

Dear Brothers & Sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes:

Timing is everything. It's the NBA Finals, professional basketball, timing is part of the spectacle as players are 10 feet in the air – mid-air - at the right moment. Steph Curry. LeBron James. They are in the right place at the right time. Check your local listings.

Being in the right place at the right time is the Good News when Jesus the Lord directs his disciples how to find a room in Jerusalem, for the Passover and their First Communion, all of this without GPS.

What we read in the Gospel this Sunday is how the disciples are called to make a reservation for a room and a retreat from the routine.

First, there is the reservation for a room. This starts with the question forwarded by Jesus to his disciples on their errand: "Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?" (Mark 14:14)

Finding the room, however, was not simply the search for an address. It was also the search for a person, a person who fit a certain description and who would provide a certain type of hospitality – "a man carrying a water jar."

Do you and I fit that description and that hospitality of this uncommon servant?

Sometimes, we imagine that hospitality is a virtue for the wealthy for those with large houses, extra rooms or 7-passenger vehicles with a removable third row for cargo.

However, the Lord was asking – and is still asking – all of us to consider hospitality not simply as the throwing of an extraordinary party but as the gift of ourselves on ordinary occasions.

By our hospitality we lead others to his mercy, to his love, to the room he has reserved for us.

As we read in John's Gospel, "I go and prepare a place for you and will take you to myself so that where I am you also may be." And, timing is everything.

Secondly – after the room reservation - the Gospel episode continues with a retreat from the routine.

To receive the Body of Christ, the Blood of Christ – in Holy Communion – we are called to pause, to retreat, even if it is just for the hour of Sunday Mass.

I encourage you that the Lord is inviting us to make daily retreats with him – for some this might mean Daily Mass – but for all of us it means daily breaks in our routine for prayer, for conversation, for petition.

Now, such retreats might seem to be a luxury. And, we might say that you simply do not have the time. We do not have the time to be silent, to put our tray table in the upright position.

It can be difficult. And, in some ways, all of us are novices and beginners at prayer and at silence.

Prayer does not eliminate the distractions in our lives, but it does help us to recognize what the distractions are to separate God's signal from the earthly noise around us. We do this with our devices and phones, that we go to certain places for better reception, connectivity. Sometimes, these locations surprise us. God is also inviting us to be on retreat – from our routines – each day, to grow closer to him. Timing is everything.

In Christ's Peace, Father Jim Ferry



For Your Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2017

WEEKLY GOAL: \$6800

Collection: May 26-27* \$ **3785** Deficit: \$ 3015

* Includes Online Giving 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 <u>ollwonj@verizon.net</u>

Electronic giving has arrived. If you wish to enroll, a link to GIVE ONLINE is available on our website:

www.lourdeswestorange.org

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY 9 JUNE

8:30 am Patricia Villarosa 5:30 pm Linda Halleran

SUNDAY 10 JUNE

7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Michael Chiaramonte 11:30 am Michael O'Boyle

MONDAY 11 JUNE

8:30 am Dr. Anthony Oropollo & Pavone Family

TUESDAY 12 JUNE

8: 30 am Loring Abad (24th Ann.)

WEDNESDAY 13 JUNE

8:30 am Deceased Members of the Pflug & Napolitano Families

THURSDAY 14 JUNE

8:30 am Theresa Volpe Michaelson

FRIDAY 15 JUNE

8:30 am Prayers Entrusted to the Virgin Carmen

SATURDAY 16 JUNE

8:30 am Kevin McGinley 5:30 pm William Hooper

SUNDAY 17 JUNE

7:30 am People of the Parish

9:30 am Carmen Napolitano & George Pflug

11:30 am Emil Russomanno

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY 10 JUNE

10:30 am RCIA—Sacred Heart Room

WEDNESDAY 13 JUNE

6:00 pm Choir Practice 7:00 pm KOC meeting

THURSDAY 14 JUNE

10:00 am **Deadline** for *News & Announcements* for June 24th Bulletin email: lourdesbulletin@aol.com

SATURDAY 16 JUNE

6:30 pm ON THE GREEN

Bring your chairs and Appetite.

COME OUT & JOIN THE FUN!



SUNDAY 17 JUNE

SHOP RITE CARDS SOLD AT ALL MASSES







10:30 am RCIA

Sacred Heart Room -

This week's Sanctuary Candle, a gift of Pat & John Paxton, is in memory of FLOYD SEIB, JR.



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Vincent Aiello, Sean Bailey, Suzane Ball, Gina Cammarata, Darlene Cangialosi, Teresa Carbin, Josephine Ciullo, Tom Collinson, Jeannie Cox, Ramona De Castro,

Peggy Dolan, Edna Drudy, Pierre Ferrus, Helen Filan, Anna Frazzano, Catherine Gascoyne, Al Gebhardt, Judy Givas, Michael Harris, Marissa and Richard Hedstrom, Jovann Henry, Yann Henry, Glenn Holland, Prepty Joint, Evelyn Judge, Bruce Kiefer, Tim Klein, James Leung, Rose Mateus, Marion McConville,

Pete McDonald, Mary McGuiness, Stephanie Montano, Noreen Meyers, Liam Morley, Florence Olabiyi, William Ollenschleger, Otilia Ortega, Idelourdes Petion, Patrick Pierre, Mark Quarno, Thelma Ramaglia, Amy Ricciardi, Mary Lou Ruppel, Marie Salvatoriello, Vincent Santucci, Jr., Heather Scoffone, Patricia Seib, Natalie Sims, Joseph Lee Taylor, Jimmy Tiernan, Robin Tobia, Ann Whelan, Dolores J. Williams.

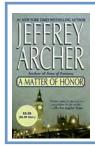
If you wish to have a loved one prayed for, please call the rectory at 973.325.0110.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS — SUNDAY 17 JUNE

Mass	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
5:30 pm	Joe Riopel	Judith Albore Marge Christiano Emily Kunz Frank Refinski	Francesca Appolon Thiago Lavado Jacquyanah Vincent
7:30 am	MaryEllen Chandler	Ella Gruszczynski Hermie Santos Patricia Saway	Joseph Lobo Barry Skinner
9:30 am	JoAnn Melhorn	Annette Chiaramonte JoAnne Chiaramonte Myrna Regino Bill Talbot	Natalie Heurtelou Briana Sampson
11:30 am Choir	Maxine Nzegwu	Virginia Dimapilis Paul Hirsch Nancy Lanfrank Wendy Sheyka	Ikenna Odoemene Leslie Odoemene Amir Stewart
11:30 am Children's Liturgy -		Carol Ford	Piturgical

Will Return in September

Around the Parish & Community



CHRISTIAN BOOK DISCUSSION -

Our Next Book: "A MATTER OF HONOR"
by: JEFFREY ARCHER

Join the Book Discussion Group on

Wednesday, JUNE 21st at 7:00 pm in the Knights of Columbus Room, Connor Hall

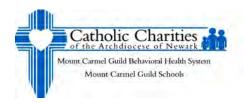


FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

June 23-24, is our monthly food collection for St. John's Church, Newark. Please bring non-perishable food and place it in the bins in the Church lobbies.

Thank you.

JUNE ROSES



June is noted for graduations, the arrival of summer and a floral manifestation of Mother Nature. The gradual blossoming of sweet-scented June roses along with their beautiful colors adds to the charm of this delightful season. While you are enjoying the glory of these days, please reserve a little time to donate items to the Catholic Charities bin. Any questions or comments, please contact Maria F. Biancheri—973-596-3985 or mbiancheri@ccanni.org. Thank you.

OFFICIAL OPENING! The Archdiocese of Newark MERCY HOUSE

WHEN: Friday, June 22, 2018

WHERE: Blessed Sacrament Parish Convent— 620 Clinton Avenue, Newark, NJ

TIME: 10:30 am

BLESSING: Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.SS.R.

Archbishop of Newark.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

The mission of The Mercy House is to offer a welcome space for individuals and families in need — and to provide emotional support and healing in a comfortable, faith-filled environment.

RSVP no later than Monday, June 18, 2018 Cheryl A. Riley 973-497-4350/email rileyche@rcan.org Protecting God's Children Workshop

"Protecting God's Children" TRAINING (Virtus)

All volunteers and employees of Catholic parishes who work with youth are required to remain certified with the Protecting God's Children program.

Two upcoming sessions are being offered in Verona at Our Lady of the Lake Parish. You must sign up through the VIRTUS website. You may call Lourdes rectory 973.325.0110 if you have questions

__Monday June 11 @ 7 pm, "Keeping the Promise Alive" for re-certification of existing volunteers, being held at Our Lady of the Lake, Verona.

__Wednesday June 13 @ 7 pm, "Protecting God's Children" for both new and existing volunteers, being held at Our Lady of the Lake, Verona.

Thank you for your care and protection of our young people.

West Orange Knights of Columbus Council 5519
Will be hosting a bus ride to the
Sands Casino



Sunday, June 24, 2018

Leaving from upper level of Our Lady of
Lourdes parking lot at 10:00 am sharp

— Please Arrive by 9:30 am

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Cost—\$25 includes (\$20 free slot play and \$5 food voucher)

For Reservations, call Rich Chiaramonte 973-325-3545 Tickets are limited.

Checks made payable to: West Orange Knights of Columbus-Council 5519

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 June 16th & 17th or by calling the Rectory at 973.325.0110, Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm. Thank you for your support.

Carol Ford, President