



# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, October 20, 2024 - Twenty-ninth 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)**

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#### **Religious Education**

#### **Sacrament of Confirmation (Grades 7-12)**

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#### **Religious Education**

#### **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 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 & Sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes,  
**The Container Store**

Earthen vessels are the places in which we keep all of our valuables, according to Paul's famous phrase. (2 Corinthians 4:7) Such a category of storage will remind us of clay pots, terra cotta vases, and other materials. Are these sturdy enough for your or my treasured objects?

We might prefer a steel vault or something with an alphanumeric PIN. While knowing nothing about cloud storage, Paul was acknowledging that we all want to have a backup. We all want security. Is this however, for purchase or negotiation?

In the Gospel, the brothers, James and John, are at the front desk, anticipating "checkout" or an "upgrade" with such a question and negotiation. They have heard about a Kingdom and the positive reviews. They want to arrange a place for themselves. They have a shopping cart full of desire for status in the new *status quo*.

In fact, they are correct about the latter. The Kingdom will bring new conditions and circumstances and require new competency. They are mistaken in asking for a title. Jesus sends a message, "Can you drink the chalice that I am going to drink?" (Matthew 20:22) In unison, they click [OK]. Do they even understand the commands of the program in the new Kingdom? They still think they are shopping for storage and/or seating, maybe a personal seat license and season tickets.

James and John do not want the clay of the earth. They want a new hardwood floor above the earth and comfy chairs in heaven. Crate and Barrel?

Jesus responds that such an eternal-life-time guarantee is not his to give in the middle of life. James and John are asked – as you and I are asked – will we testify to the new life we experience now even in earthen and fragile vessels?

That is, are we not able to rejoice for the gifts which God has given us, the forgiveness and wisdom shared with us, even amid our own uncertain circumstances.

We are called not to ask for guarantees but to ask for assistance, not to ask for ease and convenience but rather encouragement and companionship in our prayers and petitions. In this way, Jesus does want to help and assist us on our way to his Kingdom and to help us to be secure in his love.

In Christ's Peace,

Father Jim Ferry



**Prayer Before an Election (<https://www.usccb.org/prayers/prayer-election>)**

**Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront West Orange, the state of New Jersey and the United States of America, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community.**

**We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty.**

**We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender.**

**We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom.**

**We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word, live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his Apostles and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace.**

**We ask this in the name of your Son Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**



<b>SATURDAY, 19 OCTOBER</b> 5:30 pm Patrick Lorenzana
<b>SUNDAY, 20 OCTOBER</b> 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am John D. Pflug, III (37th Birthday) 11:30 am Jean Byrne
<b>MONDAY, 21 OCTOBER</b> 8:30 am Victor Nzegwu (Special Intention)
<b>TUESDAY, 22 OCTOBER</b> 8:30 am Peter Caste
<b>WEDNESDAY, 23 OCTOBER</b> 8:30 am Michael Strollo
<b>THURSDAY, 24 OCTOBER</b> 8:30 am Ann Strollo
<b>FRIDAY, 25 OCTOBER</b> 8:30 am Agnes D. Bulger (18th Ann.)
<b>SATURDAY, 26 OCTOBER</b> 5:30 pm Fran Glennon
<b>SUNDAY, 27 OCTOBER</b> 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am John D. Pflug III (16th Ann.) 11:30 am Lawrence & Catherine Del Plato

<b>SUNDAY, 20 OCTOBER</b> 7:30 am Mass in Church 9:30 am—11:45 am G. 6 Church, Hall 9:30 am Mass in Church 10:30—11:30 1st Penance Class, (Chapel) 11:30 am Mass in Church
<b>MONDAY, 21 OCTOBER</b> 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.
<b>TUESDAY, 22 OCTOBER</b> 6:00 pm Empowering God's Children Class G.1-5
<b>WEDNESDAY 23, OCTOBER</b> 6:00 pm Empowering God's Children Class G.6-8
<b>THURSDAY, 24 OCTOBER</b> 10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for the Nov 3rd. Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.
<b>SATURDAY, 26 OCTOBER</b> 4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church 5:30 pm Mass in Church 6:30- 9:30 pm KC Spaghetti Dinner (Hall)
<b>SUNDAY, 27 OCTOBER</b> 7:30 am Mass in Church 9:30 - 11:45 am G.7-12 Church, Hall 9:30 am Mass in Church 10:30 am—11:30 am 1st Penance Class, (Chapel) 11:30 am Mass in Church



This week's Bread & Wine, a gift from Nancy Lanfrank is in memory of ARTHUR J. KELLER.



This week's Sanctuary Candle, a gift from Marlene Delpêche, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren is in memory of YVONNE BARON.

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE		OCT 26 - OCT 27, 2024	
Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	
5:30 pm (Choir)	Pat Sigalas	Emily Kunz Eileen Reilly (Choir)	
7:30 am	Mary Cassels	Sr. James Soon	
9:30 am	Kathy Petrillo	Joe Petrillo	
11:30 am (Children's Choir)	Lynda Clement	Virginia Dimapilis Carmelita Dizon (Choir)	
<b>NOVEMBER 1 - ALL SAINTS</b>			
7:30 am	Bless Bernardo	Lou Volpe	
8:30 am	Emily Kunz	Emily Kunz	
7:00 pm	Kathy Petrillo	Myrna Regino	



PRAYERS Needed For...

**Artemis Soleil Benitez    July Planas**  
**Judy Bernarducci            Robert Santangelo**

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



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Saint Peter's Preparatory School will hold its Fall Open House on **Sunday, October 20, from 1:00 – 4:00** at the school's campus in historic downtown Jersey City. Faculty and staff as well as coaches, students and parents, will be present to answer questions about the school, and tours of the campus will be provided.

For more information, please call 201-547-6465 or visit [www.spprep.org](http://www.spprep.org).

**PARISH GIVING**

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2023

WEEKLY GOAL	\$ 6800
Collection*: Oct 5-6*	\$ 5123
Deficit:	\$ 1677

\*Includes Online Giving Weekly Average Deposit



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**The West Orange Knights of Columbus  
Council #5519**



will host a Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser in the basement of

**Our Lady of Lourdes, Connor Hall  
Saturday, October 26th  
from 6:30 pm until 9:30 pm**

***Pasta-Meatballs-Salad-Soda-Coffee-Dessert  
will be served***

The cost is \$10 for anyone 13 & over,  
\$5 for children 5-12 years old, and  
free for any child 4 years old and younger.

Proceeds will go towards supporting local  
charities in the West Orange area.

**UPCOMING  
EVENTS**

**OCTOBER 2024**

◆ **OCTOBER 1—OCTOBER 31 at 6:30 pm**  
The Rosary is prayed in English and Spanish outdoors every evening (rain or shine) at Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto.



◆ **OCTOBER 1—OCTOBER 31 St. Vincent DePaul Society of OLL will be collecting New Socks for Men, Women, and Children during the month of October to be distributed to the needy through local charities.**



◆ **OCTOBER 6—OCTOBER 27 Respect Life Ministry will be holding their Baby Shower at all weekend Masses during the month of October to be distributed to Several Sources Shelters. (SEE FLYER)**



◆ **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12 at 12:00 Noon The Annual Public Square Rosary Rally will be held on the Front Steps of the church. (SEE FLYER)**



**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.



*Save the Date*  
**Sunday Nov. 10, 2024**  
**11:30 am Mass**  
**Cardinal Joseph Tobin**  
*ARCHBISHOP OF NEWARK*  
**Mass Celebrant for our**  
**110<sup>th</sup> Parish Anniversary**  
*1914 – 2024 – ALWAYS*



**"I had rather one day in your courts  
than a thousand elsewhere."  
84<sup>th</sup> Psalm**



# All Weekend Masses in October

At all weekend Masses in October we will be collecting the following items:

- ◆ Newborn clothes (0-3 months - neutral colors for boy or girl)
- ◆ Dreft laundry soap
- ◆ Baby Wipes
- ◆ Paper towels
- ◆ Small sponges
- ◆ Lysol wipes
- ◆ UBER or LYFT Gift Cards (for the girls to get to school or work)
- ◆ Walmart Gift Cards, and
- ◆ Monetary donations. *(Please make checks payable to Our Lady of Lourdes)*



*These items will be distributed to **SEVERAL SOURCES SHELTERS** which offers a place where a young mother can come to have her baby and stay for up to a year or more with individual care, nurturing and educational support.*



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