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Sunday, July 30, 2023 – Seventeenth 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

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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

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Sacrament of Confirmation (Grades 7-12)

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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,
I share with you this **ABRIDGED** article /reflection based from Crossroads Initiative about Mary Magdalene whose saint's feast day we observed on July 22:

(Source: <https://www.crossroadsinitiative.com/media/articles/mary-magdalene-apostle-to-the-apostles/>)

MARY MAGDALENE, APOSTLE TO THE APOSTLES - VATICAN Congregation for Divine Worship

In 2016, Pope Francis elevated the annual memorial of Mary Magdalene on July 22 to that of a Feast, the same status as celebrations of the apostles and evangelists.

This decision, in the current ecclesial context, seeks to reflect more deeply upon the dignity of women, on the new evangelization and on the greatness of the mystery of God's Mercy.

Saint John Paul II paid great attention not only to the importance of women in the mission of Christ and the Church, but also and with special emphasis on the particular role of Mary of Magdala as the first witness who saw the risen Christ, and as the first messenger who announced the Lord's resurrection to the Apostles (*Mulieris Dignitatem* n. 16). The importance of this continues today in the Church, as is evident in the new evangelization, which seeks to welcome all men and women "of every race, people, language and nation" (Rev 5: 9), without any distinction, to announce to them the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ while accompanying them on their earthly pilgrimage, and offering them the wonders of God's salvation.

Saint Mary Magdalene is an example of a true and authentic evangelizer, that is an evangelist who announces the central joyful message of Easter (cf. Collect for 22 July and the new Preface). It is precisely in the context of the Jubilee of Mercy that our Holy Father Pope Francis has taken this decision,

in order to underline the relevance of this woman "who so loved Christ and was so greatly loved by Christ", as Rabanus Maurus affirms on various occasions when he speaks of her ("dilectrix Christi et a Christo plurimum dilecta": *De vita Mariae Magdalenae*, Prologus), as well as Saint Anselm of Canterbury who says of her "chosen because you are beloved and beloved because you are chosen of God" ("electa dilectrix et dilecta electrix Dei": *Oratio LXXIII ad sanctum Mariam Magdalenam*).

Taking advantage of this opportune moment, I would like to underline two ideas inherent in the biblical and liturgical texts of this Feast which assist us to better grasp the importance of this holy woman for today. On the one hand, she has the honor to be the first witness of the Lord's resurrection ("prima testis" - *Hymnus, Ad Laudes matutinas*), the first who saw the empty tomb and the first to hear the truth about his resurrection. Christ showed special consideration and mercy to this woman who showed her love for Christ by seeking him in her anguish and suffering in the garden, or as Saint Anselm says in the prayer mentioned above with "lacrimas humilitatis" ("the tears of humility"). In this way it is possible to highlight the contrast between the woman present in the garden of paradise and the woman present in the garden of the resurrection. The first spread death where there was life; the second announced life from a sepulcher, the place of death. As Gregory the Great underlines: "Quia in paradiso mulier viro propinavit mortem, a sepulcro mulier viris annuntiat vitam" ("Indeed because a woman offered death to a man in Paradise, a woman announces life to the men from the tomb": *XL Hom. In Evangelia, lib. II, Hom. 25*).

Yet, there is more, as we see precisely in the garden of the resurrection where the Lord says to Mary, "Noli me tangere" ("Do not cling to me" Jn 20:17). This is an invitation to enter into an experience of faith that goes beyond materialistic assumptions and the human grasping after the divine Mystery which is not simply addressed to Mary but to the entire Church. This is an ecclesial moment!

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SATURDAY 29 JULY
5:30 pm Catherine Gascoyne

SUNDAY 30 JULY
7:30 am People of the Parish
9:30 am John Sharkey
11:30 am Alice McCauley

MONDAY 31 JULY
8:30 am Antonio & Marissa Matias (Thanksgiving)

TUESDAY 1 AUGUST
8:30 am Mary Ellen Bruno

WEDNESDAY 2 AUGUST
8:30 am Carol Ford (Special Intention)

THURSDAY 3 AUGUST
8:30 am Vivian Petrillo

FRIDAY 4 AUGUST
8:30 am Papu Paajanen

SATURDAY 5 AUGUST
5:30 pm Catherine Gascoyne

SUNDAY 6 AUGUST
7:30 am People of the Parish
9:30 am J.P. Sharkey
11:30 am Sean Michael Cassels



SUNDAY 30 JULY
7:30 am Mass in Church
9:30 am Mass in Church
11:30 am Mass in Church

MONDAY 31 JULY
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.

THURSDAY 3 AUGUST
10:00 am Deadline for News & Announcements for the AUG. 13th Bulletin. Call the Rectory at 973-325-0110.

SATURDAY 5 AUGUST
4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church
5:30 pm Mass in Church

SUNDAY 6 AUGUST
7:30 am Mass in Church
9:00 am Rosary in Church
9:30 am Mass in Church
11:30 am Mass in Church

This scribe is “like a householder who brings out of his treasure...”

- God’s word is a prized “treasure” (Psalms 19:7-10; 119:14; Ephesians 3:8; Colossians 2:2-3)
- Both the old and new revelations of God’s word are treasures.
- They are connected treasures – one rests upon the other



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE AUGUST 5 - 6, 2023			
Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	
5:30 pm	Pat Sigalas	Lou Volpe (Choir)	
7:30 am	MaryEllen Chandler	Patricia Saway	
9:30 am	Carol Ford	Annette Chiaramonte	
11:30 am	Lynda Clement	Carmelita Dizon	



Joan Clarke
Mary McGuiness
Joan Monik
Pat Schoeler

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

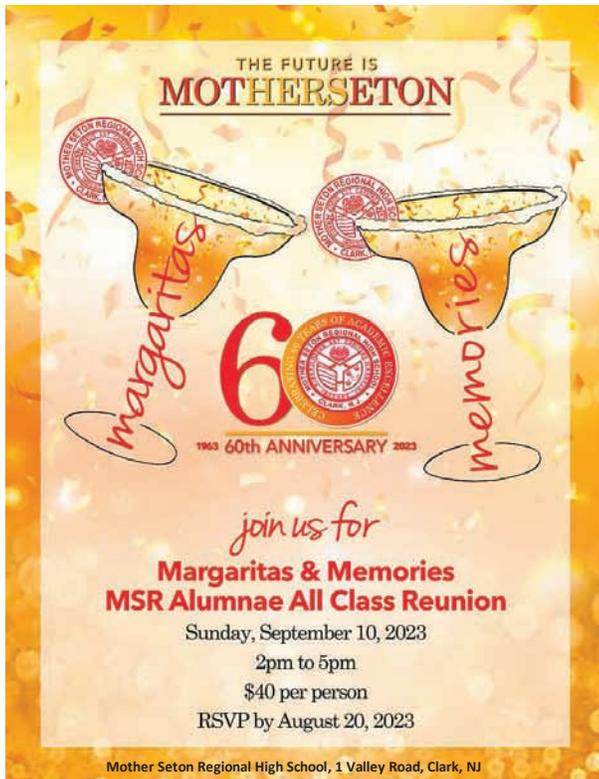
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This is an important lesson for every disciple of Jesus Christ to neither seek human securities nor the vain-glory of this world, but in faith to seek the living and risen Christ! On the other hand, precisely because she was an eyewitness to the risen Christ, she was also the first one to bear witness to him before the Apostles. She fulfils the command of the Risen Lord: "Go to my brethren and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples 'I have seen the Lord' and she told them that he had said these things to her" (Jn 20:17-18).

Author: Most Reverend Arthur Roche, Archbishop, Secretary of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments

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In Christ's Peace,
Father Jim Ferry



For more information and to Register, please visit the school's website at <https://motherseton.org>. Click on the 60th Anniversary Celebration Events link then on Margarita's & Memories.

Church Capital Investment Fund Raffle

2 drawings for \$500 on each date → 	2023 December 2
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PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2022	
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Collection*: July 15-16*	\$ 4137
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7:30PM - 10PM

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