

# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, June 18, 2023 - Eleventh 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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#### **Religious Education**

Family Catechesis (Grades 1-6)

Mrs. Barbara Camp 973.325.0110 Email: ollfamilyclass@aol.com

**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 Email: Maggie.macias@lourdeswestorange.org

#### **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,

I hope and pray the summer may be a time of rest and refreshment and peace for you and your family. I share with you this reflection on summertime and our spiritual life. (A prayer for Father's Day follows at end).

Tackling the "Summer Problem" by Emma King, 3 June 2015 Source: Ignitum Today Blog Part 1 of 2

When I was in college, I found that those long-awaited, blissful days of summer, however enjoyable, always caused a certain amount of spiritual angst for me. With that in mind, here are some thoughts for those college and high-school students struggling without the structure of academia to keep us all honest!

## 1. Play Offense, Not Defense

When I would go home, knowing that my routine was changing and worried about the harm it would cause my spiritual habits, I would switch into defense mode, which probably made the situation worse. Let me give an example.

Instead of praying at Mass like I usually do – offering up prayers of thanksgiving, intentions, meditations and the like – I would go to Mass with the sole purpose of "remaining spiritually fit." All this accomplished was the exact opposite of what I wanted. I would be so distracted in Mass wondering the whole time about whether or not I was praying well that I wasn't praying at all. In fact, I was getting distracted and setting myself up to feel alienated from Our Lord.

The same is true for my times of contemplation, rosaries, etc. I would worry too much about maintaining my spiritual health.

However, what do the greatest saints say? If you

are not moving forward, you're moving backward. I shouldn't have been focused on maintaining my spiritual life at all. I should have been focused on growing in intimacy with Christ. That's what we should all do, regardless of the situation or change in routine. That's what my focus was at school, and should have continued to be at home. My loss of focus on that disrupted my routine even more!

## 2. Spiritual Fitness is Like Physical Fitness

By that I mean that when people work out, often they find that they reach a plateau. They continue to lift, run, tone, and eat well, but they find that they don't move forward or get stronger in their training. This usually means that they need to mix it up. Doing the same exercises over and over again only results in your muscles becoming incredibly good at that one exercise, and not growing in strength all the way around. If you mix it up and change exercises, often you'll find that your strength increases dramatically.

The same can be said for our spiritual lives. I would spend 9 months getting to my spiritual fitness peak and then our Lord would give me an opportunity that I squandered every single time: to change my routine and grow even more. Think of summer as that change in exercise regimen that will not only prevent you from falling backward, but launch you forward into unprecedented intimacy with God! Think of prayers, books, or spiritual habits you've been interested in or wanting to form and take those 3 months to do it!

(Source: The "Ignitum Today" Blog https://www.ignitumtoday.com/2015/06/03/tackling-the-summer-problem)

I share with you also this Father's Day prayer from Tony Rossi of *Christopher Closeup*.

In Christ's Peace,

**Father Jim Ferry** 

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HAPPY

FATHER'S

DAY



**SATURDAY 17 JUNE** 

5:30 pm Kathleen & Owen Mooney

**SUNDAY 18 JUNE** 

7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Carmen Napolitano &

George Pflug

11:30 am Grace Gaston Sabal

**MONDAY 19 JUNE** 

8:30 am Emil Russomanno

**TUESDAY 20 JUNE** 

8:30 am Kathleen Buonopane

**WEDNESDAY 21 JUNE** 

8:30 am Vincenza & Luigi Russo

**THURSDAY 22 JUNE** 

8:30 am Grace Brennan

**FRIDAY 23 JUNE** 

8:30 am Grace Brennan

**SATURDAY 24 JUNE** 

5:30 pm Ann Balzano

**SUNDAY 25 JUNE** 

7:30 am People of the Parish

9:30 am Deceased Members of the Pflug

& Napolitano Families

11:30 am Robert & Bernice Shiel

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This week's Bread & Wine, a gift from Joseph & Kathy Petrillo is in memory of LOUIS N. PAPALE & JOSEPH F. PETRILLO



SUNDAY 18 JUNE FATHER'S DAY

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

11:30 am Mass in Church

**MONDAY 19 JUNE** 

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 22 JUNE** 

10:00 am Deadline for News &

Announcements for the JULY 2nd Bulletin. Call the Rector at 973-325-0110.

**SATURDAY 24 JUNE** 

4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church

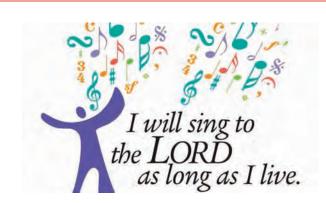
5:30 pm Mass in Church

**SUNDAY 25 JUNE** 

7:30 am Mass in Church

9:30 am Mass in Church

11:30 am Mass in Church







Michael Ang Fiona Graham
Katie Becker Mikaela Moncupa
Msgr. Edward Bradley Allison Sardinha
Marti Carlos Pat Schoeler

Joan Clare

Lorelei Gotinga

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

Sgt. Michael Williams

please call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.

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#### **Bless Our Fathers**

(Source: Tony Rossi, Christopher Closeup)

Heavenly Father, today we ask You to bless our earthly fathers for the many times they reflected the love, strength, generosity, wisdom and mercy that You exemplify in Your relationship with us, Your children.

We honor our fathers for putting our needs above their own convenience and comfort; for teaching us to show courage and determination in the face of adversity; for challenging us to move beyond self-limiting boundaries; for modeling the qualities that would turn us into responsible, principled, caring adults.

Not all our fathers lived up to these ideals. Give them the grace to acknowledge and learn from their mistakes. Give us the grace to extend to them the same forgiveness that you offer us all. Help us to resist the urge to stay stuck in past bitterness, instead, moving forward with humility and peace of heart.

We ask your blessing on those men who served as father figures in our lives when our biological fathers weren't able to do so. May the love and selflessness they showed us be returned to them in all their relationships, and help them to know that their influence has changed us for the better.

Give new and future fathers the guidance they need to raise happy and holy children, grounded in a love for God and other people - and remind these fathers that treating their wives with dignity, compassion and respect is one of the greatest gifts they can give their children.

We pray that our fathers who have passed into the next life have been welcomed into Your loving embrace, and that our family will one day be reunited in your heavenly kingdom.

In union with St. Joseph, whom you entrusted with Your Son, we ask Your generous blessings today and every day. Amen











Fr. Dennis C. Callan SVD

Fr. Dennis C. Callan SVD will be at **Our Lady of Lourdes Parish on July 15-16,2023** to celebrate Masses and to speak about the many ministries of his religious community, Divine Word Missionaries. They are an international religious community of missionary priests and Brothers serving in 79 countries helping to build chapels, celebrate the sacraments and spread the Word of God in remote mission communities.

As a Divine Word Missionary, Fr. Dennis served in Taiwan for 18 years and another 16 years in South Korea before returning home to the United States in 2016. While in Taiwan, Fr. Dennis served as formation director for the congregation's China Province and general affairs director at Fu Jen Catholic University. While in Korea, Fr. Dennis taught in the seminary at Suwon Catholic University, worked among migrant workers, served as a contract priest for the U.S. Army and served as regional superior for his congregation. Currently, he is the superior delegate of the North American provinces responsible for the care of Divine Word Missionaries from other provinces who come to the United States. Fr. Dennis speaks Chinese and Korean.

Nearly 6,000 active Divine Word Missionaries minister in the far corners of the world. They build hospitals to care for the sick and schools to educate the poor. They teach the hungry to farm, and they provide life's necessities—water, food and shelter—in impoverished communities. These priests and Brothers help those neglected and forgotten by society to build a better future. They also foster vibrant Catholic communities of service and faith around the world.

This mission appeal is part of the Missionary Cooperative Program of our Archdiocese of Newark. Please be generous with your prayers and contribute to the second collection to help support the missionary work of Divine Word Missionaries. To meet some of the people Divine Word Missionaries help, please read the stories at <a href="https://missionimpact.svdmissions.org/mission-update">https://missionimpact.svdmissions.org/mission-update</a>.

#### PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2022

WEEKLY GOAL \$ 6800

**Collection\*: June 3-4\*** \$ **4822** Deficit: \$ 1978

\* Includes Online Giving Weekly Average Deposit



For Your Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure.

## Registration is Open for Religious Ed. (Grade 1-12)

1st Penance - 1st Holy Communion - Confirmation

## Register Early for DISCOUNT - See below! (2023-2024)

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 1 Eagle Rock Avenue, West Orange, NJ 07052
TEL: 973-325-0110 EMAIL: MAGGIE.MACIAS@LOURDESWESTORANGE.ORG
"Website" LOURDESWESTORANGE.ORG

### REQUIRED DOCUMENTS, (Documentos requeridos para cada niño o niña),

- (1) Baptism certificate (Copia de certificado de bautismo);
- (2) 1st Communion certificate (if completed) (Copia de certificado de primera comunión si se completo);
- (3) Registration form (Formulario de inscripción). Available in church, at rectory and we can also send to you. Send email request to MAGGIE.MACIAS@LOURDESWESTORANGE.ORG
  (4) \$80 / child (niña o niño)

Check is payable to "Our Lady of Lourdes". If paying cash, come IN PERSON (see B)
El cheque está a nombre de "Our Lady of Lourdes". Si paga en efectivo, venga EN PERSONA

Regular Fee: \$80 / child	\$ 40 / child (# May 31: until June 19!
DISCOUNT (Descuento) →→	\$ 60 / child (til June 30 until July 19!

- B. REGISTER IN PERSON at Rectory. 9 am 2 pm (Mon. Fri). Or call for appointment after hours (973-325-0110) (Registrarse en persona en la rectoría de 9 am a 2 pm de lunes a viernes. O llamar para una cita fuera de horario 973-325-0110).
- \_\_\_\_C. HOW TO SEND IN: Put registration in Sunday Mass church collection basket in an envelope. Please mark: "Religious Education" (CÓMO ENVIAR: Coloque la inscripción en la canasta de colecta de la iglesia de la misa dominical en un sobre, marque "Educación Religiosa").
- \_\_\_\_\_D. REGISTER ONLINE. Via website: LOURDESWESTORANGE.ORG
  - Click menu "Faith Formation / Religious Ed."
  - 2. Click "Religious Education Registration" page, key sections explained below:

Religious Education Registration	"page"
ONLINE OPTION: Click <u>HERE</u> You may pay online and scan the REQUIRED DOCUMENTS.	← Register online.
PRINTING AND SENDING IN THE REGISTRATION. Click <u>HERE</u> to get printable form with instructions. Enclose payment and REQUIRED DOCUMENTS. Put registration in Sunday Mass church collection basket in an envelope. Please mark: "Religious Education".	← Print "paper form" & send with "REQUIRED DOCUMENTS" (see above)



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