



# Lætare Sunday of Lent

## 10 March 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.

## PASTORAL STAFF

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## OFFICE HOURS

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

## ASSUMPTION SCHOOL OF RELIGION OFFICE

908-245-6572  
Email: [assumptionschool110@outlook.com](mailto:assumptionschool110@outlook.com)

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**

**ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY**  
 5:00 PM **George & Gertrude Hughes**  
 Karen, Bob, Donna, & Family

**SUNDAY March 10** **FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

8:00 AM **Mary Soltis**  
 Chris & Loren Harms  
 10:30 AM **People of the Parish**

12:00 PM **Ronald Kmetz**  
 The Zimmerman Family

**MONDAY March 11**

8:00 AM **Mary Stuart**  
 Paulus Magnus

**TUESDAY March 12**

8:00 AM **Grace Lamonaco**  
 Delores Ranieri

**WEDNESDAY March 13**

8:00 AM **John Trapp—3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary †**  
 Joan & Family

**THURSDAY March 14**

8:00 AM **Katie Giordano**  
 Kathy & Jerry

**FRIDAY March 15**

8:00 AM **Cristina & Pietro Picarelli**  
 Iole Picarelli



**SATURDAY March 16**

8:00 AM **Vita Badalucco & Mae Palminteri**  
 Paul

**ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY**

5:00 PM **Frank & Ida Wood**  
 Sons, Frank & Ronald Wood

**SUNDAY March 17** **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

8:00 AM **Richard P. Jediny - 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary †**  
 Love, Virginia, Jenny, & Jackie

10:30 AM **Domenica Grossi**  
 Husband, Teddy

12:00 PM **People of the Parish**

**In "thanks" to all who donated so generously for repairs to the Sacred Heart window and Baptistry. The Baptistry repairs are on hold until the water problem is resolved.**

**Carmela Mannino Dolores Ranieri In Memory of Teresa Flecca**

**Antonio Giafaglione Judith Ann Bober Mike & Marge Denci Costa's Restaurant Societa SS Medici Cosma & Damiano In Loving Memory of Rufino Q. Faller**

**Connie Colucci Knights of Columbus**

**MEETINGS**

Finance Council	TBA	7:00	UPH
Pastoral Council	Mar 18	7:00	UPH
Rosary Society	Apr 08	7:00	LPH
Knights of Columbus	Mar 27	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, Altigracia Alvarez, Kathy Barz, Fred Boyne, Brendan, Joe Caponegro, Ken Castenon, Aaron Carr, Christine Conrad, Kay Downey, Ronald Fellner, Carol Fellner Nasta, Dorothy Ford, Charles Frank, John Garofalo, Lynn Gehrmann, 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, Viola Meehan, 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

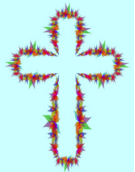
**Please pray for our Faithful departed & their loved ones**  
**Thomas Nardone**

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



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday** Is 65:17-21 Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b  
 Jn 4:43-54  
**Tuesday** Ez 47:1-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 Jn 5:1-16  
**Wednesday** Is 49:8-15 Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18  
 Jn 5:17-30  
**Thursday** Ex 32:7-14 Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 Jn 5:31-47  
**Friday** Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23  
 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30  
**Saturday** Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 Jn 7:40-53  
**Sunday** Jer 31:31-34 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 Heb 5:7-9  
 Jn 12:20-33

For readings go to: [www.usccb.org/bible/readings/](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/) or scan this >>>>



**L**aetare Sunday is the fourth Sunday in the season of Lent in liturgical calendar. Traditionally, this Sunday has been a day of celebration within the austere period of Lent. This Sunday gets its name from the first few words of the traditional Latin entrance verse (Introit) for the Mass of the day: "Laetare Jerusalem" ("Rejoice, O Jerusalem") as in Isaiah 66:10.

An ancient custom, Christians have historically visited their mother church—the church in which they received the sacrament of baptism.

In Roman Catholic Church flowers may appear on the high altar and the organ may be played as a solo instrument. Priests are given the option to wear rose-colored vestments at Mass held on this day in place of the violet vestments normally worn during Lent. The term "rose" is used to describe this lighter shade of the color violet in the Roman Rite.

The Sunday is considered a day of relaxation from normal Lenten rigors; a day of hope with Easter at last within sight. Traditionally, weddings (otherwise banned during Lent) could be performed on this day.

*Sanctity of Life*

**2024 RACHEL'S VINEYARD DATES**

April 5-7, 2024

September 20-22, 2024

For more details, please call Cheryl Riley,  
Director of the Respect Life Office

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)**

**The Angelus of St. Joseph**

V. The Angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream.  
**R. So that He would not divorce Mary.**

Hail Joseph, rich in grace, the Lord is with you.  
Blessed are you among men, and blessed is the fruit of Mary's womb, Jesus.  
**Holy Joseph, foster-father of the Son of God,  
pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

V. Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife.  
**R. For what is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.**

Hail Joseph...

V. She is to give birth to a son, and you must name him Jesus.  
**R. For he will save his people from their sins.**

Hail Joseph...

V. Pray for us, O glorious patriarch, saint Joseph,  
**R. That we may be worthy of the promises of Christ.**

Let us pray.  
Aided by the patronage of your Most Holy Family,  
we beg you, O Lord, for your mercy:  
make our hearts despise all earthly things,  
and love you, the true God, with perfect charity.  
Who live and reign forever and ever. **Amen.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.  
**As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**  
**(3x)**

Grant them eternal rest, O Lord.  
**And let perpetual light shine upon them.**

May they rest in peace. **Amen.**

**Blessing (by priest/deacon)**

The Lord is with you.  
**And with your spirit.**

Through the intercession of the blessed Joseph,  
May Almighty God bless you,  
The Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Go in peace. **Thanks be to God.**

**Concluding Antiphon or Hymn**

Ecce fideles servus et prudens, quem constituit  
Dóminus super familiam suam. (T.P. Allelúia)

Behold the faithful and prudent servant  
whom the Lord has appointed over his family. (T.P. Alleluia)

**Building a Culture of Life in NJ**

Topics:

- New Jersey after Roe
- Graciously answering Pro-abortion Rhetoric
- Post abortion Healing/Mercy House
- Church Activation Projects
- Attacks on Pregnancy Resource Centers
- Lawsuit against the State of NJ over Abortion Bill
- Legal status of Joan Bell & other pro-life heroes

+ Refreshments/Networking



**Sat. March 23, 2024**  
**9:30 AM to 1:00 PM**

Holy Family Church  
St. Joseph Center  
28 Brookline Dr.  
Nutley, NJ 07110

Space is limited.  
Pre-registration is **required** at:  
[lifeneteducation.org/life](http://lifeneteducation.org/life)  
Love offering taken.



**LIFENET**  
973-497-4520  
[info@lifeneteducation.org](mailto:info@lifeneteducation.org)

**Speakers include:**



**Fr. John Ginty**  
Holy Family Church,  
Nutley



**Holly Wright**  
LIFENET Trainer



**Christine Flaherty**  
LIFENET Director



**Cheryl Riley**  
Respect Life Office &  
Mercy House Director  
Archdiocese of Newark



**Marie Tasy**  
NJ Right to Life  
Director



**Barbara &  
Bill Eames**  
Working  
Together for NJ  
Coalition



**Chris Bell**  
Good Counsel Homes

and more!

Fr. John Ginty is a priest at Holy Family Church in Nutley, NJ.

Holly Wright is a LIFENET Trainer.

Christine Flaherty is the LIFENET Director.

Cheryl Riley is the Respect Life Office & Mercy House Director for the Archdiocese of Newark.

Marie Tasy is the NJ Right to Life Director.

Barbara & Bill Eames are working together for the NJ Coalition.

Chris Bell is from Good Counsel Homes.

**10<sup>th</sup> 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)  
<https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/register>



## STEWARDSHIP

Last Sunday's Collections: **\$5301.00**  
Maintenance Collection: **\$5160.00**

### **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](mailto: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.



**Our parish has pledged \$11,768—29% of the goal to the 2024 Annual Appeal .**

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](http://rcan.org/sharing), or scanning the QR code..



## 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, March 13, from 1-3pm.

### **Mary's Grotto from 8:15 to 1:15 every Sunday Religious Items Gift Shoppe**

**Location:** Basement of the School of Religion  
**Items:** **Bibles, Rosaries, Statues of saints, sacramentals and Much more**  
**Holiday Gifts and Items:** Easter and Christmas, Sacraments – baptism, first holy communion, confirmation and marriage.  
**Help with ordering an item for you if it is not available in the store.**

Hours may be 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

#### March 2024

5:00 PM	Rita Kushner Alex Wisniewski	Richard Powers Loretta Raczynski
8:00 AM	Marge Denci	Maryanne Manueto
10:30 AM	Lisa Crosta	Joan Trapp
12:00 PM	Maureen Rebimbas	Brenda Aragon Prescott

#### March 9/10

#### March 16/17

### LECTORS

5:00 PM	Gerard Taveras	Leona Seufert
8:00 AM	Anthony Cordero	Tom DiMaio
10:30 AM	Sebastian Saavedra	Diane Burgos
12:00 PM	Debbie Kachnowski	Patty Muccia

### ALTAR SERVERS

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

## HELP FOR OUR VETS

The Knights of Columbus Council 3240 together with The Church of the Assumption is repeating its annual drive for items needed for our Veterans who visit the Lyons or East Orange Facilities for Medical treatments. The Items listed below are **NOT** supplied by the US Government and donations like these are greatly appreciated. Last year our Church collected 19 boxes of needed supplies which lasted months, we hope to duplicate or surpass this amount again this year.

Both Hospitals have **SPECIFIC Guidelines** on what they can **Accept** and what is **NOT Acceptable**.

### **Acceptable Material Donations needed year-round:**

**Toiletries**, body wash, deodorant, men razors, shaving cream, body lotions, shampoo.

**Undergarments** men and women- t-shirts, tank tops, socks, sport bras, undergarments, etc. All sizes from S – 4XL.

**Season/Weather appropriate clothing** for men and women to include pajamas, shirts, pants, shorts, sweatpants, sweatshirts, jackets, coats, hats, and gloves. All sizes S – 5XL.

**Slipper socks** for men and women. All sizes.

**Shoes/sneakers** (with and without velcro)- Men sizes 8 – 14, women sizes 7 – 12

**Winter boots** for men and women- Men sizes 8 – 14, women sizes 7 – 12

**Coffee**; Keurig K-Cup Coffee and Can Coffee

**Snacks** commercially and individually packaged; this can include puddings for Veterans who suffer from dysphagia.

### **Specific items the Veterans have Major interest in:**

Men's sneakers sizes 9 ½ - 12

Women's sneakers sizes 7 ½ - 11

Body lotion, no specific or favorite brand, however, Jurgens and Nivea are a popular favorite.

Male sweat suits sizes M – 3XL

Women's sweat suits sizes S – 2XL

Men t-shirts sizes M – 3XL

Women t-shirts S – 2XL

Feminine hair products, shampoo and conditioner, comb, brush, hair sheen/oil, bonnets.

Body wash for women & men

**(please no body wash & hair care 2 in 1. Must be Individual care items)**

Grandma Cookies (all varieties)

Assorted bag of chips (lays chips, pretzels, etc.)

Sugar free candy

Ground coffee, medium roast – bold roast NO light roast coffee.

Decaffeinated ground coffee.

K – Cups, donut shop and bowl & basket brands are popular with the Veterans.

Belvita crackers

Ritz cheese crackers

Chips Ahoy and Oreo cookies



### **Unacceptable items:**

\*\*\* **ALL CLOTHING ITEMS MUST BE NEW WITH TAGS (NO EXCEPTIONS)** \*\*\*

\*\*\* **We request that all donors adhere to our Medical Center Food Policy, which does not permit homemade food to be accepted on behalf of our Veterans**

\*\*\* **No mouthwash**

### **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](http://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

## Easter Food Donations

If you are able to donate, we are in need of the following items:

**Canned Potatoes (Sweet and White), Canned Vegetables, Pineapple or Canned Fruit, Macaroni & Cheese, Baked Beans, Corn Muffin Mix, and Cake Mix & Icing**

**HAMS** are also desired for Easter!

Donated items can be placed in the food bin in the front vestibule of the church or can be dropped off at the Annex on Thursday night between 6:30 -7:00 pm. Any monetary donations should be made out to the Church of the Assumption and please note "Food Pantry".

Easter Bag distribution:

Tuesday, March 26th between 9:00 & 10:00 AM.

THANK YOU in advance! PTL

Any questions can be addressed to:

Annette Venturo, (908)-298-1262.

### 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 thru others.



## Knight's Corner

The #3240) of like to learn

Knights of Columbus (Council the Church of the Assumption would invite any interested men, that wish to more about the Knights of Columbus

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

**Answer the call.**

**Become a**

**Knight of Columbus**

**Proposer # 3240**

**[kofc.org/join](http://kofc.org/join)**



### Saint Frances of Rome's Story

Frances' life combines aspects of secular and religious life. A devoted and loving wife, she longed for a lifestyle of prayer and service, so she organized a group of women to minister to the needs of Rome's poor.

Born of wealthy parents, Frances found herself attracted to the religious life during her youth. But her parents objected and a young nobleman was selected to be her husband.

As she became acquainted with her new relatives, Frances soon discovered that the wife of her husband's brother also wished to live a life of service and prayer. So the two, Frances and Vannozza, set out together—with their husbands' blessings—to help the poor.

The family flourished under Frances' care, but within a few years a great plague began to sweep across Italy. It struck Rome with devastating cruelty and left Frances' second son dead. In an effort to help alleviate some of the suffering, Frances used all her money and sold her possessions to buy whatever the sick might possibly need. When all the resources had been exhausted, Frances and Vannozza went door to door begging. Later, Frances' daughter died, and the saint opened a section of her house as a hospital.

Frances became more and more convinced that this way of life was so necessary for the world, and it was not long before she requested and was given permission to found a society of women bound by no vows. They simply offered themselves to God and to the service of the poor. Once the society was established, Frances chose not to live at the community residence, but rather at home with her husband. She did this for seven years, until her husband passed away, and then came to live the remainder of her life with the society—serving the poorest of the poor.

## PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

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

## Religious Life for Women and Men

Contact Sr. Patricia M. Wormann, O.P at  
[Sr.Patricia.WormannO.P@rcan.org](mailto:Sr.Patricia.WormannO.P@rcan.org)  
or call 973-497-4368



## LENT & HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE A.D. 2024

### Stations of the Cross:

Fridays of Lent at 7:00 PM

+++ Confessions +++

Saturday 1 PM till 5 PM



Stations of the Cross

### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday, March 23 at 5:00 PM

Sunday, March 24

8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:30 PM\*

### HOLY WEEK

Monday -Wednesday, March 25-27

Masses: 8:00 AM

### The Chrism Mass

Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Monday, March 25 at 8:00 PM

### Holy Thursday, March 28

Lauds (Morning Prayer): 8:00 AM

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER 7:00 PM

Church will remain open for Adoration til 11:00 PM

### Good Friday, March 29

Lauds (Morning Prayer): 8:00 AM

THE PASSION OF THE LORD: 3:00 PM

Church open for the afternoon

Stations of the Cross: 7:00 PM

### Holy Saturday, March 30

Lauds (Morning Prayer): 8:00 AM

Church open until 1:00 PM

Blessing of Paschal Foods: 12 noon

### EASTER VIGIL MASS OF THE RESURRECTION

Saturday, March 30 at 8:00 PM

Easter Sunday Mass of the Resurrection, March 31, 2024

8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 noon

### THE EXTENDED VIGIL MASS OF PENTECOST

Saturday, May 18 at 5:00 PM

Pentecost Sunday Mass, May 19

8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12 noon

### THE PASCHAL CANDLE REPRESENTS CHRIST, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD.

The beeswax of which the candle is made represents the sinless Christ who was formed in the womb of His Mother. The wick signifies His human Nature, the flame, His Divine Nature.

Five grains of incense inserted into the candle in the form of a cross recall the aromatic spices with which His Sacred Body was prepared for the tomb, and of the five wounds in His hands, feet, and side.

During the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday a new fire, symbolizing our eternal life in Christ, is kindled which lights the candle. The candle, representing Christ himself, is blessed by the priest who then inscribes in it a cross, the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet, (Alpha and Omega 'the beginning and the end')

# 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Feast of St. Anthony

Volunteers are being sought to staff the various committees that help plan and run the annual Feast of St. Anthony, which is taking place **June 6-9, 2024**. We are looking for people to add depth to our committees as some past members have "retired" from assisting with the Feast.

Committees include:

- Security
- Operations
- Rides/Games
- Food Vendors
- Sponsorship
- Publicity
- Entertainment
- St. Anthony Devotion
- St. Anthony Procession

No experience is necessary to help out in any of these areas. Please utilize your talents to help run this great event. If you are interested, please contact Greg Demeter at [gdemeter07@yahoo.com](mailto:gdemeter07@yahoo.com) or 917-664-8563.

and the current year, as he chants a prayer; then he affixes the five grains of incense. The priest or deacon carries the candle in procession into the dark church.

The Paschal candle is lighted each day during Mass throughout the Paschal season until Pentecost. The Paschal Candle is also lighted for baptisms, confirmations, and at funerals.

**This year's Paschal Candle has been donated by Connie Toth in memory of the one who donated his kidney to save her life.**



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