

CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION, PARAMUS



A Note from Our Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

We are filled with joy that the reopening process for our churches continues, and we've already resumed the public celebration of Sunday Masses. Of course, we do so with restrictions and guidelines to keep us safe as our nation and the world maintain the efforts to control the pandemic. I thank you for your understanding of the measures we must take while in the church building, in particular, the wearing of masks and the practice of social distancing. The more we do today to follow safety procedures, the more we increase the chances of returning to normalcy in the time ahead. We also know that's based as well on the search for a vaccine, and we pray that it will be found soon, and hopefully before the end of 2020. Many of the faithful are still staying away from gatherings, and understandably so, as we all have different levels of risk and conditions that are all a part of measuring what is safe. We keep one another in prayer, as some are coming to our churches, and others continue to watch recorded and live streamed Masses, and engage in prayer at home. The journey continues, even with the different situations and details that we encounter along the way, and at different points in time. May we further discover how we can turn to blessings in our lives, such as sharing the Eucharist as a family of faith, while fostering the greatest safety we can with guidance of our state and church leaders.

As we conclude the month of June, we rejoice with the people of the archdiocese in the ordination of new priests, last Sunday. This week, our three new auxiliary bishops will be ordained at the Cathedral Basilica. And later on, in July, we look forward to the ordination of permanent deacons. This will include our own parishioner, Bernie Hayes, who has been studying for years for the diaconate, and just recently finished the five year formation program. We trust that his ministry will bless our parish, and we are filled with joy in anticipation of this happy event. Of course, the Springtime ordinations all were affected by delays due to the pandemic, and as they are celebrated, the numbers of those able to attend are greatly limited. The bishops' ordination can be watched on livestream at rcan.org, and that will be the case for the deacons too in the weeks ahead. As we see in the ordination of the clergy, the work of the Church is able to go on, even with the restrictions and limitations imposed. We wish we could have a packed Cathedral Basilica for them this year, but that's not possible with the virus still going around. Those ordained will bless God's people in their service, and the fruits of which you and I will welcome in the time ahead. Since the pandemic hit in March, I think we've all become accustomed to experiencing blessings while bearing the burdens that are there as well. Let's continue to open our hearts in gratitude as these celebrations are carried out. I thank you in particular for your prayers for our deacon candidate Bernie, his wife Kris, and all of their family members. We will rejoice in his first time serving as deacon at Mass, and proclaiming and preaching the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Yours in God's love,
Fr. Jim Teti

*In
Loving
Memory*



...for those in need of healing...

Luigi Vene, Margaret and Quinn McVeigh,
Walter Wyssenski

...for those who have entered in new life...

Karl Massey, Grace Rizzo

...for those serving during the coronavirus...

our first responders, medical & healthcare professionals,
mail carriers and delivery services, grocery store workers,
& all other essential workers.

The sanctuary lamps were donated in memory of **Diane Ward** by Annunciation's Collection Processing Ministry Members.

The altar bread and the altar wine were donated in memory of **Maria Binder** by Carolyn & Michael O'Leary.

Readings for the Week



Monday: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
 Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8; Mt 8:23-27
 Wednesday: Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16bc-17; Mt 8:28-34
 Thursday: Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 9:1-8
 Friday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 20:24-29
 Saturday: Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 9:14-17
 Sunday: Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30



Saturday, June 27

5:00 p.m. **Mary & Sal Tramonte** req. the Philibosian family

Sunday, June 28: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. **Larry Ciolek** req. Carole Siekmann & family
 10:30 a.m. **Joanne Carlino** req. her husband, Paul
 12:00 p.m. **Lawrence Nantista** req. Estelle & Ray Walter

Monday, June 29: Saint Peter & Saint Paul

7:30 a.m. **People of the Parish**

Tuesday, June 30: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

7:30 a.m. **For Vocations to the Religious Life** req. Aida & Rich Aronson

Wednesday, July 1: Saint Junípero Serra

7:30 a.m. **Anthony John Raiola** req. Lucy & John Pergolizzi

Thursday, July 2

7:30 a.m. **People of the Parish**

Friday, July 3: Saint Thomas

7:30 a.m. **Deacon Joe Niland** req. Aida & Rich Aronson

Saturday, July 4

9:00 a.m. **Joseph Mahoney** req. his wife, Nan
 5:00 p.m. **People of the Parish**

Sunday, July 5: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. **Ronald Linberg** req. Bill Joyce
 10:30 a.m. **People of the Parish**
 12:00 p.m. **Roberto Delgado** req. Jim Carlo

Our Giving



Please remember to fill in the donation amount on your offertory envelope!

June 20-21

Income from 76 envelope users	\$ 4,391.00
Out-of-pocket gifts	\$ 692.00
Electronic giving (weekly average, 58 families)	\$ 1,968.38
Total weekly income	\$ 7,051.38
Archdiocesan Assessment Collection	\$ 650.00
Mass attendance	111



Great Catholic Music

A web site has launched playing nothing but "great Catholic Music" including all genres: instrumental, chant, classic and modern hymns, and newer contemporary songs. The web site, <http://www.greatcatholicmusic.com>, also takes breaks for psalms, Scripture readings and prayers. The service is free and there are apps for Apple and Android devices.

"...whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me."

MATTHEW 10:38

Pope Benedict XVI said "The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness". "Comfort" puts me first. "Picking up your cross and following Jesus" puts God and others first. Why settle for comfort when you can achieve greatness! Pick up your cross, ask Jesus for guidance on using your gifts and live the life God intended for you!

Prayer for Government

by Archbishop John Carroll

Composed for the Inauguration of George Washington

We pray you, O God of might, wisdom, and justice,
through whom authority is rightly administered,
laws are enacted, and judgment decreed,
assist with your Holy Spirit of counsel and fortitude
the President of these United States,
that his administration may be conducted in righteousness,
and be eminently useful to your people, over whom he presides;
by encouraging due respect for virtue and religion;
by a faithful execution of the laws in justice and mercy;
and by restraining vice and immorality.

Let the light of your divine wisdom direct
the deliberations of Congress,
and shine forth in all the proceedings and laws
framed for our rule and government,
so that they may tend to the preservation of peace,
the promotion of national happiness,
the increase of industry, sobriety, and useful knowledge;
and may perpetuate to us the blessing of equal liberty.

We pray for the governor of this state,
for the members of the assembly,
for all judges, magistrates, and other officers
who are appointed to guard our political welfare,
that they may be enabled, by your powerful protection,
to discharge the duties of their respective stations
with honesty and ability.

We recommend likewise, to your unbounded mercy,
all our fellow citizens throughout the United States,
that we may be blessed in the knowledge
and sanctified in the observance of your most holy law;
that we may be preserved in union,
and in that peace which the world cannot give;
and after enjoying the blessings of this life,
be admitted to those which are eternal.
Grant this, we beseech you, O Lord of mercy,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.



The Parish Center will be closed on Friday, July 3. Mass on July 3 will be celebrated in the church at 7:30 a.m.

Please join us to give thanks for our religious freedom and to ask Mary Immaculate, patroness of the United States, to protect us and give us strength as we strive to imitate her.

Annunciation's Parish Center is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Parish Center Directory

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BAPTISM

The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated for infants on the second and fourth weekends of each month, except during the Lenten season. The celebration may take place during the 10:30 a.m. or 12:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday, or at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday. Parents are invited to contact Judy Fanelli, even before your baby is born, so that participation in our preparation program can be arranged and the baptism planned.

RECONCILIATION

The sacrament of Reconciliation is offered in the church on Saturdays between 4:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Personal appointments for other times are available and can be made by contacting Father Jim.

During the Lenten Season, a communal Celebration of Reconciliation is offered in conjunction with Our Lady of the Visitation parish.

VOCATIONS

Are you being called to priesthood or religious life? As you discern God's calling, explore www.rcan.org/vocation.

MINISTRY TO THE ILL AND HOMEBOUND

At times, physical injury, old age, or debilitating disease prevents our parishioners from participating regularly in the celebration of the Eucharist. During such times, contact with the community of faith is needed more than ever before. We can arrange for you to receive the Eucharist, the sacrament of Reconciliation, and/or the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick in your home or hospital room. Please call the Parish Center if you wish to be visited.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

If you are new to the parish, please submit a completed parish census form. Blank forms are available in the Gathering Space and on our website. Families already registered with the parish are encouraged to keep current their membership information.

INITIATION INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

The *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* (RCIA) is a process of formation and initiation for those (age seven and older) who have never been baptized and wish to become members of the Roman Catholic Church.

Formation and initiation opportunities also exist for adults baptized into the Roman Catholic Church as infants, but who have not received the sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist.

Christians baptized in Eastern Orthodox Churches or in communions other than Roman Catholic who wish to enter into the fullness of Catholic communion may also participate in the RCIA formation process.

For more information, please contact Father Jim.

VISITATION ACADEMY

Parents wishing to provide their children with a quality Catholic education are encouraged to consider Visitation Academy, a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence. Located in Paramus and supported by the Catholic parishes of Paramus and Rochelle Park, Visitation Academy offers classes for Grades pre-K3 through eight. For more information, please visit www.visitationacademyparamus.org or call 201-262-6067.

INTENTION REQUESTS

We can spiritually remember an anniversary of marriage, ordination or death, birthday, or other significant milestone for the living or deceased by dedicating the items we use for worship: the sanctuary lamps which burn constantly before the Blessed Sacrament in the church and Holy Family Chapel, the altar candles which remain lit during each liturgical celebration, the bread and wine consecrated at Mass, the Advent wreath candles, and the Paschal candle. Masses may also be offered for a special intention.

A set donation is requested for each intention, a card is provided, and the intention is printed in the bulletin. To request an intention, please visit the Parish Center.