



Dear Brothers and Sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes,

Thank you for all your support, prayers, notes and emails to our parish staff, priests and me at this difficult time of coronavirus-schedule adjustment. We pray for all those who care for us in medicine and health care and all our emergency responders, our West Orange Police, Firefighters, EMS and first responders everywhere.

The past few weeks, we have been praying the Rosary at 1:00 pm on Thursday. This will continue again on Thursday April 9 (Holy Thursday) at 1:00 pm.

To join, dial: 888.585.9008, and enter “conference room number” 590-716-373. If you want to be on the mailing list, email Fr. Jim at FERRYJAM2@AOL.COM

Unfortunately, we will not be holding Mass or prayer during Holy Week at Our Lady of Lourdes (nor at any church of the Archdiocese of Newark).

March 19, 2020 message of Pope Francis
(Coronavirus prayer / message)

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I join in this moment of prayer that the Episcopal Conference [of Italy] is promoting, as a sign of unity for the whole country.

In this unprecedented situation, in which everything seems to be uncertain, let us help each other to remain steadfast to what really matters. This is the advice I have received in so many letters from your Pastors who, in sharing such a dramatic moment, seek to sustain your hope and your faith with their word.

The Rosary is the prayer of the humble and of the saints. In its mysteries, they contemplate, along with Mary, the life of Jesus, the merciful face of the Father. O, how much we all need to be truly comforted, to feel the embrace by his loving presence!

The truth of this experience is measured in our relationship with others, who at this moment, are our closest relatives. Let us be close to one another, being charitable, understanding, patient

and forgiving.

Though you may be confined to your own homes, allow your hearts to expand so that it may be available and welcoming to all.

This evening we are praying together, entrusting ourselves to the intercession of St. Joseph, Guardian of the Holy Family, Guardian of all our families. The carpenter of Nazareth too, experienced precariousness and bitterness. Though he worried about the future, he knew how to walk the darkness of certain moments, always letting himself be guided by God’s will without reservation.

Protect, O Holy Guardian, this our nation. Enlighten those responsible for the common good, so that they might know – like you do – how to care for those entrusted to their responsibility.

Grant intelligence of knowledge to those seeking adequate means for the health and physical well-being of their brothers and sisters. Sustain those who are spending themselves for those in need, even at the cost of their own safety: volunteers, nurses, doctors who are on the front lines in curing the sick.

Bless, St Joseph, the Church: beginning with her ministers, make her the sign and instrument of your light and your goodness. Accompany, O St Joseph, our families: with your prayerful silence, create harmony between parents and their children, in a special way with the youngest.

Preserve the elderly from loneliness: grant that no one might be left in desperation from abandonment and discouragement. Comfort those who are the most frail, encourage those who falter, intercede for the poor.

With the Virgin Mother, beg the Lord to liberate the world from every form of pandemic. Amen.

In Christ’s Peace,
Father Jim Ferry

If you are able, the Lourdes church family also needs your support so that we can sustain our ministry to you even during this time without Mass and maintain our infrastructure. It is difficult, I know, to pray and stay connected when we cannot come to church and to Mass. I just remind you that we are trying to remain a vital presence for you here, with online information and with preparation for re-opening. Your gift for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday is a great participation in our mission. If you have any questions, please call 973.325.0110, to Father Jim Ferry

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH – APRIL 5, 2020



A PRIVATE MASS will be offered for the following Mass Intentions this week.
Mass will not be offered in church.



SATURDAY 4 APRIL

8:30 am John Fernandes
 5:30 pm John Manganiello

SUNDAY 5 APRIL

7:30 am People of the Parish
 9:30 am Michael Chiaramonte, Jr.
 11:30 am Jean Russomanno

MONDAY 6 APRIL

8:30 am Millie Cassidy

TUESDAY 7 APRIL

8:30 am Luigi Russo (3rd Ann.)

WEDNESDAY 8 APRIL

8:30 pm Holene Joint (In Thanksgiving)

THURSDAY 9 APRIL

8:30 am Morning Prayer **(CANCELED)**
 7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper **(CANCELED)**

FRIDAY 10 APRIL

8:30 am Morning Prayer **(CANCELED)**
 3:00 pm Lord's Passion **(CANCELED)**
 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross **(CANCELED)**

SATURDAY 11 APRIL

8:30 am Morning Prayer **(CANCELED)**
 7:30 pm Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection **(CANCELED)**

SUNDAY 12 APRIL

7:30 am People of the Parish
 9:30 am People of the Parish
 11:30 am People of the Parish

CHURCH CALENDAR



SUNDAY 5 APRIL

9:00 am Recitation of Rosary **(CANCELED)**
 9:30 am—11:15 am M/HS Rel. Ed.—Church/CH **(CANCELED)**
 10:30 am Children's Choir Rehearsal **(CANCELED)**

PALM SUNDAY



For Palm Sunday (April 5), it remains "T.B.A." whether or not we will have Mass.

WEDNESDAY 8 APRIL

6:00 pm Choir Practice **(CANCELED)**
 7:00 pm KOC meeting—CH **(CANCELED)**

THURSDAY 9 APRIL

HOLY THURSDAY

10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for Apr 19th bulletin email: lourdesbulletin@aol.com.

1:00 pm Call-in Live to Pray the Rosary with Fr. Jim Ferry. (See Page 4 for details)

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper **(CANCELED)**

FRIDAY 10 APRIL

GOOD FRIDAY

3:00 pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion **(CANCELED)**
 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross **(CANCELED)**

SATURDAY 11 APRIL

7:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass **(CANCELED)**
 RCIA Sacrament of Initiation **(CANCELED)**

SUNDAY 12 APRIL

10:30 am Children's Choir Rehearsal **(CANCELED)**



This week's Sanctuary Candle, a gift of Arlene Galante & Lester Jones III, is in memory of **LESTER & CONNIE JONES**



Daphne Brown
Catherine Gascoyne
Nicholas Larusso
Mary McGuines
Matthew McHugh

Dolores Otero
Mark Quarno
Gregory Roxborough
Mary Lou Ruppel
Pat Schoeler
Katerina Zachos

PRAYER

Requests

If you wish to have a friend or loved one prayed for, please call the rectory at 973.325.0110.

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE APRIL 11 – APRIL 12, 2020

Mass	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
7:30 pm Adult Choir	Joy Hayward Julie Nzegwu Wendy Sheyka	Emily Kunz (C) Eileen Reilly Sr. James Soon	Volunteers
7:30 am	Mary Cassels	Howard Casey Louis Volpe	Joseph Lobo Barry Skinner
9:30 am	Andrew Novoa	Annette Chiaramonte JoAnne Chiaramonte	Volunteers
11:30 am Children's Choir	Doris Spivey	Judith Albore Espie Cain (C) Sharon Rosario	Volunteers

Call-in Live To Pray the Rosary with Fr. Jim Ferry

A Rosary-Call-In Conference Call will be held on:

Thursdays: March 26, April 2, & April 9
at 1:00 pm.

How to call in: dial...888.585.9008

When asked for conference room number enter... 590-716-373

followed by the # (pound sign)

Everyone is invited to call in.

If you have any questions, please call Fr. Jim at 973.325.0110.



Gift for Palm Sunday

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." (Luke 19:38)
On Palm Sunday, we welcome the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem by holding up our own palm branches at Mass. Our parish family is very grateful for the gift of our 2020 Palm branches donated by Darren and Mellen Dangler in memory of and prayer for their family's beloved father and grandfather, George "Buddy" Dangler.

*Palm branches will be distributed at a future date to be determined.

The Paschal Candle

"The Lord is my light and my salvation" (Psalm 27)

At the Easter Vigil, we burn for the first time the Easter Candle, a sign of God's light in our world. Our parish family is very grateful for the gift of our 2020 Easter Paschal Candle donated by Steve and Mary Ellen Chandler in memory and prayer for the Chandler, Chiarella, and Zimmermann families.



thank you!

Easter Joy



How intense is your joy in this Easter season? Sharing Easter joy with a meal and the support of family and friends is a yearly celebration that most of us cherish. Some people, however, have difficulty experiencing these joys due to their circumstances in life. Catholic Charities aims to help relieve the suffering of many in our society through its various programs. Please help Catholic Charities continue its mission by donating your unwanted clothing, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, knickknacks, toys, and children's books to the bin located on our property. May the spirit of the Risen Christ resound through your generosity. Thank you.

Online Prayer / Mass / Rosary via "TV" or "internet"

<p>TV channels</p> 	<p>EWTN FIOS Ch. "285" Optimum "135" Comcast "1668" Direct TV "370"</p> <p>C.F.N. Catholic Faith Network FIOS Ch. "296" Optimum "137"</p>
<p>Internet online</p> 	<p>LOURDESWESTORAGE.ORG, "Find us on Facebook"</p> <p>REDHAWKCATHOLIC.COM <i>(Fr. Jim Chern @ Montclair State Univ.)</i></p> <p>CATHOLICRELIGIONTEACHER.COM/FR-MIKE-SCHMITZ/</p> <p>RCAN.ORG</p> <p>EWTN.COM</p> <p>CATHOLICFAITHNETWORK.ORG</p> <p>ARCHNY.ORG</p> <p>ZENIT.ORG</p> <p>RELEVANTRADIO.COM</p>




Improving Language Skills to Better Spread God's Word!

Do you have a strong background in Spanish or are you Spanish/English bilingual?

Volunteers, preferably having past experience in teaching or training, are needed to teach Spanish to local seminarians at Immaculate Conception Seminary located on the campus of Seton Hall University.

If you are interested and have one hour a week to volunteer, please contact Chandler S. Cohen as soon as possible at Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology for further details and/or application procedures for the upcoming spring semester!
chandler.cohen@shu.edu OR 973.761.9226.

	<p>go to LOURDESWESTORAGE.ORG + click “yellow/amber” “CORONAVIRUS - COVID-19” for the latest info !</p>
<p>Coronavirus-COVID-19 Mar. 28 Update</p>	



“Section 1” Connect to us spiritually, via [these telephone call-in](http://these.telephone.call.in) ► activities:
Telephone number: 888.585.9008 When asked for “room number” 590-716-373

Sect. 1-a ► “Telephone Town Hall” meeting to pray + share our needs
Mon. March 30 + Mon. Apr. 6 @ 6:30 p.m., six thirty in evening – ALL WELCOME

Sect. 1-b ► Call-in pray Rosary (All welcome, with Father Jim Ferry)
“Thursdays” in April @ 1:00 pm, (April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30), Est. 45 minutes

Sect. 1-c ► Call-in Morning Prayer 8:30 am, “Easter Triduum”
8:30 am, Holy Thurs. April 9 / Good Fri. April 10 / Holy Sat. April 11 / Est. 26 minutes

Section 2. Online Prayer / Mass / Rosary via “TV” or “internet”

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Section 3. Our Lady of **Lourdes Church CLOSED** until further notice
CONFESSIONS not heard at regular Saturday hours. Call 973.325.0110 for info.

How to help charitably FOOD PANTRY GIFTS/Needed Items O.L. Lourdes accepts donations which will be given to Holy Trinity Episcopal (“Christine’s Kitchen”) • Ramen noodles • Peanut Butter • Spaghetti Sauce • 48 ounce juice bottles • Progresso Chicken Soup • Instant Oatmeal • Snacks in individual bags as “snack packs”: cookies, crackers, potato chips, pretzels • Cleaning supplies • “Gift Cards” also accepted. We suggest \$25 or \$50 Shop Rite Gift Cards, but accept any amount! Please call # above for drop-off