

SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 2018
THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE
BAPTIST

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

8:00AM John Mattessich

10:00AM John J. Della Rosa, Sr. – Birth.

12:00PM Filomena Pallotta

MONDAY, JUNE 25

8:00AM James Morin

11:30AM Ints. of Andy & Eileen Skrivanic

TUESDAY, JUNE 26

8:00AM Maria Rici Mattessich

11:30AM John Bucco

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

SAINT CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA

8:00AM Hilda & John Dondero

11:30AM Ints. of Nancy & John Leahy –
25th Anniversary

THURSDAY, JUNE 28

SAINT IRENAEUS

8:00AM Martino Matesic

11:30AM Rev. Desmond O'Connor

FRIDAY, JUNE 29

STS. PETER & PAUL

8:00AM Ints. of Rafael Sango

11:30AM Natalie Vainieri

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

11:30PM Remedios Del Rosario

Clarinda Brueck

Matteo Tarabocchia

Joseph Lally

Sheila King

5:00PM Daniel O'Connor

SUNDAY, JULY 1

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME

8:00AM Maria Piccini (Luba)

10:00AM Margaret Rossi

12:00PM Fernanda Della Rosa

ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of

Roseann Corbisire-Brooks



ALTAR WINE

In Memory of

Joseph Lally

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of

Nicolina Mircovich

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are:

Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24

God made humanity to be immortal

Ps 30

Lord, you have rescued me

2 Cor 8:7,9, 13-15

Followers of Jesus are asked to imitate his
generous love.

Mk 5:21-43

Jesus heals the people who come to him

Pastor's Message June 24, 2018

The Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist

My dear parishioners and friends,

John the Baptist was born into a time of desperate longing for the Messiah. The Jewish people were living under the rule of the Roman Empire and they had little trust in the Herodian puppet regime that the Romans had put in place. Even some of the chief priests in the Temple and many of the members of the Sanhedrin had been corrupted by the political situation.

The circumstances of John's birth were accompanied by mysteriously powerful elements. His birth was unexpected. He was the child of an elderly, supposedly barren, woman and her husband, who served as a priest in the temple. John's father was literally struck dumb at the news of his wife having conceived a child. He could not fathom how God was able to make this miracle happen.

In our gospel passage today we hear how, after John's birth, his father, Zechariah, was finally able to speak again. This miraculous healing created such a stir in the region, it left everyone wondering what lay ahead for this extraordinary child.

Brothers and sisters, John the Baptist is credited as being the first person to recognize and proclaim Jesus' true identity as God's Beloved Son. He stands at the point of intersection between the prophetic tradition of the Old Testament and the evangelical tradition of the New Testament. Today we celebrate his birth, and we remember how he was called to be the one who would announce the coming of the Messiah, even as he leaped for joy in the womb of his mother.

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

June 17th

Sunday Collection

\$ 6001.00

"...Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet." – Acts 13:25

Stewardship is a lifestyle, it's not a program or a process. It's how we are called to live our lives twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week! It challenges us to live "God-centered" lives, not "self-centered" lives. Reflect on your daily activities, do you do them for the glory of God or for the glory of your own name?

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.

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL

We have received \$31,850.00 in pledges from 133 families and have achieved approximately 99% of our goal. Epiphany will receive 62% of all funds received over our goal. Please be sure to honor your pledges. If you have yet to give, please pick up a pledge form at the back of the church or visit www.rcan.org/sharing. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

LIFE LINE SCREENING

Take a step toward staying healthy and active. Be smart and do more for your cardiovascular health. Life Line Screening will be at our parish on Monday, July 23rd. Package one includes plaque, vascular disease and heart rhythm screenings for \$139. Package 2 includes all of the above plus osteoporosis screening for only \$10 more - \$149. It's a savings of \$181. Life Line Screening has partnered with over 100 hospitals across the country and has conducted 8 million screenings since 1993. To register for these screenings and receive a \$10 discount, please call 1-888-653-6450 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners

CONGRATULATIONS

We wish to congratulate our Rectory Teen Workers as they graduate from high school to pursue their college years this fall. Paul Major will be attending Rutgers University, New Brunswick; Caitlin McFadden will be attending the University of Tampa; and Jessica Moreno will be attending Rutgers University, Newark. We wish them all well in their future endeavors.

CLIFFSIDE PARK SENIOR CITIZENS

The following are the activities to be held at the Cliffside Park Senior Citizens: Concerts on the Patio – Friday, July 20th – Richie Ranno & Allstars (Rock); Friday – August 24th – Son Candelo (Latin); August 10th – River Lady River Boat Luncheon – Cruise on Toms River and Barnegat Bay - \$44. Vacation with the Seniors for 7 days and 6 nights at Mackinac Island, Michigan including Frankenmuth and The Upper Peninsula – September 15-21. Please call for more information – 201-943-3768.

PRE-COLLEGE PROGRAM

The Pre-College Program at FDU is an exceptional opportunity for motivated high school students to explore their academic interests, while learning from professionals in real college classes. This summer, courses are being offered in the following cutting-edge areas: Robotics and Artificial Intelligence, Digital Animation, Cybersecurity, Beyond the Game – Explore the Business of Sports, Creative Writing for Future Writers, Cosmetic Science for the Beauty Industry, Project Management for the Business World, Genetics and Its Impact Upon Our World, Astrophysics – the Stars of the Galaxies. Students can choose to attend Pre-College for one or both sessions. Sessions are offered Monday, July 9 to Thursday, July 19 and Monday, July 23 to Thursday, August 2. If you have any questions, please contact us at 201-692-7366 or you can email at precollege@fdu.edu

PARENTING POINTERS

Discipline does not mean punishment. The purpose of discipline is to help your child learn to become responsible. Allow your child to experience the consequences of their actions. If a child chooses not to study for a test, she will get a poor grade. If he leaves his bicycle out in the yard, it may get rusty or stolen. If she does not set her alarm, she may miss the school bus. These may seem like hard lessons, but better to learn them when the stakes are low than when losing a job or having an untimely pregnancy might be the consequence.

THE FRIENDS OF THE ADORNOS

The friends of the Adornos will hold a CRAFT SHOW on the grounds of St. Michael's Seminary, 575 Darlington Avenue, Ramsey, NJ on SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 2018 from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. ADMISSION IS FREE – AMPLE PARKING- Refreshments and food sold on premises – This EVENT features booths featuring exciting handmade items, crafts, and metal art, jewelry, paintings, glass and textiles on exhibit and for sale to the public. . . Bring the children and have fun making different crafts at the free “hands on” craft table. . .

**“SOMETIMES YOU ARE UNSATISFIED
WITH YOUR LIFE, WHILE MANY PEOPLE
IN THIS WORLD ARE DREAMING OF
LIVING YOUR LIFE!”**

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

For our parish to have accurate records, please notify the parish office when there are changes in your address or phone number. Please let us know if you are moving away and will no longer be members of our parish community. All adult Catholics should be registered in a parish. Young adults of working age should register independently of their parents. For Epiphany to testify for you to be a godparent, a confirmation sponsor or witness to a Catholic marriage it is necessary that you be a registered member of our parish. For additional information about this process, please call the parish office – 201-943-7320.

DON BOSCO PREP HOSTS HSPT TEST PREP PROGRAM

Don Bosco Prep is hosting its HSPT Test Prep Program this summer, open to all rising eighth grade students to help prepare for the high school entrance exam. Session I runs from Monday, July 9-Thursday, July 12 and Monday, July 23-Thursday, July 26 and Session II runs from Monday, July 16-Thursday, July 19 and Monday, July 30-Thursday, August 2. Program Tuition is \$500. For more information, please visit www.donboscoprep.org/admissions

LOVE & RESPONSIBILITY NEW JERSEY

Love and Responsibility New Jersey is a life changing series for young adults (18+) based on St. John Paul II's teachings on human love. In an era where there is much confusion about love and relationships, these insights are perhaps needed now more than ever. These Wednesday evenings will shed light on the mysterious dynamics between men and women, and at the same time, challenge us to live out these relationships better. It will be held every Wednesday beginning June 20th and concluding on July 25th. The series will conclude with a Mass in honor of the 50th Anniversary of “Humanae Vitae”. It will be held at Sacred Heart Hall at the Youth Retreat Center, 499 Belgrove Drive, Kearny at 7:30PM. For more information go to FACEBOOK.COM/LRNEW JERSEY.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY TRAINING PROGRAM

Do you feel called to serve the needs of the bereaved? The Family Life Office is running a course this summer for the first time on Monday nights from July to August at Church of the Annunciation in Paramus. Participants will be trained as Bereavement Support Group Facilitators. To register go to Lauren.Egan@rcan.org or call Lauren Egan at 973-497-4326. Pre-registration is required. Class size is limited. Participants must meet the requirement of the Safe Environment Program of the Archdiocese of Newark. Seton Hall CEU's available with course completion.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Matthew Dickman, Ann Callagher, Peter Bertinato, Anna Tarabokija, 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, Ivan Tarabokija, Ms. Angie, Ms. Denise, Paul Barbara, Kathleen Warren Meserole, Matt Allen, Richie Allen, Jazmin Cruz, Jaime Van Dam, Meaghan Kilner, Baby Michael, Marie Maraia, Joe Villani, Michael Duddy, Eileen Palazzo, Florence Hoffman, Peter Foglio, Jr., Hilda Borrito, Paul Kiczek, Kenneth Crawford, Paula Mastromarino, Clyde Harger, Gloria Bonura, Cesar Valdecantos, Leonarda Zafra Santos

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Bernadette Halbing, Anne Marie Mazza, Myrtha Huster, Patricia Bowlby, Charles Reilly

