



XXXII Sunday in Ordinary Time 12 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 <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 Bill DeNike—31st Anniversary † Love, Nora SUNDAY Nov 12 XXXII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00 AM **Souls of the Faithful Departed** 10:30 AM Maria Guercio Mary Journe 12:00 PM **Antonio Auletta** Antoinette Auletta MONDAY Novem 13 Francis Xavier Cabrini, virgin **Bob Bodnar** 8:00 AM Love, his Wife TUESDAY November 14 8:00 AM Tadeusz Gibki Love, Wife, Jean **WEDNESDAY** November 15 Albert the Great, bishop 8:00 AM Angie & John Ranieri Love, Dee **THURSDAY Nov 16** *Margaret of Scotland; Gertrude* 8:00 AM **Beth Anne Sharp** Mary & Gerard Christensen FRIDAY November 17 Elizabeth of Hungary, relig. 8:00 AM **Sarah Kennedy** K of C, #3240 SATURDAY November 18 Dedication of Sts. Peter & Paul Basilicas; Rose Duchesne, virgin; BVM 8:00 AM **Beth Anne Sharp** Debbie & Joe Kachnowski 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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Love, Carmela

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6 **Tuesday**: Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19;

Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7;

Lk 17:11-19

Thursday: Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Ps 119:89-175;

Lk 17:20-25

Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9;

Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5;

1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

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 Carol Harding



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				



It is by the path of love, which is charity, that God draws near to man, and man to God. But where charity is not found, God cannot dwell. If, then, we possess charity, we possess God, for "God is Charity" (1 John 4:8)

Albertus Magnus

Special Memorial Donations

Sanctuary Light given
In Loving Memory of Domenico Michael Petracco
req. by Rose & Antonio Spano

Altar Candles given
In Loving Memory of Isabel Saldana & Virgie Ramos
req. by Saldana & LaTorre Family

Bread & Wine for Mass and Altar Candles given
IN LOVING MEMORY OF MAUREEN RITTER
Req. by Joanne Tricarico

Bread for Mass given
In Thanksgiving for the Help of St. Anthony
req. by Theresa & Joe Cicalese

esus said: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom."

We must be on the alert. Which means the light of faith is to be kept alive by works of charity. How often we are fooled by the evil one into thinking that our sins are the greatest measure of our character, but in reality the amount of charity we exercise gives us the strength to be Christ's instrument on earth. This is proven by the grace Christ gives us through the sacraments in which he wipes away our sins, beginning with Baptism, when all sin and especially original sin are eliminated from our souls. But in life we sin, whether out of human weakness or even out of intentional evil. Regardless, when we approach the Lord in the Sacrament of Reconciliation with humble and contrite hearts in confessing sins, we are freed. But if we fail to do works of charity (sin of omission), our lamps will dim and we will have nothing to welcome the Lord when he comes at the end of our lives and calls us to Himself.

So let's always remember to fill our lamp of faith with the oil of charity ready to greet Him when He comes.

Pax Christi, Fr. Paul

The German Bishop of Speyer, Karl-Heinz Wiesemann, issued a letter asking pastors in his diocese to bless same-sex couples. Mr. Paul J Kim wrote the following on November 4. I share with you his faithful response.

"No one can change what Scripture & Church teaching already clearly state about God's plan for sex/marriage; which can only be blessed by God when it's between a man & a woman within the context of a committed, sacramental marriage.

"No one... not the pope, not the bishop, not a priest, nor a lay person can ask God to bless a same-sex couple who refuse to observe God's will for that relationship: Chastity & celibacy. Why? Because you can't bless sin. It's the same reason why an unmarried straight couple who are living together (but refuse to get married) or were just civilly married (but refuse sacramental marriage), or someone who is divorced but remarried (without being granted an annulment) can't ask for a blessing on their relationship unless they seek to live in accordance with God's will in each of those circumstances.

"Am I sharing all this because of hate? No, quite the opposite. I love people enough to tell them the truth. St. John the Baptist loved Herod enough to call him out for having an adulterous relationship with his brother's wife. St. Thomas More loved King Henry VIII enough to refuse to support his desire to divorce & remarry on the grounds of wanting a new wife to produce an heir to his throne. St. Charles Lwanga loved God enough to refuse the king's advances to be unchaste with him.

"How is it loving to encourage, bless, or support someone's decision to live a lifestyle that will jeopardize their eternal salvation? This bishop from Germany is teaching heresy & endangering the souls of his priests & his flock that he has been called to shepherd. His own soul is in grave danger & we need to pray for his conversion. I don't enjoy posting things like this because I love Christ's Church & it pains me to see such scandal being produced by [her] leaders who should know better.

"Let's pray for Pope Francis, that he would faithfully fulfill his role in leading the Church in these times, respond swiftly to these bishops who are teaching error, and teach with clarity on these matters that are so critical. May the gates of hell never prevail. Amen.

"Be faithful to God. Be the Saint you're called to be & you will help to renew the Church."

Bring a friend to Mass Next Week.

Since the outbreak of Covid-19 and the temporary closing of the churches, many have chosen to stay at home on Sundays, rather than join the community in prayer at Holy Mass. Fear, extreme caution, health issues—no one knows the reason. However, 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."

So many of our <u>neighbors</u>, <u>friends</u>, and <u>family</u> have opted to stay home. Our Mass attendance has dropped about 40%. So everyone, on the weekend of Nov 18 & 19, bring someone (or 2) you know to Mass. With love, encourage them to come, for without Christ's Body and Blood we do not have life within us.

November 18 or 19



Coffee & Donuts to follow at the Lower Parish Hall

Fund Raiser held at the
Sunrise Diner raised \$250.00
Thank you to all who participated in the effort.

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, Cranberry 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 al<mark>so need <u>TURKEYS!</u>
Turkeys can be dropped off at the Annex on Thursdays night between 6:30 - 7:00pm.</mark>

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 <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 stumble upon one more pornographic site or one more "social media" site promoting the LGBTQ+ propaganda.

STEWARDSHIP

Last Sunday's Collection: \$6356.00 Maintenance Collection: \$7849.00 All Saints' Day Collection: \$1560.00

"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 72 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 <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.

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.lynch@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 11/12	Nov 18/19			
	LECTORS				
5:30 PM	Cindy Campbell	Gerard Taveras			
8:00 AM	Anthony Cordero	Tom DiMaio			
10:30 AM	Sebastian Saavedra	Diane Burgos			
12:00 PM	Patty Muccia	Debbie Kachnowski			
	ALTAR SERVERS				
5:30 PM	Joe Schmatz				
8:00 AM	Angelo Geronimo Anthony Geronimo	Ethan Pama			
10:30 AM	Alaina Quintela	Giovanni Scipioni			
12:00 PM	William Casaine Emily Casaine	William Casaine Emily Casaine			



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

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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







Catholic Charities



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 SANDWICH-ES 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 TOMA-

SANDWICHES MUST BE INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED IN PLAS-TIC 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.



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

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

Following is the schedule: November 28, December 5, December 12 & December 19

Please come and join us and help us celebrate with vour 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 Sr.Patricia.WormannO.P@rcan.org or call 973-497-4368

Nocturnal Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Feast of Christ the King November 25, 26

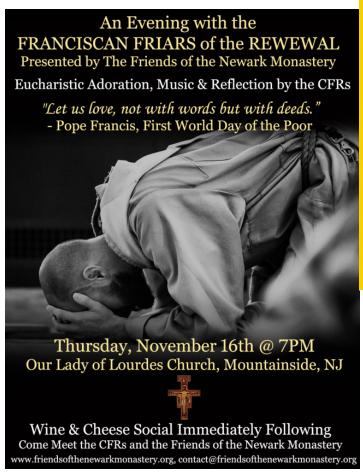
November 25-26 6:30 PM till 7:45 AM

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

Benediction at 7:45 AM

We may not understand His Will for us in time, but in eternity the veil will be drawn and we shall see that He acted only for our happiness.

St. Rose Philippine Duchesne



Please Donate Your Books



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Knights of Columbus

Roselle Park

Located behind the Assumption School of Religion Your donation raises funds for our Parish.

Hardcover, paperback, & textbooks are all welcome! All books must have an ISBN barcode on the cover. No encyclopedi-

as, library reference, magazines, or water damaged books.

Questions? Contact: www.NewLegacyBooks.com



Fun for the whole family!

Popcorn

Drinks

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

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