

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2019

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00PM Alicia Velez Claudio & Alfredo Bravo
8:00AM Francesco & Josephine Olmo
10:00AM Dinko & Antonia Busanic
12:00PM Rosa Hahm

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4

8:00AM Charles F. Force – Anniv.
11:30AM Bruno Matesic

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

ST. AGATHA
8:00AM Joseph Osso
11:30AM Mattea Morin

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

ST. PAUL MIKI & COMPANIONS

8:00AM Dec'd Mbrs. Vecchione Family
11:30AM Anthony Picinich

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7

8:00AM Betty, Otto & Elizabeth Bamert
11:30AM Joseph & Fran Maglio

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8

STS. JEROME EMILIANI & JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

8:00AM Ints. of Tom Sango
11:30AM Alphonso Russo

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

11:30AM Rosemarie Salsone
Pumsing Kim
Carmen Villarama & Santos Children

5:00PM Sottile & Sariti Families

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00AM Antica Morin
10:00AM Lucy Goodrich
12:00PM Krystyna Caruso

ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of
Lottie Skowron

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of
Marc Tarabocchia

ALTAR CANDLES

In Memory of
Marc Tarabocchia

ALTAR FLOWERS

In Memory of
Soon Yi Kim

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are:

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8

God's dramatic call to Isaiah

Ps 138

In the sight of the angels, I will sing your praises, Lord

1 Cor 15:1-11

Paul was called as the least of the apostles

Lk 5:1-11

Jesus calls disciples from among the fisherman

PASTOR'S MESSAGE FEBRUARY 3, 2019

My dear parishioners and friends,

In this world it takes courage to love rather than give in to anger and hatred. It takes strength of character to live virtuously rather than give in to the darker side of our nature.

St. Paul tells us that the Christian life is about choosing to live our calling to love as Jesus loves. If we do not have love, all of our efforts are in vain. Love compels us to be patient and kind, not jealous or puffed up with pride. Love orients us to seek the good of others, not to give in to anger or look for ways to pay people back for the way that they may have abused us. True love is the source of all real joy and happiness.

Maybe we should remember St. Paul's words as our popular celebration of Valentines' Day approaches because true love, Christian love, is something that is always lacking in our world. And, guess what? We are the people who are **supposed** to bring that love out of the "ideal" world and bring it into the "real" world by making good decisions and by controlling our passions that sometimes get the best of us.

*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

January 27th
Sunday Collection \$6,805.00
Communicating God's Word Collection \$1,412.00

"Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous." – 1 Corinthians 13:4
Do you get jealous? Do you focus more on the things that other people have than on the gifts that God has given to you? Are you pompous? Do you acquire more possessions to impress others? At times we are all guilty of these things. Pray for more humility. Pray to become less "self-centered" and become more "God-centered."

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.

ALTAR BREAD & WINE, SANCTUARY LAMPS, MASS CANDLES & ALTAR FLOWERS

We have Altar Bread & Wine, Sanctuary Lamps, Mass Candles and Altar Flowers available for the year 2019. Please come into the rectory to book one of these items in memory of or in honor of your loved ones.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP & MINISTRY

We invite all those who may be grieving from the loss of a loved one to join us at St. Therese of Lisieux Church, 120 Monroe Avenue, Cresskill the Second Monday of the month. We are here to support one another, offer information, listen and share feelings. For questions please call the Parish Office at 201-567-2528.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER ADDENDUM

The following donation was received too late to be included on the Christmas Flower Donation List: Ms. Vivian Alvarez – In Memory of Jose A. Alvarez.

“GOD IS LIKE BOUNTY...HE IS THE QUICKER PICKER UPPER..CAN HANDLE THE TOUGH JOBS...AND HE WON'T FALL APART ON YOU!”

SAINT PATRICK/SAINT JOSEPH'S DINNER-DANCE

Save the date for our Saint Patrick/Saint Joseph's Dinner Dance to be held on Saturday, March 16th. Featured will be a family-style sit-down corned beef and cabbage dinner with all the trimmings, and zeppole. Music will be by Shooting Star Entertainment – DJ Nick. Tickets are \$35 per person and can be purchased at the Rectory. Proceeds will benefit our Heritage Fund for the renovation of the Rectory Basement. **NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.**

WILLIAM H. CRON SCHOLARSHIP FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

We have a scholarship for a beginning or current college student who is an active parishioner of Epiphany Church who will be an entering freshman in the fall of 2019 or is currently enrolled in a four-year college as a sophomore or junior. One \$2,500 scholarship will be awarded annually. New applications will have to be submitted yearly. Applications for the scholarship can be obtained from the parish office. The deadline for applications is May 1st. Scholarship will be awarded June 9th at the Parish Picnic.

GOLDEN, SILVER & FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

April 28th – 3:00PM – 50 years – (all counties)

June 2nd – 3:00PM – 5 & 25 years (all counties)

The Archdiocese will honor all couples married 50, 25 and 5 years at the Cathedral Basilica. You must come to the rectory to fill out a form for any of these anniversaries. All reservations must be made two weeks before the Mass is scheduled. Cardinal Tobin will be the main celebrant at all Masses. Deadline for 50 years is April 17th and deadline for 25 and 5 years is May 22nd. Please call the Family Life Office at 973-497-4323 if you have any questions.

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL

This weekend is the start of the 2019 *Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal*. This campaign provides the necessary resources to sustain Archdiocesan programs and ministries. Our parish goal this year is \$33,029.00. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you for any help you can provide. If you choose to donate online, please visit www.rcan.org/sharing.



CHRIST THE TEACHER SCHOOL A 2018 National Blue Ribbon School

Open House and Registration for the 2019-2020 school year is on-going.

Please note that being a parishioner offers you the opportunity of a discounted tuition rate.

From February 4th going forward, we will continue to have open registrations from Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 2:00pm, and invite you to make an appointment.

Please contact the school at (201) 944-0421 or email us at info@christtheteacherschool.org for a tour.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Give your spouse the gift of a special Valentine. The Worldwide Marriage Encounter teaches a technique of loving communication that you can use for the rest of your lives. Sign up today for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on March 22nd-24th at www.wvme.org or call Mike & Janet Turco at 973-427-7016.

PRINCIPALS NEEDED FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

In anticipation of the 2019-2020 School Year, the Archdiocese is looking for principals for Essex, Hudson, Union and Bergen Counties. Candidates must meet the following requirements: practicing Catholic, relevant experience in teaching and/or administration, earned a Master's degree, NJ Teaching Certificate or its reciprocal, NJ Principal Certificate preferred or commitment to attain it, or its reciprocal. Interested parties should send resume, cover letter, letter of reference from pastor and 2 professional sources to: butterpa@rcan.org

THE PIVOTAL PLAYERS

On Thursday, February 28th, our parish adult faith formation program will continue with Bishop Robert Barron's series, The Pivotal Players. This is Bishop Barron's follow-up series to Catholicism. The "Pivotal Players" series illumines the lives of a handful of saints, artists, mystics and scholars who shaped the life of the Church and changed the course of civilization. Our second installment will feature St. Augustine whose narrative of personal transformation provides a design for life in Christ that still captivates Christians today. Our monthly program is held at 1:00 PM on Thursday in the daily mass chapel.

SAVE UP FOR THE EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME!

Join Fr. Bruce on a journey to Oberammergau, Germany for the 2020 Passion Play, Rome and the Vatican. Our tour is set for July 16-23, 2020. We will fly from JFK airport to Munich. Then on to Oberammergau where, since 1624 the town has performed the Passion Play recounting the last few days of Jesus' life before his death and resurrection. "The last time I saw the Passion Play was in 1960 and I have never forgotten it." (Fr. Bruce) After spending a day in Innsbruck, Austria, it's on to Rome for three days, including the Papal audience in St. Peter's square on Wednesday! The price for the trip begins at \$4,298 for double occupancy and it includes airfare from New York, admission fees for museums, First Class Hotel accommodations and gratuities, program fees, daily breakfast and dinner, deluxe motor-coach transportation, and the Passion Play tickets for the full 6-hour long performance. Don't miss the opportunity for this experience of a lifetime! For more information, brochures are available in the Rectory Office.

COLD AND FLU SEASON

Because so many people are currently suffering from colds and flu at this time, we have decided to discontinue distributing the Precious Blood at masses for the next few weeks. When the weather warms up a bit and we are finally over this cold and flu season, we will resume using the "cups" at all our parish masses.

OPEN HOUSE

Open House will be held at Dominican College on Saturday, February 9th beginning at 9:30AM with check-in and the program starts at 10:00AM. It is located at 470 Western Highway, Orangeburg, NY just minutes from Bergen County and 15 minutes from the old Tappan Zee Bridge. It offers a generous financial aid and scholarship program. Ask about it on your visit.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Ann Callagher, Peter Bertinato, Anna Tarabokija, Eric Grigsby, Carrie Craoven, Felicia Martello, Oscar Benitez, Elva Lopes, Marilyn Brenes, Frank Mendez, Maria Azucena Mercado, John Reynolds, Arianna Cappola, Doris Levy, Cindy Simeone Reynolds, Tammy Ledden, Baby Juliette Payne, Brian Hone, Laura Palmieri, Margarita Lopez-Amaro, Helen Gallina DeLuca, Renee Pascarella, Brother Peter Lyne, Cora Shaffer, Paul Barbara, Kathleen Warren Meserole, Matt Allen, Richie Allen, Jazmin Cruz, Jaime Van Dam, Meaghan Kilner, Baby Michael, Joe Villani, Michael Duddy, Peter Foglio, Jr., Paul Kiczek, Kenneth Crawford, Clyde Harger, Cesar Valdecantos, Kay Tak, Michele Spino, Evelyn Rodriguez, Ruth Behsman, Barbara Snow, Mary Iannaccone, Norma Brown, Doris Portillo, Cabrini Lepis, Elizabeth Magliato Loughlin, Teresita Zafra-Santos, Ann Marie Applegate, Geraldine Fox, Tatiana Flores, Rosalie Connors, Christopher Nash, Pat Romano, Donna Carrajat, Angelina Cozzitorto, Roberto Tarabocchia, Frank Gaetani, Little Gabriel, Rachel Rocks, Gus Aquilone, Dottie Rossi.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Gino Zilocchi, William Killinger.

