

Jesus, I Trust in You

Piving Mercy Sunday 7 April 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!

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 <u>serious sins</u> 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.

<u>Baptism:</u> 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. <u>Do not</u> 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.

<u>Confirmation</u>: 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).

<u>OCIA</u>: **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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OFFICE HOURS

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

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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 ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY 5:00 PM **Corporate Mass** SUNDAY April 7 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 8:00 AM **People of the Parish** 10:30 AM Kathleen Filak Betty & Tony Santora 12:00 PM Ted Kachnowski Debbie & Joe Kachnowski MONDAY April 8 Annunciation of the Lord 8:00 AM Vita Girace Badalucco Fr. Paul TUESDAY April 9 8:00 AM Francesco & Anna Badalucco Fr. Paul WEDNESDAY April 10 8:00 AM John Helbig Nancy Morey THURSDAY April 11 Stanislaus, bishop-martyr 8:00 AM John Antonucci Love, Mom FRIDAY April 12

SATURDAY April 13 Martin I, pope-martyr

8:00 AM
Edward Janssen, Jr.
David & Linda Farrell
ANTICIPATED MASS

5:00 PM
Alfonso & Erminia DiLorenzo
Grandsons, Frank & Ronald Wood

SUNDAY April 14 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00 AM
People of the Parish

Harry Beam

Joan Trapp

10:30 AM Domenick Petracca

 Annunziata Pontoriero

 12:00 PM Carol Harding

 Debbie & Joe Kachnowski

8:00 AM

The Corporate Mass Offerings April 6 at 5:00 P.M. Mass

Vincent DiCecco req. by wife, Phyliss & family

Lillian & Richard Powers, Jr. req. by son, Richard and family

Ronald Wright req. by Barbara Goss

Gloria Rorro req. by Angela Gravina

MEETINGS							
Finance Council	TBA	7:00	UPH				
Pastoral Council	TBA	7:00	UPH				
Rosary Society	Apr 08	7:00	LPH				
Knights of Columbus	Apr 24	7:00	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, 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, Stephanie LaFosse, Chris Lettieri, Stella LoPiccolo, Mary Ann Mansueto, Christine Marino, Janet Marino, Christine Mattingly, Chantell McDonald, Viola Meehan, Eleanor Morehouse, Artie Muller, Tanina Naccarato, Monica Quigley O'Brien, Lily Rita Procopio, Sabrina Romani, Antonio Spano, Gabrielle Spano, Debra Szajko, Tony Wargacki

Please pray for our Faithful departed & their loved ones Catherine Chin, Louise DePaola, Richard Dietrich



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, Altar Candles and Sanctuary Light given In Loving Memory of Domenico Michael Petracca Happy Easter in Heaven, Love, Mom & Dad

Altar Candles given
In Thanksgiving for the Holy Family's Blessings
req. by Theresa & Joe Cicalese.

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



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 Jn 3:7b-15 **Wednesday** Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Jn 3:16-21

Thursday Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 Jn 3:31-36

Friday Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Jn 6:1-15 Saturday Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 6:16-21 Sunday Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 1

Jn 2:1-5a Lk 24:35-48

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



I'll never forget 9/11. It was a Tuesday, and I had my day off on Monday that week because my mother was visiting that weekend and I drove her to the airport on Monday 9/10. On Tuesday I was chatting with the ladies who ran Bingo at Our Lady of Lourdes in Mountainside and they mentioned planes collided in New York...I assumed they were small Cessnas but when I casually walked over to the rectory and turned on the television I discovered the worse – passenger airlines flying into the Twin Towers. I feared the loss of parishioners and went to the Adoration Chapel and began for the first time to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet. I have not stopped praying that daily ever since, especially with the hope that our Lord would protect us from foreign attacks and invasion.

It has been 23 years since the atrocious event of 9/11 and we have not been externally attacked. But internally we have had a war against morals and righteous attitude. Plato, the ancient Greek philosopher, wrote in his book The Republic that governments change over generations, unfortunately for the worse. They often begin with the philosopher-king who rules with great righteousness and virtue. Then the oligarchs take over. They rule well but are caught in the vice of greed. Then as time passes the timocracy - rule of the military - takes charges. They are cursed with the vice of fornication and adultery—a woman in every port so to speak. Eventually democracy comes to rule. While we have looked at democracy as a higher form of governing, Plato looked at it as the poorest because in the democracy everyone is left to his own vices. In America, are we not in this position? It seems everyone freely and with full license indulges in his fantasies and vicious behavior. According to Plato, the people become weak and then look for someone who will save them from themselves and their vices. In comes the tyrant. He will fix everything but at the cost of losing even proper freedom checked by virtue and religion.

Last Sunday – Easter Sunday, President Biden celebrated "Transgender Day of Visibilty" saying, "we honor the extraordinary courage and contributions of transgender Americans and reaffirm our Nation's commitment to forming a more perfect union—where all people are created and treated equally throughout their lives." Are we to acknowledge this as virtue? Is this the way of Christ? Yes, we love others, forgive others but never should we call a vice a virtue, a disorder as natural. As Christ's disciples we need to be an example of sanctity by rejecting sin and disorder and aspiring to ask Christ's forgiveness and healing. Do we not confess our sins? Do we not ask for His healing or His comfort in suffering? Do we not seek Life knowing that he is the Truth and the Gospel He preached is the Way?

Plato despised "democracy" as a way of life and governing, submerged in vice which only leads to tyranny. Let us rather adhere to strong Christion virtue so that we can exist in a democracy in which "freedoms" need to be checked by virtue (e.g. pornography, a vice, is permitted as a right to freedom of the press). There is a fine line between freedom and licentiousness. Only a society with sincere values based on virtue, especially Christian virtue, can endure to the next generation. Let us teach our children well in the ways of Christ, so that America and the rest of western civilization can move forward in Truth – not relativism.

For the sake of his sorrowful passion, may God have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Pax Christi, Fr. Paul

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

ADDICTION TREATMENT REFERRAL PROGRAM for persons suffering from acute addiction

Within 48 hours of receipt of referral, NJRC will provide linkage to and commencement of addiction treatment services to referred persons. These services will include but are not limited to linkages for intake, the creation of a personalized long-term treatment plan, detoxification, ambulatory withdrawal management, induction on Suboxone or buprenorphine or the initiation of Vivitrol, residential treatment, intensive outpatient treatment, and/or induction of Medication Assisted Treatment, as needed and appropriate. Where appropriate, court-involved persons and justice-involved veterans will also be enrolled and referred to NJRC's Orientation and additional wrap-around services, including job training and employment, mental health and medical care, transportation, and license restoration services.

To connect yourself or a loved one to addiction treatment or for any questions, please contact NJRC Chief Operating Officer Robert Carter at 732-948-5880 or rearter@njreentry.org.



How intense was your joy in this Easter season? Sharing Easter joy with a meal and the support of family and friends is a yearly celebration that most of us cherish. Some people, however,

have difficulty experiencing these joys due to their circumstances in life. Catholic Charities aims to help relieve the sufferings of many in our society through its various programs. Please help Catholic Charities continue its mission by donating your unwanted clothing, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, knickknacks, tools, toys, and children's books to the Donation Bin(s) located on the property. May the spirit of the Risen Christ resound through your generosity. Thank you.

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)

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

Go to <u>Freefiltering.org</u> 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

Easter Sunday Collection: \$22,371.00 Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land: \$1333.00

Holy Thursday Collection for Food Pantry: \$1411.00

Easter Flower Donations: \$3325.00

Palm Sunday's Collection: \$7075.00

Qualified Charitable Distributions Save on Taxes!

If you are retired and are taking distributions from your traditional IRA, these distributions are considered to be <u>taxable income</u> according to the IRS and you will owe taxes on the total amount you withdraw. <u>However</u>, 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 \$15,858.01—39% 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**, 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, April 10, from 1-3pm.

Mary's Grotto from 8:15 to 1:15 every Sunday

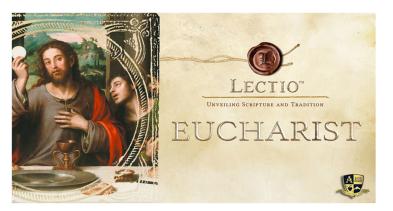
Religious Items Gift Shoppe Location: Basement of the School of Religion Items: **Bibles, Rosaries, Statues of saints, sacramentals** and Much more

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				
	<u>April 2024</u>				
5:00 PM	Nancy Malta	John Mattingly			
8:00 AM	Marge Denci	Maryanne Mansueto			
10:30 AM	Lisa Crosta Diane Burgos	James Kompany Steve Petruzelli			
12:00 PM	Debbie Kachnowski	Brenda Aragon Prescott			
	<u>April 6/7</u>	<u>April 13/14</u>			
	<u>Lectors</u>				
5:00 PM	Gerard Taveras				
8:00 AM	Tom DiMaio	John Ballantyne			
10:30 AM	Sebastian Saavedra	Diane Burgos			
12:00 PM	Benjamin Ravelo	Debbie Kachnowski			
	ALTAR SERVERS				
5:00 PM	Joe Schmatz				
8:00 AM		Angelo Gernonimo Angelo Geronimo			
10:30 AM	Alaina Quintela	Giovani Scipioni			
12:00 PM	William Casaine Emily Casaine	William Casaine Emily Casaine			



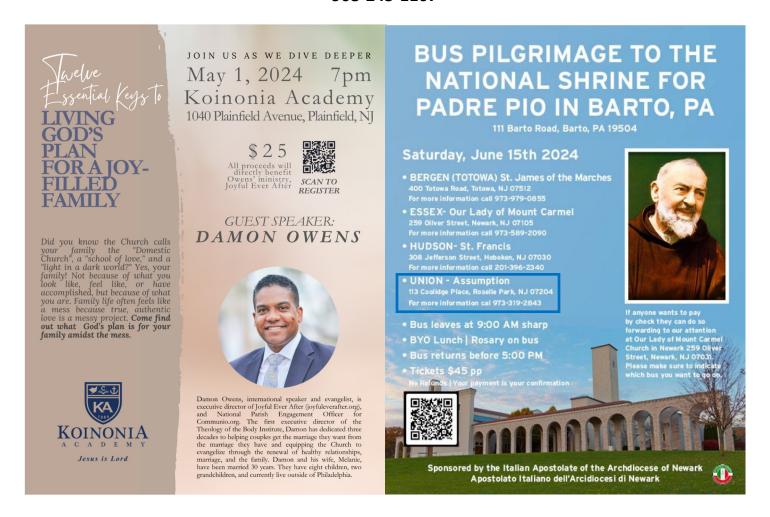
10 PART SERIES ON THE EUCHARIST BY DR. BRANT PITRE Mondays, 7:00 – 8:00 pm Lower Parish Hall April 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20, June 3, 17, 24, July 1

Lectio - Eucharist: Discovering the Mass in the Bible

Acclaimed author and teacher Dr. Brant Pitre digs down to the biblical roots of the Eucharist, through its foreshadowing in the miraculous events of the Old Testament, the Gospels, and Apostolic teaching.

"The Lamb of God," "The Bread of Life," "The Body and the Blood of Christ"... these are phrases we know from the Mass. But do we understand what they mean in the greater and deeper context of Scripture and Church teaching? We'll discover firsthand how Christ's Body and Blood are an integral and wondrous part of God's plan for our salvation.

COST: FREE
REGISTRATION REQUIRED: CONTACT VIRGINIA IN THE RECTORY
908-245-1107



"Come back to me with all your heart. Don't let fear keep us apart."

—from Hosea Song by George Norbert



The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy

(using a standard Rosary)

- 1. Begin with the Sign of the Cross, 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary and The Apostles' Creed.
- 2. Then on the Our Father Beads say the following: Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
- 3. On the 10 Hail Mary Beads say the following: For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

(Repeat step 2 and 3 for all five decades.)

4. Conclude with (three times):
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One,
have mercy on us and on the whole world.

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.



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Knight's Corner

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

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



Mother Seton Regional High School

Please join us at our **Fall Open House at 7 p.m.** on **Wednesday**, **April 24**, for an evening of conversation and tours.

Meet students and teachers to learn what a Catholic school education for girls can do for your daughter: academic excellence, personal growth, confidence and service to others. Sixth, seventh and eighth grade girls are welcome! Register online at www.motherseton.org.

7th & 8th grade girls are invited to spend a day with us as a Student for a Day. Register online at www.motherseton.org.

At Mother Seton, the future is hers.

1 Valley Road, Clark, NJ 07066

Attention Food Tent Volunteers,

We look forward to your continued support in volunteering in the Food Tent at the St. Anthony Feast. To get started, we would like to have a preliminary meeting on Monday April 8th at 7:00 PM to discuss menu items/specials, pricing, scheduling, etc..

New volunteers welcome.

Monday April 8th 2024 Time: 7:00 PM Room: Upper Parish Hall

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



24th Annual Feast of St. Anthony June 6-9, 2024

A Feast to Honor our Saint Anthony doesn't just happen. It requires the service of parishioners and devotees to make things a success and have God's Blessing on our efforts. Now is the time to put your talents at the service of your parish.

Volunteers: There are many different ways to volunteer: Game Booths, Food Stand, St. Anthony Procession and Devotion, and the many **behind the scenes** work like: Security, Operations, Vendors, Publicity and Entertainment.

Call Greg Demeter at 917-664-8563 or <u>pdemeter@7@vahoo.com</u> No previous experience is necessary, just a willingness to be of service to the parish.

Volunteer Form—simply fill it out and drop it in the 113 Coolidge Place, RP, NJ 07204 or call Gr	e collection basket or mail it to the rectory: reg Demeter at 917-664-8563	
Name	I am available	
Phone#	June 6	
Email:	June 7	
I am interested in:	June 8	
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Entertainment Committee		
I Security		

SPONSORS WANTED...

The Feast Sponsorship Committee is looking for Local Businesses (NOT only in Roselle Park) who may be interested in <u>Sponsoring the Feast</u>. If you know any businesses (New or Favorites) who would like the exposure that our Feast can provide, Please let me know... Thank You.

Jerry Vitale, <u>Gerald.Vitale@gmail.com</u> or text at 908-591-9055

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