



# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Sunday, March 12, 2023 - 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

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RECTORY/Parish Office Hours:

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

### Religious Education

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

Mrs. Barbara Camp 973.325.0110

Email: [ollfamilyclass@aol.com](mailto:ollfamilyclass@aol.com)

### 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

Email: [Maggie.macias@lourdeswestorange.org](mailto:Maggie.macias@lourdeswestorange.org)

### 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 of Our Lady of Lourdes,

***I share with you this article / reflection based from this Catholic site "Crossroads Initiative" about the encounter of Jesus with the Samaritan woman.***

(Source: <https://www.crossroadsinitiative.com/media/articles/the-samaritan-woman-at-the-well/> )

### **THE SAMARITAN WOMAN AT THE WELL – ST. AUGUSTINE**

*St. Augustine here reflects on the famous conversation in the Gospel of John between Jesus and the Samaritan woman who came to draw water from the well. He sees her as a symbol for the Gentiles who are called to conversion and faith and who are promised the gift of the Holy Spirit in abundance.*

A woman came. She is a symbol of the Church not yet made righteous. Righteousness follows from the conversation. She came in ignorance, she found Christ, and he enters into conversation with her. Let us see what it is about, let us see why a Samaritan woman came to draw water. The Samaritans did not form part of the Jewish people: they were foreigners. The fact that she came from a foreign people is part of the symbolic meaning, for she is a symbol of the Church. The Church was to come from the Gentiles, of a different race from the Jews.

We must then recognize ourselves in her words and in her person, and with her give our own thanks to God. She was a symbol, not the reality; she foreshadowed the reality, and the reality came to be. She found faith in Christ, who was using her as a symbol to teach us what was to come. She came then to draw water. She had simply come to draw water; in the normal way of man or woman.

Jesus says to her: Give me water to drink. For his disciples had gone to the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman therefore says to him: How is it that you, though a Jew, ask me for water to drink, though I am a Samaritan woman? For Jews have nothing to do with Samaritans.

The Samaritans were foreigners; Jews never used their utensils. The woman was carrying a pail for drawing water. She was astonished that a Jew should ask her for a drink of water, a thing that Jews would not do. But the one who was asking for a drink of water was thirsting for her faith.

Listen now and learn who it is that asks for a drink. Jesus answered her and said: If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", perhaps you might have asked him and he would have given you living water.

He asks for a drink, and he promises a drink. He is in need, as one hoping to receive, yet he is rich, as one about to satisfy the thirst of others. He says: If you knew the gift of God. The gift of God is the Holy Spirit. But he is still using veiled language as he speaks to the woman and gradually enters into her heart. Or is he already teaching her? What could be more gentle and kind than the encouragement he gives? If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", perhaps you might ask and he would give you living water.

What is this water that he will give if not the water spoken of in Scripture: With you is the fountain of life? How can those feel thirst who will drink deeply from the abundance in your house?

He was promising the Holy Spirit in satisfying abundance. She did not yet understand. In her failure to grasp his meaning, what was her reply? The woman says to him: Master, give me this drink, so that I may feel no thirst or come here to draw water. Her need forced her to this labor, her weakness shrank from it. If only she could hear those words: Come to me, all who labor and are burdened, and I will refresh you. Jesus was saying this to her, so that her labors might be at an end; but she was not yet able to understand.

*(Source Roman Office of Readings for Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> week in Lent. It is taken from Augustine's Treatise on the Gospel of John (Tract. 15, 10-12, 16-17: CCL 36, 154-156) written by St. Augustine in the early 5th Century.)*

In Christ's Peace,

Father Jim Ferry



<b>SATURDAY 11 MARCH</b> 5:30 pm Phillip La Chance
<b>SUNDAY 12 MARCH</b> 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Deceased Members of the Pflug & Napolitano 11:30 am Mass Canceled due to St. Patrick's Day Parade
<b>MONDAY 13 MARCH</b> 8:30 am James Cham
<b>TUESDAY 14 MARCH</b> 8:30 am Vir-Jeane Ann Ward
<b>WEDNESDAY 15 MARCH</b> 8:30 am Hans Schmid
<b>THURSDAY 16 MARCH</b> 8:30 am Ann Balzano
<b>FRIDAY 17 MARCH</b> 8:30 am Gloria Macias
<b>SATURDAY 18 MARCH</b> 5:30 pm McDonald & Gascoyne Families
<b>SUNDAY 19 MARCH</b> 7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Edward J. Ford, Jr. 11:30 am Patricia A. Volpe

<b>SUNDAY 12 MARCH</b> 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT 7:30 am Mass in Church 9:30 am Mass in Church St. Joseph Novena 9:30—11:30 am 1st Communion Class (Chapel)
 <b>St. Patrick's Day Parade</b> <b>No 11:30am Mass</b>
<b>MONDAY 13 MARCH</b> 8:30 am Mass in Church St. Joseph Novena 7:00 pm St. Joseph Novena
<b>TUESDAY 15 MARCH</b> 7:00 pm St. Joseph Novena
<b>WEDNESDAY 15 MARCH</b> 7:00 pm St. Joseph Novena
<b>THURSDAY 16 MARCH</b> 10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for the Mar 26th Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110. 7:00 pm St. Joseph Novena
<b>FRIDAY 17 MARCH</b> 7:00 pm St. Joseph Novena
<b>SATURDAY 18 MARCH</b> 4—5:15 pm Confessions in Church 5:30 pm Mass in Church St. Joseph Novena
<b>SUNDAY 19 MARCH</b> 4th SUNDAY OF LENT 7:30 am Mass in Church 9:30—11:30 am 1st Communion Class (Chapel) 9:30 am Mass in Church St. Joseph Novena 9:30—11:30 am Fam Cat. Grade 6 Mass (Hall) 11:30 am Mass in Church



St. Joseph Novena Service continues Monday through Friday at 7:00 pm and concludes on Monday, March 20th. (See Insert with Schedule).

**+Basket for Black & Indian Catholic Relief**

**WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE MAR 18 - MAR 19, 2023**

Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	
5:30 pm	Michael Lanfrank	Eileen Reilly (Choir)	
7:30 am	Mary Cassels	MaryEllen Chandler	
9:30 am	Bill Talbot	Joe Petrillo	
11:30 am Choir	Lynda Clement	Wendy Sheyka	



**Msgr. Edward Bradley**      **Allison Sardinha**  
**Marti Carlos**              **Pat Schoeler**  
**Fiona Graham**              **Sgt. Michael Williams**

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

# Church Capital Investment Fund Raffle

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TO THE RAFFLE

# WINNERS

March 4, 2023

\$500 winner of 1st Drawing:

KARLA SPIVEY

\$500 winner of 2nd Drawing:



Thanks to you—the people of Our Lady of Lourdes—through the goodness of your prayers and donations, we collected **240 cans of soup** for our **Souper Bowl 2023 Soup Can drive**. Your donations were distributed to our local food pantry and greatly appreciated by so many people in need.

"Lord, help us to see in your Crucifixion and Resurrection an example of how to endure."  
— Mother Teresa



### A Prayer for Lent

Please, Lord, guide my mind with your truth.  
Strengthen my life by the humble, obedient example of Jesus.  
He fulfilled your will by becoming human and suffering with us.  
He died so that I would no longer be separated from you.  
Help me to feel how close you are and to live in union with you.



## PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2022

WEEKLY GOAL \$ 6800

Collection\*: Feb 25—26\* \$ 4850

Deficit: \$ 1950

\* Includes Online Giving Weekly Average Deposit



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## A Night At The Opera

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## TRICKY TRAY

We are still in need of gifts for our Tricky Tray. **Gifts of NEW ITEMS are welcome and greatly appreciated by March 26th.**

Gifts may be left in the Sacristy at Church or, at the rectory Monday-Friday 10am to 1pm or, by contacting Eileen Reilly at **973-980-4209.**

## TRICKY TRAY

April 15, 2023



PIRATE TREASURE

**PAID RESERVATIONS  
NOW BEING ACCEPTED.**

**Tickets will be sold in Bundles.**

Registration & ticket order forms are available in church, on our website (\*see below) and from our reservation contacts:

**Ann Pflug - 973-325-2212**

**Annette Chiaramonte - 973-325-3545**

**Please make reservations by Monday, April 10th.**

\*Tricky Tray Event Detail Flier + Registration & Ticket Order Form

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