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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.

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

Spiritual teachers tend to repeat themselves, and to repeat other teachers. Maybe there really aren't that many different truths to tell. Just a lot of slow, sleepy human beings, like us, who need to hear the basics over and over. Consider today's readings.

People complain that God isn't "fair," and Ezekiel answers that God is more than fair. People choose their own fates, and people can change. Even evildoers can turn, do right, and live. "Actions speak louder than words." A fresh new insight? Hardly. Paul tells the Philippians he would truly be encouraged if those who claimed to be believers would, in fact, look to others' interests and not their own. "The proof of the pudding is in the eating." A novel idea? I don't think so.

In Jesus' story of the farmer and his sons, everyone knows the one who said he wouldn't work, but did, is way ahead of the one who said he would work, but didn't. "Talk is cheap." Heard that before?

Peace and stay safe,
Fr. Frank

THE KNIGHTS CORNER

The 10:00am Mass on October 8th 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!



Our next monthly council meeting will be held on Monday, October 9th, starting with a social gathering at 6:30pm, followed by our business meeting at 7:00pm. We encourage all Brother Knights to attend, especially those we haven't seen in a while.

Did you know? Of the 266 Popes, five have been imprisoned, four have abdicated, four murdered, one openly assassinated, one deposed, and one subject to public flogging. One died of wounds he received in the midst of battle and another, John XX, died after a ceiling collapsed and fell on him.

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.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

St. Gabriel's - Saturday, October 7 at 9:30 AM in front of the Church.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The amount of the collection for September 24 was \$10,699.75. Thank you for your continued generosity. God bless you and your families.

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY PRAYS FOR:

Those recently joined in Matrimony

Paul Carmine Chiorazzi & Christina Marie Prendergast
Thomas James McManus & Christina Russo
Brian Galvin Dailey & Sandy Jexenia Restrepo

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
Bill Zima

PARISH TRIP TO LONDON, PARIS AND LISIEUX!

The parish trip to London, Paris and Lisieux is officially happening!! Twenty of us are going to travel together from the doors of St. Gabriel's all the way to London, Paris and Lisieux and back. The bus will literally pick us up and drop us off at the church.



Trip Details:
May 4-12 2024
3 nights in London
4 nights in Paris

Prices include air, transfers, hotels, tours in all 3 destinations. This includes a private tour at the cathedral and the convent of Lisieux where St Therese was from. There are also opportunities to customize the trip within the group. Also if you would like to travel before the group or stay after, those options are available to you as well. Deposits have to be made by 11/5 in order to take advantage of the discounted air. Please do not wait until the last minute and not be able to go. There are only 20 spaces. There is a video that explains all the details that will be sent via Flocknote.

Please contact Jennifer Edelson (a parishioner) if you want to go. She will give you all the details. If you want to sign up directly, you can do so via this link. <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1183931>

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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 beginning September 1st. For more information about the Cooperative Admissions Program, go to www.catholic.schools.nj.org. For more information visit www.catholic.schools.nj.org or call (973) 497-4260



BERGEN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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. 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.



OPEN HOUSE AT SAINT PETER'S PREP

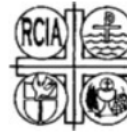
Saint Peter's Preparatory School will hold its Fall Open House on Sunday, October 15, from 1:00 – 4:00 at the school's campus in historic downtown Jersey City. Faculty and staff as well as coaches, students and parents, will be present to answer questions about the school, and tours of the campus will 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.

FUNDRAISER FOR NEW HOPE

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!

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 or the parish office at (201) 327-5663.



**DON BOSCO PREP
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DON BOSCO FALL OPEN HOUSES

Don Bosco Prep will be hosting its Fall Open House: October 22nd 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

**Walking Together
In Solidarity
with
Synod Session One**

The Synod on Synodality Session One will take place in Rome during the month of October. Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has asked all Catholics to pray for the intercession of the Holy Spirit during the synodal session. Each week of the session has a theme: Synodality, Communion, Mission, and Participation.

Our Archdiocese will host gatherings each week. The gatherings in English will be on Zoom 7-8:30 PM on Wednesdays in October. The sessions will include prayer, a short introduction to the theme of the week, faith sharing, and other reflections. More details regarding gatherings in Spanish will be coming soon!

Choose any or all of the sessions to attend

Dates are:

Week One	October 4	Synodality	Sr. Donna L. Ciangio, OP
Week Two	October 11	Communion	Milissa Else
Week Three	October 18	Mission	Br. Christopher Hall, C.F.C., Ed.D.
Week Four	October 25	Participation	Bishop Michael Saporito

Please register to assure a spot and the Zoom link will be sent to you.

Click to Register for a Session

<https://forms.gle/uEq7CK7SP6mrvmBA>

OCTOBER 1, 2023

Mass Intentions

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

MONDAY, October 2, 2023

9:00 AM Tiffani Loughnane

TUESDAY, October 3, 2023

6:30 AM Vicary Renaud, Austin Renaud,
Ernest X. Colin, Caressa Colin,
Valdemar Colin (Living Intentions)
9:00 AM Lucille Tese

WEDNESDAY, October 4, 2023

6:30 AM Nancy Francois, Magalie Colin
(Living Intentions)
9:00 AM Richard Cancilla

THURSDAY, October 5, 2023

6:30 AM Patsy Ciriello
9:00 AM Howard Walsh (deceased) &
Eleanor Walsh (Living Intention)

FRIDAY, October 6, 2023

9:00 AM Lucille Tese

SATURDAY, October 7, 2023

9:00 AM People of the Parish
5:00 PM Loretta Heuser

SUNDAY, October 8, 2023

8:00 AM Thomas Hogan
10:00 AM Karl Ulz
11:30 AM William Galya Jr.
6:00 PM Arlene Pinyuh



The Sanctuary Lamp at the Blessed Sacrament will be lighted during the week of October 1 for Jimmy DiBetta requested by Patricia, James and Paul DiBetta.

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