

**SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2020**  
**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

5:00PM Daniel O'Connor  
8:00AM Michael A. Cingire  
10:00AM Ottavio Martire  
12:00PM Grace Siccardi

**MONDAY, MARCH 16**

8:00AM Tony Tarabocchia  
11:30AM Maria C. Gullace

**TUESDAY, MARCH 17**

*ST. PATRICK*

8:00AM Edoardo Mattessich  
11:30AM Pietro, Tommaso &  
Nicolina Pallotta

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18**

*ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM*

8:00AM Edoardo Mattessich  
11:30AM Ints. of Gus & Frances Jentile

**THURSDAY, MARCH 19**

*ST. JOSEPH*

8:00AM Edoardo Mattessich  
11:30AM Martino Hroncich

**FRIDAY, MARCH 20**

8:00AM Anna Wenderoth  
11:30AM Nikolina Matesic

**SATURDAY, MARCH 21**

11:30AM Anton Vidovich  
Marie Rose

5:00PM Veronica Terranova

**SUNDAY, MARCH 22**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

8:00AM Cosimo Pepe  
10:00AM Matteo, Antonia & Domenico  
Abbate  
12:00PM Matteja Morich

**ALTAR BREAD**

*In Memory of*

Slavko Mladjenovic

**ALTAR WINE**

*In Memory of*

Slavko Mladjenovic

**MASS CANDLES**

*In Memory of*

Martin Picinic

**PREPARING FOR MASS**

*The readings for next Sunday are:*

**1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a**

"Man sees the appearance but the Lord  
looks into the heart."

**Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I  
shall want.

**Eph 5:8-14**

Live as "children of light."

**John 9:1-41**

Jesus performs the miracle of giving sight to the  
man born blind.

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK – MARCH 15, 2020**

*My dear parishioners and friends,*

Last weekend at all the masses we made the pledge envelopes available for the Archdiocese Annual Appeal, "Shining the Light of Christ". Many of you who contributed to the Annual Appeal last year have already received a solicitation in the mail and I am pleased to say that many of you have already made your pledge. Now is the time for those of you who have not made a commitment to support the work of our Archdiocese to do so by using one of the envelopes that were distributed in the pews last weekend. You may also make a contribution online at [rcan.org/sharing](http://rcan.org/sharing) or over the phone by calling 973-497-4129.

The overall goal for the Annual Appeal this year is \$8.3 million. \$1 million will fund the mission of proclaiming the Gospel by supporting diverse ministries and multi-ethnic apostolates which serve thousands of men, women and children throughout the four counties. \$2.9 million dollars will be used to support the work of handing down the faith to future generations of young Catholics. \$2.3 million dollars will be set aside to assist the poor and marginalized in our society, the elderly and the unborn. And \$2.1 million is designated for the formation of future priests and meeting the needs of our elderly retired clergy.

Last year our parish exceeded our pledge goal and received a rebate from the Diocese in excess of \$3,000. I hope and pray that your generosity will be proven once again this year. Remember, "the Lord loves a cheerful giver".

*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.*

*March 8, 2020*

*Sunday Collection*

*\$4,428.00*

*"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again." – John 4:13*

*Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us for long. When we build our lives around material possessions we always want more. True Joy and Peace only comes when we follow Jesus, when we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered".*



**THURSDAY BINGO GAMES BEING AT 12:15PM. WE NOW OFFER BIGGER JACKPOTS, PROGRESSIVE AND 50/50 GAMES. COME OUT HAVE SOME FUN AND WIN BIG PRIZES.**

**GET YOUR TAXES DONE FOR FREE**

The Franciscan Community Development Center's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) provides free income tax preparation assistance to families in our Community. Call 201-941-2977. The office will be open until April 15<sup>th</sup>. It will be closed on April 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>.

**ST. JOSEPH REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL**

St. Joseph Regional High School, Montvale, is currently accepting applications from qualified 8<sup>th</sup> grade students for September 2020 admission. Please call or email for further information about becoming part of the Green Knight family. Email [admissions@sjrnj.org](mailto:admissions@sjrnj.org) or call 201-391-3300.

**MASS FOR RECOVERY AND HEALING**

All are welcome to Church of St. Mary, 20 Legion Place, Closter for the Third Saturday Recovery and Healing Mass on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 12 Noon. This special monthly Mass is offered for the support, healing and recovery of those directly afflicted with a substance use disorder, as well as those affected by the abuse of alcohol and/or drugs. An open support group, Meeting of Hope, will follow the Mass. Refreshments will be served. For information please call 201-768-7565.

### LENTEN SOUP SUPPER

Our Lenten Soup Supper will be held on Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> following the 5:00PM Mass. Dinner will be served beginning at 6:00PM. The all-you-can eat dinner will feature a number of delicious fresh-made soups, salad and a variety of breads, a wide assortment of desserts, soda, coffee, tea. There is no set price for tickets but a free-will offering will be accepted (suggested donation \$10 per person), and all proceeds will benefit our Food Pantry. Reserve your seats by Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>.

### GOLDEN, SILVER & FIVE-YEAR ANNIVERSARIES

The Archdiocese of Newark invites any couple celebrating 50, 25 or 5 years of Christian Marriage in 2020 to anniversary liturgies that will be celebrated at the Cathedral Basilica in Newark. Golden Anniversaries will be on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3:00PM – deadline for reservations is April 15<sup>th</sup>. Silver and Fifth Anniversaries will be celebrated on April 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:00PM – deadline for reservations is April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please call the rectory from Monday-Friday during office hours to register.

### CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN

The Confraternity of Christian Women will have its monthly meeting on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:30PM in the Church Hall. All women are invited to attend.

### LEGION OF MARY ANNUAL ACIES CONSECRATION

The Legion of Mary Annual Acies Consecration will be held on Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 3:00PM at St. John the Evangelist Church, 29 N. Washington Avenue, Bergenfield. Active, auxiliary and retired members are encouraged to come. All are invited.

### BUS TRIP TO WIND CREEK CASINO

We will sponsor a bus trip to Wind Creek Casino on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. Bus will leave at 8:45AM and return at about 6:00PM. Tickets are \$35 per person and you get \$25.00 back for play. Proceeds will benefit our Heritage Fund for the purchase of new round tables for the Church Hall. Tickets must be paid for by April 14<sup>th</sup>.

### OPEN HOUSE

Academy of the Holy Angels will be hosting a Spring Open House on Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:00-8:00PM. For more information or to register, please visit [www.holyanels.org/admissions/visit-aha](http://www.holyanels.org/admissions/visit-aha)

### ESTATE SALE

There is a huge estate sale in Leonia. If interested in browsing or purchasing, please call 757-645-6868 for an appointment or you may email [tradetalks@aol.com](mailto:tradetalks@aol.com) Items to be sold include: sports equipment, hummels, dinnerware, furniture, furs, women's clothing, garden tools, lawn mower, tools, a 2010 Lexus, costume jewelry and much more. A percentage of the proceeds from the estate sale will be donated to Epiphany Church.

### THE NEIGHBORHOOD'S ANNUAL EXTRAVAGANZA

The Neighborhood's Annual Extravaganza at The Elan, Lodi, NJ will be held on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-11:00PM. It will feature the Neighborhood Band and Singers, Rob & Patty Mead, the comedy of Jeff Norris, and special guest stars – The Alan Quinn Orchestra with music from the "Swing Era", featuring Frank Fellone. Featuring 4-hour open bar from 6:00-10:00PM, dinner and dancing. Tickets are \$95 per person and can be purchased at the rectory before April 13<sup>th</sup>.

***"GOD GAVE US THE GIFT OF LIFE; IT IS UP  
TO US TO GIVE OURSELVES THE GIFT OF  
LIVING WELL!"***

### 2020 LENTEN RETREAT & REFLECTION

Church of Epiphany presents "Seek the Lord in Prayer and Penance" a 2020 Lenten Retreat and Reflection with Fr. Boniface. It will be held on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> from 9:30AM-12PM. There will be the following activities: teachings, adoration, healing mass and brunch. It will be held in the main church. All are invited to attend.

### WILLIAM H. CRON SCHOLARSHIP FOR COLLEGE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

We have two scholarships that will be given away this June. One is for a beginning or current college student who is an active parishioner of Epiphany who will be an entering freshman in the fall of 2020 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 annually. The second scholarship is for an eighth grader who will be entering a Catholic High School in September, 2020. One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually. The high school scholarship will be awarded to the student with the highest grade-point average. Applications can be obtained at the parish office. Deadline for applications is May 8<sup>th</sup>. Scholarships will be awarded on June 14<sup>th</sup> at our Parish Picnic.

### PALM CROSSES

We are again selling Palm Crosses this year. Beautifully decorated Palms are \$11.00 each and can be purchased by filling out an order form in the bulletin or at the Church doors. Crosses must be paid in full when ordering. Pick-ups will be the weekend of March 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> and March 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds will benefit our Heritage Fund.

### EASTER CAKES & PIES

Don't forget to place your orders for Easter cakes and pies. Order forms are at the Church doors. Orders must be in by March 31<sup>st</sup>. All orders must be returned with payment in full. Proceeds will benefit our Heritage Fund.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

*Ann Callagher, Caroline Craven, Felicia Martello, Arianna Cappola, Doris Levy, Cindy Simeone Reynolds, Baby Juliette Payne, Brian Hone, Cora Shaffer, Baby Michael, Clyde Harger, Cesar Valdecantos, Kay Tak, Michele Spino, Evelyn Rodriguez, Barbara Snow, Mary Iannaccone, Doris Portillo, Teresita Zafrá-Santos, Ann Marie Applegate, Geraldine Fox, Tatiana Flores, Rosalie Connors, Christopher Nash, Pat Romano, Donna Carrajat, Tony Martello, Little Gabriel, Rachel Rocks, 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, Anthony Martini, Pantaleon Domingo, Patricia Citro, Brother Peter Lyne, Frank Magdaluyo, Conrado Trinidad, John Mitchell, Joanne Kaiser, Patricia Warren, Ramon Villavicencio, Danilo Bonifacio, Angie Vigna, Daniel Johnson, Ryan Cariddi, Laura Cipullo, Frances Marino, Robert Donato, Rosemary Kovacs, Richard Allen, Anthony Martello, Jr., Miguel Madera, Natalie Dente, Joe Villani, Lisa Mutchler, Elizabeth Chan Benjamin Yap, Henry Yap, Archbishop Emeritus John Joseph Myers, Rose & Anthony McCluskey, Jane Kim Estantino, Mike Hromin, Mary Donato, Nancy Manto, Giuseppe Totaro, Peter Barbato, Sylvia Nichols, Roy Regaspi, Gloria Marquez, David Barmore, Drew Johnson, Erlinda Que.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

*Kenneth McBride, John Lionelli, Richard Citro, Paul Kelaher.*