

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION



**The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica,
November 9, 2014**

5:30 Vanessa Villordon (living)
7:30 People of Ascension Parish
9:00 Dylan Rowohlt
10:30 Regina & Brian McCann
12:00 Aleyamma Thomas

Monday, November 10, 2014

7:00 All Souls Novena
8:30 Elizabeth Zadroga

Tuesday, November 11, 2014

7:00 Gerard Patrick Lee
8:30 All Souls Novena

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

7:00 All Souls Novena
8:30 Dylan Rohwohlt

Thursday, November 13, 2014

7:00 Antonio R. Ruiz
8:30 Deced. memb. of the Delaney Family

Friday, November 14, 2014

7:00 George U. Ruiz
8:30 Members of Tobias & Racca Family

Saturday, November 15, 2014

8:30 Joseph deGuzman
5:30 Melvin & Dorothy Evans

**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time,
November 16, 2014**

7:30 Giovanni D. Ruiz
9:00 People of Ascension Parish
10:30 Mary Hickey
12:00 Peter Buckley

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT
WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH



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

Sunday, November 2, 2014: \$6,733.00
Maintenance & Repairs: \$3,309.00
All Saints: \$ 812.00

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 November 9, 2014

Sunday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
Monday: Ti 1:1-9/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: 2 Jn 4-9/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21



One of the marks of the Catholic Church is its **unity**. We are one throughout the entire world. Union, or communion, is the deepest vocation of the Church. Our celebration of the dedication of a church in Rome is really a celebration of who we are as a Church throughout the world.

Today, on this **Solemnity of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica** ô our Holy Father's Cathedral as Bishop of Rome ô we are asked to look deeply into the heart and soul of our Catholic Church, to rejoice in what we see, and to rededicate ourselves to the Church's primary mission ô to bring all into oneness which effects healing, wholeness and holiness. This happens when people come together in love whether in friendship or marriage, family or community, or any other genuine gathering of people.

We are not meant to live our lives in splendid isolation. We were created by God in such a way that we seek the companionship of other people. When that fellowship with others is filled with love, then healing, wholeness and holiness follow. You and I have been given the gift of the community we call **Church**. All too often we forget what a tremendous and life-giving gift this really is.

We are the People of God, held together by our belief in Jesus Christ, and we carry a pledge to love one another as Jesus loved us. That is the truth to which we must cling. Let us not focus on what has gone wrong with the Church. That only puts us into the pit. We, of course, need to be aware of those areas where we can move forward, but to simply plant our minds and hearts in the negative aspects of our community will surely just drag us down. As God's people, we need to rejoice in the reality that we are loved by God and called by this loving God into a loving community. That's where we need to place our energy and our focus.

✠ Our **All Souls altar of remembrance** is a reminder for us to pray for our beloved dead. Take a moment to remember as you pass by.

✠ We welcome **Christians of the Holy Land** this weekend. They will be with us in the Gathering Room selling their Beautiful handcrafted olive wood creations.

✠ Don't forget! Here are some upcoming important November Parish Events:

♦ **Thanksgiving Turkey Drive** on Sunday, November 23rd from 7am to 1pm outside the Rectory. Confirmation Candidates and members of the Service Ministry will be on hand to help.

♦ **Interfaith Thanksgiving** on Sunday, November 23rd, at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church at 4pm.

♦ **Advent Begins...Parish Advent Giving Tree** on Saturday, November 29th /Sunday, November 30th at all Masses.

Know that I pray for you every day. Please pray for me, too.
God Love You!

P. David



**TRANSFIGURATION
ACADEMY**



Transfiguration Academy participated in the St Joseph's Regional High School Scholastic Olympics. Our 16 students were among 352 participants representing 22 elementary schools from NY and NJ.

I am pleased to report the following:

- 1st Place, English, Boys' Div. - Lance Serafica
- 1st Place, Religion, Girls' Div. - Alessandra Bontia
- 3rd Place, Religion, Boys' Div.- Mateo Gallardo

These are among the latest in a series of academic and sports awards won by our students in both individual and team activities and are among the reasons to choose Transfiguration Academy for your child's current and future successes.

Begin the Transformation.
Begin learning lessons for a successful life.
Transfiguration Academy
201-384-3627
www.transfigurationacademy.org

Thanksgiving

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

We are beginning to prepare for our Thanksgiving Distribution. In order to complete our Thanksgiving Boxes for our Food Pantry clients, we are in need of the following items:

- Napkins, Salt and Pepper, Boxed and Canned Potatoes, Canned Turkey Gravy, Cranberry sauce, Apple sauce, Canned fruit, Stove Top Stuffing, Coffee, and assorted canned vegetables.

Please no outdated/expired items



ASCENSION'S TURKEYDRIVE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD
7:00AM – 1:00PM
OUTSIDE THE RECTORY



Calendar:

- Sunday, November 9th -- K thru 6th grade from 10:15 am to 11:45 am (SCH)
- Monday, November 10th ó 8th Grade from 7 pm to 8:45 pm (MPR/SCH)
- Wednesday, November 12th-- 9th Grade from 7 pm to 8:45 pm (MPR/SCH)
- Sunday, November 16th -- K thru 6th grade from 10:15 am to 11:45 am (SCH)

Children's Liturgy of the Word has started at the 9 am Mass. All children in K to 5th grade are invited to join us. What a great way for families to celebrate Mass together.

Reconciliation: Pardon and Peace: This week our parish children preparing for First Reconciliation will discuss moral choices and how they can begin to know the difference between right and wrong choices. All of us are invited to think about our own moral choices and how we make them. What advice would you give to our First Reconciliation children? Please continue to pray for them on the journey to the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

The Religious Education Program would like to thank all who participated in this year's "Baby Shower", we were able to send much needed clothing, diapers, wipes, food and formula to the young mothers and babies at Several Sources. Please keep these young ladies, their babies and the people who run Several Sources in your prayer.

As some of you may have heard the Religious Education Office is now located in the Rectory. If you need to see Mrs. Carbone, please come to the Rectory during the day. Our phone number had not changed so please call Mrs. Carbone if you need to speak to her, as always leave a message if she does not answer and she will call you back.



Volunteers Needed:

We are in need of Class Parents for ALL GRADES in 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

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.

Religious Education Office Location & Hours:

- New Location: 356 Azalea Drive**
- Monday – Wednesday & Friday: 9 am to 4 pm**
- Location: 1092 Carnation Drive**
- Monday and Wednesday: 6:30 pm to 8:45 pm**
- Sunday Mornings: 10 am to 12 Noon**
- Closed: Thursday & Saturday**
- Other times by appointment**



*Church of the Ascension invites you...
Come and Join Us...*

Christmas Spectacular at Radio City Music Hall

Tuesday, December 9th

- \$145.00 per person includes:***
- Bus transportation and all gratuities
(Bus leaves Ascension at 12 Noon)***
- Orchestra Seats at the 2pm Christmas
Spectacular***
- Family Style Dinner at Carmine's Restaurant
on 90th Street***
- Visit the Christmas Tree at Rockefeller Center***
- Deadline for reservations: Sunday, November 9th***

Questions?

Call Jodie (201-265-0485) or Anna (201-387-2632)

Please fill out and return the form below to the Rectory Office with payment in full by Sunday, November 9th.

Radio City Music Hall Response Form

Name _____

Phone Number _____

Number of Persons Attending _____

Amount enclosed _____
(\$145.00 per person)



"To everything there is a season..."

"a time to be healed..."

Charles Brown, Rose DeEufemia, Dolores Crowley, Jose Ignacio Zuniga, Frank Mottola, Shirley Busby, Roger Carr, Rev. John McGovern, Andrew Comer, Janet Sweeney, Jack Wall, Eileen Burke, Michael Cullen, Joseph Gorgone, 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



Sunday, November 9, 2014

Christian of the Holy Land Olive Wood Sale
Gathering Room
Children's Liturgy of the Word ó 9:00am
Religious Ed. K-6 ó 10:15am ó School

Monday, November 10, 2014

Religious Education Grade 8 ó 7:00pm - School
CFM ó 7:30pm ó Gathering Room

Tuesday, November 11, 2014*Veterans Day

Woodcrest Center, Rosary ó 2:30pm
Parish Events ó 7:30pm ó Gathering Room

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

Religious Education Grade 9 - 7:00pm - School
Novena ó 7:30pm- Church
BS Troop 291- 7:30pm ó Fr. Benedict Ctr.
Filipino Core Meeting ó 8:00pm ó Gathering Room

Thursday, November 13, 2014

Children's Choir ó 3:45pm ó Church
Altar Server Practice ó 4:30pm ó Church
Ministry of Service ó 7:00pm ó Gathering Room
Combined Choirs ó 7:30pm ó Church

Friday, November 14, 2014

Altar Service Practice ó 4:30pm ó Church
Buildings & Grounds Committee ó 7:30pm - Rectory

Saturday, November 15, 2014

Confessions ó 11:00am ó Church

Sunday, November 16, 2014

Catholic Relief Services
Food Pantry
Children's Liturgy of the Word ó 9:00am
Religious Ed. K-6 ó 10:15am ó School
Baptism ó 1:30pm - Church

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.



Come... Join Us...

We Invite you to Gather Together and Share...

The 39th Annual
New Milford Community
Interfaith Thanksgiving
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

River Road, New Milford
Sunday, November 23, 2014 at 4:00pm



Please patronize
our advertisers.
They help us GROW.

FIRST LIGHT Home Care
201-345-3398



PARISH EVENTS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH AT 7:30PM
IN THE GATHERING ROOM

MINISTRY OF SERVICE
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH AT 7:00PM
IN THE GATHERING ROOM

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH AT 7:30PM
IN THE RECTORY MEETING ROOM



ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Just a reminder for those who made a pledge to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal for 2014. If you have not fulfilled your pledge please do so. Every fulfilled Pledge Counts! Thank you.

THIRTY-SECOND 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: _____

HARRISON HOUSE

We give thanks to the many volunteers who represented our parish by preparing meals for the residents of Harrison House, a residence for person with Aids, once a month during 2014!

Help is needed for 2015...We are seeking people who are willing to prepare a meal at home (one time) for 6/8 people and deliver it to Harrison House (on the grounds of Bergen Regional Medical Center) for the year 2015. Our parish has the 4th Wednesday of each month. If we have twelve volunteers, this means a family or individual will need to prepare only one meal for the year. Please call Hanna or May Lee, Chairpersons of our Aids Ministry, (201) 261-9246. if you can help in this worthwhile ministry. Thank you.



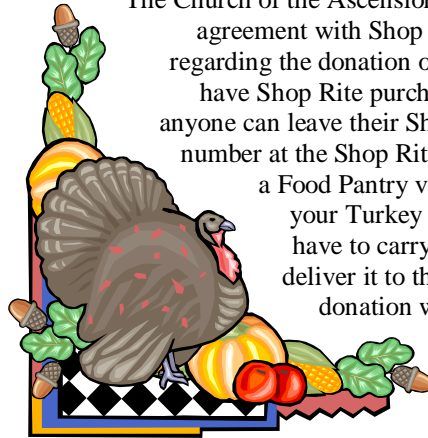
All are welcome to eh HARVEST MOON DANCE at the KofC St. Joseph's Council Hall on Saturday, **November 22**, 8pm-12. A live band will perform Oldies and Goodies music. Admission will include coffee and dessert. Cash bar. For more information contact Bob at 201-519-3296.



**VETERANS DAY
 NOVEMBER 11TH**

DONATION OF TURKEYS

The Church of the Ascension Food Pantry has an agreement with Shop Rite of New Milford regarding the donation of Turkeys. Once you have Shop Rite purchases exceeding \$400 anyone can leave their Shop Rite -- Price Plus number at the Shop Rite Courtesy Desk and a Food Pantry volunteer will pick up your Turkey donation You do not have to carry the Turkey home or deliver it to the Food Pantry. Your donation will provide a Turkey to those families using our Food Pantry. Your participation is appreciated.



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.

HAVE YOU NOTICED SOMETHING NEW??

As you may have noticed, we recently installed on our property a donation bin for Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark. All of the clothing, shoes, and small household items that you generously donate will be sold and the proceeds will be used to support the many programs for the needy as provided by Catholic Charities. Tax receipts are available, either paper or to your smartphone.

Catholic Charities will report periodically to us on the amount of money generated from our donation bin. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a larger pick up, please call toll free @ 877-343-3651.

NEWARK RE SERVE

PART TIME SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

ReServe Newark wants to reach out to congregation members that are 55+ years of age and are looking for part time work.

ReServe Newark is a non-profit that recruits encore professionals 55+ and matches them with non-profits, public schools and government agencies for part time service work at a modest stipend of \$10;00 per hour.

You must register on-line at www.reserveinc.org to attend a mandatory First Impressions Session.

If you have questions contact Edward Dominguez, Program Officer, ReServe Newark at 973-596-6400 ext. 123 or e-mail him at edominguez@reserveinc.org.