

# CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION



## Holy Trinity Sunday, May 31, 2015

5:30 Mary Cucco  
 7:30 Eve Baschker  
 9:00 Joseph Zmudniski  
 10:30 People of Ascension Parish  
 12:00 Tia Brooks

## Monday, June 1, 2015

7:00 Jessie Brown, (living)  
 8:30 Alice Gorman

## Tuesday, June 2, 2015

7:00 Fr. John McGovern  
 8:30 Marie Hackett

## Wednesday, June 3, 2015

7:00 Serina & Jack, Anniversary (living)  
 8:30 Cappy Coppolino

## Thursday, June 4, 2015

7:00 Joseph Zmudniski  
 8:30 Gene & Rose Stokes

## Friday, June 5, 2015

7:00 Bolivar Aponte  
 8:30 Marge Bruno, healing

## Saturday, June 6, 2015

### Memorial Mass

8:30 Jesus & Teresita Bollozos  
 5:30 William & Elizabeth Morris

## Corpus Christi Sunday, June 7, 2015

7:30 Melvin & Dorothy Evans  
 9:00 Jean Ziller  
 10:30 Lillian Person  
 12:00 People of Ascension Parish

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

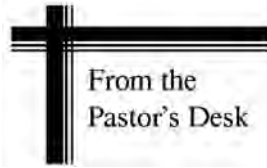
Ascension Parish is supported by people  
 who place their faith and trust in God.

**Sunday, May 24, 2015:                 \$6,627.50**  
**Nepal, Special Collection:         \$1,338.00**

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 31, 2015

Sunday:	Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20
Monday:	Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8/Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday:	Tb 2:9-14/Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday:	Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Mk 12:18-27
Thursday:	Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Mk 12:28-34
Friday:	Tb 11:5-17/Mk 12:35-37
Saturday:	Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Mk 12:38-44
Next Sunday:	Ex 24:3-8/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26



Today, on the feast of the Holy Trinity, we might ask, "How do we save and protect the deep meaning of the Trinity, when we can't see or really understand it?" St. Patrick used the famous shamrock, showing how three leaves on one stem could mirror three Persons in One God. Can you think of some better images?

Today we celebrate what we can easily call the central mystery at the core of our Christian beliefs, the **Most Holy Trinity**. It is one of those mysteries that we were probably told we wouldn't be able to comprehend anyway, so we would simply have to take it on faith. But it is not a lack of faith which causes us to ask questions.

We have a sacred obligation to ask good questions, to read, pray, and ponder the possibilities—all in our quest to know God more deeply. In fact, the study of theology is defined as "faith seeking understanding."

The most important thing is not HOW Father, Son, and Holy Spirit exist as One—but WHY their life as One is crucial to OUR life. Because the Holy Trinity is the model of all love which exists in the world as we know it, and in the world beyond. Not a clinging, weak, dependent love—not a one-sided, temporary, or troubled love, like so many of the "loves" we have all experienced in our lives—but the richest, strongest, most glorious explosion and implosion of energy that has ever existed.

Often the relationships we call "love" are not worthy of the name. We are all burdened and blinded by the presence of evil in the world, so we mistake all kinds of phony things for love.

Don't lower your standards! Our guide to intimate relationships should be the real thing. Only the Trinity shows us the awesome ultimate bond that we should seek in all of our love relationships.

✠ **Ascension Ministers**--Altar servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers--please get your summer availabilities forms with vacation dates to Fr. David for the summer schedule **TODAY**.

✠ Just a reminder! Next Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate the **Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus**. Perhaps we remember this feast as **Corpus Christi**. We will celebrate 12:00 Noon Mass, after which we will expose the Blessed Sacrament and enter into a procession around our church grounds. During the procession we will pause twice for Benediction and return to church for a third Benediction. What a day of Eucharistic Blessing for Ascension! Please, plan to join us!

✠ We are in need of adults to help as servers for Funeral Masses. This Lazarus Ministry is so comforting to a bereaved family. Also we are in need of Lectors and Special Ministers of the Eucharist for our Sunday Masses. Jesus calls us to love one another through our gift of service. These are grace-filled opportunities for us to serve the Lord. Anyone who is interested, please contact Fr. David in the Rectory.

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



**TRANSFIGURATION ACADEMY**

**Congratulations! Mrs. Bontia**

Please join the faculty and staff in congratulating Mrs. Bontia on receiving her Master's Degree in



Education from St. Peter's University. Mrs. Bontia is the latest recipient of our faculty to receive her Master's degree. In addition to her recent M. Ed. degree, Mrs. Bontia is certified as a teacher of Foreign Languages, and in Science, her premier subject.

In congratulating Mrs. Bontia, we also recognize the entire Transfiguration faculty who at various

times continue to develop subject knowledge and enhance their teaching skills both by enrolling in advanced degree and certification programs, and in enhancing their teaching skills through continuing education courses and workshops.

It is this professional and dedicated faculty that is the mainstay of our Academy and our students' successes and who, individually and as a faculty, fulfill the mission of Transfiguration: *to enable each student to reach their full potential, meet the challenges of a changing society, become contributors to the community, and the leaders of tomorrow.*

They do this through strengthening faith, enlightening minds, and transforming hearts of one student at a time.

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**Registration for 2015-2016:**

Registration forms for the 2015-2016 School year will be distributed to all students today please look for them in your child's backpack. Kindly fill out the forms and return them along with the fees to the Religious Education office before June 30<sup>th</sup>. All families that are new to the program are asked to come to the Religious Education Office and pick up a Registration Form or you may go to our website for a copy. 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 2015 & 2016 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.

**Religious Education Office Hours:**

Monday & Wednesday & Friday: 9 am to 4 pm

Closed: Thursday & Saturday

Other times by appointment



**TO SANDS CASINO**

A trip to the Sands Casino, Bethlehem, Pa. is planned for Wednesday, July 1st. The bus will leave Ascension's parking lot promptly at 9am. The cost is \$27 with a return of a \$20 slot dollar voucher and a \$5 food voucher.

Please make all checks payable to Ascension Church and drop off at the rectory mailbox. For info. Call Josie (201)265-0485 or Anna (201)387-2632.





*Church of the Ascension*

*New Milford, New Jersey*

*Invites You to Gather Together  
and Celebrate...*

*Corpus Christi*

*The Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus*

*June 7, 2015*

*12 Noon Mass*

*Procession*

*Benediction*

*Light Refreshments  
on Ascension Plaza*





*"To everything there is a season..."*

*"a time to be healed..."*

Rose DeEufemia, Dolores Crowley, Shirley Busby, Ann & Jack Wall, Joseph Gorgone, Patricia Burke, Barbara Santore, Marge Bruno, Jim Keane, Kay Harrington, Marguerite Morris, Peggy Evans, Jose Diaz, Justine White, Donna Van Kleeck, Margaret Polis, Theresa Ruocco, Jessie Brown, 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 to die..."*

**Celia Sta.Maria**

*"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



Altar Flowers for this week are in loving Memory of **Mary Jane Triggiano**



**Trinity Sunday, May 31, 2015**

No event

**Monday, June 1, 2015**

Pastoral Staff Meeting ó 9:00am - Rectory  
CFM ó 7:30pm ó Gathering Room

**Tuesday, June 2, 2015**

Woodcrest Center, Mass ó 2:30pm  
Ministry of Worship/Liturgy ó 7:30pm - Rectory

**Wednesday, June 3, 2015**

Novena ó 7:30pm ó Church  
BS Troop 291 ó 7:30pm ó Fr. Benedict Center  
Filipino Core Mtg. ó 8:00pm ó Gathering Room

**Thursday, June 4, 2015**

Childrens Choir ó 3:45pm ó Church  
Combined Choirs ó 7:30pm - Church

**First Friday, June 5, 2015**

Communion visits to Homebound  
Transfiguration Academy Graduation  
6:00pm - Church

**First Saturday, June 6, 2015**

Confession ó 11:00am- Church

**Most Holy Body & Blood of Jesus**

**Sunday, June 7, 2015**

Parish Maintenance & Repairs  
Noon Mass with Corpus Christi Procession  
Light refreshments on Ascension Plaza  
Baptism Prep ó 1:15pm ó Gathering Room

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR PARISH INFORMATION

[WWW.CHURCHOFTHEASCENSION.COM](http://WWW.CHURCHOFTHEASCENSION.COM)

**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 or call the rectory office to check date availability.



Thank you for your continued support and contributions to help those in need. Your donations are very much appreciated.



**BEGINNING: MONDAY JUNE 29TH**

**ENDING: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH**

**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**





**Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal**

Thank you to the **241** parishioners who have made a pledge to this year's Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal. We are currently at **\$44,425.50** pledged dollars. Please consider making your pledge today. Give a little, give a lot, but please give something for the Glory of God!

**This year our Parish Goal is \$53,403.00**

**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.

**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: \_\_\_\_\_



"For my yoke is easy, and my burden light." - Matthew 11:30  
 When we think of being good stewards, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent and treasure. However, we must re-member that we are not "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion of what He has already given to us.



On Father's Day weekend, June 20-21 all Masses will be offered for all those enrolled in the Father's Day Spiritual Bouquet. Gift Mass Cards are available for both the living and deceased. Names of those enrolled will be placed in the Sanctuary for Father's Day and will be remembered at all Masses. Please fill out the form below and return it in an envelope in the collection basket or to the rectory. If you would like a Mass card for each person enrolled, please come to the rectory in person. Donation is \$10.00 per person enrolled.

Name of Person to be Enrolled:

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Living Deceased Donation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Living Deceased Donation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Living Deceased Donation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Living Deceased Donation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

My Name: \_\_\_\_\_



**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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