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PARISH SCHOOL

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

Our readings today describe turning points for those whom God has chosen. In Genesis, God calls Abram to leave his homeland, with the promise of forming a people in a new land. In the Gospel, the disciples see Jesus literally in a new light, the bright light of Jesus' transfiguration. They begin to see Jesus, and themselves, in a new way. These are times when God presents a new way forward, providing new purpose and energy. Our lives too have their own turning points, where God is working to lead us into fuller maturity, and into deeper unity with God and others. The road ahead, as with Abram, Jesus, and the disciples, may be long and difficult. Lent can be a time when we reflect upon these turning points in our past, and consider how God may be stirring something new in us today.

Peace and stay safe
Fr. Frank

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY PRAYS FOR:

*Our recently deceased who have entered
Eternal Life:*

Linda Giblin Wittman

Our sick and homebound:

Salvatore Averso

Daniel Castillo

Dawn Conguisti

Ada Fields

Meg Gallagher

Grace Gilbert

Bill Hamilton

Bob Kleinknecht

Joan Massotti

Nicole Trotta

THE KNIGHTS CORNER

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming Knight's events during Lent:



March 13th – Monthly council business meeting.

March 25th – Monthly Men's Mass

March 26th – Coffee social after all Masses

April 1st & 2nd (Palm Sunday weekend) – Annual Easter Plant sale & fundraiser.

Did you know? The St. Gabriel Knights are involved in almost all the ministries at the Parrish. We are ushers, eucharistic ministers, lectors, and choir members. We are members of Parrish committees. We help minister to the less fortunate, the elderly and the sick. We even contribute to the weekly bulletin and serve donuts! As knights, we do our best to live by the tenants of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. We invite and encourage any male member of the Parrish who shares our values to join us and become a Knight of Columbus.

If you are interested, contact a current member, or send us an email at knights@stgabrielSr.org.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The amount of the collection for February 26 was \$11,919.50. The Christmas 2022 collection was \$110,759.

Thank you for your continued generosity & God bless you and your families.



ST. GABRIEL THE ARCHANGEL LENTEN ADULT FAITH FORMATION

In this Season of Lent, join us in the Parish Center Meeting Room as we view together and discuss the Transforming Power of Confession in four parts of Augustine Institute's FORGIVEN:

Session 1- Where are you?

Session 2- An Encounter with Mercy

Session 3- Embraced in Mercy: The Rite Explained

Session 4- Answering Common Questions

Fr. Frank on Tuesday Mornings – 3/7, 3/14, 3/21 & 3/28 after 9:30 a.m. Mass

Christine Ferreri on Wednesday Evenings – 3/8, 3/15, 3/22 & 3/29 at 7:30 p.m.

In this program you will discover the merciful way that God seeks us out when we have sinned and calls us back to himself. You will examine the sacrament from the perspective of both the priest and the penitent, and you will explore the scriptural foundation of the sacrament. This study will help you recognize the beauty of the Rite of Penance, and the transformative power of the grace God offers us in this sacrament. 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 miss the primary session. Provide the name of those attending, and a phone number and email address as contact information.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

ST GABRIEL'S SOCIAL CLUB CELEBRATES St. Patrick's Day -

THURSDAY, MARCH 16 AT
12:30 pm Parish Center
RSVP Patti Ross (201) 962-3793
no later than **Monday March 10**
Traditional hot Corned Beef Luncheon
Price \$20 - Payment due at time of reservation.

FIRST COMMUNION OUTFITS – Needed

The First Communion Day of our child is a very special occasion – a day to be celebrated and always remembered! Please help to make another child's First Communion Day one that will be cherished by donating any Communion dresses, suits, shirts, ties, head pieces or shoes.

Please bring all articles, clean, on hangers, and covered in plastic, to **St. John the Baptist Church, Hillsdale on Saturday, March 25th from 10AM – 2PM, or call Kathy at 201-666-4185.**

Monetary donations will also be accepted. **This collection will be held on ONE DAY ONLY.** If you or anyone that you know may need an outfit, please contact Kathy. **Thank you!**

JOB OPPORTUNITY AT IHA

Biology/Environmental Science Teacher



Immaculate Heart Academy seeks a full-time leave replacement **Biology/Environmental Science teacher beginning in April 2023 and will conclude in June 2023**, capable of teaching Biology at the CP and honors levels for 9th grade and Environmental Science at the CP and AP levels for

11th and 12th grades. Teacher certification and AP experience preferred. Interested candidates should email a cover letter and resume to Mrs. Maureen Layng, Assistant Principal for Academics at employment@ihanj.com

Immaculate Heart Academy is also seeking a **Major Gifts Officer** for immediate hire. The Major Gifts Officer is a member of IHA's Advancement Team responsible for developing strategies for the identification, cultivation, solicitation, and stewardship of donors with special focus on five-figure gifts to support IHA's annual and planned giving efforts. This position reports directly to the Director of Development, under the strategic vision of the President of IHA. Interested candidates should send letters of interest and resumes to Mrs. Sarah Hill Frasure '07, Director of Development, at employment@ihanj.com.

DURING LENT

Offer a Rosary for the intentions of the Pope.

2023 LENTEN REGULATIONS

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 (on Holy Saturday night) 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 (1) full meal is permitted **and two (2) 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.

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 26, 2023, to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity June 4, 2023.**

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

ANNIVERSARY LITURGIES

We are please to announce that we are once again preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples in our Archdiocese who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of marriage for the Catholic faithful in the year 2023. These anniversary liturgies will be held in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

April 16, 2023 - 3 PM - 50 years
May 7, 2023 - 3 PM - 5 & 25 years

To register, please contact Maureen Straut in the St. Gabriel's office at 201-327-5663. If you celebrated one of these anniversaries in 2020, 2021 or 2022, and would like to attend one of the masses this year please be sure to indicate this when registering so that the certificate can be completed correctly.

HELP US TO STAY IN TOUCH WITH YOU

The parish uses a communication system called Flocknote to send email and text messages to parishioners. Flocknote has been an important way for us to stay in touch with you during the pandemic. If you have not been receiving emails or texts from the parish and would like to receive them, please call the parish office at (201) 327-5663 to give your contact information.

MARCH 5, 2023

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, March 4, 2023

9:00 AM For the People of the Parish
5:00 PM Bill O'Donnel

SUNDAY, March 5, 2023

8:00 AM C. Laurence Murphy
10:00 AM Elizabeth Lawson
11:30 AM Joan Lawson
6:00 PM Christopher Maita

MONDAY, March 6, 2023

6:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:00 AM Phyllis Marella

TUESDAY, March 7, 2023

6:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:00 AM Andy Lawler

WEDNESDAY, March 8, 2023

6:30 AM People of the Parish
9:00 AM Mel Morrione

THURSDAY, March 9, 2023

6:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:00 AM Christopher John Maita

FRIDAY, March 10, 2023

6:30 AM For the People of the Parish
9:00 AM Ronald Guerra

SATURDAY, March 11, 2023

9:00 AM Christopher Maita
5:00 PM Bill O'Donnel

SUNDAY, March 12, 2023

8:00 AM Alfred & Beverly Nash
10:00 AM Bridget Ragno
11:30 AM Frances Woods
6:00 PM Richard Barry



The Sanctuary Lamp at the Blessed Sacrament will be light-
ed during the week of March 5 for Robert Re as requested
by the Mongeli Family

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