



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, December 25, 2022 - The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)



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

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

Religious Education

Family Catechesis (Grades 1-6)

Mrs. Barbara Camp 973.325.0110 ext. 103

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Sacrament of Confirmation (Grades 7-12)

Mr. Paul Hirsch 973.325.0110 ext. 123

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Administrative Assistant

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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 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 & Sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes

***"And they came with haste and they found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger."
(Luke 2:16)***

Blessings to you for the Christmas Season, the Solemn Feast of Mary Mother of God and the new year of 2023.

Pope Benedict XVI and Pope Francis have both written about the importance of Christ, as a child, as the center of our life. In this Christmas season, we grow closer to God as we meditate on his presence as an infant in Bethlehem and in the mystery of life made present through the children among us.

These are lessons which we can all learn about community and about vocation through the Christ child and through the lives of children.

CHILDREN AND COMMUNITY

*All of you, have unity of spirit, sympathy, love of the brethren, a tender heart, and a humble mind.
(1 Peter 3:8)*

Pope Benedict reminded us that God is made in three persons in the Trinity, in the Holy Family, and in our families. That is, "[as] God is a communion of love; so is the family." God's salvation plan is still made known to us because families and -family members - are willing to sacrifice for each other. This began in Bethlehem and Nazareth and continues today. While we may need solitude to hear God's voice, we also need each other to practice God's commandments and to know God's consolation.

In this regard, our acts of contrition or penance within the family and not only so that we may be healed personally but that the whole body of the family may grow stronger. (Benedict XVI, 27 December 2009, Holy Family Sunday).

CHILDREN AND VOCATION

*For unto us a child is born, a son is given.
(Isaiah 9:6)*

This family-community is also the necessary path for a child - including the child Jesus - to know his calling and vocation. In this regard, Jesus does not escape from his family to the Temple, but rather goes there because of what he had learned at home. Benedict XVI observes: "We may therefore say that Jesus' decision to stay on at the Temple was above all the result of his close relationship with the Father, but it was also a result of the education he had received from Mary and Joseph. Here we can glimpse the authentic meaning of Christian education: it is the fruit of a collaboration between educators and God that must always be sought. The Christian family is aware that children are a gift and a project of God." (Benedict, 27 December 2009)

I hope and pray that the prayer of this Christmas Season will help each of us to know God's love in Christ through our own relationships and community and also to know God's call and vocation for each of us.

In Christ's Peace,

Father Jim Ferry



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH - DECEMBER 25, 2022



SATURDAY 24 DECEMBER

4:00 pm People of the Parish
5:30 pm People of the Parish
7:00 pm People of the Parish
10:00 pm People of the Parish

SUNDAY 25 DECEMBER

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

MONDAY 26 DECEMBER

8:30 am Anne Straeb

TUESDAY 27 DECEMBER

8:30 am Edward J. Ford, Sr.
(26th Ann.)

WEDNESDAY 28 DECEMBER

8:30 am Evelyn Persaud

THURSDAY 29 DECEMBER

8:30 am Frank Norborine

FRIDAY 30 DECEMBER

8:30 am Fred Rice (22nd Ann.)

SATURDAY 31 DECEMBER

5:30 pm Michael Chiaramonte, Jr.

SUNDAY 1 JANUARY

7:30 am People of the Parish
9:30 am Deceased Members of the
Pflug & Napolitano Families
11:30 am Thanksgiving, Abad &
Matias Families

SUNDAY 25 DECEMBER CHRISTMAS DAY

MERRY CHRISTMAS
7:30 am Mass in Church
9:30 am Mass in Church
11:30 am Mass in Church

MONDAY 26 DECEMBER

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 29 DECEMBER

10:00 am Deadline for News &
Announcements for Jan 8th
bulletin— call the Rectory at
973-325-0110.

FRIDAY 30 DECEMBER

8:30 am Mass in Church



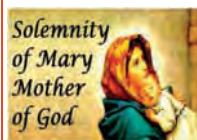
SATURDAY 31 DECEMBER NEW YEAR'S EVE

4—5:15 pm Confessions in Church
5:30 pm Mass in Church



SUNDAY 1 JANUARY NEW YEAR'S DAY

7:30 am Mass in Church
9:00 am Recitation of Rosary
9:30 am Mass in Church
11:30 am Mass in Church



Brendan Byrne
Rita DiBiasi
Michael DiPirro
Eva Donnelly
Doris Handschuh
Amy Lejano
Cecile Leelin
Mary McGuinness
John Mooney

Frank Refinski
Jacob Rivera
Jaxson Rivera
Pat Schoeler
Laura Splendoria
Harry Vendemia
Maureen Bacal-Zerna

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

DEC 31 - JAN 1, 2023			
Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	
5:30 pm Choir	Pat Sigalas	Annette Chiaramonte Eileen Reilly (Choir)	
7:30 am	Hermie Santos	Hermie Santos	
9:30 am	Carol Ford	Myrna Regino	
11:30 am	Wendy Sheyka	Paul Hirsch	



"SOUPER BOWL"



The St. Vincent DePaul Society of OLL will be collecting cans of soup from January 1st through Super Bowl Sunday to be delivered to our local food pantry to nourish and warm the less fortunate.

Please bring your donations of soup to the collection bins located at the entrances of the church.



Holiday gift wrap and cards are now available in the Peace & Good Corner. There is also a great selection of religious items for Christmas Gift Giving.

We are open after Mass on weekends and available by appointment. Please call the Rectory—973-325-0110.

Please be sure to stop in.

Church Capital Investment Fund Raffle

CONGRATULATIONS

TO THE RAFFLE

WINNERS

December 3, 2022

\$500 winner of 1st Drawing:
Shauger Property Services, Inc.

\$500 winner of 2nd Drawing:
Jeri Konvalinka



Annual Appeal Update

(Goal Achieved for 2022)

Thank you for your support toward the Lourdes parish Annual Appeal Goal before the June 30 deadline which has resulted in both a 2022 reduction of \$15,000 in assessment expenses and an additional surplus refund.

As of December 12, 2022 your giving to the Annual Appeal 2022 amounts to \$35,763.50. Through your generosity, our surplus as of December 12 is \$7,553.50.

If you would like to make a gift, your gift will increase the surplus refund for Lourdes Parish. Call Father Jim Ferry with any questions.

PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2022

WEEKLY GOAL \$ 6800

Collection*: December 10-11* \$ 4028

Deficit: \$ 2772

* Includes Online Giving Weekly Average Deposit



*For Your Stewardship of
Time, Talent and Treasure.*



Christmas and New Year's Mass

Christmas Eve. 4 pm, 5:30 pm, 7 pm (Spanish Mass), 10 pm (Dec 24)
Holy Day of Obligation

Christmas Day. 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am (Dec. 25)
Holy Day of Obligation

New Year's Eve. 5:30 pm. (Dec. 31)
Vigil of Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. Holy Day of Obligation

New Year's Day. 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am (Jan. 1)
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. Holy Day of Obligation



Celebrate
**The Children's
Epiphany Pageant**

Sunday, January 8

Pageant Immediately following
Sunday 11:30 am Mass



Epiphany Dress Rehearsal . 4:00 to 5:15 pm (Jan 7)

Epiphany Pageant. (Jan 8)
Immediately following the 11:30 am Mass

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