

# Fifth Sunday of Caster 7 May 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 THE LORD JESUS!

#### **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 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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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

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

#### **ASSUMPTION SCHOOL OF RELIGION OFFICE**

908-245-6572

Email:assumptionschool110@outlook.com

This OR 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 Grace Mirabella Mary Krech May 7 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER SUNDAY **People of the Parish** 8:00 AM 10:30 AM Rosa & Giuseppe Spano Rosa & Antonio Spano Doris & Ralph Iavarone 12:00 PM Donna and Family MONDAY May 8 Pasquale Specchio 8:00 AM Phyllis Adamkowski TUESDAY May 9 for the protection of babies in the womb 8:00 AM and their families - Anthony Giordano **WEDNESDAY May 10** John of Avila, priest 8:00 AM Frederick Hagman Linda THURSDAY May 11 8:00 AM Mary Dapollo Love, Angela FRI May 12 Nereus, Achilleus & Pancras, martyrs for the protection of babies in the womb 8:00 AM and their families - Anthony Giordano **SATURDAY May 13** Our Lady of Fatima Casimir Muroski, Sr. 8:00 AM Son, Casimir 11:00 AM First Communion Mass ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY 5:30 PM Our Mothers, living & deceased SUNDAY **May 14 Sixth Sunday of Easter** Our Mothers, living & deceased 8:00 AM 10:30 AM Our Mothers, living & deceased 12:00 PM Our Mothers, living & deceased

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday**: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16;

Jn 14:21-26

**Tuesday**: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21;

Jn 14:27-31a

**Wednesday**: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5;

Jn 15:1-8

**Thursday**: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10;

Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10, 12; Jn 15:12-17 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21 Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20;

1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

For readings go to: <a href="https://www.usccb.org/bible/">www.usccb.org/bible/</a>





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:

Richard Hopkins, Patrick Ahern Jr., Altagracia Alvarez, Kathy Barz, Fred Boyne, Brendan, Joe Caponegro, Ken Castenon, Rev. Msgr. Peter Cheplic, Christine Conrad, Kay Downey, Ronald Fellner, Carol Fellner Nasta, Dorothy Ford, Charles Frank, Nicholas Fusco, John Garofalo, Lynn Gehrmann, Fran Getchies, Harold Gibson, Bonnie Greer, Cynthia Ingman, Thomas Ingman, A.M.J., Elizabeth Knych, Cyndee Kurri, Michael Lacey, Nancy Lanfrank, Chris Lettieri, Stella LoPiccolo, Christine Marino, Janet Marino, Christine Mattingly, Chantell McDonald, Eleanor Morehouse, Tanina Naccarato, Monica Quigley O'Brien, Margie Ortizio, Lily Rita Procopio, Sabrina Romani, Rudy Salazar, Ann Sisalli, Antonio Spano, Gabrielle Spano, Debra Szajko, Lynn Tumblety, 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.





# Adoration & St. Anthony Novena Tuesdays 7:30 PM Church

MEETINGS							
Finance Council	June 12	7:00	UPH				
Pastoral Council	May 08	7:00	UPH				
St. Vincent de Paul	May 09	8:00	Chapel				
Rosary Society	May 08	7:00	LPH				
Knights of Columbus	May 24	8:00	Loreti Hall				

**Special Donations**—call the office to make donations for Bread & Wine for Mass, Candles, Sanctuary Light or Tabernacle flowers. Special Donation envelopes are at the doors of the church.

In Loving Memory of John Antonucci Happy Birthday, Love, Mom Donation of Wine & Bread for Mass Donation of Candles and Sanctuary Light Jesus said to him, I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

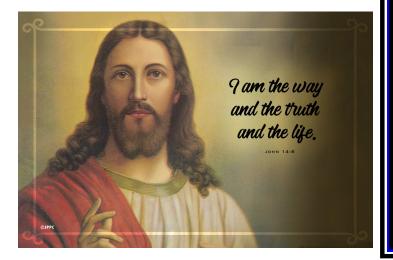
On my flight back from Spain, I watched the film, The Whale, starring the Oscar best actor winner Brendan Fraser. I didn't know what I was getting into. It was about a man who weighed over 500 pounds. He got this way after his male partner, Alan, died. He had left his wife and 8-year-old daughter for a man. The story is complex so I will only focus on the part that brought up religion. A young man, Thomas, comes to Charlie's (Fraser) home believing God had sent him there. After stumbling across Charlie's partner's Bible, he discovers that the other man was obsessed with a particular verse: Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation—but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live (Romans 8:12-13).

Thomas points out to Charlie that Alan was struggling with doing God's will. Alan knew that he was living in the flesh and not in the spirit. Alan knew the truth, but he chose to do otherwise. Choices are not always easy, but with trust in Jesus, there is no temptation that can't be resisted. Thomas points out that it is not too late for Charlie to pray for salvation. He says, "Through the Spirit, you can put to death the misdeeds of the body, and you will live."

The world has lost this fear of the Lord. It seems that we are more willing, more apt to live in the flesh-broken human nature or concupiscence. It is the easy way after all. Why deny one's own passions, desires, feelings, and inclinations? Just give in and we can find "joy" or "happiness". But our Lord Jesus makes it clear; He is the way, the truth and the life. If we choose otherwise, we enter into sin, a life in the flesh.

I have met many who have disordered sexual attraction, addiction to pornography, confusion about their own gender, and inordinate desires for power or wealth. Yet we are all free to choose, but without the fear of the Lord in our hearts, we can so easily slip into living in the flesh which leads to death, or we can choose life and live in the Spirit of God who made us to be holy — to know Him, to love Him, and to serve Him in this world, so as to live with Him forever.

Pax Christi, Fr. Paul



#### 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.

#### The Lazarus Ministry—Help Wanted

Those who share their faith with the bereaved help them in a time of great stress. Planning the Funeral (Mass of Christian Burial) is important to the Catholic faithful. The Lazarus ministry helps in selecting music and readings, but most of all it helps the family in their time of need. As Jesus said, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." Be Christ's presence in this time of grief. Call Marge Denci at 908-507-6306 to find out more & volunteer.

## Save the 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 see one more pornographic site or one more "social media" site promoting the LGBTQ+ propaganda.

## 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 will be hosting four upcoming Rachel's Vineyard retreats in 2022 to heal the wounds from abortion. Retreat dates are:

#### September 22-24

Contact the Respect Life Office for more details by calling 973-497-4350, or e-mail:

#### Cheryl.riley@rcan.org

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

#### COME, PRAY WITH US

St. Anthony Novena - Tuesday Evenings at 7:30 PM

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

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

#### A Women's Retreat

sponsored by St. Michael Rosary Society, Cranford,

"Come and Join Us" for a day of friendship, relaxation, and prayer

San Alfonso Retreat House Long Branch, NJ Monday, May 15, 2023.

The day consists of a Continental Breakfast upon arrival and lunch served at noontime. The retreat is conducted by the Redemptorist Fathers. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available and Mass will be celebrated. Cost of the retreat is \$65.00 which includes bus transportation. Bus will depart from Cranford Centennial Avenue Indoor Pool Parking Lot at 8:15 a.m. and returning to Cranford approx. 4 p.m.

Space is Limited.

Deadline for reservation is Wednesday, May 10, 2023. For information, contact Dorothy (908) 276-2499 or St. Michael Parish Center (908) 276-0360.

## ROSARY SUNDAY PILGRIMAGE May 7, 2023

The Dominican Nuns of Summit NJ will be holding their biannual Rosary Sunday Pilgrimage on Sunday, May 7th at 3:00 PM. Their yearly 'May Crowning' of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a brief homily, and Benediction will follow the recitation of the Rosary. This is an excellent opportunity to get to know the nuns! Rosary Shrine is located at 543 Springfield Ave, Summit NJ. Parking will be available next door at 535 Springfield Ave. For questions: info@summitdominicans.org or 908-273-1228.

## 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 Christ sent me [St. Paul] to preach the Gospel, but not with the wisdom of this world in which the cross of Christ loses all its meaning.

— For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are on the way to destruction; but to us who are on the way to salvation it is the proof of God's power, alleluia.

The world did not come to know God through wisdom; it has pleased God to save those who have believed through the foolishness of the message we preach.

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1 Corinthians 1:17-18, 21

Each year we hold an event for **Several Sources** an organization whose mission is:

Through God's Grace, we save babies' lives and shelter their young mothers, while providing education and ongoing compassionate support services, including our Pregnancy Sonogram Center. We further educate young people to make healthy life choices.

On the Sunday following Mother's Day (May 21, 2023) Several Sources will be here to give a short presentation. We'll be collecting <u>NEW</u> baby items starting on Mother's Day....baby clothes, blankets, etc. You can bring them to the church anytime on Mother's Day weekend and leave them in the last pew. You can also bring them during the week at the 8 am Mass or bring them on the weekend of May 21 or call Anthony (908-313-0520) to arrange a pick up!

	Communion	MINISTERS				
	May 2023					
5:30 PM	Rita Kusher, Richard Powers	Loretta Raczynski Alex Wisniewski				
8:00 AM	Maryann Mansueto, John Ballantyne	Barbara Sokol				
10:30 AM	Noelie Degbe	Barbara Goss				
12:00 PM	Sue Calstrom	Maureen McNulty				
<u>Lectors</u>						
	<u>May 6/7</u>	May 13/14				
5:30 PM	Cindy Campbell	Gerard Taveras				
8:00 AM	John Ballantyne	Tom DiMaio				
10:30 AM	Diane Burgos	Sebastien Saavedra				
12:00 PM	Patty Muccia	Debbie Kachnowski				
5:30 PM	Joe Schmatz					
8:00 AM	Ethan Pama	A & A Geronimo				
10:30 AM	Gio Scipioni Alaina Quintela	William & Emily Casaine				
12:00 PM	Emily & William Casaine	Nicholas & Adrianna Motley				

#### The St. Anthony Festival Sponsors

#### GOLD SPONSORS

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# Rosary for Healing

Pray along with this 30-minute video of the Rosary for Healing in recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Bishop Elias R. Lorenzo, O.S.B. leads the rosary and is joined by victim survivors, certified facilitators in our safeguarding programs, and those who accompany survivors of child sex abuse.

Link to YouTube video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hfgqLsXzp6I

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

Last Sunday's Collection: \$TBA

#### PLEASE REGISTER AS A PARISHIONER

Advantages of Registration

- 1. Eligibility to be a godparent. Properly married in the church, at least 16, received Confirmation and practicing the faith dutifully without impediment.
- 2. The parishioner rates for weddings and Catholic schools
- 3. Proof of residency for immigrants and a positive recommendation from the pastor that you contribute to the parish and society.
- 4. Receiving envelopes shows that you contribute to the welfare of the parish.

#### **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 <a href="mailto:Theresa.lynch@rcan.org">Theresa.lynch@rcan.org</a>.



Annual Appeal

Make your gift today.











When you make your pledge you may designate it for a special program.

Remember to select
Assumption Parish (024),

Roselle Park.

Go to rcan.org/sharing

The 2023 Annual Appeal is underway! We have **\$21,414.99** already pledged. This is approximately **57%** of our goal of \$37,598. Stretch goal is \$41,101.00

The outpouring of support from many parishioners like you helps sustain the important ministries across the Archdiocese of Newark. These programs help to make our own parish a more vibrant place of worship.

If you have yet to give, please pick up a pledge envelope at the back of the church or visit www.rcan.org/sharing.

Thank you for your prayers and support.

Have you ever thought of becoming a Permanent Deacon? Do you think you may be called to this vocation?



To learn more about the formation program in our Archdiocese, please come to one of our **BILINGUAL**:

## INFORMATION SESSIONS ON THE PERMANENT DIACONATE



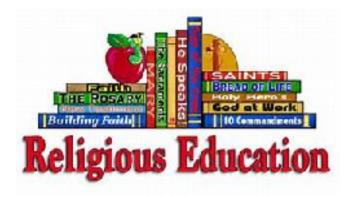


MAY 15 OR MAY 22, 2023
7:00 PM
ARCHDIOCESAN PASTORAL CENTER
171 CLIFTON AVENUE, NEWARK, NJ

REGISTER HERE



Wives and pastors are encouraged to join you!



#### Dear Parents and Guardians:

We are in the process of preparing registration forms for the 2023-2024 school year.

While we would like to be able to consider and accommodate student's schedules regarding sports activities and other events, we are unable to do so. We would like to consider having some classes after school or in the evening for the older students, but we can't! Why? We don't have enough catechists! We were blessed that some of the catechists we had this year were willing to take on over-crowded classes and tight accommodations to share their faith and teach YOUR children!

Would you like to share your faith with our students? Do you have a calling to be a catechist?

I would like you to prayerfully consider joining our religious education staff and become a catechist!

I have scheduled an end of the year meeting with our current catechists on May 7<sup>th</sup> after the 10:30 a.m. mass. If you would like to know more about becoming a catechist, please feel free to join us!

You can also contact me via email at <a href="mailto:Assumptionschool110@outlook.com">Assumptionschool110@outlook.com</a> or by calling me at the office at 908-245-6572.

Debbie Kachnowski Parish Catechetical Leader

"Roselle Catholic High School would love to have your son or daughter become part of our community! For any questions about our program or admission process, please contact Mishell Arizaga, marizaga@rosellecatholic.org or 908-445-7900. Have a blessed day!"

### **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

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