



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, February 26, 2023 - First Sunday of Lent



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

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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

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Religious Education

Sacrament of Confirmation (Grades 7-12)

Mr. Paul Hirsch 973.325.0110

Email: Confirmation.Class@lourdeswestorange.org

Religious Education

Administrative Assistant

Maggie Macias 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,

Uphill and Downhill

In a 1957 exploration and hike in the Colorado Rockies, Earl Eaton and Pete Siebert walked for seven hours. Eaton had convinced Siebert that their long walk would pay off by revealing a mountain – and future downhill skiing locale -- that few others would know about.

Eaton, a native of the area, had avidly hiked and hunted, and thoughtfully noted many high-altitude spots in the Rockies. This insider knowledge led to the seven-hour hike. Sharing in this particular discovery and vision, Eaton and Siebert established Vail Ski Resort.

In 2000, Seibert wrote in his book, *Vail: Triumph of a Dream*, “The only reason someone hadn’t already developed [at Vail] was because no one could see the top slopes or the miraculous Back Bowls from the valley below.”

These entrepreneurs – Eaton and Siebert – walked a long way to reach the top of the mountain, the top of an undiscovered mountain.

In this, we see the effort required in discernment. Sometimes, we walk a long way. And, we don’t necessarily have the encouragement of others in our quest. Others might think we are wasting our time. We also need some insider knowledge.

We need some insider knowledge of our own selves and insider knowledge of God who made us. Before venturing out into your – or my – distinct wilderness, we might not discern the difficulties present in the various mountains, people, and projects of our lives.

Sometime we feel discouraged and imagine all of them to be the same or that it is a complete white-out condition without a signal.

We feel anxious when we encounter a new mountain or stretch of undiscovered land. Venturing beyond our usual experience and expertise, we face unfamiliar questions.

In this Sunday’s Gospel (Matthew 5:38-48), Jesus continued the Sermon on the Mount, giving also the lofty ideal that one should “Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.” (Matthew 5:44). In this regard, love is not simply a shelter in a storm. In fact, at times, even in loving relationships, we experience instability. Love is not a place where we simply stop for refreshment. Love is our map and navigation. It may require us to see what is hard to envision and to move forward when we feel stuck.

At times, our selfishness may get the best of us. And, we may be tripped up again and again in the same ways in our struggles.

Yet, this is also the experience of learning who you are - and who I am – in Christ and in God who made us. By learning these things that make us strong or weak, upright or off balance, we also grow closer to God. We also learn this by seeking forgiveness of our sins.

This is also our journey in the Lenten Season which began this past Ash Wednesday with the 40 Days of Lent and continues today, the 1st Sunday of Lent.

This may take us to the desert or the mountain, to vistas and to valleys previously unknown. With Christ’s help, the visibility is quite good.

In Christ’s Peace,
Father Jim Ferry





CHURCH CALENDAR



SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY

5:30 pm Philip La Chance

SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY

7:30 am People of the Parish
9:30 am Romayne Rice (16 Ann.)
11:30 am Jaroslav Konvalinka

MONDAY 27 FEBRUARY

8:30 am Janice "Jane" Huben

TUESDAY 28 FEBRUARY

8:30 am Trea Bougades

WEDNESDAY 1 MARCH

8:30 am Vigorita Family

THURSDAY 2 MARCH

8:30 am Dorothy Wetzel (11th Ann.)

FRIDAY 3 MARCH

8:30 am Felica Okeke
(Special Intention)

SATURDAY 4 MARCH

5:30 pm Peggy Ann Mooney

SUNDAY 5 MARCH

7:30 am People of the Parish
9:30 am William Aponte
11:30 am Benedicta Akpahu
(Thanksgiving)

SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



7:30 am Mass in Church
9:30 am Mass in Church
11:30 am Mass in Church

MONDAY 27 FEBRUARY

8:30 am **Daily Mass will be held Monday thru Friday of each week in church**
Miraculous Medal Novena following 8:30 am Mass

6:45—8:15 pm **MHS (Hall)**

THURSDAY 2 MARCH

10:00 am **Deadline for News & Announcements for the Mar 12th Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.**

FRIDAY 3 MARCH

5:30—7:30 pm **Eucharistic Adoration (Church)**

SATURDAY 4 MARCH

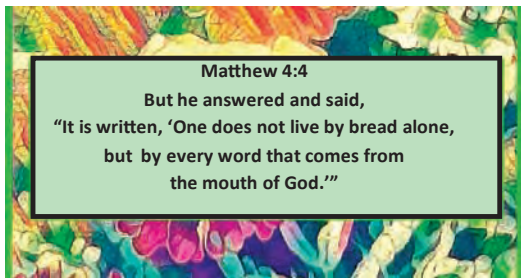


3—5:30 pm **Fam. Cat. GRADES 1-5 (Hall)**
4—5:15 pm **Confessions in Church**
5:30 pm **Mass in Church**

SUNDAY 5 MARCH 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT



7:30 pm **Mass in Church**
9:00 am **Recitation of Rosary**
9:30 am **Mass in Church**
9:30—11:30 am **MHS—Mass & (Hall)**
11:30 am **Mass in Church**



MAR 4 - MAR 5, 2023			
Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	
5:30 pm	Joy Hayward	Emily Kunz Judy Albore (Choir)	
7:30 am	Hermie Santos	Hermie Santos	
9:30 am Choir	Carol Ford	Joe Petrillo (Choir)	
11:30 am	Rachelle Brown	Espie Cain	



Msgr. Edward Bradley Allison Sardinha
Marti Carlos Pat Schoeler
Fiona Graham Sgt. Michael Williams

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



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

1ST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

March 3, 2023

5:30–7:30 pm in Church

Join Us!

Jesus is waiting for You!

The Rosary Altar Society's MARCH Quarterly Meeting will be held on:

**Monday, March 6, at 1:00 pm
in Connor Hall.**



All Rosarians: Please bring any gifts or donations that you may have for the Tricky Tray. Looking forward to seeing everyone there.
Carol Ford, President



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—**all are welcomed**. 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 www.capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829 for more information.



**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)**

**50th: Sunday April 16, 3pm Mass
(Cathedral)**

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE: 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 familylife@rcan.org.

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 11—12*	\$ 5020
Deficit:	\$ 1780

* Includes Online Giving Weekly Average Deposit



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Tricky Tray

The Rosary Altar Society will again hold a socially distant Tricky Tray on: **Saturday, April 15, 2023**
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.

Saturday April 15
TRICKY TRAY: sign up!



PIRATE TREASURE

**Tricky Tray Event Detail Flier +
Registration & Ticket Order Form**
Go to LOURDESWESTORANGE.ORG
(click on "About our Parish, then
[Tricky Tray 2023](#)")

Sign Up by April 10!!



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