

12 FEBRUARY 2017

6th Sunday Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes,

Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Day (February 11) (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



For Your Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2016

WEEKLY GOAL: \$ 6800 Collection Jan. 14-15* \$ 4931 Deficit: \$ 1869

* Includes Parish Pay Weekly Average Deposit

WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH
SHARING TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE
Welcome! Every member needs to be registered in the Parish
and become active in the life of
Our Lady of Lourdes.

When moving, please notify the Parish at 973.325.0110 or olivenj@verizon.net

Electronic giving has arrived. If you wish to enroll, a link to Parish Pay is available on our website: www.lourdeswestorange.org

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY 10:30 am -Children's Choir

TUESDAY 14 FEBRUARY

7:15 pm - Bingo - Cafeteria (Volunteers Needed)

WEDNESDAY 15 FEBRUARY

6:00 pm - Adult Choir

THURSDAY 16 FEBRUARY

10:00 am Deadline - News. Announcements For Feb 19th Bulletin email: lourdesbulletin@aol.com

7:00 pm - Christian Book Club-KOC room

SUNDAY 19 FEBRUARY

10:30 am - Children's Choir SHOP RITE CARDS— ALL MASSES

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY 11 FEBRUARY

8:30 am - Michael Murtagh (2 Ann.) 5:30 pm - Emma McCauley O'Rourke

7:00 pm - (Spanish) Gente de la Parroquia-People of Parish

SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY

7:30 am - People of the Parish 9:30 am - Deceased Pflug & Napolitano Families

11:30 am - Sam Spina

MONDAY 13 FEBRUARY

8:30 am - Santa "Sally" Lanza

TUESDAY 14 FEBRUARY

8:30 am - Audrey Krieger & Leslie Krieger

WEDNESDAY 15 FEBRUARY

8:30 am - June Centinaro

THURSDAY 16 FEBRUARY

8:30 am - Joanne Diveny Garifo

FRIDAY 17 FEBRUARY

8:30 am - Emma Hagins

SATURDAY 18 FEBRUARY

8:30 am - Salvatore Buono

5:30 pm - Jeanne T. Blind 7:00 pm - (Spanish) Gente de la Parroquia-People of Parish

SUNDAY 19 FEBRUARY

7:30 am - People of the Parish 9:30 am - Lillian Klett Hutchison 11:30 am - Gloria Valvano

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Sean Bailey, Suzane Ball, Brendan Byrne, Gina Cammarata, Darlene Cangialosi, Teresa Carbin,

Michael Chiaramonte,

Josephine Ciullo, Tom Collinson, Jeannie Cox, Diane Danbeck, Peggy Dolan, George Fania, Pierre Ferrus, Helen Filan, Catherine Gascoyne, Judy Givas, Michael Harris, Marissa and Richard Hedstrom, Jovann Henry, Yann Henry, Prepty Joint, Evelyn Judge, Tim Klein, Stan Krenkowitz, Angelo Lebro, Pio Nestor Liendo, Caitlin Maloney, Leonard Margotta,

Marion McConville, Mary McGuiness, Stephanie Montano, Noreen Meyers, Liam Morley, Florence Olabiyi, William Ollenschleger,

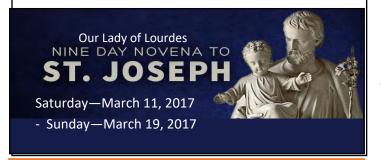
Thomas P. O'Neill, Otilia Ortega, **Idelourdes Petion, Patrick Pierre, Mark** Quarno, Thelma Ramaglia, Margaret Rella, Mary Lou Ruppel, Stella Santucci, Vincent Santucci, Jr., Heather Scoffone, Patricia Seib, Natalie Sims, Jimmy Tiernan,

Robin Toplin, Ann Whelan. If you wish to have a loved one prayed for, please call the rectory at 973.325.0110.

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| LITURGICAL MINISTERS—SUNDAY 19 FEBRUARY | | | |
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| Mass | Lector | Eucharistic Ministers | Altar Servers |
| 5:30 pm Saturday | Jim Reilly | Emily Kunz Eileen Reilly Patricia Villarosa | Anika Fernandes Jennifer Fernandes |
| 7:30 am | Bless Bernardo | Howard Casey Mary Ellen Chandler Sr. James Soon | Joseph Lobo Barry Skinner |
| 9:30 am Choir | Bill Talbot | Joseph Petrillo Ann Pflug John Pflug Myrna Regino | Maire Murphy Seamus Murphy |
| 11:30 am Children's Choir | Wendy Sheyka | Virginia Dimapilis Paul Hirsch Nancy Lanfrank Sharon Rosario | Andrew Onubogu William Onubogu Amir Stewart |
| 11:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word | | Rachelle Brown | Liturgical Ministries |
| 10:30 am RCIA Sacred Heart Room | | Will Not Be Held | 1 |

♦ Wednesday, MARCH 1, 2017 — ASH WEDNESDAY





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CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE —

Saturday, March 4, 2017 -"Be Not Afraid...Trust in His Mercy" Cost \$20 Seton Hall University 8 am—1:30 pm www.njcatholicmen.org

WOMEN'S COMMISSION DAY OF REFLECTION—

Saturday, March 11, 2017 -"Alive in Christ as Missionary Disciples" Seton Hall University 8 am-3:30 pm Cost \$25 www.rcan.org/womenscommission



THE FUTURE IS HERS

Mother Seton Regional High School One Valley Road, Clark,

SAVE THE

FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 2017— "TEA TIME GIFT AUCTION" - DOORS OPEN 5:30 pm

PATE! For details visit our MSR Special Events Facebook page or giftauction@motherseton.org

Around the Parish & Communication
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Thanks to you, the good people of Our Lady of Lourdes, our St.. Vincent de Paul Society has collected 454 cans soup during our Souper Bowl soup-can drive. These cans of soup will be delivered to feed the needy and the hungry of St. John's Parish Soup Kitchen in Newark. We are grateful to you for your donations and prayers to make this endeavor a success.



CHRISTIAN BOOK DISCUSSION -

Our Next Book: "ON LIVING" by: Kerry Egan



"A hospice chaplain passes on wisdom on giving meaning to life, from those taking leave of it."

"Illuminating, unflinching and ultimately inspiring... A book to treasure.

-People Magazine"

Join the Book Discussion Group on Thursday, February 16th at 7:00 pm in the Knights of Columbus Room, Connor Hall as they review their latest book. For information please call:

JUDY ALBORE - 973-746-2606.

THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY is selling Shop Rite Gift Cards to be used as CASH to benefit Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Gift cards will be available before and after all Masses on Feb 18th & Feb 19th or by calling the Rectory at 973.325.0110, **Monday - Friday, 9:00 am— 2:00 pm.** Thank you for support.

Carol Ford, President

"THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX" TOPS CONTEST!

Make a difference for Saint Joseph School, Jersey City, NJ -The students need your help.

The students are going for the grand box top prize this year! 200,000 box tops—which equates to a \$20,000 check to the school. The students and faculty are wishing for an outdoor electronic sign for the school to let everyone know about their school and, to Evangelize!

So start clipping! The following links allow anyone to sign up and contribute Box Tops to the school: http://boxtops4education.com and https://shopriteformyschool.com. You may also mail your box tops to Lynn Gully, Archdiocese of Newark, 171 Clifton Avenue, Newark, NJ 07104 THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE!