



PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

All events have been cancelled at this moment.

WEB PAGE

For updated bulletin information, please go to www.mhr-parish.org.

MONDAY, MARCH 30

8:00AM -FREDERICK SUPPE
-r/o Eileen Pappas

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

7:30PM -DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE
ASSANTE FAMILY
-r/o The Baron Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

8:00AM -BENEDICT SMITH
-r/o Janet Snyder & Steven & his family

FRIDAY, APRIL 3

8:00AM -SUSANNE D'AUGUSTE
-r/o Deacon Frank & Family

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

9:00AM -JOHN COLOMBO
-r/o Mr. & Mrs. Mark Fierro
5:00PM -OLGA & JOHN WASNER
-r/o The Concepcion & Cirbus Families

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

8:00AM -LAWRENCE N. BARNETT
-r/o Gerard & Erin Haran
10:00AM -ANTHONY & ANTOINETTE DE
BENEDICTUS & STEFANELLI
FAMILIES
-r/o The DeBenedictus Family
11:30AM -GEORGINA & LOUIS PALMA
-r/o Laura, Thomas & Anna Palma



IN MEMORY OF

Carmela & Arthur Gizzarelli Mary Spinelli
Rosalie & Frank Moscarello Tony Medina
Carmen Pacilio

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Brian Law - Health



TABERNACLE LIGHT

Will be lit in honor or in memory of loved ones during the week of your choice. Call weekdays at 732-566-9334; donations - \$20.00



HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Mass – 3rd Sunday of every month
Next Mass – April 19th at 8:00 a.m. Meeting following the Mass.



PARISH SICK LIST

Rev. Edward J. Struzik, Shannon, Hayley & Brett Lawrence, Jacqueline Braniff, Christina Pulido, Sophie Wojtaszek, Janice Sanborn, Marie Velleneuve, Beth Morris, Renee Burke, Joseph Peabody, Veronica Balmore, Billy Sherwood, Jr., Peter Skujins, Cindy Junquet, Kenneth Kramer, Timothy McGravey, Beatriz Castillo, Dolores Nee, Michael Guariglia, Marieann Poplaski, Lucy Littlefield, Jean Marie Brigandi, Johnny Gibbs, Barbara Celia, Maryann Hughes, Emilie Matlosz, Germaine Raimo, William Armstrong, Fr. Gregory Moore, Sandra Steinberger, Frank Roberts, Fred Morrone, Lenny Gatti, Sumanta Chowdhuri, Nicole E. Montagna, Nico Oneto, Kathleen O'Brien, Alex Berg, Wendy Oates, Robert C. Pederson, Marie Scifo, Patrick Barry, Toni O'Rourke, William Sohor, Robert Pedersen, Robert Conte, Jose Pacheo, Kathleen Lau, Kimberly Perry, Jackson Christian Thomas, Miguel Ley, Marie Ciezka, Betty Pulido, Charley Goldsmith, Louis Martinez, Joel Rivera, Margaret Podolsky, Ida Morales, Columbia Emilio, Jerzy Cierkowski, Andrew Gasperchek, Dominic DiFede, Jose Santos, Megan LaFergola, Nora Decker, Adelaide Whelan, Faye Parrilla, Debbie Mangano, Carolyn Smoljan, Karell Christian Bernardo, Anna Schiano, Maryanne Rini, Carmela Fabrizio, Carol Ann Granata, Terry McCormick and Nigel DeSales.

We ask Almighty God and our Blessed Mother, Mary to comfort and heal the sick. If your loved one recovers and our prayers for them are no longer required, please call the parish office to have their name removed. Thank you.

**PRE-BAPTISM CLASS**

Pre-Baptism class for April 1st has been cancelled, next pre-baptism class is scheduled for June 3rd.

**PARISH BLOOD DRIVE**

Most Holy Redeemer's Blood Drive for **Thursday, April 23rd**, has been cancelled.

URGENT NEED FOR BLOOD DONORS

Coronavirus concerns, blood drive cancellations, employees working from home all impacting donor turnout!

NJ DONOR CENTERS**Expanded Donor Hours**

Howell Donor Center	New Brunswick Donor Center
4068 Route 9, South	167 New Street
Howell, NJ	New Brunswick

Paramus Donor Center	Scotch Plains Donor Center
791 Route 17 South	2279 South Avenue
Paramus	Scotch Plains

For hours or to make an appointment, please visit tinyurl.com/NJDonorCenters or call/text 800-933-BLOOD. **WE ARE CURRENTLY TAKING APPOINTMENTS ONLY.**

PLEASE NOT DO DONATE IF:

- You are experiencing a fever or other symptoms of COVID-19 (cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing)
- You have had close contact* with someone diagnosed with or suspected of having COVID-19 in the last 14 days
- You have been diagnosed or suspected of having COVID-19 until 28 days after your illness has resolved.

*Close contact is defined by the CDC as being within six feet of an infected individual for a prolonged period of time.

WE DO NOT TEST FOR COVID-19. PLEASE CONTACT YOUR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER IF YOU WANT TO BE TESTED.

Remember to eat, drink and bring your DONOR ID or ID with name and photo. For eligibility information visit nybc.org.

**STEWARDS OF OUR TREASURE**

Weekend of March 21/22, 2020: \$2120

Weekend of March 23/24, 2019: \$6646

Additional Easter Flower Collection: \$215

Additional Catholic Relief: \$275

**OFFICE STAFF EMAILS**

Irma Knox – Parish Secretary
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**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

Our Most Holy Redeemer Conference exists primarily to help those in financial need. This is made possible by the generosity of our parishioners each month;

thank you.

If you or someone you know needs help, please call 732-566-9334. *Everything is completely confidential.*

Food Pantry

Groceries collected every weekend at Mass.

St. Lawrence Food Pantry is closed until further notice.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MILITARY PERSONNEL SERVING OVERSEAS**

Patrick Atherton, U. S. Army
Alex Barnhard, U.S. Navy

Jason Del Duca, U.S. Air Force
Krystal L. Godowski, U.S. Army
Matthew B. Kaplan, U.S. Army
Michael Lanzafama, U.S. Army
Richard A. Lapp, U.S. Navy
Douglas Leo, U.S. Army
Robert C. McCann, U.S. Marines
Michael J. Sanzone, U.S. Army
Mark G. Sieczkowski, U.S. Navy
Thomas Welch, U.S. Army
Christopher Putko, U.S. Navy

If you have a family member who is an active-duty member of the military and wish to have their name added to the Military Prayer list, please call the parish office at 732-566-9334.

CANCELLED EVENTS

As a preventative measure we are suspending the monthly prayer group meeting, the parish coffee, Stations of the Cross, Adoration and we are cancelling the Lenten Soup Supper for March 31st.



HOLY WEEK

SCHEDULE

Masses have been suspended through Friday, April 3rd. Stations of the Cross are cancelled through Friday, April 3rd.

CONFESSION

April 8 - 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

April 10 - 11:00 a.m. - 12 noon

N.B. No confessions will be heard on Holy Saturday

PALM SUNDAY - APRIL 5

Palms will be blessed at each Mass

Masses:

Saturday, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

SACRED TRIDIUM**HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 9****LITURGY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Mass - 7:30 p.m.

The Church will remain open for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 10

Stations of the Cross - 3:00 p.m.

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion - 7:30 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY - APRIL 11

Blessing of food - 12:00 noon in the Chapel

SOLEMN EASTER VIGIL - APRIL 11

8:00 p.m.

(No Confessions or 5:00 p.m. Mass)

EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 12**Masses:**

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

HELP A MOTHER CHOOSE LIFE!**From Life Choices Resource Center**

Help us build a legacy of life! Over the past year, babies have been saved, hearts changed and lives transformed because of your support of our life saving ministry. Life Choices Resource Center (Metuchen) serves

women and families in our area by providing FREE services such as pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, material aid, adoption referrals and abortion recovery support.

Most Holy Redeemer is once again graciously sponsoring a Baby Bottle Fundraiser benefitting Life Choices. Pick up a baby bottle before or after Mass this weekend. Fill it with your change, cash, or a check and return by April 4/5, Palm Sunday weekend.

Your gift will make a difference in the life of a mother and child! www.LifeChoicesRC.com.

2020 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**Stepping Forward****in Faith: Grace in Action**

Stepping Forward in FAITH
GRACE IN ACTION



Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not made a pledge, there is still time to participate. Mail your gift to: Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop's Annual Appeal, P.O. Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000 or give online at www.diometuchen.org/BAA.

As of March 10th we have received 26% of our parish goal of \$65,000 from 84 households.

Walking with
Moms in Need
a year of service

**NEW JERSEY SAFE HAVEN LAW**

Under the New Jersey Safe Haven Infant Protection Act a person may give up an unwanted infant anonymously. The purpose of Safe Haven is to protect unwanted babies from being hurt or killed from unsafe abandonment. A distressed parent who is unable to care for an infant can give up custody of a baby less than 30 days old safely, legally and anonymously. All that is required is that the baby be brought to any hospital emergency room, police station, fire station, ambulance, first aid and rescue squads in New Jersey that are staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. As long as the child shows no signs of intentional abuse, no name or other information is required. The parent can call the Safe Haven Hotline, 1-877-839-2339, and get the address and directions for any hospital emergency room, police station, fire station, ambulance, first aid and rescue squad in the state.

March 29, 2020



PRAYER IN TIME OF OUR COMMON NEED
In response to the spread of COVID -19
within our communities
Diocese of Metuchen, New Jersey

Our Lady of Guadalupe, mother of God
 and of the people of Metuchen
 you always shine on our path
 as a sign of salvation and hope.

We rely on you, Health of the Sick,
 you who, at the cross, united with Jesus' pain,
 keeping steadfast your faith
 You, Salvation of God's people,
 you know what we need
 and we are sure that you will provide for us,
 as at Cana of Galilee,
 after the adversity of these days,
 may joy and celebration return.
 Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
 to conform to the will of the Father
 and to do what we are told by Jesus,
 who has taken our suffering upon Himself
 and has burdened Himself with our sorrows
 to lead us through the cross,
 to the joy of resurrection. **Amen.**

Under your protection, Holy Mother of God,
 Our Lady of Guadalupe, we seek refuge,
 hear our prayer and intercede for us to the Father
 so that we may be free from every danger,
 Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

PRAYERS NEEDED

Prayers
 please

Please pray for all those affected
 with the coronavirus as well as
 those especially vulnerable, that
 they remain safe.

Pray for our health
 professionals who are on the
 front line of this health crisis, and for our government
 leaders, that the Lord may guide them and grant them
 wisdom, foresight and prudence.

Pray for our parish, our bishop and diocese,
 and our country. May the Lord relieve the world soon
 of this horrid virus.

And pray for Fr. Javier Flores, SDV, one of the
 Vocationist Fathers at our sister parish of the
 Visitation in New Brunswick who has contracted
 COVID-19.



Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

Presently, there are 28 retired
 diocesan priests. We have all been
 blessed to have been the beneficiaries
 of their sacred ministry: countless
 Holy Masses, baptisms, weddings and confessions.
 They bring us the healing hand of Christ at the hour of
 death and they mourn with us when they bury our
 dead. Where would we be without their sacrificial gift
 of their lives for the Church?

Our priests have selflessly offered decades of
 service to the faithful. They have dedicated their lives
 to guiding us in our journey of faith. As our priests age
 and retire they often experience ongoing challenges
 that require our continuing care and attention.

We are asked to share our blessings bestowed
 upon us so that our retired priests can continue to
 celebrate Mass, assist with the Sacrament of
 Reconciliation, continue to bring Christ's love to the
 sick and serve as spiritual leaders. While the
 retirement age for the majority of our diocesan priests
 is 75, their administrative responsibilities end but
 their pastoral and sacramental ministry continues.
 The retired priests, who for health reasons cannot
 minister in the parishes, gratefully also continue to
 support our local Church through their prayers and
 example.

Next weekend, April 4 and 5 we celebrate Palm
 Sunday, and the faithful of our diocese will have the
 opportunity to acknowledge those priests who have
 faithfully served our diocese by responding to the
Annual Collection for our Retired Diocesan Priests.
 All funds raised through this collection will be used
 exclusively to support our retired priests who reside
 at the Maria Regina Residence in Somerset.

Your generous response to next week's special
 collection is a practical way to convey your personal
 appreciation to our retired priests for their many
 years of service. Thank you for your continued
 generosity and grateful heart.

With renewed best wishes, I remain

Yours in Christ,

+ James F. Checchio

Most Reverend James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA
 Bishop of Metuchen