

Saturday January 12

5:30 pm Robert Halm and Henry Mola **Sunday January 13** *Baptism of the Lord*

7:30 am Hilly Wesselius and Diane Salvatore 9:30 am Alice Marcello and Our Parishioners

11:30 am Joyce McNeill

Monday January 14

6:45 am Heather Ryan

Tuesday January 15

6:45 am Carmine Castellano

WednesdayJanuary 16 6:45 am Porfiria Bautista

Thursday January 17 St. Anthony, Abbot

6:45 am Mary Castellano
Friday January 18
6:45 am Bill Pavlos
Saturday January 19

8:00 am
5:30 pm
Sunday
7:30 am
7:30 am
9:30 am
Nicholas, Margaret and Merry Lewkow
Rose and Peter Onorati and Albert Oravetz
January 20 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Donna Buchner and Our Parishioners
Sergio and Noemi Wong and Rich Gatti
John Czeterko (10 yr. memorial)

JANUARY 19/20 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

5:30 pm Fr. Edward Seton Fittin, OSB
7:30 am Fr. Jared Brogan
9:30 am Fr. Michal Rybinski
11:30 am Fr. Michal Rybinski

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of Ella Noel

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, especially Arline and Francis Forte, Sr. Bernadette Weller, Karen Lang, Mary Ann Armstrong, Christa Fairclough, Pat Flannery, Pat Pongracz, Gus Mitchell, Jennie Iwasiuk, Ann Gerhardt, Rob Leavy, Trina Carlson, Carol Campbell, Winifred Pierce, Phil Cibiniak, Frank Zabriskie, Yvonne Querrard, Rachel Agzigian, Lorraine Deleski, Terry Chavelez, Tracy Tovo Gary Marcello, Gerald Hoy, Barbara Dietrick and Kelly Ramirez.

STEWARDSHIP

January 7, 2018 collection & PP \$ 9,482

MASS ATTENDANCE 620

January 6, 2019

MASS ATTENDANCE 726

Weekly operating expense \$ 15,156 Diocesan Assessment collection \$ 2,358

Scripture Readings January 20, 2019 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

Isaiah prophesizes that Jerusalem will again be held in high esteem by God. He states that all nations will witness its glory. He compares a groom's joy toward his bride to the joy that God will feel toward Jerusalem.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Paul discusses the different gifts and talents bestowed upon different individuals. He explains that each individual receives various talents so that everyone can contribute something to society.

Gospel: John 2:1-11

Jesus and Mary attended a wedding where Mary informed Jesus that there was no more wine. At first he said it did not concern him, but then he turned several jugs of water into wine. His disciples were also present, and believed in him more strongly after they witnessed the first sign of alory he revealed to them.

Food Collection for the Fr. English Food Pantry is next weekend, January 19/20.

We welcome our recently baptized new members in the church to our parish community:

Sam Nicholas Miller

son of Shane and Nicole

and

Nora Hession

daughter of Patrick and Fernanda

SPIRITUAL, SERVICE, & SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

Spiritual

Scripture Study - Mondays at 1:00, *The Gospel of John* **RCIA** – Mondays at 7:30 pm

Prayer Group Book Study - Wednesdays at 1:30 pm, *Station to Station*, by Gary Jansen

Service

Soup Kitchen – 2nd Monday of the month.

Fr. English Food Pantry - Food collection every third weekend

Social

Moms & Tots – Tuesdays from 9:30-11 in the gym.

After Mass Socials – Following the 9:30 Mass Jan 27 and Feb 10, and following the 7:30 Mass every second Sunday

Paint & Sip – Thursday, January 24 at 7:00 pm

St. Catherine's prayer group is studying the book, *Station to Station: An Ignatian Journey through the Stations of the Cross* by Gary Jansen. The group meets Wednesdays at 1:30. For details contact Lee Maute 973-299-7016.

SAVE THE DATE: St. Catherine's annual women's retreat will be held March 8-10 at Villa Pauline.

From the Desk of Fr. Jared

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

The liturgical season of Christmas Time ends today on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This feast proclaims to us what is known as a "theophany," i.e., a revelation or manifestation of God in our midst. God reveals or manifests the divinity of Jesus. According to Luke's gospel which we read today, "heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Jesus' messianic mission is revealed. His public ministry commences.

The sacrament of Baptism reveals each of us as sons and daughters of God and gives us a share in Christ's mission. The *Rite of Baptism for Children* tells us:

- "Baptism incorporates us into Christ and forms us into God's people. This first sacrament pardons all our sins, rescues us from the power of darkness, and brings us to the dignity of adopted children, a new creation through water and the Holy Spirit. Hence we are called and are indeed the children of God." (2)
- "Baptism is the sacrament by which its recipients are incorporated into the Church and are built up together in the Spirit into a house where God lives, into a holy nation and a royal priesthood. Baptism is a sacramental bond of unity linking all who have been signed by it." (4)
- "Those who are baptized are united to Christ in a death like his; buried with him in death, they are given life again with him, and with him they rise again. For baptism recalls and makes present the paschal mystery itself, because in baptism we pass from the death of sin into life." (6)

It is easy to take our own or our children's Baptism for granted; not truly pondering the powerful meaning. Today at all the Masses we will have a Sprinkling Rite (it is one of the options for the Penitential Rite) to remind us of our Baptism, just as the holy water fonts at the entrance of the church are supposed to remind us.

Tomorrow, the Church commences the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, when the entire Paschal Mystery is the focus, not just a particular lens of that mystery (Christmas for example). This initial part of Ordinary Time will continue until March 6, Ash Wednesday.

Peace, Fr. Jared On **Thursday**, **January 24**, the parish will host a *Paint and Sip* at 7:00 pm in the gym. All you need to bring are friends, snacks, and your preferred drink (soda and water will be provided). Lots of laughs and poor painting is guaranteed. A sign-up sheet by table is in the back of the church or you may contact Whitney 973-586-2777, queendubose@aol.com. All are invited! Cost is \$30 and is **due by Jan. 20**. Payment can be left at the parish office or given to one of the priests.

LITURGICAL Q & A

Each week we will post a question and answer about the liturgy. If you would like to submit a question, please do so to lisahward@aol.com

Do I have to pray out loud at Mass?

It is very important to pray out loud as an expression of your heartfelt participation in the Mass. We pray out loud to remain focused on the Mass, so that our mind, heart and body are all united in integral participation. The celebration of the Eucharist is a communal gathering of worship and not just individuals praying in the same place. We are the united Body of Christ in the service of prayer and the sacrifice of love.

BUILDING OUR VISION

As shared in the Parish Survey Summary report, there was great interest in building up our Music Ministry. Music is such an important part of our worship and it is evident that many of the survey respondents recognize this. Nearly half were "satisfied" and a little less than half thought that improvement was needed. The 50 attendees at the Visioning Sessions worked together to shape the vision for the music ministry. In general, it was thought that the music could be more upbeat, familiar, and contemporary.

Insights into Action: Music Ministry

Since September, Fr. Jared has been working with David de la Mora, our new Music Minster, to enhance our music. The Church has a very rich and varied tradition of music. All within the tradition of the Church are styles such as chant, traditional hymns, contemporary hymns, organ, piano, and other instruments. The vision for our music ministry now is to incorporate all of those styles throughout the liturgies. All parishioners are encouraged to sing when appropriate. At other times it may be more appropriate to listen and reflect; for example, during Communion. When we approach the altar together at Communion, it is not always easy to sing. Recently, more contemporary compositions have been chosen for Communion. This allows us to listen/reflect and sing along with, without looking at lyrics due to the repetitive nature of the lyrics. David is also working on forming a children's choir which will sing at Christmas and throughout the year. More initiatives will be in the works to have many people involved in music ministry, children and adults alike.



NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

UPCOMING DATES:

January 27 – 5th grade family Mass & social – 9:30am

January 28 – 2nd grade Bible presentation during class. Parents are invited.

February 2 - Catechist Day of Reflection, 9:30-11:30am

February 4 – 2nd grade parent meeting for 1st Holy

Communion, 7:30pm in the conference room.

February 10 – 2nd grade family Mass & blessing 9:30am

February 18 - No Religious Education

February 23 – 2nd grade First Holy Communion retreat,

9:00am - 11:30am



CATHOLIC HEART WORKCAMP BOSTON, MA JULY 14-20, 2019

All high school students are invited to join us on a week-long service trip this summer!

\$380 + transportation ** \$100 and deposit form due with registration

Registration forms are available in the religious education office and church vestibule.

Questions? Contact Gail at youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org

OPEN HOUSE: St. Mary's Prep, Denville will host an open house Sun, Jan 27 from 9-1 and Wed, Jan 30 from 5-7. All are welcome! Questions? 973-627-2606

Loyola Jesuit Center MEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT, FEBRUARY 1 – 3 An Invitation to Personal Discipleship

Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of the Lakes Council #3359 is hosting an Ignatian Silent Retreat for all men of the parish (18+). Non-K of C members welcome. For details please contact Damiano Servidio at dservidio@fordham.edu or go to www.kofc3359.org.

FRANCISCAN MYSTERY PLAYERS NEED YOU!

The Franciscan Mystery Players are recruiting student performers (grades 9-12) to participate in their Lenten presentation "The Way of the Cross" which will be performed at approximately 10 churches throughout Northern New Jersey. Rehearsals begin in February at St. Catherine of Siena. Time commitment is most Friday and Sunday evenings from February through Good Friday. It is an excellent way to grow closer to God while having fun with a great group of teens! No experience is necessary. Please contact Anne Marie Pikor at 973-876-3440 for more information and any questions regarding earning Confirmation hours.

Set Free: Journey of Recovery through Christian Virtues

Our addictions do not make us less loved by God. Again and again, Jesus reminds us that with Him, we are capable of living in freedom. So if God believes in us, why don't we believe in ourselves? Join us for lecture and group discussion on the following Tuesdays at 7:30 pm: Jan 22, Feb 19, March 19 and May 21.

St. Paul Inside the Walls, 205 Madison Ave, Madison

46th ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE

The Knights of Columbus Councils 514 and 3359 invite you to join the bus trip to the 46th March for Life in Washington, DC on **Friday**, **January 18th**. The bus will depart at 6 AM from the Gardner Field Park and Ride in Denville. Mass will be celebrated at 5:15 AM at St. Mary's, Denville prior to departure. There is no charge for the bus, but please bring \$10.00 to cover DC Metro cost and a tip for the driver. Please contact Jim Rizos <u>973.627.2596</u>, <u>irizos10@gmail.com</u> to reserve your place. If you are unable to join the march, please keep the cause for life in your prayers

2018 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Here I Am, Lord! If you have not yet responded to the 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal, there is still time to do so as the 2018 Appeal funds are used to support ministries and programs through the end of the diocesan fiscal year on June 30, 2019. Your gift is a great blessing and valued so we can serve Christ by serving his people. For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at www.2018appeal.org. Thank you!

Stress in your marriage?

Consider a Retrouvaille weekend. Sponsored by the Diocese of Metuchen, Retrouvaille is a lifeline to help couples heal and renew their marriages. Retrouvaille consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The next weekend is **February 8-10**. For further information, please call the Family Life Office 732-243-4573, Rich 732-236-0671, or Annette 732-672-0748. All calls are confidential.

LIFELINE SCREENING

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of communitybased preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at St. Catherine's on THURSDAY, JANUARY 17. Five screenings will be offered that scan for blocked arteries: Carotid Artery Screening (plaque); Heart Rhythm (Atrial Fibrillation); Screening Abdominal Aneurysms; Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening; and Osteoporosis Risk Assessment. All five screenings together take 60-90 minutes to complete. Pre-registration is required. Flyers are in the vestibule. For more information or to register call 888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle