

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, July 21, 2024 – 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 Mrs. Linda Chapman, Director of Music Mrs. Mary Cassels, Trustee Mrs. Eileen Reilly, Trustee

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Religious Education

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Administrative Assistant Rhea Catarroja 973.325.0110 ext. 102 Email: <u>rhea.catarroja@lourdeswestorange.org</u>

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 & Sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes

Part 2 of 2 "Rule of Saint Benedict" and our Everyday Lives "The Vows" / "Stability" / "Conversion" / <u>"Obedience"</u>

I share with you this reflection on saints and the spiritual life, based on the Rule of Saint Benedict whose feast day is July 11. Guiding principles for the sisters and brothers of the Benedictine order are included in the rule. These same principles can apply to our spiritual life.

Source: http://www.benedictfriend.org/therule.html (*Excerpt*)

The Rule of St. Benedict is a timeless document in so many ways as fresh and relevant as it was when it was written almost fifteen hundred years ago. Although written for monastics, many of the issues addressed in the Rule can be applied to life in the world outside the monastic community.

Stability [The Vows]

Stability refers to the importance of community and commitment in life. For a monk or nun it refers directly to a commitment to the monastery where they will live for the rest of their life. While we all may not be a member of a monastic order, we can make our vow of stability to our families, to our faith communities, to our local and global communities, and to our fellow pilgrims along the journey of faith. The vow of stability also speaks to our current environmental crisis — for when we remain committed to the earth we learn how to be good stewards of that which God has given us.

Conversion

Conversion is not confined to a one time experience. To a monk or nun, conversion of life reminds them that everything they do is from, for, and with God and that God converts us continually. The vow tells the monastic they are to acknowledge that conversion and be open to it. For those of us not in the monastery conversion is an ongoing process as well, one that helps us walk continually in the presence of God. In order to open our ears to God's voice and our eyes to God's presence among us, Benedict tells us we must keep our hearts and our minds open to the ways that God is moving us. When we block the transformation that God is working within us, then we are not living in the Benedictine Way. An open heart is one that allows balanced practices of prayer, work, study, hospitality, and renewal to illuminate the ways that God is working within us and within the world.

Obedience

Obedience comes from the Latin word for "listen". The practice of attentive listening is foundational to the Benedictine Rule of Life. Benedict wrote that everyone in the community needed to listen to one another, and that sometimes God speaks through the youngest person in the community. Nonetheless, it is the Abbot who needs to make the decisions in the end, and each member of the community must obey him. Obedience can be a heavy word for us today. Yet a healthy, balanced view of obedience - as a way of cultivating a disciplined, intentional life that is yearning to be obedient to God - is a desire that many people in today's world have and this makes the vow of obedience relevant. Obedience can entail a healthy sense of humility (selfknowledge) and of respecting and following the guides, leaders, teachers, and fellow travelers who are guiding you on your path towards God.

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For a further reflection on the Benedictine vow of "stability", look this up:

http://blog.adw.org/2012/07/a-reflection-on-thebenedictine-vow-of-stability/

Title: "A Reflection On the Benedictine Vow of Stability" by Monsignor Charles Pope, July 12, 2012

St. Benedict, Pray for Us!

In Christ's Peace, Father Jim Ferry





SATURDAY, 20 JULY 5:30 pm Maria Matias (21st Ann.)

SUNDAY, 21 JULY

7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Michael Chiaramonte (44th Ann.) 11:30 am Nicole Marie Columbo

MONDAY, 22 JULY

8:30 am Frances Lanfrank (30th Ann.)

TUESDAY 23 JULY 8:30 am Concetta Schuren

WEDNESDAY, 24 JULY 8:30 am Elisabeth Mason Duncan

THURSDAY, 25 JULY 8:30 am Daniel Bleach

FRIDAY, 26 JULY 8:30 am Keith Hari

SATURDAY, 27 JULY 5:30 pm Portia Chaves Bacal

SUNDAY, 28 JULY 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am JoAnne Chiaramonte

11:30 am Angela S. Pela

This week's Bread & Wine, a gift from Rosa & Carlos Cruz is in memory of JOSE CARLOS QUINONES ACOSTA.



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Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	
5:3 0 pm	Michael Lanfrank	Judy Albore Eileen Reilly (choir)	
7:30 am	MaryEllen Chandler	Bless Bernardo	
9:30 am	Andrew Novoa	Joe Petrillo	
11:30 am	Julie Okeke	Wendy Sheyka	

SUNDAY, 21 JULY	
7:30 am	Mass
9:30 am	Mass
11:30 am	Mass
MONDAY, 22 JULY	
8:30 am	Daily Mass will be held
Miraculous Medal Novena following 8:30 am Mass on Monday.	Monday thru Friday of each week in church.
THURSDAY, 24 JULY	
10:00 am	Deadline for News, & Announcements for the August 4th Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.
SATURDAY, 27 JULY	
4:15—5:00 pm	Confessions in Church
5:30 pm	Mass
SUNDAY, 28 JULY	
7:30 am	Mass
9:30 am	Mass
11:30 am	Mass

Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pastures, says the Lord. Jeremy 23:1-6





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

Vatican announces theme for World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly to be held on JULY 28th

The Catholic Church celebrates the "World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly" each year on the Sunday closest to the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, Jesus' grandparents.

Pope Francis has chosen a line from Psalm 71 — "Do not cast me off in my old age" — as the theme for the 2024 celebration of the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.



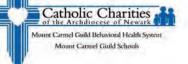
In a note announcing the

theme for the day, the Vatican said the choice was "meant to call attention to the fact that, sadly, loneliness is the bitter lot in life of many elderly persons, often the victims of the throwaway culture."

"Our communities, with their tenderness and affectionate attention that does not forget its most fragile members, are called to manifest the love of God, who never abandons anyone," the cardinal said.



True Freedom



Christ freed us from sin. Patriots throughout the ages fought for our freedom. There are still those today who cannot enjoy freedom from poverty. Why not celebrate your freedom by an act of kindness? One way to do this is by donating your unwanted used clothing, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, novels, tools, toys and children's books to our Catholic Charities Donations Bin located on the Property. Thank you.

St. Vincent DePaul Society

St. Vincent DePaul Society is hosting Christine's Soup Kitchen on Saturday, 8/10/2024 for Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. As of now the soup kitchen is operating on a to-go-lunch basis. Lunches



are prepared ahead of time and will be dropped off at Holy Trinity on the morning of **8/10/2024** so you will not have to serve at the soup kitchen itself. If anyone is interested in preparing or purchasing needed items please call Rosanne Bruno at 973-243-0679, or e-mail at travisb23@juno.com.



How to Report Abuse



The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the

Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at 201-407-3256.

PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING	JULY 2024
WEEKLY GOAL	\$ 6800
Collection*: 7/6-7*	\$ 3683
Deficit:	\$ 3117
*Includes Online Giving Weekly	Average Deposit



For Your Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure.



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CHURCH CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND RAFFLE 5 Month Raffle – December 2024 – April 2025 <u>DONATION:</u> \$50 per ticket. MAXIMUM 500 tickets sold. TEN \$500 PRIZES will be awarded. TWO prizes per drawing date.

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DONATION: \$50 for 10 drawings. All tickets are eligible for all drawing dates. Proceeds benefit: Our Lady of Lourdes Church Capital Investment Fund. Two tickets will be drawn on the first Saturday of each month @ 6:30 pm in Church. Starting December 7, 2024 HOLD ONTO THIS CALENDAR. Winners need not be present. No substitutions may be made. RL # 7876 ID # 542-1-151

If gambling is a problem for you or someone in your family, call 1-800-Gambler (426-2537). Must be 18 years or older to participate. Thank you for supporting our Parish.

Tickets will be sold in the Parish Office/Rectory and before/after Sunday Mass. Submit payment with stub on the bottom.

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