

## 4th Sunday of Easter—May 12, 2019

### Mass Intentions for the Week

#### Saturday - May 11

**5:00 PM + Horace Sassi**  
r/o Tom and Eleanor Fahey

#### Sunday - May 12

**7:30 AM - People of Blessed Sacrament**

**9:00 AM - Mothers Day Novena**

**10:30 AM+ Adeline Colella and Lauren Richmond**  
r/o Laurie, Dean & Dana Richmond

**12:00 PM+ Mildred Basilie**  
r/o Tim, Laura and Cameron Mertz

#### Monday - May 13

**9:00 AM - Mothers Day Novena**

**12:30 PM+ Mildred Basile**  
r/o Tim, Laura & Cameron Mertz

#### Tuesday - May 14

**9:00 AM - Mothers Day Novena**

**12:30 PM+ Antonino Armetta**  
r/o Giuseppa Armetta

#### Wednesday - May 15

**9:00 AM - Mothers Day Novena**

**12:30 PM+ Antonio Bianco**  
r/o Wife Caterina

#### Thursday - May 16

**9:00 AM - Mothers Day Novena**

**12:30 PM+ Lori Hennessey**  
r/o Bernice and Phil Sorrentino

#### Friday - May 17

**9:00 AM - Mothers Day Novena**

**12:30 PM+ Marianna & Pietro Evola**  
r/o Giuseppa Armetta

#### Saturday - May 18

**9:00 AM - Mothers Day Novena**

**5:00 PM + Frank Dilusto**  
r/o Maria Dilusto

#### Sunday - May 19

**7:30 AM + Patty DuBois**  
r/o The Noonan Family

**9:00 AM - Mothers Day Novena**

**10:30 AM+ Renee Edwards**  
r/o The Yessman Family

**12:00 PM - People of Blessed Sacrament**

### From the Pastor's Desk

Today is Mother's Day, that special day we set aside each year to honor our Moms. Probably no one has done more to shape and form our lives than our Mothers. In our formative years, it was our Mother who was always there to help and guide us, helping us to be the best we can be. As we grew, we could always depend on her advice and good counsel. And as we encountered difficult times, we knew that Mom was there praying for us. If your Mom is still with us, please be sure to make it a special day for her. And if your Mom has already gone to her eternal reward, keep in mind the wonderful memories you have of her and be sure to remember her in your prayers today. Happy Mother's Day to all our Moms!

Just a gentle reminder if you have not yet made a gift or pledge to the Bishop's Appeal, kindly do so as soon as possible. Bishop Checchio is depending upon all of us to help him to accomplish God's work in our Diocese. We still haven't reached our goal but I am confident that we can reach it. Thanks for your help.



God Bless,

Msgr. Prus



The Altar Bread and Wine is Offered for

*Frieda Alexy*



The Sanctuary Candle burns before the Blessed Sacrament for

*Frank Schifano*

# Religious Education Updates



## 2019 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Blessed Sacrament Goal: \$150,000  
 Amount Pledged as of 5/3/19: \$118,850 from 344 Families  
 Current Percent of Goal: 79.2%  
 Balanced Needed to Reach Goal: \$31,150

Every gift, no matter the size, is needed and appreciated. If you would like to make a pledge, or donate online, please visit: [www.diometuchen.org/BAA](http://www.diometuchen.org/BAA), or mail your gift to: Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop's Annual Appeal, P. O. Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000.

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, May 27, 2019, in observance of Memorial Day.



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Planning Meeting

Monday, June 3 at 6:30 PM

**All Adult and Minor Volunteers Must Attend**

## Children's Worship Bulletin

A children's worship bulletin is now available in the Narthex. The bulletin is an engaging way for children to be involved with the Sunday Gospel. There is one for ages 3-6 and one for ages 7-12. Each bulletin also contains a secret code for children to go online and play fun games.



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
**SAVE THE DATE: June 24th—28th**  
**A Wilderness Adventure Through the Sacraments "Jesus in My Heart"**

The goals of this week-long program are to help the children better understand the Seven Sacraments and deepen their love for Jesus.

Contact Parish Office to Register: 732-356-4405

## Missionary Childhood Association

Thank you to our Religious Education Students for their Lenten Donations to the Missionary Childhood Association. We have donated \$405.94. Your generosity is appreciated.

## With Appreciation:

Thank you to our Hospitality Committee for all their help and dedication to the Parish Office this year. A special thank you to Ro Bersch for heading up this wonderful group of ladies. It is a pleasure working with you.



## BAPTISM CLASSES For All New Parents

1st Wednesdays of the Month  
 June 5th—6:00 pm  
 July 10th—6:00 pm

Classes will be held in the Conference Room

## Summer Service Hours:

All Religious Education students going into eighth grade in September are welcome to come do their Parish Service Hours for Confirmation over the summer. We will begin on Monday, July 8th. Call the Parish Office to schedule date and times. Hours offered: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM or 12:00 PM –2:00 PM.



## BLESSED SACRAMENT YOUTH GROUP

Following is the Youth Group Schedule through June:

There will be **NO** meeting in May.

Sunday, June 2nd—Family Fun Day and Senior Send Off

# Parish Organizations Info

## ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

### Upcoming Events:

**May 15th-1:00 pm: Retreat afternoon with Sr. Mary Jo Kearns**  
**NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!**



The Blessed Sacrament Council of Catholic Women's mission is to respond with Christian values to the needs of women and their families. We are here to unite women of our Parish, to develop their spiritual growth and leadership potential and to encourage women to share their gifts from God with others in our Church and community. If you want to grow spiritually, while meeting and making new friends in a cordial, fun and very fulfilling way, join us at our monthly meetings.

### ACTIVITIES/MEETINGS:

**May 15th—7:00 p.m.—Membership Meeting: Installation of Officers, Service Award and Social**



## PRAYER LINE

Council of Catholic Women sponsors a "Prayer Line". If you would like to request prayers or join the "Prayer Line" to offer prayers for the particular intentions of other Parishioners, call Gloria at 908-722-4791 or Barbara at 908-647-5749.



**Another successful year of selling Palm Crosses!**

**Thank you to all parishioners who helped us make our goal.**



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #5959

### Upcoming Meetings and Activities

***The Knights of Columbus Thanks All parishioners who purchased plants and flowers at the past sale. You helped make the event a success and all proceeds will be earmarked to support local Charities.***

***Sunday May 12<sup>th</sup>, The Knights of Columbus Wish all Mothers a happy and healthy Mother's Day. Please enjoy our gift of Carnations to all mothers after each mass..***

***Wed May 22 council meeting 7:30 pm***



## OUR LADY ROSARY MAKERS

Please join us as we make rosaries sent to missions around the world. It is fun, easy, inexpensive and very rewarding! We meet in the Conference Room on the second Tuesday of each month following the 9am Mass and Rosary. For more information, please call Theresa Carson at 732-424-8064.  
**Next Meeting: May 14th**



## CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

A social group of widowed persons of the Catholic Faith dedicated to providing emotional support and opportunities for Social Activities.

The **Circle of Friends** holds monthly meetings on the **third Sunday of the month**, September thru June at 1:30 p.m. in Classroom 15.

**Next Meeting: Sunday, May 19th — 1:30 p.m.—Classroom 15**



## BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

**Next meetings: Monday, May 15th and Saturday, May 18th — 9:45 am**

We will be discussing: How to Get More Out of Holy Communion by Peter Julian Eymard  
 Available on Amazon and Kindle

**All are Welcome! No fees to join!**

For info. Contact:

Mary Brady: 732-356-3083/mtb.tmb60@gmail.com or  
 Ketrin Maxwell: 732-356-1932/ksaud@optonline.net



## VOCATIONS TRAVELING CHALICE PROGRAM

*The Vocation Seekers give special thanks to those who take the vocations traveling chalice home and pray for Vocations, particularly for seminarians in the Diocese of Metuchen. Please consider taking the chalice home to pray for vocations. Your prayers are truly being answered! We especially need volunteers for May Please sign up in the foyer and pick up and return the Vocation Traveling Chalice to the foyer by noon on Saturday. Thanks!*

## VOCATIONS PRAY-A-DAY CLUB

May

- 11 - Lori Csik, Mary Grab, Eric Koppi, Eugene Vereb, Mary Ellen Yen, Patricia Redmond
- 12 - Ginny Brogan, Pat Manfredi
- 13 - Altobelli Family, Janice Bengivenga, Joe Beutsch, Ann Meisenbacher, Angelo & Maryann Penza
- 14- Open
- 15 - Dan Hayes, Matt Moench, Ed Schmidt, Charlene Terraglia
- 16 - Christine Arcoleo, Gerry LoGiudice, Bob & Debbie Warren
- 17 - Doris Conly, Carole Juth, Ketrin Maxwell, Ann Waeger
- 18 - Al LoGiudice, Bill & Laura Myers, Sharon Pitfield

# Our Parish Prayers, Info and Needs

## Parish Prayer Book of Intentions:

In our Parish Prayer Book, we pray for the sick, needy, struggling, suffering, etc. Every intention in our hearts! No intention is too big or too small for prayer! St. Paul reminds us:

*“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”*

*Philippians 4:6-7*

## Pray for our Military☆☆☆

*O Lord, be present with all those who serve our country. Comfort their spirits with your divine presence. Keep them close to You and grant them strength, wisdom and grace.*

*Capt. James A. Giacchi*

*Pfc Jim Donovan, Army*

*EM3 Nicholas D. Hogan, Navy*

*Lt Michael Marano, Army*

*Pfc Ryan Sternberg, Army*

*CPT John Nastus, Army*

*CPT Robert Emmons*

*SPC Alexander Meditz, Army*

*Pfc AJ Anderle, Army*

*MAJ Christopher Lund, Army*

*Pfc Sean Pieper*

*Major Antonio Martinez*

*Sr. Chief Rich Symington, Navy*

*Lt Douglas Stahl, Navy*

*CPT Matthew McCarthy, Army*

*Reservist Adam Starzyk, Air Force*

*CPT Michael Lyness, Army*

*Col. Patrick Hsieh, Air Force*

*Specialist Nicholas James Bradley, Army*

If you have a family member, relative, or friend in the military, especially overseas, or in a dangerous assignment, please let us know so we can request the prayers of our parish family. Simply furnish their name, rank and Branch of Service.

*Our Knights of Columbus, Council #5959, regularly sends “SHOEBOX” packages to troops serving overseas when a current military address is provided. For more information, please call Al Beronio at 732-356-8687.*

## Stewardship

Thank you and may God bless you for your continued support of our parish!

**April 21, 2019 (Excludes online giving):**

**Includes Holy Week: \$40,641.16**

**Easter Flowers: \$ 616.00**

May 12, 2019—4th Sunday of Easter

“The disciples were filled with Joy and the Holy Spirit.” (Acts 13:52) The disciples heard Our Lord’s call and were able to spread the Gospel message with strength and vitality. We, too, can experience that same joy if we make room for the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts. When we use our gifts in the way that God intends, He fills us with supernatural joy. A joy that others notice and are attracted to.



## MAKE YOUR CHILD’S FIRST SCHOOL EXPERIENCE A POSITIVE ONE!

The Vocationist Sisters cordially invite parents of prospective students to visit the Nursery School and meet the staff.

**ENROLLING ALL CHILDREN FROM 2 ½ - 5 YEARS OF AGE**

For more information or questions, please call Sister Perpetua at

732-667-5272 Fax: 732 667 5277

Email: [littlefriendsnursery@gmail.com](mailto:littlefriendsnursery@gmail.com)



## HONORING OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE!

### Month of May

**Personal Consecration to Mary Books available in the Parish Office**

### TRAVELING OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

*As part of the Diocesan dedication to Our Lady of Guadalupe, a traveling devotion kit is available in the entrance to the church.*

*Consider bringing this kit into your home for a week. Many blessings have been reported around the*

## RESPECT LIFE—BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE



Pick up a baby bottle. Take the bottle home and fill it with change, cash or check made payable to Pregnancy Aid and Information Center.

Return the filled bottle to church.

Pick up your bottle beginning Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, and return to Church by Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.

### About the Pregnancy Aid and Information Center

The center opened 30 years ago, and is an all-volunteer organization dedicated to helping pregnant women. For three decades, the center has tirelessly served Bridgewater, Raritan and surrounding communities, supporting women who have made the choice to bring a new life into this world, but who lack the necessary resources.

# Parish Info



## **BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB**

Our June Book of the month is St. Maria Goretti In Garments all Red, by Father Godfrey Poage.

We will be discussing this book on Monday June 10th at 9:45 am and Saturday June 15th at 9:45 am.

Available at <https://www.amazon.com/St-Maria-Goretti-Garments-All/dp/0895556154> or as an Ebook at [https://books.google.com/books?id=p1ZODQAAQBAJ&printsec=frontcover&source=gb\\_s\\_ge\\_summary\\_r&cad=0#v=onepage&q&f=false](https://books.google.com/books?id=p1ZODQAAQBAJ&printsec=frontcover&source=gb_s_ge_summary_r&cad=0#v=onepage&q&f=false)

No fee to join. All are welcome.

Contact : Ketrin Maxwell; [ksaud@optonline.net](mailto:ksaud@optonline.net) or Mary Brady; [mtb.tmb60@gmail.com](mailto:mtb.tmb60@gmail.com)

## *Thank You*

To all for baking and supporting the Altar Rosary Bake Sale, and especially to Catherine Diana and Maureen Koenen for their assistance.

## **Diocesan Collection May 18 & 19**

The second collection next weekend, May 18 and 19, will be the collection for the Development of the People. The proceeds benefit the Church in Latin America, the Church in Eastern Europe, and the Catholic Home Mission Appeal.

**Going on Summer Vacation?  
Don't Forget to Visit the Lord!**



**Go To:**

**[masstimes.org](http://masstimes.org)**

**For Church and Mass Times  
Anywhere in the World**

## **Spring Bible Study: Bible-In-A-Day**

Follow the bible timeline from Genesis to the formation of the Church in **ONE** day.

This DVD based scripture study is narrated by Jeff Cavins with supporting activities.

**Date: Saturday, May 18th: 9:30 am—3 pm with lunch and comfort breaks.**

**Location: Blessed Sacrament Church—Room 15**

**Fee: \$20 to cover materials**

**Bring: Bible, Catechism (if you have one), Lunch and Snacks (water, coffee and tea provided).**

**Questions: Contact Ro Bersch @ (908) 470-0678**

## **REGISTRATION CLOSES MAY 9TH**

**To Register Clip The Form Below:**

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to: Blessed Sacrament Church  
Mail to: Barbara Hoff, 2 Kings Ridge Rd, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920**