



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, May 15, 2022 - 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

Rev. Robert K. Suszko, Weekend Assistant

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RECTORY/Parish Office Hours:

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

Religious Education

Family Catechesis (Grades 1-6)

Mrs. Barbara Camp 973.325.0110 ext. 103

Email: ollfamilyclass@aol.com

Religious Education

Sacrament of Confirmation (Grades 7-12)

Mrs. Monica Nieves 973.325.0110 ext. 123

Email: ollconfirmationclass@gmail.com

Religious Education

Administrative Assistant

Astrid Ramirez 973.325.0110 ext. 102

Email: astrid.ramirez@lourdeswestorange.org

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,

The month of May is traditionally one of devotion to Mary. share with you this article/book review on BUSTEDHALO.COM, in 2 parts. The first part was in last Sundays' bulletin.

Ginny Kubitz Moyer's book, *Mary and Me* offers a contemporary women's experience of the Blessed Mother
(Part 2 of 2)

BY MIKE HAYES JANUARY 30, 2008

For many young women, their sense of Mary, mother of Jesus, is relatively one-dimensional. They recall a humble, pious woman who was submissive to both her husband and her God. Or she's the woman in blue whom we crown with roses every May and who adorns our gardens peacefully. The modern female, it might seem, would have little in common with a woman who seems so out of touch with contemporary life.

Ginny Kubitz Moyer's book, *Mary and Me* (St. Anthony Messenger Press, Jan. 2008) shatters all those presumptions by compiling reflections and stories from 46 modern women of all ages about their relationships with Mary. While the author uses traditional Marian titles like "Our Lady of Sorrows" throughout the book, they function as subtle connectors between the time-honored depiction of Mary and the rich, varied and modern situations in which the women she features have experienced her. The overall effect is of an intimate gathering that allows readers to feel like they're with friends sharing spiritual yarns.

Mary and Me is filled with these types of tales: some funny, some tragic and some incredibly touching. The image of the Visitation, where Mary goes to meet her cousin Elizabeth is ripe for a 14-year veteran counselor and religious sister's spiritual sustenance. She now calls the

one-on-one experience of conducting therapy sessions with her clients "The Mary and Elizabeth thing."

[RISK] "The strength of Mary and Me is that it is devoid of the usual saccharine images of Mary that are often found in books that focus on Jesus' mother."

"In the depths of your heart, you can achieve what you want to get, but we can't do it by ourselves—it's not solitary" she says. "We can be Mary to Elizabeth, or we can be Elizabeth embracing Mary, either one—but it's in that moment that we enable one another to stay the course, to do the hard thing, to do what we know needs doing." She acknowledges that it's not always easy; sometimes these encounters involve reaching beyond our own comfort zones. "Human beings can touch the heart of one another, but they have to give up something of themselves to do that. They have to take a risk sometimes to challenge the other, to disappoint the other in some way. It's in those moments that I think God is within us."

Naturally the experience of Motherhood takes center stage and allows the women and the author to reflect on their experience of having and being a mother. For some, the experience of having a mother who was a strong nurturer brings them into that same comforting relationship with the blessed mother. They often find their strength and renewal in that relationship. For others, the pain of having a distant mother leaves them cold and unable to love Mary openly, at least at first. Finding their way to Mary becomes an enabling mission in which old hurts are healed and new courage takes hold, to the point where one says she can finally see herself as a mother for the first time.

[BLESSEDLY COMPLEX] The strength of *Mary and Me* is that it is devoid of the usual saccharine images of Mary that are often found in books that focus on the mother of Jesus. She allows women to meditate not only on Mary

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH - MAY 15, 2022



SATURDAY 14 MAY

5:30 pm Dr. Gonzalo Velez

SUNDAY 15 MAY

7:30 am For The People of the Parish

9:30 am Margaret Dangler

11:30 am Mary Foley

MONDAY 16 MAY

8:30 am Millie Hooper

TUESDAY 17 MAY

8:30 am Michael Radice

WEDNESDAY 18 MAY

8:30 am Marissa Matias
(In Thanksgiving)

THURSDAY 19 MAY

8:30 am Greg Boyle

FRIDAY 20 MAY

8:30 am Christian & Grace Okeke

SATURDAY 21 MAY

5:30 pm Paul Harris &
Carmeleta Harris

SUNDAY 22 May

7:30 am For The People of the Parish

9:30 am Rosina Ialeggio

11:30 am Lee T. Hoch

SUNDAY 15 MAY

7:30 am Mass in Church

9:30 am Mass in Church

11:30 am Mass in Church

MONDAY 16 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

THURSDAY 19 MAY

10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for May 29th bulletin—call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.

6:00 pm **Adult Choir Rehearsal**

SATURDAY 21 MAY

4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church

5:30 pm Mass in Church

SUNDAY 22 MAY

7:30 am Mass in Church

9:30 am Mass in Church

11:30 am Mass in Church

PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2021

WEEKLY GOAL \$ 6800

Collection*: Apr. 30-May 1* \$ 5178

Deficit: \$ 1622

* Includes Online Giving Weekly Average Deposit



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THE EASTER OFFERING

As of April 26, 2022

Easter: \$13,475.16
Easter Flowers \$ 1,846.53
Holy Land \$ 1,248.25
St. Vincent DePaul Society \$ 670.25



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



May 21 - May 22, 2022

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers		
5:30 pm Children's Choir	Pat Sigalas	Judy Albore		
7:30 am	Hermie Santos	Lou Volpe		
9:30 am	Carol Ford	Joan Chiaramonte		
11:30 am Choir	Julie Okeke	Carmelita Dizon		

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merely in an “other worldly” sense. More poignantly, Moyer focuses on Mary’s complexity and it is in looking at the many faces of Mary that Moyer uncovers a mother that indeed can connect with one and all.

We forget that the iconic image of Mary, resonates not only with the pious who finger their rosaries to Hail Mary’s but also is adored by gang members who tattoo the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe on their backs. It is these different images of Mary that women from all walks of life present here in a first-rate book that will have you hunting for Mary in your own life. (Source: Busted Halo.com)

We pray for the protection of Mary, Our Lady of Lourdes for our parish family, all of our families and for our mothers, living and deceased.

In Christ’s Peace,
Father Jim Ferry



St. Vincent DePaul Society

St. Vincent DePaul Society is hosting Christine’s Soup Kitchen on **Saturday, 05/28/2022** for Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. As of now the soup kitchen is operating on a to-go-lunch basis. Lunches are prepared ahead of time and will be dropped off at Holy Trinity on the morning of **05/28/2022** so you will not have to serve at the soup kitchen itself. If anyone is interested in preparing or purchasing needed items please call Rosanne Bruno at 973-243-0679, or e-mail at travisb23@juno.com.



Worship Office

Archdiocese of Newark



Date of the Solemnity of Ascension

Transferred to Sunday May 29

The Bishops of New Jersey have permanently transferred the observance of the **Ascension of the Lord** to the following Sunday which is currently listed as the “7th Sunday of Easter.”

In 2022, the Ascension of the Lord will be celebrated on Sunday, May 29, with its vigil on the evening of Saturday, May 28. (This is U.S. Memorial Day Weekend in 2022).

NOTE TO LECTORS: This means that the actual biblical readings at Sunday Mass on May 28-29 may now be found in your Lector’s Workbook on pages **181-184** on the pages for “Ascension of the Lord.” The Second Reading has 2 options. Please prepare both, just in case, the second option is selected. Readings for Mass, for the congregation will come from Gather #967.

On Thursday May 26, there will be 1 Morning Mass at 8:30 am celebrating the Memorial of St. Philip Neri.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Father Jim Ferry.

\$28,210

GOAL!



\$18,425

The 2022 Annual Appeal is well underway

Our Lady of Lourdes is currently at **\$18,425**. This is approximately **65.31%** of our goal of **\$28,210**. Thank you to those who have already pledged. Your support is central to the mission of the Archdiocese of Newark. Together we can continue to serve with faith, hope and charity. If you have yet to participate, please pick up a pledge envelope at the back of the church or visit www.rcan.org/sharing.

If you need an envelope sent to you or cannot find one, please call the rectory at 973-325-0110. Checks are payable to “Annual Appeal 2022.”

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2022-2023 REGISTRATION (Classes start September 2022)

FAMILY CATECHESIS - GRADES 1 - 5

Family Classes are on **Saturday afternoon 3:00 - 5:30pm** OR **Monday night 5:00 - 7:30pm** and selected Sunday mornings, including Sunday Mass, and meet **once a month**. Parent/Guardian must attend with child.

GRADE 6

Classes are on **Wednesday nights 6:30 - 7:30pm** and selected Sunday mornings*, including Sunday Mass, and meet **twice a month**.

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL - GRADES 7 - 12

Classes are on **Monday night 7:00 - 8:30pm** and selected Sunday mornings 9:30 - 11:30am, including Sunday Mass. Classes meet **weekly**.

SACRAMENT PREPARATION - 2 year policy*



Children should begin Religious Education in Grade 1 to help them prepare for the **Sacraments of First Penance and First Communion** in the spring of Grade 2. It is required for a child to complete 2 years of Religious Education, regardless of their age/grade, before receiving these sacraments.



Preparation for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** is a 2 year process which begins in Grade 7 and celebrated in the fall of Grade 9.

***Estimated date for Sacraments may change due to actual attendance.**

***Parents in grades 6-12 are requested to attend the 1st and 2nd class on the schedule.**

CLASSES BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER 2022 AND CONTINUE THROUGH MAY 2023

More information to follow on our website.

Schedule will be posted in the summer and emailed to families that are registered.

Please Register!

You may drop off your registration Monday - Friday from 9am - 2pm at the rectory office or put in the Sunday collection basket.

Registration Fee \$60 per child with no additional Sacrament fees



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