



# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, February 15, 2026 - Sixth 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

Mrs. Linda Chapman, Director of Music

Mrs. Mary Cassels, Trustee

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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

Email: [Priscillacastro@lourdeswestorange.org](mailto:Priscillacastro@lourdeswestorange.org)

### **Religious Education**

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

Mr. Paul Hirsch 973.325.0110

Email: [Confirmation.Class@lourdeswestorange.org](mailto:Confirmation.Class@lourdeswestorange.org)

### **Religious Education**

#### **Office Manager**

Rosa Cruz 973.325.0110 ext. 102

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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 and Sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes,

Our Lady of Lourdes (Part 2 of 2)

“Without having seen him, you love him; though you do not now see him you believe in him and rejoice with unutterable and exalted joy. As the outcome of your faith you obtain the salvation of your souls.”

(1 Peter 1:8-9)

What is the history and the joy of Lourdes?

**HISTORY** In France, in 1858, a young 14-year old girl, Bernadette of Soubirous, sees our Blessed Mother in a vision or apparition (appearance). This encounter is depicted above our church’s altar. Bernadette was in the Massabielle grotto and at the River Gave.

**JOY** Pope Benedict XVI, in 2008 at Lourdes, emphasized the smile of Our Lady as the beginning of the call to the young Bernadette. Benedict XVI describes the smile of the Blessed Virgin Mary as a “spring of living water.” He states that every time we pray the *Magnificat* (“My Soul Proclaims the Greatness of the Lord”), we also testify to the joy of Mary and to our salvation through Christ.

Invited by this smile, Bernadette also was striving to know more, to learn more.

Pope Benedict encourages us in our devotion both to Our Lady of Lourdes and to Our Lord, reminding us that the Blessed Mother always leads us to her Son:

“How true was the insight of that great French spiritual writer, Dom Jean-Baptiste Chautard, who in

*L’ âme de tout apostolat*, proposed to the devout Christian to gaze frequently “into the eyes of the Virgin Mary”! Yes, to seek the smile of the Virgin Mary is not a pious infantilism, it is the aspiration, as Psalm 44 says, of those who are “the richest of the people” (verse 13). “The richest”, that is to say, in the order of faith, those who have attained the highest degree of spiritual maturity and know precisely how to acknowledge their weakness and their poverty before God.

In the very simple manifestation of tenderness that we call a smile, we grasp that our sole wealth is the love God bears us, which passes through the heart of her who became our Mother. To seek this smile, is first of all to have grasped the gratuitousness of love; it is also to be able to elicit this smile through our efforts to live according to the word of her Beloved Son, just as a child seeks to elicit its mother’s smile by doing what pleases her. And we know what pleases Mary, thanks to the words she spoke to the servants at Cana: “Do whatever he tells you.” (cf. John 2:5). (Benedict XVI, Lourdes, 15 September 2008)

St. Bernadette of Lourdes, Pray for Us!

Our Lady of Lourdes Pray for Us!

In Christ’s Peace,

Father Jim Ferry

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES - FEBRUARY 15, 2026**



**SATURDAY, 14 FEBRUARY**  
5:30 pm Rev. William "Bill" Mellilo

**SUNDAY, 15 FEBRUARY**  
7:30 am People of the Parish  
9:30 am Richard Chiaramonte  
11:30 am Bernard J. Mooney

**MONDAY, 16 FEBRUARY**  
8:30 am Emma Campanella

**TUESDAY, 17 FEBRUARY**  
8:30 am Richard Wilson

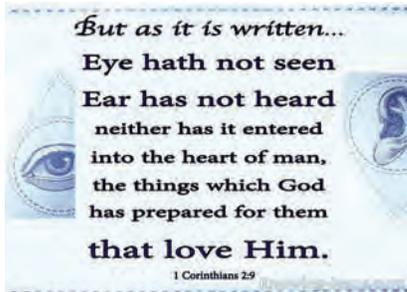
**WEDNESDAY, 18 FEBRUARY**  
8:30 am Antonio Cruz

**THURSDAY, 19 FEBRUARY**  
8:30 am Bernard J. Mooney

**FRIDAY, 20 FEBRUARY**  
8:30 am Margaret Brennan

**SATURDAY, 21 FEBRUARY**  
5:30 pm Carol Ann Sanchez

**SUNDAY, 22 FEBRUARY**  
7:30 am People of the Parish  
9:30 am Pflug & Napolitano Families  
11:30 am JoAnne Chiaramonte



**SUNDAY, 15 FEBRUARY**  
7:30 am Mass  
9:30 am Mass  
10:30 am **Choir Rehearsal (LOFT)**  
11:30 am Mass

**MONDAY, 16 FEBRUARY**  
Miraculous Medal Novena **8:30 am** **DAILY MASS WILL BE HELD MONDAY THRU FRIDAY OF EACH WEEK IN CHURCH.**  
following 8:30 am Mass on Monday.

**TUESDAY, 17 FEBRUARY**  
5:30—6:45 pm **1st Communion. G.7-12 (OLLC)**

**WEDNESDAY, 18 FEBRUARY** **Ash Wednesday**  
**Mass & Prayer Services with Ashes**  
7:00 am, 8:30 am, 12 noon, 3:30 pm, 5:30 pm, 7:00 pm

**THURSDAY, 19 FEBRUARY**  
Deadline for News & Announcements for the Feb. 29th Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110  
6—8:00 pm **Choir Rehearsal (LOFT)**

**SATURDAY, 21 FEBRUARY**  
4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church  
5:30 pm Mass  
6:00—9:00 pm **Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Dinner (HALL)**

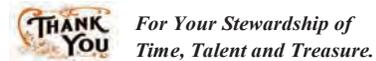
**SUNDAY, 22 FEBRUARY**  
7:30 am Mass  
9:30 am Mass  
9:30-11:45 am **G. 7-12 Retreat (OLLC) (HALL)**  
10:30 am **Choir Rehearsal (LOFT)**  
10:30—11:30 am **1st Communion (CHAPEL)**  
11:30 am Mass

**PARISH GIVING**

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2025

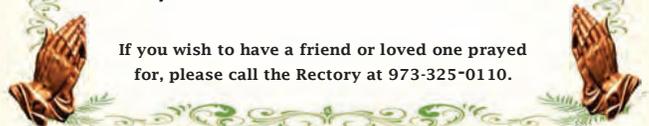
Goal \$6,800  
Collection\*: Jan. 31-Feb. 1, 2026\* \$4,498  
Deficit: \$2,302

\*Includes Online Giving Weekly Average



**Prayers Needed**

Emeka Anyanyo Mary McGuiness  
Paul Di Francescantonio Sister Jean Ruppel  
Nadia Manrique Marcos  
Frances Maroon  
Beverly McAllister



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

**WEEKEND FEB 21-22, 2026**  
MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ash Wednesday—Feb.18
5:30 pm	Andrew Novoa	Melinda Prather Eileen Reilly (C)	8:30 am Wendy Sheyka Lector
7:30 am	MaryEllen Chandler	Lou Volpe	8:30 am Emily Kunz Eucharistic Min.
9:30 am (Adult Choir)	Kathy Petrillo	Espie Cain Myrna Regino (C)	
11:30 am	Jeryl Nalupta	Wendy Sheyka	

Pilgrimage to  
IRELAND

April 27 - May 5, 2026  
9 days / 7 nights.

**Pilgrimage to Ireland** A pilgrimage is a physical act of devotion, leaving your comfort zone so that you can mirror the soul's journey toward heaven. Join Fr. Peter Wehrle, Pastor of Our Lady of the Lake for a 9-day journey that will take you through Ireland's stunning landscapes and rich heritage, shaped by its Celtic saints and a history rooted in faith and spirituality. Travel with Bayard Pilgrimages as we will depart on Monday, 4/27 and return on Tuesday, 5/5. Saints Brigid, Columban, Columba of Iona, Kieran, and Patrick will guide our journey as we explore the land, reflect on Scripture, and celebrate daily Eucharist. The goal of this trip is to change the pilgrim's heart and life, making us more open to God. What better place to do that than the beautiful Emerald Isle. For details about the pilgrimage visit [living-faith.com/pilgrimages-Ireland](http://living-faith.com/pilgrimages-Ireland) or call 844-411-1121

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If you suspect financial misconduct, use **EthicsPoint**, an independent and confidential reporting tool that helps the Archdiocesan community address issues while promoting positive parish, school and workplace environments. Visit [www.rcan.org](http://www.rcan.org) for the hotline and reporting link.

Church Capital Investment  
Fund Raffle



February 7, 2026

\$500 winner of 1st Drawing:  
VIVIAN LOBO

\$500 winner of 2nd Drawing:  
JOSEPH CATARROJA



Knights of Columbus  
West Orange Council  
#5519



The West Orange Knights of Columbus will host a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser in the lower level of Our Lady of Lourdes, Connor Hall on **Saturday, 21st of February 2026**

**6:00 pm until 9:00 pm**

Pasta – meatballs – salad – soda – coffee – dessert

Cost is \$10 for anyone 13 or older and  
\$5 for children 5 - 12 years old

(There is no charge for any child 4 and under)

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

Our Lady of Lourdes Church - West Orange

# Ash Wednesday

## Wednesday, February 18



- 7 am prayer service
- 8:30 am Mass
- 12 noon prayer service
- 3:30 pm prayer service
- 5:30 pm prayer service
- 7 pm prayer service

Ashes  
will be distributed  
during **all** services  
and the Mass.

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### Lenten Meditation Packets

Please pick up a Lenten Meditation Packet prepared by the 6th Grade Religious Education Class.

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