



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, April 20, 2025 – Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



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

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RECTORY/Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Religious Education

Family Catechesis (Grades 1-6)

Ms. Priscilla Castro 973.325.0110

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Sacrament of Confirmation (Grades 7-12)

Mr. Paul Hirsch 973.325.0110

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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 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 and Sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes,

The news of our Savior's arrest and death on the eve and day of Good Friday spread quickly. Within a few hours, nearly all the disciples had scattered. Peter, meanwhile, was denying (removing) all his links online and offline. For a while, he desired that none of this would be available to those who might search among the media and watchers of his day.

Whether they were only watchers or truly holy ones, these included the city crowd, the women of Jerusalem, the Roman soldiers, our Blessed Mother and the disciple John. They witnessed his death, taking his body from the Cross. Though this was not very good news at first, was this not well publicized?

The publicity of Good Friday differs from the private appearances of Easter Sunday.

Was this news of the resurrection reported so locally and so, in our view, inefficiently? John Henry Newman asked, "Why did not our Savior show himself to all the people?" (J.H. Newman, Book 1, Sermon 22, "Witnesses of the Resurrection", *Parochial and Plain Sermons*) Newman answered that while an appearance in downtown Jerusalem or uptown Rome would have attracted attention, the show would have been over quickly. "They might have been startled at the time, but why should this amazement last?" (Newman, Book I, Sermon 22)

Rather, Jesus appeared to a small group of disciples. He also appears to us in simpler and intimate ways to build a relationship. I invite you, this Easter Season, to be alert to this presence in your joys and struggles. Pray regularly before the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle as we did on Holy Thursday. The Lord is present in our joys and struggles, especially when death or illness

touches us. We may not have the words to say. Yet, in time, the Lord also visits us with news of the Resurrection.

We are invited, then, to wait for his word, his inspiration. Easter reminds us to trust that he can roll away stones of doubt, of sinfulness and division and can bring us joy amid sacrifice and service. We are called to construct our lives with his help and direction:

"The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day which the Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad in it." (Psalm 118:22-24)

RELIGIOUS EDUC. REGISTRATION:

Register your Grade 1-12 child to begin or continue religious education for "Sept. 2025 - June 2026." Children prepare for 1st Penance 1st Communion, and Confirmation. 2 years of classes are required for each sacrament.

"Save money and register early". Fee is \$60 / child (by May 31), \$80/child (by June 30).

Register online at LOURDESWESTORANGE.ORG under "Faith Formation" > "Religious Ed. Registration," or get paper forms from the church or by calling 973.325.0110.



SAVE THE DATE: On Saturday June 14, we have our parish BBQ picnic with all-you-can eat grilled dinner, burgers, chicken, more + salads appetizers, drinks. The cost is \$20/adult, \$10 /child and special family rate of \$60/family, for a family of any size.

Blessed Easter to you.
Father Jim Ferry, Pastor



SATURDAY, 19 APRIL HOLY SATURDAY
7:30 pm People of the Parish

SUNDAY, 20 APRIL EASTER SUNDAY
7:30 am People of the Parish
9:30 am People of the Parish
11:30 am People of the Parish

MONDAY, 21 APRIL
8:30 am Jude M. Squatino

TUESDAY, 22 APRIL
8:30 am John Douglas Pflug, Sr.

WEDNESDAY, 23 APRIL
8:30 am Thomas Glennon

THURSDAY, 24 APRIL
7:00 pm Fidelina Saniei

FRIDAY, 25 APRIL
3:00 pm John Douglas Pflug, Sr.

SATURDAY, 26 APRIL
5:30 pm Anthony Strollo

SUNDAY, 27 APRIL
7:30 am People of the Parish
9:30 am Joan & Louis Papale
11:30 am Deacon Ernest Abad (11th Ann.)



This week's Altar Candles, a gift from J.A. Konvalinka is in memory of **JAROSLAV & ROSE KONVALINKA**.



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



This week's Sanctuary Candle, a gift from Bernadette Igwagu—**BLESSINGS FOR WEDDING OF VIVIAN IGWAGU & FRANCIS OKEZIE**

CHURCH
CALENDAR



SUNDAY, 20 APRIL EASTER SUNDAY
7:30 am Mass
9:30 am Mass
11:30 am Mass



MONDAY, 21 APRIL
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.

5:30—6:30 pm 1st Comm. G. 6-12 OLLC

THURSDAY, 24 APRIL
10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for the May 4th Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110

SATURDAY, 26 APRIL
8:00 am—7:00 pm **TRICKY TRAY FUND RAISER (HALL)**
4:15—5:00 Confessions in Church
5:30 pm Mass

SUNDAY, 27 APRIL
8:00 am—3:00 pm **TT Gift Pick up (HALL)**
7:30 am Mass
9:30 am Mass
10:30—11:30 am **1st Comm Class (Chapel)**
11:30 am Mass

PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2024
WEEKLY GOAL \$ 6800
Collection*: 4-05/4-06, 2025* \$ 5109
Deficit: \$ 1691
*Includes Online Giving Weekly Average



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WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE APRIL 26-27, 2025

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
7:30 pm	Michael Lanfrank	Emily Kunz Melinda Prather (C)
7:30 am	MaryEllen Chandler	MaryEllen Chandler
9:30 am (Choir)	Carol Ford	Annette Chiaramonte Joe Petrillo (C)
11:30 am	Wendy Sheyka	Michelle Gizzi

Prayers Needed

Judy Bernarducci
Larry Gomes
Langan Family

Beverly McAllister
Robert Santangelo
Pio Tortola

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





April 5, 2025

\$500 winner of 1st Drawing:
JULIE OKEKE

\$500 winner of 2nd Drawing:
TODD HILL



Gift for Palm Sunday

*"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."
Luke 19:38)*

On Palm Sunday, we welcome the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem by holding up our own palm branches at Mass. Our parish family is very grateful for the gift of our Palm branches donated each year by Darren and Mellen Dangler in memory of the deceased members of the Dangler and Phillips Families.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

1ST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

May 2, 2025

5:30–7:30 pm in Church

Join Us!

Jesus is waiting for You!



Cards, Gifts & Accessories for First Holy Communion & Confirmation

Please visit our Peace & Good Corner to see our selection of First Holy Communion & Confirmation Cards and religious gifts. The gift shop is open after every weekend Mass.



TRICKY TRAY

The Rosary Altar Society will hold their
"Over the Rainbow" Tricky Tray:

Saturday, April 26, 2025

in Connor Hall at Our Lady of Lourdes.



We are still accepting gifts for our Tricky Tray. **Gifts of new items are welcome and greatly appreciated by April 20th.**

Gifts may be left in the Church Sacristy or at the Rectory on weekdays between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm or, by contacting Eileen Reilly at 973-980-4209.

Please save the date and join us for our major fund raiser to help support the needs of our parish.

Eileen Reilly, Chairperson

Thank You

The Paschal Candle

"The Lord is my light and my salvation" (Psalm 27)

At the Easter Vigil, we burn for the first time the Easter Candle, a sign of God's light in our world.

Our parish family is very grateful for the gift of our Easter Paschal Candle donated each year by Steve and MaryEllen Chandler in memory of the Chandler/Zimmermann Families.



TRICKY TRAY

Sponsored by Rosary Altar Society

Our Lady of Lourdes Connor Hall
One Eagle Rock Avenue, West Orange, NJ
(Use Marked Entrance on Mississippi Avenue)

*Lourdeswestorange.org (select About our Parish, Tricky Tray 2025)

Saturday April 26, 2025

Guests are invited to walk through & select baskets between

8:00am and 4:00pm

The pre-event program will be posted on our "website by April 21st.

Drawing of Baskets will begin at 5:00pm

Drawing will be posted by 7:30pm on our *website

Please make reservations by Monday, April 21st
(complete registration & ticket order form on back - (See form in bulletin)

Tickets will be sold in Bundles (see below)

Reservation Contacts: Ann Pflug 973-325-2212

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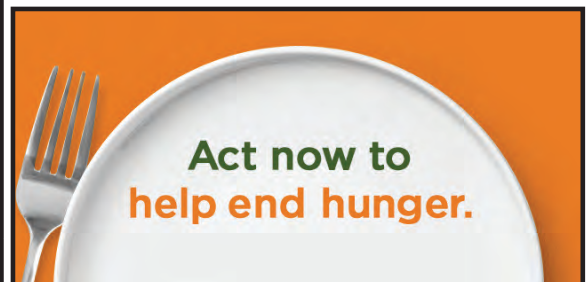


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