

# THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Second Sunday of Easter ✠ May 1, 2011

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**My  
Lord  
and my  
God!**

## COME AND WORSHIP WITH US

Masses

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

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## Parish Calendar

### Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>

- Gift Shop opened after Masses
- 11:30am Religious Ed
- 3pm NJWA Concert
- 6pm Family Catechesis Session
- 7:30pm Family Program End of Year Dinner

### Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>

- 1pm Rosary in Church
- 1:30pm Rosary Society May Crowning
- 4pm Religious Ed.

### Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

- 4pm Religious Ed.
- 4:15pm Children's Choir Rehearsal-Church

### Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>

- 4pm Religious Ed.
- 7:30pm Youth Group-RMR

### Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

- 4:15pm Children's Choir Rehearsal II-Church
- 7pm Adult Choir Rehearsal-Church

### Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>

- Gift Shop opened after Masses
- 11am Confirmation Retreat off site
- 1pm Confessions



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our Lady of Lourdes  
 Summer Bible Celebration—'11  
 All our children  
 approaching 4 years old  
 to those entering 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade!

Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup>—Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup>

Monday-Wednesday 1:15pm—3:15pm

Thursday-Friday 9am-12noon

(accommodates Mountainside Schools schedule)

\$50.00 per child

\$100.00 family maximum

SonQuest campers will learn how their lives can be transformed by God's great love for them.



## "HTIS School News"

Spring is here so why not consider cleaning out your closets to help our school? The semi-annual Holy Trinity Interparochial School used clothing and toy drive will be held Saturday, May 21, 2011, from 8am to noon, behind the school on Watterson Street, Westfield. The event provides an opportunity to donate the following types of gently used textiles: clothes, shoes, handbags, bedding, curtains, cloth tablecloths and other linens. Additionally, new or gently used stuffed animals and toys will be collected. Bags or boxes of items can be dropped off on Watterson Street, directly behind the school. No books will be accepted. For further information, please email: [hsa336@yahoo.com](mailto:hsa336@yahoo.com).

-Through their morning exercises and routines, Mrs. Melao's Two and a Half Year Old Class has learned the good habits and wonderful manners that will allow them to thrive in school and at home.

-Mrs. Williams' PreK-3 class decorated paper Easter eggs and made use of their new scissor skills to cut crosses from white paper.

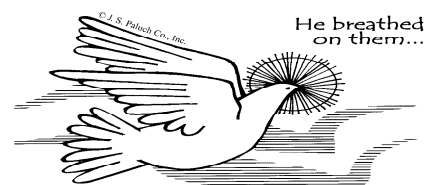
-The kindergarten classes were busy making Easter bonnets and bunny ears for their Easter parade. They also made Easter baskets and had a great time at the Easter Egg Hunt and party.

-The third grade classes focused on the Triduum, the three most special days of our Easter season. They hung crosses which they decorated with symbols for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. They created and mailed Easter cards to the homebound parishioners and even made bunny baskets for themselves.

-Mrs. Green's religion class participated in a Passover Seder meal in conjunction with their study of our roots in Judaism.

-The Sixth Grade of Holy Trinity Interparochial School will have its *Annual Ethnic Festival* on Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 1 - 2:30pm in the school gymnasium. All are invited to experience this colorful day.

-For more information regarding grades 1 to 8, please call the Westfield Campus at 908-233-0484. There is still some availability in the Two & a Half Year Old class, PreK-3 and the full day Kindergarten. We invite you to call the Mountainside Campus at 908-233-1899 if you are interested in the preschool and full day kindergarten programs for the 2011-2012 school year.



Receive the Holy Spirit.

**Everyone is welcomed! Please contact our Parish Office to register with us.**



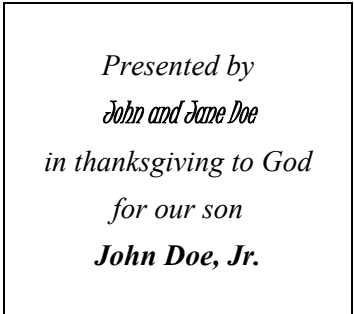
# New Parish Music Book

With the forthcoming revision of our celebration of Mass, the parish will be purchasing new hymnals to replace the current Worship Books. This book will contain many of the hymns and services that you know as well as some of the new settings being produced.

Our parish would like to give individual members the opportunity to help in this project. If you are interested in purchasing one or more copies (\$25.00 each) in memory or honor of someone or some event, simply fill out the form and return it, along with your check. Here are a few ideas:

- give a hymnal in memory of a loved one
- give a hymnal in honor of each of your children or grandchildren
- give a hymnal in honor of each of your godchildren
- give a hymnal in honor of someone in the congregation, a special friend or neighbor
- give a hymnal of thanksgiving based on the number of years you have been married; for example, you might give one hymnal for every decade of marriage (if you're in between those milestone years, just round up or down)

In each hymnal that you purchase for the parish we will place a name-plate similar to the one to the right. You are also invited to purchase copies for individual and family use.



Thank you for helping us in this important project as our parish takes this opportunity to sing to the Lord a new song!

Please complete the information below. Please print clearly.

If you prefer that your gift remain anonymous, check here:



Presented by \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Your name as you wish it to appear)*

in memory of  
 in thanksgiving to God for  
 in honor of

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Name of person or event being honored or remembered)*

Number of hymnals purchased for the congregation

\_\_\_\_\_ x \$25.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please place this form and your check, made out to Our Lady of Lourdes, in an envelope, and write New Hymnal on the envelope and in the Memo section of your check, and place it in the weekly collection or return it to the parish office.

Thank you!

## Second Sunday of Easter

### THE SCRIPTURES



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8  
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14  
 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21  
 Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36  
 Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15  
 Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21

On the Second Sunday of Easter, as we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, we get a picture of how the early community gathered around as "Many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles." John's Gospel gives us two post-resurrection stories that feature Thomas, the doubting apostle. "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

The Acts of the Apostles all this week offers us the challenges the apostles faced from the earliest communities and from the Jewish authorities. For the remaining five weeks of the Easter season, our readings will be from the Acts of the Apostles and from John's Gospel, with stories of Jesus' ministry not heard during the Ordinary Time of the liturgical year. The weekday readings begin with the frightened Pharisee, Nicodemus, coming at night to speak to Jesus, asking how anyone can be "born again." Jesus says we must be born of water and Spirit. The gospel offers a poetic look at light and darkness, good and evil: "the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light...But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God." John writes, "For the one whom God sent speaks the words of God." After Jesus' disciples tell him to send 5,000 people away, he shows them how to feed them all. He walks across the sea to meet his apostles in their boat, saying, "It is I. Do not be afraid."

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.



"Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."  
 John 20:21

Thank you to all who supported Our Lady of Lourdes by the offering of their treasure on Easter Sunday. Our collection on Easter Sunday amounted to \$29,896. As a parish committed to live the Stewardship Way of Life, we know that the donation of our time, our talent and our treasure is a way of thanking the Lord for what God has first given to us. May the Lord touch our minds so that we may see what He has done for us and may He open our hearts to share His goodness with Our Lady of Lourdes throughout the year.

**Good Friday**                    \$ 596  
**Mass attendance:**        1,800  
**Envelopes Used:**            362

*To everything there is a season,  
 and a time to every purpose under heaven*

*"...a time to remember..."*

**THE EUCHARISTIC CHAPEL CANDLES** will burn this week in loving memory of:

Joanne Esemplare Franzoni requested by the Family  
**AND**

B. J. Giannone requested by the Schmedel Family

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP** will burn this week in loving memory of Pasquale Addabbo requested by the Joyce Gregory Family.

*"...a time to serve..."*

Sgt. Nicholas Perez-Santalla, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Connor Crehan and for all Service Men and Women who are presently serving our country.



### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Divine Mercy Sunday  
The pale rays stand for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls.  
Jesus I Trust in You!

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

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

- Sunday 4 am, 8 am, 3 pm, 4 pm, 6 pm
- Monday 4 am, 5 am
- Tuesday 2 am, 4 am, 4 pm, 7 pm, 12 midnight
- Wednesday 10 am, 3 pm, 8 pm
- Thursday 11 am, 12 noon, 1 pm, 4 pm, 12 midnight
- Friday 1 am, 11 am, 4 pm, 6 pm, 7 pm, 9pm, 12 midnight
- Saturday 1 am, 4 am, 2 pm, 3 pm, 5 pm, 8 pm, 9 pm

...the more difficult the sacrificial hour, the greater the blessing...an early AM adorer or a 2-3AM adorer. Contact Irene Ciccarino at 732-574-0064.



**Adoration Chapel Candles** may burn In Memory of a Loved One, Special Birthday or Anniversary.

The Upcoming Dates for **BAPTISM** are:

- May 15                      September 11
- June 5                        October 9
- July 10                        November 13
- August 14                    December 11



**PREPARATION CLASSES** will be held on the following dates:

- May 22                        September 25
- July 31                        November 20



- Saturday Evening,**  
**April 30<sup>th</sup>, Vigil, Second Sunday of Easter**  
Catherine Denner
- Sunday,**  
5:00 PM  
7:30 AM  
9:30 AM  
11:30 AM  
**Monday,**  
7:30 AM  
**Tuesday,**  
7:30 AM  
**Wednesday,**  
7:30 AM  
**Thursday,**  
7:30 PM  
**Friday,**  
7:30 AM  
**Saturday,**  
8:00 AM  
**Saturday Evening,**  
**May 1<sup>st</sup>, Second Sunday of Easter**  
Peter Kuhn  
George Wiech (10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
For the People of the Parish  
**May 2<sup>nd</sup>, St. Athanasius**  
George Wyatt  
**May 3<sup>rd</sup>, Sts. Philip & James**  
Intentions of Cindy Nausad  
**May 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Intentions of Cindy Nausad  
**May 5<sup>th</sup>**  
Intentions of Cindy Nausad  
**May 6<sup>th</sup>**  
Thomas Lyons  
**May 7<sup>th</sup>**  
Nellie O'Shea  
**May 7<sup>th</sup>, Vigil, Third Sunday of Easter**  
Mothers of the Parish  
**May 8<sup>th</sup>, Third Sunday of Easter**  
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### EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

**Elizabeth O'Brien**  
by  
Robertson Family

**Rusbarsky & Gnyra Families**  
by  
M/M Alex Szabo

**Donna Beardsworth**  
by  
Sue Dabrowski

**Joseph & Elizabeth Zavodny**  
**Robert Lademan**  
By  
M/M Paul Zavodny

**Donations:**  
Gabriel Calenda  
Frank Cross  
M/M Christian Delmar  
M/M Jeffrey Kelly



## Blessed John Paul II

This weekend, the man who canonized more saints than any other pope in modern history will be one step closer to sainthood himself when he becomes "Blessed John Paul II." The beatification of Pope John Paul II comes on a rare fast track just six years following his death. The speedy process was made possible when the Congregation for the Causes of Saints waived the usual five-year waiting period that is normally required before a cause for beatification and canonization can begin. It follows a precedent John Paul II himself set when he beatified Mother Teresa of Calcutta in 2003, just six years after her death.

During his pontificate, John Paul II canonized 482 saints. All other twentieth century popes combined canonized a total of 98 saints. With his 1983 apostolic constitution, *Divinus Perfectionis Magister*, Pope John Paul II simplified procedures for beatification and canonization allowing so many blesseds and saints to be named during his pontificate. John Paul II believed that the exemplary lives of the saints could inspire the faithful to answer the universal call to holiness.

"The saints offer us precious insights which enable us to understand more easily the intuition of faith, thanks to the special enlightenment which some of them have received from the Holy Spirit,

or even through their personal experience of those terrible states of trial which the mystical tradition describes as the 'dark night.'"

On April 11, 2011, the Congregation for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments decreed that the memorial of Blessed John Paul II would be inserted into the diocesan calendars of Rome, where he was bishop, and the dioceses of his native Poland and that it would be celebrated annually on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. The date chosen is the anniversary of the liturgical inauguration of his papacy in 1978.

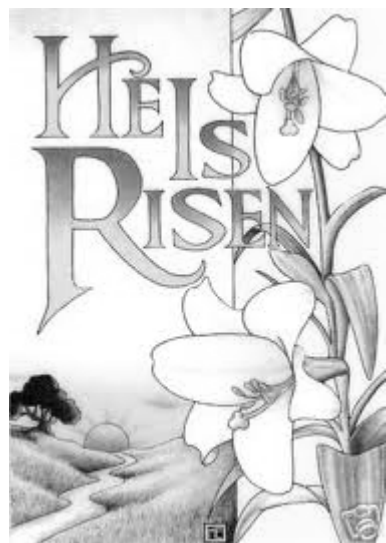
The 'local only' celebration of a blessed's memorial is a noticeable difference between being beatified and being canonized. Canonization makes universal public liturgical veneration possible.

Following is the text of the opening prayer for the Mass in honor of Blessed John Paul II:

*O God, who are rich in mercy  
and who willed that the Blessed John Paul II  
should preside as pope over your universal church,  
grant, we pray, that instructed by his teaching,  
we may open our hearts to the saving grace of Christ,  
the sole redeemer of mankind.*

*Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours will be celebrated in the Oratory at Gate of Heaven Cemetery in East Hanover in observance of the Beatification of Pope John Paul II at 6:00 pm Sunday, May 1. The public is invited.



The most important days of our liturgical year are the Easter Triduum – from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday.

This year, they were once again the highlight of our Church year.

Thanks go out to **All** who did so much to make our celebration of the Triduum superb ....

**Gerry Palladino, John Ondrey, Peter Goggi and the members of our Music Ministry** and all parts of it ...

Those who worked on the **Art & Environment** and spent so much time decorating the church ...

our **liturgical ministers**: readers, ministers of Holy Communion, servers, ushers/greeters – those who were part of the **foot washing** on Holy Thursday ...

our **Youth Group, Ken and Patricia Bittner** for leading us in praying the Way of the Cross on Good Friday evening...

those who came and gathered for **Morning Prayer** on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday...

our **parishioners** who came and prayed together as we remembered the Lord's Supper, as we "walked" with Christ to Calvary, and rejoiced in the feast of the Resurrection...

Deacon John Wedemeyer, Deacon Mike DeRoberts, Msgr. McDade, Father Grace and Father Jack who led us in our celebrations and prayer ...Javier Perez-Santalla, the Bunin Family and all who helped the Easter Bunny and the Egg Hunt ...**It truly was something beautiful for God and for each other!**

### From This Side of the Mountain ...

Wasn't it good to see so many people at the Easter Sunday liturgies! Between the Easter Vigil and the Masses of Easter Sunday, over 1,800 joined us to worship. It is good to see the family together. In today's first reading Luke writes in the Acts of the Apostles that "The brethren devoted themselves to the apostles' instruction and the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and the prayers." The risen Christ has called us to this communal life and to being his disciples. There is no burden where there is love so the discipleship we are called to stems from our love relationship with the risen Christ. Saint Peter tells us in the second reading: "Praised be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, he who in his great mercy gave us new birth; a birth unto hope which draws its life from the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."

Jeffrey D. Jones, in his book *Traveling Together: A Guide for Disciple-Forming Congregations*, wrote: "It takes a community to form a *disciple*. The congregation exists to be that community. Children, youth, and adults together in the community of faith provide the resources that aid the forming of *disciples*. The Spirit present in that community provides the transforming power that makes *disciples* and encourages their continued growth. It is the community that carries the gospel story into the present so that it can be made real in the lives of *disciples*. It is the community that provides the variety of gifts that is essential to *disciple formation*. It is the community that offers the experiences of deepening, equipping, and ministering that form *disciples*."

Somehow we need to hear Jesus calling each of us to *discipleship* to carry on his mission. Most people come to faith through living day by day with people of faith such as their families or friends. Community as a means of spiritual formation serves to immerse people in the Christian way of living so that they learn how to be Christian in a lifelong process of discovery and change. This lifelong process of discovery and change is what *discipleship* is all about. It is the way *disciples* are formed. It is the task of the community of faith. It is accomplished as that community provides opportunities for deepening, equipping, and ministering in the practices it adopts. What practices do we need to adopt to have all of us become *disciples* and invite those 1,800 to join us?



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We congratulate the following children who received First Eucharist this weekend.

At the 5pm Mass:

Nora Hess	Kathryn Tavares
Peter Skinner	Sabastian Ubillus
Claudia Schneider	

At the 11:30am Mass:

Coady Brown	Emily Kiernan
Joseph Cioffi	Alexandra Miskewitz

Our next celebration will be on Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at the 9:30am Mass.

### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Bishop Manuel A. Cruz will join us for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** on Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at the 11:30am Mass, which is also the Solemnity of Pentecost.

### ANNIVERSARY MASSES

On June 5, 2011, all couples celebrating 50 or more years of Marriage from Bergen and Hudson Counties are invited to the Cathedral for Mass with the Archbishop at 3:00pm.

And, on June 12, 2011, all couples throughout the Archdiocese celebrating 5 and 25 years of Marriage are invited to the Cathedral at 3:00pm for Mass with the Archbishop.

To register please call the Parish Office at 908-232-1162.



The Gift of Words Book Club has chosen titles for its next two meetings. For Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> we will be reading Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival by Laura Hillenbrand. For June 8<sup>th</sup> our choice is Freedom, a novel by Jonathan Franzen. Both of these books are currently on best sellers lists and have had excellent reviews. All are welcome to join us. Our meetings are at 1:30 in the Spirituality Room.