

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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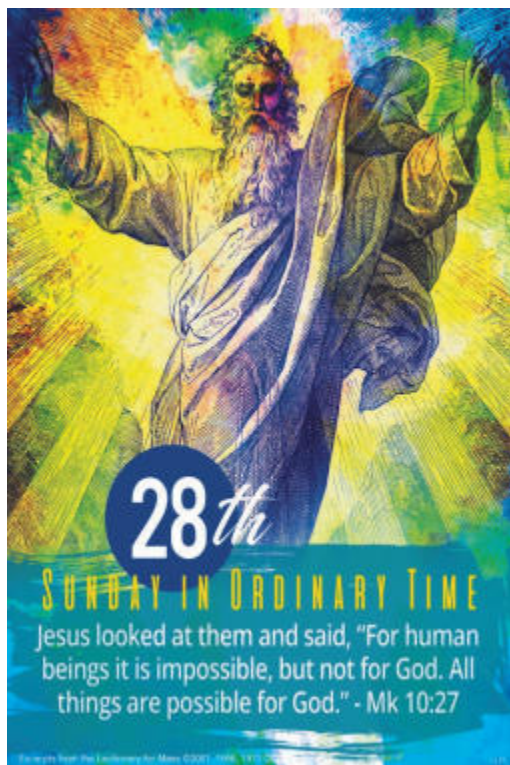
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Church News

SATURDAY, Oct 9, Vigil, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 p.m. Our Parish Family

SUNDAY, Oct 10, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 a.m. † Margaret Mary Redfield
by her cousins

TUESDAY, Oct 12, Weekday
8:00 a.m. Our Parish Family

THURSDAY, Oct 14, St. Callistus I
8:00 a.m. † Walter and Genevieve Krzykoski
by The Dubay Family

SATURDAY, Oct 16, Vigil, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 p.m. † Liberatore, Lemme and Polidoro
Families
by the family

SUNDAY, Oct 17, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 a.m. 1st Anniversary Remembrance
† Mary Fusco
by the family

- ◆ 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.
- ◆ The 2022 mass book is open! Please contact the office to schedule your mass and sanctuary candle intentions for 2022.
- ◆ Thank you for submitting your LaBonne's receipts!
- ◆ St. Paul Catholic High School, Bristol, will be holding an open house on Saturday, Oct. 16th and Sat., Nov.20th. Placement exams are Sat., Nov 6th or Sat., Dec. 11th. Visit www.spchs.com for more information.

~ Have a blessed week ~

The women of Our Lady of Loreto parish are cordially invited to attend the Blessed Sacrament DIVAS Ladies Group meeting on Thursday, October 14th at 6:30pm.

The DIVAS (Divinely Inspired Victorious And Serving) Ladies Group will be making "thank you" cards for our Veterans. We will be completing them that night so our Vets can receive them on Veterans Day. All supplies will be provided. Simply show up with your mask (per Archdiocesan guidelines) and bring a pen and scissors.

The meeting will be held in the Our Lady of Loreto church hall from 6:30pm to approximately 7:45pm. Questions: call Linda at 203-768-9734.

Parish Collection

Oct 2/3, 2021

1st collection: \$ 2,181

2nd collection; monthly: \$ 744

Weekly offertory goal: \$3,500

Please prayerfully consider giving just \$2 or \$3 more to help meet our weekly goal.

Thank you for your financial support!!

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

THANKFUL
GRATEFUL
BLESSED

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.



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in loving memory of the 6 months remembrance of

Jill Iava Perrone

requested by her family

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Presumption can be a great sin. We can easily convince ourselves that as long as we do the bare minimum or master the basics, it is sufficient. Love doesn't operate this way. If we are truly in love with God, then the basics are not going to be enough. That love is going to want to get expressed in going above and beyond, in leaving the comfortable and familiar, in stretching and growing and in following a voice other than our own. This is what those who are truly in pursuit of wisdom come to realize. Just like any human relationship worth achieving reveals, we never reach a plateau in following the Gospel or growing in wisdom and holiness. Wisdom is the rudder that guides us through all of life's attractions and options. It alone determines what is worth pursuing and what must be left behind. That is why those who are only concerned about checking the boxes and doing the least amount possible often walk away sad when offered God's gift of life eternal. They are not truly in love.

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

If Heaven were like Harvard

There's no getting around it: life on earth can seem easier if you're rich. Most of the bodily and material needs a person could have are fulfilled if you've got a little bit of money behind you. So why doesn't this same theory apply to entering the kingdom of Heaven? Why isn't Heaven like an Ivy League school, where a connection and a hasty tuition check might open a lot of doors?

When you think about it, the virtues required to enter Heaven — things like charity and justice and courage — should be even closer within the grasp of those who never had to worry about where their food is coming from. In theory, your capacity for good works should only increase with the resources at your disposal.

The same is true for stewardship potential. Let's say I've got a lot of talent. Maybe I've got a lot of free time. On paper, it should be easier for me to give freely of these gifts, because I have the luxury that eluded the widow and her two coins: I can see my ample gift being put into action, when so many can only offer what they have and remind themselves that God sees it and appreciates it.

But here we get into the mess of humanity: if we have a lot of something, it means we have a lot of something we could use any way we want. And then we hear the whisper of the serpent: Think of what this (money, time, talent) could do for you.

May we pray for God to give us the heart of the widow, no matter our resources.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



We are pleased to announce that

Louis Ponzillo, Jr.

has been awarded the
**Saint Joseph Archdiocesan
Medal of Appreciation.**

Lou's service to the parish during the pandemic was, and continues to be invaluable.

Archbishop Blair will be presenting the awards at The Cathedral of St. Joseph, Hartford, on Sunday, October 17th at 11am.

Please join us in congratulating Lou on this well deserved recognition.

Thank you for your service Lou!

2021 Annual Parish Collection



We are very grateful for the generosity shown by so many to our Annual Collection. God has blessed us abundantly. If you have not yet had an opportunity to return your pledge card, please do as soon as possible. Every gift is welcome and sincerely appreciated. **Thank You!**

Annual Parish Collection Statistics (as of 9/30/21)

Goal: \$30,000

Total # of Households: 238

Total # Pledged: 67

% of Participation: 28.15%

Total Amount Pledged \$13,255.00

Average Pledge: \$179.84

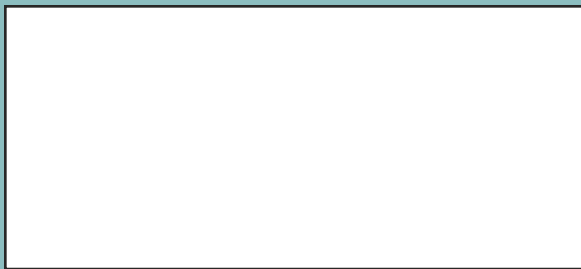
Total Amount Paid: \$12,555.00

% of Pledges Collected: 94.72%





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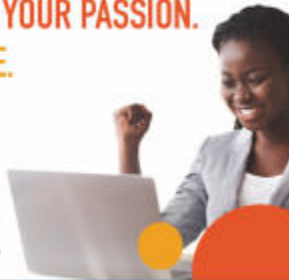
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