

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK - OCTOBER 20, 2019

My dear parishioners,

I know that we had a great party last Saturday night because even as I am writing this message on Tuesday my legs are still aching from all the dancing! I want to repeat some of what I said in my remarks after Communion at the installation mass on Saturday.

I am thankful to our former pastor, Fr. Ken Evans, for doing so much to improve the infrastructure of the parish (AC and Boilers, etc.). He made it possible for us to concentrate on some of the more "cosmetic" renovations we have been doing. I also want to thank Fr. Boniface for all the joy-filled grace he is bringing to the ministry here.

I am thankful for all of you who have done so much to make the past 18 months a fruitful time. Particularly, I want to say "thank-you" to Cathy and George Eichler, and Sarah Romano; Gail and Dominick Milone; Ermelinda, Ed, and Lucinda Sariti; Jimmy and Sonia Colangelo; Richard and Jane Aquilone; Kathy Hromin; John and Marie Mattesich and all the members of the Parish Finance Council. I am thankful for the ladies of the Rosary Society, the Confraternity of Christian Women, and all the people who serve on the Social Events Committee. I give thanks to God for the men of the Knights of Columbus Council and for those who work in the Food Pantry. I want to express my thanks to Dr. Sunny Son, the cantors and musicians, the adult choir and the children's choir; all of our Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers, our servers, ushers and greeters, and the folks who care for the flowers and the altar linens in church.

I know that I am probably leaving people out who I should thank, you know who you are and what you have been doing to build up this community of faith, hope and love. Finally, I want to thank God for each and every one of our parishioners who faithfully support what we are trying to do here. You are essential to the life of our community – You ARE the life of this community. Never forget it!

*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
October 13, 2019*

*Sunday Collection \$5,821.00
Assessment Collection \$2,094.00*

*"...proclaim the word, be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient..." – 2 Timothy 4:2
It is not always convenient to be a good steward, especially when all the temptations of our busy and materialistic world get in the way. Now add our own pride and ego into the equation and living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright uncomfortable! Remember, God didn't call us to be comfortable. He called us to be faithful.*



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.

BAPTISMS

The Catholic Community of Epiphany Parish welcomes with great joy the following newcomer baptized during the month of October:

Valentina Maria Suriano

BUS TRIP TO THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Join Deanery 6 for the Newark Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on Saturday, October 26th. The one-day bus trip will leave from St. Matthew's Church at 6:30AM. Cost is \$45 per person. Register at St. Matthew's at 555 Prospect Avenue, Ridgely. Check is payable to St. Matthew's.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2019

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00PM Joseph Ferrara, Richard Linton,
Gerald Ross & Adrienne
Pellegrino Webster

8:00AM Anthony Frato, Jr.
10:00AM Giulio Scoccimarro
12:00PM Kevin Lisky

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

8:00AM Nichols Morin
11:30AM Ivan Tarabokia

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

ST. JOHN PAUL, II

8:00AM Maria & Antonia Hroncich
11:30AM Mattea Morin

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

ST. JOHN OF CAPISTRANO

8:00AM Anthony Tarabocchia
11:30AM Carmela Bussanich

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

ST. ANTHONY MARY CLARET

8:00AM Hilda & John Dondero
11:30AM Matteo & Antonia Mattesich

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

8:00AM Bepino Bussanich
11:30AM Senko Skific

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

11:30AM Rosemarie Lembo
Hyacinth Logan-Moore
Robert Fisher
Ints of Leonarda Zafra, Vivian
Tyrene, Cory Gabriel Punla,
Trista Nicole Santos
Mallory Lazo

5:00PM Angela Garritano

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00AM Carmine Magnone
10:00AM Joseph Osso
12:00PM Dinka & Lovro Picinic

ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE

In Memory of

David Mihalinec

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are:

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18

The God of justice knows no favorites.

Ps 34

"The Lord hears the cry of the poor."

2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18

I have competed well, I have finished
the race.

Lk 18:9-14

"O God, be merciful to me a sinner."



THANKSGIVING PIES AND CAKES

Don't forget to order your Thanksgiving Pies and Cakes by November 8th. If you have never bought one before, you are in for a real treat. Pies and cakes will be distributed on the Tuesday before Thanksgiving Day. This is a great fund-raiser for the parish. Order forms are at the Church Doors.

EPIPHANY COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

The Epiphany Community Food Pantry is in need of all non-perishable food items for our Pantry. Please make sure that all food has a shelf life of 2020 and beyond. **WE WILL NOT ACCEPT EXPIRED FOOD.** We thank you for your continued generosity. **We will not be accepting new clients until January, 2020.**

NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister, please be in touch with Fr. Bruce as soon as possible. There will be a Formation meeting at the Archdiocesan Center, Newark on Saturday, November 9th from 8:45AM-12:30PM. Registration closes on November 3rd.

SAVE THE DATE

Save the date for our annual Christmas Party for Bingo Workers, Food Pantry Workers, Confraternity of Christian Women and Legion of Mary Members. It will be held on Friday, December 6th at 6:30PM at Café Tivoli. Cost is \$35.00 per person. Please pay for your tickets at the rectory and pick out a name for your Secret Santa Gift. The gift should have a value of at least \$15.00. Reservations must be made and paid for by December 2nd.

HOLY HOUR PRAYING FOR OUR NATION

The Rosary Rally that has been taking place in the Church after the 11:30AM Mass on Mondays will be continuing until October 28th. Please join us as we say the rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet proving America still needs Fatima. The Rally will conclude with Benediction on the 28th.

OPEN HOUSE

Open House will be held at the following schools: Immaculate Conception High, Lodi – Sunday, October 20th at 10:00AM; Immaculate Heart Academy, Township of Washington – Sunday, October 20th – 11:00AM-2:00PM; St. Peter's, Jersey City – Sunday, October 20th – 1:00-4:00PM; Dominican College, Orangeburg, NY – Saturday, October 26th beginning at 10:00AM – scholarships and grant programs offer up to \$18,000 per year; Seton Hall Prep, Jersey City – Sunday, October 27th – 12 Noon-3:00PM; Don Bosco Prep, Ramsey – Sunday, October 27th – 1:00-3:00PM; : Paramus Catholic High, Paramus – Tuesday, October 29th – 6:00-8:00PM; Bergen Catholic, Oradell – Wednesday, October 30th – 6:30-8:30PM; Saint Joseph Regional, Montvale – Wednesday, November 6th – 6:30-9:00PM.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT SPECTACULAR

On Sunday, November 3rd, Saint Joseph Regional High School, Montvale will be hosting its Christmas Craft Spectacular from 10:00AM until 4:00PM, showcasing the talents of 105 crafts people and fine artists. The whole first floor will be used. Admission is \$3.00. Children and senior citizens (65+) are free. **NO STROLLERS ARE PERMITTED.** For further information visit www.saintjosephregional.org

FLAPJACK FUNDRAISER

This Sunday, October 20th, Applebee's and UNICO will sponsor a Flapjack breakfast consisting of pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs and beverage from 8:00-10:00AM. It is located at Applebee's, 2100 – 88th Street, North Bergen. Price is \$10 per person and \$5 for children 12 and under. All proceeds will support scholarships for students at Cliffside Park High School.

PRE-HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA

ONLY FOUR WEEKS LEFT TO PURCHASE TICKETS for our November 16th Pre-Holiday Extravaganza Dinner-Dance with a Cavalcade of Prizes. This will replace our Tricky Tray. The Beefsteak Dinner will be catered by Giresi's and DJ Nick will provide the music at a cost of \$40.00 per person. All gifts are valued from \$75.00 up to \$400.00. Don't miss out on the fun and a chance to win big prizes! **NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.**

A DAY OF 2000 HAIL MARYS

On Saturday, November 2nd, the Legion of Mary will be sponsoring a day of 2000 Hail Marys. We will be starting about 8:00AM in the Church and be concluding about 4:00PM. Even though 2000 prayers sounds like a lot, remember there are 50 Hail Marys to a rosary. So if we get 40 people to say one rosary each, we have it. A fellowship will take place in the Church Hall after the 5:00PM Mass for the participants.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Sedona Taphouse, Cliffside Park, will sponsor its First Annual Trunk or Treat on Tuesday, October 29th from 5:00-9:00PM at the Cliffside Park Town Centre Municipal Parking Deck. Volunteer adults are needed to help to give out candy. Please contact Mendi Zuta to participate and for additional information at MENDI.ZUTA@STHNJ.COM

UPCOMING EVENT

We will be having a Gala New Year's Party this year. It will be catered by Roman's Restaurant, New Milford. Details will follow in a later bulletin.

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you to all those who have helped our parish with the 2019 Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal. Thus far we have received \$33,916 from 138 families. Last year more families participated in this Appeal. If we go over our goal, we will receive 62% of all funds collected. **We are only \$2,500 short of our goal to get a rebate. If you have not made a pledge as yet, there is still time to do so.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Ann Callagher, Peter Bertinato, Caroline Craven, Felicia Martello, Arianna Cappola, Doris Levy, Cindy Simeone Reynolds, Baby Juliette Payne, Brian Hone, Cora Shaffer, Kathleen Warren Meserole, Baby Michael, Clyde Harger, Cesar Valdecantos, Kay Tak, Michele Spino, Evelyn Rodriguez, Barbara Snow, Mary Iannaccone, Doris Portillo, Teresita Zafra-Santos, Ann Marie Applegate, Geraldine Fox, Tatiana Flores, Rosalie Connors, Christopher Nash, Pat Romano, Donna Carrajat, Tony Martello, Little Gabriel, Rachel Rocks, Timmy Cappola, Sean O'Connor, Vladimir Drobikov, Vinka Uselj, Louanne Mitchell, Kathy Lennon, Colleen Meyers, Domenick Deodino, Rosemarie Liversidge, Christine Caruso, Patrick Bove, Camille Moglia, John Keegan, Kay O'Connor, Georgine Ferrie, Anthony Martini, Pantaleon Domingo, Richard & Patricia Citro, Brother Peter Lyne, Frank Gaetani, Frank Magdaluyo, Conrado Trinidad, Arnold Wall, John Mitchell, Joanne Kaiser.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Slavko Mladjenovic, Joan McDonough.

**“GIVE GOD WHAT'S
RIGHT, NOT WHAT'S
LEFT!”**

