

SUNDAY, MARCH 11 2018
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

5:00PM Rhonda Ferguson
8:00AM Michael F. Bitondo – Birth.
10:00AM Joseph Moore
12:00PM Helen Thompson

MONDAY, MARCH 12

8:00AM Elena Morin
11:30AM Maria Morin

TUESDAY, MARCH 13

8:00AM Maria Morin
11:30AM Maria Morin

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14

8:00AM Tessie Valmonte Concepcion
11:30AM Katerina Picinic

THURSDAY, MARCH 15

8:00AM Vicente Benitez
11:30AM Dinko & Giovanna Morin

FRIDAY, MARCH 16

8:00AM Maria & Mirko Marusic
11:30AM Maria Lechich

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

ST. PATRICK

11:30AM Robert Zweiman, Catherine &
James Scotti

5:00PM Luca & Anna Bussanich

SUNDAY, MARCH 18

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00AM Guglielmo & Anna Porco
10:00AM Matteja Morich
12:00PM Dec'd Mbrs. Vigna &
DeMiglio Families

ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of
David Mihalinec



SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of
Joseph F. Lally – Birth.

MASS CANDLES

In Memory of
Charles Parlier

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are:

Jer 31:31-34

God creates a New Covenant with the
suffering Israelites

Ps 51

Create a clean heart in me, O God

Heb 5:7-9

Jesus became the source of salvation,
obedient through suffering

Jn 12:20-23

God's voice confirms that Jesus'
passion is approaching

Pastor's Message March 11, 2018

My dear parishioners and friends,

“Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.
Be joyful, all who were in mourning;
Exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast!”

Our Sunday celebration begins on this joyful note today. “Gaudete” Sunday, as it was formerly known, marks the midpoint in our Lenten journey. We are called to look back on the sinful mistakes and infidelity of our past life and rejoice in the promise of our redemption in Christ that is nearer now than it was.

We hear in our first reading today how the Jewish people had reason to rejoice, because the king of Persia pledged to fulfill the promise to restore the temple in Jerusalem and send the exiles home. We also have reason to rejoice today, because in the gospel we hear God's promise to send his only Son into our world for our salvation. We can see God's promise of healing and restoration shining in the light of the Cross of Jesus.

Now is the time for us to look into the light and not let the dark things of our past hold us back from taking that trip “home”... so that we can truly experience our redemption in Christ this Easter.

We are very pleased to announce that Cardinal Tobin, (recognizing his many years of faithful service to Epiphany), has honored our former Pastor, Fr. Ken Evans, by grataing him status as our “Pastor Emeritus”. I am personally very grateful to Fr. Ken for his help during my transition and his continued service to the parish.

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

March 4th

Sunday Collection

\$5,421.00

Assessment Collection

\$2,207.00

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son...” – John 3:16

Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we are graeful and generous with our God-given gifts. That we nurture and develop them and return with increase.

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. This week's guest seminarian is Joseph Gurliaccio. All are invited to attend.

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.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN

The Confraternity of Christian Women will have its monthly meeting on Thursday, March 15th at 7:00PM. Please note that the meeting day has been changed to Thursdays. All women are invited to attend.

THANK YOU

The Epiphany Community Food Pantry wishes to thank all the parishioners and friends who supported our Lenten Soup Supper to benefit our Food Pantry. We also wish to thank the Knights of Columbus, Confraternity of Christian Women, Food Pantry volunteers, as well as Dante's Place, Roman Pizza, Gotham City Diner, Boulevard Diner and Dr. Bob Barricella for their homemade soups. We also thank Garden Pizza, Sal's Deli and Miller's Bakery for their bread donations.

A RETREAT FOR WIDOWS

The Marianist Family Retreat Center will hold a retreat for widows at Cape May Point, NJ from April 27-29. Join with other widows as we look at our own individual stories for courage and wisdom. We hope to discover how in the sharing of our stories we continue to find strength and hope. There will be time for sharing in small groups, Eucharist and other appropriate liturgies. Beach walks, socials and fun are also included. Cost is \$135 pp, double occupancy. To register visit www.capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829.

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

Only one week left to purchase tickets as we welcome our new administrator, Fr. Bruce Harger, at our St. Patrick's/St. Joseph's Dinner Dance on Saturday, March 17th 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.**

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/Eilat/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.

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL

Thanks to all of our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2018 Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal. Epiphany is 49% towards our goal of \$32,346.00. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card located at the doors of the church. Please help support the many programs and ministries that assist so many in our community.

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.

BUS TRIP TO THE SANDS

There will be a bus trip to the Sands, Bethlehem on Sunday, April 15th. 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 19th. There are only about 4 seats left. Call 201-943-7320 for reservations.

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.

SPRING CRAFT SHOW/SALE

On Sunday, March 18th, Saint Joseph Regional High School, Montvale, will be hosting its annual Spring Craft Show/Sale from 10:00AM – 4:00PM, showcasing the talents of 100 crafts people and fine artists including many new crafters. Admission is \$2.00. Children and senior citizens 65+ are free. No strollers will be permitted. For more information visit www.sjrnj.org

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE AND CONFESSIONS

LENTE STATIONS

All Fridays during Lent.....7:00PM

CONFESSIONS

Lenten Penance Service, Monday, March 19.....7:00PM
All Saturdays during Lent.....1:00-2:00PM
Tuesday, March 27.....7:00-8:00PM
Wednesday, March 28..... 3:00-4:00PM

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 25

Saturday Evening.....5:00PM
Sunday Morning.....8:00AM, 10:00AM & 12 Noon
(Distribution of Palm at all Masses)

**MONDAY, TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK
MARCH 26, 27 & 28**

Mass.....8:00AM & 11:30AM

HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 29

Morning Prayer.....8:00AM
Mass of the Lord's Supper.....7:30PM
Adoration until 11:00PM

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 30

Morning Prayer.....8:00AM
Commemoration of the Passion & Death of Jesus.....3:00PM
Stations of the Cross.....7:30PM

HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 31

Morning Prayer.....8:00AM
Easter Vigil Service.....7:30PM

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 1

Masses.....8:00AM, 10:00AM & 12 Noon

THE NEIGHBORHOOD'S ANNUAL EXTRAVAGANZA

The Neighborhood Band will hold its Annual Extravaganza on Saturday, April 28th 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 16th.

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 Tarabokia, 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Lloyd Kahn..

“STEWARDSHIP IS NOT WHAT WE DO AS MUCH AS WHO WE ARE. AND, WHO WE ARE, DIRECTS WHAT WE DO!”

