

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

**THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**  
**JUNE 7, 2020**

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

Regular Sunday Collection – 5/31/20     \$ 2,356.00  
Regular On-line giving – 5/24/20     \$ 636.00  
Maintenance – On line giving 5/24/20     25.00

**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:** Edward Losiewicz  
**Given by:** Sr. Theresa Losiewicz

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

6/8     **MON:** People of our Parish  
6/9     **TUES:** Sharon Schneider (LIV)  
6/10    **WED:** NO MASS TODAY  
6/11    **THU:** People of our Parish  
6/12    **FRI:** People of our Parish  
6/13    **SAT:** People of our Parish  
6/14    **SUN:** Martin A. Swiss  
          James Waldron  
          Eileen Randall  
          Tom Burke, Sr.  
          Tom Burke, Jr.

**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.

**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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**PRAYER FOR PEACE**



May PEACE reign in our hearts and in hearts of all those wounded by injustice in the world. May all wounded hearts choose the WAY OF PEACE and not participate in evil to repay evil. ~ Do Not Curse The Darkness... BE THE LIGHT. ~ Please spend a few moments in prayer for PEACE.



On Monday, June 8, Carol and Bernhard Oesen are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary!

CONGRATULATIONS, BERNHARD AND CAROL.  
MAY GOD BLESS YOU AS YOU CELEBRATE THIS HAPPY MILESTONE.



Side by side through 50 years,  
Through laughter, sorrow, joy and tears.  
You didn't know what life would bring,  
But you've loved each other through everything.  
You complete each other  
In the most beautiful way.  
And through 50 years,  
Your love held sway.

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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.



*Today we honor the Holy Trinity—one God, yet three Persons. God is one, but God is not alone. God is love and in the trinity, we have an ideal example of a relationship of pure and infinite love. Every time we make the sign of the cross, may we be reminded of the love that bonds the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. May the love of the Holy Trinity be a model for us in our relationships with each other.*

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**READINGS FOR THIS WEEK**

**Sunday - Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18**

**Monday - 1 Kgs 17:1-6; Mt 5:1-12**

**Tuesday - 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Mt 5:13-16**

**Wednesday - 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Mt 5:17-19**

**Thursday - Acts 11:21b-26, 13:1-3; Mt 5:20-26**

**Friday - 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16; Mt 5:27-32**

**Saturday - 1 Kgs 19:19-21; Mt 5:33-37**

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**A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS**

**HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly

**The Most Holy Trinity**

**June 7, 2020**

**“Having come down in a cloud, the Lord stood with Moses there and proclaimed his name, ‘Lord.’ Thus the Lord passed before him and cried out, ‘The Lord, the Lord, a merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity.’ Moses then bowed down to the ground in worship. Then he said, ‘If I find favor with you O Lord, do come along in our company.’”**

How exciting is the description of Moses’ encounter with God. He reveals His name and we discover the attributes of God – mercy, graciousness, kindly and faithful. It is no surprise that there is an invitation to accompany his people on their journey.

It is the gift of accompaniment which continues with us as we encounter our God. The same characteristics from the book of Exodus, are the driving force for us to grow in holiness. As God revealed Himself to Moses He manifests Himself to us, for ‘God so loved the world He gave His only Son.’

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**THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

**First Reading: Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9**

The Lord appears to Moses on Mount Sinai and proclaims to him that he Lord is a “merciful God...slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity.”

**Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13**

Paul exhorts the Corinthians to live in peace and harmony, and for the first time, invokes the Blessed Trinity.

**Gospel: John 3:16-18**

In this beautiful passage, Jesus tells Nicodemus that God loved his people so much that he “gave his only son.” Jesus reveals to Nicodemus that anyone who believes in him will not die but will enjoy life with him for all eternity.

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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## **IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT**

In anticipation of Churches opening soon, please go to the home page of St. Monica's website, and read the letter from the Bishop which contains the mandatory restrictions that have been imposed by the Diocese of Paterson under the guidelines of the CDC. By being mindful of these restrictions, you will be better prepared when our doors open again.

When the time comes to reopen St. Monica's, we need to clarify some of the guidelines: As you can see, we must restrict attendance at each Mass to 25% of capacity. Parishioners will be admitted by the side door only. **Face masks are required.** Hand disinfectant will be provided at the door. Attendance will be on a first-come, first-served basis until 25% capacity is reached for each Mass. Alternate pews will be marked and kept vacant in order to observe social distancing. Ushers will be available to assist you at weekend Masses.

Mass times (Summer schedule) will be as follows:

Saturdays 5:00 pm

Sundays 8:30 am and 10:30 am (no 12 noon Mass)

Weekdays (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday): 9:00 am

We are hopeful that we will be able to worship together again in the very near future. We thank you for your anticipated adherence to the restrictions and we understand that they will place many constraints on our Mass participation, but we must be compliant to the guidelines. We greatly miss each and every one of you and look forward to seeing you again soon.

For now, we must remain closed, but until we receive word on when we can reopen, may God bless each and every one of you.

*Fr. Jan*