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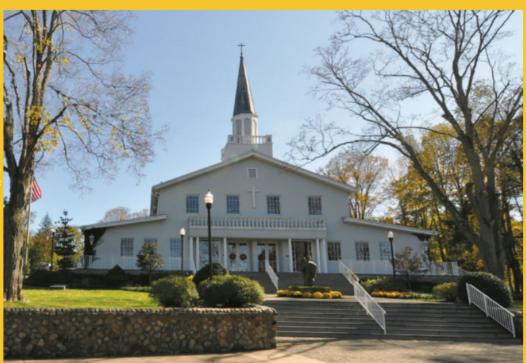
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Weekdays: 9:00 AM (including Saturday) — (Summer)

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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 (Sent - 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

Today's readings invite us to recognize our need for one who ensures our safety, nourishes us, and leads us to peace and security, like sheep who rest in the care of a good shepherd. Such a shepherd will protect and save the sheep, even from the most deadly of predators. Today, we ponder the incredible news that Jesus accepted death on the cross in order to open the gates of eternal life with God for us. Through his resurrection, Jesus protects and saves us from the power of sin and death. We need only accept his love and live as God's people in this life, relying on the Lord who is the door to new life for us and for all.

Peace and stay safe, Fr. Frank

THE KNIGHTS CORNER



Please join us in congratulating St. Gabriel Knight Mark Sterancsak for achieving the rank of Fourth Degree. The fourth degree represents Patriotism and is the final degree after Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Members of this degree have the special honor of holding the title "Sir Knight,"

participating in color and honor guards and organizing programs that promote Catholic citizenship.

Our Monthly council meeting will be held on Monday, May 8th, starting with a social gathering at 6:30pm, followed by our business meeting at 7:00pm. We will be discussing our charitable contributions for the Columbian year ending June 30th. We encourage all Brother Knights to attend this important meeting.

<u>Did you know?</u> On the feast of St. Joseph the Worker, Monday, May 1, 2023, *A Father's Heart: The Miracles of St. Joseph Today* will be released exclusively in theaters across the country. It will be preceded by a short film produced by The Knights of Columbus, *Our Liberator: St. Joseph and the Priests of Dachau*.

If you are interested in joining the St. Gabriel's Knights of Columbus, contact a current member or send us an email at knights@stgabrielsr.org.

WHY DO CATHOLICS NEED GRACE

Grace is a free and undeserved gift God gives us so we can become his adopted children. The seven sacraments are the primary way through which God conveys grace. There is Sanctifying Grace which makes us holy by the indwelling of the Blessed Trinity (the Father, Son and Holy Spirit). Through this grace, we share in God's divine life. There is also Actual Grace which gives us the help we need to live our lives in harmony with God's will.

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY PRAYS FOR:

Our sick and homebound:

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Dawn Conguisti
Ada Fields
Meg Gallagher
Grace Gilbert
Bill Hamilton
Bob Kleinknecht
Joan Massotti
Nicole Trotta
Bill Zima

Our Newly Baptized:

Francesca Ava Maceri Emily Bernadette Lavino

Our recently deceased who has entered Eternal Life: Harrison Blake Co



Newly inducted "Sir Knight" Mark Sterancsak flanked by St. Gabriel's Grand Knight John Haiduk and District Marshal Ken Schmitt after the Exemplification of the 4th Degree ceremony held at the Sheraton Parsippany Hotel.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The amount of the collection for April 23 was \$9,621.00 Thank you for your continued generosity & God bless you and your families.



The following parishioners have made Easter flower donations in memory of their loved ones.

Dr. Gerard Makhoul & Family

In memory of Stephanie Makhoul In memory of Eleanor Makhoul In memory of Frederick Makhoul In memory of Cooper Makhoul

Jim Malone

In memory of Jane M. Donohue In memory of Patrick Donohue In memory of Sigrid Frawley In memory of Robert J. Malone

CHOOSE NEW LIFE AT EASTER

"I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse; therefore choose life, that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying his voice, and cleaving to him; for that means life to you and length of days" (Deuteronomy 30:19-20)

When the Israelites were poised to enter the land God had promised them, Moses wanted all to understand what was at stake. He didn't want them to just enter the Promised Land, Moses wanted them to remain there with God's blessing. So Moses put the choice facing all of God's people in the clearest possible terms. When we choose to follow God, we choose life over death.

SUMMER BASKETBALL CAMP

Rutgers University – Newark will be running its 20th annual Summer Basketball Program for children ages 6-17. The program is July 10-14; July 17-21; July 24-28 and July 31 - August 4, 2023, from 8:30 AM to 4 PM. We offer early drop off and late pick up Free of Charge. The cost for one week is \$185. Discount rates if you attend more than one week. For more information/brochure please call Joe Loughran at (973) 353-1483 or email at loughran@rutgers.edu.

A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of love,

Our world is wrought with war and violence, as brother turns on brother, and the innocent awake to gunfire and bombs.

May Your compassion and healing move hearts and bring a new day to Ukraine.

Fortify your children to resist aggression And instead become instruments of peace.

We ask this in the name of the One who is the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ.

Amen



OPEN HOUSE - BERGEN CATHOLIC

Bergen Catholic will be hosting an Open House on Wednesday May 3rd at 6:30pm. Registration can be found on the Bergen Catholic website. For questions, please feel free to contact the admissions office at admissions@bergencatholic.org. BC Lead On Program: The Bergen Catholic LEAD ON Program is a three-week summer enrichment program designed for students entering 7th and 8th grades. It provides a stimulating classroom experience in which students will explore and enjoy a variety of topics. Program Descriptions and Registration can be found on the BC website. For more information please email admissions@bergencatholic.org

OPEN HOUSE AT DON BOSCO PREP

Don Bosco Prep will be hosting its Spring Open House May 4th 6:30-8:30 PM. Our Open House is a fantastic way to learn more about the school and the Ironmen community and Spirit. Tour our campus. Engage with faculty and staff. Meet current Ironmen. Do not pass up this chance to explore all that Don Bosco Prep has to offer! Register at donboscoprep.org

SUMMER AT IHA

Immaculate Heart Academy, Township of Washington, NJ, is hosting its annual Summer@theheart co-ed enrichment programs beginning July 10, 2023. Two full sessions and four mini sessions will be offered from July 10 through August 3, Mondays-Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Both boys and girls entering 6th through 12th grades are welcome. Courses include Intro to Python, Intro to Algebra, Intro to Geometry, Bio Bootcamp, Oil Painting, Creative Writing, Broadcasting, and Essay Writing Bootcamp. For specific grade requirements for each course and to register, please visit ihanj.com. IHA is located at 500 Van Emburgh Ave., Township of Washington, NJ 07676.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, April 29, 2023

9:00 AM Robert Muscarelle 5:00 PM Eugene A. Myer

SUNDAY, April 30, 2023

8:00 AM Beverly & Alfred Nash 10:00 AM Christopher Maita 11:30 AM Christopher John Maita

6:00 PM David Georg

MONDAY, May 1, 2023 9:00 AM Robert Muscarelle

TUESDAY, May 2, 2023

6:30 AM Lois Keane 9:00 AM Edward Stuhr, Jr

WEDNESDAY, May 3, 2023

6:30 AM Special Intention 9:00 AM Philip Resch

THURSDAY, May 4, 2023

6:30 AM For the People of the Parish 9:00 AM Msgr Joseph Petrillo

FRIDAY, May 5, 2023

9:00 AM Walter J. Golczewski, Jr...

SATURDAY, May 6, 2023

9:00 AM Maria Cirilli 5:00 PM John Murray

SUNDAY, May 7, 2023

8:00 AM Ellen McEntagart 10:00 AM Christopher Maita 11:30 AM Cameron Sinclair 6:00 PM Janine DeMerritt

+++IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

The Sanctuary Lamp at the Blessed Sacrament will be lighted during the week of April 30 for Pat Scorese requested by Angela.

The Altar Bread and Wine consecrated during the week of April 30 is for Pat Scorese requested by Angela.

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