

**May 12, 2019**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**



**SATURDAY, May 11th, Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Easter**

5:00pm Didier Maisonneuve (19<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) r/o  
 Wife, Maryse Maisonneuve

**SUNDAY, May 12th, Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**Mother's Day**

8:00am Holy Name Society  
 10:00am Catherine Winters, Veronica Stempien  
 & Bobbi Winters r/o Lisa, Rob & Molly Hanlon  
 11:30am Our Parishioners

**MONDAY, May 13th, Easter Weekday**

**Our Lady of Fatima**

8:00am Tracey Higgins r/o The Fross Family

**TUESDAY, May 14th, St. Matthias, Apostle**

8:00am Theresa Pozarycki r/o Joe & Mary Ann Forfa

**5:30pm-8:30pm MASS INTENTIONS scheduling  
 in the Parish Center**

**WEDNESDAY, May 15th, Easter Weekday**

**St. Isidore**

7:00pm Joseph Phibbs r/o Joe & Mary Ann Forfa  
 & Family

**THURSDAY, May 16th, Easter Weekday**

8:00am Rich Bohach r/o Susan Bailey

**FRIDAY, May 17th, Easter Weekday**

7:00pm Bernice Delmont (4<sup>th</sup> anniversary) r/o  
 Husband, Bob & Family

**SATURDAY, May 18th, Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Easter**

5:00pm Bill Radice (13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) r/o Wife, Jean  
 & Family

**SUNDAY, May 19th, Fifth Sunday of Easter**

8:00am Our Parishioners  
 10:00am Vincenzo La Rocca & Family r/o Nicky  
 11:30am Susan Barbier (14<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) r/o  
 Husband, Dennis & Daughter



**SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

The Sanctuary Flowers placed before the Blessed Sacrament this week are in memory of Mary Dardis as lovingly requested by Her Daughters.



**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

The Sanctuary Candle burning before the Blessed Sacrament this week is in memory of Edna Paulbinsky as lovingly requested by Daughter, Ruth.



**JOIN THE COMMUNITY OF HOLY TRINITY** in reciting the Rosary for World Peace & Justice every Wednesday after the 7:00pm Mass.



May 4/5, 2019 - \$3,332.70 / 2018 - \$4,274.00  
 Catholic Relief Services 2019 - \$1,019.00 / 2018 - \$1,569.00  
**Thank you for your continued support!**

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

I want to share with you an update on some items related to temporal administration. Next week, I'll focus on our parish finances; this week, our facilities. There are a number of items regarding our buildings and grounds that I would like to highlight:

-During the first week in April, we had a deep cleaning of the entire church building and the Parish Center. The work was done by HC Professional Carpet Cleaning (the same folks who take care of the weekly cleaning of the church), at a cost of approximately \$6,000. The difference was immediately noticeable, especially with the church carpet.

-A few weeks ago, we had Wender Paving out to address a few areas where the grading of the asphalt allowed water to pool against the church building. They were able to correct the situation, and also fill a large pothole in the Old York Road driveway, at a cost of \$1,350.

-We also recently hired a new landscaper (T&R) to mow the grass, and they have begun by filling in a few holes and reseeded the area affected by snow plowing. The weather has not been too helpful, but things are starting to improve.

-We have continued to investigate the moisture condition affecting the walls of the church basement. We have a proposal from a very reputable contractor to address the situation in the most practical and cost-effective way that we can. I will be consulting with the Pastoral and Finance Councils this week about this proposal, and I will provide a further update as things progress.

-As many of you witnessed, we had a roof leak in the church on Ash Wednesday. While the immediate issue has been repaired, our roofer noted the deteriorating conditions and the fact that the roof is beyond its intended lifespan. I'm hoping to get at least one more year out of it, as the cost of replacement will be approximately \$20-25,000.

So, we have a lot going on these days! I'm grateful especially to Stan Pozarycki, Bob Skorny, and Joe Langon, who help us to take good care of our buildings and save us a lot of money in the process. And I'm grateful to all of you who help support the parish financially, so we can care for the facilities that make our worship and community activities possible.

In Christ & St. Philip,  
 Fr. Jeff

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**First Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-52**

Paul and Barnabas addressed many people, and large crowds gathered to hear them. Some of the Jews became jealous, and argued with whatever Paul said. But Paul and Barnabas continued preaching their message of salvation and everlasting life, until they were eventually forced to leave the town.

**Second Reading: Revelation 7:9, 14b-17**

John saw a vision of many people surrounding a throne and the Lamb. One of the elders told him these were the people who had survived great periods of trial, but maintained strong faith in God. Now they would receive eternal protection and comfort from God as reward for their loyalty.

**Gospel: John 10:27-30**

Jesus states that his sheep know his voice and follow him, and will receive eternal life. Jesus also says that no one can snatch his followers away, because God is greater than anyone who might try, and Jesus is one with God.

The next **Children's Liturgy of the Word** during the 10:00am mass will take place **NEXT Sunday, May 19, 2019**. Children from Kindergarten through 4th grades are invited to participate in these age appropriate gospel lessons. The children will leave the mass prior to the first reading and return prior to the preparation of the gifts. We will hold these lessons in the Church Basement.



**MONDAY, MAY 13, 2019**  
**WORKERS – MONDAY – TEAM #2**  
**CAPTAIN:**

Sharon Eosso, Jean Radice, Mary Ann Badore,  
 Maryse Maisonneuve, Flo Skorny, Toni Gooding  
 & Colleen Mula

**GAMES BEGIN AT 7:30PM**

**FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2019**  
**WORKERS – FRIDAY – TEAM #3**  
**CAPTAIN:**

Chris Halligan, Max Marquart, Sue Marquart, Pedro Magsalin  
 & Patrick Camperchioli

**GAMES BEGIN AT 7:30PM**



**SECOND COLLECTION** – next weekend, May 18/19 for the Development of People. The proceeds benefit the Church in Latin America, the Church in Eastern Europe and the Catholic Home Mission.

*The Parish Prayer Chain is a group of parishioners that regularly pray for your needs. Should a need for prayer to arise, please call Joyce Walker at 908-526-5470.*

There will be **NO Blood Pressure Screening** in the month of May. The next Blood Pressure Screening will be June 8/9.



Thanks to all those who participated in the Rice Bowl program during Lent. **\$2,455.60** was collected from **94** rice bowls. Besides the spiritual benefits to the participants from their self-denial, 75% of the money will go to Catholic Relief Services to help the poor throughout the world and 25% will go to help the poor right here in our own diocese.  
 -Deacon John Phalen

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**MAY 11/12**

5:00pm **Reader:** *Debbie Phibbs*  
*Sat. Extraordinary Ministers: Emilio & Carol*  
*Suarez and Rebecca Majewski*  
**Altar Servers:** *Timmy LaCanna & Chase Kedziora*

8:00am **Reader:** *Joseph Pagano*  
*Sun. Extraordinary Ministers: Holy Name Society*  
**Altar Servers:** *Holy Name Society*

10:00am **Reader:** *Francine Giorello*  
*Sun. Extraordinary Ministers: Nick Vendemia,*  
*Jo Place and Frank Meier*  
**Altar Server:** *Jacqueline Salvato*

11:30am **Reader:** *Peter George*  
*Sun. Extraordinary Ministers: Joseph & Doreen*  
*Marino and Claire Russell*  
**Altar Server:** *Catherine Ulassin*

**House Communion:** *Nick Vendemia*

**MAY 18/19**

5:00pm **Reader:** *Mary Psak*  
*Sat. Extraordinary Ministers: Jean Radice and*  
*Ray & Linda Rakowitz*  
**Altar Server:**

8:00am **Reader:** *Anna Marie Vendemia*  
*Sun. Extraordinary Ministers: Stan Pozarycki,*  
*Catherine Phalen and Jim Sheeley*  
**Altar Server:**

10:00am **Reader:** *Isabella Halligan*  
*Sun. Extraordinary Ministers: Maureen Montague,*  
*Irene Fialkowsky and Pat Thomason*  
**Altar Servers:**

11:30am **Reader:** *Eileen Clark*  
*Sun. Extraordinary Ministers: Jerry & Frieda*  
*Helmstetter and Margaret Chiselko*  
**Altar Server:**

**House Communion:** *Maureen Montague*



We would like to congratulate the following 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Religious Education Students who made their First Holy Communion on May 4, 2019:

*Derek Jeffrey Ebner, Christopher Paul George,*  
*Colton Andrew Hisko, Craig Michael Irely,*  
*Gia Sophia Langan, Kristopher Evan Nunez,*  
*Michael Sebastian Pugliese, Oliver Richard Repole,*  
*Klaudia Anna Swider and Jack Robert Winchok*



**MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION GATHERING**

**THIS Sunday, May 12th**

**Downstairs in the Church Basement**  
**After the 8:00am & 10:00am Masses**  
**JOIN US WITH YOUR SPECIAL MOM**  
**for some Coffee & Breakfast Treats**



*A Note of Thanks*

Recently, our Monday night 8<sup>th</sup> grade religious ed students organized a donation drive for the Somerset Regional Animal Shelter. The response was wonderful. We collected quite a variety of food, treats and toys for the furry residents at the shelter. Plus Fr. Sean Kenney from Our Lady of the Mount in Warren, NJ heard of the students' efforts and contributed crates and other items for the shelter from his late dogs. Many thanks to all who contributed items for the animal shelter and to our students for their service to a great cause.



**HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

The 8:00am Mass this Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> is for the living & deceased members of the **HOLY NAME SOCIETY**. Since it is Mother's Day, their regular monthly meeting will be held at 7:00pm on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> in the Church Basement/TV Room.





### Prayer for Mothers

Loving God,  
as a mother gives life and nourishment  
to her children,  
so you watch over your Church.

Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect.

Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

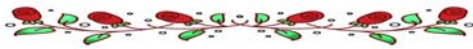
Happy Mother's Day!



### MOTHER'S DAY BABY SHOWER

Gifts for the Mother's Day Baby Shower may still be brought to Church next weekend, May 18/19. Please place all gifts in the pack 'n play by the Maple Street Church exit. Thank you for remembering moms in need.

Happy Mother's Day to all mothers!



## SOCIAL MINISTRY

The Food Pantry can always use non-perishable items. Supermarket gift cards can also be used and can be dropped in the collection basket. We are grateful for your support!



The Knitting Club meets every Wednesday evening at 7:00pm in the Rectory. Supplies are available. For information please call Charlotte at 908-526-0477.



The Michael Project, which ships care packages to our servicemen and women, is still in operation. Should you know of a soldier serving our country and would like to receive a care package from home, call Joyce Walker at 908-526-5470.

### Michael Project Continued...

On behalf of the Michael Sunder Project, Joyce Walker is asking for Miraculous Medals. They will be sent to our military overseas and then distributed to the third world countries. Medals can be dropped off in the baskets at all church exits. Thank you for your help and participation.



Teens and their families are invited to attend the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual NJ Catholic Youth Rally on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> ALL DAY at Great Adventure, Jackson, NJ. All middle and high school students, scouts, young adults and their families are invited to attend. Register online: [diometuchen.org/nj-youth-rally](http://diometuchen.org/nj-youth-rally) or contact John Glynn at [youth.ministry@diometuchen.org](mailto:youth.ministry@diometuchen.org)

You Can Make a Difference!

**U-Serve SUMMER CAMP**

Join us for the ultimate camp experience. All incoming 6th-9th graders welcome!

Fun Games! Service! Cool People!

The Details! **June 24-28**  
9:00am-3:00pm

✓ Cost: \$150 (and \$100 per additional child)  
✓ Grow in faith, service and fellowship, and earn service hours!

Register NOW @ [www.u-serve.com/HTSACamp](http://www.u-serve.com/HTSACamp)

High Schoolers! Adults! We need your help making this happen!

If you are willing to volunteer in any way, please contact:  
Rachael Flanagan (908) 280-2893  
[rflanagan@fiatventures.com](mailto:rflanagan@fiatventures.com)

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### You're Invited to St. Ann's "Date Nights For A Joyful Marriage"

Saturday June 8, 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM.

St. Ann's Marriage Ministry Team invites Engaged, newlywed, and couples married several years, for a "Date Night", in the Church Meeting Room. Includes; BYOB, appetizers, buffet dinner and dessert. Presentation by special guests Dr. Kyle and Lisa Marie Beiter. Also, a Special feature, in honor of Father's Day: The artwork of Fr. Kevin Kelly will be on display. \$35.00 per couple, (\$40.00 at the door) pay by cash or check sent to Catholic Church of Saint Ann, 45 Anderson St., Raritan, NJ 08869.

RSVP by June 3 ~ Ken & Madeline 908-872-0282

Calling all mothers, young women discerning the vocation to married life, grandmothers, etc. Join us for tea and delicious treats on May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1pm-4pm at St. Vincent de Paul Church, 250 Bebout Ave., Stirling, NJ as guest speak, Mr. Robert Gil, husband of the late Rosie Gil (a mother who exalted the vocation of motherhood) speaks about what we can do in the home to restore a Christian society for our children and our grandchildren. (free-will donation will be taken up) Please RSVP to:

<https://www.stvincentschurch.org/christian-culture>

### MONTHLY EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

NEXT Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm / St. Ann's Church, Raritan  
The Oratorian community invites everyone to take part in a Eucharistic Holy Hour offered on the third Sunday of each month. This hour of Adoration includes readings, song, and silent prayer, and concludes with Benediction.

To date, the Development Office has received pledges totaling 48,499.89 and payments totaling \$38,819.77 from 204 parishioners. This represents 70.3% of your \$69,000.00 goal. Thank you!

### Calendar of Events

- May 11/12, 18/19 Mother's Day Baby Shower
- May 12 May Gathering for Mother's Day
- May 14 Mass Intentions Scheduling 5:30-8:30pm (PC)
- May 19 Children's Liturgy of the Word (10am Mass)
- May 19 Eucharistic Holy Hour (St. Ann's)
- May 25/26, June 1/2 Communion Breakfast Ticket Sales
- June 9 Communion Breakfast