

XX Sunday in Ordinary Time 20 August 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 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>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	John Papa			
	Love, Ann & Family			
SUNDAY	August 20 XX Sunday in Ordinary Time			
8:00 AM	People of the Parish			
10:30 AM	Intentions of Antonio & Rosa Spano			
	50 th Wedding Anniversary			
12:00 PM	William Larkin			
	Antoinette Auletta			
MONDAY	August 21 Pius X, pope			
8:00 AM	Luane Cindea			
	Evelyn & Charles Florio, Sr.			
	August 22 Queenship of the BVM			
8:00 AM	Domenica Grossi			
	Love, Teddy			
	AY August 23 Rose of Lima, virgin			
8:00 AM	Violeta Santiago			
	Rosemarie Olden			
THURSDA	Y August 24 Bartholomew, apostle			
8:00 AM	Matthew Conroy			
	Love, Mom & Dad			
	ugust 25 Louis, king; Joseph Calasanz, priest			
8:00 AM	Pierinoe Olinda Berardinelli			
	Maria DiFabio			
	Y August 26 BVM			
8:00 AM	Lorraine Perretta			
	Alice & Brian Buttwell			
5:30 PM	ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY			
5:50 PM	Mary Muso			
SUNDAY	Love, Angela August 27 XXI SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
8:00 AM	People of the Parish			
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10:30 AM	Jenny Flysta			
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12:00 PM	Leonard & Lucy Bennett			
	Family			

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- **Monday:** Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22
- **Tuesday:** Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 19:23-30
- Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 20:1-16
- **Thursday:** Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
- Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40
- Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12
- **Sunday:** Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

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., **Sophia Alfano**, 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	Oct 02	7:00	LPH		
Knights of Columbus	Sep 27	8:00	Loreti Hall		

Special Memorial Donations

Flowers and Candles given for ANTONIO AND ROSA SPANO ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR 50TH ANNIVERSARY Req. by Rosa & Antonio Spano

Bread and Wine for Mass are given IN LOVING MEMORY OF MARIAN MITROS Req. by Wisniewski Family

Bread for Mass and Candles are given IN LOVING MEMORY OF MARY MATTEY For her Birthday, August14 Req. by her loving family

Bread for Mass is given IN LOVING MEMORY OF ANTHONY MICHAEL DEMARZO Req. by his Sister "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters" (Matthew 15:27).

My dog, Piccolina, is a very finicky eater. If I feed her dog food, she sniffs it, turns her head and walks away. If I prepare food for her, usually a mixture of meat, rice and vegetables, she sniffs it, may take a taste, and walks away leaving it for some other time. Yet, if I am sitting at the table eating food that I prepared, usually meat and vegetables, she will not leave my side. With those doleful eyes and with great patience she just looks at me. As I glance at her she puts down her head and walks away but as soon as I bring my attention back to my plate, she is there again waiting for a morsel, a scrap to fall to the ground. She de-

sires it because it is mine; it is what I have to offer her from my heart. With great meekness (if a dog is actually capable of a virtue), she approaches and begs to have what I desire to give her.

This story of the Canaanite woman is much the same. She approaches the table of the Lord looking for that morsel of charity, mercy and compassion. She asks not for herself but for her daughter who has been tormented by a demon. The disciples scorn her and want to chase her away as if she were a dog. They have no sympathy for this mongrel. And at first you

would think that is Jesus' attitude also: "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." In reality he is setting her up. He knows her great humility. He loves her with great love and intends to do as she requests but not until she demonstrates her great faith as a lesson to the disciples who still think as man does and do not yet live in the Spirit. She so cleverly responds to Jesus with that famous line: "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Yes her humility, her meekness her total abandon to God is the outward expression of her faith in Jesus to heal and set her daughter free.

We need to approach our Lord with such humility and faith. Our patient endurance is a testament to our faith and our humility is a witness to our trust in Jesus. We know that as faithful followers of Jesus he will do all that we ask provided we ask with faith, in faith and through faith. We must ask of Jesus not as we feel we deserve, but in the confidence that what we ask for is what he desires for us.



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 **rcarter@njreentry.org**.

Qualified Charitable Distributions

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.

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.

<u>Sanctity of Life</u>

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)

Pax Christi, Fr. Paul

From a spiritual testament to his son by St. Louis (1214-1270)

A just king rules the earth

My dearest son, my first instruction is that you should love the Lord your God with all your heart and all your strength. Without this there is no salvation. Keep yourself, my son, from everything that you know displeases God, that is to say, from every mortal sin. You should permit yourself to be tormented by every kind of martyrdom before you would allow yourself to commit a mortal sin. If the Lord has permitted you to have some trial, bear it willingly and with gratitude, considering that it has happened for your good and that perhaps you well deserved it. If the Lord bestows upon you any kind of prosperity, thank him humbly and see that you become no worse for it, either through vain pride or anything else, because you ought not to oppose God or offend him in the matter of his gifts.

Listen to the divine office with pleasure and devotion. As long as you are in church, be careful not to let your eyes wander and not to speak empty words, but pray to the Lord devoutly, either aloud or with the interior prayer of the heart.

Be kindhearted to the poor, the unfortunate and the afflicted. Give them as much help and consolation as you can. Thank God for all the benefits he has bestowed upon you, that you may be worthy to receive greater. Be just to your subjects, swaying neither to right nor left, but holding the line of justice. Always side with the poor rather that with the rich, until you are certain of the truth. See that all your subjects live in justice and peace, but especially those who have ecclesiastical rank and who belong to religious orders.

Be devout and obedient to our mother the Church of Rome and the Supreme Pontiff as your spiritual father. Work to remove all sin from your land, particularly blasphemies and heresies.

In conclusion, dearest son, I give you every blessing that a loving father can give a son. May the three Persons of the Holy Trinity and all the saints protect you from every evil. And may the Lord give you the grace to do his will so that he may be served and honored through you, that in the next life we may together come to see him, love him and praise him unceasingly. Amen.



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, small 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 grounds. Thank you for helping Catholic Charities continue its mission.

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: \$4834.00



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 **\$23,800.00** already pledged from **98** donors. This is approximately **63.3%** 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 <u>www.rcan.org/sharing</u>.

Thank you for your prayers and support.

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	Communion Ministers				
		<u>August 2023</u>			
	5:30 PM	Cindy Campbell	Nancy Malta John Mattingly		
	8:00 AM	Marge Denci	Maryanne Mansueto		
	10:30 AM	James Kompany			
	12:00 PM	Sue Carlstrom	Marueen McNulty		
		<u>Aug 19/20</u>	<u>Aug 26/27</u>		
		Lectors			
_	5:30 PM	Leona Suefert	Gerard Taveras		
I	8:00 AM	Anthony Cordero	Tom DiMaio		
I	10:30 AM	Sebastian Saavedra	Diane Burgos		
I	12:00 PM	Patty Muccia	Debbie Kachnowski		
I		<u>Altar Servers</u>			
I	5:30 PM				
I	8:00 AM	Ethan Pama	Loretta Raczynski		
	10:30 AM				
	10:30 AM	Alaina Quintela	Nicholas Motley Adrianna Motley		
	12:00 PM	William Casaine Emily Casaine	William Casaine Emily Casaine		





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PLEASE REGISTER AS <u>A PARISHIONER</u>

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.

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.

"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!"



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



Answer the call. Become a Knight of Columbus

Proposer # 3240 kofc.org/join

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!!

Mary Un-tier of Knots

To be prayed after every Mass or at home from August 15, Feast of the Assumption through August 22, Feast of the Coronation of Mary, Queen of Heaven & Earth.

> In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. — Amen

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be

Let us ask our Heavenly Mother to assist those who are having difficulties with the knots in their lives.

For those having marriage troubles, we pray: Mary, Untier of Knots, pray for us. For those struggling with employment & financial problems, we pray: For those striving to persevere in the faith, we pray: For those suffering from illness, we pray: For those combating addiction & behavioral problems, we pray: For those dealing with loneliness, we pray: For those burdened with fears and worries, we pray: For those suffering discord in the family, we pray: For those overwhelmed by anguish or despair, we pray: For those victimized by violence or neglect, we pray: For those targeted by bigotry, we pray: For those struggling to let go of grudges, we pray: For those seeking to make peace, we pray: For the knots in our own lives, we pray: Holy Mary, full of the presence of God, during your life you accepted with great humility the Holy Will of the Father and the legacy of your Son Our Lord Jesus Christ. Evil never dared to entangle you with its confusion. Since then, you have interceded for all of our difficulties. With all simplicity and patience, you have given us examples on how to untangle the knots in our complicated lives. By being our Mother forever, you arrange and make clear the path that unites us to Our Lord.

Holy Mary, Mother of God and our Mother, with your maternal heart untie the knots that upset our lives. We ask you to receive in your hands (mention your prayer request in your heart) and deliver us from the chains and confusions that have us restrained.

Blessed Virgin Mary, through your grace, your intercession and by your example, deliver us from evil, and untie the knots that keep us from uniting with God, so that once free of every confusion and error, we may find Him in all things, have Him in our hearts, and serve him always in our brothers and sisters. Amen

Mother of Good Counsel — pray for us

Through the intercession of Holy Mary, Untier of Knots, may almighty God bless you (us), the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

— Amen

This devotion became known in the 18th century, originally for help in a difficult marriage. In the early 17th century, a noble couple were on the brink of divorce, and their priest prayed before Our Lady of Victory, holding up a ribbon (symbolic of the ribbon placed over the hands of a bridal couple) praying that all the knots in the marriage might be untangled. The marriage was saved.

Some years later, a priest relative of theirs, Hieronymus Ambrosius Langenmantel (1666-1709) of Augsburg, commissioned this painting, Our Lady Untier of Knots, for a family altar. The painting now hangs in the Church of St. Peter am Perlach in Augsburg, Germany. In the image, Mary stands above a crescent moon, crushing a serpent under her foot. An angel passes a knotted white ribbon to Mary who unties the knots in the ribbon. Another angel receives the smooth, unknotted portion.

Both the painting and the devotion to Mary, Untier of Knots, trace their roots to the second century bishop of Lyons, St. Irenaeus. Referring to Mary's role as the Second Eve, St. Irenaeus wrote that "the knot of Eve's disobedience was loosed by the obedience of Mary. For what Eve had bound fast through unbelief, thus did Mary set free through faith" (*Against Heresies*) This devotion goes beyond marital problems, and can be used during any other kind of crisis. CHURCH NAME AND ADDRESS Church of the Assumption 113 Coolidge Place Roselle Park, NJ 07204

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