

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2018

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00PM Theresa Gastelu
8:00AM Ivan Morin
10:00AM Ottavio Martire
12:00PM The Holy Souls
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
ST. GREGORY THE GREAT
9:00AM Maria Aleso
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4
8:00AM Dominick & Petro Piccinich
11:30AM Dan Perrea

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA
8:00AM John & Nicolina Mattessich
11:30AM Philip & Viola Stehr
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
8:00AM Martino Mattesich
11:30AM Edna & Thomas Lennon

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
8:00AM Anthony & Maria Hroncich
11:30AM Pietro & Nicola Pallotta
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
11:30PM Sheila Cunningham – Birth.
Jennie Trapp
Jennie Rose Rizzo
Gakamina Picinic
Matthew Dickman

5:00PM Gelsomina Marchesani
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00AM Maria Piccini (Luba)
10:00AM George Glockner & Charles Rossi
12:00PM John Bucco

ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of
Gelsomina Marchesani

ALTAR WINE

In Memory of
Rosalie Menzella

MASS CANDLES

In Memory of
Ana Picinic

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are:

Is 35:4-7a

Be strong! Fear not! Here is your God!

Ps 146

Praise the Lord, my soul!

Jas 2:1-5

Show no partiality

Mk 7:31-37

He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak

PASTOR’S MESSAGE SEPTEMBER 2, 2018

My dear parishioners and friends,

As I am sitting here in my office, writing this piece for the bulletin, I can hear hammers pounding on the walls in the rectory kitchen. Our kitchen, after many, many years of use, is getting a sorely needed renovation. What this sound reminds me of is that before we can build or improve on anything, there is always a process of taking apart what was already there in order to make room for change. And that “taking apart” process isn’t something that is enjoyable because it inevitably leads to confusion and “messiness”.

The “messiness” of doing new parish programming is something that none of us really enjoys until we see the results... but the results of doing ministry is not always obvious. I wish that I had a way to predict whether the things that we will be trying this year are going to be “successful” or not.

When I begin to feel intimidated by the challenges that lie ahead I am consoled by the words of Saint Teresa of Calcutta who said, “Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love.” Maybe that should serve as the best measure of success in whatever we do this year, that we do it with great love for our Lord and love for one another.

Fondly yours in Christ,
Fr. Bruce

Dear Fr. Bruce and Friends at Epiphany:

I render a big time thank you for warmly welcoming me again this summer. As I said I felt right at home coming back this year – it does feel like coming home. Everyone in our parish at Epiphany is amazingly loving, hospitable and generously concerned. I was always supported and appreciated. Thank you for making my stay so comfortable. This year is extra-ordinary from the perspective of being with Fr. Bruce and Fr. Pius. Though meeting each for the first time, still we were so at home with each other. Thanks to Fr. Bruce who has been a big brother and friend to us. He made us feel so much part of our community here and living in a community spirit in the rectory. Oh, Fr. Pius what will we do without you? He is gifted in so many ways and particularly a fantastic chef. Thank you for cooking so many delicious meals for us. Thank you my dear friends at 8:00 and 11:30AM masses and all the friends I met on a weekly basis. You have been incredibly supportive, loving and generous. Thanks a million for your generosity and sacrifice. May God continue to bless you as you continue to pray for me and the the priests.

Good bless you,
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 26th

Sunday Collection

\$4,676.00

“Be doers of the word and not hearers only...” – James 1:22

It’s easy to understand the definition of stewardship. The hard part is living it! What do you do to live God’s word? Do you share your time in prayer with God? Do you use your talent to help those in need? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

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.

LABOR DAY

Monday is Labor Day. There will be only one Mass at 9:00AM and the Rectory Office will be closed. Enjoy the holiday and be safe!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday is the First Friday of the month. Eucharistic Adoration will be held from 8:30-11:15AM concluding with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

JOIN TO SING

As we enter the season of fall, the Epiphany Adult Choir is resuming its singing season. Adult choir will begin on September 16th at 9:00AM in the chapel. Everyone is welcome to join. You don’t have to be gifted but only to come with enthusiasm and your love of music. If you have any questions, please come and speak to Dr. Sunny Son, Director of Music or one of the cantors!

CCD REGISTRATION

CCD Registration for grades 1 to 8 will be held on the following dates:

Thursday, September 6 – 6:00-7:00PM at the rectory office

Sunday, September 9 1:00-2:00PM at the rectory office

All registrations must be accompanied by a Baptism Certificate if the child was not baptized at Epiphany. The fee is \$100 for Communion and Confirmation (grades 2 and 8). All other grades are \$85. The first day of class is Sunday, September 16 at 11:00AM-12 Noon held at the school on Lafayette Avenue. **NO** registration will be accepted without Baptism Certificate or payment. Any questions contact Donna Murtagh at the rectory office.

WELCOME TO SPRING GET-TOGETHER

ONLY TWO WEEKS LEFT TO PURCHASE TICKETS FOR OUR "Welcome to Fall Get-Together" on Saturday, September 15th in our Church Hall from 7:00-11:00PM. Tickets are \$15 per person which includes a hot dog, hamburger, dessert, soda, coffee and tea. Bring your own sides and fixings! Music will be provided by DJ Nick. Tickets are available at the rectory. **NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.**

BUS TRIP TO THE SANDS

There will be a bus trip to the Sands, Bethlehem on Sunday, September 30th. Bus leaves at about 9:00AM and returns about 6:00PM. Reservations are \$35 per person. Proceeds will benefit the Epiphany Community Food Pantry. All tickets must be paid by September 20th.

TRICKY TRAY EXTRAVAGANZA

We will be having our Annual Tricky Tray Fall Beefsteak Dinner/Dance on Saturday, November 3rd catered by Giresi's. 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 are available at the rectory at a cost of \$45.00 per person. Entertainment will be by the Jumpin Dragons Band.

MAGNIFICAT DAY

The *Magnificat Day* is coming to Brooklyn's historic Kings Theater on October 6th. The day promises to be memorable, filled with uplifting prayer, world-class music, fellowship with the Magnificat family and an opportunity to venerate the relics of St. Therese, the Little Flower, and her parents, Saints Lois and Zelig Martin. The day will feature keynote addresses from Sean Cardinal O'Malley, O.F.M., Cap., Bishop Barron, Father Peter Cameron, O.P. and Dr. Scott Hahn. For more information or to register, visit www.magnificatday.com

OPEN HOUSE

Open House will be held at the following high schools: Bergen Catholic, Oradell, Sunday, September 16th from 1:00-3:00PM. Registration can be found on www.bergencatholic.org/admissions; Paramus Catholic High School, Paramus, Sunday, September 23rd from 1:00-4:00PM and Wednesday, October 17th from 7:00-9:00PM. For more information contact the Admissions Office at 201-445-4466 ext. 104.

HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST

Attention families of 8th grade students planning to attend Catholic high school in Fall 2019! The High School Placement Test (HSPT) administered as part of the Cooperative Admissions Program for Catholic high schools will be given on Friday, November 9th. Registration for this exam is online at www.njcoopexam.org beginning September 4th. For more information about the Cooperative Admissions Program go to www.catholicsschoolnj.org

EVENING OF PENANCE AND PRAYER

Cardinal Tobin is inviting all the faithful of the Archdiocese of Newark to an Evening of Penance and Prayer on Friday, September 14th at 7:30PM, the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. It will be held at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark. The Cardinal is asking that this evening take precedent over all other parish activities and encouraging all to make it a day of fast and abstinence.

COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY

Due to three collections on the weekend of September 8th and 9th, the collection for the Catholic University will be taken the following week. Please note your envelope says September 9th, but please use it on September 16th.

CALLING ALL TEENS TO DISCIPLESHIP

Our Parish Youth Ministry program is scheduled to begin on Sunday, September 16th with the celebration of a "different-kind-of" mass at 6:00PM, followed by a "different-kind-of" activity from 7:00 to 8:30PM. All young people (8th grade and up) are invited and encouraged to attend the mass and the activity. For more information, and to enroll in the Parish Youth Ministry program (including the Confirmation program) please contact Fr. Bruce at [201-943-7320](tel:201-943-7320).

YOUTH CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Our Parish Youth Confirmation program is scheduled to begin on Sunday, September 16th with the celebration of a "different-kind-of" mass at 6:00PM, followed by a "different-kind-of" activity from 7:00 to 8:30PM. All young people (8th grade and up) who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to attend the mass and the activity. For more information, and to enroll in the Parish Youth Confirmation program, please contact Fr. Bruce at [201-943-7320](tel:201-943-7320).

VOLUNTEER SINGERS & MUSICIANS WANTED

We are looking for volunteer singers and musicians (keyboard, guitar, bass, flute, violin, etc. and percussion) who would like to play contemporary Christian music for our Parish Youth masses. Please contact Fr. Bruce at [201-943-7320](tel:201-943-7320).

REBUILDING TOGETHER

Do you need home repairs? Are you on a fixed or low income? Rebuilding Together North Jersey (a 501 c3 nonprofit) can help for FREE! Residents of Bergen or Passaic County can apply for help in any of these ways: visit rtnorthjersey.org/rtnjapps or call 201-447-8886 or email info@rtnorthjersey.org

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Ann Callagher, Peter Bertinato, Anna Tarabokija, Eric Grigsby, Carrie Craven, Felicia Martello, Oscar Benitez, Elva Lopes, Marilyn Brenes, Sister Kieran O'Riordan, 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, Brother Peter Lyne, Cora Shaffer, Helen Steinel, Ivan Tarabokia, Ms. Angie, Ms. Denise, Kathleen Warren Meserole, Matt Allen, Richie Allen, Jazmin Cruz, Jaime Van Dam, Meaghan Kilner, Baby Michael, Marie Maraiia, Joe Villani, Michael Duddy, Peter Foglio, Jr., Hilda Borrito, Paul Kiczek, Kenneth Crawford, Clyde Harger, Gloria Bonura, Cesar Valdecantos, Kay Tak, Michele Spino, Leonard Cappelluti, Evelyn Rodriguez, Tony Martello.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

"IF ABORTION ISN'T WRONG, THEN NOTHING IS!"

