

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Mass Intentions for the Week

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 27, 2014

5:30 Brian & Regina McCann
7:30 Eleanor Sedlak
9:30 Edith Hartney
11:30 Rose & Nicholas Lanza

Monday, July 28, 2014

8:00 Con & Rose Lynch

Tuesday, July 29, 2014

8:00 Luis & Eric Aponte

Wednesday, July 30, 2014

8:00 Fidel P. Narvaez

Thursday, July 31, 2014

8:00 Pio Balagot (living)

Friday, August 1, 2014

8:00 Irene Dargan

Saturday, August 2, 2014

Memorial Mass

8:30 Aleyamma Pallath, Florencia Dolotina

5:30 William & Elizabeth Morris

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 3, 2014

7:30 Lillian Person
9:30 People of Ascension Parish
11:30 Ann Frederikson

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT *WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH*



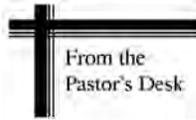
Ascension Parish is supported by people who place their faith and trust in God.

Sunday, July 13, 2014:	\$7,004.00
Mission Appeal:	\$1,338.00
Sunday, July 20, 2014:	\$7,199.00
Food Pantry:	\$1,109.00

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 July 27, 2014

Sunday:	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46
Monday:	Jer 13:1-11/Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday:	Jer 14:17-22/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday:	Jer 15:10, 16-21/Mt 13:44-46
Thursday:	Jer 18:1-6/Mt 13:47-53
Friday:	Jer 26:1-9/Mt 13:54-58
Saturday:	Jer 26:11-16, 24/Mt 14:1-12
Next Sunday:	Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21



Today we have a chance to listen in to the deep desires of Solomon, who became king when he was a teenager. In a dream, God said to him, "Ask something of me and I will give it to you." Amazingly, Solomon didn't ask for money or power or an A+ on his math exam! He asked for "an understanding heart to judge your people, and to distinguish right from wrong."

Solomon listened to his own conscience to discover the most important thing in life, that is, to bring God's kingdom into the world by his choices and actions. Wow! can you picture the proud parents of a kid who asked for wisdom?

Most teenagers try to stop and think, to the best of their ability, before making decisions. But parts of our brains don't develop decision-making ability until later in the 20's. So that is why parents try to guide their children to better choices than just emotional ones. But there is another way to make good decisions, no matter how young you are. God is speaking to your heart from the moment you are conceived! Did you know that? This is one reason Catholics are against abortion because God creates every life, and speaks to that baby from the first moment.

If you're 16 or 18 or 30 or 80, God's been forming your heart in you all those years, telling you that the only important thing in life is bringing in the kingdom. The kingdom of heaven means living with God's values, instead of lust, selfishness, greed, pride, or anger. The teenage Solomon is wise, because he asked for wisdom to bring more justice, love, and peace to his world.

God is calling all of us to a real life. Get in the habit of talking to God deep in your heart every day, and then listen. Be a person who lives as if you know the most important thing in life.

✠ Just a reminder... Community Blood Services will conduct a **BLOOD DRIVE** here at Ascension on **Sunday, August 10th from 8:30am to 12:30pm.**

I am told that this year more than 4 million people in the United States would die without life-saving blood transfusions. One out of every three people will need blood. Our participation in this Blood Drive will help to save lives in the community.

Parishioners who wish to donate blood are asked to sign-up in the front vestibule of the church after Mass.

May we look to Jesus, who gave us His blood that we might live, and consider being a blood donor. It's about LIFE!

✠ We invite all of our young men and women who will be going off to college, to join us on Sunday, August 17th, at the 11:30am Mass, when we will give you a special blessing for God's guidance and protection, especially during this coming school year. Please join us.

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

God Love You!



TRANSFIGURATION ACADEMY

SUMMER HOURS

The Academy's business hours during the summer are from 9AM to 2PM, daily. Maintenance activities are in full swing as we prepare for our opening in September. We look forward to an exciting, challenging and rewarding year.

NEW FOR NEXT YEAR

We are currently negotiating for two new and exciting programs for next year. If all works out, Transfiguration will be the ONLY Catholic elementary school to offer a Fencing Club and a Model United Nations. Stay tuned for more information.

REGISTRATION – 2013/2014

To arrange tours of our campuses and see the latest technological advances which make Transfiguration Academy a leader in Educational Excellence, or to register a student, please call the following: Please call 201-384-3627.

HELP US IN FEEDING THE HOMELESS!

On August 14th the Service Ministry will once again serve dinner at the homeless shelter in Hackensack. We are in need of bakers to help to see that all who come for dinner receive a delicious dessert. Cakes, pies, cookies, cupcakes or brownies are all appreciated. If you can help, please drop off your donations to the Rectory either on Wed, August 13th or before 2pm on August 14th. May God bless you for your help in feeding the poor!



If you had your portrait taken please stop by the rectory office during business hours and pick up your copy of our Parish Church Directory. Thank you!



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Registration for 2014-2015:

Registration forms for 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. Please note there will be a \$10 late fee after June 30, 2014. 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.

Please note that the Religious Education Office will be closed the week of August 4-9. If you need a Registration form you may pick one up in the Rectory during regular business hours.



All First Communion Parents

You may pick up your child's banner in the Religious Education Office. Please call to be sure someone is in the Religious Education office before you come.



Volunteers Needed:

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

Children's 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 & Wednesday & Friday: 9 am to 4 pm
Closed: Thursday & Saturday

A thought concerning Summer contributions: Just a gentle reminder. Summer is the season for outdoor barbecues, beaches, and, of course, those well-deserved family summer vacations. While families spend hours planning ahead for those 3-day weekends and weeks out of town, they sometimes tend to overlook that their parish needs them even during the summer months. Envelopes are often forgotten. Our parish bills do not stop during the summer months. Please help us by making your offering each week. If you are away for vacation, please remember your missed offering the following week. Your good stewardship is so essential to our parish and is so very much appreciated.



Church of the Ascension
New Milford, New Jersey
2014 Summer
Mass Schedule

Monday, June 30th to Sunday, August 31st

Weekdays:

Monday through Friday...8am

Saturday...8:30am

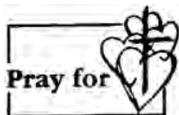
Weekends:

Saturday...5:30pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am

Holy Days: 7am, 8:30am, 7:30pm

Civil Holidays: 8:30am



"To everything there is a season..."

"a time to be born..."

Maya Coppolecchia, Marco Lanzilotti, Mia Lanzilotti,
Jonathan Martinez, Kate Zipay

"a time to be healed..."

Jose Ignacio Zuniga, Frank Mottola, Shirley Busby, Helen Chaffiotte, Jerry Sullivan, Roger Carr, Rev. John McGovern, Andrew Comer, Janet Sweeney, 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.

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

Ecclesiastes 3:11



The SANCTUARY CANDLE burns
this week in loving memory of
Fulgencio Yu



SUMMER DRESS FOR MASS



As summer continues, we would like to remind you of the proper dress for Sunday Mass. What may be appropriate for the beach or outdoor activities is not necessarily appropriate at Mass. It used to be that Christians wore their "SUNDAY BEST" when they came to church. Today, in our more casual society while we may not dress formally for Mass, we should dress properly out of respect for God and the sensitivities of others attending Mass as well.

Please remember, as always at Mass, the priest is the last to enter and the first to leave. Also, please remember to turn your cell phones OFF!



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 27, 2014

Masses: 7:30am, 9:30am & 11:30am

Monday, July 28, 2014

No event

Tuesday, July 29, 2014

Woodcrest Center, Rosary ó 2:30pm

Wednesday, July 30, 2014

Novena ó 7:30pm - Church

Thursday, July 31, 2014

No event



First Friday, August 1, 2014

Communion Visits to homebound

Saturday, August 2, 2014

Confession ó 11:00am - Church

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 3, 2014

Masses: 7:30am, 9:30am & 11:30am

Parish Maintenance & Repairs

Monday, August 4, 2014

No event

Tuesday, August 5, 2014

Woodcrest Center, Mass- 2:30pm
Baptism Prep. ó 7:00pm ó Gathering Room

Wednesday, August 6, 2014

Novena ó 7:30pm ó Church
Filipino Core ó 8:00pm ó Gathering Room

Thursday, August 7, 2014

No event

Friday, August 8, 2014

No event

Saturday, August 9, 2014

Confession ó 11:00am ó Church
Cross Catholic Outreach at all weekend Masses
Fr. John Quinn

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 10, 2014

Cross Catholic Outreach at all weekend Masses
Fr. John Quinn

Masses: 7:30am, 9:30am & 11:30am



2014 Archbishop's Annual Appeal 2014

"When I called, you answered"

Thank you to the 288 parishioners who have made pledges amounting to \$50,045.00 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.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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: _____

50/50 RAFFLE

Don't forget to fill out and submit your
“SummerFest 2014 Mega 50/50” Raffle
Tickets before you leave on vacation!

CROSS OUTREACH NEXT WEEK

Father John Quinn will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.



SATURDAY: 8:30AM
SATURDAY VIGIL: 5:30PM
SUNDAY: 7:30AM-9:30AM-11:30AM
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY: 8:00AM
HOLY DAYS: 7:00AM-8:30AM-7:30PM
CIVIL HOLIDAYS: 8:30AM

AVAILABILITY

SANCTUARY CANDLE (\$15.), BREAD & WINE (\$40.), AND ALTAR FLOWERS (\$50. each basket) for the week, are available for memorial or special occasions, such as First Communions, Confirmations, Baptisms, Birthdays, Wedding Anniversaries. Please stop by the rectory office if you would like to check date availability.

“The Home of the Free Because of the Brave”

This year's Parish Picnic on September 14 will have a very special theme. This year we would like to Salute the Armed Forces-those special men and women who volunteer to go into harm's way around the world to protect our freedoms and way of life.

All of us have family and friends who are in or were in the services. We would like you to help us say “Thank You” to those brave men and women by volunteering to help, or with any ideas or suggestions. Please call Marguerite Morris at 201-385-0159.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

The Ascension Service Ministry and the New Milford Women's Club will be collecting School Supplies in the box at the back of the church running through the third week of August. Supplies needed are: pencils, pens, notebooks, composition books, loose leaf paper, crayons, high lighters, washable markers, index cards, glue sticks, folders and backpacks. These supplies will be distributed among the children of Ascension Food Pantry clients, Transfiguration Academy and the two New Milford Elementary Schools. Your support in this effort is appreciated.



SUMMER

Are you planning and packing for your vacation!!!

School is closed, vacations are scheduled, be sure to include God in your plans. Remember the expenses of the church continue during the vacation months. Please continue to use your envelopes and if you are going away, please put in your envelope the week before or the week your return.

HAVE A HAPPY, SAFE AND HEALTHY SUMMER!

Altar Servers

We are in need of several Adult Altar Servers to assist at Funeral Masses. If interested, please contact the Rectory (201) 836-8961 and sign up for a training class.



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.

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