



**MONDAY, APRIL 6**

8:00AM -THE BUONPANE FAMILY (L)  
-r/o M/M Dominick Buonpane

**TUESDAY, APRIL 7**

7:30PM -RICHARD RADIGAN  
-r/o Scott & Debbie Dyson

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8**

8:00AM -ANNE SLATE  
-r/o Alice Coppola

**THURSDAY, APRIL 9 – HOLY THURSDAY**

7:30PM -LUCY CICCONE  
-r/o The Baron Family

**FRIDAY, APRIL 10 – GOOD FRIDAY**

7:30PM -SERVICE – NO MASS

**SATURDAY, APRIL 11 – HOLY SATURDAY**

8:00PM -TERESITA LUIS  
-r/o The Villa Family

**SUNDAY, APRIL 12 – EASTER SUNDAY**

8:00AM -TERESA, BIAGIO, FRANKLIN, SAL &  
ANN PELLIGRA AND TONY CARAFOLA  
-r/o Roseann Chrzanowski  
10:00AM -RALPH CONCEPCION  
-r/o The Cirbus Family  
11:30AM -ANDREW KEAVENEY  
-r/o Family



**IN MEMORY OF**

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

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS**



**PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS**

All parish events have been cancelled until further notice.

**WEB PAGE**

For updated bulletin information, please go to [www.mhr-parish.org](http://www.mhr-parish.org).



**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 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month  
Next Mass – May 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. Meeting to follow. **No Mass or Meeting during**

**the Month of April.**



**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 1<sup>st</sup> has been cancelled, next pre-baptism class is scheduled for June 3<sup>rd</sup>.



**PARISH BLOOD DRIVE**

Most Holy Redeemer's Blood Drive for **Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>**, 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](http://tinyurl.com/NJDonorCenters) or call/text 800-933-BLOOD. **WE ARE CURRENTLY TAKING APPOINTMENTS ONLY.**

**PLEASE DO NOT 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 or 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](http://nybc.org).

**CANCELLED EVENTS**



As a preventative measure we are suspending the monthly prayer group meeting, the parish coffee, and Adoration.



**STEWARDS OF OUR TREASURE**

**Weekend of March 28/29, 2020: \$1135**  
**Weekend of March 30/31, 2019: \$6532**  
**Collection for the Retired Priests of our Diocese: \$10**  
**Additional Easter Flower Collection: \$110**  
**Additional Catholic Relief: \$142**



**OFFICE STAFF EMAILS**

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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.**

## HOLY WEEK/EASTER



## AND THE CORONAVIRUS

In light of Governor Murphy's executive order regarding restrictions on large group gatherings, Bishop Checchio has decreed the following for the parishes in the Diocese of Metuchen:

**PALM SUNDAY**

The Mass for Palm Sunday will be celebrated by the Bishop without a congregation, with palms blessed, and broadcast via the live-stream internet on the Cathedral web site at <https://www.stfranciscathedral.org> at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, April 5, 2020.

*Fr. Carina will celebrate a private Mass for the intentions published for Palm Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, in the parish bulletin as well as for the intention of the well-being of all our parishioners. His Palm Sunday homily will appear on the parish webpage.*

**THERE WILL BE NO BLESSING NOR DISTRIBUTION OF PALMS AT MOST HOLY REDEEMER CHURCH AT THIS TIME, NOT EVEN SO-CALLED "DRIVE-THRU PALMS" BY ORDER OF THE BISHOP. WE'RE VERY SORRY.**

**HOLY THURSDAY**

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated by the Bishop without a congregation and broadcast via the live-stream internet on the Cathedral website at <https://www.stfranciscathedral.org> at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 9, 2020.

*Fr. Carina will celebrate a private Mass for the intention published in the bulletin for Holy Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup> as well as for the well-being of all our parishioners. His Holy Thursday homily will appear on the parish webpage.*

**GOOD FRIDAY**

The Liturgy of the Lord's Passion will be celebrated by the Bishop without a congregation and broadcast via the live-stream internet on the Cathedral web site at <https://www.stfranciscathedral.org> at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, April 10, 2020.

*Fr. Carina will celebrate a private Good Friday liturgy at 3:00 p.m., which includes a special intention for all those suffering from the current pandemic.*

*Deacon Bob's Good Friday Homily will be on the website.*

The public praying of the Stations of the Cross at Most Holy Redeemer Church for Good Friday is cancelled. Stations may be prayed privately. If you do not have a personal Stations prayer booklet, you may simply meditate on each station and pray an Our Father, a Hail Mary and a Glory Be at the conclusion of each meditation.

**HOLY SATURDAY**

The Easter Vigil will be celebrated by the Bishop without a congregation and broadcast via the live-stream internet on the Cathedral web site at <https://www.stfranciscathedral.org> at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 11, 2020.

*Fr. Carina will celebrate a private Easter Vigil Mass according to the Bishop's prescriptions and offer it for both the intention published in the bulletin as well as for the well-being of the entire parish.*

**EASTER SUNDAY**

Mass for Easter Sunday will be celebrated by the Bishop without a congregation and broadcast via the live-stream internet on the Cathedral web site at <https://www.stfranciscathedral.org/> at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, April 12, 2020.

*Fr. Carina will celebrate a private Mass on Easter Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> for both the intention published in the bulletin as well as for the well-being of the entire parish. His homily will appear on the parish webpage.*

You are encouraged to view the live-streamed liturgies celebrated by Bishop Checchio and join in them, making a spiritual communion, so as to keep the spirit of this holiest of weeks alive in your hearts.

**SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING CONFESSION:** Since confessions will not be heard as usual during this time as a precaution against transmission of the coronavirus, the Vatican has reminded us that "Where the individual faithful find themselves in the painful impossibility of receiving sacramental absolution, it should be remembered that perfect contrition, coming from the love of God, beloved above all things, expressed by a sincere request for forgiveness (that which the penitent is at present able to express) and accompanied by the firm resolution to have recourse, as soon as possible, to sacramental confession, obtains forgiveness of sins, even mortal ones.

Perfect contrition: rises from the love of God, who has been grievously offended requires the sincere desire for forgiveness, requires the ardent commitment to receive the sacrament of reconciliation when available.

*Remember, God is merciful and looks for our sincerity. The Lord is loving and kind and seeks our love and true sorrow for sin. We are saved by the Cross of Christ!*

**May we gather again very soon around the Table of the Lord as the parish community of Most Holy Redeemer. God bless us all!**





**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**



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.

Please keep Msgr. Richard Lyons, retired  
pastor of St. John's in Dunellen, who has tested  
positive for COVID-19. Thankfully, Fr. Javier Flores of  
Visitation Parish in New Brunswick is out of the  
hospital and recuperating.



**SPECIAL COLLECTION**

The second collection today is for the Fund  
for our Retired Diocesan Priests. This  
collection is exclusively for the benefit of our  
30 retired priests, as well as, for our active  
priests upon their retirement. May your  
generosity to this collection reflect your gratitude and love  
for our retired priests who have been dedicated and faithful  
to their priesthood over the years. Let's not forget.

**HELP A MOTHER CHOOSE LIFE!**

**From Life Choices Resource Center**



If you have not returned your baby bottle  
with a contribution to the pro-life collection,  
please hold onto the baby bottles until public  
Masses resume. The bottles can be collected  
at a later date. We thank everyone who has  
thus far participated in the Baby Bottle Campaign for  
your generosity. **Your gift will make a difference in the  
life of a mother and child!** [www.LifeChoicesRC.com](http://www.LifeChoicesRC.com).

**SCAM ALERT**



The Diocese of Metuchen has  
notified all parishes that people  
are posing as their parish priest  
online in order to scam people of  
their church contributions. PLEASE IGNORE THESE  
REQUESTS! At the moment, Most Holy Redeemer is  
not equipped to accept online contributions. Father  
Carina nor our deacons nor any parish staff are  
making any online requests for money. BE CAREFUL!



**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  
squad 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.