### SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2016 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

5:00PM Connors & Gargiulo Families

8:00AM Rose Zilocchi

10:00AM Adam Morin

12:00PM Gelsomina Marchesani

MONDAY, APRIL 25

ST. MARK

8:00AM Dec'd Mbrs. Vecchione Fam.

11:30AM Anton Kirincich

**TUESDAY, APRIL 26** 

8:00AM Maria Rici Mattesich

11:30AM Rose Vella

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

8:00AM Carmela & John Morin

11:30AM Fred Vermeal

**THURSDAY, APRIL 28** 

STS. PETER CHANEL & LOUIS

GRIGNION DE MONTFORT

8:00AM Frances M. Yusis

11:30AM Pasquale Bua

FRIDAY, APRIL 29

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

8:00AM Mary C. Ambrozia

11:30AM Edward Marino

SATURDAY, APRIL 30

ST. PIUS V

11:30AM Romolo Lechich

5:00PM Ints of Cathy & George Eichler – 50th Wed. Anniv.

SUNDAY, MAY 1 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00AM Carmela & Attilio Dente

10:00AM Anton Radoslovich

12:00PM Ameliz Cruz

### **ALTAR BREAD**

In Memory of

Garritano, Martire, Abbate & Stancato -Grandparents

ALTAR WINE

In Memory of Joseph Bartolotta

### **EASTER CANDLE**

*In Memory of* Marie & Jim Manzini & Pettrizzie Family

### **SANCTUARY LAMP**

In Memory of Marco DeBenedetto

## PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

Resolving early conflicts

Psalm 67

O God, let all the nations praise you! Rev. 21:10-14, 22-23

The vision of a new Jerusalem **John 14:23-29** 

"I am going away and I will come back to you."

# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

...We continue to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (1916-2016) of our founding as The Church of the Epiphany...our next anniversary celebration is the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Dinner scheduled for 15 May...starting with the 12Noon Mass and continuing through the afternoon at the Palisadium - with Bishop Flesey as our main celebrant.

...We'll be honoring three parishioners for their contributions to the life of our parish - Sheila Lally, John Bucco, and posthumously - former Mayor Gerald Calabrese...LAST CALL!!! For those of you who would like to be with us as we celebrate our 100th!!!...Tickets are available at the Rectory office at \$85.00 per person

...Come and celebrate as Epiphany marks..."A Century of Christ and Community"!!!
...We congratulate our 1st Communicants from last weekend...and we look forward to those scheduled for next weekend at the 12Noon Mass...Please remember them and their families in your prayers...They all help to remind us all of the value and the preciousness of the gift of the Eucharist that Jesus gave to us...No matter what age we are - let's be thankful for God's grace that comes to each of us through the sacrament of the Eucharist...

...We've scheduled our May crowning of the Blessed Mother for Mothers' Day weekend...The Confraternity will crown the statue on Saturday 7 May at the 5PM Mass and the children will crown the statue at the 10AM Mass on Sunday 8 May...All parishioners can purchase carnations to be placed at the statue of the Blessed Mother to remember Mothers living and deceased on Mothers' Day weekend...

...Many thanks to those of you who pledged to the "Living Stones" Archdiocesan Capital Campaign...Our pledge count as of this past Wednesday is \$115,435.00. Many thanks for your great generosity...If there are any of you who have not yet pledged and would like to...you'll find pledge envelopes at the doors of the Church...

God bless, Fr. Ken

### PARISH SUPPORT

Thank you for sharing the gift of your treasure so that we can continue to do God's work here.

April 17th

Sunday Collection\$5,886.71Assessment Collection\$2,088.00

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." – John 13:34

It is easy to love someone when they love us back. But it takes courage to love someone when we feel unappreciated, used or feel our opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage to "love my neighbor" when he may be someone I don't like, someone I don't know or someone who doesn't look like me.



# BINGO

PLEASE NOTE BINGO WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY EVENINGS ON TUESDAY, MAY 31<sup>ST</sup> AT 7:00PM. THURSDAY BINGO WILL BE PLAYED AT 12:15PM. WE NOW OFFER BIGGER JACKPOTS, PROGRESSIVE GAMES AND 50/50 GAMES. COME OUT AND ENJOY AN EVENING OR AN AFTERNOON OF FUN!

### **SPECIAL HOLY HOUR**

In connection with our  $100^{th}$  Anniversary Gala Celebration, the Legion of Mary will be sponsoring a Holy Hour on Monday, May  $23^{rd}$  at 7:00PM. We will be consecrating the parish to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. All are invited.

# **CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN**

The Confraternity of Christian Women will have its monthly meeting on Monday, April 25th beginning at 7:00PM. All women of the parish are invited to attend

## **EASTER FLOWER ADDENDUM**

The following Easter Flower donation was received too late to be included on the list: Cabrini Lepis – In memory of Mildred & Julian Boggiano, Roseann & Al Gaetani, Catherine & Frank Cinque, Yolanda Herndon.

### CARNATIONS FOR MOTHER'S DAY

The Confraternity of Christian Women will be selling carnations on Mother's Day weekend before each Mass. Cost of the carnation is \$1.00. We invite you to place your carnation into one of the vases on the altar around Our Blessed Mother in memory of or in honor of your mother, grandmother, aunt, etc. Please write the number of carnations you need on the attachment below if you intend to buy a carnation so that we may have an idea on how many carnations we need to order. We will also be crowning our Blessed Mother on Saturday, May 7th at the 5:00PM Mass and on Sunday, May 8th at the 10:00AM Mass.

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# $\frac{MOTHER'S\ DAY\ CARNATION\ REQUEST}{PLEASE\ RETURN\ TO\ THE\ RECTORY\ OR\ IN\ THE\ COLLECTION}$ BASKET BY MAY $2^{\rm ND}$

Number of Carnations I need

### **MOTHERS' DAY CARDS**

Mothers' Day Cards are available at the Church doors. Please mark your intentions on the envelope and return them with your donation to the rectory or in the collection basket by May 4th. Your intentions will be placed on the altar on Mothers' Day weekend.

### **CCD NEWS**

**PLEASE NOTE:** The last day for CCD is Sunday, April  $24^{th}$  for all grades – Grades 1-7.

### WILLIAM H. CRON SCHOLARSHIP FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

We have a scholarship for a beginning or current college student who is an active parishioner of Epiphany Church who will be an entering freshman, in the fall of 2016 or is currently enrolled in a four-year college as a sophomore, junior or senior. One \$2,500 scholarship will be awarded annually. New applications will have to be submitted yearly. Applications for the scholarship can be obtained from the parish office. The deadline for applications will be April  $28^{\text{th}}$ . The scholarship will be given out on May  $15^{\text{th}}$ .

### RCIA PROGRAM

It's time to think about the RCIA Program for next year. If you know an adult over 18 who has **never been** baptized and would like to become a Catholic or if you know someone who <u>was baptized</u> into another Christian faith and would like to **convert** to the Catholic faith...or if you know a baptized adult catholic – over 18 – who would like to prepare for the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist...please be in touch with Fr. Ken...or please put that person in touch with Fr. Ken. No commitments...just good information – and they can decide if they want to proceed.

We also have a program that starts in September for teens 15-18 who would like to prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation...please contact Fr. Ken.

### **OPEN HOUSE**

Open House will be held at the following high schools: Immaculate Heart Academy, Township of Washington – Thursday, April 28th – 6:30-8:30PM; Saint Dominic Academy, Jersey City – Tuesday, May 3rd – 6:00-8:00PM; Paramus Catholic High School, Paramus – Wednesday, May 4th – 7:00-9:00PM; Saint Joseph Regional, Montvale – Wednesday, May 4th – 6:30-9:00PM.

"BEFORE YOU GO TO BED, GIVE YOUR TROUBLES TO GOD. HE WILL BE UP ALL NIGHT ANYWAY!"

### 100TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

ONLY TWO WEEKS LEFTS TO PURCHASE TICKETS for our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Dinner on Sunday 15 May...Bishop Flesey will celebrate the 12 Noon Mass at Epiphany and then join us at the Palisadium...where we will be honoring three parishioners for their outstanding contributions to our parish...John Bucco, Sheila Lally, and - posthumously - Mayor Gerald Calabrese. Tickets are now available at the rectory at a cost of \$85.00 per person. Deadline to purchase tickets is May 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **SEMINARIAN NICHOLAS SERTICH**

We are scheduled to celebrate the Rite of Candidacy for our seminarian, Nicholas Sertich, on Saturday, the 4th of June at the 5:00PM Mass. Msgr. Joseph Reilly, the Rector of the Seminary, will be the main celebrant and after the Mass, we will have a reception in the Church Hall to bid Nicholas farewell as he leaves to study in Rome. Please remember Nicholas and his family in your prayers and if you plan on attending the reception, please call the rectory and let us know by May 31st.

### ACTIVITIES AT THE CLIFFSIDE PARK SENIOR CENTER

The following are upcoming events sponsored by the Cliffside Park Senior Activity Center: April 29<sup>th</sup> –Abma's Farm Tour & Country Store - \$10 – lunch (on own) – 9:00AM; May 6<sup>th</sup> – Museum of Jewish Heritage - \$13 – eat at Russ & Daughter lunch (on own) 10:15AM; May 18<sup>th</sup> – Spring Fling Luncheon Party - \$8.00 – 11:00AM; June 17<sup>th</sup> – Welcome to Summer Senior Picnic – 5:00PM; July and August – Music Al Fesco – free concerts on the patio. To register for any of these events, please call 201-943-3768.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Matthew Dickman, Marion Calabrese, Andree Degedrinsky, Natalie Lopac, Baby Sofia Gonzales, Baby Carly, Linda Shiers, Anne Lepis, Nadine Nasif, Alvino Masolotti, Dr. Richard Ming, Hay Blou Htoo, Mickey LoPresti, Dorothy Mazzone, Carmella Carlucci, Eve Keenan, Patsy DeRito, Amantina Lizardo, William Weitzel, Michael Couglan, Colin Berg, Giulio Scoccimarro, Marta Coelho, Margaret Evers, Matthew Rush, Mary Pugliese, Ann Callagher, Willie Soto, Esther Evertz, Barbara Dooley, Anthony Cherkashyna, Marilyn Brenes, Brendan Kelaher, Gloria Masella, Shirley Gallina, Theodore Hoffman, Florence Hoffman, Peter Bertinato, Ronald DeMeglio, Joann Helmick, Mario Pajar, John Hroncich, Kathy Herring, Vinka Usali.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Eleanor Oriente, , Silvia Vega.

# CENTENNIAL PRAYER – EPIPHANY CHURCH 1916-2016

Loving Father, we rejoice to be called by our Baptism to be your holy people and to gather as The Church of the Epiphany.

For 100 years the Catholic Faith has been celebrated through our parish in Cliffside Park.

That strong faith in God was lived as best they could by the founders of the parish and was passed on to us by so many who have gone before us and are precious in our memory.

We recognize as we celebrate our  $100^{th}$  year our responsibility to be disciples of Jesus for our own time – just as they were for theirs – and to make the words of the Scripture come alive in our hearts and in our actions.

And we pledge to be effective witnesses to Jesus and so to encourage the next generation in their Faith.

Bless us Loving Father with your Grace. May this Centennial Celebration encourage all of us and deepen our faith in your Son.

May we be that holy people that you call us to be. And may we come to the Kingdom you have prepared for us.

We pray this prayer through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.