

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018**

**6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

5:00PM Dec'd Mbrs. Macaluso Family  
8:00AM Rosa Hahm  
10:00AM Linda Clark  
12:00PM Vincent Libero

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12**

8:00AM Antica Morin  
11:30AM Nikola Picinich

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13**

8:00AM Ints. of Maria Mattessich – Birth.  
11:30AM Beniamino Mattessich

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14**

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

8:00AM Dec'd Mbrs. Ferrara & Pellegrino Families  
11:30AM Carl Matthes  
3:00PM Prayer Service  
7:00PM Anthony Angrisani

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15**

**THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY**

8:00AM Dec'd Mbrs. Vecchione Family  
11:30AM Nevenka Grgic

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16**

**FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY**

8:00AM Frank Liccione  
11:30AM Marcella Viscovich

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17**

**SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY**

**SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS OF THE SERVITE ORDER**

11:30AM In Thanksgiving for Theodore Anthony Armstrong  
5:00PM Dec'd Mbrs. Miele & Dooley Families

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

8:00AM John Bucco  
10:00AM Frank Liccione  
12:00PM Cosmo Ferrara

**ALTAR BREAD**

*In Honor of*

Katie D'Angelo – 100<sup>th</sup> Birth.

**ALTAR WINE**

*In Honor of*

Katie D'Angelo – 100<sup>th</sup> Birth.

**MASS CANDLES**

*In Memory of*

John Morin

**PREPARING FOR MASS**

*The readings for next Sunday are:*

**Gn 9:8-15**

God's unconditional covenant with Noah

**Ps 25**

Your way, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant

**1 Pt 3:18-22**

All are saved by Christ, through baptism

**Mk 1:12-15**

Jesus is driven into the desert for 40 days

**PASTOR'S MESSAGE**

*My dear parishioners and friends,*

In this Sunday's gospel passage, Jesus told the leper who was cleansed not to tell anyone about his being healed; but the man was so excited and filled with gratitude for God's mercy that he couldn't help but spread the news far and wide about what Jesus had done for him. Brothers and sisters, we too have plenty of reasons to show our gratitude to God for the many blessings we have received.

In our parish this week we begin our annual campaign in support of the many works of mercy and compassion that comprise the mission of our Archdiocese. The Archdiocesan annual appeal is a wonderful opportunity for us to respond to God's generosity by sharing the blessings we have received with our brothers and sisters in need.

Our contributions will support ministries and apostolates throughout the Archdiocese that are doing the work of evangelization. They will provide needed funding for our seminaries and schools. And by giving to the annual appeal we will be helping to serve the more than 80,000 people in our Archdiocese who are poor, sick, and elderly and who are in need of our assistance. These are just a few examples of the many needs to which our contributions will be applied...all in God's name!

I ask all of you, on behalf of our Archbishop, Cardinal Joseph Tobin, please be generous in making your contribution to this appeal. Your gifts are greatly needed, and God will bless you even more for your cheerful willingness to be a part of the mission he has given to us as the Church of Newark.

*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.*

*February 4<sup>th</sup>*

*Sunday Collection*

*\$5,733.75*

*"Brothers and sisters, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God."*

*Do a quick check of your priorities. Where does God rank in that list? If He's not first, you have some work to do. Putting God first in everything helps us from putting other "gods" (like our pride and ego, money and possessions to name a few) before God. Before making a decision, ask yourself am I doing this for the glory of God or for the glory of me?*

**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.**



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Every Friday during Lent we will have Stations of the Cross at 7:00PM. The guest speaker this Friday will be Seminarian Christian Scalo, reflecting on the First and Second Station.

**OPEN HOUSE**

Open House will be held at Dominican College, Orangeburg, NY on Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> from 10:00AM-1:00PM. Check-in and early-bird tours start at 9:00AM. Register for Open House at [dc.edu/register](http://dc.edu/register). Dominican College offers a generous financial aid and scholarship program. Be sure to ask about this during your visit.

**LOOKING FOR ALUMNI OF EPIPHANY SCHOOL**

The 1958 graduating class of Epiphany School is planning a 60<sup>th</sup> 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.



### ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday is Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, a day of fast and abstinence. Ashes will be distributed during the 8:00 & 11:30AM Masses, 3:00PM Service and 7:00PM Mass.

### EPHESIANS: DISCOVER YOUR INHERITANCE

One of the most remarkable things about our Faith is that by God's grace, we have become his adopted sons and daughters. In your day-to-day life, what does it mean to be a son or daughter of God – an heir to his promises and blessings? When you sit in the pews each Sunday, what does it mean to you to be part of his family, the Church? To help you uncover this meaning, Epiphany Church will begin *Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance* on Wednesday, March 7, with two sessions: one at 1:00PM and another at 7:00PM. For more information or to register, pick up a registration form at the parish office or visit [AscensionPress.com](http://AscensionPress.com), or contact Fr. Jim Tucker at 201-943-7320. You will not only discover your unique gifts and calling as a member of Christ's Church, you will also help us to grow in fellowship as a parish as we grow closer to Christ together. Paper registrations with payment of \$20 are due February 21<sup>st</sup>.

### 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.

### ANNUAL LENTEN SOUP SUPPER

Our parish will again be holding our Annual Lenten Soup Supper on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 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, desserts, soda, coffee, tea. A free-will monetary donation will be accepted (suggested donation of \$10 per person), and all proceeds will benefit the Epiphany Community Food Pantry. Please reserve your seats in advance by contacting the rectory at 201-943-7320.

### FR. KEN'S NEW ADDRESS

If you care to drop Fr. Ken a message, here is his new address: Fr. Ken Evans, St. John Vianney Residence, 60 Home Avenue, Apt. 38, Rutherford, NJ 07070. If you wish to speak to Fr. Ken for whatever reason, you must call the rectory and leave your name and number. We will call him and give him the message.

### BUS TRIP TO THE SANDS

There will be a bus trip to the Sands, Bethlehem on Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. Bus leaves at about 9:00AM and returns about 5:30PM. Tickets are \$35 per person. Proceeds to benefit the Epiphany Community Food Pantry. Tickets must be paid by March 19<sup>th</sup>. Call 201-943-7320 for reservations.

### 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, February 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

### THE NEIGHBORHOOD'S ANNUAL EXTRAVAGANZA

The Neighborhood Band will hold its Annual Extravaganza on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-11:00PM at The Elan, Route 46 West, Lodi. Featured will be a Cocktail Hour, Dinner, 4 hour open bar and live entertainment and dancing. Entertainment will be by The Tercels, Blu Lilly, Rich Walker and Special Guest Comedian, Rob Falcone. Tickets are \$95 per person and can be purchased by contacting Ross – 201-945-3978 or Cathy – 201-943-7320. Tickets must be paid by April 16<sup>th</sup>.

### 2018 LENTEN REGULATIONS

The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, **and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.**

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 18, 2018** to **The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 27, 2018.**

\*Canon 920, Sec. 1. *All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.*

### ST. PATRICK'S/ST. JOSEPH'S DINNER DANCE

Welcome our new administrator, Fr. Bruce Harger, at our St. Patrick's/St. Joseph's Dinner Dance on Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM. We will be having a corned beef and cabbage dinner with all the trimmings and St. Joseph's zeppole, soda, beer, coffee – BYOB. Music will be provided by Shooting Star Entertainment - D J Nick. Cost of the ticket is \$35.00 per person. Tickets are on sale at the rectory. **NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.**

### 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 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:00PM – deadline for reservations is April 27<sup>th</sup>. Silver and Fifth Anniversaries will be celebrated on April 29<sup>th</sup> – deadline for reservations is April 20<sup>th</sup>. Please call the rectory from Monday-Friday during office hour to register.

### 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, George Landeck, Brother Peter Lyne, Rev. Giordano Belanich, Erika Duran, 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, Joe Lally, Marie Maraia.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

*Rev. John Gibbons, Sister Mary Downey, OSB.*

**"TIME HEALS ALMOST  
EVERYTHING. GIVE TIME -  
TIME!"**

