

Church of the Assumption

a Roman Catholic Parish

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XXXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time 19 November 2023

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): 5:30 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: 4:00-4:50 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

ASSUMPTION SCHOOL OF RELIGION OFFICE

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

ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY

5:30 PM **John Papa**
Love, Ann & Family

SUNDAY Nov 19 XXXIII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM **People of the Parish**

10:30 AM **Nunzio Calabrese**
Cathy Czerwinski

12:00 PM **Rosario & Maria Cateno**
Love, Carmela

MONDAY November 20

8:00 AM **Souls of the Faithful Departed**
Leonor Sanchez

TUESDAY November 21 Presentation of the BVM

8:00 AM **Maria C. Gualano**
Loving daughter, Iole

WEDNESDAY November 22 Cecilia, virgin

8:00 AM **Souls of the Faithful Departed**
Huberto Sanchez

THURSDAY November 23 Thanksgiving Day

9:00 AM **Louis Klubenspies**
Robyn, Sisto, & Julie Klubenspies

FRIDAY November 24 Andrew Dũng-Lac, et al.

8:00 AM **Arturo DeJesus**
The Paras Family

SAT Nov 25 Catherine of Alexandria, martyr; BVM

8:00 AM **Giovannie & Francesco DiFabio**
Maria DiFabio

ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY

5:30 PM **Doris & Louis Sisto**
Daughter, Robyn

SUNDAY Nov 26 CHRIST THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE

8:00 AM **People of the Parish**

10:30 AM **Francesco, Rosina & Pasquale Mazzeo**
Rosa & Antonio Spano

12:00 PM **Mariano DiFabio**
Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63;
Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15;
Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15;
Lk 19:41-44

Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11-12;
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19;
Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6;
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

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



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, Kay Downey, Ronald Fellner, Carol Fellner Nasta, Dorothy Ford, Charles Frank, John Garofalo, Lynn Gehrmann, Fran Getchies, Harold Gibson, Bonnie Greer, Cynthia Ingman, Thomas Ingman, A.M.J., 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



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.

MEETINGS

Finance Council	Dec 11	7:00	UPH
Pastoral Council	Nov 13	7:00	UPH
Rosary Society	Dec 04	7:00	LPH
Knights of Columbus	Nov 15	8:00	Loreti Hall



“Only the true God will I adore. Idols which neither have existence nor life and only represent devils, I hate and curse.”

—St. Andrew Dũng-Lac

Special Memorial Donations

Wine & Bread for Mass and Altar Candles given
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
DOMENICO MICHAEL PETRACCO
req. by Carmela Mannino

Wine for Mass given
IN THANKSGIVING FOR A JOB
req. by Manoj Francis

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

Nocturnal Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Feast of Christ the King November 25-26 6:30 PM till 7:45 AM

Please **signup** for an hour or
certainly drop by at any time.

Benediction at 7:45 AM

November—the Month of Remembrance

As the year comes to an end we begin to think about the end of our lives and those whose earthly lives have already ended. November is a time to remember our dead by offering prayers, especially the Eucharistic sacrifice for them. November 1st we celebrated those who have gone to heaven, the saints, both those canonized and those untold numbers known only to God. And then on November 2nd we remembered the poor souls of purgatory. Oh! How they must suffer awaiting the time that they will *see God face to face and be like him*. But their suffering does not have to be long if we who love them offer our prayers, Masses, and kind deeds for their sake. We can gain for them the indulgences needed to hasten their time of purgation “so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven”(CCC 1030). According to the Catholic Catechism, “The Church also commends almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead,” St. John Chrysostom elaborates, “Let us help and commemorate [the souls in purgatory]. If Job’s sons were purified by their father’s sacrifice, why would we doubt that our offerings for the dead bring them some consolation? Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them” (CCC 1032). I have received your intentions and am praying for your dearly beloved throughout the month of November. Their names are placed on the altar as a sign of our intention for their hasty arrival before the throne of our Lord and God. May they rest in the peace of Christ now and forever.

Pax Christi, Fr. Paul

The one you love is dead,
Feeling empty inside I know the parts
Out from the depths I cry to you.
Shed all your tears for the one, who is dead

Poor souls wait for the Lord
Paying for sins which have not been paid in Life
Pray for the dead -- for it is of faith
that these poor souls can be saved.

—Trouble

Bring a friend to Mass

Welcome home.

Ever since the beginning of the pandemic and churches were closed for three months and restrictions carried on for nearly two years many have chosen to stay at home rather than attend Mass. The Cardinal Archbishop had given a dispensation to not attend without pain of sin but that was lifted in mid-2021. Yet out of fear or habit, many have continued to stay home and view Mass on television.

But more than ever, the time is now to return to Sunday Mass. Yes, there are virus’s lurking, but they always have and always will. And if you are not feeling well, stay home and recuperate, but return to the holy celebration of the Mass where you can receive the Holy Eucharist for as Christ said, “Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink.”

Also, the Church is a faith community and it is necessary as a community to pray together for we all have the hope to enjoy the eternal presence of God. Here at Church of the Assumption, we are very mindful of our neighbors, especially the poor, who are in need of food and other services. Join us as we fulfill Christ’s command to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Pax Christi, Fr. Paul

Thanksgiving Food Bags

Families are starting to sign up for
Thanksgiving Turkeys and food bags.
Soon our volunteers will be preparing these bags for
distribution.
We need your help!!

We are in need of the following items:
Canned Potatoes (Sweet and White), Vegetables (Peas,
Corn, String Beans), Turkey Stuffing & Gravy, Cran-
berry Sauce, Canned Fruit, Corn Muffin Mix, and Cake
Mix & Icing

Donated items can be placed in the food bin
in the front vestibule of the church.

We also need **TURKEYS!**
Turkeys can be dropped off
at the Annex on
Thursdays night
between 6:30 - 7:00pm.

Thank you in advance!

Questions can be addressed
to Annette Venturo,
(908)-298-1262.



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 Collection: **\$6634.00**

"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." - Luke 12:34

ONE WEEK REMAINING!!

LET'S KEEP UP OUR MOMENTUM!!!

Our **Increased Offertory Program** has seen a tremendous level of support. With over **87 responses** and an average offertory increase of **32%** we invite every household to consider participating in this important endeavor.

Thank you to all those who have responded thus far. Our parish community continues to be supportive by making their intention to this effort. In doing so we are able to better serve the needs of our community through our ministries, faith formation opportunities and social concerns programs.

YOU CAN STILL RESPOND!

We invite you and every registered household to consider taking a step, or two, in your contribution to the parish by increasing your Sunday offering by 25%-100%.

A Second and Final Follow Up Mailing was sent which you received or will receive shortly.

Please respond by completing the reply card and mailing it back to the parish via USPS, placing it in the Sunday collection basket or bringing it to the parish office.

Thank you again for your consideration to service the mission of our church.

Qualified Charitable Distributions

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.

New Time for Saturday Evening Anticipated Mass

A few months back I asked the 5:30 PM Mass congregation if they would like to celebrate Mass to **5:00 PM**. I invited comments via email. Of the 13 emails I received, two were concerned about the proposed change; the others favored it highly.

As St. Thomas More quoted, "Silence is consent." Therefore, beginning with the **First Sunday of Advent**, the anticipated Mass on December 2, 2023 will begin at **5:00 PM**.

Mary's Grotto

We are open from 8:30 - 1:15 on Sundays.

Please stop by and say hello and browse our gift selections.

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.lynych@rcan.org.

COMMUNION MINISTERS

November 2023

5:30 PM	Rita Kushner Richard Powers	Loretta Raczynski Alex Wisniewski
8:00 AM	John Ballantyne	Maryann Mansueto Barbara Sokol
10:30 AM	Rick Crosta	Barbara Goss Carmen Valdez
12:00 PM	Maureen McNulty	Sue Carlstrom

Nov 18/19

Nov 25/26

LECTORS

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

ALTAR SERVERS

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

ASSUMPTION CHRISTMAS CONCERT

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2023

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Assumption Church

113 Coolidge (formerly Chiego) Place
Roselle Park, NJ

featuring

CHRIS PINNELLA & HIS QUARTET

performing Christmas & Holiday Classics!

Chris Pinnella has been compared to superstars Josh Groban and Michael Bublé. His strikingly rich baritone and stage charisma are unmatched!

All proceeds will benefit Assumption Church and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark

Please join us to usher in the Christmas Season with an inspirational evening of music for two great causes!

Tickets:

In advance: **\$20** At door: **\$25**

Sponsorships are available, with a variety of amenities, for **\$1,000, \$500, \$250, & \$100**

To purchase **tickets** or **sponsorships**, scan the QR code or visit **assumption23.givesmart.com**

For more information, please contact **PETER RUCCIONE:**
pruccione@ccannj.org or **973-818-4060**



Give a Gift of Life—Donate Blood

On Tuesday, November 28, 2023, the Knights of Columbus Council #3240 will be hosting a blood drive from 3pm to 8pm in the Lower Parish Hall at the Church of the Assumption. Please consider donating blood! Appointments are highly recommended, but walk-ins are welcome. To schedule an appointment, please visit:

https://donor.cbsblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/56579

ADVENT SANDWICH MAKING LOOKING FOR SOMETHING DIFFERENT TO DO DURING ADVENT?

WHY NOT TRY MAKING SANDWICHES FOR THOSE IN NEED AT ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIAL SERVICE CENTER IN ELIZABETH

HERE IS HOW IT WORKS:

EVERY THURSDAY EVENING BETWEEN 6:30 AND 7:00 PM THERE IS A VOLUNTEER AT THE ANNEX (THE TWO GARAGES FACING COOLIDGE PLACE) COLLECTING SANDWICHES THAT WILL BE DELIVERED TO ST. JOSEPH'S.

GUIDELINES FOR SANDWICHES:

SANDWICHES CAN BE MADE WITH MEAT (2 SLICES) AND CHEESE (1 SLICE) OR PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY. NOTHING WITH MAYO, CONDIMENTS, LETTUCE, OR TOMATO. SANDWICHES MUST BE INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED IN PLASTIC SANDWICH BAGS (NO ALUMINUM FOIL) AND INSERTED BACK IN THE BREAD BAG. ONE LOAF OF BREAD TYPICALLY IS ENOUGH FOR 10 SANDWICHES

YOU MUST MARK THE OUTSIDE OF THE BREAD BAG WITH THE TYPE OF SANDWICH AND THE DATE THAT IT WAS MADE. (EXAMPLE: PBJ 2/15 OR HAM & CHEESE 2/22)

**GOD BLESS,
DEACON DAVE**

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 Denzi at 908-507-6306 to find out how you too can serve Christ.



Knights' 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



**Answer the call.
Become a
Knight of Columbus**

**Proposer # 3240
kofc.org/join**

Come Join Our Children's Choir!

We will be singing at the 4 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve (Sunday, December 24).

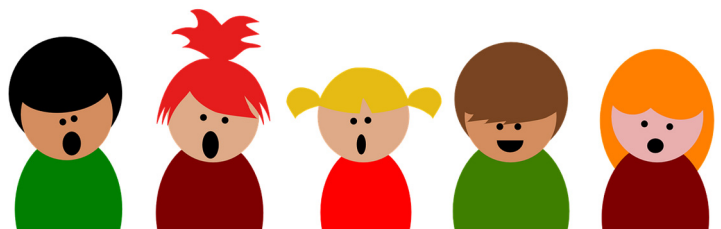
We will rehearse in the Choir Loft of the Church on Tuesday evenings from 6:15-6:45 p.m. .

Following is the schedule:

November 28, December 5, December 12 & December 19
Please come and join us and help us celebrate with your wonderful voices!!

PARENTS: Please sign the permission slip available at the church entrances and return it to Donna Schmatz in the Choir Loft after mass OR bring it to the first rehearsal on Tuesday, November 28th!

If you have any questions, please see Donna after Mass or call 908-510-1964.



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

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Friday
12.1.23

DOORS OPEN:
6:30PM

SHOWTIME:
7:00PM

AT

Church of the Assumption

(LORETI HALL)
113 Coolidge Place
Roselle Park



Sponsored by:

Knights of
Columbus

MSGR. JOSEPH F. LORETI, #3240



FREE EVENT



Hot Dogs
Popcorn
Drinks



Fun for the whole family!

GIVING TREE 2023

Once again we will be having our GIVING TREE at Christmas!

This is to have an opportunity to help out someone who is not as fortunate this Christmas!

You will see "tags" on the tree. The tag will have the first name of someone who is in need of a gift this year. There may also be a clothing size in case you decide to purchase something that needs that.



WE DO NOT GIVE CASH OR GIFT CARDS!

St. Joseph's Social Service Center is requesting that their gifts be returned by Dec. 13. You will see a return by date on those tags. It would greatly help them if you could make that date. BUT, if the gift is returned later, it will still get to St. Joe's!

Take a tag off the tree and when you have purchased the item, return the item in UNWRAPPED CONDITION. WE WILL HAVE TO UNWRAP ANY GIFTS THAT COME IN WRAPPED!

You may put it in a gift bag with just tissue paper. That is the ideal way to do it.

PUT THE GIFT YOU PURCHASED UNDER THE GIVING TREE

ATTACH THE TAG YOU TOOK OFF THE TREE TO THE GIFT BAG OR GIFT ITSELF SO WE KNOW TO WHOM TO GIVE THE GIFT!!!!

PLEASE SIGN YOUR FIRST NAME as the giver...so you can write FROM.....

We like this to be as personal as possible so we give directly from one person to another.

If you have any questions, call Anthony at 908-620-0734 or email

giordanoanthony@hotmail.com

Thanks!!!

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

UNION CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP EXAM

Current 8th grade students are invited to participate in Union Catholic Annual Scholarship Testing Program.

The Scholarship Exam for the Class of 2028 will be held on Saturday, December 2, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. and Sunday, December 3, 2023 at 12 noon.

There is a \$35 fee to take the exam;

Over \$120,000 in scholarship will be awarded based on the exam results. To register for the Scholarship Exam, contact the Admissions Office at 908-889-1600, ext. 302 or email jbowman@unioncatholic.org

Please Donate Your Books

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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



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