

Pentecost—June 9, 2019

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday - June 8

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

Sunday - June 9

7:30 AM + Val Brose
r/o Wife Beverly

9:00 AM - People of Blessed Sacrament
10:30 AM + Lauren Richmond
r/o Laurie, Dean and Dana

Richmond

12:00 PM + Mildred Basile
r/o Gloria Basile

Monday - June 10

9:00 AM + Elsie Marie Ording - 1st
Anniversary
r/o Sal and Carol Longo

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

Tuesday - June 11

9:00 AM + Phyllis Yannuzzi
r/o Husband Paul

12:30 PM + Tom and Eleanor Fahey - Wedding
Anniversary
r/o Family

Wednesday - June 12

9:00 AM + Frank P. Nazzaro, Jr.
r/o Joanne & John Galasso

12:30 PM + Smith and Cristo Families
r/o Family

Thursday - June 13

9:00 AM + Frank Nazzaro
r/o The Massari Family

12:30 PM + Mildred Basile
r/o Gloria Basile

Friday - June 14

9:00 AM + Michael Schambach - 1st
Anniversary
r/o Patty, Catherine and Michele

12:30 PM + The Holy Souls in Purgatory
r/o Parishioner

Saturday - June 15

9:00 AM + Patty DuBois
r/o The Noonan Family

5:00 PM + Antonio Bianco
r/o Wife Caterina

Sunday - June 16

7:30 AM + Frank Sautner
r/o The Vandermeer Family

9:00 AM - Fathers Day Novena
10:30 AM - People of Blessed Sacrament
12:00 PM + Mildred Basile
r/o Bob, Rae Ann and Arianna DeAquino

From the Pastor's Desk

There is a story about our bells that I would like to share with you today. We created our new church in the Fall of 1987. The space was our original gymnasium. Bishop Hughes was to dedicate the new Church on January 25, 1988. The bell tower was actually the chimney for our heating system but it made a fine home for our new bells which were being cast in Holland. The bells arrived at Port Elizabeth in time but were being detained at the docks. Our Congressman at the time was Matt Rinaldi so I called him for his help. I will always be grateful to him; the bells were delivered the very next day. We had them mounted and they were ready for the dedication and blessing of the New Church.

Many people do not realize it, but each bell is cast to produce a certain note. This is done so that, when rung together they ring in harmony. Each bell is also named at the time of casting. Our large bell is named "The People of Blessed Sacrament Church". The second bell is named "Bishop Edward T. Hughes" and the third bell is named "Rev. Eugene Prus". The bells beautifully announce our Masses every day. Many churches today use chime recordings and they can be very nice. But there is nothing like the sound of real church bells pealing. Bells are a tradition we need to treasure and cherish.

God Bless,

Msgr. Prus



The Altar Bread and Wine is Offered for

James Geib



The Sanctuary Candle burns before the Blessed Sacrament for

Immaculata Carotenuto

Religious Education Updates



2019 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

As of 5/30/19 Pledges total \$129, 561.35

From 380 parishioners

86.4% of goal

Balance needed to reach goal=\$20,439

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, or mail your gift to:

The Parish Office will be closed Sunday, June 23, 2019.



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!

Best of luck and much success as you enter the next chapter of your life!

A special thank you to our "A Team" — Abby Freda, Alyssa Panico, and Amanda Ring. These young ladies have been with our Religious Education program for many years, first as students, and then as catechists in our program and as volunteers in our Vacation Bible School throughout their high school years. We appreciate your many years of service to our parish!

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



BAPTISM CLASSES For All New Parents

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

Classes will be held in the Conference Room



New Catechist Training

All catechists are required to attend a training session on Monday, June 10, 2019 at 6:30 PM 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.

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



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Anywhere in the World**

Parish Organizations Info

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

The mission of the Society is to honor the Blessed Mother by proclaiming the Good News of Christ, her Son, in our members' lives and in relationships with others; to promote the praying of the Rosary; to encourage a spirit of friendship and cooperation among its members and to participate in parish activities.

Our meetings will resume in September. Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

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:

Soup Kitchen June 24.

We are on summer vacation. Our meetings will resume in September. Have a great summer!

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.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #5959

Upcoming Meetings and Activities

Sunday June 9th BLOOD DRIVE 8 AM - 1 PM
 Donation appointments can be easily scheduled by using the free [Blood Donor App](#), visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](#) ENTER KOC 5959 or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Wed June 12th council meeting 7:30 pm

Sunday June 16th, The Knights of Columbus Wish all Fathers a happy and healthy Father's Day.

June 23, 2019 - Escort Lyons Veterans to Mass

Saturday June 29th, FDD Stan Serafin Honorarium. 6:30 pm - 10:00 BSC Parish Hall. All Council members and their wives are invited to attend at no charge to all KofC Members in Good standing. They must respond to the EVITE that was sent to the membership



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. Meetings will resume on the second Tuesday in September.



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, June 9 (instead of June 16 Father's Day) 1:30 p.m.—Classroom 15. It's our ice cream social.

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=gbs_ge_summary_r&cad=0#v=onepage&q&f=false

No fee to join. All are welcome. Contact : Ketrin Maxwell; ksaud@optonline.net or Mary Brady; mtb.tmb60@gmail.com



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 June. 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

June

- 08 - Cheryl Colline
- 09 - Laura Addison, Diana Malone, Frances Slahta
- 10 - Fred & Kathy Ciociola, Harley Juth, Debbie Mourid
- 11 - Lori Csik, Mary Grab, Eric Koppi, Eugene Vereb, Mary Ellen Yen, Patricia Redmond
- 12 - Ginny Brogan, Tom Conly, Pat Manfredi
- 13 - Altobelli Family, Janice Bengivenga, Joe Beotsch, Alice Caltagirone, Ann Meisenbacher, Angelo & Maryann Penza
- 14- Open
- 15 - Dan Hayes, Matt Moench, Ed Schmidt, Charlene Terraglia

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.



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



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 diocese when the kit was used.

Stewardship

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

May 30, 2019

Ascension — \$2,108

June 2, 2019

Weekly Collection — \$11,880

Catholic Communications — \$2,228

Father's Day — \$290

June 9, 2019—Pentecost

“The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you.” (John 14:26)

The materialism of our society lures us to concentrate more on what we want than on what God wants for us. The relativism of our world tells us that we should be tolerant of all things, that there is no absolute truth. Pray to the Holy Spirit to transform our lives and to guide our thoughts, words and actions.

Parish Info



Stress in Your Marriage!

Do you feel lost, alone, or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce?

Does talking about it only make it worse? ...Retrouvaille is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages.

The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow up sessions.

UPCOMING WEEKEND: August 23-25, 2019

For more information call the Family Life Office at 732-243-4573



THANK YOU TO ARYANNA ARCILLA

I would like to offer my thanks to Aryanna Arcilla for her ministry of playing drums at the 9am mass. She was committed to this ministry, and played for over two years. We wish her well as she leaves for College in the fall. God bless you Aryanna!

Mike Burns



We are always in need of Eucharistic Ministers for patients at the Robert Wood Johnson Barnabas Hospital Somerset - every day of the week - *for one hour* - between 9am & 4pm . If you can help us serve in this ministry, please contact:

Mike Zurat at michael.zurat@rwjhb.org

Please note, the hospital does require and provides a TB test, yearly free Flu shots, and a Photo ID.

We also need Eucharistic Ministers to visit the elderly and ill at their homes. To help with this ministry, please contact:

Peg Harmon at harmonp99@aol.com.



HONORARIUM DINNER

STAN SERAFIN

PAST GRAND KNIGHT AND
FORMER DISTRICT DEPUTY

SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2019

6:30 PM—10 PM
PARISH HALL

Please join us to honor Stan Serafin, who has served our Knights of Columbus Council #5959, our Knights District, our Parish and our community for so many years in so many ways.

All Council members and their wives are invited to attend at NO-Charge to all KofC Members in Good standing. They MUST respond to E-Vite that was sent out to the membership.

YOU ARE INVITED TO ST .ANN'S "DATE NIGHT FOR A JOYFUL MARRIAGE"

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

St. Ann 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 to Ken & Madeline 908-872-0282