

The Catholic Community of

OUR LADY OF LORETO CHURCH

MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of Loreto is a Catholic Community brought together by the belief that Jesus is Lord. We are called to share in His mission to bring about the Kingdom of God in our midst by proclaiming the Good News of Jesus in word and deed. Therefore, we pledge ourselves to build a community where all are welcomed, loved, needed, and appreciated. We will recognize and affirm the gifts and talents of one another while proclaiming the ideal of shared ministry. We make this pledge in confidence that the Lord will assist us and bless us as we strive to realize this vision.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Daily

Tuesday & Thursday, 8:00 a.m. Mass

Weekend

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mass



SACRAMENTS

Baptisms:

Parish registration for baptism is required. Pre-baptism instruction is required. Please call the parish office for appointment. 203-757-6112

Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturdays 3:30 p.m.

Weddings:

Contact the parish office six months in advance. 203-757-6112

Sick Calls:

Please contact the parish office if you are homebound, in the hospital or in a nursing home. 203-757-6112

Right of Christian Initiation of Adults

(RCIA)-The process of initiating the unbaptized into the Catholic Faith and to bring uncatechized Catholics into full participation in our Faith.

STAFF

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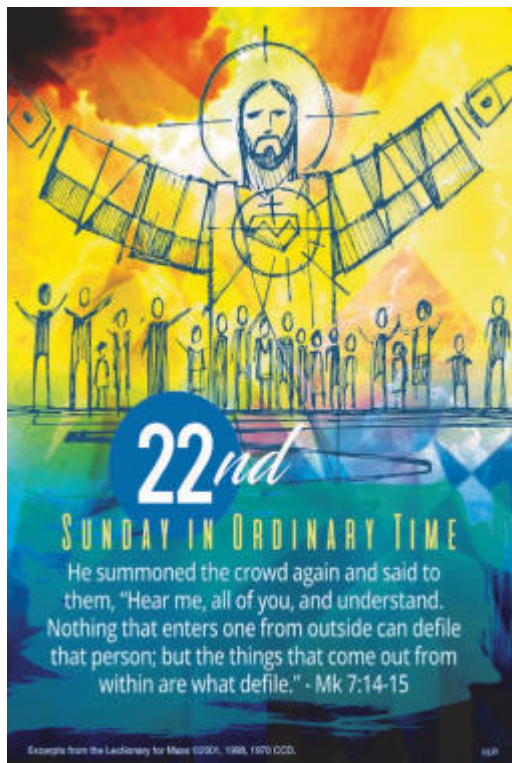
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Church News

SATURDAY, Aug 28, Vigil, 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 p.m. Our Parish Family

SUNDAY, Aug 29, 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 a.m. Our Parish Family

TUESDAY, Aug 31, Weekday
8:00 a.m. Birthday Remembrance
† Anita Mylis
by Margie and Mike Testa & family

THURSDAY, Sep 2, Weekday
8:00 a.m. 5th Anniversary Remembrance
† Maryellen Hogrefe
by the family



SATURDAY, Sep 4, Vigil, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 p.m. Birthday Remembrance
† Justin Galullo
by the family

SUNDAY, Sep 5, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 a.m. † Barbara Nowacki
The Dubai Family

The Holy Mass is the most precious gift one can offer for another person. Remembering someone with a Mass honors him or her in a unique way surrounding them with the warmth of God's love. A Mass may be offered for anyone, living or deceased. To arrange a Mass please call the parish office.



- ◆ Please note: The Archdiocese of Hartford suggests everyone wear masks at mass.
- ◆ Thank you for your non-perishable food donations for the St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry.
- ◆ Religious Education registration forms are due no later than 8/30/21. Please see our website for the forms and additional information.
- ◆ The 2022 mass book will be opening on Monday, August 30th! Please contact the office to schedule your mass and sanctuary candle intentions for 2022.
- ◆ Next weekend, Sept 4/5, there will be a special collection (not scheduled) requested by the USCCB for the earthquake victims of Haiti.

~ Have a blessed week ~

Parish Collection

Aug 21/22, 2021

1st collection: \$ 2,577

Thank you for your financial support!!

- * Offertory amounts include mass collections, online giving and mail-in contributions for various collections.

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

What makes a person wise and intelligent? Certainly it is not the ability to memorize facts or minute details about a situation. What makes a person wise and intelligent is when their words and actions harmoniously unite and produce virtue. A person can know many facts and even do the right actions but still have a grave flaw in their character. We sometimes want to delude ourselves into thinking that as long as we are "doing" everything correctly, we are automatically in right relationship with all. Such is sadly not the case in the kingdom of God. We are called not to be just hearers of the Word, but doers as well. That means getting to the heart of what laws and rituals are meant to signify and nurture. If we do not bring the actions home, where they belong, and allow them to speak of the goodness, mercy, compassion, and love of God, then they are simply empty worthless gestures. Welcome the Word that has been planted within you so that you can be a truly wise and intelligent disciple of Jesus Christ.



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for God's protection, strength, and hope for the people of Afghanistan and Haiti.

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Give it all Back

Pop culture has given us a unique idea of the term justice. Justice, we often think, is about taking. Taking what's owed. Taking revenge. Taking what we deserve. This worldview tends to make mincemeat of our Catholic social teachings. Seeking the good of the poor, a call to community and participation, solidarity — on the face of it, in a society where everything must be earned and we are encouraged to hoard for ourselves whatever success we can achieve, these principles look a lot like highway robbery.

But when you remember the presence of an omnipotent, all-loving and all-merciful God, it turns our gunslinging sense of justice on its head. For how does justice inhabit the same universe as a God who is so quick to give and indeed to forgive?

Well, very easily, when we remember Who exactly is the source of every good and perfect thing in this world. There is no law that cannot be traced back to the Word. And the Word saves our souls.

Is that justice? No, that is a gift. It is the reckless, indulgent gift of a father whose love is greater than His anger. What is justice in the Biblical sense?

The answer is simple. Look at your life. See the hours in your day? See your spouse, your kids, your grandkids? See the house they live in, the money in your wallet, the food in your fridge, the breath in your lungs?

Calling it all your own, refusing to share any of it — that's robbery. Giving it all back to the One who gave it to you — that's justice.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Divorce Support Group

BE A SURVIOR - NOT A VICTIM!

The Separated/Divorced Support Group is a 10 week program to help participants regain balance in their lives. The pain and suffering that accompanies a marital breakup is a shared experience with all who have been in this situation. The group will help participants understand what they are going through and that others have gone through the same things.

The group has a maximum of 10 participants in order to insure everyone has a chance to experience the program. The facilitator has survived divorce and her experiences and educational background make her most qualified to conduct the sessions.

If you are recently separated or divorced and are interested in attending our meetings or would like to learn more about the group, and to register, please contact Barbara at 203-910-1561. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

The Fall 2021 session begins Wednesday, September 22, 2021. Meetings are held in the Our Lady of Loreto Church Hall and are 6:30pm—8pm. Registration deadline is September 15, 2021.



A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus warns "what comes from within can defile" a person. Families need to worry about "outside influences" but also about "inside influences." The values our children carry for a life time are learned at home. Habits of the Hearth are the most powerful influences on a child. That's the good news! That can also be the bad news!



2021 Annual Parish Appeal



Shortly, each registered parish family will receive a mailing regarding our parish annual appeal which runs from September through December. It is our hope and prayer that every parish household will make a gift or pledge to this collection. Please be as generous as your means and current circumstances permit. Thank you for your many acts of kindness and compassion in support of your parish and for sharing Our Lord's gift of time, talent and treasure.

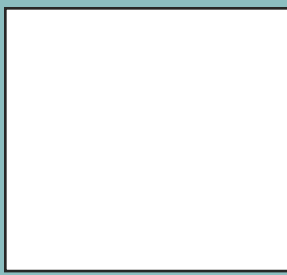
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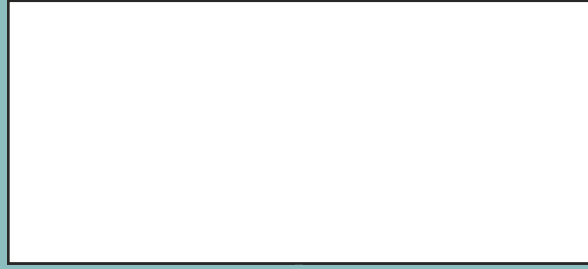



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