

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 18, 2015

- 5:30 Rose Carbone
- 7:30 People of Ascension Parish
- 9:00 Timothy Cronin
- 10:30 Jovita & Agnes Balagot
- 12:00 Juana Sisom

Monday, January 19, 2015

- 7:00 Daniel A. Nolan
- 8:30 Demetria Victoriano

Tuesday, January 20, 2015

- 7:00 Liberato Meneses
- 8:30 Mary & Enrique Blanco, Wedding Anniversary

Wednesday, January 21, 2015

- 7:00 Gerard Patrick Lee
- 8:30 Patrick, Karen & Connor (living)

Thursday, January 22, 2015

- 7:00 Daria Barsan (living)
- 8:30 Edith Hartney

Friday, January 23, 2015

- 7:00 Gerard Patrick Lee
- 8:30 Rosita Meneses

Saturday, January 24, 2015

- 8:30 Theresa Guido
- 5:30 Marge Bruno (healing)

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 25, 2015

- 7:30 Con & Rose Lynch
- 9:00 Delfina Duarte
- 10:30 People of Ascension Parish
- 12:00 Fred McCrea

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH



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

Sunday, January 11, 2015: \$7,067.00

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 January 18, 2015

- Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20
- Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Mk 3:22-30
- Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10/Mk 3:31-35
- Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Mk 4:1-20
- Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Mk 4:21-25
- Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Mk 4:35-41
- Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28



There are certain moments in our life when God seems to interrupt everyday life to speak to us in a special way. Maybe you narrowly escape a head-on collision; or your child becomes critically ill; or your closest friend or partner dies too soon. It is as if a kaleidoscope has been shaken, and all the pieces of your life have been rearranged into a different picture. If we're listening, God can use these moments to deepen our virtues, to increase our patience, our courage, to expand our wisdom, or to shock some part of us out of dullness and routine, and back into life. Whether we're young or old, God is still calling us, not just into a job or a new career, but to a constant re-weaving of the tapestry of our lives.

How is God calling your name these days? It has nothing to do with your age or your experience. I repeat, even if you are raising four kids, or already retired after 30 years on the job, do you realize that God is still calling your name with as much love and enthusiasm and challenge as before you were born? But are you still listening?

Perhaps your call in this new year is to be more honest or to quiet yourself or to be more generous or patient or to believe more passionately or to love without judgment. As we approach the Eucharist today, try saying, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening." And then really listen this week.

✠ Thank you to our parishioners who helped to take down the Christmas decorations in and around the church. Your help is always much appreciated.

✠ On Thursday, January 22nd, the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision, *Roe vs. Wade* (1973) we will celebrate a day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion, and of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life (USCCB, 2000). After the 8:30am Mass we will have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and share in a Holy Hour which will conclude with Benediction at 10am. Please come and join us.

✠ Next weekend we will take up a second collection to help defray the cost of Snow Removal on our parish grounds. This is a very expensive item on our budget and we don't know how many more storms we will have so I ask that each parishioner family be as generous as your means allow.

✠ **Pasta...Pasta...Pasta...A Taste of Italy... is coming!** Sponsored by our Boy Scout Troop 291... Mark your calendars! **Saturday, January 31st** Serving from 6:45pm to 8pm in the Fr. Benedict Center! (See the flier in the bulletin.)

✠ **MARDI GRAS 2015/VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER DANCE is coming!!!** Mark your calendars! Save this date! **Saturday, February 14th** 7:30pm to 11:30pm Dinner Dance with DøExecutives Band. As in years past, this promises to be a great evening together! Tickets are available in the front vestibule after all Masses. Please plan to be with us.

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

P. David



TRANSFIGURATION ACADEMY

Please Join Us

I would like to invite you to learn how the award winning programs and curriculum offered by Transfiguration Academy can satisfy all of your wishes for your child's academic growth and future success.

On Sunday, Jan. 25th, Transfiguration Academy will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast and Exposition, from 9Am to 1PM. Our teachers at all grade levels, 1st through 8th Grades, will be available in Conlon Hall, to discuss our curriculum, and various programs, along with displaying the students' work.

Over the years, Transfiguration has gone from a mere concept to becoming one of the best Catholic elementary schools in the area. There is an old saying which states: "you can't judge a book by its cover". To judge a school one should look at the number of academic awards won, the high school placement records, and the extracurricular and spiritual programs. Transfiguration excels in all of these areas and does so in a faith-filled, caring and nurturing environment.

We not only invite you and your child (children) to attend the breakfast and Expo, but invite your child (children) to spend a school day with us at a mutually agreeable time to see if it is a "good fit".

Come for the Breakfast.

Stay for the Education.

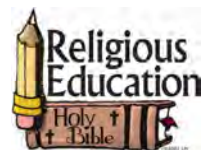
Transfiguration

Strengthening Faith, Enlightening Minds and Transforming Hearts... One Student at a Time

Transfiguration Academy

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Calendar:

Sunday, January 18th - No Religious Education

Monday, January 19th - No Religious Education

Wednesday, January 20th - 9th Grade from 7 pm to 8:45pm (MPR/SCH)

Sunday, January 25th - K thru 6th grade from 10:15am to 11:45am (SCH)

IMPORTANT NOTICE

NO Children's Liturgy of the Word today, Sunday January 18, 2015. We will meet next weekend. All students in Pre-K to 5th grade are invited to join us. What a great way for families to celebrate Mass together as a family.

There will be a 1st Grade Parents Meeting on Sunday, January 25th at 10:15am in the Fr. Davis Multi-Purpose Room. This is a Mandatory Meeting and at least one parent must attend.

There is a **Mandatory** Eight Grade Parents/Student meeting on **January 28, 2015** at 7:00pm in the Church. All students and parents are to attend if your child would like to be in the Confirmation Class of 2016.

Religious Education Office Location & Hours:

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



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BASRALIAN FUNERAL SERVICE

201-261-0222

*Boy Scouts Troop 291
Fundraiser*

*Please join us for a
Pasta Dinner*

Date: Saturday, January 31, 2015

Time: serving 6:45pm to 8pm

*Place: Church of the Ascension
256 Azalea Drive
New Milford, NJ
(Located in the Gym)*

Contact: Jeanine 551-486-5814 for more information

*Includes: Pasta, Meatballs, Salad, Bread,
Water, Soda*

*\$8.00 Adults
\$6.00 Children*





"To everything there is a season..."

"a time to be healed..."

Rose DeEufemia, Dolores Crowley, Shirley Busby, Roger Carr, Rev. John McGovern, Andrew Comer, Janet Sweeney, Ann & 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, Peggy Evans, Jose Diaz, Justine White, Marilyn & Joe Fazio, 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
Gerard Patrick Lee



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 18, 2015

Food Pantry Sunday
NO Children's Liturgy of the Word ó 9:00am
NO Religious Ed. K-6 ó 10:15am ó School

Monday, January 19, 2015-Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

NO Religious Education, Grade 7 ó 7:00pm- School
CFM ó 7:30pm ó Gathering Room

Tuesday, January 20, 2015

Woodcrest Center, Communion Service ó 2:30pm
Ministry of Worship/Liturgy ó 7:30 ó Rectory Mtg.Rm.

Wednesday, January 21, 2015

Religious Education, Grade 9 ó 7:00pm - School
Novena ó 7:30pm ó Church
BS Troop 291 - 7:30pm - Fr. Benedict Center
BS Committee ó 7:30pm ó Multi Purpose Room

Thursday, January 22, 2015

Children's Choir ó 3:45pm ó Church
Combined Choirs ó 7:30pm - Choir

Friday, January 23, 2015

Set up MPR for First Grade Parents Mtg.

Saturday, January 24, 2015

Confessions ó 11:00am ó Church

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 25, 2015

Snow Removal Collection
Sign-Up for Open Our Hearts
Children's Liturgy of the Word ó 9:00am
Religious Ed. K-6 ó 10:15am ó School
First Grade Parents Meeting ó Multi Purpose Room



**MINISTRY OF WORSHIP/LITURGY MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 20TH AT 7:30PM
IN THE RECTORY MEETING ROOM**

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 Communion, Confirmations, Baptisms, Birthdays, Wedding Anniversaries. Please stop by the rectory office if you would like to check date availability.



**THIS SUNDAY
JANUARY 17TH & 18TH**

Needs: Paper Products: Paper towels, toilet tissue, facial tissues, napkins. Personal hygiene products: toothpaste, razors, shaving cream, men's and women's deodorant, shampoo, canned vegetables/fruits and fruit juices Your continued support of this most important ministry is greatly appreciated. May God Bless you!

Happy Anniversary



SAVE THE DATE
MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS
FEBRUARY 8, 2015
12 NOON MASS
 Reception Follows in the Fr. Benedict Center



**SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR
 SNOW REMOVAL – JANUARY 24 & 25**

Next Weekend we will take up a second collection to help defray the cost of **Snow Removal** on our parish grounds. *This is a very expensive item on our budget & have already been serviced for seven snow removal and salting services this season.* This is a collection that provides for your safety throughout the winter months. So I ask each parishioner family to be as generous in this collection as your means allow. **Thank you!**

BUS TRIP.....TO ATLANTIC CITY
Ascension is sponsoring a trip to:



TAJ MAHAL
Thursday, February 12, 2015

The bus will leave the Ascension parking lot at 9:30am. Tickets are available for \$28.00/per person. Make your checks payable to: Church of the Ascension, and drop off at the rectory in an envelope marked "Atlantic City Trip." Any questions, please call Marge at (201)265-5675.

'Each of us is a Masterpiece of God's Creation.'

The Archdiocesan Respect Life Office and the Pro-Life Commission will host a Pro-Life Mass at noon on January 18, 2015 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, 89 Ridge Street, Newark. January 22, 2015 marks the 42nd anniversary of the legalization of abortion in this country. By attending this special Mass, those who wish to stand up for life but cannot attend the March for Life in Washington DC or the rally in Trenton can still show their support and defend those who cannot defend themselves. For more information, please contact Cheryl Riley at 973-497-4350 or at rileyche@rcan.org

PARISH TRIP

A Trip is being planned to the Amishlands, Pennsylvania for 3 days from April 15-17, 2015. The price of \$399 per person/\$468 single includes 2 nights lodging, 2 full breakfasts, 2 dinners, ðMosesö at the Millennium Theatre, ðInspireö at the American Music Theatre, guided tour of the Amish Countryside, guided tour of Hershey, with Founderø Hall and Tram ride. Bus transportation, luggage handling, taxes and meal gratuities are included. Cancellation insurance is available upon request and is recommended. A \$50 deposit will hold your reservation and is due by January 31st, 2015. For reservations and info. Call Josie, (201) 265-0485 or Anna (201) 387-2632. Please fill in the coupon below and deposit it at the rectory mailbox with your deposit.

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 PHONE # _____
 NAME OF PERSON YOU ARE SHARING _____
 A ROOM WITH _____
 PHONE # _____
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Please make all checks payable to Ascension Church

MEMORIALS

ðTHANK YOUö 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: _____
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 Phone: _____ Donation Amt.: _____
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 Date Requested: _____



Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Monday, January 19th

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