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#### **MASSES:**

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](http://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

In today's opening reading, Isaiah urges us to "seek the Lord" who is "near" and can be "found." Then Isaiah says God's ways are as high above our ways "as the heavens are above the earth." So we search, not because God is hiding, but because our tendencies are so different from God's ways that we get lost.

How are God's ways so high above our ways? The example Isaiah gives is that God's way is to be "generous in forgiving." And our way? We try to be "fair." You hurt me, so then I hurt you back, just as hard. Then, of course, you . . . And on it goes.

In today's Gospel Jesus teaches that God is not "fair" like that. Instead, God is so generous we can hardly understand it. The same wage for one hour as for a whole day of work? Not fair! "Seek the Lord," and we might find a God who calls us to be, not fair, but generous beyond expectations.

Peace and stay safe,  
Fr. Frank

### THE KNIGHTS CORNER



The Knights of Columbus will be hosting the monthly Men's Mass on September 30th at 8:00am. All men of the parish, and guests, are welcome. Mass is followed by light snacks and discussion about issues of the day that affect us as Catholic men.

Save the Date. The 10:00am Mass on October 8<sup>th</sup> will be dedicated to the Knights of Columbus St. Gabriel's Council. All Knights are encouraged to attend this Mass and receive a special blessing. It is fitting that this Mass will be during the Columbus Day weekend. You all do so much for our parish, it's time you were recognized!

**Did you know?** This past year, the winners of the Knights Outstanding College Councils for going above and beyond to make a difference on campus, were the University of Wisconsin at Madison, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, and Providence College.

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](mailto:knights@stgabrielSr.org).

### FINANCIAL REPORT

The amount of the collection for September 17 was \$13,128.75. Thank you for your continued generosity. God bless you and your families.

### OUR PARISH COMMUNITY PRAYS FOR:

*Our recently deceased who have entered Eternal Life:*

Ann H. Warner

*Those recently joined in Matrimony*

Daniel John Kacsmar & Lara Dawn Philibosian

*Our sick and homebound:*

Salvatore Averso  
Daniel Castillo  
Dawn Conguisti  
Ada Fields  
Meg Gallagher  
Grace Gilbert  
Bill Hamilton  
Bob Kleinknecht  
Joan Massotti  
George Parowski  
Nicole Trotta  
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### Immaculate Heart Academy Employment Opportunities

Township of Washington, NJ 07676

### Coordinator for Communications & Marketing

IHA seeks a full-time coordinator for communications & marketing for immediate hire to lead and manage all aspects of internal and external communications, strategic marketing, social media, website management, and public relations for the school. Strong writing and proofreading skills required. Interested candidates should send letters of interest and resumes to Mrs. Lisa Castelluber '04, assistant principal for academics, at [employment@ihanj.com](mailto:employment@ihanj.com).

### Current Open Teaching Position Spanish Teacher

Immaculate Heart Academy seeks a full-time Spanish teacher for immediate hire. A degree in Spanish education, teaching experience, and teacher certification preferred. Interested candidates should send letters of interest and resumes to Mrs. Lisa Castelluber '04, assistant principal for academics, at [employment@ihanj.com](mailto:employment@ihanj.com).



**DON BOSCO PREP**  
**TOGETHER WE ARE IRONMEN**

### DON BOSCO FALL OPEN HOUSES

Don Bosco Prep will be hosting its Fall Open Houses: September 28<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:30 PM and October 22<sup>nd</sup> 1:00- 3:00 preceded at 12 by mass. 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](http://donboscoprep.org)

## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Attention families of 8th grade students planning to attend Catholic High School in Fall of 2024!

The High School Placement Test administered as part of the Cooperative Admissions Exam Program for Catholic High Schools will be given on Friday, November 10, 2023. Registration for the exam is available on line at [www.njcoopexam.org](http://www.njcoopexam.org) beginning September 1st. For more information about the Cooperative Admissions Program, go to [www.catholic-schools-nj.org](http://www.catholic-schools-nj.org). Additionally the Catholic High Schools are holding their annual HS Expo Night. Parents and students are invited to meet with representatives from many Archdiocesan High Schools from 7 - 8:30 PM on the following dates:

#### Sept 26 at Academy of St. Paul - Ramsey

Sept 27 at St Peter's Preparatory School - Jersey City

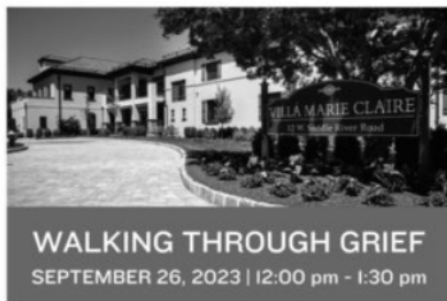
Sept 28 at St. John the Apostle - Clark

For more information visit [www.catholic-schools-nj.org](http://www.catholic-schools-nj.org) or call (973) 497-4260



### UPCOMING EVENTS AT BERGEN CATHOLIC

Bergen Catholic will be hosting Open Houses on Tuesday October 3rd at 6:30pm and Sunday November 5th at 1pm. Registration can be found on the Bergen Catholic website. For questions, please contact the admissions office at [admissions@bergencatholic.org](mailto:admissions@bergencatholic.org). Attention ALL 8th grade students: Bergen Catholic will be hosting an HSPT prep course for interested students applying to local catholic high schools in November. Course dates and registration information can be found on the Bergen Catholic website. For questions, please contact Matt Rosa '08, VP of Admissions at [mrosa@bergencatholic.org](mailto:mrosa@bergencatholic.org).



**WALKING THROUGH GRIEF**  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2023 | 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

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Explore your grief through the movement of walking, being outdoors in nature, and by sharing with and supporting other grievers. The walk will be facilitated by trained bereavement counselors.

To register call Patricia McLaughlin at 551-248-4821 or email [pmclaughlin@holyname.org](mailto:pmclaughlin@holyname.org)



### PARISH TRIP TO LONDON AND PARIS

St Gabriel's is planning a parish trip to London, Paris and Lisieux in May of 2024. Jennifer Edelson, a parishioner who owns a travel agency, JJ Travel Associates (Dream Vacations franchise), will be coordinating every detail of the trip which will be through Collette. If you are interested in attending, please scan the QR code and enter your information. More information will be forthcoming soon. If you have any questions please call Jennifer at 201-786-6275. Alternatively you can email Jennifer at [jedelson@dreamvacations.com](mailto:jedelson@dreamvacations.com). Please do not call Collette.



### R.C.I.A.

#### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Are you interested in the Catholic Faith? We will begin a new journey in faith to share the richness of the Catholic Church and our parish family. We invite you to learn what the Church teaches, and be introduced to some of our parish members. These gatherings that will begin in September are for inquirers and are open to: People who are unbaptized; Baptized Christians from other faith backgrounds; Adults who are already baptized Catholic, but who need to prepare for Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. For further information or help in this matter please contact Christine Ferreri at [christineferreri79@gmail.com](mailto:christineferreri79@gmail.com) or the parish office at (201) 327-5663.



### OPEN HOUSE AT SAINT PETER'S PREP

Saint Peter's Preparatory School will hold its Fall Open House on Sunday, October 15, from 1:00 – 4:00 at the school's campus in historic downtown Jersey City. Faculty and staff as well as coaches, students and parents, will be present to answer questions about the school, and tours of the campus will be provided. Saint Peter's Prep is an independent, college preparatory school for boys and it remains New Jersey's only Jesuit high school. For more information, please call 201-547-6389 or visit [www.spprep.org](http://www.spprep.org).

Dear Friend of New Hope,

New Hope helping first time single mothers and their babies is hosting their annual Gala on Wednesday October 4 2023 at Seasons - Pascack Road Washington Township 6:30-10:30. Cocktail hour gourmet dinner dancing 50/50 raffle Tricky Tray and Silent Auction. Tickets \$125 per person - please call 201-722-4705 and join us for a fun filled evening. Thank you!

*SEPTEMBER 24, 2023*

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# Mass Intentions

## **SATURDAY, September 23, 2023**

9:00 AM Maryellen Hellerman  
5:00 PM Gale Steelman

## **SUNDAY, September 24, 2023**

8:00 AM Robert Re  
10:00 AM Catherine DeMatteo  
11:30 AM Christopher Maita  
6:00 PM Frank (Paco) Zuniga

## **MONDAY, September 25, 2023**

9:00 AM Alfred Mayne-Nicholls

## **TUESDAY, September 26, 2023**

6:30 AM For the People of the Parish  
9:00 AM Annette Garafano

## **WEDNESDAY, September 27, 2023**

6:30 AM Catherine Smith  
9:00 AM Hazel Surless

## **THURSDAY, September 28, 2023**

6:30 AM Catherine Carroll  
9:00 AM Carmen Iozzia

## **FRIDAY, September 29, 2023**

9:00 AM Cosmo Ferro

## **SATURDAY, September 30, 2023**

9:00 AM Richard Cancilla  
5:00 PM Mattea Mattessich

## **SUNDAY, October 1, 2023**

8:00 AM Robert Re  
10:00 AM Cosmo Ferro  
11:30 AM Jack & Kelsey Higgins  
Living Intention  
6:00 PM Robert Re

 **IN LOVING  
REMEMBRANCE**

The Sanctuary Lamp at the Blessed Sacrament will be light-  
ed during the week of September 24 for Catherine  
DeMatteo as requested by Heidi & Ed



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