

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 28 January 2024

To all who are tired and need rest;
to all who mourn and need comfort;
to all who are friendless and need friendship;
to all who are discouraged and need hope;
to all who sin and need a Savior; and to whomsoever will,
**THIS PARISH OPENS WIDE HER DOORS
IN THE NAME OF JESUS THE LORD!**

Church of the Assumption

a Roman Catholic Parish

ERECTED A.D. MCMVII

SACRAMENTS

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday (anticipated): 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM; 10:30 AM; 12:00PM
Monday-Saturday: 8:00 AM
Holy Days of Obligation: see inside

Penance & Reconciliation:

Monday-Thursday; Saturday: 7:30-7:50 AM
Saturday afternoon: 4:00-4:30 PM

A Catholic is obliged to confess serious sins in kind and number to a priest. If one is conscious of having committed serious sin, Confession ought to be made before receiving the Eucharist.

Baptism: Please call to arrange for your child's baptism before or soon after birth. A Godparent must be a Catholic in good standing.

Anointing of the Sick:

Please call for a priest to celebrate this Sacrament of Healing and Forgiveness for someone who is seriously ill or in danger of death. Do not wait until the sick person is unconscious.

Matrimony:

All Catholics ought to seek to have their marriage blessed by the Church so as to live in God's good graces & receive the Eucharist. Marriage cannot validly exist between baptized persons unless it is also a sacrament (Canon 1055.2). Contact a priest about a year prior to the intended date of marriage to ensure proper preparation.

Confirmation: Need to complete your Sacraments of Initiation? Call Mrs. Kachnowski at 908-245-6572. She will help you prepare for confirmation. If they can do so without serious inconvenience, Catholics ought to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation before being admitted to marriage (Canon 1065).

RCIA: Desire baptism? Called to be a Catholic Christian? Contact Deacon David at 908-245-6572 and he will help you discern God's call to holiness.

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Monday through Friday:
8:00 AM till 4:00 PM

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908-245-6572
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This QR Code will bring you to the **Breviary**, the Official Daily Prayer of the Church which priests and religious have vowed to pray. Laity are invited and encouraged to pray these prayers daily also.



Focus your camera on the QR Code to the left and you will have the readings for the day.

MASS INTENTIONS

<u>ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY</u>	
5:00 PM	Rufino Fallor Debbie Kachnowski, religious education
<u>SUNDAY January 28 IV SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u>	
8:00 AM	People of the Parish
10:30 AM	Rufino Fallor Assumption Choir
12:00 PM	Joe Gregory Rose, Debbie, Joey & Marie
<u>MONDAY January 29</u>	
8:00 AM	Jimmy Goss Love, Barbara
<u>TUESDAY January 30</u>	
8:00 AM	Ronald Labella Barbara Mahon
<u>WEDNESDAY January 31</u> John Bosco, priest	
8:00 AM	Theodora Mary Hokanson Knights of Columbus, Council #3240
<u>THURSDAY February 1</u>	
8:00 AM	Francis (Jeff) Muroski Nephew, Casimir
<u>FRIDAY February 2 Presentation of the Lord</u>	
8:00 AM	Ramona Garcia Steve & Trish Petruzzeli
<u>SATURDAY February 3 BVM; Blaise, martyr; Ansgar</u>	
8:00 AM	Salvador Sanchez Leonor Sanchez
<u>ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY</u>	
5:00 PM	Corporate Mass see below
<u>SUNDAY February 4 V SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u>	
8:00 AM	People of the Parish
10:30 AM	Elizabeth & Ralph Oliveri Son, Ralph
12:00 PM	John Grimmer Jacqueline Good

The Corporate Mass Offerings
February 3 at 5:00 P.M. Mass

Camille Powers req. by husband Richard and Family

Marge & Harold Giegerich req. by loving daughter Arlene

Angela Rorro req. by her Children

Grace Lamonaco req. by Judy Rorro

Michael Rorro req. by his Children

Irene Romeo req. by Joanne, Angela & Judy

Helen Johnsen req. by Ron Nirenberg

MEETINGS

Finance Council	Feb 12	7:00	UPH
Pastoral Council	Mar 18	7:00	UPH
Rosary Society	Mar 04	7:00	LPH
Knights of Columbus	Feb 28	8:00	Loreti Hall

Prayer List: To have someone placed on or removed from the sick list please call the Rectory. We invite you to clip out this section each Sunday. Perhaps you could put it near a prayer book, in your Bible, or in your pocket or purse. It is a good thing when we pray with and for one another. Thank you and God bless you!

Our Parish Community prays for the sick:

Patrick Ahern Jr., Sophia Alfano, Altagracia Alvarez, Kathy Barz, Fred Boyne, Brendan, Joe Caponegro, Ken Castenon, Christine Conrad, Kay Downey, Ronald Fellner, Carol Fellner Nasta, Dorothy Ford, Charles Frank, John Garofalo, Lynn Gehrman, Linda Geiger, Fran Getchies, Harold Gibson, Bonnie Greer, Cynthia Ingman, Thomas Ingman, A.M.J., Brianna Klinger, Michael Lacey, Nancy Lanfrank, Chris Lettieri, Stella LoPiccolo, Christine Marino, Janet Marino, Christine Mattingly, Chantell McDonald, Eleanor Morehouse, Artie Muller, Tanina Naccarato, Monica Quigley O'Brien, Margie Ortizio, Lily Rita Procopio, Sabrina Romani, Antonio Spano, Gabrielle Spano, Debra Szajko, Tony Wargacki

**Please pray for our Faithful departed & their loved ones
Pasquale Ciardi**



Prayer for Our Troops

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Special Memorial Donations

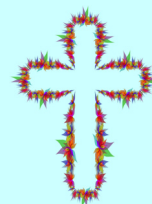
Bread & Wine for Mass, Altar Candles, Sanctuary Light & Tabernacle Flowers given

IN LOVING MEMORY OF JIMMY GOSS
req. by Barbara & the Family

Bread & Wine for Mass, Altar Candles, Sanctuary Light given
IN LOVING MEMORY OF JERRY BAVARO
req. by Joyce Rosenberg

Sanctuary Light given
IN LOVING MEMORY OF JERRY BAVARO
req. by Diane & John Placca

Bread for Mass given
IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE HELP OF ST. ANTHONY
req. by Theresa & Joe Cicalese



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13 Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3 Ps 86:1-6 Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12 1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11-12bcd Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Mal 3:1-4 Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22-32

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13 Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 Mk 1:29-39

For readings go to: www.usccb.org/bible/readings/ or scan this >>>>





On the sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority (Mt 1:21)

Jesus taught with authority. When we teach we often speak in the third person. George Washington said... My friend who is a reporter said... and so on. But if we speak about what we know of, about what we have experienced, and about what we have accomplished then we speak in the first person. For example, I collect coins and I know what is of value and what is worth spending. I can be considered an expert in the area of coin collecting and therefore speak authoritatively about coins. Well, Jesus spoke in the first person. On the Sermon on the Mount he would say: "You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.' But I tell you, Do not resist an evil person. If someone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also. And not only did he say it in his own words he backed it up with what he did. Like healing the sick and expelling demons.

In our own dealings, if we are to speak with the authority of Christ, then we cannot only repeat his words, but we must experience them in our heart, live them in our lives, and practice them in our relationships with others, otherwise our words become empty and without power to effect any good. In fact if we say one thing and act in an opposing way, then our words, as holy and biblical as they might be, become poison. It is like receiving the Eucharist unworthily. Rather than bestowing grace upon us, it testifies to our condemnation. So let's get out there and practice what we preach and believe what we profess in the name of Jesus Christ.

Pax Christi, Fr. Paul



LORD
 JESUS CHRIST,
 SON OF GOD,
 HAVE MERCY
 ON ME,
 A SINNER.

Sanctity of Life

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

The Church can also be a place to heal. We are called to "be merciful like the Father." So many are suffering from the effects of abortion. Where can they heal? Where can they feel safe and loved?

The Archdiocese of Newark Respect Life Office hosts Rachel's Vineyard retreats to heal the wounds from abortion.

Contact the Respect Life Office for retreats by calling 973-497-4350, or e-mail: Cheryl.riley@rcan.org

"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds." (Psalm 147:3)

Catholic School Week (January 28-February 3)

A student representative from Saint John the Apostle School of Clark will be visiting the Church of Assumption today at the 10:30 am mass to kick off Catholic Schools Week.

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

January 30th
 from 9:00 AM till 11:00 AM, or
 from 3:30 PM till 4:30 PM

Contact St. John the Apostle School at 732-388-1360 for more info.

Saint John the Apostle School is a faith centered academic community based on the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church servicing Pre-Kindergarten through 8th grade.

St. Michael's School of Cranford Open House

January 28th from 11:30 AM - 2:00 PM

For more information please call (908) 276-9425, or E-Mail: saint.michael@verizon.net

10th Eucharistic Congress

July 17-12, 2024 in Indianapolis, Indiana

COME IN FAITH. LEAVE WITH HOPE.

God hears our prayers for the renewal of our Church. He will answer them through a life-changing transformation of our own hearts. The National Eucharistic Congress is an invitation to experience profound personal revival so we can be sent out to share Christ's love with a world that so desperately needs it.

[Register for the National Eucharistic Congress](https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/register)

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**Save your Children from "adult" websites.
 Protect your chastity, now!**

Go to Freefiltering.org and learn how to block those unwanted sites from your eyes. Protect your virtue, guard your children's innocence.

It really works by blocking sites in your Wi-Fi server. Act now before your children stumble upon one more pornographic site or one more "social media" site promoting the LGBTQ+ propaganda.

STEWARDSHIP

Last Sunday's Collections: **\$6333.00**

Collection of 1/14/24: **\$6254.00**

Charitable Gift Annuities

Making a significant gift to your parish can increase your bottom line! By making a gift for a charitable gift annuity, you receive an income tax deduction and annuity payments for life. Plus, part of each payment is tax-free. Learn more about this wonderful opportunity by contacting Theresa Lynch, Planned Giving Manager, Archdiocese of Newark at (973) 497-4042 or by email at Theresa.lynch@rcan.org.

Qualified Charitable Distributions Save on Taxes!

If you are retired and are taking distributions from your traditional IRA, these distributions are considered to be taxable income according to the IRS and you will owe taxes on the total amount you withdraw. However, you can reduce your taxable income by making a charitable distribution directly from your IRA to our parish. For example, if you are taking a \$1,000 distribution and you wish to make a \$500 donation, and you are in the 20% tax bracket, your tax liability will be reduced by \$100. To learn more about this tax saving opportunity contact your financial adviser / institution.



The 2024 Annual Appeal has begun! Each year we are invited to participate in the Annual Appeal, which is an opportunity to support essential ministries and programs of our Archdiocese. Your sacrificial support makes it possible for us to carry out the important work that we are called to do as missionary disciples of Jesus.

Please consider participating in this year's Appeal to help make a significant difference in many lives within our Archdiocese.

Please make a gift online today by visiting rcan.org/ sharing, scanning the QR code, or join us for In-Pew Weekend on February 3rd-4th.



STITCHES

If you like to crochet or knit, consider joining our Stitches group. We meet the second Wednesday of each month in the Lower Parish Hall and work on projects for those in need.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, February 14, from 1-3pm.

Mary's Grotto

As fellow parishioners were searching for places to purchase religious items many years ago, members of the Rosary Society decided to set up shop and use the basement of the School of Religion building to set up a site allowing parishioners to purchase these items. Mary's Grotto – as they named it – is a place where you can purchase bibles, rosary beads, statues of saints and numerous other religious items. They also offer items for holidays, such as Easter and Christmas and sacraments, as well – baptism, first holy communion, confirmation and marriage. The ladies are always willing to order an item for you if it is not available in the store. **Mary's Grotto is open from 8:15 to 1:15 every Sunday** – hours are limited during the winter months after Christmas and during the summer, but you can always make an appointment to visit and make a purchase.

COMMUNION MINISTERS

January 2024

5:00 PM	Rita Kushner Alex Wisniewski	Richard Powers Loretta Raczynski
8:00 AM	Marge Denci	Maryanne Mansueto
10:30 AM	Lisa Crosta Barbara Goss	Steve Petruzelli
12:00 PM	Debbie Kachnowski	Brenda A. Prescott

Jan 27/28

Feb 3/4

LECTORS

5:00 PM	Leona Seufert	Leona Seufert
8:00 AM	Anthony Cordero	Anthony Cordero
10:30 AM	Sebastian Saavedra	Sebastian Saavedra
12:00 PM	Debbie Kachnowski	Debbie Kachnowski

ALTAR SERVERS

5:00 PM		Joe Schmatz
8:00 AM	Carol Ballantyne	Ethan Pama
10:30 AM	Alaina Quintela	Giovanni Scipioni
12:00 PM	William Casaine Emily Casaine	William Casaine Emily Casaine



CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

SUPER BOWL *Bake Sale*

*All proceeds will go towards
the repair of the wall near
the Sacred Heart*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH

AFTER 5:00PM MASS

&

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH

AFTER ALL MASSES

Please Donate Your Books

Located at the Assumption School of Religion

**Your donation raises
funds for our Parish.**

Hardcover, paperback, & textbooks are all welcome!
All books must have an ISBN barcode on the cover. No
encyclopedias, library reference, magazines, or water
damaged books.

Questions? Contact: www.NewLegacyBooks.com

COME, PRAY WITH US

Adoration and St. Anthony Novena -
Tuesday Evenings at 7:00 PM

Holy Rosary - First Sundays at 10:00 AM in the church

Perpetual Novena of St. Jude - after the Saturday 8 AM Mass

10th Annual Pizza Tasting & Contest
February 10
doors open at 6:00 PM
Loreti Hall

Cost: \$10.00; on sale after Masses and at Rectory (M-F, 8 AM till 4 PM)

Includes: Pizza, beverages and dessert

Sponsor: The Knights of Columbus Council #3240

Benefit: Council #3240 High School Scholarship Fund



The contest is a blind taste test with each attendee asked to sample pizza from eight to ten pizzerias and vote on which pizza they like the most.

This is a great opportunity to enjoy a night out with friends and family, meet new friends and enjoy great pizza while supporting scholarship opportunities for parishioners attending a Catholic high school. The doors open at 6 p.m. and the contest will begin at 6:30 p.m. Tickets will be sold after each mass, in the rear of the church, on the weekends of January 27-28 and February 3-4, or at the Parish Office from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information, please contact Greg Demeter at gdemeter07@yahoo.com or 917-664-8563.

WANTED: COMMUNION MINISTERS & READERS

Readers for Mass: please consider this ministry. As a reader you proclaim the word of God during the celebration of Holy Mass.

Communion Ministers: please consider the awesome ministry of assisting Father in the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass and perhaps to the home bound.

Please call Father at 908-245-1107 and let him know you would like to be considered for either of these ministries.

Lazarus Ministry
Comfort the Sorrowing

Assist grieving families as they prepare their loved one's funeral.

All you need is a kind disposition and attentive heart.

Call Marge Denci at 908-507-6306 to find out how you too can serve Christ.



Knight's Corner

The Knights of Columbus (Council #3240) of the Church of the Assumption would like to invite any interested men, that wish to learn more about the Knights of Columbus to fill out one of the cards located in the front of the Church and place it in the collection basket. Or go to

<https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-kofc.html>

to apply. Please be sure to "like" our Facebook page: Knights of Columbus - Msgr. Loreti Council #3240



SCAN ME

Answer the call.
Become a
Knight of Columbus
Proposer # 3240
kofc.org/join

Saint Ansgar's Story (801 – February 3, 865)

The "apostle of the north" (Scandinavia) had enough frustrations to become a saint—and he did. He became a Benedictine at Corbie, France, where he had been educated. Three years later, when the king of Denmark became a convert, Ansgar went to that country for three years of missionary work, without noticeable success. Sweden asked for Christian missionaries, and he went there, suffering capture by pirates and other hardships on the way. Fewer than two years later, he was recalled, to become abbot of New Corbie (Corvey) and bishop of Hamburg. The pope made him legate for the Scandinavian missions. Funds for the northern apostolate stopped with Emperor Louis's death. After 13 years' work in Hamburg, Ansgar saw it burned to the ground by invading Northmen; Sweden and Denmark returned to paganism.

He directed new apostolic activities in the North, traveling to Denmark and being instrumental in the conversion of another king. By the strange device of casting lots, the king of Sweden allowed the Christian missionaries to return.

Ansgar's biographers remark that he was an extraordinary preacher, a humble and ascetical priest. He was devoted to the poor and the sick, imitating the Lord in washing their feet and waiting on them at table. He died peacefully at Bremen, Germany, without achieving his wish to be a martyr.

Sweden became pagan again after his death, and remained so until the coming of missionaries two centuries later. St. Ansgar's liturgical feast is celebrated on February 3.



PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

Call 973-313-6190 or speak to one of the Priests. or contact Fr. Gino dela Rama at eugenio.delarama@rcan.org

Religious Life for Women and Men

Contact Sr. Patricia M. Wormann, O.P at Sr.Patricia.WormannO.P@rcan.org or call 973-497-4368



**FORMED
IN THE WORD**

LENT

Join us on Monday evenings during Lent for a deep dive into the weekly Sunday Mass readings for the season of Lent. Dr. James Prothro and Dr. Israel McGrew, biblical scholars from the Augustine Institute will review the upcoming Sunday Mass readings, situate them in their historical and literary context, and illuminate the connection and continuity between the readings.

MEETING DATES: Monday, Feb 12th, Feb 19th, Feb 26th, March 4th, March 11th, March 18th.

TIME: 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

LOCATION: Upper Parish Hall

COST: Gratis

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The Catechetical Office of the Archdiocese of Newark offers Adult Faith Formation courses for a nominal fee. Listed below are the course offerings available for February 2024.

Spotlight Adult Faith Formation / Catechist Certification Courses

Sacraments Online Course – February 5 and 12

http://learning.rcan.org/home.aspx?pagename=extproduct_newark&PID=102110

New Testament In-Person Course – February 10th at St. John, Bergenfield

https://learning.rcan.org/home.aspx?pagename=extproduct_newark&PID=108500

Morality Online Course – February 27 and 28

http://learning.rcan.org/home.aspx?pagename=extproduct_newark&PID=107955

You can either go to the Assumption web-site at www.assumptionrp.com and click on the links in this week's Bulletin, or if you prefer, go directly to the Archdiocese website at RCAN.org, under Pastoral Offices, then Pastoral and Ministry, Catechetical Office, Adult Faith Formation, then click on Spotlight Adult Faith Formation Courses.

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