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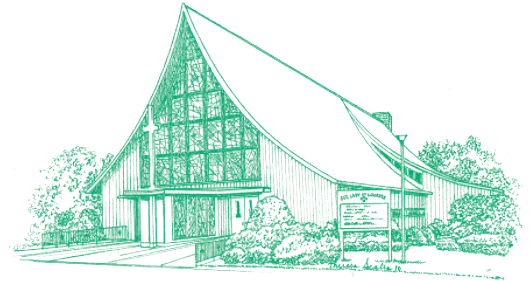
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PARISHES OF OUR LADY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Masses

4:00 pm Our Lady of Loreto 5:15 pm Our Lady of Lourdes

Confessions: 3:00 pm at Our Lady of Loreto

3:30 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes

Sunday Lord's Day

7:30 am Our Lady of Lourdes 9:30 am Our Lady of Lourdes

10:30 am Our Lady of Loreto

Holy Day of Obligation

5:15 pm Vigil Our Lady of Loreto 8:00 am Our Lady of Lourdes

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon., Tues., and Fri. at Loreto at 8:00 am

Mon. through Sat. at Lourdes at 8:00 am

NEW PARISHIONERS

We are happy to welcome new members to our parish family. Please introduce yourself after Mass. We invite you to stop at the parish office to register or to call the office and a form will be forwarded to you. Welcome!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Dear Friends,



Everyday seems to bring new stories of shootings, killings and robberies in Worcester. We are witnessing an ever-increasing vortex of violence in neighborhoods not too far from our own. The national news is also filled with tragic stories and crimes of violence and hate. We read about Planned Parenthood's trafficking in aborted baby parts, selling the precious remains of God's children to the highest bidder without a scintilla of guilt or remorse. The international scene is replete with news of gruesome murders and beheadings of Christians in the Middle East. Evil seems to have gripped our world and wants to bring it to its knees. We must confront these many faces of evil with new resolve, with prayer, more committed faith, daily recitation of the rosary and increased reception of the sacraments, particularly the Eucharist.

That is why, starting this weekend Father Martinez and I will invite you to pray with us the Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel before the final blessing at every Mass. As many of you know, Saint Michael is the angel who battled Lucifer or Satan and cast him and the other fallen angels out of heaven. Copies of this prayer can be found in the pews. Please feel free to take a copy of this prayer home with you. We can easily produce more. This is a powerful prayer and I can attest to its efficacy. Evil can only exist and thrive if we become complacent and weak in our faith. As Saint Peter says in his first letter: "Be sober and vigilant. Your opponent the devil is prowling around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, knowing that your fellow believers throughout the world undergo the same sufferings."(I Peter 5:8-9)

Monsignor Pedone

COLUMBUS DAY PARADE NEWS UPDATE:

Tickets are NOW ON SALE for the "Outstanding Italian" banquet in honor of 2015 Grand Marshal, Henry Camosse, Jr., Saturday, September 19. Cocktails at 6:00 pm, Dinner at 7:30 pm. Entertainment by JAZZED UP. Donation is \$45/pp. For tickets call: 508-791-4230 or 508-868-2589.

Worcester Columbus Day Parade applications are now being accepted. Visit www.worcestercolumbusdayparade.com. All proceeds fund the Worcester Columbus Day Parade on Sunday, October 11, 2015, 12:30 pm.



INSTALLATION OF MSGR. PEDONE AS PASTOR OF OUR LADY OF LORETO SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20—10:30 AM

Bishop Robert McManus will be the principal celebrant of Mass, during which Msgr. Pedone will be installed. A light reception will follow in the Parish Center. All are invited.

Weekly Bulletin Change

As of September 5/6, Our Lady of Loreto and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel will share a common weekly bulletin - one more step in the continuing collaboration of our two parishes.

Congratulations to Chizoma Nosike who was installed as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at Loreto on Sunday, Aug. 23 during the 10:30 am Mass; and to her children, Nkiru and Mebi, who were installed as Altar Servers at the same time

SANCTUARY CANDLE REMEMBRANCE AT LORETO

**AUGUST 31-SEPTEMBER 6
CHURCH SANCTUARY CANDLE**
Theresa Saulnier By Husband, Frank

Loreto Financial Stewardship

For the week ending August 23, 2015

Income

Offertory	\$ 2,351.00
Funeral Stipends	600.00
Mass Stipends	115.00
Assumption	71.00
Maintenance	50.00
Catholic Free Press	30.00
Candles	4.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,221.00

Excluding monies restricted to specific needs, we paid the following bills with this week's deposit and from our reserve in the checking account:

Expenses

Lawn & Grounds (June—Partial Payment)	\$ 600.00
Electricity (Entire Campus)	539.01
Funeral Stipends	400.00
Repairs & Maintenance	375.45
Salaries & Wages	354.00
Payroll Taxes (July)	346.75
Organists	250.00
Telephone (Entire Campus)	222.92
Internet Access & Cable	158.48
Natural Gas (Church & Rectory)	25.42
TOTAL	\$ 3,272.03

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings for the Week of August 30, 2015

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Col 1:15-20/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

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WEEKLY HYMNS AT LOURDES

August 30—Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

#710—Grant to Us, O Lord (S)

#900—Prayer of St. Francis (S)

#898—O God of Love (LOURDES) (S)

#920—Lord, Your Almighty Word (ITALIAN HYMN)

Mass of Creation:

#378—Holy, Holy, Holy

#379—Memorial Acclamation A

#380—Great Amen

#381—Lamb of God

Rest in Peace

We, the parish communities of Our Lady of Lourdes and Our Lady of Loreto extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Carl Schaeffer. May God grant him peace forever and bring comfort to his family and friends.



2015-2016 Religious Education News for Our Lady of Lourdes and Our Lady of Loreto

REGISTRATION Schedule:

Saturday, Sept. 5, after 5:15 Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes

Sunday, Sept. 6 after the 9:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes

Sunday, Sept. 13—CCD Sunday—9:30 am Mass

Teacher's Commissioning

Registration following Mass

Confirmation parents Meeting

Sunday, Sept. 20 CCD BEGINS for all grades 1-9 and

Confirmation class

Catholic School Students:

Grade 2 must attend CCD classes in order to receive Penance and First Communion

Grade 9 must attend CCD classes in order to receive Confirmation in the FALL of 2016

Loreto Parishioners: Registration forms are available in the Loreto office for those who are unable to register at Lourdes on September 5, 6 or 20.

Pope Francis says...



More from *Laudato Si!*:

“*Laudato Si, mi Signore*” - ‘Praise be to you, my Lord.’ In the words of this beautiful canticle, St. Francis of Assisi reminds us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. This sister now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her. We have come to see ourselves as her lords and masters, entitled to plunder her at will...The earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth. In many parts of the planet, the elderly lament that once beautiful landscapes are now covered with rubbish. Industrial waste and chemical products utilized in cities and agricultural areas can lead to bio-accumulation in the organisms of the local population, even when levels of toxins in those places are low. Frequently no measures are taken until after people’s health has been irreversibly affected.”

OUR LADY OF LOURDES: Altar Servers End of Summer Trip. Contact Kristin Rocanti at 508-579-2367.

Altar Servers Needed: If you would like to be part of our Youth Altar Servers group, please contact Ed Rocanti at 508-579-7346.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WOMEN’S RETREAT: Sat., Sept. 26, 9:30 am, at Sacred Heart -St. Catherine of Sweden Parish. 596 Cambridge St., Worcester. Topic, “Prayer and Forgiveness,” to be presented by Sister Janet Provost from 10 am—noon, followed by lunch. Donation: \$6. Please RSVP by Sept. 19 to Jo Luikey, 508-755-2300.

WORCESTER COUNTY CURSILLO “DAY OF RE-NEWAL”: Topic, “Love Your Catholic Faith,” Sat., Oct. 3, 10 am—3:30 pm, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Center, 24 Mulberry St., Worcester. Music, lunch, raffles, and more. Tickets: \$15 before 9/21/15, \$20 after 9/21. Call Dave Tittle at 508-248-5555 for information and tickets.

Mark Your Calendar

Mon., Aug., 31—3:00 pm—Prayer Group @ Loreto Mary House

Tues., Sept. 1— 7:00 pm—Knights of Columbus @ Loreto

Sun., Sept. 6— Religious Education registration following the 9:30 am Mass @ Lourdes

LOURDES WEEKLY COLLECTION

Weekly Need \$ 4,250.00

For 8/22 & 8/23 Offertory \$ 2,806.00

51 week average Offertory \$ 3,303.79

Thank You

AUGUST 30, 2015

To the People of Our Lady of Lourdes

In 2008, Our Lady of Loreto and Our Lady of Lourdes began a journey of collaboration in anticipation of what we expected to result in a new configuration of our two parishes. That collaboration involved a combined bulletin, a combined Religious Education program, the sharing of lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, a meshing of Mass schedules, joining our communities on Holy Thursday and Good Friday and for Lenten Stations of the Cross and more. Many friendships in Jesus were formed.

Fortunately for both parishes, a new plan is now in place that aligns Our Lady of Loreto with Our Lady of Mt. Carmel with a common pastor, Msgr. Pedone; and Our Lady of Lourdes will move ahead independent of Our Lady of Loreto. While we are excited about our new beginning, we will miss our close collaboration with all of you. We hope that we will continue to see some of you at our Masses and vice versa. You will always be welcome here. May God bless you as you move forward as a parish.

And special regards to you, Fr. O'Shea, as you begin your delayed retirement as of September 1. It has been a pleasure and privilege to work and worship with you during the past 7 years. May you have many years of healthy and productive retirement.

***Deacon Paul and all of the
parishioners of Our Lady of
Loreto Parish***

AUGUST 30, 2015



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2015

8:00 am—**Lourdes**—*Morning Mass*
4:00 pm—**Loreto**—*Frances Kelley* By Rosemarie Rae
5:15 pm—**Lourdes**—*Lord's Day Mass*

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 30, 2015

7:30 am – **Lourdes**—Pepino, Pauline & Thomas Pellegrino
By Fran & Santino
9:30 am – **Lourdes**—*Edward & Margaret Santon, Robert & Claire Parker & Mildred Hanlon* By Family
10:30 am – **Loreto** – “*Baby Doe*” By Maria Caricchio

MONDAY, AUGUST 31, 2015

8:00 am –**Loreto**—*John Kris* By AnnaRosa Steinys
8:00 am –**Lourdes**—*Morning Mass*

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2015

8:00 am – **Loreto**—*John Kibelkstis* By AnnaRosa Steinys
8:00 am – **Lourdes**—*Morning Mass*

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2015

8:00 am – **Lourdes**—*Morning Mass*

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2015

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

8:00 am—**Lourdes**—*Mass for the People of Our Lady of Lourdes*
7:30 pm—**Lourdes**—*Baptism Prep in Rectory*

FIRST FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2015

8:00 am—**Loreto**—*Mass for the People of Our Lady of Loreto*
8:00 am—**Lourdes**—*Souls in Purgatory*
8:30 am —4:30 pm —**Lourdes** —*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*

FIRST SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2015

BLESSED TERESA OF CALCUTTA

8:00 am—**Lourdes**—*Morning Mass*
4:00 pm—**Loreto**—*Elmer Sjosten (B)* By Family And
Teresa Saulnier (2A) By Husband & Family
5:15 pm—**Lourdes**—*Lord's Day Mass*

Confessions: 3:00 pm at Loreto
3:30 pm at Lourdes

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 6, 2015

7:30 am – **Lourdes**—*Mass for the People of Our Lady of Lourdes*
9:30 am – **Lourdes**—*Martin McManus*
10:30 am – **Loreto** – *Frances Kelley* By Rosemarie Rae

Members of the family requesting the Mass are asked to bring the gifts of bread and wine to the altar. Please make yourselves known to the Hospitality Ministers and position yourselves when it is convenient to join the Offertory Procession.

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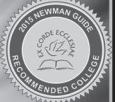
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