



XXI Sunday in Ordinary Time 27 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. 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.

<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.



MASS INTENTIONS ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY 5:30 PM Mary Muso Love, Angela August 27 XXI SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY 8:00 AM People of the Parish 10:30 AM Jenny Flysta Family **Leonard & Lucy Bennett** 12:00 PM August 28 Augustine, bishop MONDAY **Anthony Signorello** 8:00 AM Love, Mom & Dad **TUESDAY August 29** Passion of John the Baptist 8:00 AM **Anthony Signorello** Love, Mom & Dad WEDNESDAY August 30 John Karaman 8:00 AM Debbie & Joe Kachnowski THURSDAY August 31 8:00 AM John Journe Debbie & Joe Kachnowski FRIDAY September 1 8:00 AM Ana Baricevic Josette Peros **SATURDAY September 2** BVM 8:00 AM Anna Fantini Anna Marie & Frank D'Antonio ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY 5:30 PM **Corporate Mass** SUNDAY Sept 3 XXII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00 AM **People of the Parish** 10:30 AM **Luane Cindea** The Cindea Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

12:00 PM

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4,

5-6a and 9b; Mt 23:13-22

Rose Ann Santanna Christine Kane

Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mk 6:17-29

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10,

11-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14

and 17; Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12;

Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9;

Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9;

Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

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, 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 Theresa.lynch@rcan.org.

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

Tabernacle Flowers given
In MEMORY OF ANGELO SORIANO
(HAPPY BIRTHDAY!)
Req. by Wife & Children

Bread for the Mass given
In Memory of Anthony DeMarzo, Jr.
Req. by the Family

Wine for the Mass given
In Memory of Anthony DeMarzo, Jr.
Req by his Sister

Bread & Wine for the Mass and the Sanctuary Light given
IN MEMORY OF RICHARD C. POWERS
Req. by Barbara and Family

I will be on a short vacation the week of September 3. If you need to put anything in the bulletin for September 10, please send it to me by September 1. Email me at

Fr.Prevosto@proton.me

Family is Beautiful

"Be fruitful and multiply." (Gen 1:28)

I recently read in the paper about the infertility of China, once the most populous country in the world, China now ranks second to India. In China the fertility rate is 1.09 per woman, down from 1.30 only 3 years ago. Italy's fertility rate is 1.3 (=world average) and the USA has a rate of 1.7 per woman. For a population to hold steady each woman must have an average of 2.1 children. Much of Africa on the other hand has fertility rates over 6.0. So basically, what is being said is that with a rate below 2.1, that civilization is dving.

Here in the USA, we are dying too. If it weren't for immigration the US population would be decreasing. Our Creator instructed us to be fruitful and multiply, however we chose to be disobedient in limiting our families to one, two and maybe even three children of we're so driven. In the time of my great grandparents in the early 20th century, my maternal grandmother was one of 11 and my paternal grandmother was one of 14. Life was tough and there was a depression, but the elimination of children was not in their hearts. By the time the sixties were around, the largest family in my neighborhood was only 5 children. We were a family of four boys. Now I watch as many grow old, that their one or two children are spread far and wide and the elderly are left alone for by the 80's families had one or two children (fertility rate dropped to 1.7). The pews today have so few children. In 1930 we baptized 75 children, meaning that around 1350 minors could be in church. Today, we baptize 24 a year on a ten year average, over the last few years it has been less than ten annually. Our CCD has about 140 disciples preparing for Sacraments.

The Church teaches that every act of marital love must be open to life. Yet many have chosen to use contraception, refusing the potentiality of new life in their family. Some say it is all too expensive, and we must be financially responsible. But why is it then that in many of the poorer nations, they have higher fertility rates, yet in richer places like Western nations, it is altogether below 2 per woman? The West is dying. Saying we can't afford it shows no trust in a provident God. I know a couple that held off pregnancy for 5 years, then when they decided it was time to have a child, they couldn't conceive because all of the contraceptive drugs had affected her fertility. They then sought IVF and conceived mechanically without love, multiple children. Some were born but the rest of the fertile zygotes were frozen and then later destroyed. Then after the multiple births, the husband had a vasectomy. No trust in Jesus.

You see, we must, as Christ's followers, be open to life. Every marital act must trust in God's providence. Once we try to take control of life, we are being rebellious of God's command, to be fruitful and multiply. To love what God has created, especially in the womb, must be accepted, loved, and cherished as a holy gift from God. So, if you are married and of childbearing age, be open to the lives of children that God entrusts to you. If you have past that time, encourage your children to be filled with the Spirit and live according to his wisdom, not that of man, which easily betrays truth and happiness with "reason".

Pax Christi, Fr. Paul

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.

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.

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

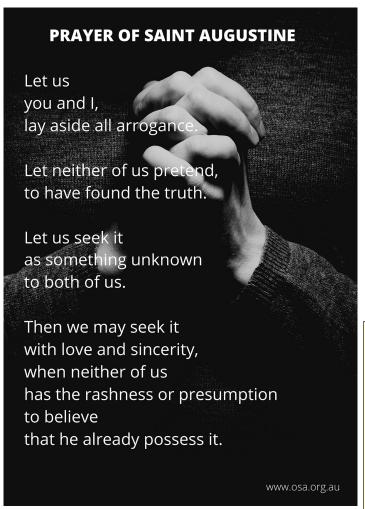
Contact the Respect Life Office for more details by calling 973-497-4350, or e-mail:

Cheryl.riley@rcan.org

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

The Corporate Mass Offerings September 2 at 5:30 P.M. Mass

Timothy Downing req. by Angela Gravina
Elaine Furchak-Ardente req. by Fr. Paul
Prevosto and the Parish
Maryann Rustia req. by Barbara Sokol
All Souls in Purgatory req. by Gilberto Sanchez



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

STEWARDSHIP

Last Sunday's Collection: \$4337.00 Church in Africa Collection: \$880.00 Assumption of the BVM Collection: \$1635.00



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

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 www.rcan.org/sharing.

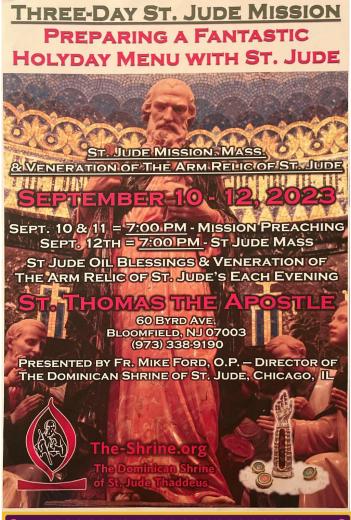
Thank you for your prayers and support.

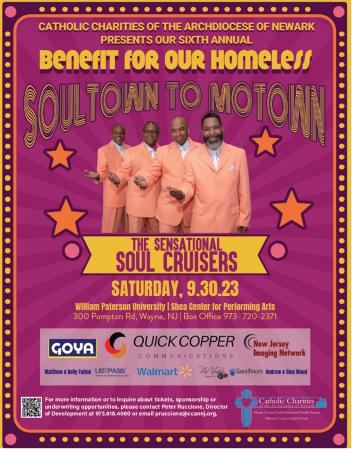
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"Because God has made us for Himself, our hearts are restless until they rest in Him." ~ Saint Augustine





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.

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.



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, man

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Have a blessed day!"

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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

How to Report Abuse

The Archdiocese of Newark takes very seriously any and all credible complaints of sexual abuse/physical abuse of minors by members of the clergy, religious, lay staff, and volunteers of the Archdiocese. Anyone with knowledge of a act of sexual/physical abuse of a minor is encouraged to inform the Archdiocese immediately; so that we can take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Complaints should be reported to the Archdiocese of Newark by calling (201) 407-3256.

Also, in Union County, the Prosecutors' office may be reached at 908-527-4500

The Church of the Assumption Food Pantry is in need of the following items:

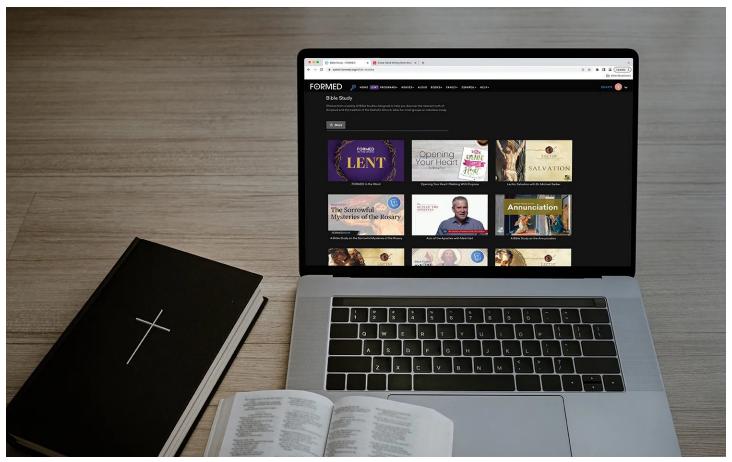
Cereal, Tomato Sauce, Spaghetti, Soup, Canned White Potatoes, and Tuna

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!!

FORMED: An Excellent Way to Learn Our Faith! COMING TO OUR PARISH THIS FALL!!!

All sorts of things in various shapes and sizes await you. There will be short videos, full length feature films, Bible Studies, books, podcasts, lecture series, music and more ...all free to you! For a preview, please check out FORMED.ORG - you won't be disappointed!

Debbie Kachnowski, PCL



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

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