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Please see Archdiocese of Newark
website for information on Catholic
Schools at rcan.org.



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

As a society, during these post-Christmas days we can be experiencing low spirits. Our celebrations of Christmas and the New Year are over, and after today many of us will put away the decorations and the last visible remnants of the celebrations of the past weeks. The apostle Paul today uses the expression "partners in the promise." This is an uplifting phrase for us to reflect upon, and to think of as our own calling in these days following the birth of the Lord. What is this promise? We can find it in the gifts the magi bring: it is a promise of being a royal priesthood (gold), a holy nation (frankincense), a people set apart for self-giving (myrrh). We find more of the promise in Isaiah, a light shines upon us! In the psalm we know a promise of a world of flowering justice, profound peace, the poor rescued, pity for the lowly and the poor. This is the promise; and one of the best ways for us to lift ourselves out of any possible low spirits we may be suffering is to live out our partnership in this promise each and every day.

Happy New Year!
Fr. Frank

THE KNIGHTS CORNER



Our next monthly council meeting will be held on Monday, January 8th, 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? The Epiphany is celebrated on January 6th and marks the day Jesus is revealed to the world. It is also known as Three Kings' Day, Twelfth Day, and Little Christmas. In some countries, Epiphany is as important as Christmas. Some believe it is the Wise Men, not Santa, who bring gifts to children.

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

RECLAIM THE NAME

January is the month traditionally devoted to honoring the holy name of Jesus. What can we do to reclaim reverence for His name in a culture that considers it to be just another word?

Bow your head. "At the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth". (Philippians 2:10). Make a slight reverent nod whenever you hear Jesus' name in public, in conversation, on TV or in movies.

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
George Parowski
Nicole Trotta

GIVE THE GIFT OF FRIENDSHIP IN THE NEW YEAR

When times are tough, it can be our family and friends who help us through. There wasn't much Jesus wouldn't do for His friends. In fact, He was more concerned with being a good friend than with having one. In our current pandemic situation, we can care for our loved ones as Jesus would:

Make spending time together a priority.

Connections between loved ones are critical now. When meeting in person isn't possible, phone calls, letters, and emails can keep us connected. Video conferencing has become a staple of daily life; consider organizing regular get togethers with friends and family using your favorite conferencing program.

Help other people feel important.

No matter how you interact, give the other person your full attention in conversation and show appreciation and understanding for what he is saying.

Celebrate your friends' successes.

A true friend is genuinely happy when something good happens in the other's life.

Value differences.

Don't try to change your loved ones.

Celebrate their diversity.

Be willing to apologize. You may let each other down but a sincere apology can bring friends closer together.

Don't forget old friends.

Call someone you haven't been in touch with for a long time. Don't know what to say? Try, "I don't want another moment to go by without being in touch. I've missed you."

Spread love wherever you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier."

Mother Teresa

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



In Loving Memory

The following parishioners have made Christmas Flower donations in memory of their loved ones.

The Gallucci Family
In memory Ralph Gallucci
In memory of James & Rose Russell

Bill & Denyse Galda
In memory of Ellen M. Galda, Edward & Marie Coyle
John F. Galda

David Dickey
In memory of Helen & George Dickey

Joseph J. Felice
In memory of Josephine J. Felice

DilaPjeternikaj
In memory of Michael Pjeternikaj

Anne M. Sullivan
In memory of the Walsh, Quinn & Sullivan Families

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Zakrzewski
In memory of the Zakrzewski & Bussanich

Patricia O'Brien
In memory of Patricia & Albert Connors,
Marian & Paul O'Brien, Rose & Dario Rizzi

Jennifer Edelson
In memory of Jane & Peter Ball

Skip Vaccarino
In memory of Maria Vaccarino

In memory of Richard J. Letcher, James Hamilton,
Annie M. Rooberg, James S. Hamilton

Edward Norton
In memory of The Brennan & Norton Families

HELP US TO STAY IN TOUCH WITH YOU

The parish uses a communication system called Flocknote to send email and text messages to parishioners. 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.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The amount of the collection for December 24 was not available at the time the bulletin went to press and will be reported to you at a later date. Thank you for your generosity and God bless you and your families.

MEN OF THE PARISH

SAVE THE DATE! ! A mini-retreat will be held for the Men of the Parish on the morning of Saturday, February 24th. The morning will start off with Mass at 8:00am, followed by a light breakfast. The retreat will focus on **The Season of Lent** and will include speakers, videos, and discussion. The retreat will end around noon with a pizza lunch. The previous retreat, held in November of 2022, focused on Advent and was greatly received. Your participation in this retreat will make for another big success.

In order to plan properly, please RSVP to rvlasak@optonline.net by Feb. 10th.

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SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

Born at Troyes France in 1620, St. Marguerite consecrated herself to God and became a missionary. A friend introduced her to the mayor of Ville Marie (now Montreal) in Canada and on his invitation, she traveled to the New World to teach. With several others, she founded the Congregation of Notre-Dame de Montreal - a non-cloistered teaching order that was formally approved in 1676. By her death in 1700, she was called "Mother of the Colony."

JANUARY 7, 2024

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, January 6, 2024

9:00 AM Tara Hamilton
(Living Intention)
5:00 PM Tiffani Loughnane

SUNDAY, January 7, 2024

8:00 AM Alfred & Beverly Nash
10:00 AM Marie Palmeri
11:30 AM Richard Stefanacci
6:00 PM Patricia Straut

MONDAY, January 8, 2024

9:00 AM Katherine Ferro

TUESDAY, January 9, 2024

6:30 AM Carey Hamilton
9:00 AM Raymond Tese

WEDNESDAY, January 10, 2024

6:30 AM People of the Parish
9:00 AM Maureen J. Hagan

THURSDAY, January 11, 2024

6:30 AM Alfonse Joseph Amelio
9:00 AM Josephine Sudman

FRIDAY, January 12, 2024

9:00 AM Raymond Tese

SATURDAY, January 13, 2024

9:00 AM Katherine Schubert
5:00 PM Tiffani Loughnane

SUNDAY, January 14, 2024

8:00 AM Gregg Hauser
10:00 AM William P. Deegan
11:30 AM Rosario Solis
6:00 PM Arthur Carine

 **IN LOVING
REMEMBRANCE**

The Sanctuary Lamp at the Blessed Sacrament and the Altar Bread and Wine consecrated during the week are available as memorials for loved ones. To arrange, please contact the parish office at (201) 327-5663.