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Sunday, March 3, 2024 - Third Sunday of Lent



## 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)**

Ms. Priscilla Castro 973.325.0110

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

### Religious Education

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

Mr. Paul Hirsch 973.325.0110

Email: [Confirmation.Class@lourdeswestorange.org](mailto:Confirmation.Class@lourdeswestorange.org)

### Religious Education

#### **Administrative Assistant**

Maggie Macias 973.325.0110 ext. 102

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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 and Sisters in Christ,

In the Gospel of this Sunday, our Savior is at a crossroads in the Temple area. Some of the folks on this sidewalk fear that he would destroy the building, the edifice of the Temple.

Yet, our Savior was only asking – as he asks you and me – what are we doing with our inside spiritual knowledge – with our inside information about the Temple and the Holy Spirit.

The money changers and merchants are criticized for their price structure and menu options. These would suggest that salvation – or faith – is for sale on the street or online or that they have a special insider deal.

Jesus accepted that a faithful Jewish person would bring a sacrifice to the Temple. Yet, he was asking them to consider that their more important sacrifice is the sacrifice of their own lives, their comfort for the other. The insiders, then, are not necessarily wealthy but they are willing to share what they have for greater intimacy with God and their neighbor.

Remove your talent from the ground, your light from under the bushel basket. (Matthew 5:15)

This completes our offering to God from whom we have also received inside information about strength and love.

In Christ's Peace,  
Father Jim Ferry

**SUNDAY MASS: "MSGs OF THE TXT 4 U"**

● **Exodus 20:1-17 / Ten Commandments** ●  
God's guidance begins release from slavery, freedom from Egypt. The first word of the commandments refers not to our restriction but to our liberation: "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out ... " (*Catholic Catechism*, n. 2061)

*"If men will not be governed by the 10 Commandments, they will be governed by the 10,000 commandments." Gilbert K. Chesterton*

◆ **1 Corinthians 1:22-25 / God's Power & Wisdom** ●

Suffering tests our confidence in God. Yet, with weakness physically, we testify that God is the source of our strength. (*Catholic Catechism*, n. 272)

*"We should strive to keep our hearts open to the sufferings and wretchedness of other people, and pray continually that God may grant us that spirit of compassion which is truly the spirit of God."  
-Saint Vincent de Paul*

● **John 2:13-25 / Cleansing of the Temple** ●  
Jesus went up to the Temple as the privileged place of encounter with God ... the Temple was the dwelling of his Father, a house of prayer, and he was angered that its outer court had become a place of commerce. (*Catholic Catechism*, n. 584)

*The Lord Jesus comes into [our lives] expecting to find a place ordered to the worship of the one true God, but what he finds is "a marketplace."  
Bishop Robert Barron*

In Christ's Peace,  
Father Jim Ferry



SATURDAY, 2 MARCH  
5:30 pm Peggy Ann Mooney

SUNDAY, 3 MARCH  
7:30 am People of the Parish  
9:30 am Dec. Members of the Pflug & Napolitano Families  
11:30 am Jaroslav Konvalinka

MONDAY, 4 MARCH  
8:30 am Felicia Okeke (Special Intention)

TUESDAY, 5 MARCH  
8:30 am Dorothy Wetzel (12th Ann.)

WEDNESDAY, 6 MARCH  
8:30 am Ken Kunzman

THURSDAY, 7 MARCH  
8:30 am Helena Edna Petersen

FRIDAY, 8 MARCH  
8:30 am John Healy

SATURDAY, 9 MARCH  
5:30 pm Mary T. Christoforo

SUNDAY, 10 MARCH  
7:30 am People of the Parish  
9:30 am Catherine Catalano (21st Ann.)

**St. Patrick's Day Parade**  
**No 11:30am Mass**



SUNDAY, 3 MARCH **3rd SUNDAY OF LENT**  
7:30 am Mass  
9:00 am Recitation of Rosary (OLLC)  
9:30 am Mass  
9:30—11:45 am 1st Comm (OLLC, Chapel)  
10:30 am Children's Choir  
11:30 am Mass



MONDAY, 4 MARCH  
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.

5—7:30 pm Grades 1-5 (Hall)  
6:30—7:30 pm 1st Penance (Grades 7+)

TUESDAY, 5 MARCH  
1:00 pm RAS Mtg (Rectory)

WEDNESDAY, 6 MARCH  
6:30—7:30 pm Fam Cat. GRADE 6 ONLY (Chapel)

THURSDAY, 7 MARCH  
10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for the Mar. 10th Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.  
6:00—8:00 pm Choir Practice (OLLC)

SATURDAY, 9 MARCH  
4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church  
5:30 pm Mass in Church  
Don't forget to set your Clock  
(1) Hour Forward Tonight!

SUNDAY, 10 MARCH  
7:30 am Mass  
9:30 am Mass

**St. Patrick's Day Parade**  
**No 11:30am Mass**



Louis Papale

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

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE		MARCH 9 - MARCH 10, 2024			
Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers			
5:30 pm	Joy Hayward	Judy Albore Eileen Reilly (Choir)			
7:30 am	Hermie Santos	MaryEllen Chandler			
9:30 am Choir	Jo-Ann Melhorn	Espie Cain Joe Petrillo (Choir)			
11:30 am	St. Patrick's Day Parade— No Mass				

## Mother Seton Regional High School

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### March Enrichment Saturdays

For 6th, 7th & 8th grade girls:  
**March 9, 16 and 23; \$40 per session**

Session I: 8:45 am—10:15 am  
 Session II: 10:30 am—12:00 noon

Choices include:

- Volleyball (Sessions I & II),
- Culinary Arts (Sessions I & II, Limited to 14),
- Fashion Design (Sessions I & II, Limited to 14),
- Engineering (Session II, Limited to 16),
- Multimedia Art (Sessions I & II), and
- Creative Writing (Session I, Limited to 12).

Join the fun! Register at:

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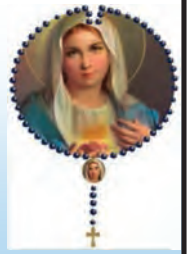
Thanks to you—the people of Our Lady of Lourdes—through the goodness of your prayers and donations, we collected **200+ cans of soup** for our **Souper Bowl 2024 Soup Can drive**. Your donations were distributed to our local food pantry and greatly appreciated by so many people in need.

The Rosary Altar Society's March meeting will be held on:

**Tuesday, March 5, at 1:00 pm  
 in the Rectory.**

**All Rosarians:** Looking forward to seeing everyone there.

Carol Ford, President



### St. Vincent DePaul Society

St. Vincent DePaul Society is hosting **Christine's Soup Kitchen** on **Saturday, 3/16/2024** 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 **3/16/2024** 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.



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### Building a Culture of Life in NJ

**Saturday March 23, 2024**

**9:30 am to 1:00 pm**

**Pre-registration Required at  
[lifeneducation.org/life](http://lifeneducation.org/life)**

**Love offering taken.**

**Holy Family Church -St. Joseph Center  
 28 Brookline Drive, Nutley, NJ 07110**

### PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2023

WEEKLY GOAL \$ 6800

Collection\*: Feb 17– Feb 18 \$ 4579

Deficit: \$2221

\*Includes Online Giving Weekly Average Deposit



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**St. Joseph's Novena 2024**

The St. Joseph Novena is our Lenten Retreat with spiritual talks nightly  
 + Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction. / Join us for any night or every night!

<p><b>Monday March 11</b>                  7 pm Prayer Service  <b>Father Jim Ferry</b>                  Our Lady of Lourdes, West Orange</p>	<p><b>Tuesday March 12</b>                  7 pm Prayer Service  <b>Monsignor Robert Fuhrman</b>                  St. Philomena, Livingston</p>	<p><b>Wednesday March 13</b>                  7 pm Prayer Service  <b>Deacon Steven Greydanus</b>                  Seton Hall Prep High School Faculty</p>
<p><b>Thursday March 14</b>                  7 pm Prayer Service  <b>Father Jim White</b>                  Seton Hall Prep High School Faculty</p>	<p><b>Friday March 15</b>                  7 pm Prayer Service  <b>Deacon Bryan Bangs</b>                  Diocese of Fall River                  Immaculate Conception Seminary Seton Hall U.</p>	<p><b>Saturday March 16</b>                  5:30 pm Evening Mass                  TBA</p>
<p><b>Sunday March 17</b>                  7 pm Prayer Service  <b>Father Tom Blind</b>                  St. Aloysius, Caldwell</p>	<p><b>Monday March 18</b>                  7 pm Prayer Service  <b>Father Lito Ebron</b>                  St. Raphael, Livingston</p>	<p><b>Tuesday March 19</b> St. Joseph Day                  8:30 am Morning Mass (Fr. Jim Ferry)                   7 pm Evening Mass  <b>Bishop Manuel A. Cruz, D.D.</b>                  Auxiliary Bishop for Essex County</p>

St. Joseph Table "arrangements" to be announced.

Novena video to be posted 2 hours after each event.

Find video via "PARISH YOUTUBE PAGE" link on [lourdeswestorange.org](http://lourdeswestorange.org)

Confessions (Reconciliation) 6 → 6:45 pm on Monday March 11 - Friday March 15

**Sunday, March 10th**

*Daylight Saving Time*  
**Begins**

SET YOUR CLOCK  
 ONE HOUR FORWARD  
 BEFORE GOING TO  
 BED SATURDAY  
 NIGHT

**Sunday,  
 March 10th**

**St. Patrick's Day Parade**  
**No 11:30am Mass**

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