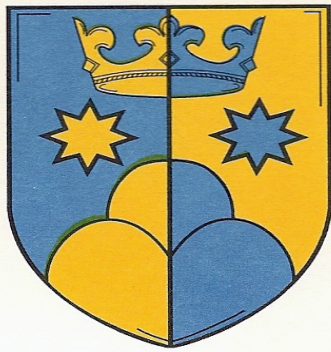


OUR LADY OF THE MOUNT CHURCH



HIS MERCY IS FROM AGE TO AGE

MASS SCHEDULES

SUNDAY MASSES

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5:00 PM (CHURCH)
SUNDAY 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 11:30 AM (CHURCH)

DAILY MASS

MONDAY-SATURDAY: 9:00 AM (CHAPEL)

HOLY DAY MASSES

7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 7:30 PM (CHURCH)

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated the first and third Sunday of each month at 12:45 p.m. Parents are asked to call the Parish Office to schedule a date. Godparents must be at least 16 years of age, have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist, must attend Mass regularly and, if married, their marriage must be recognized by the Catholic Church. These requirements are the universal law of the Church, and are not determined by the individual Parish. If the person you choose as godparent fulfills these requirements, they are asked to furnish a statement from their Parish that they are indeed eligible to be a Sponsor.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard every Saturday from 4:15 to 4:45 p.m. in the Church.

Sacrament of Marriage

Diocesan policy requires that couples participate in a marriage preparation program prior to their wedding. To ensure that all the necessary arrangements can be made, couples should contact the Parish Office at least one year in advance of their wedding date, and before any other plans have been made.

Sacrament of Holy Orders and Consecrated Life

Anyone interested in learning more about a life of service to the People of God as a priest, deacon, a religious brother or sister is encouraged to speak with Fr. Sean or call the Office of Vocations at (732) 562-1990.

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RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

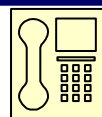
A small group process by which a person inquires into becoming a Catholic, and may receive the Sacraments of Initiation, namely Baptism, First Eucharist, and Confirmation, followed by continuous growth in the faith. Anyone interested may contact the Parish Office.

Ministry to the Sick

Every Sunday morning Ministers of Holy Communion bring the Eucharist to homebound parishioners. To request your name to be placed on the Communion list, please call the Parish Office. The clergy of the parish are available to visit sick family members, whether at home or in the hospital. Please let us know how we can be of assistance to you and your loved ones.



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
NOVEMBER 27, 2011



Parish Office (908)647-1075

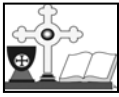
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MASS INTENTIONS

The Sanctuary Lamp in our Church burns this week for the intentions of Laura Jean Humiston at the request of Geraldine and Brian Hill.



Sunday, November 27

8:00 AM For Our Parishioners
10:00 AM John Nouri r/o Susan, Toni & Mazin Gilbert
11:30 AM Megan Folli r/o Lita Skalks

Monday, November 28

9:00 AM Donald Lloyd r/o Georgianna & Children

Tuesday, November 29

9:00 AM Mary Nobile r/o Aurelio Nobile

Wednesday, November 30

9:00 AM Mary Lange r/o Sharron Kaiser

Thursday, December 1

9:00 AM Esther Pezza r/o Susan & Tony Giancristofaro

Friday, December 2

9:00 AM Mary Agatha Ahn r/o Theresa Hahn

Saturday, December 3

9:00 AM Mass of Remembrance
5:00 PM Linda Marion r/o The Dutton Family

Sunday, December 4

8:00 AM Diana Streeton r/o Lorraine & Leonard Visotski
10:00 AM (Church) For Our Parishioners
10:00 AM (Shepherds Hall) Catherine Whatley
r/o Husband & Family
11:30 AM Angelo (Gene) DelMauro
r/o Leonard & Christine Siejk



REMEMBERED...
IN OUR PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers the sick and shut-ins of our parish, all those listed in the Parish Book of Intentions, and all the men and

Lord, grant eternal rest to the souls of our dearly departed, especially:

Mercedes Diaz
Mother of Alice Alonso

John Michael Kiseli
Father of John and Jeffrey Kiseli

Felix C. Militante, Jr.
Husband of Emma



We offer our sympathy and prayers to their families and friends.



Today's Readings

First Reading:
Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7

Second Reading:
1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Gospel:
Mark 13:33-37

Ministers for the Weekend Of...

December 3-4, 2011

| 5:00 PM | 8:00 AM | 10:00 AM | 11:30 AM |
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| Celebrant: Fr. Sean | Celebrant: Msgr. Capik | Celebrant: Fr. Sean | Celebrant: Fr. Sean |
| Lector: Joseph Murray | Lector: Celine Alapatt | Lector: Mazin Gilbert | Lector: Carla Dorsi |
| Ministers of Communion Team 1 | Ministers of Communion Team 1 | Ministers of Communion Team 1 | Ministers of Communion Team 1 |
| Altar Servers Claudia Przybylski Brigita Przybylski Gregory Przybylski | Altar Servers Catherine Alapatt Mary Curtin Ryan Curtin | Altar Servers Joseph Ross Ian Zohn Bridget Nordstrom | Altar Servers Megan Camp Joseph Ettore Nicolette Caprio |



STEWARDSHIP

A Way of Life
Treasure

Due to the early deadline for this week's bulletin (Thanksgiving Holiday), the collection report for the week of November 20th will be provided in next week's bulletin.

2011 Bishop's Annual Appeal In Faith, With Hope

Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal sustains the work of several Diocesan offices and departments that provide the spiritual, pastoral and intellectual formation as well as practical tools to assist the clergy and lay leaders of the local parishes in areas such as **Evangelization, Catechesis, RCIA, Stewardship and Worship & Liturgical Formation.**

Dear God,

Sometimes there doesn't seem to be enough of anything during the holidays—not enough gifts or food or happiness or love. Everybody seems to want more and more. Give to me the peace of knowing that your love is infinite and that you are enough for me.

Amen.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 27

Children's Liturgy of the Word, 10:00, Shepherds Hall

Padre Pio Prayer Group:

Eucharistic Adoration & Prayer, 4:00 PM, Chapel

Mass, 5:00 PM, Chapel

Fellowship, following Mass, Shepherds Hall

Middle School Youth Grp. Mtg., 7:30 PM, Youth Grp. Rm.

Tuesday, November 29

Prayer Group, 9:30 AM, Fr. Flynn Rm.

New Altar Servers Training, 4:00 PM, Church

Children's Choir Rehearsal, 4:45 PM, St. Cecilia Rm.

Wednesday, November 30

Weight Watchers, 5:30 PM, Shepherds Hall

Handbell Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 PM, Church

Neighbor to Neighbor, 7:00 PM, Fr. Peter Rm.

Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, St. Cecilia

High School Youth Grp. Mtg., 7:30 PM, Youth Grp. Rm.

A A, 8:00 PM, Fr. Russell Rm.

Thursday, December 1

Bible Study, 9:45 AM, Fr. Russell Rm.

Bible Study, 7:30 PM, Fr. Russell Rm.

Friday, December 2

Adoration beginning 9:30 A.M. in the Chapel

Benediction, 7:00 P.M., following Adoration

Altar Rosary Society Mtg., 1:00 PM, Fr. Russell Rm.

Saturday, December 3

Canned Fruit Collection

Tree Lighting, Visit with Santa, Refreshments, 6:00 PM

A A, 8:00 P.M., Fr. Russell Rm.

Sunday, December 4

Canned Fruit Collection

Grade 9 Mass/Class, 10:00 AM, Shepherds Hall

Middle School Youth Grp. Mtg., 7:30 PM, Youth Grp. Rm.

RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Our Lady of the Mount Reconciliation Service will be held Tuesday, December 13th at 7:30 PM. Keep the Sacraments at the heart of your preparation for the birth of our Savior. Come to confession, be a part of the Mass, receive your God in the Eucharist. Make your Christmas all that it should be, all that it can be.

PARISH HAPPENINGS

ROSARIAN

POINSETTIA SALE



Our Lady of the Mount Rosarians will be selling Christmas poinsettias the weekend of December 11-12. The plants come in a variety of colors and are a wonderful way to bring the beauty of Christmas into your home.

Thank you for supporting our Altar Rosary Society.

GUESS WHO'S

COMING TO TOWN!



Santa will be making his "official" appearance Saturday, December 3rd, after the 5:00 P.M. Mass. We will have our annual tree lighting, along with a live nativity scene. Refreshments will be served in Shepherds Hall, while the children get to meet Santa and present him with their Christmas "wish list".

The 2012 Entertainment Books

The Knights of Columbus are, once again, offering Entertainment Books at a great value!

Pricing for 2012 is still **\$30.00** for both the Central and North Jersey editions. The remainder of New Jersey and out-of-state books may be ordered (prices vary) and make great holiday gifts...so plan ahead.

To order yours, see any Knight, Bob Gray after Masses or call Gene Piszko at (908) 604-8483.

RESPECT LIFE



Life Matters: Persons with Disabilities

In his encyclical letter "**The Gospel of Life**", Blessed John Paul II identified "*the heart of the tragedy being experienced by modern man: the eclipse of the sense of God and of man*".

In fact, "*when the sense of God is lost, there is also a tendency to lose the sense of man, of his dignity and his life*". Blessed John Paul II frequently reminded us that, "*every human person - no matter how vulnerable or helpless, no matter how young or how old, no matter how useful or productive for society - is a being of inestimable worth, created in the image and likeness of God. A civilization which rejected the defenseless would deserve to be called a barbarian civilization, even though it had great success in fields of economics, technology, art and science*".

Food for thought and prayer!

Good Samaritan Ministry's 12th Annual Alternative Christmas Gift Market



Just as the Magi presented precious gifts to the infant Jesus, we follow their example each Christmas by giving to our loved ones. However, following the frenzy that accompanies gift giving, you've probably been amazed at the mounds of boxes and wrapping paper that has engulfed your surroundings. Many years ago members of the Good Samaritan Ministry recognized that we are fortunate to be able to provide so much for our families, but sadly, many others do not share in our blessings. From that realization sprang the **Alternative Christmas Gift Market** and an effort to place the emphasis for Christmas on charitable works.

With this sentiment in mind, eight local and global charities will be represented in **Shepherds Hall on the weekend of December 10 –11**. Please stop in, get to know the organizations and what they need, and then "shop" for the items on the charities' Christmas lists. Perhaps make it a family time to help remind yourselves and your children that the purpose of Christmas is not to get, but to give. If you are unable to join us at the Gift Market on that weekend, please drop off or mail your completed gift selection to the Parish office. A brief synopsis of each charity and order forms are available on the Parish website for your convenience. Following receipt of your donation, a tax receipt will be sent to you for your records. Gift cards will also be made available if you desire them. In keeping with the tradition started over 2,000 years ago by the three kings, your donation will truly be a precious gift that will make a difference in another's life.

If you would like to assist with this even or have questions, please contact Kathy Dubois at (908) 580-9736 or du-boisggkj@yahoo.com.

TIME FOR OUR GIVING TREE!

The Parish Giving Tree will be displayed the weekends of November 26/27, December 3/4, and December 10/11. Please take an ornament and shop for the individual listed. Gifts should be returned under the Giving Tree, unwrapped with the ornament attached. Gifts will be collected no later than 12:00 Noon on December 18th so that they can be delivered to our sister parish, La Asuncion, in time for Christmas. Thank you in advance for your donations.



Caritas Christmas Concerts To Benefit School In Africa

Caritas Chamber Chorale will be presenting a Christmas Concert Series to benefit the Adorno Fathers' St. Francis Caracciolo Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Africa. Contributions from the freewill offering are designated for the salaries of teachers at the Gianni Diurni Primary School in Goma. The school, run by the Mission, is free to area children who would otherwise have no access to schooling.

Directed by Barbara Sanderman, the Chorale will present the program entitled, ***And have you come with us to dwell?*** The program consists of a *cappella* sacred choral music for Advent and Christmas.

The program will be presented three times:

Friday, December 2nd 8PM

St. Bernard Episcopal Church—Bernardsville

Saturday, December 3rd 8PM

St. Joseph Church—Lodi

Sunday, December 4th 8PM

Christ Church (Episcopal)—New Brunswick

Based in Far Hills, NJ, the Caritas Chamber Chorale is dedicated to serving the poorest of the poor through the art of sacred choral music. For more information visit:

Marians of the Immaculate Conception Retreat

Friday, December 2, 7:30-8:30 PM

Fr. Michael Gaitley's Personal Testimony
(Free Will Offering)

Saturday, December 3, 9:00 AM-3:30 PM

Consoling the Heart of Jesus Retreat
(Admission: \$20.00—includes lunch)

Church of the Immaculate Conception
35 Mountain Ave., Somerville

Register by Dec. 1st. Contact Patti Jannuzzi at (908)725-1112

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

The Diocese of Metuchen is offering a Liturgical Formation Workshop reviewing the guidelines, rites and pastoral practices for all those ministers who bring Communion to the sick in various settings. Time will be allotted for questions and answers.

Date: Saturday, December 3, 2011

Time: 10:00 AM—Noon

Place: St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, Piscataway

For more information contact the Office of Worship & Episcopal Ceremonies, at (732) 562-1990 ext. 1634, or e-mail worship@diometuchen.org.