Elizabeth Kelly

**Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, St. Andrew**

7:30 AM Ed Gosda  
Req. by the Chiang Family  
8:30 AM Frank J. Kane  
Req. by the Hahner Family

**Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup>**

7:30 AM Jolene & Linda Kehoe  
Req. by the Chiang Family  
8:30 AM Ben Mirto  
Req. by Tom Smith

**Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**

8:00 AM Ana Risso-Meier  
Req. by Christine Wagner

**Saturday Evening, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, First Sunday of Advent**

5:00 PM Jean Ann Liguori  
Req. by Frank Liguori & Yolanda Hummel

**Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, First Sunday of Advent**

7:30 AM Carl Leonhard  
Req. by the Family  
9:30 AM John Vitale  
Req. by Eve Vitale  
11:30 AM Agnes Hogan  
Req. by the O'Dell Family  
5:00 PM Grace Miraglia  
Req. by Madeline & Gerry Gallagher

## Feast of Christ the King

### THE SCRIPTURES



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67;  
Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36

Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16,  
18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

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.

The collection for November 19 will appear in next week's bulletin.

### 2018 MASS BOOK

The 2018 Mass Book is now open.

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



# HELP WANTED

Sunday afternoons every other week. The job pays \$13 per hour no training, but reliable.

Please contact John Waters at [johnwaters68@gmail.com](mailto:johnwaters68@gmail.com).

Sunday is the Thirty-Fourth or Last Sunday in Ordinary Time and the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King. Jesus tells the marvelous parable about how we will all be judged - as a shepherd separates sheep from goats, based upon our care for the poor: "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me."

We celebrate the Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle on the 30th.

The first reading this last week of the liturgical year is from the Book of Daniel. These apocalyptic and mystical readings were written to give encouragement to the Jewish people in the face of persecution.

The stories in the Gospel of Luke this week offer a look at the meaning of generosity as the poor widow offers her two small coins. Jesus cautions against those who will come in his name promising salvation: "Do not follow them!" The cost of following his teaching is made clear, "You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed." In a dramatic look at the end time, echoing the Daniel readings, Jesus says, "And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory." Jesus continues the "end time" message saying, "know that the Kingdom of God is near. Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place." He cautions, "Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise like a trap."

### ***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 Briege Lennon at [blcellequi@aol.com](mailto:blcellequi@aol.com) or call 908.789.8581.



## **THE GIVING TREE 2017**

This weekend of November 26<sup>th</sup> our Christmas Giving Tree is filled with tags. All the tags have items requested from various needy organizations and schools.

**The items must be wrapped and returned to the Church on or before December 10<sup>th</sup> with the tags secured to the package.**

They will be sorted and delivered on that day. Thank you for your generosity.  
Carol Leick

**Packages are picked up by the Charities the afternoon of December 10<sup>th</sup>, at 2 pm.**

**Once the Charity Trucks depart we are unable to get the gifts to the proper locations.**

## **SECOND ANNUAL LUMINARY FUNDRAISER**

### **Light up your spirit for Christmas!**

Beautiful candle lit luminaries are available for your home and walkways. At dusk on Christmas Eve, thousands of luminaries will be in and around town to create beautiful glowing neighborhoods to light the way for Christmas!

To place your order, please use the form below.

Luminaries are \$2.00 each / 25 per home recommended.

*Proceeds to benefit Our Lady of Lourdes.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Pick up date: \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Orders can be placed after the 9:30 am Mass on November 20<sup>th</sup> or mail form to Our Lady of Lourdes, 300 Central Avenue, Mountainside, 07092

**DEADLINE FOR ORDERS — DECEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>**

Pick up dates for your Luminary kit (sand, bags, candles) will be at Our Lady of Lourdes Rectory, Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> from 10 am - 2 pm.

Any questions, please email [luminaryfund@gmail.com](mailto:luminaryfund@gmail.com)



## Holy Trinity School News

Unique Creatures visited the students, parents and friends at the Mountainside Campus. They brought "unique" animals from varied habitats.

Mrs. Boyle's PreK-3 classroom is decorated for fall. The student collected leaves and made leaf rubbings with crayons. They also made still life paintings of three sizes of pumpkins and painted a group project of "hand" turkeys dancing! They discussed the harvest and how thankful they are for all of God's blessings!

Mrs. Williams' and Mrs. Mineo's PreK-3 students are reading owl stories, listening to owl calls, looking at pictures of owls, making and decorating owl masks, and drawing chalk pictures of owls. Soon they will be creating a whole-class turkey bulletin board, learning about giving thanks, hearing expressions of gratitude from the students while using the Talking Stick, and learning about the first Thanksgiving with fun activities and projects.

Mrs. Grawehr's and Mrs. Hazard's PreK-4 students learned about The First Thanksgiving. They traveled on the "Mayflower" that they built and earned feathers for their Native American head dresses and made clay pots as the Pilgrims did!

Mrs. Maloney's second grade class finished writing Haiku poetry for autumn. They wrote an acrostic poem for Christmas and the final copy will be done in computer class with pictures to complement their poetry.

The fourth graders celebrated Veterans Day with SSGT Cotto from the N.J. Army National Guard stationed at the Westfield Armory, as he spoke about the sacrifices the soldiers make for us every day.

For more information about our full day kindergarten and preschool program, please contact the Mountainside Campus at (908) 233-1899. Tours are available Dec. 8 and Dec. 12, at 9:30 am and 1:30 pm. For information about grades K through 8 at the Westfield Campus,

## RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Next weekend throughout the United States all Catholic Parishes will have a second collection for the Retired Fund for Religious. Tens of thousands of senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests have dedicated their lives to sharing their faith. Generations of Catholics recall with gratitude their work in Catholic schools, hospitals, and social service agencies. Yet years of ministering for little or no pay came at a price, and now their religious communities lack adequate savings for retirement and eldercare.

Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide prescription medications, nursing care, and more. Please be generous.

## Focus on Faith Formation



The next Confirmation session will be Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> beginning with the 11:30 am Mass.

The next Family Faith session will be Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> beginning with the 5 pm Mass. Rainbow and Mr. T will be returning to do a puppet show on Advent and Christmas. All in our program are welcome to attend this event.

With the start of Advent, please remember that our Family Faith students and our Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> grade students must attend confession on their own. I will be holding Reconciliation services on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 12:45 pm. It is recommended that students attend one of these services. The weekly students will go to confession during class and our Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> graders will have a Reconciliation service on Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Rite of Enrollment for Reconciliation will take place Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at the 9:30 am Mass. All students in our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Sacrament program must attend.

A reminder: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup> graders should be attending Mass on a regular basis and putting church envelopes into the collection baskets.

## 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.

Candidates for RCIA include:

- Non-baptized adults who wish to enter the Catholic Church,
- Baptized adult Christians of another faith denomination (Lutheran Anglican, Presbyterian, etc) who wish to continue their Christian faith in the Catholic Church,
- Adult baptized Catholics who have not yet completed the Sacraments of Initiation (Holy Communion, Confirmation) and wish to do so.

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](mailto:frbill@ollmountainside.org).

## *Breakfast with St. Nicholas*



Come for a morning of joy, music,  
delicious food, prizes and more!

Pollard Hall

Sunday, December 3, 2017

after 9:30 am Mass

Tickets on Sale:

*Saturday November 25<sup>th</sup>* after 5 pm Mass

*Sunday November 26<sup>th</sup>* after 9:30 am 11:30 am 5 pm Masses

*From Monday to Friday in the Rectory during Office Hours*

Adults and teens: **\$10**

Children under 12: **\$5**

under 3: **Free!**

*Additional 2 dollars at the door!!*

Don't forget to clean your shoes, St. Nicholas may check on you!