Our Lady of Loretto School
Faculty and Staff
2016-17

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 21, 2016

OUR LADY OF LORETTO PARISH
“Empowered by the Spirit of God we celebrate Jesus’ presence in Prayer, Liturgy, Sacrament and Service”
Please pray for our parishioners who are sick and suffering that they may know the embrace of Christ’s healing love.


We are updating our prayer list and have removed names which have been on the list for some time. Please call the Rectory to have someone included on the Prayer List.
TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading — Brothers and sisters of every race and language will be brought to Jerusalem (Isaiah 66:18-21).
Psalm — Go out to all the world and tell the Good News (Psalm 117).
Second Reading — Be strong and endure your trials as the “discipline” of a loving God, for it will result in the peaceful fruit of righteousness (Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13).

TEMPTATION
The average number of times that people say “no” to temptation is about once, weakly.
—Anonymous

Mass Times
Monday—Friday 9:00 am
Saturday 9:00am
5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)
7pm Spanish Vigil Mass has been suspended for the month of July
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12 Noon Spanish Mass

Eucharistic Adoration
Every Friday
9:30am-5:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 3:00pm-4:00 pm

Rosary
Monday—Thursday after
9am Mass and 5:30pm
Friday after 9am Mass and at 5pm
Sunday at 3:00pm

Baptisms
Please contact the Rectory—Catechesis Required

Marriages
Please contact the Rectory at least 6 months in advance

Our Lady of Loretto
St. Vincent de Paul Society
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FROM PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GRADES 1-6
REGISTRATION IS OPEN

HAPPY SUMMER! Registration is open for the 2016-2017 school year. Please visit our website www.ollnovato.org where you will find our registration form. Early registration is appreciated. Please note that our office is moving and our drop off/pick up procedures are being changed/improved to ensure the safety of your children. Information is available on the webpage (see family letter & parking lot diagram). Classes will continue to be held in the school. If you have any questions, don’t hesitate to email: amy@ollnovato.org
Dear Friends,

I was so happy to hear that we had 26 of our young people go to the Steubenville Conference in San Diego and 6 of our parishioners were in Krakow for World Youth Day. The Spirit is alive and well here at OLL.

School started last Thursday. Summer was much too short!

Please put your “religious stuff” in the bookstand in the vestibule of the Church. When you put your stuff on the tables, it becomes junky. Any stuff you leave on the tables will be thrown away.

Father McCain reminded me that in December of 2017, we will be celebrating the 125th Anniversary of our parish. Anyone interested in forming an anniversary Committee?

Have a Great Week!

Father Brian

DISCIPLINE

It is no accident that the words “disciple” and “discipline” are nearly identical. Their relationship in Christian faith and life, however, has fallen somewhat out of favor in the past generation, as certain prescribed Church rules and regulations have been reduced and relaxed. These rules were often referred to as “disciplines.” We are mistaken, however, to think that it no longer takes discipline to follow Christ. The Letter to the Hebrews assures us of that today. Our discipline is more like that of an athlete pursuing a victory or a personal best, or a musician striving for a concert career or to master a new piece of music. This discipline comes from desire, not from regulations. It was the desire to do the will of God that led Jesus on the path to his cross. It is that same desire he encourages in us today: to strive to enter through the narrow gate, to find ourselves in the kingdom with a surprising assortment of people who are there not because of mere observation of rules, but out of a genuine desire to recline at the table of the heavenly banquet.
PRESENTATION/FUNDRAISER FOR HOSPITAL IN NIGERIA

WELCOME FATHER EDWARD !!!

A presentation will be done by retired nurse, Angela Testani and Fr. Edward Inyanwachi on the life and medical needs of the people in a village in the State of Ebonyi, Nigeria. The fundraiser will be supporting the supply and shipping of medical/surgical supplies and equipment. The following are the dates, times, and locations for the presentations/ fundraiser.

AUGUST 21st (Sunday) @ OUR LADY OF LORETTO CHURCH (Novato) following the 10:00AM Mass

For further information, you may contact Angela Testani @ 415 586-5754.

COME SEE FATHER EDWARD AND HELP IN THIS WORTHY ENDEAVOR.

WE WILL HAVE REFRESHMENTS AND THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE IN THE PIAZZA FOLLOWING MASS ON AUGUST 21st.

FROM OLL YOUTH MINISTRY & CONFIRMATION

Registration is OPEN for 2016-17 Confirmation classes! Forms have been sent by mail to returning families and are available in the church entrances and on the parish website. Opening meetings for parents will be held in the OLL School library on September 12 (Middle School) and September 13 (High School), both at 7pm. If You have students in both programs, plan to attend the 9/13 meeting ONLY. Please mark your calendars.

RCIA

Are you an adult Catholic who wants to learn more about your Catholic Faith? Perhaps you received your First Communion as a child, but never went on to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation? Do you know someone who is intrigued by the Catholic Church and would like to better understand her teachings and possibly, one day, choose this Faith for themselves? Our Lady of Loretto will be offering classes through our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) process this coming school year and we’d love for you to join us. Watch this space for more information or contact Annie Troy (annie@ollnovato.org, 415-897-2171 x277) to learn more.

As we begin our school year, let’s remember our students and teachers in a special way. Have a great year everyone!!

Prayer for Students

Lord our God,
in your wisdom and love you surround us with the mysteries of the universe.
Send your spirit upon these students and fill them with your wisdom and blessings.
Grant that they may devote themselves to their studies and draw ever closer to you, the source of all knowledge.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayer for Teachers

Lord God, your spirit of wisdom fills the earth and teaches us in your ways.
Look upon these teachers.
Let them strive to share their knowledge with gentle patience and endeavor always to bring the truth to eager minds.
Grant that we may follow Jesus Christ, the way, the truth and the life, forever and ever.
Amen
This Week at OLL
August 21—August 28

Sun. 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon.
Tue. Helping Hands Prayer Group—1pm—Church
   Perpetual Help Prayer Group—6pm—Chapel
   Al-Anon—Convent – 7:15pm
Wed. Our Lady’s Prayer Group—Church—7:30pm
Thurs. Choir—Church—6:30pm
Fri. Adoration—Chapel—9:30pm to 5:00pm
Sat. Cenacle—Chapel—9:30am
Sun. 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Esta semana en OLL
21 Agosto — 28 Agosto

Domingo: Vigesimo Primer Domingo Tiempo Ordinario
Martes: Helping Hands Grupo de Oración por la Iglesia-1 pm
   JPC Discípulos—Capilla del Convento—7 pm
   Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Socorro-Chapel-6 pm
   Al-Anon-Convento - 7:15 pm
Miércoles: Nuestra Señora Grupo de Oración- Capilla—7:30 pm
   Ensayo del Coro Espanol—Iglesia—7 pm
Jueves: Viernes: Adoration—Capilla—9:30 pm to 5 pm
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St. Vincent de Paul Second Collection
Thank you for your generous response to our St. Vincent de Paul collection a few weeks ago. We collected $7,417 for our SVDOP Conference to continue the good work that they perform.

God Bless You.

WORTHY TEACHERS
All who undertake to teach must be endowed with deep love, the greatest patience, and, most of all, profound humility. The Lord will find them worthy to become fellow workers with him in the cause of truth.
—St. Joseph Calasanz

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For a detailed brochure contact:
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DON’T MISS THIS TRIP OF A LIFETIME!!

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE
Hay quienes quieren negar los derechos de los inmigrantes latinos que llegan a los Estados Unidos en busca de una vida mejor. Esta injusticia es extraña ya que los hispanos llegamos al territorio estadounidense en 1513, 73 años antes de la llegada de los primeros anglosajones. Estos fueron Ponce de León y compañeros quienes buscaban una mejor vida en la famosa fuente de la juventud. Eventualmente los hispanos dejaron de buscar la ilusoria fuente y en 1565 en la fiesta de san Agustín (28 de Agosto), Pedro Menéndez de Avilés fundó la primera ciudad en Florida.

Gracias a su santo patrón esta ciudad ha podido sobrevivir ataques de invasores británicos y piratas, amenazas de huracanes y tempestades para convertirse en la ciudad más vieja de la Unión Americana. ¿Pero quién fue este santo? Agustín, fue un obispo africano, quien después de una vida desordenada se convirtió en uno de los santos mas importantes de la iglesia, gracias a las oraciones continuas de su madre santa Mónica.

Nunca debemos menospreciar el poder de las oraciones de una madre por sus hijos.

DIGNOS MAESTROS
Los que se comprometen a ejercer con la máxima solicitud la misión educadora han de estar dotados de una gran caridad, de una paciencia sin límites y, sobre todo, de una profunda humildad…para que el Señor…los haga idóneos cooperadores de la verdad.
—San José de Calasanz
Queridos amigos,

Estaba tan feliz de saber que teníamos 26 de nuestros jóvenes van a la Conferencia Steubenville en San Diego y 6 de nuestros feligreses estaban en Cracovia de la JMJ. El Espíritu está vivo y bien aquí en OLL.

La escuela comenzó el pasado jueves. El verano fue demasiado corto!

Por favor, ponga su "materia religiosa" en el atril en el vestíbulo de la Iglesia. Cuando pones tus cosas en las tablas, se convierte en adicto. Cualquier cosa que dejar en las mesas será desecharado.

Padre McCain me recordó que en diciembre de 2017, estaremos celebrando el 125 aniversario de nuestra parroquia. Cualquier persona interesada en la formación de Comité aniversario AMN?

¡Que tengas una buena semana!

Padre Brian

DISCIPLINA

No es accidente que las palabras “discípulo” y “disciplina” sean casi idénticas. Su relación en la fe y la vida cristianas, sin embargo, ha caído en desuso en la generación pasada debido a que ciertas reglas y regulaciones prescritas en la fe cristiana se han reducido o relajado. Estas reglas con frecuencia eran llamadas “disciplinas”. Nos equivocamos, sin embargo, si pensamos que ya no se necesita disciplina para seguir a Cristo. La Carta a los Hebreos nos lo asegura hoy. Nuestra disciplina es como la de un atleta que persigue una victoria o quiere ser el mejor, o como la de un músico que lucha por hacer carrera como concertista o por perfección en la ejecución de una nueva obra musical. Esta disciplina se basa en el deseo, no en las reglas. Fue el deseo de hacer la voluntad de Dios lo que motivó a Jesús en el camino hacia el calvario. Es ese mismo deseo el que él inspira en nosotros hoy: luchar por entrar por la puerta angosta, para encontrarnos en el Reino con muchas personas que están allí no solamente por observar las reglas, sino por un sincero deseo de reclinarse a la mesa del celestial banquete.

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