

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2015

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00PM Maria Skrivanic

8:00AM Ints. of Eileen Donovan

10:00AM Mr. & Mrs. Powers

12:00PM Maria Picinich

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

ST. LAWRENCE

8:00AM John Morin

11:30AM Carlo Buonsanto

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

ST. CLARE

8:00AM Ernie Sdrigotti

11:30AM Eugenia Bloomer

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

ST. JANE FRANCES CE CHANTEL

8:00AM Mary Feerick

11:30AM Domenica Picinic

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

STS. PONTIAN & HIPPOLYTUS

8:00AM Tommaso Morin

11:30AM Joseph Dachille – Anniv.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

8:00AM Luca & Anna Bussanich

11:30AM James & Kate Scotti

5:00PM Ints. of Bishop Thomas Donato

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

11:30AM Kenneth Pelzel

Margaret Ingenito

Imelda Hronic

5:00PM Nicholas Menzella – Birth.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00AM Rose Zilocchi

10:00AM Fran & Joe Maglio

12:00PM Vincenzo Venice

ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of

Emilia DeBenedetto

ALTAR WINE

In Memory of

Emilia DeBenedetto

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of

Cuomo Family

MASS CANDLES

In Memory of

Gloria Manganello

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are:

Prov 9:1-6

Wisdom's call to eat at her table

Psalms 34

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Eph 5:15-20

Live as wise persons, filled with the Spirit.

John 6:51-58

The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

...This is the last installment of Fr. Almas Archangelus' article on the Church in Pakistan and what it means to be a Catholic in his country.

...Our second collection on the weekend of August 22 & 23 will be to help defray the traveling expenses for Fr. Almas. Any other contribution for his people in Pakistan should be given directly to Fr. Almas.

**God bless,
Fr. Ken**

Catholic in Pakistan:

March 15th, 2015 Sunday masses were being celebrated in a different church in Youhannabad, Lahore. Around 10:30AM, two suicide bombers attacked the St. John's Catholic Church and Anglican Christ Church. These attackers tried to get in the Church because the Sunday services were going on but they were stopped by our Catholic youth voluntary security guards where they blew themselves up and killed 35 people instantly and wounded 150 people.

This was my first experience to be at a suicide attack sight. Human remains scattered all over the church, the smell of human flesh was unbearable. In October 2014, another Church was attacked killing more than 400 people. This bombing in our parish left us extremely angry and scared. Most of our people left their houses in fear of another attack from the mob living around us. This was a time of great testing and pain, losing so many of our brothers, sisters and children and with so many wounded, it was heart breaking. This shock left us numb for weeks and I could not cope with the tragedy we were faced with.

We have taken some security measures by putting in closed-circuit cameras and raising our walls with razor wires. Our young people still guard the entrances. Our young martyrs and their families have made all of us proud by laying down their lives for our faith. The martyrs of our faith strengthen and encourage us to live our faith boldly and steadfastly.

Please remember our parish and especially 40% of our families who have left their homes in fear. Remember the ones who are affected in this incident, - the martyrs and wounded.

As Catholics our struggle is to hold on to our faith, no matter how challenging it is; how ever many times we are persecuted, threatened, attacked, burnt; nothing can separate us from the love of Christ.

My appeal to you all, as sisters and brothers in faith, is to support us with continued prayers. Your sacrifices and generosity will keep us going and help us to continue the mission of Christ. If your situation allows you to contribute anything to the welfare of my people in Pakistan, we would be most grateful. Thanks for listening.

Fr. Almas

PARISH SUPPORT

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

August 2nd

Sunday Collection

\$4,931.05

"Get up and at, else the journey will be too long for you!" – 1 Kings 19:7

Jesus knew that the stewardship journey would be difficult, so He gave us the nourishment of the Eucharist. When we take time to join our sacrifices with the sacrifice of the Mass, we find the strength to give and joy in our giving.

BINGO



Bring your friends along for a fantastic day at our weekly bingo games. We offer **jackpot prizes, progressive, specials and 50/50 bingo games**. Doors open at 5:30PM on **Tuesday and 10:00AM on Thursday**. Game play begins at 7:15PM on Tuesday, and on Thursday afternoon at 12:15PM.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Sister Rosemary McGavin is now residing at St. Anne's Villa, Assistant Living, PO Box 476, Convent Station, NJ 07961-0476. If you wish to drop her a note, you may do so at the above address. Her new phone number is 973-292-6555 ext. 5206.

**"YOU SAY: 'I FEEL ALL ALONE.'
GOD SAYS: 'I WILL NEVER LEAVE
YOU OR FORSAKE YOU!'"**

SAVE THE DATE – ANNUAL CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

We will be having our Annual Christmas Dinner/Dance and Tricky Tray on Saturday, December 5th. We are looking for new items to use in our raffle. **If you can donate any new items, please bring them to the rectory. We are also in need of empty baskets (wicker baskets, gift baskets, etc.) that we can use to wrap the prizes for our Tricky Tray. If you wish to make a monetary donation for us to buy a gift, it would be greatly appreciated.** It will be an evening of dinner, dancing, raffles, prizes, and holiday cheer. Tickets are \$43.00 per person and will go on sale at the end of August. Entertainment will be by the Band – Jumpin’ Dragons.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Saturday, August 15th, is the Feast of the Assumption. Although it is not considered a holyday of obligation because it falls on Saturday, we will be having two masses for the feast – one at 5:00PM on Friday and one at 11:30AM on Saturday.

FOOD PANTRY IN DIRE NEED

Although the summer months are just as busy for the food pantry as the winter, the amount of incoming donations drops significantly. As a result, the Epiphany Community Food Pantry is in **DIRE NEED** of the following items: canned vegetables, fruit, beans, cereal, soup, peanut butter & jelly, tuna, pasta & sauce, rice, coffee/tea, toiletries, and all other non-perishables. Please bring all donations to one of the collection barrels in the church. Thank you for your generosity!

PARISH CENSUS UPDATE

Epiphany is currently having a campaign to update our Parish Census File, which contains information on each registered parishioner household. If you have not already done so, please contact the rectory to confirm and/or update your information. **All of the information provided about each parishioner is kept completely confidential, is kept in the Rectory, and is only accessible to authorized personnel of the parish.** By taking a moment of your time to update your information, you are helping us better serve the needs of each parishioner and to help foster a thriving and vibrant parish community of faith.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE RETREAT

There will be a Celebration of Marriage Retreat from September 18-20 at the Marianist Family Retreat Center, 117 Yale Avenue, Cape May Point, NJ. This weekend is intended for couples married at least 10 years. It honors and celebrates the commitment of marriage. We strike a deliberate balance among participation/reflection, liturgy, free time, fun activities and plenty of “couple time” for walks on the nearby beaches. Cost is \$260 per couple, which includes all meals, room, program, etc. Sign up on line at www.capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829 for more information.

SPECIAL NOON 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, August 15th at 12 Noon. For information, please call 201-768-7565.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

CCD Registration for all grades 1-8 will take place on Wednesday, September 2nd and Thursday, September 3rd from 7:00-8:00PM at the Rectory Office. Parish registration, Baptism and Communion certificates are required for all grades where applicable. Fee of \$100.00 for Communion and Confirmation and a fee of - \$85.00 will be for all other grades.

LOVE LOOKING AT PICTURES???

www.flickr.com/epiphanyrchurch

Epiphany Parish is now on Flickr – an online photo album website! Come check out our Flickr Page and see hundreds of interesting photos from both Epiphany’s present and past! Have an interesting picture you’d like to share...e-mail it to us at epiphanycp@juno.com. Also, don’t forget about our Facebook Page www.facebook.com/epiphanyrchurch and our parish website www.epiphanyrchurch.org too!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Matthew Dickman, Jean Schwartz, Marion Calabrese, Joseph Mangone, Robert Killen, Andree Degedrinsky, Senko Skific, Natalie Lopac, Nancy Suarez, Louanne Mitchell, Brian Hone, Baby Sofia Gonzales, Baby Carly, Linda Shiers, Ralph Cappola, Paula Banitez, Doris Portillo, Sid Berger, Angelica Colavito, Una O’Connor, Anne Lepis, Nadine Nasif, Sarah Farid, Carl McManus, Anna Scardigno, Doris McCall, Lauren Basso, Corrado Gugliotta, Pietro Gugliotta, Victor Sohm, Bobby Busanic, Alvino Masolotti, Cheryl Barbara, Helen Apsewicz, Dr. Richard Ming, Louis Curcio, Vincent Sariti, Hay Blou Htoo, Kevin Dougherty, Minerva Lugones, Wilma Smithword, Patricia Warren, Bill Kraus, Antonia Picinic, Tracey Grassi, Mickey LoPresti, Dorothy Mazzone, Carmella Carlucci, Brianna Skrivanic, Eve Keenan, Robert Roman, Patsy DeRito, Amantina Lizardo, Bishop Thomas Donato.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Peter Costantino.

A PRAYER FOR THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

PHILADELPHIA 2015

*God and Father of us all,
in Jesus, your Son and Savior,
you have made us
your sons and daughters
in the family of the Church.
May your grace and love
help our families
in every part of the world
be united to one another
in fidelity to the Gospel.
May the example of the Holy Family,
with the aid of your Holy Spirit,
guide all families,
especially those most troubled,
to be homes of communion and prayer
and to always seek your truth and live in
your love.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen*

*Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
Pray for us!*

