



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, October 22, 2023 - Twenty-ninth 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

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Sacrament of Confirmation (Grades 7-12)

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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,

**The New Coin as “Change” in Gospel
(Matthew 22:15-21)**

[Changing Lanes] In 2002, less than one year after the 9/11/2001 terrorist attacks, a young man named Pat Tillman enlisted in the military, in the U.S. Army. Pat’s family urged him NOT to enlist in the Army, believing it too dangerous, too perilous. He could be injured, he could lose his life, especially because he was determined to participate in the front lines of combat in the new war in Afghanistan after 9/11. Pat was leaving something very familiar – his life in Arizona, his new wife, his family, his career. What does it mean for you and me to change? To “change lanes” Pat Tillman felt moved to “change out of his lane” to leave behind his natural habitat, way of life, or “lane” which was actually very comfortable.

[The Coin as “Change”] Jesus uses the COIN in this Gospel episode to signify something that is in fact NOT NEW. Jesus uses the COIN (monetary currency) to signify what is existing and current – that’s the currency. But there is a new and unusual form of wealth that we are concerned with. In our very uncertain economy, some of us may be concerned with how to “preserve our wealth” ... thus we may consider, things such as should I keep my money in the bank? In the stock market? Should I buy a house? Should I sell my house?

But, are some of these “moves” just ways to stay in the same lane, to keep things as they are. Our lives of Christian discipleship may resemble someone who moves to a new country and has to get used to the new coins, the new currency, and the cost of living in that country.

[New Currency] Let’s say you travel internationally and you move from the U.S. to India or from El Salvador to the U.S. If you stay for a long time, you stop thinking in your “old currency” and start thinking in terms of the

new currency, your new location. That’s what it means to render unto to God what belongs to God ... we think in terms of God’s values not our own. But, where is my wealth invested? In what am I invested? am I willing to change, to change lanes?

[Investing Myself in Virtue or Vice?] One example – in situations where I have found it challenging to forgive someone, I find I am moving from the natural habitat or “lane” of being angry ... to a new lane...in fact to a new country of being merciful and letting go. Letting go of the anger may be like crossing an international border !

Similarly, in situations where I am called to admit I am wrong, to admit a fault, I find that I am moving from the lane of fear to the lane of repentance.

Now, in these moves, I may be quite uncertain or reluctant because I am not really sure what everything costs.

I have to live there for a while to soak up the culture to experience the forgiveness and recognize the value of God’s mercy, but I first have to change out of my familiar habitat.

[Pat Tillman] Pat Tillman was not an ordinary U.S. Army recruit who became an Army Ranger. He died in battle in Afghanistan in 2004, one of about 3,000 who died since 9/11. But, he was the only one of only 7 who were NFL football players. Pat Tillman was a starting player with a lucrative contract with the Arizona Cardinals. He walked away from a career in the NFL and had just received a contract offer for \$3 million per year. He never signed that contract. He changed lanes, leaving behind his family to serve our country and gave an example of someone willing to go to a new country and currency and form of wealth.

[Good News of Jesus Christ] Jesus, as the Son of God, lays down his life in the unfamiliar country of our humanity and human experience, not to show how great he is, but to forgive our sins, give us a model of forgiveness and show who great we can be, by following Him, turning back to God, by turning our lives over to Him, by rendering to God what belongs to God.

In Christ’s Peace,
Father Jim Ferry



SATURDAY, 21 OCTOBER 5:30 pm Victor Nzegwu (Special Intention)
SUNDAY, 22 OCTOBER 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Deceased Members of the Pflug & Napolitano Families 11:30 am Sr. Mary Louise Oddi
MONDAY, 23 OCTOBER 8:30 am Mary Ellen Bruno
TUESDAY, 24 OCTOBER 8:30 am Eleanor English
WEDNESDAY, 25 OCTOBER 8:30 am Agnes D. Bulger (17th Ann.)
THURSDAY, 26 OCTOBER 8:30 am John D. Pflug, III (15th Ann.)
FRIDAY, 27 OCTOBER 8:30 am Matthew Rizzo
SATURDAY, 28 OCTOBER 5:30 pm Fran Glennon
SUNDAY, 29 OCTOBER 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Catherine Del Plato 11:30 am Thomas A. Bulger, Sr. (38th Ann.)

SUNDAY, 22 OCTOBER 7:30 am Mass 9:30 am—11:30 am Mass/ Class 1st Penance (OLLC/Chapel) 9:30 am—11:30 am Grade 6 (OLLC, Hall) 10:30 am Children's Choir (OLLC) 11:30 pm Mass
MONDAY, 23 OCTOBER 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.
TUESDAY, 24 OCTOBER 7:00 pm 1st Communion Rehearsal (OLLC)
THURSDAY, 26 OCTOBER 10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for the Nov 5th . Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110. 6:00—8:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (OLLC)
SATURDAY, 28 OCTOBER 4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church 5:30 pm Mass in Church
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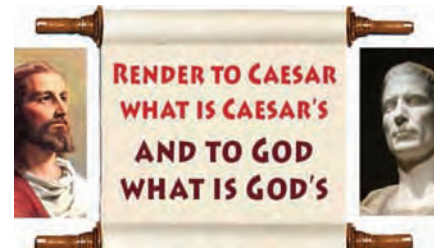


This week's Bread & Wine, a gift from Nancy Lanfrank is in memory of **ARTHUR J. KELLER**.



This week's Sanctuary Candle, a gift from the Brown Family, Brown/Appolon Families is in memory of **ROGER APPOLON**.

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE		OCT 28 - OCT 29, 2023	
Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	
5:30 pm	Pat Sigalas	Eileen Reilly Judy Albore (Choir)	
7:30 am	Mary Cassels	MaryEllen Chandler	
9:30 am Choir	Andrew Novoa	Annette Chiamonte Joe Petrillo (Choir)	
11:30 am Choir	Carmelita Dizon	Wendy Sheyka	



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| Janice Augustine | Jacob Rivera |
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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)




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Sunday, October 29,

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PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2023

WEEKLY GOAL	\$ 6800
Collection*: Oct 7-Oct 8*	\$ 4537
Deficit:	\$ 2263

*Includes Online Giving Weekly Average Deposit



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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)*



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