



# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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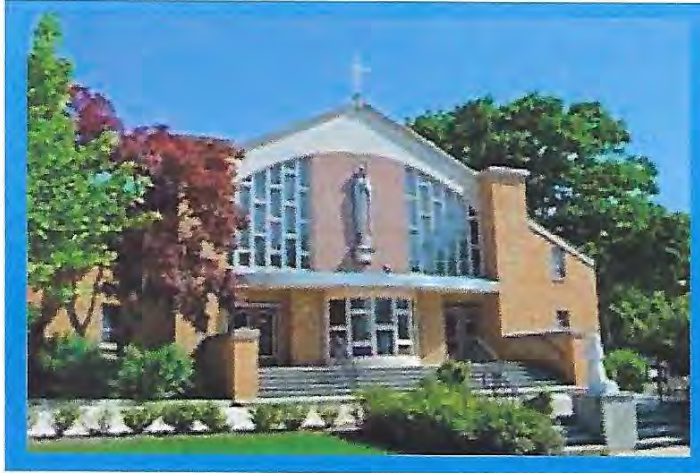
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Sunday, October 1, 2023 - Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## 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  
Mrs. Mary Cassels, Trustee  
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RECTORY/Parish Office Hours:

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

### **Religious Education**

#### **Family Catechesis (Grades 1-6)**

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Email: [Priscillacastro@lourdeswestorange.org](mailto:Priscillacastro@lourdeswestorange.org)

#### **Religious Education**

#### **Sacrament of Confirmation (Grades 7-12)**

Mr. Paul Hirsch 973.325.0110

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#### **Religious Education**

#### **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 1<sup>st</sup> 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,

Those in front knew what to do. Years ago, a friend shared a driving episode from a cold and windy day. Her car and other cars were in the “front row” at the crosswalk at a red light on Freeway Road (the service road parallel to I-280) in Orange. This road is a high-speed passageway to the interstate.

Just before the light changed from red to green, the wind blew a hat along the ground into the crosswalk. Then, the light changed to green. Seeing the hat, the “front row” drivers maintained their position. They knew what to do and expected a person chasing the hat might emerge. Then, someone emerged, retrieved the hat and returned to the sidewalk. Meanwhile, the drivers behind the “front row” were honking their horns continuously. They had not seen the hat and did not know what to do. Fortunately, the “front row” had set an example.

It can be challenging to be a witness to the sanctity of life, from conception to natural death, to maintain composure, consistency. We turn to God to know what to do. Ours is not simply a legal battle for the right to life of the unborn or the terminally ill. We also want to be witnesses to the developing life of a child starting at conception.

This month of October, we also hold our annual baby shower in which we accept your gifts of **NEW** items for babies. Please see flier and information in the bulletin. If you have questions, call 973.325.0110.

### Respect Life Message

**[1. Beginnings of Life]** When did your life begin? Your usual reply to this question would be your date of birth. Another way to answer this question is to think of moments when your life has been renewed, re-started, re-booted in some way. Perhaps, your life BEGAN, when you met your future spouse. Your life began when you discovered what you were good at in school. Your life began when someone offered you forgiveness for a fault. Your life began when you were able – with God’s help – to forgive someone else who trespassed against you.

**[2. Beginnings and Cooperation with God]** When did your life begin? Sometimes, our life begins when we decide to start over, or to make a significant change. People ask me this question, hey, Padre, hey Father, when did you know you wanted to be a priest? In other words, when did your life begin? When did it start?

In my case, I came to realize – after I had completed my college education and after I was working as a grown-up adult for several years that I felt called to study for the priesthood.

And I'm grateful for the many lessons while working in business environments, because I draw on this knowledge in my role as a priest and administrator/pastor.

However, I also recognized that moving out of the the business environment and toward the priesthood would be a new life, a new path. This was both freeing and frightening.

Of course, in the official sacramental and church-sense, my life as a priest began when I was ordained at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark.

There is a verse in the 110th Psalm that applies to God's call to me: -- “Thou art a priest forever – *Tu es sacerdos en aeternum.*” “Forever” does not mean that it was destined to happen even if I objected. In other words, I could have avoided this commitment, if I had not cooperated. In fact, our life begins when we truly cooperate with God’s grace.

When did my life begin ?

My life as a priest began before the seminary, before college, before there were academics or daily Mass. It began in the “seminary and church” of my home and hometown with my parents and grandparents and siblings through whom I also learned about love, charity, hope, faith and taking out the garbage and all that stuff. I am still learning about these things from them. I am also learning about these things from you, my parish family. When did my life begin?

**[3. Sanctity of Life]** When does life begin? This is not only a legal question.

This may not be a question you can answer scientifically or satisfactorily for those who may argue for the legality of permissive laws on abortion. However, I'm inviting you as a Catholic to remember that God is holding you in existence at every moment. You came into this world because you were loved. Are there children who come into this world in horrific violent conditions? Yes. They may even be born to parents who do not wish to raise them, or cannot raise them or cannot love them as they should. Nevertheless, it is by an act of God's love that they exist. It is by an act of God's love that you exist and I exist. And we are called to advocate to care about these lives, to pray for them and to remember that every unborn child, every mother, is important.


They are both important.


When did your life begin? Your life began in a profound way when you recognized that Jesus is your savior, your shepherd, your good shepherd who is leading you home, calling out for and help you to restart again.


In Christ’s Peace,  
Father Jim Ferry




<b>SATURDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER</b> 5:30 pm John Gaeta
<b>SUNDAY, 1 OCTOBER</b> 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Deceased Members of the Rosary Altar Society 11:30 am Grace Brennan
<b>MONDAY, 2 OCTOBER</b> 8:30 am Luis Macancela
<b>TUESDAY, 3 OCTOBER</b> 8:30 am Gwendolyn Llapitan Tagorda
<b>WEDNESDAY, 4 OCTOBER</b> 8:30 am Ed Kiley
<b>THURSDAY, 5 OCTOBER</b> 8:30 am Richard & Ann Kelly
<b>FRIDAY, 6 OCTOBER</b> 8:30 am Michael Corcoran
<b>SATURDAY, 7 OCTOBER</b> 5:30 pm Luis Macancela
<b>SUNDAY, 8 OCTOBER</b> 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Marie Vaccaro 11:30 am Rose Konvalinka


<b>SUNDAY, 1 OCTOBER</b> 7:30 am Mass 9:00 am Rosary recitation (OLLC) 9:30 am—11:30 am Mass/ Class 1st Penance (OLLC/Chapel) 9:30 am—12 noon RAS Communion Mass followed by Breakfast (Hall) 10:30 am Children's Choir (OLLC) 11:30 pm Mass
<b>MONDAY, 2 OCTOBER</b> 8:30 am Daily Mass will be held Monday thru Friday of each week in church. Miraculous Medal Novena following 8:30 am Mass on Monday.
<b>TUESDAY, 3 OCTOBER</b> 4:30—5:15 pm 1st Comm (OLLC) JF
<b>WEDNESDAY, 4 OCTOBER</b> 6:30—7:30 pm Fam. Cat. GRADE 6 ONLY (Chapel)
<b>THURSDAY, 5 OCTOBER</b> 10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for the Oct 15th. Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110. 6:00—8:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (OLLC)
 <b>FRIDAY, 6 OCTOBER</b> 5:30—7:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration
<b>SATURDAY, 7 OCTOBER</b> 3—5:30 PM Fam Cat. Grades 1-5 (Hall) 4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church 5:30 pm Mass in Church
<b>SUNDAY, 8 OCTOBER</b> 7:30 am Mass 9:30 am Mass/ Class 1st Penance (OLLC/Chapel) 9:30—11:30 am Mass Rel Ed. MHS (7-12) (OLLC, Hall) 10:30am Children's Choir (OLLC) 11:30 am Mass

 This week's Altar Candles, a gift from Jim & Eileen Reilly is in memory of **ED KILEY**

 This week's Bread & Wine, a gift from Kathy & Joseph Petrillo is in memory of **CONCETTA D'ARIES**

 This week's Sanctuary Candle, a gift from Kathy & Joseph Petrillo is in memory of **LOUIS N. PAPALE**

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE		OCT 7 - OCT 8, 2023	
Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	
5:30 pm	Pat Sigalas	Judy Albore Eileen Reilly (Choir)	
7:30 am	MaryEllen Chandler	Lou Volpe	
9:30 am	Kathy Petrillo	Espie Cain	
11:30 am	Lynda Clement	Paul Hirsch Carmelita Dizon (Choir)	

 PRAYERS Needed For...

Joan Clarke	Jacob Rivera
Mary McGuiness	Jaxon Rivera
Joan Monik	Pat Schoeler

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



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
**1ST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH**  
**October 6, 2023**  
**5:30–7:30 pm in Church**  
**Join Us!**

**UPCOMING EVENTS** **OCTOBER 2023**

- OCTOBER 1—OCTOBER 31 at 6:30 pm**  
 The Rosary is prayed in English and Spanish outdoors every evening (rain or shine) at Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto.


- OCTOBER 1—OCTOBER 31 St. Vincent**  
 DePaul Society of OLL will be collecting New Socks for Men, Women, and Children during the month of October to be distributed to the needy through local charities.


- OCTOBER 1—OCTOBER 29** Respect Life Ministry will be holding their Baby Shower at all weekend Masses during the month of October to be distributed to Several Sources Shelters. **(SEE FLYER COMING SOON)**


- SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 at 12:00 Noon**  
 The Annual Public Square Rosary Rally will be held on the Front Steps of the church. **(SEE FLYER COMING SOON)**




**PARISH GIVING**

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2023

WEEKLY GOAL	\$ 6800
Collection*: Sept 16-17*	\$ 5596
Deficit:	\$ 1204

\*Includes Online Giving Weekly Average Deposit



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**LIVE EVENT**  
**1000 Strong Rosary for Life**  
 Priests from throughout New Jersey  
 to pray for the: Protection of the Babies in the Womb & in Reparation for the sin of Abortion

Our Lady of Fatima  
 1,000 Strong Rosary for Life  
 Friday, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.  
 106<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 'Miracle of the Sun' at Fatima

Please join the virtual "1000 Strong Rosary for Life Conference Call" on Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm being organized by LIFENET.  
 Our Lady wants us to pray the rosary! For more information: 973-497-4500  
 Register at: [lifeneducation.org/1000strong](http://lifeneducation.org/1000strong)  
 Conference Call #: 1-401-252-0031; Code:759297#

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 Sunday, October 29 at 1:00pm.

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**Fall Open House**  
 At Saint Peter's Prep  
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, FROM 1:00—4:00 PM**  
 at the school's campus in historic downtown Jersey City. St. Peter's Prep is an independent, college preparatory school for boys and remains NJ's only Jesuit High School. For more information, please call 201 547-6389 or visit [www.spprep.org](http://www.spprep.org).





# All Weekend Masses in October

**At all weekend Masses in October we will be collecting the following items:**

- **Newborn clothes (gender neutral)**
- **Diapers Newborn (Size 5 & 6 only)**
- **Baby Wipes**
- **Baby Body Wash**
- **Baby Body Lotion**
- **Gift Cards for Shop Rite or Walmart, and**
- **Monetary donations. *(Please make checks payable to Our Lady of Lourdes)***



***These items will be distributed to **SEVERAL SOURCES SHELTERS** which offers a place where a young mother can come to have her baby and stay for up to a year or more with individual care, nurturing and educational support.***

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*Life*  
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**Mary Ann Rosenbaum**  
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Eternal rest grant unto her,  
O Lord, and let perpetual  
light shine upon her.  
May she rest in peace. Amen.

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	Entrance	Psalm
	My Soul Proclaims (#782)	Remember your mercies, O Lord
Offertory	Communion	Recessional
Here I am Lord (#671)	A Place at Your Table (See Below)	Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (#536)

## Communion Hymn

### A PLACE AT YOUR TABLE

Ben Walther

Verses



1. Hap - py the ones whom you call here to dine, the saint and the  
2. From this com - mu - nion, in one heart and mind, 7 out in - to



1. sin - ner, your friends. Now rec - on - ciled in this  
2. mis - sion we go. No great - er love shall the



1. ban - quet di - vine, the prom - ise of life with - out end,  
2. world ev - er find, and none shall we ev - er know,



1. the prom - ise of life with - out end.  
2. and none shall we ev - er know.


Refrain




Here in your pres - ence the great - est are least, the bur - dened find



rest and the hun - gry can feast. By love we're in - vit - ed, here



mer - cy pre - vails. God, in your good - ness, we share



a place at your ta - ble, a place at your ta - ble.

1: to Verse 2  
2: to Bridge

Bridge