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Sunday, July 7, 2024 - Fourteenth 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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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 Christ of Our Lady of Lourdes

I write to share with you a remembrance of a remarkable Catholic saint – Father Damien of Molokai (Hawaii) – whose statue has been at the United States Capitol in Washington D.C. since 1969. (The Statuary Hall was established by Congress in 1864. Each state has 2 statues.)

The information below is compiled from various sources, indicated below.

Father Damien of Molokai (St. Damien)

While Father Damien and his canonization was a work in progress, he has been known and revered in the Church and by the people of Hawaii for over a century. Father Damien was canonized in 2009 by Pope Benedict XVI. His feast day is May 10.

[*Part 1. Early Life, Before Hawaii*] He was born Jozef de Veuster in Belgium in 1840. His early life passed on the family farm, which equipped him with a strong body, immense practical knowledge, and an industrious spirit. These endowments proved most beneficial in his later work. Jozef desired to be a priest since he was a child. He joined his older brother, Pamphile, already a member of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. His superiors thought Jozef (i.e., Damien) lacked sufficient education for the priesthood, however, but through hard work and his brother’s help, he won their confidence. At his first vows, he received the name Damien, after an early Christian martyr. Though not yet ordained, he volunteered to go to the Hawaiian Islands in place of his brother, who fell sick with typhus. (<https://owlcation.com/humanities/St-Damien-of-Molokai-Beauty-or-Beast>)

[*Part 2. Assignment to Missionary work in Hawaii*] In May 1864, two months after arriving in his new mission, Damien was ordained a priest in Honolulu and assigned to the island of Hawaii.

In 1873, he went to the Hawaiian government’s leper colony on the island of Molokai, set up seven years earlier. Part of a team of four chaplains taking that assignment for three months each year,

Damien soon volunteered to remain permanently, caring for the people’s physical, medical and spiritual needs. In time, he became their most effective advocate to obtain promised government support.

Soon the settlement had new houses and a new church, school and orphanage.

Morale improved considerably. A few years later he succeeded in getting the Franciscan Sisters of Syracuse, led by Mother Marianne Cope (January 23), to help staff this colony in Kalaupapa. (Source: <https://www.crossroadsinitiative.com/media/articles/saint-damien-of-molokai/>)

[*Part 3. Damien’s Illness, Leprosy, Death*] From the beginning, Fr. Damien wanted the patients to understand that he was not afraid of them. As he wrote to his brother in Europe, “I make myself a leper with the lepers to gain all to Jesus Christ.” Indeed, he ate with them, dressed their sores, built coffins, churches, roads, a hospital, and organized their lives. He treated them with dignity and ministered to their spiritual needs until, after sixteen years, he succumbed to the disease. He died on April 15, 1889, aged 49. (<https://owlcation.com/humanities/St-Damien-of-Molokai-Beauty-or-Beast>)

[*Part 4. Father Damien Remembered*] The Hawaiian princess and future queen Liliuokalani arrived at Molokai in 1881, eight years after Damien.

When Damien had arrived [in 1873] at the colony, it was popularly known as “the living graveyard.” The lepers suffered from almost every human need. Food, clean water, clothing, shelter, basic medical care – all were wanting on the island. They had been brought to Molokai simply to wait for death – and death’s stench was all around them.

[Between 1873 – 1881], Damien’s presence on the island had effected dramatic changes. A former farm boy with Martin Sheen good looks, Damien worked continuously for the lepers. He built houses, schools, and a conduit for freshwater, arranged for clothing to be delivered from the mainland, taught them to grow their own food. He advocated for them with the authorities and procured the medical supplies that would better their lives. He tended them, taught them, and, against medical advice, ate with them. All of this was accomplished even as he offered daily Mass and prayers, performed baptisms and marriages, and, of course, anointed the sick and said funerals for the dead.

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SATURDAY, 6 JULY
5:30 pm Kathleen & Gene Mooney

SUNDAY, 7 JULY
7:30 am People of the Parish
9:30 am JoAnne Chiaramonte
11:30 am Tony Tomaio

MONDAY, 8 JULY
8:30 am Angela S. Pela

TUESDAY 9 JULY
8:30 am Karen Cham

WEDNESDAY, 10 JULY
8:30 am Lawrence & Catherine Del Plato

THURSDAY, 11 JULY
8:30 am Rose Nancy Bruno

FRIDAY, 12 JULY
8:30 am Jack Edward Thomas

SATURDAY, 13 JULY
5:30 pm Hugo Russo

SUNDAY, 14 JULY
7:30 am People of the Parish
9:30 am Deceased Members of the Pflug & Napolitano Families
11:30 am Linda Irene McKnight

SUNDAY, 7 JULY
7:30 am Mass
9:00 am Recitation of Rosary
9:30 am Mass
11:30 am Mass

MONDAY, 8 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, 11 JULY
10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for the July 21st Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.

SATURDAY, 13 JULY
4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church
5:30 pm Mass

SUNDAY, 14 JULY
7:30 am Mass
9:30 am Mass
11:30 am Mass



This week's Bread & Wine, a gift from Nancy & Michael Lanfrank are in memory of **HELEN & CHARLES RICE.**



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE		JULY 13 - JULY 14	
Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	
5:30 pm	Joy Hayward	Emily Kunz Eileen Reilly (Choir)	
7:30 am	MaryEllen Chandler	Bless Bernardo	
9:30 am	Andrew Novoa	Myrna Regino	
11:30 am	Carmelita Dizon	Wendy Sheyka	

Jerry Baresich

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

(PASTOR COLUMN continued from Page 2)

[In 1881], the deformed faces of the children ... appeared before [Princess/Queen Liliuokalani] as well-fed, neatly dressed schoolgirls. They formed a choir that serenaded her with a few songs, an expression of how far Damien had brought them in that short time. That day, the princess' tears flowed freely. She praised the lepers' courage, and when she returned home, she sent a letter to Father Damien, offering him the title of Commander of the Royal Order of Kalakaua, Hawaii's highest honor.

Belgian Cardinal Godfried Daneels famously said that Damien was no "porcelain saint." But porcelain is not even a substance of which saints can be made. Since Peter ate fish on the beach with his Resurrected Master, saints have been constructed of flesh and blood only – wounded and even treacherous flesh and blood, but flesh and blood all the same. And it is by this apparent coinherence of frailty and fullness that we find ourselves transfixed.

Early on, Damien began referring in his sermons to "we lepers." In the mouth of a handsome, healthy priest, it may have sounded like an attempt to mollify his little flock, propaganda to sway his constituents. In the mouth of the man that we see in pictures at the end, covered with the scaly, black sores of the disease [of leprosy], it takes on a different cast. And to hear this same man rejoice on his deathbed – "People pity me and think me unfortunate, but I think myself the happiest of missionaries" – this takes our breath away. This is why we still need Damien de Veuster.

(<https://churchlifejournal.nd.edu/articles/why-we-still-need-saint-damien-of-molokai>)

Saint Damien of Molokai, Pray for Us!

In Christ's Peace,

Father Jim Ferry



MISSIONARY COOPERATIVE

APPEAL - 2024

Fr. Michael Rafferty, OAR (Order of Augustinian Recollects) will be at **Our Lady of Lourdes Parish on July 6-7, 2024** to speak at all Masses about the many ministries of his religious community. **Fr. Michael Rafferty, OAR** used to be at the Augustinian Monastery in West Orange (which is now closed) and is **currently the Pastor of Sacred Heart Church in Suffern, NY.**

The Augustinian Recollect Friars have been missionaries around the world since 1588. Next weekend, they will come visit our parish to preach the mission cooperative plan for many projects they have in 22 different countries. From protecting minors from forced child labor in Sierra Leon (Africa), building hygienic kitchens for families in Peru, Boys Town in Costa Rica, medically supporting pregnant teenagers in Dominican Republic, offering support to family members that come from small villages to accompany their sick to the hospitals in the chaotic city of Mexico, and we are quick to respond where destruction caused by nature or war demand our help.

You may see all the work the Augustinian Recollect Friars do all over the world in their projects page: www.arcores.org
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Los frailes agustinos recoletos han sido misioneros en todo el mundo desde 1588. El próximo fin de semana vendrán a visitar nuestra parroquia para hacer la apelación de cooperación misionera para los proyectos que tienen en 22 países. Desde proteger a menores del trabajo infantil forzado en Sierra Leona (África), construir cocinas higiénicas para familias en Perú, la Ciudad de los Niños en Costa Rica, apoyar adolescentes embarazadas en República Dominicana, proteger a niñas abusadas en Brasil, ofrecer apoyo a familiares de enfermos que llegan de la provincia a los hospitales de la CDMX. Los Agustinos Recoletos, por medio de su asociación ARCORES, son rápidos en responder donde la destrucción de la naturaleza o la guerra afecta a los más pobres.

Puedes ver los proyectos realizados por los frailes Agustinos Recoletos en su página: www.arcores.org

¡Gracias por su generosidad!

PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2024

WEEKLY GOAL \$ 6800

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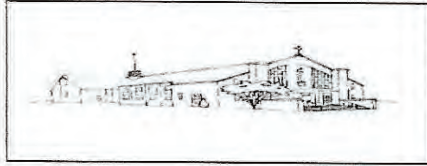
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National Eucharistic Revival ... and ... “Local” Eucharistic Adoration / Confession

At the 10th National Eucharistic Congress (July 17 – 21 in Indianapolis), our Catholic family will gather to experience profound, personal renewal through the power of Christ’s love. Like a new Pentecost, this transformation will flow out from Indianapolis to bring revival in our communities as the Church returns to her first love—the source and summit of our faith.

Locally: Hours of Confession and Adoration Before the Tabernacle or Exposition

Wednesday July 17 (Confession / Adoration) 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Thursday July 18 (Confession / Adoration) 6:30 – 8:30 pm.

4:15 to 5 pm – Saturday July 20 – regular parish Confessions.

Confessions will also be heard upon request. Please feel free to call rectory 973.325.0110 and arrange a time.

Nationally (July 17-21):  **YouTube** + website: eucharisticrevival.org



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