

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2018
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

5:00PM Dec'd Mbrs. Sottile & Sariti Families

8:00AM Carmine Magnone

10:00AM Anthony Dragas

12:00PM Fred Barbato

MONDAY, APRIL 16

8:00AM Raymond Engels

11:30AM Linda Clark

TUESDAY, APRIL 17

8:00AM Ilonka Krizman

11:30AM James Morin

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

8:00AM Antonio Morin

11:30AM Rina Vosilla

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

8:00AM Nancy Giamporcaro

11:30AM Maria Morin

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

8:00AM Linda Clark

11:30AM Matteo Hroncich

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

ST. ANSELM

11:30PM Remedios Del Rosario

Thomas Malik

5:00PM Connors & Gargiulo Families

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00AM Rose Zilocchi

10:00AM Catherine & Joseph Imbelloni

12:00PM Adam Morin

ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of

Anthony Mario Picinic, Jr.

ALTAR WINE

In Memory of

David Mihalinec

EASTER CANDLE

In Memory of

Manzini & Pettrizzie Families

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of

Joseph Lally

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are:

Acts 4:8-12

God raised Jesus as the Savior of the world

Ps 118

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone

1 Jn 3:1-2

We are God's children

Jn 10:11-18

"I am the good shepherd."

Pastor's Message April 15, 2018

My dear parishioners and friends,

In today's gospel, the Risen Jesus addresses his disciples saying that we are all witnesses to how God has fulfilled the promises made to us through the prophets. In a court of law, the testimony of the witnesses is measured by whether or not the witnesses have a sufficient degree of credibility by virtue of their expertise; their closeness to the events to which they are giving testimony; and by their moral character. We are being called to testify to the Resurrection of Jesus Christ each and every day of our lives. But, the question is, are we credible witnesses? Do we know our faith? Have we lived the Paschal Mystery ourselves so that we can say that we have personally experienced the power of Jesus' Resurrection in our lives? And are we living our lives in a manner that befits our Christian calling?



At all the masses last weekend I had the opportunity to give a little update on the progress of our parish's participation in the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal, Sharing God's Blessings. I pointed out how close we are to meeting our parish goal for this year's campaign, but with only 100 pledges. 100 out of 1400 registered parishioners is less than 10% of our parish who are contributing to the campaign... I think we can do better. Remember, it isn't the size of your contribution that matters; what matters is that you are supporting the work of our Archdiocese, even if you may choose to do so anonymously.

Fondly yours in Christ,
Fr. Bruce

PARISH SUPPORT

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

	<i>April 8th</i>
<i>Sunday Collection</i>	<i>\$4,779.00</i>
<i>Assessment Collection</i>	<i>\$2,023.00</i>

"Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' But they were startled and frightened..." – Luke 24:36-37

Throughout the day we have many opportunities to "see the face of Jesus" in others and to "be the face of Jesus" to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide "peace" to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength to live a "God-centered" life and not a "self-centered" life.

BINGO



THURSDAY BINGO GAMES BEGIN AT 12:15PM. WE NOW OFFER BIGGER JACKPOTS, PROGRESSIVE AND 50/50 GAMES. COME OUT AND ENJOY YOURSELF AND WIN SOME MONEY AND HAVE FUN.

CHRIST THE TEACHER SCHOOL

Christ the Teacher will continue to have registrations from Monday – Friday, 9:00AM-2:00PM, as long as there is availability. Please contact the school at 201-944-0421 with any questions.

SEMINARIAN DINNER/DANCE

Benedict XV Council 2355 and Carmel Council 8982 Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Seminarian Dinner/Dance on Saturday, April 21st beginning with the 5:00PM Mass and 6:00PM Dinner at St. John the Evangelist Church, 470 Broad Avenue, Leonia (Peter Kramer Hall). Buffet Dinner will be catered by Dante's Italian Restaurant – BYOB. Tickets are \$25 per person and are available at our Rectory. There will be entertainment, 50/50 Raffle and a Guest Speaker. All proceeds will benefit Seminarians of the Archdiocese of Newark at Immaculate Conception Seminary.

MOTHER'S DAY CARDS

Mother's 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 8th. Your intentions will be placed on the altar on Mothers' Day weekend.

JOURNEY TO THE HOLY LAND AND JORDAN

Join Epiphany Church and Our Lady of Mercy Church as we travel to the Holy Land and Jordan. Experience, feel and see the wonders and physical manifestations of our faith and beliefs as we venture into the holiest places on earth – moments that will move you!! It will be November 5-14, 2018. Father Bruce Harger will be the Spiritual Director and the cost is \$3,490 per person, based on double occupancy. The single supplement is \$535. Cost includes one round-trip ticket, hotel accommodations, Continental breakfast and dinner, air-conditioned motorcoach, entrance fees and professional guide. Plane will leave from Newark Airport and the trip is being handled by Holy Land and Beyond LLC. Points of call are: Ben-Gurion Air Port; Nazareth (the Basilica of the Annunciation/St. Joseph Church), Mary's well/Mt. of Precipice/Nazareth, Galilee (overnight); Mt. Tabor/Cana – (renewal of marriage vows in the church of the wedding); crossing to the Kingdom of Jordan, Journey to Petra; crossing the border to Israel/Eliat/Arava Valley/Negev Desert/Dead Sea; Bethlehem; the Pools of Bethesda/Via Delorosa, Western Wall; Mt. of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, Road to Emmaus/Joppa/Tel-Aviv. Transfer to Ben-Gurion for Departure. Contact Fr. Bruce at 201-943-7320 for more information.

GOLDEN, SILVER & FIVE YEAR ANNIVERSARIES

The Archdiocese of Newark invites any couple celebrating 50, 25 or 5 years of Christian Marriage in 2018 to anniversary liturgies that will be celebrated at the Cathedral Basilica in Newark. Golden Anniversaries will be celebrated on May 6th at 3:00PM – deadline for reservations is April 27th. Silver and Fifth Anniversaries will be celebrated on April 29th – deadline for reservations is April 20th. Please call the rectory from Monday-Friday during office hours to register.

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Rev. Gio Belanich is head of the Croatian Relief Services located at 225 Anderson Avenue, Fairview. The Croatian Relief Services is a humanitarian organization which helps the poorest of the poor in Haiti. People in Haiti are desperate for clothing and other items which we no longer use. They are in need of clean clothing, small household and kitchen items. They accept clothing for men, women, and children – all types and sizes. Also, they accept bedding items, curtains, drapes, housewares and glassware, jewelry, toys, games, bikes, etc. Please bring all items to the Croatian Relief in Fairview. You must call 201-745-1145 before you drop off the items. If you are unable to bring your donated items, please call them and they will make arrangements to pick the items up at your residence.

PARISH PICNIC

Join us on Sunday, June 24th, at our Annual Parish Picnic. Picnic will be catered by Sedona Taphouse. Picnic will be from 1:30-5:00PM. Featured will be chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, pasta, potato salad, baked beans, salad, and dessert. Tickets are \$20 per adults and children are \$5.00 for 10 years and under. Families of four or more (two adults and two children) will be \$45.00. Entertainment by DJ Nick plus many more surprises. Tickets will be available at the rectory shortly.

LOOKING FOR ALUMNI OF EPIPHANY SCHOOL

The 1958 graduating class of Epiphany School is planning a 60th Reunion for October 13, 2018. We are also inviting other classes to join us as we celebrate our years at Epiphany School. If you wish to be included in this list, please call the rectory and leave your name and phone number so that we may be able to contact you for this event.

COMMUNION SUPPER

The Confraternity of Christian Women will hold a Communion Supper on Monday, May 14th beginning with a 6:00PM Mass. Everyone is invited to attend. Tickets are \$20.00 per person. Dinner will be catered by Roman's Restaurant. The guest speaker will be Msgr. Paul Bochicchio. Tickets are available at the rectory.

CROWNING OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER

We will be having the Crowning of Our Blessed Mother on Saturday, May 5th at the 5:00PM Mass.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN

The Confraternity of Christian Women will have its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, April 19th at 7:00PM in Ferretti Hall. All women are invited to attend.

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL

The 2018 Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal is well underway. We have \$28,914 already pledged. This is 89.39% of our goal of \$32,346.00. The outpouring of support from many parishioners like you helps sustain the important ministries across the Archdiocese of Newark. These programs help to make our own parish a more vibrant place of worship. If you have yet to give, please pick up a pledge form at the church doors or visit www.rcan.org/sharing. Thank you for your prayers and support.

HEALING RETREATS

Are you suffering from an abortion experience? Do you have feelings of guilt and anxiety? Do you suffer from depression? There is Hope! Rachel's Vineyard retreats: rachelvineyard.org. For more information contact the Respect Life Office – Cheryl Riley at 973-497-4350 or via email rileych@rcan.org

SPECIAL NOON MASS

A special mass and a 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, April 21st at 12:00 Noon. Mass is offered for the support, healing and recovery of not only the man/woman directly affected with the abuse of alcohol and/or drugs, but also for anyone involved in the life of the alcoholic or drug addict. For information, please call 201-768-7565.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Matthew Dickman, Ann Callagher, Peter Bertinato, Anna Tarabokija, Baby Eric Grigsby, Carrie Craven, Felicia Martello, Oscar Benitez, Elva Lopes, Marilyn Brenes, Sister Kieran O'Riordan, Riccardo & Delia Mattessich, Frank Mendez, Maria Azucena Mercado, John Reynolds, Arianna Cappola, Doris Levy, Cindy Simeone Reynolds, Tammy Ledden, Baby Kennedy Rose Perkins, Baby Juliette Payne, Brian Hone, Laura Palmieri, Margarita Lopez-Amaro, Helen Gallina DeLuca, Renee Pascarella, Theodore Hoffman, Brother Peter Lyne, Rev. Giordano Belanich, Cora Shaffer, Helen Steinel, Richard Scheiblich, Ivan Tarabokija, Ms. Angie, Ms. Denise, Paul Barbara, Kathleen Warren Meserole, Matt Allen, Richie Allen, Angie Vigna, Mary Barchetto, Jazmin Cruz, Jaime Van Dam, Meaghan Kilner, Baby Michael, Marie Maraia, Joe & Nonni Villani, Michael Duddy, Eileen Palazzo, Johanna Rea-Reynolds, Florence Hoffman, Peter Foglio, Jr., Steve Carlucci, Hilda Borrito.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

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

