

**PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW**  
**Stewardship Report – Treasure**

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**  
**MAY 31, 2020**

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

Regular Sunday Collection – 5/24/20     \$ 2,487.00  
Regular On-line giving – 5/17/20     \$ 646.00

**Many thanks to those who are continuing to support St. Monica's Church by sending in weekly collection envelopes. Bills still need to be paid, and we are very grateful for your generosity during this difficult time.**

Weekly collection envelopes may be mailed directly to the Rectory office at 33 Unionville Avenue, Sussex, NJ 07461. Collection envelopes may also be dropped in the metal milk box located to the left of the front door of the rectory. Another option to continue to support St. Monica's is to go to the Diocesan link on their website which is: <http://helpmyparish.thankyou4caring.org>. Follow the prompts to make a one-time or recurring gift. Thank you for your generosity!

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The Sanctuary Lamp is given this week:

**In Memory of:** Those who have died due to the Coronavirus

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

- 6/1     MON: Intentions of the Rosary Soc.
- 6/2     TUES: People of our Parish
- 6/3     WED: NO MASS TODAY
- 6/4     THU: Giorgio Gallara
- 6/5     FRI: People of our Parish
- 6/6     SAT: People of our Parish
- 6/7     SUN: Samuel & Helen Consentino  
Mary & Arthur Fogarty  
Catherine King

**Pass the word** to those who do not have access to internet and are unable to receive the bulletin on line, that they may pick up a printed copy from the metal box at the entrance to the Rectory.



*Today we bring to a close this joyous fifty-day season that follows Easter Sunday. We praise God, who having raised Jesus from the dead, now sends the Holy Spirit to enliven our hearts and remain with us forever. We seek to make the Spirit manifest in today's world through our energy and creativity, our attitudes and actions.*

**ST. MONICA'S CHURCH IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**



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**JOIN US ON-LINE EACH SUNDAY TO CELEBRATE MASS.**

The Link for the video Mass will be available each weekend on our homepage. ([stmonicasussex.org](http://stmonicasussex.org)).

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**WEEKLY/MONTHLY PARISH EVENTS**

*Due to the current restrictions on social gatherings imposed by the Governor of New Jersey and the mandates received from Bishop Serratelli's office, we regret to announce that all parish events and devotions are cancelled until further notice. **FR. JAN IS HEARING CONFESSIONS BY APPOINTMENT. PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY OFFICE AND LEAVE A MESSAGE OR SEND AN E-MAIL.***

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During this unprecedented time when we are unable to attend Mass and participate together in parish events due to measures taken by our diocese to halt the spread of the coronavirus, we are going to try to keep all of you updated on latest developments by posting our bulletin each weekend on our website, [stmonicasussex.org](http://stmonicasussex.org). Mass intentions will be continue to be offered at Fr. Jan's private Mass; therefore, the deceased loved ones listed in our mass book will be remembered. If anyone would like to change the date already requested for their intention, please contact the church office.

**The parish office is closed until further notice.** Voice mail and email messages will be monitored as often as possible. Mass cards may be requested by leaving a message at the church office. We will continue to prepare a bulletin to keep you updated with any news.

God bless you all and we pray that we will all be able to worship together again soon.

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THE BISHOP**

May 26, 2020

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are all anxious to gather as a family of faith in our individual parish communities. We know that the process of reopening must be a gradual one. The most important things that we can do right now are to pray and to carefully plan for reopening.

In recent days, we were given the strong assurance that the Governor was going to announce this week that houses of worship could reopen with more than ten people, probably a percentage of the allowed seating capacity. Based on that information, we forwarded to all our parishes and institutions Guidelines for reopening churches so that everyone would be prepared.

We are still awaiting the Governor's announcement. We do have the benefit now of being well prepared to open our doors on very short notice. This readiness is thanks to the efforts of our clergy, religious, and lay volunteers.

Our churches are to remain closed until the date the Governor gives us public safety approval for gatherings of more than ten people in our churches.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Arthur J. Serratelli, S.T.D., S.S.L., D.D.  
Apostolic Administrator

## A NOTE TO ALL OUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS FROM RICH AND ALYSE SCIOLARO

We just wanted to let everyone know that we sold our house and we are moving down to Florida on June 5<sup>th</sup> to be with our daughters. Boy, this isn't the way we wanted to say good-bye, but we have no choice.

We just wanted to say thank you to all of our friends at St. Monica and we will miss everyone tremendously. All our love to everyone at St. Monica's and we will never forget our 18 years with the Church.

Rich and Alyse Sciolaro

(Rich and Alyse will certainly be missed. Many thanks to them for their support to St. Monica's Church over the years and for Alyse's ministry as a Eucharistic Minister. We wish them God's blessings and safe travel to their new home in Florida).

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## CORPUS CHRISTI FOOD COLLECTION FOR THE POOR



The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted those living in poverty the most and Catholic Charities, Diocese of Paterson's three food pantries (Father English Center, Paterson; Hope House, Dover; and Partnership of Social Services, Franklin) are giving out more food than ever before.

Most months, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Paterson gives out food to 5,000-7,000 people at their three food pantries. In April of 2020, this number practically doubled, as they helped over 11,000 individuals who are feeling the direct economic impact of COVID-19.

Bishop Serratelli has authorized a Catholic Charities Diocesan-wide food collection in all parishes. This year, the drive has gone virtual, and you can shop online and have items directly shipped to Catholic Charities Food Pantries.

Visit [www.ccpaterson.org/corpus](http://www.ccpaterson.org/corpus) for more information and visit [www.yougivegoods.com/ccpaterson-fooddrive2020](http://www.yougivegoods.com/ccpaterson-fooddrive2020) to find our parish, and shop for our pantries in need.

You may also email: [Info@ccpaterson.org](mailto:Info@ccpaterson.org) or call 973-737-2077, ext. 403 with any questions or to donate food directly to Catholic Charities Food Pantries.

Thank you for supporting this important effort during this critical time and God bless you all.

## READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

**Sunday** - Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

**Monday** - Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Jn 19:25-34

**Tuesday** - 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Mk 12:13-17

**Wednesday** - 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27

**Thursday** - 2 Tm 2:8-15; Mk 12:28-34

**First Friday** - 2 Tm 3:10-17; Mk 12:35-37

**First Saturday** - 2 Tm 4:1-8; Mk 12:38-44

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## A PRAYER FOR PENTECOST

*Come, Holy Spirit, come!  
And from your celestial home  
Shed a ray of light divine!  
Heal our wounds, our strength renew;  
On our dryness pour your dew;  
Wash the stains of guilt away.  
Bend the stubborn heart and will;  
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;  
Guide the steps that go astray.  
On the faithful, who adore  
And confess you, evermore  
In your sevenfold gift descend.  
Give them virtue's sure reward;  
Give them your salvation, Lord;  
Give them joys and never end.  
Amen. Alleluia.*

*...Mass of Pentecost, Sequence  
(Veni, Sancti Spiritus)*



The Pentecost Sequence is an ancient liturgical hymn praising the Holy Spirit. It is also called The Golden Sequence, and is the source of the hymn, "Come Holy Ghost."