



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, July 23, 2023 - Sixteenth 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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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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Sacrament of Confirmation (Grades 7-12)

Mr. Paul Hirsch 973.325.0110

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Administrative Assistant

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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 & Sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes,
I share with you this weekly / Sunday
Angelus message of Pope Francis.

ANGELUS Saint Peter's Square
Sunday, 9 July 2023

[Message of Pope Francis]

Dear brothers and sisters, *Buongiorno!*
[On Sunday July 9], the Gospel contains
a very beautiful prayer Jesus addresses
to the Father, saying, "I thank you,
Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that
you have hidden these things from the
wise and understanding and revealed
them to little children" (Mt 11:25). But
what things is Jesus talking about? And
then, who are these little children to
whom such things are revealed? Let us
reflect on this: on the things for which
Jesus thanks his Father and on the little
children who know how to welcome
them.

The things for which Jesus thanks his
Father. Just before this, the Lord had re-
called some of his works: "the blind re-
ceive their sight [...] lepers are cleansed,
[...] the poor have the good news
preached to them" (Mt 11:5), and he re-
vealed what this means, saying that
these are the signs that God is at work in
the world. The message, then, is clear –
God reveals himself by liberating and
healing the human person – let's not for-
get this, God reveals himself by liberat-
ing and healing the human person – and
he does this with a gratuitous love, a
love that saves. This is why Jesus thanks
his father, because his greatness consists
in his love and he never works outside

of love. But this greatness in love is not
understood by those who presume to be
great and who fabricate a god in their
own image – powerful, inflexible, vindic-
tive. In other words, those who are
presumptuous – full of themselves,
proud, concerned only about their own
interests – these are the presumptuous
ones, convinced they do not need anyone,
are not able to accept God as Father. In
this regard, Jesus names the inhabitants
of three rich cities of his times – Chorazin,
Bethsaida, Capernaum – where he had
accomplished many healings, but whose
inhabitants remained indifferent to his
preaching. For them, his miracles were
only spectacular events, useful for
making news and to increase gossip.
Once passing interest in them was over,
they archived them, maybe in order to
occupy themselves in other novelties of
the moment. They did not know how to
welcome the great things of God.

The little children, instead, know how to
welcome them, and Jesus thanks the
Father for them: "I bless you," he says,
because you have revealed the Kingdom
of Heaven to little ones. Jesus praises him
for the simple people whose hearts are
free from presumption and self-love. The
little ones are those who, like children,
feel their need and are not self-sufficient.
They are open to God and allow them-
selves to be amazed at his works. They
know how to read his signs, to marvel at
the miracles of his love! I ask all of you,
and even myself, do we know how to
marvel at the things of God or do we take
them for passing things?



SATURDAY 22 JULY 5:30 pm Francis Lanfrank (29th Ann.)
SUNDAY 23 JULY 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am John Gaeta 11:30 am Alice McCauley
MONDAY 24 JULY 8:30 am George Snell
TUESDAY 25 JULY 8:30 am Luis Rivera
WEDNESDAY 26 JULY 8:30 am Grace Brennan
THURSDAY 27 JULY 8:30 am Portia Chaves Bacal
FRIDAY 28 JULY 8:30 am Portia Bacal
SATURDAY 29 JULY 5:30 pm Catherine Gascoyne
SUNDAY 30 JULY 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am John Sharkey 11:30 am Alice McCauley

SUNDAY 23 JULY 7:30 am Mass in Church 9:30 am Mass in Church 11:30 am Mass in Church
MONDAY 24 JULY 8:30 am Daily Mass will be held Monday thru Friday of each week in church. Miraculous Medal Novena following 8:30 am Mass on Monday.
THURSDAY 27 JULY 10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for the AUG. 6th Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.
SATURDAY 29 JULY 4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church 5:30 pm Mass in Church
SUNDAY 30 JULY 7:30 am Mass in Church 9:30 am Mass in Church 11:30 am Mass in Church



I will open my mouth in parables,
I will announce what has lain hidden from the
foundation of the world.

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE		JULY 29 - 30, 2023	
Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	
5:30 pm	Joy Hayward	Judy Albore (Choir)	
7:30 am	Bless Bernardo	Sister James Soon	
9:30 am	JoAnn Melhorn	Espie Cain	
11:30 am	Julie Okeke	Wendy Sheyka	



Joan Clarke
Mary McGuiness
Joan Monik
Pat Schoeler

Our Prayer list has been renewed.

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

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Brothers and sisters, if we think about it, our lives are filled with miracles – they are filled with deeds of love, signs of God’s goodness. Before these, however, even our hearts can remain indifferent and become habitual, curious but not capable of being amazed, of allowing themselves to be “impressed”. A closed heart, an armed heart, that does not have the capacity of being amazed. To impress is a beautiful verb that brings to mind photographic film. This is the correct behavior before God’s works: to take a photo of his works in our minds so it is impressed on our hearts, to then be developed in our lives through many good deeds, so that this “photograph” of God who is love becomes ever brighter in us and through us.

And now, let us ask ourselves: In the deluge of news that overwhelms us, do I, as Jesus shows us today, know how to stop before the great things of God, those that God accomplishes? Do I allow myself to marvel like a child at the good that silently changes the world? Have I lost the capacity to be amazed? And do I thank the Father each day for his works? May Mary, who exulted in the Lord, make us able to be amazed by his love and to thank him with simplicity.

[Source: <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2023/documents/20230709-angelus.html>]

In Christ’s Peace,
Father Jim Ferry

Church Capital Investment Fund Raffle

2 drawings for \$500 on each date → 	2023 December 2
	2024 January 6 February 3 March 2 April 6

500 tickets maximum to be sold.
10 drawings in total.
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Tickets, \$50 each, may be purchased before/after Mass in church or at rectory, Monday-Friday 9 am -2 pm. Pay in cash or check payable to “Our Lady of Lourdes”



Help us stay cool in summer (warm in winter)

Lourdes parish fundraiser to raise money for upgrade to heat, cooling, and energy efficiency.

PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2022	
WEEKLY GOAL	\$ 6800
Collection*: July 8-9*	\$ 4441
Deficit:	\$ 2359
*Includes Online Giving Weekly Average Deposit	



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Soirée

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RAFFLE - FIRE PITS - GAMES: *giant Jenga,
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Bring a dish or drink to share! For the fire pits, bring a chair!

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7:30PM - 10PM

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July 24, 1945 - September 22, 2021

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O Lord, and let perpetual
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May she rest in peace. Amen.*

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To Pray For*



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