

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



GONE FISHING

*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.

July 3rd

\$5,285.00

Sunday Collection

"Jesus said to him, 'God and do likewise.'" – Luke 10:37

This was Jesus' command at the end of the Good Samaritan story. But did you know that the Samaritans and Jews despised each other. The moral of the story is to love our neighbor, who may be someone you don't know, someone that looks different than you or someone you don't like, without expecting anything in return.

BINGO

BINGO GAMES ARE PLAYED ON TUESDAY EVENINGS AT 7:15PM AND THURSDAY AFTERNOONS 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 IN OUR NEWLY-AIR CONDITIONED HALL.



SUPPORT GROUPS FOR PARENTS GRIEVING THE DEATH OF A CHILD

The needs of parents who have suffered the loss of a son or daughter are unique. The Office of Family Life Ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark sponsors support groups for Parents grieving the death of a child. The groups are led by trained facilitators – parents who have personally experienced the death of a child. Groups meet at St. Thomas the Apostle, Parish Center, 60 Byrd Avenue, Bloomfield on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30PM – July and August is 7:00PM at St. Peter the Apostle Church, Rectory Basement, 445 Fifth Avenue, River Edge on the third Monday of each month at 7:30PM. There is no fee to participate and pre-registration is not needed. Please call the Office of Family Life Ministries at 973-497-4327 or for further information, directions and registration email eganlaur@rcan.org

ALTAR WINE, CANDLES, FLOWERS, GIVING TREE AND STATUE MEMORIALS

Altar Wine, Sanctuary Lamps, Mass Candles & Altar Flowers are available for 2016. Also, we have leaves, acorns and bricks available on our Giving Tree which is located in the elevator lobby. We also have plaques to be placed under certain statues. You may donate any of these plaques in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Come to the rectory office to make arrangements during the week.

MBA PROGRAM AT DOMINICAN COLLEGE

Dominican College, Orangeburg, New York is offering an MBA Program in accounting, healthcare management and general management. Weekday evening classes are designed so that you can still work full time. If interested email graduate.admissions@dc.edu or call 845-848-7908.

SUNDAY, JULY 10, 2016

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00PM Connors & Gargiulo Families

8:00AM Dec'd Mbrs. Tassiello Family

10:00AM Andrew Horvath

12:00PM Ferdinando DeBenedetto

MONDAY, JULY 11

ST. BENEDICT

8:00AM Margaret & Henry Rossi

11:30AM Anthony Mario Picinic, Jr.

TUESDAY, JULY 12

8:00AM John Mattessich

11:30AM Richard Allen

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

ST. HENRY

8:00AM Dobson, Runge & Meuter Families

11:30AM Nicolina Picinic

THURSDAY, JULY 14

ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA

8:00AM Maureen Nocero-Miick

11:30AM Helen Car

FRIDAY, JULY 15

ST. BONAVENTURE

8:00AM Antonio & Maria Hroncich

11:30AM Doris Carafa

SATURDAY, JULY 16

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

11:30AM Ints. of Mount Carmel

Maria & Tommaso Morin

5:00PM Petito & Anari Families

SUNDAY, JULY 17

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00AM Maria Picinic

10:00AM Elena & Domenico Bussanich

12:00PM Marco DeBenedetto

ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of

Anthony Mario Picinic, Jr.

SANCTUARY LAMP

For the intentions of

The Keenan Family

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are:

Gen 18:1-10a

Abraham and Sarah's guests

Psalms 15

He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Col 1:24-28

Paul shares in Christ's own suffering.

Luke 10:38-42

Mary and Martha welcome Jesus.



ARCHDIOCESAN "JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY" PILGRIMAGE

The Archdiocese of Newark is sponsoring a one-day pilgrimage to the **Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC**, on Saturday, **October 22, 2016**. The pilgrimage will take place under the leadership of the Archbishop and Bishops of Newark. Buses will leave from local parish churches and return on the same day. The features of the day will be a rosary devotion and concelebrated Mass in honor of Mary, Queen and Mother of Mercy, in the Basilica of the National Shrine. Plan now to be part of this Archdiocesan act of love and devotion in honor of the Mother of God at the conclusion of this "Extraordinary Holy Year" in the beautiful national sanctuary dedicated to her honor. Sign up with your parish promoter as soon as possible. The parish pilgrimage promoters at our parish are Fr. Jim Tucker and Dorothy Rossi.

TD BANK AFFINITY PROGRAM

Our participation in the Affinity Program continues. Going forward, the Church will receive \$10 for every existing checking account included in the program and \$50 for every newly opened checking account included in the program. **Nothing is taken from your accounts.** In addition, the **Church** will receive 1/10 of 1% of the average balance of all savings accounts and CDs included in the program. To sign up, please visit the TD Bank at Lafayette and Palisade Avenues.

FOOD PANTRY IN DIRE NEED

During the summer months, the food pantry experiences a sharp decrease in the number of incoming donations. This is extremely problematic, being that the demand for food in the summer is just as high as the demand for food in the winter. As such, the food pantry is currently in **DIRE NEED** of non-perishable food items: cereals, pastas, fruits, vegetables and toiletries. As always, thank you very much for your generosity and continued support of the Epiphany Community Food Pantry!

GRIEF TO GRACE – HEALING THE WOUNDS OF ABUSE

Grief to Grace is a four to five day psychological and spiritual journey providing safety and support for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional or sexual abuse or neglect. It is appropriate for those who have endured rape, incest, or other forms of traumatic violation in childhood, adolescence or as an adult. It is also suitable for those who have suffered abuse by a member of the clergy. This model of care provides therapy for the soul. The program is designed to help you experience the love and support of the suffering body of Christ as you journey through the Paschal Mystery of your own life. Our local contact at the Archdiocese is Jeanne. Retreat dates are September 11th-16th. You may call the hotline at 610-203-2002 or visit the website at www.GriefftoGrace.org

SPECIAL MASS

A special Mass and support group meeting for all who are affected by the disease of alcoholism will take place at Church of St. Mary, 20 Legion Place, Closter on Saturday, July 16th at 12 Noon. For more information, please call 201-768-7565.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Be your partner's cheerleader, not his/her teacher, supervisor or critic. This creates a partnership rather than a hierarchy. (Trudy Costa, "How To Create a Satisfying, Lasting Marriage.")

PARENTING POINTERS

"...love your neighbor as yourself" (Luke 10:27) – It's a familiar verse; perhaps so familiar we take it for granted. How do I love myself? Do I take care of my health, my mind? Help your children identify their strengths today – not just general strengths. Be specific. Later you can go on to apply this to your neighbors.

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 **was baptized** 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.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is the world's largest ministry of healing after abortion and healing the pain, one weekend at a time. It will be held at the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center, 499 Belgrove Drive, Kearny, NJ from September 9-11, 2016. It is being sponsored by the Newark Archdiocese Respect Life Office. The cost is \$150 and includes all retreat materials and meals. For more information contact the Respect Life Office, Cheryl Riley at 973-497-4350 or via email rileyche@rcan.org All calls and emails are confidential. If you or someone you know is hurting from an abortion, please call the toll-free national hotline at 1-877-HOPE-4-ME (1-877-467-3463) or email <http://rachelvineyard.org/>

SCHOOL NURSE POSITION AVAILABLE

Saint Joseph School, 305 Elm Street, Oradell, has a September opening for the position of school nurse. Hours are from 9:30AM-2:30PM daily, Monday through Friday, when school is in session. For salary information and a summary of qualifications, please contact Mrs. Colette Vail, school principal at vailc@sjsusa.org. It is an ideal part time job for a parent with school-age children or for an energetic retiree. A current License and School Nurse Certification is required.

CLIFFSIDE PARK SENIOR CENTER

Activities at the Cliffside Park Senior Center are as follows: Music Al Fresco – July 15th and August 19th (free concerts on the patio) – 7:00-9:00PM; Woodbury Commons Shopping – July 12th – 9:00AM; Point Pleasant – July 13th & 15th – 9:00AM; Bischoff's Ice Cream – July 14th – 1:00PM; River Belle Luncheon Cruise - \$40 – July 22nd – 9:00AM. Please call 201-943-3768 ext. 112 for reservations.

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, 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, Gloria Masella, Peter Bertinato, Ronald DeMiglio, Joann Helmick, Mario Pajar, John Hroncich, Kathy Herring, Vinka Usalj, Frieda Marchesani, Anna Tarabokija, Norma Warren, Joseph DeMiglio, Efreem Lavrido, Marie Macaluso, Baby Eric Grigsby, Cheryl Barbara, Carrie Craven, Sandy Snow, Lydia Locurcio, Kevin Harris, Patricia Warren, Adele Raimondi.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

James Miele.

**"THE VERY BEST PLACE TO BE
IS...IN THE HANDS OF GOD!"**

