



# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, October 9, 2022 - Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Mass Schedule @ Main Church

Saturday Evening, 5:30 pm

Sunday Morning, 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am

*Confessions, Saturday 4:15 - 5:00 pm or  
anytime by appointment*

## Weekday Morning Mass

Monday - Friday

8:30 am @ MAIN CHURCH

*Monday 8:30 am Mass*

*with Miraculous Medal Novena*

### **Served By:**

Rev. James Ferry, Pastor

Rev. James N. Chern, Weekend Assistant

Rev. Robert K. Suszko, Weekend Assistant

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RECTORY/Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

### Religious Education

#### **Family Catechesis (Grades 1-6)**

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### Religious Education

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### Religious Education

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### Sacrament of Baptism

Celebrated *usually* the first Saturday of the month. Parents are required to meet with Father Jim Ferry. Please call RECTORY.

### Sacrament of the Sick

Administered in an emergency at any time. Please call RECTORY when someone is ill or admitted to the hospital.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples are asked to make their arrangements one year in advance of their wedding. Please call RECTORY for an appointment with a priest.

### First Friday

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm. There is 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Adoration during the “Fall” months of September, October, November and December and the “Spring” months of March, April, May and June.

### Peace and Good Corner Gift Shop

Religious articles, books and cards are available for purchase inside the church before and after all Masses or by appointment. Contact RECTORY.

### New Parishioners

Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes. Please register at RECTORY or call for registration forms.

**MISSION STATEMENT** *The people of God in West Orange were called by the Holy Spirit in 1914 to form Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, a community centered on Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit remains with us today as we continue our journey to God. We are inspired by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, nourished by the Eucharist, called to respect life and proclaim our Catholic faith. We serve God by providing spiritual, educational, and social activities for our parish family as well as extending God's love and compassion to serve the greater community.*



Dear Brothers and Sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes,

The setting of the Gospel this Sunday is a journey through Samaria by Jesus by whom 10 lepers are healed. It is a lesson about our connection to God and understanding of His grace.

**Thanksgiving: Naaman and the 10 Lepers**

**Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio**

(Source: <https://www.crossroadsinitiative.com/media/articles/thanksgiving-naaman-10-ten-lepers/>). This article has been abridged from the original.

The Bible stories of Naaman the Syrian and Jesus' healing of the 10 lepers shows us that gratitude is an obligation of justice. Leprosy is a dreadful thing anywhere, anytime. But in the ancient Near East, it was a particularly heavy burden to bear since it meant complete social isolation.

[NAAMAN THE SYRIAN] Naaman [had gone] all the way from his native Syria to Israel when told that there was hope of finding a cure there. So what if Israel was the enemy of Syria and he was a Syrian army commander? So what if he worshiped Syrian gods rather than the God of Israel? It was worth a shot. Nothing else had worked.

Naaman was healed instantly and completely. And his response was just matter-of-fact. He was obliged to express his gratitude by offering a gift. Elisha refused to accept it because the healing had not come from Elisha. It had come from God. When Naaman recognized this, he loaded up a cart with soil from the Holy Land so that he could erect an altar at home to the God of Israel. And he pledged to worship no other god from that day forward.

Naaman ... probably never heard of the Ten Commandments (Exodus 20); [but] Naaman did not need Divine Revelation to tell him ... he had just received a new lease on life. From that moment on, he realized he owed a debt of gratitude to this God that could never fully be repaid, but he was bound to try anyway ... Naaman was a just man and so was determined to pay what he owed as best as he could.

[10 LEPERS] We see a similar irony in Luke's story of the 10 lepers (Luke 17:11-19). An encounter with Jesus brings these ten outcasts total healing and restoration to society. Yet none of the Israelites among them takes the time to return to thank Jesus. Only one man does –and he just happens to be a Samaritan heretic.

Worship of God first and foremost is a strict obligation of justice. We were created out of nothing, through no effort of our own. We were saved by grace; it was not our own doing (Ephesians 2:4). On both counts, we owe God everything. We can never adequately repay him, and so owe him a lifetime of gratitude.

[THANKSGIVING & EUCHARIST] That's why Abraham Lincoln proclaimed an annual holiday of Thanksgiving in the USA. That's why we Catholics speak of our "Sunday obligation." We are bound, if we are able, to observe the third commandment and keep the Lord's Day holy by gathering together to give thanks.

Eucharist, by the way, means thanksgiving. In the ancient dialogue between priest and people that introduces the Eucharistic (thanksgiving) prayer, the priest says "let us give thanks to the Lord, our God." The people respond "it is right and just."

Why must we discharge this obligation at Mass rather than in the comfort of our own homes? Because our sacrifice of thanksgiving is weak and insufficient on its own. There was only One who has ever offered perfect worship to the Father, and His sacrifice is made present again at every Eucharist. Our inadequate "thanks" is absorbed into the perfect sacrifice of praise offered by the Son much like the drop of insipid water the priest puts in the chalice is absorbed into the rich wine that becomes Christ's blood.

But thanksgiving can't be limited to Sunday Eucharist. We are called to develop a lifestyle of thanksgiving. We're called to become a Eucharistic people.

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In Christ's Peace,  
Father Jim Ferry

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH - OCTOBER 9, 2022**



**SATURDAY 8 OCTOBER**  
5:30 pm John Kunz

**SUNDAY 9 OCTOBER**  
7:30 am The People of the Parish  
9:30 am Catherine Parisi  
11:30 am Rose Konvalinka

**MONDAY 10 OCTOBER**  
8:30 am Luisa Justiniano

**TUESDAY 11 OCTOBER**  
8:30 am Jose Catarroja

**WEDNESDAY 12 OCTOBER**  
8:30 am Jose Catarroja

**THURSDAY 13 OCTOBER**  
8:30 am Ann Strollo

**FRIDAY 14 OCTOBER**  
8:30 am Peter Caste

**SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER**  
5:30 pm Daphne Brown

**SUNDAY 16 OCTOBER**  
7:30 am The People of the Parish  
9:30 am Marie Vacarro  
11:30 am Greg Boyle



This week's Bread & Wine, a gift from Joseph & Kathy Petrillo is in memory of **JANICE LOMBARDI**



This week's Sanctuary Candle, a gift from Julie Okeke is for the Special Intention of **FAITH NZEGWU**

**SUNDAY 9 OCTOBER**  
7:30 am Mass in Church  
9:30—11:30 am 1st Penance Class (Chapel)  
9:30 am Mass in Church  
11:30 am Mass in Church  
6:30 pm Rosary at Grotto nightly

**MONDAY 10 OCTOBER** Daily Mass will be held Monday thru Friday of each week in church.  
8:30 am



Miraculous Medal Novena following 8:30 am Mass  
6:45—8:00 pm MHS Rel. Ed. (Chapel)  
6:30 pm Rosary at Grotto nightly

**WEDNESDAY 12 OCTOBER**  
6:30—7:30 pm Fam Cat. GRADE 6 ONLY (Chapel)  
6:30 pm Rosary at Grotto nightly

**THURSDAY 13 OCTOBER**  
10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for Oct. 23rd bulletin— call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.  
6:30 pm Rosary at Grotto nightly

**SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER**  
12:00 am—1:00 pm Public Square Rosary Rally Church Plaza  
4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church  
5:30 pm Mass in Church  
6:30 pm Rosary at Grotto nightly

**SUNDAY 16 OCTOBER**  
7:30 am Mass in Church  
9:30—11:30 am 1st Penance Class (Chapel)  
9:30—11:30 am Fam. Cat. GRADE 6 (Mass & C Hall)  
11:30 am Mass in Church  
6:30 pm Rosary at Grotto nightly



Brendan Byrne	Jaxson Rivera
Michael DiPirro	Pat Schoeler
Eva Donnelly	George Snell
Catherine Gascoyn	Laura Splendoria
John Mooney	Harry Vendemia
Jacob Rivera	Maureen Bacal-Zerna

If you wish to have a friend or loved one prayed for, please call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.

**WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE OCT 15 - OCT 16, 2022**

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers		
5:30 pm	Joy Hayward	Emily Kunz		
7:30 am	MaryEllen Chandler	Sister James Soon		
9:30 am	Andrew Novoa	Annette Chiaramonte		
11:30 am Choir	Wendy Sheyka	Paul Hirsch		

# PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY RALLY

**105th Anniversary  
of the Miracle of the Sun  
at Fatima.**

**Saturday**

**October 15, 2022**

**12 noon**

**Our Lady of Lourdes Church  
West Orange**

-ON THE CHURCH PLAZA

We will be praying the rosary  
in English and Spanish.

**JOIN US!**



*"Finally, My  
Immaculate  
Heart will  
triumph!"*

*Our Lady at Fatima, 1917*

## 1000 Strong Rosary for Life

Live via Computer Link and Conference Call

**Thursday, October 13th\*  
at 7:00 PM (EST)**

\*October 13th is the 105th anniversary  
of the miracle of the Sun at Fatima.



Please join us for 15 decades of the  
rosary led by Bishop Manuel A. Cruz,  
Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, and  
priests from all around New Jersey to  
pray for the Protection of Babies in  
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 2022

OCTOBER

*Month of the  
Holy Rosary*



- ◆ **OCT 1—OCT 31 at 6:30 pm** The Rosary is prayed in English and Spanish outdoors every evening (rain or shine) at Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto.
- ◆ **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 at 12:00 Noon** The Annual Public Square Rosary Rally will be held on the Front Steps of the church. (SEE FLYER FOR DETAILS)
- ◆ **OCTOBER 1—OCTOBER 31** St. Vincent DePaul Society of OLL will be collecting New Socks for Men, Women, and Children during the month of October to be distributed to the needy through local charities. 
- ◆ **OCTOBER** Our Baby Shower will be held at all weekend Masses. **SEE FLYER FOR DETAILS** 



## Annual Appeal Update (Goal Achieved for 2022)

Thank you for your support toward the Lourdes parish Annual Appeal Goal before the June 30 deadline which has resulted in both a 2022 reduction of \$15,000 in assessment expenses and an additional surplus refund.

As of September 26, 2022 your giving to the Annual Appeal 2022 amounts to **\$34,683.50**. Through your generosity, our surplus as of September 26 is **\$6,473.50**.

If you would like to make a gift, your gift will increase the surplus refund for Lourdes Parish. Call Father Jim Ferry with any questions.

Fr. Jim Ferry, Pastor

## PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2022

WEEKLY GOAL \$ 6800

Collection\*: Sep 24-Sep 25\* \$ 3931

Deficit: \$ 2869

\* Includes Online Giving Weekly Average Deposit



*For Your Stewardship of  
Time, Talent and Treasure.*



# All Weekend Masses in October

At all weekend Masses in October we will be collecting the following items:

- ♦ Newborn clothes (gender neutral)
- ♦ Diapers (Size 3, 4 or 5)
- ♦ Baby Wipes
- ♦ Baby Body Wash
- ♦ Baby Body Lotion
- ♦ Gift Cards for Shop Rite or Walmart, and
- ♦ Monetary donations. (*Please make checks payable to Our Lady of Lourdes*)



*These items will be distributed to **SEVERAL SOURCES SHELTERS** which offers a place where a young mother can come to have her baby and stay for up to a year or more with individual care, nurturing and educational support.*





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