



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, August 28, 2022 – Twenty-second 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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Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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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,

The setting of the Gospel this Sunday is a banquet to which Jesus is invited. His message is also about our calling to the Lord's banquet. Your willingness and my willingness to give up a personal seat demonstrates not only cordiality but commitment to Jesus who laid down his life for us.

St. Paul wrote: "Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also everyone for those of others." (Philippians 2:3-4)

The banquet (party) is not only a place of celebration but of sacrifice.

I share with you this article about why the banquet (party) is important in the Gospel:

What Does A Party Symbolize In The Bible?

by Father Gaetano Piccolo

*"Allow me to do the best that I can." –
Babette's Feast by K. Blixen*

Organizing a party is a serious matter. It says a lot about us and many times it is a symbol of our lives. There are those that love to take care of every detail themselves and those that leave everything to others. There are those who would throw a party in poor taste, in which everything is mixed and not so much matched, and there are those who want everything just right. There are people who, either out of laziness or just tiredness, don't bother to let anyone know that it's their birthday and there are those who seek to be a celebrity for the day.

There is little left of all this in the way we host our parties: they are all so standardized that some mothers have explained to me that even small children's birthday parties must all be carried out as if following a procedure! It seems we've lost the joy of sharing our true selves and have fallen into

simply sharing what others expect of us.

A party is a way in which we give a little of ourselves. You can even give everything that you have, like the protagonist of Babette's Feast, who organizes a dinner for her friends in order to express her gratitude using every cent of her newfound fortune, though she could have used it to make a better life for herself.

In the Bible, God uses the symbol of the party to express His desire to give Himself completely. God does not think twice about spending everything He has on a party for His friends, much like the widow who gives everything she has and like the Son who gives Himself so that we may celebrate the peace between God and humanity.

Inviting someone to a party simultaneously implies exposing oneself to rejection: someone could choose to not be interested in our lives. In [the Gospel of Matthew, chapter 22], Jesus brings up this experience of rejection: the son who doesn't want to work in the vineyard, the laborers who don't accept the son sent by the landowner, and now the guests who don't go to the feast.

One of the guests doesn't wear the proper attire to the feast. Saint Augustine notes that this must refer to a spiritual garment, otherwise the servants would have realized also. Augustine calls it "the habit of charity."

It is, in fact, only the king who notices: one needs a deeper gaze to realize that sometimes even those who are present in our lives are not really there at all, covering over their disinterest with a graceful superficiality.

The experience of rejection is one of those painful, difficult experiences that open our eyes and help us better understand the truth about how we are living our lives. It is an experience that encourages us to ask ourselves who we would want to throw a party with.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH - AUGUST 28, 2022



SATURDAY 27 AUGUST

5:30 pm John Kunz

SUNDAY 28 AUGUST

7:30 am The People of the Parish

9:30 am Marcelina (Marcy) Sugar

11:30 am Jaroslav Konvalinka (23rd Ann.)

MONDAY 29 AUGUST

8:30 am John Kunz

TUESDAY 30 AUGUST

8:30 am Doris Murtaugh

WEDNESDAY 31 AUGUST

8:30 am In Honor of Our Lady of Fatima

THURSDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

8:30 am Claire Dillon

FRIDAY 2 SEPTEMBER

8:30 am Maxine Nzegwu
(Special Intention)

SATURDAY 3 SEPTEMBER

5:30 pm Mary & Joseph Crines

SUNDAY 4 SEPTEMBER

7:30 am The People of the Parish

9:30 am Catherine Catalano

11:30 am Marcy Sugar

SUNDAY 28 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 29 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

THURSDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for Sep 11th bulletin—call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.

FRIDAY 2 SEPTEMBER

5:30—7:30 pm **Eucharistic Adoration**

SATURDAY 3 SEPTEMBER

4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church

5:30 pm Mass in Church

SUNDAY 4 SEPTEMBER

7:30 am Mass in Church

9:00 am **Recitation of Rosary**

9:30 am Mass in Church

11:30 am Mass in Church

The **Rosary Altar Society's** September meeting will be held on **Monday, September 12th**, at **1:00 pm**.

It will be a virtual meeting that you can attend through Zoom — either by video or telephone. Instructions will be mailed or emailed to all rosarians. If there are any questions, please contact the writer at 973-736-2394.

Hope everyone can join us.

Carol Ford, President



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

1ST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

September 2, 2022

5:30—7:30 pm in Church

Join Us!

Jesus is waiting for You!



4 PRAYERS Needed For...

Brendan Byrne
Michael DiPirro
Catherine Gascoyn
John Mooney
Jacob Rivera
Jaxson Rivera

Pat Schoeler
George Snell
Harry Vendemia
Maureen Bacal-Zerna

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

SEPT 3 - SEPT 4, 2022				
Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers		
5:30 pm	Rachelle Brown	Judy Albore		
7:30 am	MaryEllen Chandler	Howard Casey		
9:30 am	Carol Ford	Joanne Chiamonte		
11:30 am	Carmelita Dizon	Virginia Dimapilis		

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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

OCTOBER 2022

*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.

It would seem that God has asked Himself the same question. He prefers those who would be last, the small, those whom no one wants. And in this way He redirects the question to us: whom do you want to host a party for in your life? How do you choose the guests at your banquet? How we choose the people with whom we wish to share the feast of our lives says a lot about us. It tells us who we are.

In any case, while we are deciding whom to send our invitations to, let us not forget that we have been invited to the feast God has prepared for us. Perhaps, by participating in that feast, we can take some useful notes for the celebration of our life!

(Source: <https://catholic-link.org/guests-banquet-gospel-reflection-mt22/>)

Blessings to you and yours.

In Christ's Peace,
Father Jim Ferry



PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2022

WEEKLY GOAL \$ 6800

Collection*: Aug 13-Aug 14* \$ 3533

Deficit: \$ 3267

* Includes Online Giving Weekly Average Deposit



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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 15, 2022 your giving to the Annual Appeal 2022 amounts to \$33,303.50. Through your generosity, our surplus as of August 15 is \$5,093.50.

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

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►►► **Sacrament of Confirmation Reminder: Key Dates**

August 22, 2022

Dear Friends: This is to remind you of the Sacrament of Confirmation which applies to our young people who have already completed their 2 years of required preparation. You - our young people - will also be receiving an email. These are 2 dates for you to know:

<p>Rehearsal, Sacrament of Confirmation Location: Main Church</p> <p>Your sponsor is invited to attend the Rehearsal. If your sponsor cannot attend the rehearsal, then a parent must attend with you.</p>	<p>Tuesday Sept. 13 7 pm (Evening)</p>
<p>Mass, Sacrament of Confirmation Location: Main Church</p> <p>Your sponsor is required to attend the Mass</p>	<p>Sunday Sept. 18 11:30 am (Morning)</p>

Call 973.325.0110 or email Confirmation.Class@LourdesWestOrange.org with questions.

Father Jim Ferry (fatherjimferry@lourdeswestorange.org)

►►► **Recordatorio del Sacramento de la Confirmación**

Queridos amigos: Esto es para recordarles el Sacramento de la Confirmación que se aplica a nuestros jóvenes que ya han completado sus 2 años de preparación requerida. Ustedes, nuestros jóvenes, también recibirán un correo electrónico. Estas son 2 fechas para que las sepan:

<p>Ensayo, Sacramento de la Confirmación Lugar: Iglesia Principal</p> <p>Su padrino o madrina está invitado a asistir al ensayo. Si su patrocinador no puede asistir al ensayo, uno de sus padres debe asistir con usted.</p>	<p>martes 13 de septiembre</p> <p>7 pm (noche)</p>
<p>Misa, Sacramento de la Confirmación Lugar: Iglesia Principal</p> <p>Se requiere que su patrocinador asista a la misa.</p>	<p>domingo 18 de septiembre</p> <p>11:30 (mañana)</p>

Llamar 973.325.0110 o email Confirmation.Class@LourdesWestOrange.org , para preguntar.

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