



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, July 6, 2025 – Fourteenth 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

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Ms. Priscilla Castro 973.325.0110

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Religious Education

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,

I share with you this commentary on this Sunday's readings from the Diocese of Phoenix.

(Source: <https://dphx.org/14th-sunday-in-ordinary-time-cycle-c/>)

14th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle C

Prayer: Loving Father, Through Your Son, our Divine Physician, we are reconciled to You and brought to wholeness of mind, body, and spirit. Help us to celebrate Your healing and forgiving love in our lives, especially through the Sacraments of the Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation. Amen.

Commentary 1st Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14 Our First Reading this weekend gives us the reason to carry our cross and die to our old selves. Isaiah the Prophet foretells a reason to rejoice even as we carry our burdens now.

Isaiah was speaking in his time of the restoration of Jerusalem after the exile. Though the Babylonians had destroyed the temple and all of Jerusalem with it because of the sins of the Israelites, God would restore it again. Those who once mourned over the death of Jerusalem would again rejoice and exult over her. They would celebrate, once again, their prosperity.

However, as we look to the Gospel, we will see something greater than the restoration or renovation of what was once destroyed. Rather, something completely new would break into our lives. A new temple and a new Jerusalem would come down from heaven and will replace the old. For this reason, we must abandon our old lives and embrace a new life in Christ.

Question: What does the New Jerusalem mean to you?

Commentary 2nd Reading: Galatians 6:14-18 The reason why we die to our old selves is clear to St. Paul. Writing to the Galatians, he sees only "peace and mercy" as the outcome for those who follow the rule of life laid out for us by Christ — a rule of life that requires embracing the cross. For this reason, Paul boasts only in the "cross of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Paul goes on to say that he is not interested in the squabbles about those who are circumcised or not. Such arguments are based on the old life (complete with its laws). Paul says that he is only interested in "a new creation."

He would not be interested in the restoration of a temple made of brick and stone. Nor would he be interested in the many preoccupations of our world today. Hanging onto the daily news of the world would not mean anything to Paul.

This should be the spirit of any Christian who has embraced a new life in Christ. We are challenged to avoid tensions, squabbles, and arguments that have no bearing on the peace and mercy that belongs to us all in the New Jerusalem.

Question: What present concerns are keeping you from your desire for the Kingdom of God?

Commentary Gospel: Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 In Luke's Gospel, Jesus sends 72 disciples in pairs to every town He had intended to visit. In some translations, the number is 70.

According to Jewish tradition, there were as many as 70 to 72 nations outside of Israel.

Clearly, for Luke, Jesus intended to send the disciples on a worldwide mission to proclaim something new.

The Lord's intent is not to restore the old Jerusalem but rather to proclaim to all of the world the message, "The kingdom of God is at hand for you."

The worldwide mission continues even in our lives today. Most people — even Christians — do not know of the joy of embracing the Good News of God's Kingdom breaking into our world. They are so caught up in the affairs and news of our passing world and not on the things of heaven.

The worldwide mission belongs to you too. There is a sense of urgency in Jesus' message to "Go on your way" (even leaving money, sack, and sandals behind) and to spread the Good News.

Question: How do you see yourself as a missionary for God's Kingdom?

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES - JULY 6, 2025



SATURDAY, 5 JULY

5:30 pm Kathleen & Gene Mooney

SUNDAY, 6 JULY

7:30 am People of the Parish

9:30 am John D. Pflug, Sr.

11:30 am All Souls

MONDAY, 7 JULY

8:30 am Julia Coates

TUESDAY, 8 JULY

8:30 am Jose Carlos Quinones Acosta

WEDNESDAY, 9 JULY

8:30 am Karen Cham

THURSDAY, 10 JULY

8:30 am Rose Nancy Bruno

FRIDAY, 11 JULY

8:30 am Lawrence Del Plato

SATURDAY, 12 JULY

5:30 pm Hugo Russo

SUNDAY, 13 JULY

7:30 am People of the Parish

9:30 am Michael Chiaramonte (45th Ann.)

11:30 am Ann Strollo



SUNDAY, 6 JULY

7:30 am Mass

9:00 am Recitation of Rosary (OLLC)

9:30 am Mass

Mass

MONDAY, 7 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, 10 JULY

10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for the July 20th Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110

SATURDAY, 12 JULY

4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church

5:30 pm Mass

SUNDAY, 13 JULY

7:30 am Mass

9:30 am Mass

11:30 am Mass



This week's Altar Candles, a gift from J. A. Konvalinka is in memory of **THOMAS, EVELYN, & ROBERT CLAYTON.**



This week's Bread & Wine, a gift from J. A. Konvalinka is in memory of **BESSIE HORKY.**



This week's Sanctuary Candle, a gift from J. A. Konvalinka is in honor of **EMMA CAMPANELLA.**

WEEKEND July 12-13, 2025

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
5:30 pm	Andrew Novoa	Melinda Prather Eileen Reilly (C)
7:30 am	Bless Bernardo	MaryEllen Chandler
9:30 am	JoAnn Melhorn	Bill Talbot
11:30 am	Carmelita Dizon	Carmelita Dizon

PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2024

Goal \$ 6,800

Collection*: June 21-22, 2025* \$ 3,944

Deficit: \$2,856

*Includes

Online Giving Weekly Average

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Prayers Needed

Emeka Anyanyo
Judy Bernarducci
James Cunningham
Langan Family
Beverly McAllister

Mary McGuiness
Reynaldo Rapada
Julio Saeteros
Robert Santangelo
Pio Tortola

Please Note: Our Prayer List will be renewed on July 15th.

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

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This Week's Task

Becoming a missionary does not necessarily mean joining a religious order. It can mean reaching out to a neighbor and becoming their friend. After a time, they may feel a desire to embrace some things that you enjoy in your life. Perhaps they will embrace the joy of your faith in the Lord. The *Cursillo* Movement in the Church uses the following as their call to be missionaries: Make a friend, be a friend, bring your friend to Christ.

(Source: <https://dphx.org/14th-sunday-in-ordinary-time-cycle-c/>)

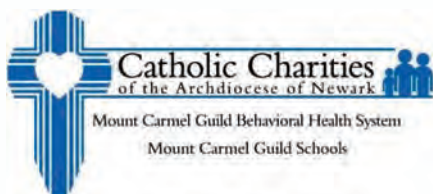
In Christ's Peace,
Father Jim Ferry

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.



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, and children's books to our Catholic Charities donation bin located on our property. Thank you.



Missionary Appeal visiting priest will be at all Masses: July 12-13.



Religious Education Registration for 2025-2026 is Open!



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1st Penance – 1st Communion – Confirmation – Grades 1-12

We encourage you to register your child early to receive a discount and ensure a place in our program.

What is the Tuition? Note the Discount!

- **\$60 / child** if registered **by May 31**
- **\$80 / child** if registered **by June 30**
- **\$100 / child** after July 1.

Final Registration Deadline: September 10, 2025

Checks payable to "Our Lady of Lourdes." Cash payments must be made in person at the Rectory.

What You Need to Register:

1. Baptism certificate
2. First Holy Communion certificate (if completed)
3. Completed registration form
4. Tuition payment. If you have questions, need to make a deposit now and pay later, or have unique circumstances—please reach out!

☎ Call the Rectory Office: 973-325-0110

Email: fatherjimferry@lourdeswestorange.org or rosa.cruz@lourdeswestorange.org

Where You Can Register

► Online: Visit Website: LOURDESWESTORANGE.ORG

Click "Faith Formation" → "Religious Ed. Registration"

► In Person: Rectory Office Hours, 9 am – 2 pm, Monday-Friday. Forms also available for pickup in church.

What is the 2025-2026 Calendar: Visit Website: LOURDESWESTORANGE.ORG
Click "Faith Formation" → "2025-2026 Religious Ed. Calendar"

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