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St. John's Academy, Hillsdale



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

Have you ever known a moment when, just for a brief instant, you felt that all was right with the world? It is just such a moment, stretched into eternity, that the writer of Isaiah describes in today's first reading: the perfection of everything, centered in God's spirit, where knowledge, justice, and awe in God's presence reign. In such a paradise, everyone sees eye to eye and thinks in harmony with each other, as Saint Paul describes in his letter to the Romans. Even animals with a natural animosity toward one another coexist peacefully. John the Baptist understood that such harmonious relationships do not simply happen. They are the fruit of living in right relationship with God and others.

Peace and stay safe,
Fr. Frank

CHRISTMAS FOR ST. MICHAEL'S



Once again we will be able to have Giving Trees set up in the church vestibule for those who would like to give gifts to the children of St. Michael's in Newark. We will also be able to collect food items for Christmas Dinners. The gifts and food donations will need to

be at the church by the weekend of December 17-18. There are flyers in the church vestibule with additional information. For those who would like to purchase gift cards, the following stores are recommended: Sear's, Kohl's, Target, Shop-Rite and Walmart. To facilitate an effortless way to make a donation from your computer using Faith Direct, we have a link that will enable you to use a credit card or withdrawal from an account. <https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/NJ361/45528>. If you would rather send a check to the parish for the donation please do so by December 18th. Please make the check payable to St. Gabriel's and mark on the envelope St. Michael's Christmas Gifts & Dinner.

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (December 8)

December 8 we celebrate the patronal solemnity of the United States and the greatest of Mary's Advent festivals. On that day we remember Mary's conception in the womb of her mother (and nine months later, on September 8, we celebrate Mary's birth). In this liturgy, we affirm our belief that God prepared Mary to be the mother of the son of God by allowing her a share, from the moment of her conception, in the salvation that would be won for all by Christ. Five mothers make their presence felt on December 8. The first is Eve, the mother of all the living. The second is Mary's mother, who conceived, brought to birth, and nurtured an "immaculate" daughter who would become the mother of the Word made Flesh. The third is Elizabeth, who conceived her son John "in her old age." The fourth, of course, is Mary herself. Finally, the letter to the Ephesians and the texts of the Mass for this feast remind us that the Church has been "chosen" to be a spiritual mother. We pray: "The image of the Virgin is found in your Church . . . Trace in our actions the lines of her love, in our hearts her readiness of faith." In this Advent time, we are called, as Mary was, to make room for Christ in our hearts. What will it take, what will be the cost for us to become, as Mary became, real "bearers of the Word?" Let us be open to the intercession of Mary on our behalf, that we may become more and more like her beloved Son.

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY PRAYS FOR:

Our sick and homebound:

Salvatore Averso
Daniel Castillo
Dawn Conguisti
Ada Fields
Meg Gallagher
Grace Gilbert
Bill Hamilton
Bob Kleinknecht
Joan Massotti
Bob Re
Nicole Trotta

Our recently deceased who have entered Eternal Life:

Christopher Maita

Our Newly Baptized:

Luca James Merck
Justin Robert Falkenstern

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT



Come join us at the Music Ministry's Annual Christmas Concert. This year's concert features Christmas and seasonal favorites by Mark Patterson, Vivaldi, John Rutter and many more. The concert will be performed by our Kids Choir, Adult Choir and instrumentalists. Gift your family and friends with the experience of the joyous sound of the season.

Sunday, Dec. 11th, 3 P.M. (Snow day Dec. 12, 7:30 P.M.)
At St. Gabriel's Archangel Church
Free Admission



FINE ART SALE

ST. GABRIEL'S CHURCH
The Kavin Center

Sunday, December 11, 2022
9:30 AM to 7 PM

Award Winning Parish Artists

John Grisoni - Laura Paray

Peggy Dressel - Stephanie Cook

A portion of proceeds will go to St. Gabriel's Church

December 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is a **holy day of obligation**. Masses on the holy day will be at 6:30 am, 9:00 am and 7:00 pm.

ST GABRIEL'S SOCIAL CLUB

CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 15 at 12:30 PM

Parish Center

RSVP Patti Ross (201) 962-3793 by Monday Dec 9

Bring a \$10 gift for the Christmas Grab Bag

Price \$20.00 per person

Payment is due at the time of reservation

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE KNIGHTS CORNER



When preparing to decorate your homes for Advent and the Christmas season, remember that the Knights will be holding their annual Poinsettia sale on the weekend of December 10th and 11th. Also on December 11th following all Masses, the Knights sponsored monthly coffee social will be held. The response to these socials has been very enthusiastic. Our monthly council meeting will take place on Monday 12/12 at 7:00pm in the parish center. Note the new time. Pizza will be available starting a 6:30 with the meeting starting at 7:00 sharp.

Did you know? On November 19th, the Knights were joined by some members of the Youth Group, as well as several other young people from the St. Gabriel's community, in preparing over 100 care packages for U.S. Marines serving overseas. A special thank you to Inserra Supermarkets and the Inserra Family for donating all the package contents for the event. Items included socks, batteries, deodorant, trail mix, hot chocolate, oatmeal, and other items specifically requested by the troops. Chief Operations Officer Mario Monaco (aka Gunny) picked up the gifts on behalf of the Marine Corp and delivered some inspirational remarks to the young people. If you are interested in joining the St. Gabriel's Knights of Columbus, contact a current member or send us an email at knights@stgabrielesr.org.



ST. GABRIEL THE ARCHANGEL ADVENT ADULT FAITH FORMATION SERIES AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE PRESENTATION OF PRESENCE: THE MYSTERY OF THE EUCHARIST



I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world. JOHN 6:51

This Advent, join us as we view together and discuss the True Presence of Jesus through the three-part series of Augustine Institute's *Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist*. Four Episodes: 1- God is with Us, 2- The Story of the Eucharist, 3- Bread for the Journey, 4- Biblical Foundations with Tim Gray

Presented by
Father Frank on Tuesday Mornings - 11/29, 12/6, 12/13, & 12/20 after 9:30 a.m. Mass
Christine Ferreri on Wednesday Evenings - 11/30, 12/7, 12/14, & 12/21 at 7:30 p.m.

Our world is hurting. We all need healing, yet many of us are separated from the very source of our strength. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith: his Real Presence in the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States. Scandal, division, disease, doubt - the Church has withstood each of these throughout history. But today we confront all of them, all at once. Our response at this moment is pivotal. In the midst of these roaring waves, Jesus is present, reminding us that he is more powerful than the storm. He desires to heal, renew, and unify the Church and the world. How will he do it? By uniting us once again around the source and summit of our faith - the Holy Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is the joyful, expectant, grassroots response of the entire Catholic Church in the U.S. to this divine invitation. Viewing of *PRESENCE* aides in understanding Jesus' presence in and call to us through the Eucharist.

To register, contact Maureen at the Parish Office at 201-327-5663 or Christine Ferreri at christineferreri79@gmail.com to sign up for the session you will primarily attend although you may attend either session if you will miss the primary session. Provide the name of those attending, and a phone number and email address as contact information.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The amount of the collection for November 27 was \$10879.88. Thank you for your continued generosity & God bless you and your families.

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Doug Shaller 862-373-0746
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DECEMBER 4, 2022

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, December 3, 2022

9:00 AM Robert Muscarelle
5:00 PM Barbara Murray

SUNDAY, December 4, 2022

8:00 AM Alfred & Beverly Nash
10:00 AM Jule McGrail
11:30 AM Eugene Smith
6:00 PM Mary Ann Britton

MONDAY, December 5, 2022

9:00 AM Tiffani Loughnane

TUESDAY, December 6, 2022

6:30 AM John Gray
9:00 AM Joan Ferro

WEDNESDAY, December 7, 2022

6:30 AM Michael V. Tozzi
9:00 AM Emil & Micheline Celani

THURSDAY, December 8, 2022

6:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:00 AM Richard Cancilla
7:00 PM Holy Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, December 9, 2022

9:00 AM Paolina Napolitano

SATURDAY, December 10, 2022

9:00 AM Richard Stefanacci
5:00 PM Joseph Corso

SUNDAY, December 11, 2022

8:00 AM Richard Stefanacci
10:00 AM Alfred N. Sanzari
11:30 AM William P. Deegan
6:00 PM Edward, Mary, & Edward
Spitaletta



The Sanctuary Lamp at the Blessed Sacrament will be lighted during the week of December 4 for Emil and Micheline Celani.



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