



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, May 11, 2025 – Fourth Sunday of Easter



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

Religious Education

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Ms. Priscilla Castro 973.325.0110

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Sacrament of Confirmation (Grades 7-12)

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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 and Sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes,

This Sunday, Mother's Day, we pray for all of our mothers, grandmothers, and godmothers, living and deceased.

Pope Benedict XVI reflected on the ways in which our mothers integrate and collect the pieces of life for their families and children. What a child may see as only a lost part or particle a mother will see as part of a greater structure both organically and spiritually. Certainly this was also the role of our Blessed Mother in the mystery of her child and the revelation of God's life in Jesus Christ.

We give thanks for the ways in which each of our mothers have helped us to discern God's will and find unity even amid crisis and difficulty. Blessed Mother's Day to all.

"PIECING TOGETHER" / MOTHER'S DAY, 8 MAY 2016

In a 2008 homily, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI wrote about the way in which our Blessed Mother Mary "pieces together" and ponders the mystery of faith in her life, giving us an example of prayer and meditation. Benedict reflected on this as our Blessed Mother surely tried to understand the mysteries of faith and truth personified in her own child:

[This] "piecing together" ... makes us think of a great mystery to be discovered little by little. Although the Child lying in a manger looks like all children in the world, at the same time he is totally different: he is the Son of God, he is God, true God and true man. This mystery - the Incarnation of the Word and the divine Motherhood of Mary - is great and certainly far from easy to understand with the human mind alone.

Yet, by learning from Mary, we can understand with our hearts what our eyes and minds do not manage to perceive or contain on their own. Indeed, this is such a great gift that only through faith are we granted to accept it, while not entirely understanding it ... And in her heart Mary continued to treasure, to "piece together" the subsequent events of which she was to be a witness and protagonist, even to the death on the Cross and the Resurrection ... it is only by pondering in the heart, in other words, by piecing together and finding unity in all we experience, that, following Mary, we can penetrate the mystery of a God who was made man out of love and who calls us to follow him on the path of love. (Benedict, 1 January 2008, Homily)

Our Lady of Lourdes, Pray for us!

In Christ's Peace,
Father Jim Ferry



SATURDAY, 10 MAY

5:30 pm Deceased Mothers

SUNDAY, 11 MAY

7:30 am People of the Parish

9:30 am Deceased Mothers

11:30 am Deceased Mothers

MONDAY, 12 MAY

8:30 am Frank Gorli

TUESDAY, 13 MAY

8:30 am Amy Reyes-Lejano

WEDNESDAY, 14 MAY

8:30 am Julia Coates

THURSDAY, 15 MAY

8:30 am Jim Doyle

FRIDAY, 16 MAY

8:30 am Vicenza Russo

SATURDAY, 17 MAY

5:30 pm Carmaleta Harris & Paul Harris

SUNDAY, 18 MAY

7:30 am People of the Parish

9:30 am Catherine Catalano & Louise Chiaramonte

11:30 am Marissa Matias (Thanksgiving)



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



This week's Bread & Wine, a gift from John & Ann Pflug is in memory of **Filomena Napolitano & Elizabeth Pflug**.



This week's Sanctuary Candle, a gift from Carol Ford is in memory of **BARBARA L. GERLACH**.

WEEKEND MAY 17-18, 2025

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
5:30 pm	Michael Lanfrank	Judy Albore Melinda Prather (C)
7:30 am	MaryEllen Chandler	Lou Volpe
9:30 am (Choir)	JoAnn Melhorn	Annette Chiaramonte Joe Petrillo (C)
11:30 am	Wendy Sheyka	Virginia Dimapilis

SUNDAY, 11 MAY

7:30 am Mass

9:30 am Mass

11:30 am Mass

11:30 am May Crowning & Flower Procession

MONDAY, 12 May

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.

TUESDAY, 13 MAY

7:00 pm Finance Committee Mtg. (Rectory)

WEDNESDAY, 14 MAY

6:30—10:30 pm Knights of Columbus Mtg. (HALL)

7:00 pm Pastoral Council Mtg. (Rectory)

THURSDAY, 15 MAY

10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for the May 25th Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110

FRIDAY, 16 MAY

1:30—3:30 pm Soup Kitchen set-up (HALL)

SATURDAY, 17 MAY

9:00 am—12 Noon Soup Kitchen (Holy Trinity Church)

4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church

5:30 pm Mass

SUNDAY, 18 MAY

7:30 am Mass

9:30 am Mass

9:30—11:45 am G. 7-12 (OLLC, HALL)

11:30 am Mass

Prayers Needed

Emeka Anyanyo
Judy Bernarducci
James Cunningham
Larry Gomes
Langan Family

Beverly McAllister
Jose Saeteros
Robert Santangelo
Pio Tortola

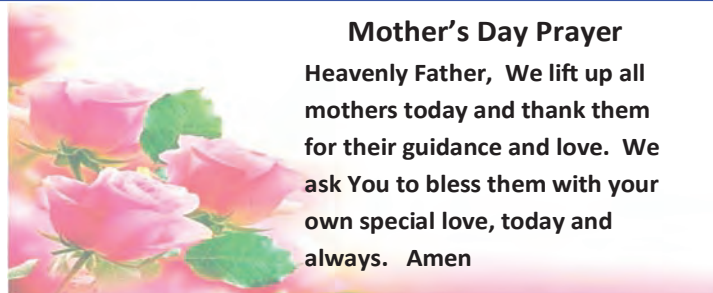
If you wish to have a friend or loved one prayed for, please call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.

CORONA SELF HELP CENTER

Will be visiting Our Lady of Lourdes

**May 31—June 1
after all Masses**

Corona Self Help Center administers addiction counseling in New York, Florida and Colorado. About 200 participants receive substance abuse counseling daily in a 12 step program. Participants also receive job training in the form of on-site workshops. Participants are provided with meals, health care, hygiene, educational and sports therapy. CSHC also holds gatherings with family members. As a result, participants obtain assistance in dealing with their addiction to be able to lead a productive life and benefit their community.



Mother's Day Prayer

Heavenly Father, We lift up all mothers today and thank them for their guidance and love. We ask You to bless them with your own special love, today and always. Amen

St. Vincent DePaul Society

St. Vincent DePaul Society is hosting **Christine's Soup Kitchen** on **Saturday, 5/17/2025** 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 **5/17/2025** 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.



PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2024	
WEEKLY GOAL	\$ 6800
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*Includes Online Giving Weekly Average	



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Sunday, 25th of MAY 2025

8:30 am - 11:30 am

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\$10 DONATION - ADULTS AND CHILDREN 13 & OVER

\$5 CHILDREN 6-12

(No charge for any child 5 & under)

**Pancakes, sausage, eggs, juice, and coffee
will be served.**

**Please make plans for you and your family to attend.
All proceeds will go towards supporting local charities.**

SAVE THE DATE



**Saturday
May 10th
11:30 am
Mass**

**Sunday
May 11th**

HAPPY
Mother's
DAY



**May Crowning &
Flower Procession at
11:30 am Mass**

**Parish
Picnic
Saturday, June 14th**

Join Us!



**Saturday
June 14th**

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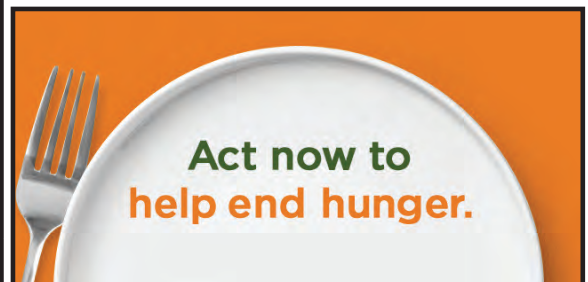


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