

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK – JUNE 14, 2020



“THIS IS THE BREAD THAT CAME DOWN FROM HEAVEN.”

My dear parishioners and friends,

2020 is a year that we will not soon forget because of the way that the Coronavirus has affected every part of our lives. I will especially remember this year because of all the ways that it has changed our church community... we have been dispersed to shelter in our homes and we live with a new level of stress and fear.

For the past several weeks we have had to persevere in faith without being able to come together to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. I am appreciative of the fact that so many of you have taken the opportunity to view our daily livestreaming of the mass (11:30 AM Mon.-Sat. and 9:30 AM on Sundays) on Facebook, which can be accessed through our parish website (epiphanyrcchurch.org). We have had to face some technological challenges in presenting this, but Fr. Boniface and I continue to celebrate the Holy Mass, looking forward to the day when we will once again be able to open the doors of our church. We are only waiting for the word to come from our Governor and from the Archbishop's office allowing us to move to "phase 2" of the plan for reopening.

This Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (*Corpus Christi*). This great Feast reminds us of how blessed we are to have Jesus' abiding presence with us in the Eucharist, whether we have been able to receive him physically or only to participate in a spiritual communion. In today's gospel Jesus tells us *"my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him."* Brothers and sisters, the Lord has not abandoned us. He is still present with us in the Eucharist, the gift of his very self, broken and shared so that we might have eternal life.

Many of you have already taken advantage of the opportunity to come to the church to pray in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. For those of you who haven't yet taken that opportunity let me remind you that our church is open from 1:00-5:00 PM daily for private prayer and devotions. You can enter through the side door off the parking lot. We ask that you wear a mask while in the church, be mindful of maintaining the minimum 6 feet social distance and to respect the needs of others for a reverent silence.

*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.

June 7, 2020

Sunday Collection

\$1,812.00

"Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread." – 1 Corinthians 10:17

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to lead holy lives and invite others to join us. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, serves a twofold purpose. One, it helps build God's kingdom here on earth. Two, it helps us strengthen each other's relationship with God the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit. It becomes our roadmap to heaven. Let's help each other get there!

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS APPEAL

This year's goal for Sharing God's Blessings Appeal is \$32,219.00. We are happy to report that we have \$28,262.00 in pledges. If we go over our goal, we will get 100% returned to our parish for every dollar over \$32,219.00. We are only \$3,957.00 short of our goal. This is an excellent fundraiser for our parish.

SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2020 THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

9:30AM Mildred Boggiano
Dec'd Mbrs. Frato & Olmo
Families
Mosca & Romano Families
Katica Morin

MONDAY, JUNE 15

11:30AM Ivan Picinic (Jivonicic)
Joseph & Grace Fiore

TUESDAY, JUNE 16

11:30AM Raymond Engels
Lucia Bucovaz

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

11:30AM Nicholas Busanic
James Morin

THURSDAY, JUNE 18

11:30AM Federico Orpilla
Jana Skific

FRIDAY, JUNE 19

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

11:30AM Ivan Picinic (Jivonicic)
Andrijana Skrivanic

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

THE IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

11:30AM Angelo Canfora

SUNDAY, JUNE 21

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:30AM John & Mary Dooley
Martin Picinic
Martino Skrivanic
Nicolangelo Pallotta

ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of

Grandparents – Garritano, Martire,
Stancato & Abbate Families

ALTAR WINE

In Memory of

John Picinic

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of

Dec'd Mbrs. Eichler Family

MASS CANDLES

In Memory of

Holly Warren & Kathleen Meserole

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for, next Sunday are-

Jer 20:10-13

Jeremiah trusted in the Lord and
overcame his persecutors.

Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35

Lord, in your great love, answer me.

Rom 5:12-15

Adam's sin brought death to all, but
Christ's gift of himself brought grace and
life.

Matt 10:26-33

"Whoever acknowledges me before men
I will acknowledge before my Father in
heaven."



WEEKDAY AND SUNDAY MISSALETTES

If someone would like to purchase a weekday missalette, please call and let us know. We have both Sunday and Weekday Missalettes. Cost is \$2.00 per book. We only have about 100 Weekday Missalettes for sale. We are only here, during this pandemic, on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00AM-7:00PM.

FOOD PANTRY

We are in dire need of food for our Community Food Pantry which is now opened. Please bring food to the church from 1:00-5:00PM or bring it to the rectory vestibule. We are also available on Friday mornings from 10:00AM-12 Noon. **We especially need all non-perishable foods. Our supplies are very, very low.** We appreciate all your help to feed our clients. May God bless you for your generosity.

UPCOMING EVENTS

We are waiting to see if the Archdiocese and the Governor will allow any affairs between September and December. If we are able to do so, we will be having an affair which will replace our St. Patrick/St. Joseph's Dinner Dance. Watch the bulletin for more details.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Married love is both physical and emotional. Attraction often starts with the physical and then grows as we develop emotional bonds. This week, however, why not reflect on the body of your beloved. Whether young or old, share one physical feature that is endearing to you.

PARENTING POINTERS

June 14 is the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. It may seem gross to a young child to think about how they came from the bodily love of their parents, but honoring one's body – flesh and blood – is an important reality to grow into. Acknowledge a physical trait of your child today.

CORONA VIRUS PRAYER

We thank you, dear Father, for these hours of unity. Selfless acts of service and kindness warm our hearts. Strangers see opportunities to share with others. Our medical warriors are working together, at personal risk, to care for the rest of us. We thank you for their remarkable commitment. And we see the world turning to you, Father. People encourage people with scriptures and reminders of your sovereignty. We read posts helping us to respect each other, care for each other, and look up. We confess we have been anxious but because of this, we have hope. We ask, Father, let your mercy be upon all who suffer. Grant to those who lead us wisdom beyond their experience. Have mercy upon the souls you have hurt by this disease. Give us grace to help each other and faith that we might believe. Amen.

SUNDAY AND WEEKDAY MASSES

We celebrate Mass every day at 11:30AM and every Sunday at 9:30AM. You can view the masses on our website at www.epiphanyrcchurch.org. The Church is now open for private prayer **ONLY** each day from **1:00-5:00PM** for private prayer. You must wear gloves and a mask to enter the church and you must also maintain a social distance of at least six feet or more.

THE ORDINATION OF NICHOLS SERTICH

The date for the Ordination of Nicholas Sertich to the priesthood is Sunday, June 21st at the 12 Noon Mass at the Cathedral Basilica. You can see it on the Archdiocesan Website www.rcan.org. No one will be allowed to go to the Cathedral except immediate family members. He will celebrate a mass which will be livestreamed on Monday, June 22nd at 5:00PM. We will give you the link next weekend in the bulletin. Only immediate family and close friends can be in attendance. He will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving for his parish family at Epiphany on Saturday, August 29th at the 5:00PM Mass. Details will follow in a later bulletin. We wish Nicholas well in his work in the Lord's vineyard.

BERGEN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Bergen Catholic will hold its summer "BC Lead On" Program for 7th & 8th grade boys from July 13th-30th from 8:00AM-12 Noon. Registration can be found on the website – www.bergencatholic.org

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. 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.

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 Zafra-Santos, Ann Marie Applegate Tatiana Flores, Rosalie Connors, Christopher Nash, Pat Romano, Donna Carrajat, Tony Martello, Little Gabriel, Rachel Rocks, Sean O'Connor, Vladimir Drobikov, 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, Conrado Trinidad, Joanne Kaiser, Patricia Warren, Ramon Villavicencio, Danilo Bonifacio, Angie Vigna, Daniel Johnson, Ryan Cariddi, Laura Cipullo, Frances Marino, Robert Donato, 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, Nancy Manto, Giuseppe Totaro, Peter Barbato, Roy Regaspi, Gloria Marquez, David Barmore, Drew Johnson, John Reynolds, Kunaim Emelyanesko, Kathy Santiago, Vinny Franco, Evelyn Leone, Baby Grayson DiNatale, Norma Warren, Lois Sekula, Kathie Gumb.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Barbara Larsen, Francesco Porco, Ursulina Vernaglia, Anthony Fochesato, Martha Venture, Dr. Herbert Thornhill, Sr., Camille Cormier.

**"CHANGE IS THE LAW OF LIFE. AND
THOSE WHO LOOK ONLY TO THE
PAST OR PRESENT ARE CERTAIN TO
MISS THE FUTURE!"**

Easter Flower Donations 2020

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**All who have passed through this time
and all . . .
Ernest, Mary & Rosemary Palumbo &
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