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Patricia Pula, M.A.R.E.
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PARISH SCHOOL

St. John's Academy, Hillsdale
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Weekdays: 9:00 AM (including Saturday) — (Summer)

Monday and Friday: 9:00 AM

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday: 6:30AM and 9:00 AM — (Winter)

Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM

Sundays: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 11:30 AM and 6:00PM (Sept. - May)

Holy Days: Please see bulletin for schedule

PENANCE:

Saturday: 4:00-5:00 PM. At the Parish anytime by appointment. Communal Celebration of Penance periodically throughout the year.

BAPTISMS:

Our parish family rejoices in the birth of your children. To prepare for baptism, parents are expected to attend one preparation meeting. Please call the parish office for the schedule of preparation meetings and Baptism celebration.

MARRIAGES:

Our parish is honored to host your marriage celebration. In order to accomplish all of the necessary preparations, arrangements should be made with one of the priests at least one year in advance. Pre-Cana and God's Plan for a Joy-Filled Marriage classes can be arranged through the Family Life Office of the Archdiocese of Newark at www.rcan.org.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK:

For those of advanced age or seriously ill, Holy Communion will be brought to the home of any person permanently or temporarily homebound. Please contact the parish office.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

Please register at the parish office. This is a wise way of acquiring a sense of belonging to our Parish Community.

From the Pastor

A curious feature of the first half of Mark's Gospel is the pattern of Jesus working a miracle, then telling the recipient of the miracle to keep still about it. Many theories have been offered: Mark is setting the stage for the great "secret" revealed when Peter will proclaim Jesus the Messiah at Caesarea Philippi; more skeptical commentators offer that Jesus, fully aware of human nature, knew that the way to spread the news was to tell people to keep it secret. The insight into this secret-keeping that serves us well, however, is that Jesus was initiating his public ministry according to the pattern that Paul describes. He was doing it for the glory of God - not for his own benefit, but for that of all. Paul would later write in Philippians that Jesus "humbled" himself to become like us. And we see this humility at work in today's healing of the leper. Jesus is trying to reveal the presence of God's reign among the people, not so that he himself might receive the glory, but so that God would be glorified through him. Imitating this pattern, which Paul encourages the Jewish and Greek Christian factions in Corinth to do, still serves us well today.

Peace,
Fr. Frank



REGISTER NOW!

JOIN US AS WE CONTINUE BISHOP BARRON'S (Video Series) CATHOLICISM: The Pivotal Players, our newest Parish Religious Study Program, which showcases over a six-week period in the spring, the final three Pivotal Players who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of western civilization. The last three subjects of this picturesque and informative program covered in our Lenten Series are, Blessed Bishop John Henry Newman, the Convert, G.K. Chesterton, the Evangelist, and Michelangelo, the Artist. Choose one of two sessions to attend this fascinating study of these Pivotal Players of the Church. (For additional information, speak with Monsignor Frank or Christine Ferreri.) As the sessions progress, you are welcome to switch from one session date and time to another if you find it more convenient. Please take a registration form from the front of the Church, or print it off the Parish Website, then drop off at the Parish Office but please note the session dates and times so you can plan your attendance accordingly!

Tuesday Morning Sessions with Monsignor Frank: 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., 2/20 – 3/27

Wednesday Evening Sessions with Christine Ferreri: 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., 2/21 – 3/28

FINANCIAL REPORT

The amount of the February 4 collection was \$14,558.00. The Christmas collection was \$100,052.50. Thank you for your continued generosity to St. Gabriel's. God bless you and your families.

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY PRAYS FOR:

Our sick and homebound:

Jean Cohen, Baby James Jack D'Agostino,
Christine Danza, Ada Fields,
Tommy Fitzpatrick (4 years old)
Meg Gallagher, Baby Grace Gilbert
Lauren Harpster Hines
Bob Kleinknecht, Joseph Marigliani,
Lou Perrin, Joan Snow,
Richard Straut, Nicole Trotta

2018 LENTEN REGULATIONS

1) The days of both Fast and Abstinence during lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil as the paschal fast to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence. On a day of Fast, only one full meal is permitted and two smaller meals which if added together would not exceed the main meal in quantity. Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast. On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence. .

2) The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially" or as a whole is a serious obligation.

3) The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

4) The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the First Sunday of Lent, February 18, 2018, to the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 27, 2018.

**Canon 920,1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion a least once a year.*



Join us on **Thursday, February 15, from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM** for a special Senior Social Valentine event. A gentle reminder to bring a **PICTURE** Infant to 8 years of age of yourself. Write your name on the back in pencil. If you reserved a seat, bring a good appetite and come prepared for fun and games. **Reservations are now closed.**

Saint Gabriel the Archangel of Saddle River presents...

America's Cowboy Country September 2 – 9, 2018

For more information or a brochure contact
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THE WEEK AHEAD AT ST. GABRIEL'S

AA Meetings Monday thru Saturday
7 AM Parish Center

Sunday, February 11, 2018
7:00 PM - Youth Group Meeting

Monday, February 12, 2018
1 PM - Prayer Shawl Meeting

Wednesday, February 14, 2018
7:30 PM - Women's Meeting

Thursday, February 15, 2018
1:00 PM - Senior Social Club
6:30 PM - Kids Choir Rehearsal
7:30 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal

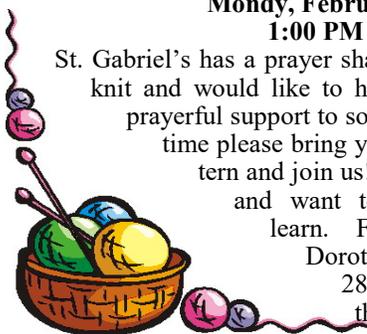
Friday, February 16, 2018
7:00 PM - Stations of the Cross

Sunday, February 18, 2018
7:00 PM - Youth Group Meeting

PRAYER SHAWL MEETING

Mondy, February 12, 2018
1:00 PM to 2 PM

St. Gabriel's has a prayer shawl ministry. If you crochet or knit and would like to help us offer a tangible sign of prayerful support to someone going through a difficult time please bring your yarn, needles or hooks, pattern and join us! . If you are new to needlework and want to participate, we'll help you learn. For information, please contact Dorothy Kleinknecht at (201) 327-2860. The meeting will be held in the Parish Center.



YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Youth Group: During the school year the Youth Group meets every Sunday night in the Kavin Center from 7:00-8:30pm. All high school teenagers are welcome to join us. Meetings are structured yet informal, and they usually consist of a discussion topic, group dynamics, prayer, and socializing. Feel free to bring a friend along with you. Whether you've been involved in our program before or not, you are always welcome to attend our meetings. Refreshments are served.



ST. SCHOLASTICA

St. Scholastica was the sister of St. Benedict, the founder of the Benedictines. She was born in Italy around 480. She entered religious life and founded an order of Benedictine nuns. Every year, Benedict and Scholastica would meet about spiritual matters. After one of his visits knowing she would die soon, she begged St. Benedict to stay longer. When he refused, she prayed to God and there was a terrible thunderstorm, forcing Benedict to stay longer. She died three days later.

ST GABRIEL'S NEW FACEBOOK PAGE

The Parish has a new Facebook page. Please like us at [StGabrielsr](https://www.facebook.com/StGabrielsr)

SAINT JOHN'S ACADEMY NEWS



Our fourth graders recently completed their Wax Museum project. Each student researched and wrote an essay about a historical figure. They transformed into a replica of their chosen character and answered questions about their characters at a special event held in the SJA library.



The St. John's Academy Super 50/50 is coming soon! Drawing will be held at our Tricky Tray gala on March 21! Please note, tickets are not being mailed home this year. Don't miss the opportunity to purchase one! For further information, please contact Eileen Kuzma at ekuzesq@yahoo.com Thank you for your support of SJA!

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL

Last weekend was our Commitment Weekend for the 2018 Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal. If you have not yet completed your card, please prayerfully make your pledge and return it to the church office. We would like 100% participation in our One Body, One Mission and that is the Archdiocese of Newark.



GOALS FOR THE LENTEN JOURNEY

Lent is our gift from the church to help us move from one state to another, through conversion to peace and joy at Easter. Consider these goals as you travel your Lenten journey.

Listen attentively. Hearing the sound of God's voice during prayer is rare. More often, God inspires us through Scripture, spiritual reading, homilies, prayer mediation. Through Lent, use these opportunities to ask God questions and listen for the answers.

Grow in authenticity. God created us to become the best possible version of ourselves. Living authentically means saying "yes" to what helps us become that best self and "no" to what doesn't. Starting with Lent, work to acquire virtues - saying "yes" and exercise self-control to eliminate bad ones - saying "no."

Live generously. It is easy to notice what we don't have but Lent invites us to live in gratitude for what we do have. Gratitude then gives rise to generosity - sharing God's love and gifts with others. Generous people are encouraging, positive and appreciative. During Lent, notice and appreciate God's gifts and share them with others.

FEBRUARY 11, 2018



SATURDAY, February 10, 2018

9:00 AM Mildred DeKoskie
5:00 PM Barbara Lee Murray

SUNDAY, February 11, 2018

8:00 AM Pearline Nazzaro
10:00 AM Louis Pedulo
11:30 AM Margarita Sosa
6:00 PM Jane Ball

MONDAY, February 12, 2018

9:00 AM Joseph L. Martinez

TUESDAY, February 13, 2018

6:30 AM Burt Rypkema
9:00 AM Angela Vairo

WEDNESDAY, February 14, 2018

6:30 AM For People of the Parish
9:00 AM For People of the Parish
4:00 PM Service & Ashes No Mass
7:00 PM For the People of the Parish

THURSDAY, February 15, 2018

6:30 AM John Petito
9:00 AM Irene Todaro

FRIDAY, February 16, 2018

9:00 AM Elaine Yee

SATURDAY, February 17 2018

9:00 AM For the People of the Parish
5:00 PM Jill Zellway Rosker

SUNDAY, February 18, 2018

8:00 AM Eileen Lynch
10:00 AM Sr. Esther (Living Intention)
11:30 AM Isabel Laterza
6:00 PM Maria Camesella



The Sanctuary Lamp at the Blessed Sacrament lighted during the week and the Altar Bread & Wine to be consecrated during the week are available as memorials. Please contact the parish office at (201) 327-5663 for additional information