

**SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2017
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

5:00PM David Hans
8:00AM Beppino Bussanich
10:00AM Matteo Hroncich
12:00PM Michael Pallotta

**MONDAY, MARCH 20
ST. JOSEPH SPOUSE OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

8:00AM John Tarabocchia
11:30AM Anton Juric

TUESDAY, MARCH 21

8:00AM Senko Skific
11:30AM Giovanni D'Urso

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22

8:00AM Hilda & John Dondero
11:30AM Nicolina Mattessich

THURSDAY, MARCH 23

ST. TURIBIUS OF MOGROVEJO

8:00AM Maria Rici Mattessich
11:30AM Joanne & Antonio Mircovich

FRIDAY, MARCH 24

BL. OSCAR ROMERO

8:00AM Mira Maric
11:30AM Maria Busanic

SATURDAY, MARCH 25

ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

11:30AM Araceli I. Militar – Birth.
5:00PM Gelsomina Marchesani

SUNDAY, MARCH 26

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00AM Matteo Piccini
10:00AM Anthony Dragas
12:00PM Rose Tatulli

ALTAR BREAD

*In Memory of
Peter Jeon*

ALTAR WINE

*In Memory of
Renata Lee*

SANCTUARY LAMP

*In Memory of
Stella & Joseph Oliveri*

MASS CANDLES

*In Memory of
Raymond Engels*

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are:

1 Sm 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a

“Not as man sees does God see.”

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing
I shall want.

Eph 5:8-14

Live as children of the light.

Jn 9:1-41

The healing of the man born blind

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioner:

.....Our Parish Mission is scheduled for three Mondays in Lent beginning this Monday – March 20th, March 27th, and April 3rd. Fr. Giordano Belanich will be our guest speaker. Some of you may recognize him as one of our substitute priests. Fr. Gio will speak at the 11:30AM Mass and also at 7:00PM on the three Mission days. Please plan to attend this Mission and use this time of penance and renewal to prepare for the great feast of Easter.

.....We prepare yet again for the great celebration of the Feast of Easter by entering into the forty days of Lenten Retreat. Keep your eyes open for the bulletin where several activities planned for Lent will be posted including our Lenten Soup Supper, the progress of our RCIA candidates toward full communion in the Church of the Epiphany, and the devotion of the Stations of the Cross.

.....I invite you to remember in your prayers our four RCIA candidates: Andrew Poye, Jacqueline Poye, Chad Armstrong, and Yvette Melian...Andrew and Chad are looking to convert to the Catholic faith from another Christian denomination...and Jacqueline and Yvette are both baptized Catholics looking to receive Confirmation as adults...They will continue to study and pray with our congregation as they prepare to become members of the Church of the Epiphany at Easter. We usually gather at the 10:00AM Mass and the congregation for that Mass has gotten to know our RCIA candidates. I will be bringing them to all the other masses during Lent. We are scheduled to be at the 8:00AM Mass on Sunday, the 19th of March and the 12 Noon mass on Sunday, the 26th of March. We will be praying a special prayer for our RCIA candidates and afterward the people at that mass will have an opportunity to speak a personal word of support and caring. Please offer these candidates a hearty Epiphany welcome.

.....Our new Cardinal has announced the inception of the Sharing God's Blessing Annual Appeal which began several weeks ago. Our goal for this Appeal is \$33,281.00. Once again, the Diocese is asking us to be aware of our calling to care for those in need. Thank you for your kind generosity in the past and we ask that you prayerfully consider this year's Annual Appeal.

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.

	<i>March 12th</i>
<i>Sunday Collection</i>	<i>\$5,323.00</i>
<i>Peter's Pence Collection</i>	<i>\$1,806.00</i>
<i>“Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty gain.” – John 4:13</i>	
<i>Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us for long. When we build our lives around material possessions we always want more. True Joy and Peace only comes when we follow Jesus; when we become more “God-centered” and less “self-centered”.</i>	



BINGO

TUESDAY BINGO WILL REOPEN ON APRIL 18TH! GAMES WILL BEGIN AT 7:15PM. THURSDAY AFTERNOON BINGO WILL BE PLAYED AT 12:15PM. WE NOW OFFER BIGGER JACKPOTS, PROGRESSIVE GAMES AND 50/50 GAMES. COME OUT AND ENJOY YOURSELF AND HAVE SOME FUN.

DO YOU GRIEVE THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE?

St. Leo's Parish will begin their spring Bereavement Support Group on Wednesday, March 29th at St. Leo's Downstairs Meeting Room located at the Rectory at 324 Market Street, Elmwood Park. It will commence at 7:00PM and conclude around 8:30PM. It will consist of approximately six, weekly sessions. Many people have benefited from the kind of mutual support a Bereavement Group can offer. Nothing can ever replace a loved one, but together, in an atmosphere of love and understanding, we hope to provide some help in dealing with grief that death brings. The ministry is open to all. Please advise any members of your family and friends that we welcome them with compassionate arms. If you are interested in registering or would like more information, please call Judy Regan at 201-703-9367.

**“THE GREATEST OF ALL DISORDERS IS TO
THINK WE ARE WHOLE AND NEED NO
HELP!”**

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 2017 or is currently enrolled in a four-year college as a sophomore or junior. 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 is May 1st. The scholarship will be awarded on June 11th.

NEEDED: NEW OR USED COMMUNION DRESSES & SUITS

The Office of Development and Stewardship of the Archdiocese of Newark will be collecting gently used, in good condition, Communion dresses/veils, suits and shoes for our inner city parishes, the Religious Sisters of the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart who know families in need, and any parishioner in need of one for their child. A child's First Communion is a special day and the Diocese is trying to make sure financial hardship does not stand in the way of it being as special as it can be. All items can be dropped off at the Archdiocesan Center, 171 Clifton Avenue, Newark to the end of March between the hours of 9:00AM and 4:00PM. Outfits will be distributed in April.

GOLDEN, SILVER & FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

April 30th – 3:00PM – 25 & 5 years (all counties)

May 7 – 3:00PM – 50 years (all counties)

The Archdiocese will honor all couples married 50, 25 and 5 years at the Cathedral Basilica, Newark. You must come to the rectory to fill out a form for any of these anniversaries. All reservations must be made two weeks before the Mass is scheduled. Cardinal Tobin will be the main celebrant at all Masses. Please call the Family Life Office at 973-497-4323 if you have any questions.

ASUNTOS LEGALES

Domingo 19 de Marzo, a las 2:00PM – Centro Parroquial P. Pio, 569 65th Street, West New York 1r Seminario sobre la Inmigracion - Nelson Gonzalez, abogado – Estara presente para explicar asuntos de inmigracion y contestar a preguntas.

El dia 23 de Marzo, Jueves a last 7:00PM – Abogados de Catholic Charities de la Arquidiocesis de Newark – Estaran presente en la parroquia para explicar las nueva leyes de inmigracion y para examinar casos de inmigracion y los asuntos concetado con ellos – No dejais pasar esta occasion. Informais vuestros familiars y amigos – Consultas seran gratuitas.

Domingo 26 De Marzo, 1:30PM – Seminario sobre – Violencia Domestica – Abogados y asistentes sociales de la Oficina de Caridades Catolicas, estaran presents para explicar los sentido de lay ley y las ayudas que la Iglesia ofrece en esta situaciones. Avisa tus amistades y companeros de trabajo

NEW CHURCH HYMNALS

Our new hymnals are in the Church pews. 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 at the church doors. The **memorial fee is \$25.00 per book**. All new memorials have been entered into the new hymnals

THE NEIGHBORHOOD'S ANNUAL EXTRAVAGANZA

The Neighborhood Band will have their Annual Extravaganza at The Elan, Route 46, Lodi, on Saturday April 29th from 6:00-11:00PM. Featured will be a cocktail hour from 6:00-7:00PM, dinner, 4 hour open bar, live entertainment and dancing, featuring the beautiful voices of Blue Lilly, the comedy of Eric Haft, Tina Giorgi, and Richie Byrne. Donations are \$95 per person and must be paid by April 17th. Reserve early as tickets are limited. For tickets call Ross at 201-945-3978.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The following is the calendar for the rest of CCD Classes: March 19, March 26, April 2 – OPEN; April 9 and April 16 – CLOSED; April 23 – Open last day for Sunday CCD; May 13th – May Crowning at the 5:00PM Mass.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held each Friday in Lent at 7:00PM. Each week a guest seminarian will give a reflection on the stations. This Friday our speaker will be Seminarian Andrew DeSilva speaking on the seventh and eighth Stations.

ANNUAL LENTEN SOUP SUPPER

Our parish will again be holding our Annual Lenten Soup Supper on Saturday, April 1st after the 5:00PM Mass. Dinner will be served continuously between 6:00-8:00PM. The all-you-can-eat dinner will feature a number of delicious fresh-made soups, salad, a variety of breads, a wide assortment of cakes and desserts, and soda/coffee/tea. Free-will monetary donations will be accepted (suggested donation of \$10 per person), and all proceeds will benefit the Epiphany Community Food Pantry. All are invited to attend. Please reserve your seats in advance by contacting the rectory at 201-943-7320.

BUS TRIP TO THE SANDS

There will be a bus trip to the Sands Bethlehem on Sunday, April 30th. Bus leaves at about 9:00AM and returns at about 6:00PM. Tickets are \$35 per person with \$20 back for play and \$5 for food. Proceeds will benefit the Heritage Fund. Tickets must be paid by April 20th. Call the rectory for reservations at 201-943-7320.

MEET JESUS PERSONALLY AND RENEW YOUR FAITH

On Saturday, April 1st – 8:00AM-6:30PM, St. Michael's Church, Palisades Park, will hold "Meet Jesus Personally and Renew Your Faith" a retreat featuring Fr. Bill Halbing, Fr. John Gordon and Fr. Pedro Repollet in the Notre Dame School Gym, next to the Church. There will be a Healing Service, Speakers, Holy Charismatic Mass and the People's Praising Band. \$10 donation includes a light breakfast and lunch. Walk-in donation is \$15. Make checks payable to St. Michael's Church. Please mail or bring in by Monday, March 20th. Bring at least one person to Jesus and become an evangelizer.

CLIFFSIDE PARK SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

The following activities will take place at the Cliffside Park Senior Activity Center: March 22 – Dinner & Movie – Manchester by the Sea at 4:00PM - \$5; March 23 –Healthy Eating with HUMC@ Palisades – 10:45AM; March 24 – Eye Screening with Phillips Eye – 10:00AM-12 Noon; March 24 – High Society Tea Luncheon – 11:00AM - \$15; March 29 – Atrium Concert; March 30 – Physical Therapy with Dr. Zaccone – 10:45M.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Matthew Dickman, Marion Calabrese, Andree Degedrinsky, Natalie Lopac, Giulio Scoccimarro, Marta Coelho, Ann Callagher, Esther Evertz, Gloria Masella, Peter Bertinato, Mario Pajar, John Hroncich, Anna Tarabokija, Joseph DeMiglio, Efre Lavrido, Baby Eric Grigsby, Carrie Craven, Felicia Martello, Oscar Benitez, Elva Lopes, Marilyn Brenes, Lorraine Noack, Mary Bunero, Cabrini Lepis, Erica Duran, Sister Kieran O'Riordan, Riccardo & Delia Mattessich, Roger Cook, Frank Mendez, Maria Azucena Mercado, John Reynolds, Baby Ella Grace Gavina, Sister Rosemary McGavin, Luisa Vlacich, Andrew Mircovich, Marie Gagliardi, Arianna Cappola, Frances Ianuale, Dr. Bridget Sonesson, Hilda Borroto, Grace Siccardi, Tara Grassani, Maryann Ascione, Barbara Bicocchi, Doris Levy, Cindy Simeone Reynolds, Ivan Skrivanic, Tammy Ledden, Maria Tarabocchia, Dina Picinich.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Rev. Dennis Coccozza, Rev. Karl Roesch, Christopher Cavallo, Charles Mastrobuoni.

