

**SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2019**  
**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

5:00PM Arthur DiPaolo  
8:00AM Pasquale Iannaccone  
10:00AM Attilio & Carmela Dente  
12:00PM Maria & John Hroncich

**MONDAY, MAY 6**

8:00AM Ivan Piccinich  
11:30AM Mattea Morin

**TUESDAY, MAY 7**

8:00AM James & Lillie Harger  
11:30AM Helen Lala

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 8**

8:00AM Linda Scarry  
11:30AM John Mattessich

**THURSDAY, MAY 9**

8:00AM John Picinic  
11:30AM Dec'd Mbrs. Mezzich Family

**FRIDAY, MAY 10**

8:00AM Ivan Piccinich  
11:30AM Matea Morin

**SATURDAY, MAY 11**

11:30AM Libero & Silvestri Families  
Felicia Arsi & Lee Scala  
5:00PM Eichler, Ferrara, Pellegrino &  
Parenta Families

**SUNDAY, MAY 12**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

8:00AM Gus Aquilone  
10:00AM Vera & Anthony Dragas  
12:00PM Grace Piccirillo & Olivia  
Caroleo

**ALTAR BREAD**

*In Memory of*  
Mary Barchetto

**ALTAR WINE**

*In Memory of*  
John Mattessich

**EASTER CANDLE**

*In Memory of*  
Manzini & Pettrizzie Families

**PREPARING FOR MASS**

*The readings for next Sunday are:*

**Acts 13:14, 43-52**

Paul and Barnabas preach to the Gentiles

**Ps 100**

"We are his people, the sheep of  
his flock."

**Rev 7:9, 14b-17**

The Lamb of God is our shepherd who  
leads us to life-giving water

**Jn 10:27-30**

No one can harm one of Jesus' lambs

**PASTOR'S MESSAGE MAY 5, 2019**

*My dear parishioners and friends,*

In our gospel passage this weekend we read how Jesus gave St. Peter the opportunity to experience a true reconciliation. Three times in the courtyard of the place where Jesus was being held prisoner Peter had denied even knowing him. And in today's gospel passage Jesus asks Peter three times, "Do you love me?". Each time, Peter professes his love for Jesus; "Lord, you know that I love you!", and each time Jesus calls Peter to show his love by taking the responsibility of caring for the Lord's sheep. Brothers and sisters, just as Jesus charged Peter to "tend his sheep" and to "feed his lambs" we too are called to take care of one another; and to care especially for the "lost sheep" who may have wandered away from the flock.

Every year I am impressed at how the church fills up for our Holy Week and Easter celebrations. But when attendance slips back to "normal" in the weeks following Easter it makes me wonder, "Where did they all go?" Maybe there were so many new faces at Easter because we had a number of out of town visitors? Maybe there were so many people in attendance because they all had Good Friday or Easter Sunday off work, when they usually have to work? All I can say is that I am sincerely grateful for their presence with us to give praise and thanks to God... even if it is only once or twice a year. But, wouldn't it be wonderful if our wandering brothers and sisters could join us every Sunday?

*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*

*April 28<sup>th</sup>*

*Sunday Collection*

*\$4,735.00*

*"Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.'"*

*- John 21:17*

*All of us are challenged to show our love for Jesus and others. Discern how God is calling you to use your time in prayer, your talent in charitable works and your treasure to assist those who are in need. Remember that giving is an act of worship and helps advance the mission of our parish and greater Church.*



**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.**

**BUS TRIP TO THE SANDS, BETHLEHEM**

There will be a bus trip to the Sands, Bethlehem, on Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup>. Bus will leave at 8:45AM and return at approximately 6:00PM. Tickets are \$35.00 per person which includes \$25.00 back for play. Tickets must be purchased by June 24<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds will benefit the Epiphany Heritage Fund for the purchase of new church front doors.

**MAY CROWNING**

Our May Crowning will take place on Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at the 5:00PM Mass. All parishioners are invited to attend.

**MOTHERS' DAY CARDS**

Mothers' Day Cards are available at the Church doors. Please put your intentions on the envelopes and return them to the rectory by May 10<sup>th</sup> at the latest.

**CLIFFSIDE PARK SENIOR CENTER**

The following are the events happening at the Cliffside Park Senior Center at the Gerald A. Calabrese Complex: May 8 - Resorts AC Trip - \$33; May 13 - Mother's Day Brunch - 10:30AM; May 15 - Empire Club Luncheon - \$35; June 17 - Father's Day Brunch; June 21<sup>st</sup> - Housing Authority Barbecue - 5:00-9:00PM; Oct. 18-20 - Fabulous 50's & Beyond Weekend - bus, hotel, food, concerts, etc - \$345. Call 201-943-3768 ext. 112 for reservations.

### NICHOLAS SERTICH TO BE ORDAINED A DEACON

Our Seminarian, Nicholas Sertich, will be ordained to the Diaconate on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at the 12 Noon Mass at the Cathedral Basilica, Newark. No tickets are necessary for the Ordination Mass. Also, on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM, Nicholas will be serving as Deacon for his first Mass at Epiphany. A reception will follow the Mass. If you plan on attending, please RSVP to the Rectory by **May 13<sup>th</sup> at the latest.**

### CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN

The Confraternity of Christian Women will have its monthly Communion Mass on Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the Crowning of Our Blessed Mother.

### 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 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 can be obtained at the parish office. Deadline for applications is May 15<sup>th</sup>. Scholarship to be awarded June 9<sup>th</sup> at the Parish Picnic.

### THE PIVOTAL PLAYERS

On Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 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.

We will be tracking back to the 13<sup>th</sup> century in our fifth installment of Bishop Barron's series with an episode examining the life and work of St. Thomas Aquinas. St. Thomas is probably the most influential systematic theologian in the church's history. His work continues to influence the direction and content of Catholic theology with a clarity of vision and uncompromising reasoning that is seldom, if ever, superseded. Our monthly program is held at 1:00 PM on Thursday.

### CHRIST THE TEACHER SCHOOL

#### **A 2018 National Blue Ribbon School**

*We will continue to have open registrations, provided there is availability, for Grades PK-3 year old program to Grade 8, from Monday-Friday, 9:00AM – 2:00PM, and invite you to make an appointment. Please note that being a parishioner offers you the opportunity of a discounted tuition rate. Please contact the school at 201-944-0421 or email us at [info@christtheteacherschool.org](mailto:info@christtheteacherschool.org) for a tour.*



### SILVER & FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

**June 2<sup>nd</sup> – 3:00PM – 5 & 25 years (all counties)**

The Archdiocese will honor all couples married 25 and 5 years at the Cathedral Basilica. You must come to the rectory to fill out a form for any of these anniversaries. Reservations must be made two weeks before the Mass is scheduled. Cardinal Tobin will be the main celebrant at all Masses. Deadline is May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

World Day of Prayer will be observed on Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." Its purpose is to publically fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2) Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.

### SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL

Did you know that there is still time to support the 2019 Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal? Epiphany has received \$26,537.00 in pledges. Will you join your fellow parishioners in supporting this effort that strengthens many important programs and ministries across the Archdiocese? Our goal, \$33,029.00, can only be achieved through **YOUR** generosity! If we go over our goal, the parish will realize a rebate which we can use for our new Church Doors. Envelopes are at the church doors. **YOUR** gift will truly make a difference. Thank you for your prayers and support.

### STEAK-OUT FOR CHARITY

Please join us every Monday in May at Sedona Taphouse for either lunch and/or dinner. Sedona will donate \$1.00 for every flat iron steak or grilled salmon that is purchased. It is a win-win situation for us. All we need is for our parishioners and friends to go and say that they are coming to support Epiphany Parish.

### BRUNCH AT SEDONA TAPHOUSE

On Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> from 8:00AM-11:00AM, Epiphany Parish will be having a brunch at Sedona Taphouse. Tickets are \$20 per person and you can purchase tickets at the Rectory. All proceeds will go towards the purchase of our new Church front doors. Please participate in this worthwhile benefit for our parish.

### PARISH PICNIC

Save the date for our Family Picnic catered by Sedona Taphouse on Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 1:30PM-5:30PM. Entertainment will be by DJ Nick and Alicia the Clown. Tickets for the picnic are as follows: \$22.00 per person; ages 13-15 - \$15.00; a family of 3 or more (with children up to 12 years of age) is \$30.00. Tickets are on sale at the Rectory.

### 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, every ten years the town has performed the Passion Play, recounting the last few days of Jesus' life before his death and resurrection. After spending a day in Innsbruck, Austria, we will travel 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 in two parts (there is a break mid-way for dinner). Don't miss the opportunity for this experience of a lifetime! For more information, brochures are available in the Rectory Office.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

*Ann Callagher, Peter Bertinato, Anna Tarabokija, Caroline Craven, 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, Kathleen Warren Meserole, Matt Allen, Richie Allen, Jazmin Cruz, Meaghan Kilner, Baby Michael, Joe Villani, Michael Duddy, Kenneth Crawford, Clyde Harger, Cesar Valdecantos, Kay Tak, Michele Spino, Evelyn Rodriguez, Ruth Behsman, Barbara Snow, Mary Iannaccone, Doris Portillo, 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, Tony Martello, Little Gabriel, Rachel Rocks, Dottie Rossi, Mike Hromin, Timmy Cappola, Sean O'Connor, John Donato, Vladimir Drobikov, Vinka Uselj, Louanne Mitchell, Louise O'Connor, Kathy Lennon, Colleen Meyers, Domenick Deodino.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

*Richard Bradley, Richard Kubik.*

**"YOU CAN DO MORE WITH A KIND  
WORD AND A SMILE THAN WITH  
JUST A KIND WORD!"**

