

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 25, 2014

- 5:30 Mary Cucco
- 7:30 Melvin & Dorothy Evans
- 9:00 Anne & Harry Somo
- 10:30 Alta Milliken
- 12:00 Bell-Verrett Family

Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, 2014

- 8:30 All Parishioners of Ascension

Tuesday, May 27, 2014

- 7:00 People of Ascension Parish
- 8:30 Pat O'Keefe

Wednesday, May 28, 2014

- 7:00 Gerard Patrick Lee
- 8:30 Agnes Van den Bergh

The Ascension of the Lord

Thursday, May 29, 2014

- 7:00 All
- 8:30 Ascension Parishioners
- 7:30 Living & Deceased

Friday, May 30, 2014

- 7:00 Agnes Van den Bergh
- 8:30 Martha Doherty

Saturday, May 31, 2014

- 8:30 Eve Boschker
- 5:30 Roberto Fernandez

Seventh Sunday of Easter, June 1, 2014

- 7:30 Mary Hickey
- 9:00 Lillian Person
- 10:30 Mary Buckley, Eighth Anniversary
- 12:00 People of Ascension Parish

PARISH **\$**TEWARDSHIP REPORT
WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH



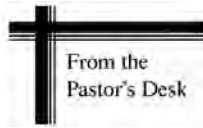
Ascension Parish is supported by people who place their faith and trust in God.

May 18, 2014: \$6,429.00
Food Pantry: \$1,152.00

We thank you very much for your generosity. You always care for and support our Parish programs, ministries and plant maintenance.

**Readings for the Week of
May 25, 2014**

- Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21
- Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26--16:4a
- Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11
- Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22--18:1/Jn 16:12-15
- Thursday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20
- Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23
- Saturday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Lk 1:39-56
- Next Sunday: Acts 1:12-14/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a



Today we hear Jesus preparing His friends for His departure. He reminds them that they are not being abandoned and left as orphans. Jesus tells them that, with his passing, a new relationship begins.

Jesus has loved His friends and will intensify that love even to the death on the Cross. He reminds His early Church that they will continue to have a way to love Him. Notice once more, God loves us first, in Christ, and our response has to be in human terms, human expressions. Jesus reminds them that loving Him is revealed through keeping, not only the famous Ten Commandments, but the even more human commandment of loving one another.

Our Easter Season at Ascension is filled with celebrating Sacraments in our church - Baptisms, First Communions, communal Anointing of the Sick, Reconciliation, Marriages and Confirmation. We are doing what the Church is, the very actions of Jesus taking flesh.

The Sacraments, which are the gestures of Jesus extended into time and according to human experiences, are given as gifts to be lived as part of the new relationship between God and us. The reception of the Sacraments is but a beginning. We are all called by the various Sacraments to be sacraments, or visible, lively, loving presences of Jesus in the important times of the lives of our family - God's family.

“I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.”

✠ This Thursday, May 29th, we celebrate the **Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**, a holyday of obligation and our parish Feast Day. We will celebrate Mass at 7:00 and 8:30am and 7:30pm. Most Rev. Bernard Hebda, Co-Adjutor Archbishop of Newark, will be with us at the 7:30pm as we celebrate our solemn Feast Day Mass which will be followed by our "Make your own Ice Cream Sundae" reception on Ascension Plaza. Please join us.

✠ On Friday, May 30th, we begin our **Novena for Pentecost** - nine days of prayer asking God to renew us, our parish, and our world with the gift of the Holy Spirit. We will pray the Novena prayer, which is inserted in the back cover of our hymnals, at all daily and weekend Masses after the Universal Prayer.

✠ Mega 50/50 Tickets have been sent to our parishioners. Please return all sold and unsold books as soon as possible. The drawing will take place at our parish picnic.

Know that I pray for you every day. Please pray for me, too.

God Love You!



TRANSFIGURATION ACADEMY



Congratulations öFatherö Duberley
The Administration, Faculty, Staff and Students of
Transfiguration Academy Congratulate
You On Your Ordination.
May God Continue To Bless You And Your Work

ROSARY BEADS FOR THE MILITARY

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting rosary beads to be given to the chaplains of the Archdiocese of the Military. The chaplains will distribute the rosaries to the troops and to others they serve. The K of C will have canisters at the doors of the church and will collect the rosaries throughout the month of May.



“LEST WE FORGET”



Dear Lord,
We thank you for the lives and service
of our men and women in the Armed Forces.
Strengthen them and give them guidance
as they stand in harm's way to
protect our nation and way of life.
May they face each day of their service
the same way Your Son Jesus did;
with courage, dignity and faith.
And if it be Your will, when their
work is through, bring them safely home.
Lord, please also bless
the families of our troops.
Reward them generously for their sacrifices
which are known only to You.
May we never forget those who
have paid the ultimate price
for our freedom and safety:
those who have died in the service
of our county.
May they rest in peace forever
with You in Your kingdom.
Amen



Registration for 2014-2015:

Registration forms the 2014-2015 School year were distributed to all students. Kindly fill out the forms and return them along with the fees to the Religious Education office before June 30th. All families that are new to the program are asked to come to the Religious Education Office and pick up a Registration Form. For more information please call us at 201-836-3085.



Volunteers Needed:

We are in need of Catechists, Aides and Class Parents for our Religious Education Program for the 2014 ö 2015 School year. Anyone interested, please call Theresa Carbone our Coordinator of Religious Education at (201) 836-3085 during office hours.

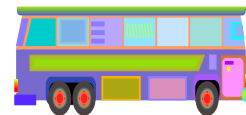
Childrenö Liturgy of the Word Team member. This is a great opportunity for college students or student teachers to gain experience share their faith and work with students in a relaxed atmosphere. Anyone interested please, call the Religious Education office.

Office Hours:

Monday ö Wednesday & Friday: 9 am to 4 pm
Closed; Thursday & Saturday

BUS TRIP.....TO ATLANTIC CITY

Ascension is sponsoring a trip to:



TAJ MAHAL
Monday, June 16, 2014

The bus will leave the Ascension parking lot at 9:00am (sharp). Tickets are still available for \$27.00/per person (with a rebate of \$30.00). Make your checks payable to: Church of the Ascension, and drop off at the rectory in an envelope marked öAtlantic City Trip.ö Any questions, call Marge at (201)265-5675.

Church of the Ascension

New Milford, New Jersey

Invites You to Gather Together and Share...

Our Parish Feast Day

May 29, 2014

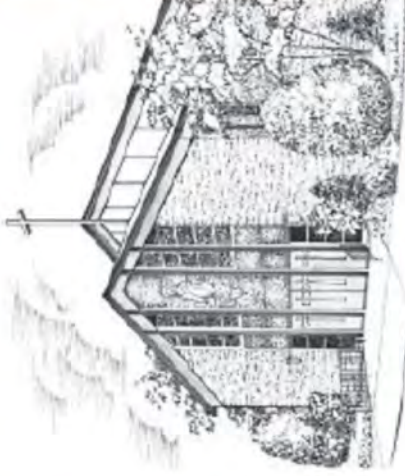
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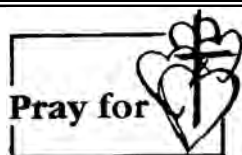
...7:30pm Feast Day Solemn Eucharistic Liturgy

*Celebrant: Most Rev. Bernard Hebda,
Co-Adjutor Archbishop of Newark*

*...8:30pm **Make your own Ice Cream Sundae**
(Ascension Plaza)*

Please...Come...Join Us !





"To everything there is a season..."

"a time to be born..."

**Avery Morgan Rinko, Matteo Anthony Jose,
Brody Michael Lennon**

"a time to be healed..."

Rev. John McGovern, Andrew Comer, Matthew Sammon, Peggy Evans, Janet Sweeney, Anna Gorgone, Frances Lanzilotti, Anita Zucconi, Jack Wall, Eileen Burke, Michael Cullen, Joseph Gorgone, John Burke, Bob Stasi, Peggy Funesti, Patricia Burke, Eleanor Pompeo, Alyssa Brady, Dolores DeMatteo, Barbara Riley, Alex Kuhr, Barbara Santore, William Schettinger, Yvonne Payne, Rosemarie Salimbene, Marge Bruno, Jim Keane, Monica Vivas, Theresa Ruocco, Kay Harrington, Adem Shavelli, Joseph Albanese, Joe Hartney, Marguerite Morris.

And those among us who are sick and in need of our prayers.

"a time to serve..."

Cpt. Jack Massingale, U.S. Air Force, Afghanistan
All Men and Women serving in our countries Armed Forces.

"a time for peace..."

President Barack Obama, our National Leaders
and all World Leaders.

"a time to die..."

Margaret Bitetti, Raju Thomas

...and a time for every purpose under heaven"

Ecclesiastes 3:11



The SANCTUARY CANDLE
burns this week in loving memory of
Gavin Family



The ALTAR BREAD & WINE
Offered this week in loving memory of
Patrocinio Quijano



EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

In Memory of:
Living & Deceased Vine & Branches Prayer Group
Requested by:
Vine & Branches Prayer Group



Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 25, 2014

No events



Memorial Day Monday, May 26, 2014

Holiday one Mass celebrated at 8:30am
Rectory & Religious Educations Offices Closed

Tuesday, May 27, 2014

Woodcrest Center, Rosary - 2:30pm

Wednesday, May 28, 2014

Harrison House
Novena - 7:30pm ó Church
Filipino Core Group ó 8:00pm ó Gathering Room

Ascension Thursday, May 29, 2014

Parish Feast Day & Holy Day of Obligation
Mass Schedule: 7:00 & 8:30am &
7:30pm Solemn Feast Day Mass with
Co-Adjutor Archbishop Hebda

Reception on Ascension Plaza will follow

Friday, May 30, 2014

Finance Council ó 7:30pm ó Rectory Mtg. Room

Saturday, May 31, 2014

Confessions - 11:00am ó Church

Seventh Sunday of Easter, June 1, 2014

Parish Maintenance & Repairs
Baptism Prep. ó 1:15am ó Gathering Room



Meetings

**FRIDAY, MAY 30th AT 7:30PM
PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL
IN THE RECTORY MEETING ROOM**



Holiday Office Hours

MONDAY, MAY 26TH

**RECTORY & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICES
WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE
OF MEMORIAL DAY
HAVE A SAFE HOLIDAY WEEKEND**

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MEMORIALS

THANK YOU to those who have contributed to our Memorials Fund. If you would like to contribute to this fund, please send your donation to the rectory with the coupon below. When an item is purchased we will notify you which item is in memory of your loved one. If you have any questions, please call Fr. David at the Rectory (201)836-8961.

Additional Memorials: (circle appropriate memorial)

MEMORIAL CANDLES:	\$150/1 Year
	\$20/30 Days
ALTAR BREAD AND WINE	\$40 per week
ALTAR FLOWERS	\$50 (per basket/per week)
SANCTUARY CANDLE	\$15 per week

MEMORIAL FUND

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Phone: _____ Donation Amt.: _____
 In Memory of: _____
 Date Requested: _____

EASTER FLOWERS

You are invited to make a donation toward the Easter Flowers, which will continue to decorate our Church during the Easter Season. Donations may be made in memory of a loved one or a special intention. Each intention donation is \$10.00 please place form & donation in an envelope marked "EASTER FLOWERS" & drop off at the rectory.

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY

In Memory of: _____

For the Intention of: _____

Requested By: _____

Phone: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____



2014 Archbishop's Annual Appeal 2014 "When I called, you answered"

Thank you to the 274 parishioners who have made pledges amounting to \$49,390.00 to the 2014 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. With your help, we can reach and hopefully surpass our goal of \$53,400.00.

If you have not done so, please remember to return your completed pledge envelope for the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. You may place the envelope in the collection basket or bring it to the office. For those who have already made a gift, thank you for your support.



PAINTERS NEEDED



We are looking for experienced painters to help with projects in and around the parish facilities. What a wonderful way to be a Steward to your parish. Please contact the rectory office or speak to Father David if you are willing to share your Time & Talent with your parish. Thank you.



St. Joseph's Council #3814 Knights of Columbus will celebrate its 60th Anniversary with a Breakfast Open House on Sunday, June 1st from 9:00am to 1:30pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 199 River Road in New Milford. All parishioners are welcomed to celebrate with the Knights 60 years of service to the Church and Community. The breakfast will be free of charge.



"For it is better to suffer for doing right, if that should be God's will, than for doing wrong." 1 PETER 3:17

The old line says if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans. Many of us are diligent in our planning, making sure things are progressing smoothly, then disaster strikes, we don't get the result that was intended. An unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively. Why me? I did everything right! Here's the thing God has a different and better plan in store for you.



**Please remember to patronize,
 NATURE'S WAY IRRIGATION, INC.**

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