

September 8 2024  
Twenty-third Sunday  
in Ordinary Time



# OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Catholic Parish

REV. PRABHU AROCKIASAMY, PASTOR

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION,  
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND MASS  
SCHEDULES

SATURDAY  
3:15PM  
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & CONFESSION  
3:30 PM – HOLY ROSARY  
4:00 PM – HOLY MASS

SUNDAY  
8:00 AM – EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION  
8:30AM- HOLY MASS  
10:30 AM – EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION  
11:00AM- HOLY MASS

REGULAR WEEKDAYS  
TUESDAY–FRIDAY  
8:00 AM – HOLY MASS

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Study on Catholicism. Every Monday Evening @ 6:00pm & Every Tuesday Morning @ 9:00am. You're most welcome to attend

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES CASINO BUS TRIP**

Today September 8, 2024 12:30 PM—6:30 PM. Wish you'll a very happy fun filled time at casino. Enjoy your fellowship and fraternity at bus and casino.

**“St. Rose of Lima 2024 Drawdown,” Sat, October 19, 2024. for tickets & info; call Margaret Henken 731-816-8447**

**Happy Birthday to our Blessed Mother September, 8**



**WEEKLY READINGS**

Sunday 8 Is 35:4-7a Jas 2:1-5 Mk 7:31-37 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday 9 1 COR 5:1-8 Lk 6:6-11 Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest  
Tuesday 10 1 Cor 6:1-11 Lk 6:12-19 Tuesday of the Twenty-third Week in Ordinary Time  
Wednesday 11 1 Cor 7:25-31 Lk 6:20-26 Wednesday of the Twenty-third Week in Ordinary Time  
Thursday 12 1 COR 8:1B-7, 11-13 LK 6:27-38 Thursday of the Twenty-third Week in Ordinary Time  
Friday 13 1 COR 9:16-19, 22B-27 Lk 6:39-42 Memorial of Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
Saturday 14 NM 21:4B-9 PHIL 2:6-11 JN 3:13-17 Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

**Collection details :**

September 1 2024 Candle \$ 32  
First collection \$ 2975.73 Parish projects \$ 215 Total deposit \$ 3222.73  
**This weekend special collection for Burse Club/S.O.S September 15 Catholic University**



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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**2024Benefit Night 11/23/24 @ 5:00pm**  
Until our benefit night, after all Saturday & Sunday masses, Mrs. Sallie Washington, Mrs. Kathy Arnett & Mrs. Anna Scott will be selling the tickets for benefit night. So far, 260 tickets are out for sale.

November 20th is the last date to return the unsold tickets to the core team.

We need your sponsors and donations for the benefit night. After each weekend mass, Mrs. Angie Beasley sells \$ 50 raffle tickets, you're most welcome to buy.

September 22, 2024 after 8:30am mass, the whole Parish family is welcomed to attend the benefit night meeting.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 7 4:00 PM +DAVE BLALOCK LINDA OBLAK FOR SUCCESSFUL SURGERY

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8 8:30AM + TREY TORP

11:00 AM DODIE DUMAS & ANITA BARCLAY HEALTH & HEALING

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 10 8:00 AM OPENING

11:30 AM HEATHER LAWSON WASHINGTON HEALTH & HEALING

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 11 8:00AM + AUDREY BARNHILL

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 12 8:00 AM BUD WILSON

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 13 8:00 AM CHRISTINE DELONEY

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 14 4:00 PM +DOLORES DUFF +TOM HEFLIN

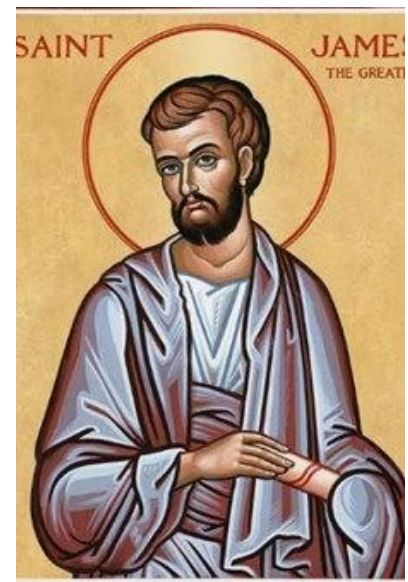
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 15 8:30AM +CYNTHIA NABER + FELIPE HERNANDEZ

11:00 AM BEASLEY FAMILY SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Eastern Shore Medical Weight Loss



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## St. James the Greater

Two of the Apostles had the same name, James. They were referred to as the Greater and the Lesser. St. James the Greater worked as a fisherman in the town of Bethsaida with his brother John, his father Zebedee and his fishing partner, Simon. Both John and James were followers of John the Baptist. James the Greater was the one who first recognized Jesus as the Messiah and brought the other disciples to him.

Peter, James and John were part of the inner circle of Jesus. These three witnessed the Transfiguration. They were witnesses to many of Jesus' miracles, such as the raising of Jarius' daughter from the dead and were also present in the Garden of Gethsemane.

James witnessed Christ's Ascension into Heaven and was present in the Upper Room when the Holy Spirit descended in tongues of fire upon the Apostles and the Blessed Mother. According to tradition, James the Greater preached the gospel in Spain after the Resurrection of Jesus. He was arrested by King Herod Agrippa I and at Herod's command was beheaded.

There is a legend which tells the story of St. James being led by a rope to his execution. As he passed a crippled man, the man begged James to heal him. James stopped and said, "In the name of Jesus Christ, for whom I am being led to execution, stand up and bless your Creator. The man stood up, completely cured and gave thanks to God.

James the Greater was born in Bethsaida in 5BC and died in the year 44 AD, at the age of 48 in Jerusalem. He is the only

Apostle whose date of death is recorded in the Bible. His remains were taken to Santiago, Spain. There he is called "El Señor Santiago" and is the Patron Saint of Spain. He is also the patron saint of soldiers, laborers, horsemen, veterinarians, arthritis sufferers, pilgrims, and pharmacists. His great shrine at Santiago de Compostela has been a place of pilgrimage for centuries. As many as 200,000 pilgrims travel there, by foot, every year to visit his tomb.

*Lord, open my mind and heart to the treasure of Your Truth as revealed in the Doctrine of the Real Presence. Grant that my eyes may see, through faith's vision, the wonders of Your Love in The Most Holy Eucharist. As I meditate on the mystery of Your Hidden Presence, I entreat You to increase my faith, enkindle my hope, and deepen my love for You, my Eucharistic King.*

*Amen*

**Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, Have mercy on us Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, pray for us St. James the Greater, pray for us**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Fr. Prabhu takes his 2024-annual priestly vacation starting 18th September till October 16. Weekday masses will not resume until October 22.**

**As usual, We will have only weekend masses (Saturday 4:00pm and Sunday 8:30am & 11:00am). No confessions & No adoration at weekend. On Saturdays we will have the recitation of the holy rosary at 3:30pm. Please pray for Fr. Prabhu's safe travels.**

**Dn. John Archer will do communion service during the weekdays, while Fr. Prabhu is on his Vacation. If he is busy, you're encouraged to other catholic churches for masses. He will inform you about his schedules.**

**The next DIP Ministry Food Pantry will be on Saturday September 7th at 9AM to 11AM at Parkway Southern Baptist Church, on the corner of DIP and Staples Rd. Food items can be left in the bin in the cry room of church. The ministry has been providing food for 100 families every month this year. Any questions please contact Deacon Archer through the office.**

### GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today we continue to hear the Gospel of Mark proclaimed. In today's reading, Jesus heals a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment. This is a story about Jesus' healing power, and in it we find clues about our understanding of sacrament. We are struck by the physical means used to heal the man, the use of spittle and touch. The Church continues to celebrate the sacraments using physical means. In the Sacrament of Baptism, water and oil are used to show the power of the Holy Spirit. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, we are anointed with holy oil on the forehead and the hands. In the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. We are a sacramental people who believe that God's grace is given to us through these physical signs. Some, however, see in this Gospel an image of the proclamation of the good news of Jesus to the Gentiles. The geographic references tell us that Jesus is journeying through Gentile territory. Jesus had previously visited this region and healed a person possessed by a demon. Jesus was already famous there, which explains why people brought the deaf man to him. The story that precedes this reading in Mark's Gospel sets the stage. Jesus encounters a Gentile, a Syrophenician woman who asks him to heal her demon-possessed daughter. Jesus engages her in a dialogue about not feeding to dogs the food intended for children. Jesus is struck by the woman's great faith when she replies that even dogs eat the food that falls from the table, and he heals her daughter immediately. The faith of this Greek woman compels Jesus to respond to her plea.

Mark shows that Jesus' own mission affirms the early Church's mission to the Gentiles. This was a significant issue to the early Christian community, which found that the good news of Jesus took root and spread quickly among the Gentiles. Yet there is an irony in the story of healing that Mark tells. Jesus gives the man the gift of speech, but then tells him not to use it. Jesus asks that the news of his healing power, which is evidence of his identity as the Messiah, not be spread. This is a recurring motif in Mark's Gospel and is sometimes called the "messianic secret."

Rev. Prabhu Arockiasamy

### Benefit night

**On the 23rd Benefit Night, the doors will open at 5:30pm instead of 5:00pm**

**October Month Benefit Night Meetings are as follow as**

**10/13/2024 after 8:30am Mass 10/27/2024 after 8:30am Mass**

**The parish family is welcomed to attend the meeting.**

**No monthly breakfast for the month of October**

### PRAYER LIST

Anita Barclay, Campbell Berger, Katherine Berger, Bethany Ann Boltz, Roy Williams, Logan Bowers, Jerry Boyes, Patrick Webb Brownlie-Carey, Noli Causay, Teresa Coleman, Lee Cooley, Peter Cooley, Anita Cowart, Daniel Dorriety, Marquitta Dukes, Dodie Dumas, Louise Frontz, Tony Lemon, Mary Ann Keith, Liz Kilborn, Edward Kimbrough, Debora Klaus, Steven Kuszynski, Shirley Lacy, Michael Langan, Alfred Leonard, Margie Lord, Rodney Lundy, Mary McKeough, Patricia McRoy, Craig Miley, Elaine Moore, Kenny Nixon, Tiffany Neese, Alex Paneda, Lita Paneda, Scott Peck, Ursula Quintana, Kaitlyn Reynolds, Simon Schum, Cindy Snow, Mandy Spotswood, Curtis Steiner, Rita Steink, Todd Stringfellow, Rudy Thomas, Katelyn Thomas, Rudy Thomas, Rudy Visperas, Melanie Wacker, Albert Washington, Heather Washington, Darlene Watson, Lou Watt, Brad Wells, Bubba Williams, Bobby Zarate, Diane Little, Joyce Ladnier, Roy Still, William Patrick A, Fred L. Lorge, Joan A. Lorge, Barbara Smith, Frank Seltzer, Dennis Cottrell, Pete, Sam Barksdale, Joey Murphy, Damian Turk, John O'Conner, Megan, Stephen Wiese, Matthew wiese, Raymond Floyes, George E. Merren, Jr, Mary Ann Fletchery, Pat McKeough, Mathew Wilson, Eddie Booth Jr, Helen Bender, Paige Ellis, Eunice Miles, Gloria Leslie, Diana Holifield, Janet & John Frazier, Henry Hoven, Ronnie Hudson, Jewanda Taylor Jowe, Nicholas Balch, Jean Stanley, Colleen O'Rourke, Perry Hockaday, David Curtis, Kristi D Young, Beth Kenny, Chad Gorlett, Ted Beasley, Mark Tra-nier, Barbara Tra-nier, Linda, David, Pat, Carlson, Mike Bell Jr., John, Jane wigley, Darlene O'Rourke, Arlette cooper, Kendra Vallet, Lee Spafford, Tony Robertson, Linda Oblak, Blair Elizabeth Reusser, Lee Spafford, Perry Hockaday, Nicholas Balch, Jean Stansley, Melanie Wacker & Bernadette Mctagette.

### MASS OPENING

**October 6, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30, 31 2024. Opening**

**September 12, 2024 @ 6:00pm Parish Finance council meeting**

**We will have recitation of the Holy Rosary at our grotto, honoring our Blessed Mother Mary in the month of October, everyday Monday through Friday @ 5:30pm**