



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, August 14, 2022 - Twentieth 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

Mrs. Linda Chapman, Director of Music

Mrs. Mary Cassels, Trustee

Mrs. Eileen Reilly, Trustee

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RECTORY/Parish Office Hours:

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

Religious Education

Family Catechesis (Grades 1-6)

Mrs. Barbara Camp 973.325.0110 ext. 103

Email: ollfamilyclass@aol.com

Religious Education

Sacrament of Confirmation (Grades 7-12)

Mr. Paul Hirsch 973.325.0110 ext. 123

Email: Confirmation.Class@lourdeswestorange.org

Religious Education

Administrative Assistant

Astrid Ramirez 973.325.0110 ext. 102

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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 1st 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,

Our biblical readings this Sunday remind us that Christ has given us a model to follow which includes taking up our cross each day..

Saint Thomas Aquinas wrote: “Great patience occurs in two ways: either when one patiently suffers much, or when one suffers things which one is able to avoid and yet does not avoid.”

I share with you some of the lessons from the readings of this Sunday, in these ideas from each reading: **CONTENTION, COMFORT, COMPLETION, COMMITMENT.**

[CONTENTION] 1st Reading. Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10. “A man of strife and contention to all the land.” Jeremiah’s experience as a prophet foreshadows the life experiences of Jesus. Both Jeremiah and Jesus land in trouble for their contentions and disagreement with authority figures. In his own way, Jeremiah is “buried” and given a way out. This is the episode and rescue of “Jeremiah in the pit.” A prophet in Jerusalem (southern kingdom), Jeremiah lived before the siege of Jerusalem by -- and the exile to -- Babylon . Jeremiah is 57 years old at the start of the exile (587-538 B.C.) The exile ended when the benevolent King Cyrus of Babylon later gave the Jewish people permission to return. In this reading, the exile has not yet started, but Jeremiah is telling the Jewish people that exile in Babylon is better than an alliance with Egypt. For this and other unpopular contentions, Jeremiah is jailed and – in this reading – given solitary confinement in a cistern (well). The rescue of

Jeremiah was made possible by King Zedekiah who originally behaved similarly to Pontius Pilate by letting him be thrown in jail and then in the cistern. Zedekiah does more than Pilate, actually intervening to help: the king ordered Ebed-melech the Cushite to take three men ... to draw the prophet Jeremiah out of the cistern before he should die.”

[COMFORT] Psalms 40. “Lord, come to my aid.” The Book of Psalms is an excellent place to turn to in distress or need for help. In addition to the 40th Psalm , these psalms speak to us in trouble: 22nd (My God my God why have you forsaken me), 23rd (The Lord is my shepherd), 27th (The Lord is my light and my salvation) 34th (The Lord is close to the brokenhearted), 91st (You shall not fear the terror of the night).

[COMPLETING] Hebrews 12:1-4. “Let us persevere in running the race that lies before us.” “You complete me” was a famous line in the movie script written for Tom Cruise’s character in *Jerry Maguire* (1996), a sentiment expressing what we hope for in love and friendship. It is also what we receive in Christ, “the leader and perfecter of our faith” (Hebrews 12:2). Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI wrote that human striving for perfection and the parallel idea of incompleteness predates Christian salvation. Benedict XVI reports that a Greek mythological basis of this comes from Plato who indicated that Zeus had split man in two due to pride, thus “[man] longs for his other half ... to regain his integrity” (*Deus Caritas Est*, n. 11) While we acknowledge sin as a source of division, it

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH - AUGUST 14, 2022



CHURCH CALENDAR



SATURDAY 13 AUGUST	5:30 pm Richard Sulzer
SUNDAY 14 AUGUST	7:30 am The People of the Parish 9:30 am Deceased Members of the Pflug & Napolitano Families 11:30 am Portia Chaves Bacal
MONDAY 15 AUGUST	8:30 am John Kunz
TUESDAY 16 AUGUST	8:30 am John Kunz
WEDNESDAY 17 AUGUST	8:30 am Ricardo Dizon
THURSDAY 18 AUGUST	8:30 am Thomas Quigley
FRIDAY 19 AUGUST	8:30 am John Kunz
SATURDAY 20 AUGUST	5:30 pm Ricardo Dizon
SUNDAY 21 AUGUST	7:30 am The People of the Parish 9:30 am Kathleen Norman 11:30 am Christopher R. Saul

SUNDAY 14 AUGUST	7:30 am Mass in Church 9:30 am Mass in Church 10:30—11:00 am Learn to Read Music Class 11:30 am Mass in Church
MONDAY 15 AUGUST	8:30 am Daily Mass will be held Monday thru Friday of each week in church. Miraculous Medal Novena following 8:30 am Mass Feast of the Assumption 8:30 am Mass 5:30 pm Mass
THURSDAY 18 AUGUST	10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for Aug 28th bulletin—call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.
SATURDAY 20 AUGUST	4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church 5:30 pm Mass in Church
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ASSUMPTION OF MARY—AUGUST 15

This solemnity recognizes Mary's passage into heaven, united body and soul. The tradition of Mary's assumption dates back to at least the 5th century, but the doctrine was only dogmatically and infallibly defined in 1950 by Pope Pius XII.



PRAYERS Needed For...

Brendan Byrne	Pat Schoeler
Michael DiPirro,	George Snell
Catherine Gascoyn	Harry Vendemia
John Mooney	Maureen Bacal-Zerna

If you wish to have a friend or loved one prayed for, please call

++ WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE			
AUG 20 - AUG 21, 2022			
Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	
5:30 pm	Andrew Novoa	Frank Refinski	
7:30 am	Mary Cassels	Sister James Soon	
9:30 am	JoAnn Melhorn	Myrna Regino	
11:30 am	Carmelita Dizon	Wendy Sheyka	

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was not inflicted by God, but chosen by us. However, we are blessed for Jesus Christ has taken our sin and punishment upon himself, to restore and to complete you and me, by the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, by Holy Communion, by our sacramental life.

[COMMITTING] Luke 12:49-53 "I have not come to establish peace but rather division." Have you ever had that "pins and needles" feeling in your hands, feet or extremities? Most often, this is a temporary sensation that does not last. Whether it is short- or long-term, we might describe that our nerves are not "firing" properly. We use the word "fire" to describe many things without smoke or flame. The expression "on fire" applies to a tennis player with a 120 MPH serve or a sprinter winning a gold medal. In fact, their body temperatures are elevated. Water is needed to keep the fire going. We also need the water of God's grace, the water of the Holy Spirit to fuel our fire and love, to ensure that nothing is holding us back from committing ourselves to Him and his word.

Blessings to you and yours.

In Christ's Peace,
Father Jim Ferry

SEPTEMBER 2022

◆ **SEPTEMBER 11th ROSARY REMEMBRANCE**

Join us as we recite the Holy Rosary to commemorate the 21st anniversary of 9/11.
Date: Saturday, 9/10
Time: 6:30 pm
Location: Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto



OCTOBER 2022

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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.

IT'S SOCK TOBER

- ◆ **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.



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 August 1, 2022 your giving to the Annual Appeal 2022 amounts to **\$32,728.50**. Through your generosity, our surplus as of August 1 is **\$4,518.50**.

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

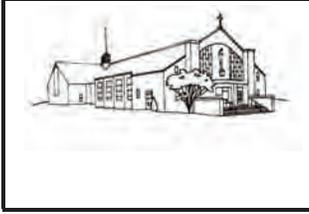
Collection*: July 30—July 31* \$ 4120

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* Includes Online Giving Weekly Average Deposit



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2022-2023

Do you want your child to learn more about Jesus?

Is your child starting or – continuing - religious education? We would like to help you join our program for Sacrament of 1st Communion or Confirmation.

Registration forms are available via LOURDESWESTORANGE.ORG website, in church, or at the rectory. If you need a form sent to you, please call or email:

Registration information: Astrid.Ramirez@lourdeswestorange.org
973.325.0110

Cost of registration is \$60 per child. Registration Deadline is August 31st.

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA 2022-2023

¿Quiere que su hijo aprenda más acerca de Jesús?

¿Está su hijo comenzando o continuando la educación religiosa? Nos gustaría ayudarlo a unirse a nuestro programa para el Sacramento de la Primera Comunión o la Confirmación.

Los formularios de registro están disponibles a través del sitio web LOURDESWESTORANGE.ORG, en la iglesia, o en la rectoría. Si necesita que le enviemos un formulario, llame o envíe un correo electrónico a:

El costo de inscripción es de \$60 por niño. La fecha límite de inscripción es el 31 de Agosto.

Información de registro: Astrid.Ramirez@lourdeswestorange.org
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Family Catechesis (Grades 1-6): *Barbara Camp* OLLFAMILYCLASS@AOL.COM

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