

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

One Eagle Rock Avenue, West Orange, New Jersey 07052 RECTORY/Parish Office 973.325.0110 LOURDESWESTORANGE.ORG Like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/lourdeswestorange Sunday, February 19, 2023 – Seventh 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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<u>Religious Education</u> Sacrament of Confirmation (Grades 7-12) Mr. Paul Hirsch 973.325.0110

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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.

<u>First Friday</u>

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. There is 1^{st} 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 Lady of Lourdes (Part 2 of 2)

"Without having seen him, you love him; though you do not now see him you believe in him and rejoice with unutterable and exalted joy. As the outcome of your faith you obtain the salvation of your souls."

(1 Peter 1:8-9)

What is the history and the joy of Lourdes?

HISTORY In France, in 1858, a young 14-year old girl, Bernadette of Soubirous, sees our Blessed Mother in a vision or apparition (appearance). This encounter is depicted above our church's altar. Bernadette was in the Massabielle grotto and at the River Gave.

JOY Pope Benedict XVI, in 2008 at Lourdes, emphasized the smile of Our Lady as the beginning of the call to the young Bernadette. Benedict XVI describes the smile of the Blessed Virgin Mary as a "spring of living water." He states that every time we pray the *Magnificat* ("My Soul Proclaims the Greatness of the Lord"), we also testify to the joy of Mary and to our salvation through Christ.

Invited by this smile, Bernadette also was striving to know more, to learn more.

Pope Benedict encourages us in our devotion both to Our Lady of Lourdes and to Our Lord, reminding us that the Blessed Mother always leads us to her Son:

"How true was the insight of that great French spiritual writer, Dom Jean-Baptiste Chautard, who in L' âme de tout apostolat, proposed to the devout Christian to gaze frequently "into the eyes of the Virgin Mary"! Yes, to seek the smile of the Virgin Mary is not a pious infantilism, it is the aspiration, as Psalm 44 says, of those who are "the richest of the people" (verse 13). "The richest", that is to say, in the order of faith, those who have attained the highest degree of spiritual maturity and know precisely how to acknowledge their weakness and their poverty before God.

In the very simple manifestation of tenderness that we call a smile, we grasp that our sole wealth is the love God bears us, which passes through the heart of her who became our Mother. To seek this smile, is first of all to have grasped the gratuitousness of love; it is also to be able to elicit this smile through our efforts to live according to the word of her Beloved Son, just as a child seeks to elicit its mother's smile by doing what pleases her. And we know what pleases Mary, thanks to the words she spoke to the servants at Cana: "Do whatever he tells you." (cf. John 2:5). (Benedict XVI, Lourdes, 15 September 2008)

> St. Bernadette of Lourdes, Pray for Us! Our Lady of Lourdes Pray for Us!

In Christ's Peace, Father Jim Ferry



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

11:30 am

Choir

Melhorn

Julie

Okeke

Talbot

Wendy

Sheyka

(Choir)

Petrillo

Dimapilis & Joe Petrillo (choir)

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SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - FEBRUARY 19, 2023



\$500 winner of 1st Drawing: PAUL HIRSCH

\$500 winner of 2nd Drawing: ANTHONY SPINA

Contemplative Prayer Retreat

March 24-26

Marianist Family Retreat Center 417 Yale Avenue Cape May Point, NJ 08212

This retreat is intended for those interested in a contemplative prayer experience, whether a first -timer or those who are familiar and experienced with this type of retreat—<u>all are welcomed</u>. Our time will be filled with prayer experiences, quiet personal time, special liturgies and daily Mass.

Cost: \$150 per person (single occupancy, unless married)

Sign up online at <u>www.capemaymarianists.org</u> or call 609-884-3829 for more information.



Mother Seton Regional High School 1 Valley Road, Clark, NJ 07066

Luau Gift Auction

Friday, March 3rd

Admission: \$25

Doors Open: 5:30 pm Calling Starts: 7:00 pm

<u>\$25 Admission ticket</u> includes one sheet of Level 1 tickets and Door Prize entry ticket.

<u>\$60 "Value Ticket"</u> \$65 Bundles for sale (limited time only) Includes one sheet of Level 1 tickets, one sheet of Level 2 tickets, three Level 3 tickets, and one Level 4 ticket.

To purchase tickets or for questions, email: giftauction@mothersetonlorg



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

The Archdiocese of Newark /Office of Family of Life will once again honor at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart (89 Ridge St., Newark) married couples for 5, 25, or 50 years of marriage.

5th & 25th: Sunday May 7, 3pm_Mass (Cathedral)

<u>50th:</u> Sunday April 16, 3pm Mass (Cathedral)

<u>REGISTRATION PROCEDURE</u>. The following is required:

- a. Couple's Last Name,
- b. Date of wedding,
- c. Wife's first name,
- d. Husband's first name,
- e. Couple's address,
- f. City, state, zip,
- g. Your parish name,
- h. Parish city.

Please submit all of the above information either by calling Lourdes rectory at 973.325.0110 or contacting via email <u>familylife@rcan.org.</u>

Deadline for reservations is April 5th.

If you missed the celebration in 2020, 2021, or 2022, you may participate this year.

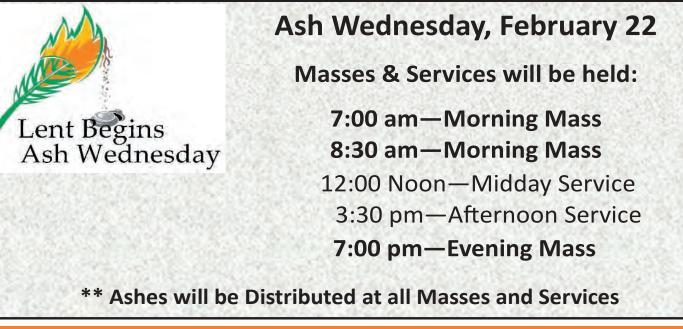
PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2022	
WEEKLY GOAL	\$ 6800
Collection*: Feb 4—5*	\$ 5663
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For Your Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure.





In Connor Hall at Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

We are now accepting gifts for our Tricky Tray. Gifts of NEW ITEMS are welcome and greatly appreciated by Sunday, March 26th.

Gifts may be left in the Church Sacristy or at the rectory on weekdays, between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm. For pick up contact Eileen Reilly at 973-980-4209 or email at trickytray@lourdeswestorange.org

(PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU LEAVE YOUR NAME ON THE GIFT.)

Your gift may also be as a monetary donor:

Gold Donor	\$100.00
Silver Donor	\$ 50.00
Bronze Donor	\$ 25.00

(Please make checks payable to "Our Lady of Lourdes")



Join us for our major fund raiser to help support the needs of our parish.

Eileen Reilly, Chairperson.



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