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Sunday, May 18, 2025 – Fifth 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

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

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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,

HABEMUS PAPAM. DEO GRATIAS

Justin McLellan – Catholic News Service May 08, 2025

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Even before he stepped out on the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica and spoke May 8, Pope Leo XIV's choice of a name was a powerful statement.

Following Pope Francis, who chose a completely new name in church history, Pope Leo opted for a name steeped in tradition that also conveys an openness to engaging with the modern world.

The pope's choice of name is a "direct recall of the social doctrine of the church and of the pope that initiated the modern social doctrine of the church," Matteo Bruni, director of the Vatican press office, told reporters after the election of the new pope.

Pope Leo XIII, who was pope from 1878-1903, is known for publishing the encyclical "Rerum Novarum" on worker's rights -- considered the foundational document for the church's social teaching. The document emphasized the dignity of workers and condemned the dangers of unchecked capitalism and socialism.

The name Leo is a "direct" reference to "men and women and their work, also in the time of artificial intelligence," Bruni said.

Pope Leo XIII also opened the Vatican secret archives to scholars, founded the Vatican observatory to demonstrate the church's openness to science and was the first pope to be filmed on a motion picture camera.

Tied to the new pope's first words to the faithful: "May peace be with you all," his namesake Pope Leo XIII was also a peacemaker who reconciled the church with the governments of France, Russia, Germany and Great Britain during his pontificate.

Pope Leo's name also has a Marian significance, since Pope Leo XIII wrote 11 encyclicals on the rosary and was also the first pope to embrace the concept of Mary as mediatrix, which holds that Mary helps distribute Christ's grace through her intercession.

The first pope who took the name Leo became pope in 440. Known as "Leo the Great," he promoted the doctrine

of papal primacy based on succession from St. Peter and was a peacemaker who convinced Atilla the Hun to turn back from invading Italy in 452.

Pope Leo X, pope from 1513-1521, was the last pope to not have been a priest at the time of his election to the papacy.

The new pope's predecessor, Pope Francis, was the first pontiff since Pope Lando in 913 to choose an entirely new papal name. Before him, Pope John Paul I, elected in 1978, also broke with tradition by forgoing a numeral, though his name was a blend of his two immediate predecessors' names.

By contrast, Leo is among the most frequently taken names by a pope, with only Benedict, Gregory and John having been chosen more often. Of the 13 previous popes named Leo, five are canonized as saints. **[END of Catholic News Services article]**

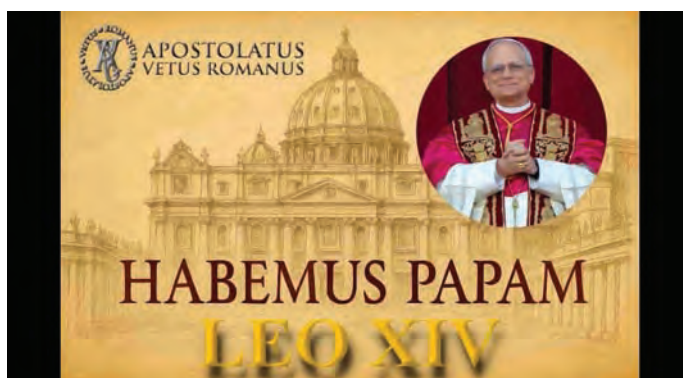
Note from Father Jim Ferry: Pope Leo XIII (1810–1903) composed the St. Michael the Archangel prayer after a vision of spiritual warfare. He urged Catholics to call on St. Michael's protection against evil. I ask that we pray this prayer for our Holy Father, the Church, for our mothers who taught us the way of good versus evil and for all families:

St. Michael the Archangel Prayer

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.
Be our protection against the wickedness and
snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we
humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heav-
enly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell
Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about
the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

In Christ's Peace,

Father Jim Ferry





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)

MONDAY, 19 MAY
8:30 am Julia Coates

TUESDAY, 20 MAY
8:30 am Thanksgiving to the Blessed Virgin Mary

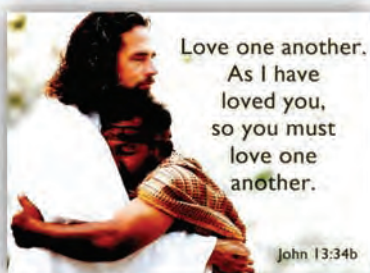
WEDNESDAY, 21 MAY
8:30 am Christian & Grace Okeke (Special Intention)

THURSDAY, 22 MAY
8:30 am Julia Coates

FRIDAY, 23 MAY
8:30 am Julia Coates

SATURDAY, 24 MAY
5:30 pm John D. Pflug, Sr.

SUNDAY, 25 MAY
7:30 am People of the Parish
9:30 am Catherine Parisi
11:30 am Louis Papale



SUNDAY, 18 MAY
7:30 am Mass
9:30 am Mass
11:30 am Mass
9:30—11:45 am G. 7-12 (OLLC, HALL)

MONDAY, 19 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.

THURSDAY, 22 MAY
10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for the June 1st Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110

SATURDAY, 24 MAY
4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church
5:30 pm Mass

SUNDAY, 25 MAY
7:30 am Mass
8:30—11:30 am Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast (HALL)
9:30 am Mass
11:30 am Mass



THE EASTER OFFERING

As of May 6, 2025(*)

Easter: \$15,911.30
Easter Flowers \$ 2,510.62

(*) Includes Online Giving Donations



WEEKEND MAY 24-25, 2025

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
5:30 pm (Choir)	Pat Sigalas	Emily Kunz Eileen Reilly (C)
7:30 am	Bless Bernardo	Lou Volpe
9:30 am	Kathy Petrillo	Bill Talbot
11:30 am	Carmelita Dizon	Michelle Gizzi

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.



Prayer for Pope Leo XIV
May 8th, 2025

Lord, source of eternal life and truth,
Give to your shepherd Leo XIV
a spirit of courage and Right judgment,
a spirit of knowledge and love.

By governing with fidelity those entrusted
To his care, may he, as Successor to the
Apostle Peter and vicar of Christ,
Build your Church into a sacrament of
Unity, love, and peace for all the world.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
Your Son, who lives and reigns
With You and the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

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Sunday, 25th of MAY 2025

8:30 am - 11:30 am

CONNOR HALL

\$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.



This year's appeal is on behalf of the Diocese of Gbarnga, Liberia. Members of the Diocese will be visiting Our Lady of Lourdes Parish on July 12-13, 2025 to speak at all Masses about their religious community.

This mission appeal is part of the Missionary Cooperative Program of our Archdiocese of Newark. Please be generous with your prayers and contribute to the second collection to help support the missionary work in Gbarnga.

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THE
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**Saturday
June 14th**

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