

XVII Sunday of Ordinary Time 30 July 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 <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 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>RCIA</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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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.

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MASS INTENTIONS				
	ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY			
5:30 PM	Elizabeth & Ralph Oliveri			
	Son, Ralph			
SUNDAY	July 30 XVII Sunday in Ordinary Time			
8:00 AM	People of the Parish			
10:30 AM	James Motley			
	Joan Trapp & family			
12:00 PM	Giuseppe & Bruna Berardinelli			
	Maria DiFabio			
	July 31 Ignatius of Loyola, priest			
8:00 AM	Pietro Giannobile			
	Laura Flammia & family			
TUESDAY	August 1 Alphonsus de Liguori, bishop			
8:00 AM	Mary Rapolas			
	Loren & Christ Harms			
WED Augu	ist 2 Eusebius, bp; Peter Eymard, priest			
8:00 AM	Ryan Faella			
	Love from the Family			
THURSDA	<u>Y August 3</u>			
8:00 AM	Michael Keicher † 2 nd Anniversary			
	Loving Wife Susanne & Family			
	ugust 4 John Vianney, priest			
8:00 AM				
	Aunt Diane			
<u>SATURDA</u>	Y August 5 Dedication of St. Mary Major			
8:00 AM	Violet Campbell			
	Love, Cindy			
	ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY			
5:30 PM	Corporate Mass			
SUNDAY	August 6 XVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time			
8:00 AM	People of the Parish			
8:00 AM	reopie of the Parish			
10:30 AM	The Grossi Family			
10.30 ANI	Teddy Grossi			
12:00 PM	Frank "Frenchy" Signorelli, Sr.			
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday : Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-20-22, 23;
Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday : Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-7, 8-9,
10-11, 12-13; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9;
Mt 13:44-46
Thursday : Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-11;
Mt 13:47-53
Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-4,
5-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday : Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8;
Mt 14:1-12
Sunday : Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9;
2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

For readings go to: <u>www.usccb.org/</u> <u>bible/readings/</u> 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., Altagracia Alvarez, Kathy Barz, Fred Boyne, Brendan, Joe Caponegro, Ken Castenon, 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., Michael Lacey, Nancy Lanfrank, Chris Lettieri, Stella LoPiccolo, Christine Marino, Janet Marino, Christine Mattingly, Chantell McDonald, Eleanor Morehouse, Artie Muller, Tanina Naccarato, Joe Netta, Monica Quigley O'Brien, Margie Ortizio, Lily Rita Procopio, Sabrina Romani, Rudy Salazar, 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.

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 <u>Theresa.lynch@rcan.org</u>.

MEETINGS					
Finance Council	Sep 25	7:00	UPH		
Pastoral Council	Sep 18	7:00	UPH		
St. Vincent de Paul	Sep 12	8:00	Chapel		
Rosary Society	Sep 04	7:00	LPH		
Knights of Columbus	Aug 23	8:00	Loreti Hall		

Special Memorial Donations

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

Bread & Wine for Mass are given IN LOVING MEMORY OF ANIELLO BAVARO Happy Birthday Pop Req. by Carmela Lefano & Family



he Kingdom of Heaven is a sacred place in which there is no more death, no more evil, no more sadness. When the Church was growing in the Roman Empire, she was confronted by a society (kingdom) that was antithetical to the Christian sense that life is sacred and must be regarded as a gift from God. In ancient Rome, children and women had no rights, no dignity, no place in society other than to please the ruling class. Only male citizens had rights. Children were regarded as a financial liability. When a child was born the father would examine the newborn for health and gender, and for any reason he was legally permitted to kill or reject his child. Girls were an expensive investment especially when it came to a dowery. They also had to be taken care of in many ways being the "weaker" sex. So it happened that many girls were either drowned or sent to the dumps to die. It would happen often that these discarded girls would be taken in and raised to become prostitutes. So, most families had one daughter, the rest were sons.

Women had no rights or dignity granted them. They were to bear children, care for the home and serve the husband. They were helpless to protect their newborn from their husband's right to choose. You see, pro-choice is nothing new.

The killing of another person was all too tolerated. Thousands would attend the gladiatorial games and cheer as one man would slay another. Then go home and abuse their wives full of this bloodlust. Soon our early ancestors in the faith would be featured in the arenas, being slaughtered by gladiators, or fed to the hungry lions. St. Ignatius of Antioch prayed, "I am the wheat of God, ground by the teeth of wild Beasts," as he was martyred.

It seems that we are in the same predicament as 2000 years ago. All that Christianity introduced to a violent and uncivilized world is being rejected. We clearly see it in the attacks against the sacredness of human life. Abortion is legal, unjust wars persist, people enjoy the "action" movies as murder and mayhem become entertainment, and schools are shot up. Where or when will it end?

Women have gained rights but unfortunately, the right to choose the death of their child has been promoted as their greatest right. It has even been proposed that women have the right to kill their child up to 30 days after birth (acc. Peter Singer, ethicist).

The ancient Romans also had diverse sexual ethics. While women were necessary for childbearing, sexual acts between men and other deviant sexual deeds were totally permitted. Incest was accepted too. But with the advancement of Christian ethics, and the conversion of many, these practices were recognized as opposed to the dignity of the human person and a misuse of the sexual act which was primarily for the procreation of children <u>and</u> the unity of the married couple. Yet two thousand years later, marriage is fading away, the right to life is very selective, human sexuality is abused and violence (actual and virtual) is all too common.

As the Church, which has always fostered the sanctity of life, the dignity of the human person and sacredness of human sexuality, we will continue especially at a time when most are either against morality or indifferent, to promote the love that Christ commanded – Love God with all our being and love our neighbor -even our enemy - as he loves us. While the Kingdom of Heaven is about our existence in God, we can experience a taste of it in this life despite the motives of the evil one. *Your kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven*.

Pax Christi, Fr. Paul

Those who say the Rosary daily and wear the Brown Scapular and who do a little more, will go straight to Heaven.

—St. Alphonsus Liguori

O my God, teach me to be generous,

to serve you as you deserve to be served,

to give without counting the cost,

to fight without fear of being wounded,

to work without seeking rest

and to spend myself without expecting any reward,

but the knowledge that I am doing your holy will.

Amen.

— St. Ignatius of Loyola

Would you like to serve as a catechist, reader at Mass or Communion Minister? Let Fr. Paul know your intentions.

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 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 (Sept-June) **Holy Rosary** - First Sundays at 10:00 AM in the church

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

CHILDREN of the CHURCH of the ASSUMPTION

YOU'RE INVITED to take part in the CELEBRATION of our parish's Feast Day FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION, Tuesday, August 15th

Join us as we learn about Mary and how to pray the Rosary. 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM (after 10:30 AM Mass) in Loreti Hall Meeting Dates: July 30, August 6, 13 *Attendance at all meetings not required. Come to as many as you can. There will be fun activities, reenacting of the mysteries of the rosary, singing, taking part in the candlelight procession and more! Parents and children come to the first meeting for full details. Sunday, May 21st, 11:30 AM in Loreti Hall For more information or questions ... Contact Rosemarie Olden (908) 472-1232 Rmpowers01@aol.com

PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

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

Religious Life for Women and Men

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

STEWARDSHIP

Last Sunday's Collection: **\$4232.00** Retired Priests' Collection: **\$1131.00**



When you make your pledge you may designate it for a special program. Remember to select Assumption Parish (024), Roselle Park. Go to <u>rcan.org/sharing</u>

Annual Appeal 2023

The 2023 Annual Appeal is underway! We have **\$23,780.00** already pledged from **98** donors. This is approximately **63%** of our goal of \$37,598. Stretch goal is \$41,101.00

Last year we had 98 givers. Can one more giver make all the difference? 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.

	Communion Ministers				
		<u>July 2023</u>			
	5:30 PM	Rita Kushner Richard Powers	Loretta Raczynski Alex Wisniewski		
	8:00 AM	Maryann Mansueto Barbara Sokol	John Ballantyne		
	10:30 AM	Steve Petruzelli	Barbara Goss		
	12:00 PM				
		<u>July 29/30</u>	<u>Aug 5/6</u>		
		Lectors			
1	5:30 PM	Cindy Campbell	Leona Seufert		
	8:00 AM	John Ballantyne	Tom DiMaio		
	10:30 AM	Diane Burgos	Sebastien Saavedra		
	12:00 PM	Debbie Kachnowski	Patty Muccia		
		Altar Servers			
	5:30 PM		Joe Schmatz		
	8:00 AM	Loretta Raczynski	Angelo Geronimo Anthony Geronimo		
	10:30 AM	William Casaine Emily Casaine	Giovanni Scipioni Alaina Quintela		
	12:00 PM	Nicholas Motely Adrianna Motley	Nicholas Motely Adrianna Motley		



CCD REGISTRATION

JUST A REMINDER that **Religious Education registra**tions are due no later than August 15th.

If you have any questions or did not receive a registration form via email, please contact Debbie at (908) 245-6572 or Assumptionschool110@outlook.com

If your children are new to the program here, please contact Debbie immediately.

Saint John Vianney, Curé of Ars, Confessor (1786-1859) August 4, feast day

It has been said of more than one person, of more than one Saint, that they were the prodigies of their century. This is perhaps true of no one more than of the Curé of Ars. This man, who was so remarkably humble, for about thirty years saw the whole world, as it were, attentive to his virtues, the entire Christian world at his feet. He is certainly a marvel of the pastoral apostolate and sanctity.

Born three years before the French Revolution into a humble and profoundly Christian family, at Dardilly near Lyons, he was at first a little shepherd, occupied also with the cultivation of the land. From his earliest years he was noted for his candor, piety, love for the Blessed Virgin, and charity for the poor. He desired to become a priest and reached the altar through his piety rather than through his talents. Lack of schooling during the Revolution had made Latin grammar virtually inaccessible to his best efforts. The bishop asked, however, whether he was pious; and when he heard that he said his Rosary like an Angel, ordained him.

After a few years of parish work as an Assistant Pastor, in 1817 he was placed in charge of the parish of Ars, a small village considered backward and scarcely half-Christian. On his way there, solitary and in poverty, when he saw in the distance the steeple of the church, he knelt and prayed God to bless his ministry. His first concern was to visit his parishioners, and he soon won them over by his far-from-ordinary virtue. To their indifference to religion, then, a profoundly Christian spirit succeeded, and one saw the Lord's day observed to perfection; under the influence of a Saint, the parish of Ars became like a religious community. Word of this transformation passed from one person to another and soon, from many surrounding regions people came to hear him, enter humbly into the confessional, and obtain miracles. These he attributed to Saint Philomena, whose tomb had recently been discovered, and whom he called his dear little Saint. He was very attentive to the beauty of the sanctuary, to the preparation of his sermons, and to the orphanage which he founded; no application was excessive where these were concerned. For himself he was unsparing, sleeping in a damp basement and persecuted there incessantly by the devil. The villagers themselves became aware of his terrible combats with the one he called the grappin — literally a sharp-pronged anchor — the fitting name he gave the ancient enemy.

Ten years later, the reputation of this humble country priest had spread over Europe, and from everywhere there came impious scoffers, unbelievers, and libertines, as well as fervent Christians and those in sorrow; the former were converted by the thousands, the latter consoled and strengthened for their combats. He spent ordinarily from sixteen to eighteen hours daily in the confessional, in winter with his feet on an unheated stone floor; and the rest of his time in preaching, prayer, and teaching catechism in the church. He died at the advanced age of 84, despite his unrelenting penance and long-standing rheumatism, and loved by the whole world.

Reflection: Let us pray for holy priests to bring the world on its knees to its Saviour. No intention is more important than this one. The Curé of Ars will pray with us, if we ask him to do so, and protect the sacerdotal race from the unending, unrelenting dangers which threaten it everywhere.

Vie des Saints pour tous les jours de l'année, by Abbé L. Jaud (Mame: Tours, 1950); Life of the Curé of Ars, by Msgr. Francis Trochu (translated from the French).



Could you not keep watch for one hour? (Mk 14:37)

To sign up as an Adorer of the Blessed Sacrament at

St. John the Apostle Church 1805 Penbrook Terrace, Linden, NJ

please email:

adoration@sjanj.net or call the rectory at 908-486-6363

Visit <u>www.sjanj.net/ministries/perpetual-adoration/</u> for more information and to signup online.

Lazarus Ministry Comfort the Sorrowing



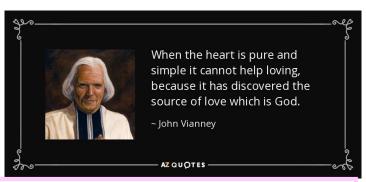
"Roselle Catholic High School would love to have your son or daughter become part of our community! For any questions about our program or admission process, please contact Mishell Arizaga, <u>marizaga@rosellecatholic.org</u> or 908-445-7900. Have a blessed day!"

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.



Mother Seton Regional Alumnae All Class Reunion

Margaritas & Memories September 10, 2023

Mother Seton Regional High School in Clark is celebrating its 60th Anniversary this year. The opening event will be Margaritas & Memories on September 10 from 2 until 5. All alumnae are invited to attend. Margaritas, non-alcoholic beverages, and taco and empanada bar will be available; and the cost is \$40. For more information and to view the flyer, please visit the school's website at https://motherseton.org. Click on the 60th Anniversary Celebration Events link then on Margarita's & Memories. There is a form available there for sign-up. Registration is required and the deadline is August 20. Hope to see many alumnae there.

Susan Barsnica, MSR '70, Alumnae Publicity Volunteer

The Church of the Assumption Food Pantry is in need of the following items: **Cereal, Tomato Sauce, Spaghetti, Soup, Canned White Potatoes, and Tuna** If you are able to donate, these items can be placed in the food bin in the front vestibule of the church. Donations can also be made on Thursday evenings at the Annex between 6:30 and 7pm. We greatly appreciate & thank you in advance for your generous donations!!

Knight's Corner

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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

Pray as if God will take care of all; act as if all is up to you. — St. Ignatius of Loyola



St. Mary Major Basilica is located in Rome. It is one of the four major basilicas in the world. (All other basilicas are minor basilicas.)

The present church was built under Pope Celestine I (422–432). Pope Sixtus III (432–440), consecrated the basilica on the 5th of August 434 to the Virgin Mary. It honors the Virgin Mary who was proclaimed Mother of God at the Council of Ephesus of 431.

The part is as longer yours the future is act yet in your power. You have only the prevent wherein to do good.

A Time to Relax

Summertime is a time to relax. During this leisure time, would you be willing to go through your closets to get rid of all those unwanted heavy winter clothes and shoes which served you so well during the winter season? We also welcome: all forms of clothing, <u>small</u> appliances, linens, sheets, towels, knickknacks, tools, toys, stuffed animals, and children's books. Please donate them to the Catholic Charities Donation Bin(s) located on the Church parking lot. Thank you for helping Catholic Charities continue its mission.



Answer the call. Become a Knight of Columbus

Proposer # 3240

A Catholic may sin and sin as badly as anyone else, but no genuine Catholic ever denies he is a sinner. A Catholic wants his sins forgiven ---- not excused or sublimated.

Quotable Fulton J. Sheen.

Ethics Point

To help ensure that we provide an environment that strengthens our Church, safeguards vital resources entrusted to us, and upholds the highest standards, the Archdiocese has implementing **EthicsPoint**, an independent reporting system that allows anyone to report concerns regarding financial misconduct or violations of conduct*.

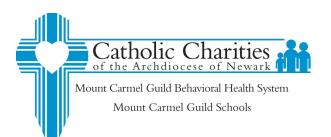
A person reporting concerns can identify himself or remain anonymous.

To make a report: call (844) 675-7687 to speak with an EthicsPoint-trained specialist or go to:

EthicsPoint - Archdiocese of Newark

https://secure.ethicspoint.com/domain/media/en/gui/58668/ index.html

* It is important to note that any person who wishes to report an incident of sexual abuse should contact the <u>Office of the Protection of the Faithful</u> immediately by calling 973-497-4254.



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