

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2016

CHRIST THE KING

5:00PM Rose & Vincent Natalizio
8:00AM Dinko & Antonia Busanic
10:00AM Maria Martire
12:00PM Jerry & Rosa Amitrano

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:00AM Antonio & Maria Hroncich
11:30AM Anthony & Maria Hroncich

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

ST. CECILIA

8:00AM Joseph Scerbo
11:30AM Maria Rici Mattessich

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

ST. CLEMENT I, ST. COLUMBAN & BLESSED MIGUEL AGUSTIN PRO

8:00AM Gaudenzia Piccini
11:30AM Martino Matesic

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

THANKSGIVING DAY

ST. ANDREW DUNG-LAC & COMPANIONS

9:00AM Dominick Piccinich

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA

11:30AM Phil Mortara

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

11:30AM Pasquale Boa
Ivica Dusevic
Noel Farrell
Holly Warren

5:00PM Ottavio Martire

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00AM Anton & Emma Vidovich
10:00AM Carlo Buonsanto
12:00PM Patrick & Elaine Gratale

ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of
Mark Piccirillo

ALTAR WINE

In Memory of
Mara Magnozzi

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of
Camille Missale

MASS CANDLES

In Memory of
David Mihalinec

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are:

Is 2:1-5

God's word brings amazing transformation.

Psalms 122

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Rom 13:11-14

Stay awake for Christ's coming.

Mt 24:37-44

Be vigilant for the coming of the Lord.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioner:

...Each year I take a moment to remind you all, and myself as well, that this is a good week to write down a list of all the people and things you're grateful to God for...I like to carry the list in my pocket and bring it with me to the table on Thanksgiving Day...We owe this special day of thanks to President Lincoln who thought of it...and to President Roosevelt who put it permanently on the American calendar...I want to invite you to gather with your fellow parishioners in the Church on Thanksgiving Day for the **Mass at 9AM**...It's a great way to begin by giving thanks to the Lord, our God for all good gifts...Bring with you whatever you'd like to be blessed...whatever you plan to use on your table later on at Thanksgiving dinner...

...Thanks for ordering the Thanksgiving pies. We ended up with 138 orders...and we made about \$525 to put toward the Heritage Fund for the new windows in the Rectory. Many thanks!

...Next weekend is the 1st Sunday of Advent and as we begin our preparation for the Great Feast of Christmas...and as we begin our new Church Year...we'll be blessing and using for the first time **our new HYMNALS**...

...**HAVE A GREAT TURKEY DAY!!!**

*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.

November 13th

Sunday Collection \$5,268.00

Assessment Collection \$1,991.00

"...Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us." – 2 Thessalonians 3:9

Most people who live a grateful and generous lifestyle don't go around bragging about it. But through their actions and words, others do take notice. They notice because of the joy and peace that results and other people desire this in their own life. Know that the way you live your life may be the only interaction others have with the Catholic faith.

BINGO



PLEASE NOTE BINGO IS PLAYED ON TUESDAY EVENINGS AT 7:15PM AND ON 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.

THERE WILL BE NO BINGO THIS THURSDAY

HAPPY THANKSGIVING DAY

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

This weekend the second collection will be for the Catholic Relief Services – Black and Indian Collection.

BAPTISMS

The Catholic Community of Epiphany Parish welcomes with great joy the following newcomers baptized during the month of November:

Luna Sophia Madrid

Melissa Riberio-Feo

100TH ANNIVERSARY CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

We now have available Christmas Ornaments commemorating our 100th Anniversary. **They are \$3.00 each and can be purchased at the Rectory.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Please note that there will be no CCD Classes on the following date: November 27th.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

We had a Mass of the Anointing of the Sick a few weeks ago. If you were unable to come to the Anointing because you are not ambulatory and wish to be anointed, please call and arrange for a priest to come to your home.

ADVENT OF GIVING

Each year our parish organizes an "Advent Giving Tree" Program which collects brand-new toys, clothes, and Christmas gifts to benefit the Epiphany Community Food Pantry Christmas Program. These donated gifts are then distributed to hundreds of local low-income and unemployed residents and their families. Please bring any gifts, toys and clothes to the Advent Giving Tree located on the side of the main altar beginning on the weekend of November 26/27. All donations must be brand new – *please do not wrap the donations*. For more information, contact the Rectory at 201-943-7320.

NEW CHURCH HYMNALS

Our new hymnals have arrived. The expense will be covered by the rebate sent to us by the "We Are Living Stones" Capital Campaign run by the Diocese. We are going to begin using them in Church on the First Sunday of Advent at the end of November. Between now and then, if your family would like to memorialize a loved one or simply present the hymnal as a gift from your family to the parish, please use one of the envelopes that are in the pews. The **memorial fee is \$25.00 per book**. We will be placing these memorials in the new books as we put them into the pews. As we dispose of our very old hymnals, we are keeping the dedications that were made at the time the old books began to be used and placing them in the Book of Remembrance in the vestibule of the Church.

CHRISTMAS WREATHS

Christmas Wreaths are being sold again this year. Orders can be placed by picking up a flyer at the Church doors. Each wreath is \$17, which is payable in full when ordering. You can order for December 3 & 4 or for December 10 & 11. Each wreath is stunningly decorated with pine cones, ornaments and a large red bow. Proceeds will benefit the painting of the elevator lobby.

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.

NEW JERSEY'S ADOPTION LAW HAS CHANGED

Beginning January 2, 2017, adoptees and certain relatives will be able to obtain a copy of their original birth certificate without a court order. The birth certificate will include the names of the birth parents who placed children for adoption unless a birth parent requests their name be omitted.

Birth parents who wish to preserve their privacy must submit a **Redaction Request Form** which can be obtained by calling 866-649-8726, ext. 582 or downloading it at <http://nj.gov/health/forms/reg-36c.pdf>.

The Catholic Church has always supported reunions between adoptees and birth parents, if such reunions were by mutual consent. The Church continues to do so through their Catholic Charities agencies. If you know individuals that could be affected by the changes to New Jersey Adoption law, please help alert them. Anyone needing assistance can call a **HELPLINE** at 609-989-4809.

THANKSGIVING DAY

There will be only one Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 9:00AM. We invite you to bring the bread and wine you will use on that day at your table. We will then bless them at the end of the Mass. There will be only one Mass on Friday, November 25th at 11:30AM and the Rectory Office will be closed on that day. It will reopen on Saturday, November 26th at 10:00AM.

100TH ANNIVERSARY CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

ONLY TWO WEEKS LEFT TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS for our 100th Anniversary Christmas Dinner/Dance to be held on Saturday, December 3rd at 6:30PM. It will be a Beefsteak Dinner catered by Giresi's Caterers and music will be by the Jumpin' Dragons. Ticket price is \$45 per person. A sit-down all-you-can-eat beefsteak dinner includes the following: relish tray, filet mignon, ziti, French fries, fresh fruit platters, ice cream dessert, coffee, tea, beer and soda. BYOB. There is a vegetarian dinner option which should be stated at the time of ticket purchase. Tickets can be purchased at the rectory. **NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.**

ACTIVITIES AT THE CLIFFSIDE PARK SENIOR CENTER

The Cliffside Park Senior Center presents the following program: New Year's Eve Party – 9:30AM-1:00PM. To sign up for this activity, 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, Dorothy Mazzone, Amantina Lizardo, William Weitzel, Michael Couglan, Colin Berg, Giulio Scoccimarro, Marta Coelho, Mary Pugliese, Ann Callagher, Willie Soto, Esther Evertz, Barbara Dooley, Anthony Cherkashyna, Gloria Masella, Peter Bertinato, Joann Helmick, Mario Pajar, John Hroncich, Kathy Herring, Vinka Usalj, Anna Tarabokija, Joseph DeMiglio, Efreem Lavrido, Baby Eric Grigsby, Carrie Craven, Sandy Snow, Lydia Locurcio, Kevin Harris, Felicia Martello, Oscar Benitez, Rev. James Carroll, Elva Lopes, Marilyn Brenes, Lorraine Noack, Ann Castrianni, Mary Bunero, Cabrini Lepis, Erica Duran, Sister Kieran O'Riordan, Thomas Chasmer, Florence Hoffman, Ryan Handschin, Michael Duddy, Maria Murphy, Riccardo & Delia Mattessich, Roger Cook, Frank Mendez, Maria Azucena Mercado, John Reynolds, Baby Ella Grace Gavina, Eleanor Gavina, Sister Rosemary McGavin, John Padovan, Luisa Vlachich.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

"WE MUST LIVE TOGETHER AS BROTHERS, OR PERISH TOGETHER AS FOOLS!"

A THANKSGIVING DAY PRAYER

O Heavenly Father, on this Thanksgiving Day, let us pause to express our gratitude for Your constant love and care and for the may graces and blessings You have bestowed on us. We thank you for this day.

We thank You for all the countless gifts that grace our lives and continually delight and surprise us, especially our family and friends. Let us give thanks for the daily blessings we receive from You – health, food, joy and peace of mind. These are the blessings You so generously share.

Loving God, today and every day, help us remember that Thanksgiving is first thanks and then giving.

Amen

