

SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2017

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00PM Diosa Parker
8:00AM Rocco Suriano
10:00AM Maria Busanic
12:00PM Anna & Antonio Ciccone

MONDAY, JULY 3

ST. THOMAS

8:00AM Mark & Flavio Zen
11:30AM Catherine & James Scotti &
Robert Zweiman

TUESDAY, JULY 4

9:00AM Lida Jadrosic

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

STS. ANTHONY ZACCARIA &
ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL

8:00AM Elvira Romano &
Helen Pescatore

11:30AM Anna Mattessich

THURSDAY, JULY 6

ST. MARIA GORETTI

8:00AM Anna Berberian

11:30AM Vincent Libero

Caterina Bussanich

FRIDAY, JULY 7

8:00AM Anna Piccinich Berberian

11:30AM Antonio & Giovanni Marsico

SATURDAY, JULY 8

11:30AM Dec'd Priests of Epiphany

Raffaele Cozzitorto

Maria Tarabocchia

5:00PM Sottile & Sariti Families

SUNDAY, JULY 9

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00AM Maria Morin – Birth/Anniv.

10:00AM Maria & Martin Morin

12:00PM Ferdinando DeBenedetto

ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of

Gaudenzia Piccini – 1st Anniv.



ALTAR WINE

In Memory of

Peter Jeon & Renata Lee

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of

Camille & Joe Missale

MASS CANDLES

In Memory of

Joseph Hroncich, Jr.

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are:

Zech 9:9-10

God's people are given the promise of a hopeful future.

Ps 145

I will praise your name for ever, my King and my God.

Rom 8-9, 11-13

The life-giving Spirit dwells in us

Mt 11:25-30

"Come to me...for my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioner:

... I was born and raised in Norristown, Pennsylvania which became famous recently in the news for other reasons. I grew up one street over from the main north/south route through town which was named DeKalb Street. The street was named after General Baron Johan DeKalb, who made his way after being born in Germany to fight for France in the French and Indian War, and eventually through the influence of Marquis de Lafayette, came to fight for the colonies in their battle against Great Britain in the spring of 1777.

...We celebrate the Fourth of July this coming week and it's a great day for family gatherings and picnics and barbecues. But we should also remember the great meaning that our country has, for indeed, we should never forget that a committed group of thoughtful citizens can change the world. We broke from our parents' style and began a country where we considered that all people were created equal. We haven't quite got it down perfectly yet, but we do celebrate on the Fourth of July our founding document – the thing that attracted Baron DeKalb to the cause of the colonies and the thing which consistently calls us to make America better today than it was yesterday and even better tomorrow with liberty and justice for all people.

...Happy Fourth of July!

...You will see a familiar face celebrating liturgy here at Epiphany. Our summer priest, Fr. Almas, has returned to us again. Please give him a hearty welcome. He will be here for the months of July and August. Welcome back Fr. Almas!

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.

June 25th

Sunday Collection

\$5,273.00

"...whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." – Matthew 11:30

Pope Benedict XVI said "The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness". "Comfort" puts me first. "Picking up your cross and following Jesus" puts God and others first. Why settle for comfort when you can achieve greatness! Pick up your cross, ask Jesus for guidance on using your gifts and live the life God intended for you!

BINGO

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



WEDDING CONGRATULTIONS

Congratulations to the following couple who will be married in our church this weekend:

Daniel Murtagh.....Sarah Hernandez

BAPTISMS

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

Ella Grace Gavina,
Darnell Manuel Miller, Jr.,
Sebastian Elias Moreno,
Luca Sebastian Munteanu,
Tyler Joseph Picinich

ALTAR FLOWERS, GIVING TREE, STATUE MEMORIALS AND HYMN BOOKS

Altar Flowers are available for 2017. Also, we have leaves, acorns and bricks available on our Giving Tree. 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. Also, memorials in our new Hymn Books can be donated for \$25.00 per book. Come to the rectory office to make arrangements.

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS

We are very grateful to those of you who have been generous to the new Cardinal's Sharing God's Blessings Appeal. Our goal for this Appeal is \$33,281.00. We are very close to our goal. Thank you for your kind generosity in the past and we ask that you prayerfully consider making a donation or pledge so that we can meet our goal and realize a rebate for the parish.

BLOOD DRIVE

On Sunday, July 9th from 8:00AM-1:00PM, the Knights of Columbus Benedict XV Council will be sponsoring a Blood Drive to support the Community Blood Services of New Jersey. Blood will be taken in the "Blood Mobile" located in the Church Parking Lot and free refreshments will be served in the Church Hall. Donors must be in good general health and weigh at least 110lbs. Walk-Ins are always welcome. Why not come and donate life-saving blood to someone in need?

CATHOLIC HOMESCHOOL CONFERENCE – JULY 28, & 29, 2017

The IHM New York Homeschool Conference will be held at Ramapo College – Student Center, 505 Ramapo Valley Road, Mahwah, on Friday, July 28th (12:00-6:00PM) and on Saturday, July 29th (9:30AM-3:30PM). This is the perfect event for those who are curious and want to discover more about Catholic homeschooling. Admission is free and pre-registration is not required. For more information, please visit www.ihmconference.org or email info@ihmconference.org

THE SECRET OF HAPPINESS

Some speculate that the secret of happiness is in finding a need and filling it. Catholic Charities has a need and is requesting the following items to help fulfill that need: all forms of used clothing, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, knickknacks, novels, and children's books. Catholic Charities has a donation bin located at St. Matthew Church, Ridgefield. If you have a large number of items or have breakable items such as dishes, glasses, and picture frames, please call 877-343-3651 for a direct pick up. Maria Biancheri of Catholic Charities is available for any concerns or comments – mbiancheri@ccannj.org or call 973-596-3984. *May the beauty of summer remind you of God's love. Thank you for sharing that love by helping to fill our bins.*

CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

St. Cecilia Parish is having a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico from December 4th-14th to be there for the Feast Day and the beautiful Mass of Roses on December 12th. Trip cost is \$2,049 per person including air fare from Newark. Price includes breakfast, lunch and dinner daily and mass every day. For a flyer or more detailed information, please call Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

ACTIVITIES AT THE CLIFFSIDE PARK SENIOR CENTER

The following are the activities at the Cliffside Park Senior Center: July 11 – Resorts Casino Trip - \$30 – 8:30AM; July 19 – Dinner & Movie – Arrival - \$5.00 – 4:00PM; Summer Concerts on the Patio – Friday, July 21 – Mike Sinatra and Friday, August 25 – Son Candela; Canadian Cruise – September 16-23 – call for info. To sign up, please call 201-943-3768 ext. 112.

**“THE SAFEST PLACE TO BE IS
IN SOMEONE’S PRAYERS!”**

SAVE THE DATE – TRICKY TRAY EXTRAVAGANZA

We will be having our Annual Tricky Tray Fall Beefsteak Dinner/Dance on Saturday, October 28th. 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 and prizes. Tickets will go on sale in the middle of July at a cost of \$45.00 per person. Entertainment will be by the Jumpin Dragons Band.

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Tuesday is the Fourth of July, Independence Day. There will be only one mass at 9:00AM and the Rectory Office will be closed.

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. 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 Lauren Egan at 973-497-4327 or email lauren.egan@rcan.org for further information.

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL FEAST

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 259 Oliver Street, Newark, will be celebrating their annual feast from July 12th-16th. There will be various foods, beer and wine, games of chance, street vendors and carnival rides, plus entertainment, including Uncle Floyd on Friday. The traditional religious processions through the streets with the statue, bands, societies and devotees, leave the church after the 5:00PM Mass on Saturday and Sunday, in prayer and song to the Blessed Mother under the title of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. For more information call Paul at 973-699-5670 or the rectory at 973-589-2090.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Matthew Dickman, Marion Calabrese, Natalie Lopac, 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, Frances Ianuale, Hilda Borroto, Grace Siccardi, Barbara Bicocchi, Doris Levy, Cindy Simeone Reynolds, Ivan Skrivanic, Tammy Ledden, Baby Kennedy Rose Perkins, Michael Duddy, Baby Juliette Payne, Brian Hone, Laura Palmieri, Alfred Leubert, Mike Hromin, Margarita Lopez-Amaro, Helen Gallina, Renee Pascarella, Theodore Hoffman, Dennis Ippolito.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

John Bucco, Netie Pico, Marion Calabrese, Thomas Heatley, Pedro Santos Rodrigues, Rev. Stephen Kilcarr, Prudencio Abad, Rev. Msgr. G. Thomas Burns, Rev. Msgr. James Bouffard.

PRAYER FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY

Eternal God, stir Thou our minds and stimulate our hearts with a high sense of patriotism as we approach the Fourth of July. May all that this day symbolizes renew our faith in freedom, our devotion to democracy, and redouble our efforts to keep a government of the people, by the people, and for the people truly alive in our world. Grant that we may highly resolve on this great day to dedicate ourselves anew to the task of ushering in an era when good will shall live in the hearts of a free people, justice shall be the light to guide their feet, and peace shall be the goal of humankind: to the glory of Thy holy name and good of our Nation and of all mankind. Amen.

