

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION



Sunday, August 2, 2015

5:30 William & Elizabeth Morris
 7:30 Consuelo Mendoza
 9:30 Vincent Gianfredi
 11:30 June Hughes

Monday, August 3, 2015

8:00 Joseph Ku

Tuesday, August 4, 2015

8:00 Aurora Nicolosora

Wednesday, August 5, 2015

8:00 Mark Habana

Thursday, August 6, 2015

8:00 Patricia Rube

Friday, August 7, 2015

8:00 Roy Temena

Saturday, August 8, 2015

8:30 Elsa Obera, (healing)
 5:30 Anne Frederikson

Sunday, August 9, 2015

7:30 Melvin & Dorothy Evans
 9:30 People of Ascension Parish
 11:30 Macaria & Agustina Maglaqui

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT
 WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

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

Sunday, July 26, 2015: \$6,411.50

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
 August 2, 2015**

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Eph 4:17,
 20-24/Jn 6:24-35
 Monday: Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21
 Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36 or
 15:1-2, 10-14
 Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25--14:1, 26-29a,
 34-35/Mt 15:21-28
 Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-
 19/Mk 9:2-10
 Friday: Dt 4:32-40/Mt 16:24-28
 Saturday: Dt 6:4-13/Mt 17:14-20
 Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Eph 4:30
 5:2/Jn 6:41-51



Jesus says, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." We all know that, in spite of Jesus' words and his presence with us, all Christians still hunger and thirst for many things, from physical needs and healings, to spiritual virtues. So what type of hunger is Jesus talking about?

We think we know what it means to be hungry, because we are so used to satisfying our hunger by what we feel like having, as in "I feel like a pizza" or "I'm craving a quarter-pounder." But Jesus wants us to live with a hunger to know the ultimate meaning of our lives: that we are in a relationship of mutual love and passion with the God who created us.

God has placed this longing in everyone's heart, but not everyone recognizes it. Some of us get preoccupied filling up the false hungers. Some of us stay "spiritually childish" never trying to fulfill the deeper hunger. It is not a hunger we talk about very much.

What does it mean to think maturely as a Christian? It's not about age. Even young people can have spiritual maturity beyond their years. If we stay at an immature, childhood level of relating to God because it is so comfortable, we risk growing older still not deeply knowing our real purpose in life. Then how can we carry out our Christian task--to help each other discern the real hungers, and squash the "deceitful desires"?

Watch what you put into your minds through reading and watching films and TV, because we are becoming the kind of person that we listen to and spend time with. What hungers do you fill each day? "Put away the old self." Search for Jesus in all the right places.

✠ Next weekend, Fr. Andrew Berinyuy, a member of the Order of Pious Schools / Piarist Fathers, will be at Ascension as a part of our Archdiocesan Mission Cooperation Plan. He will speak at all Masses on behalf of their missionary ministry in Africa. (More details are included within the bulletin.) We will take up a second collection to help support this missionary work. Let us give Fr. Andrew a warm Ascension welcome. As always, may God, the Giver of all good gifts, bless you for your generous stewardship.

✠ We invite you to contribute school supplies for the children of our food pantry clients and for the children of our area schools. A Collection Box is located in the front vestibule of the church.

✠ *Italian Treasures* await you! Our parish will travel to the cities of Milan, Venice, Padua, Florence, Assisi and Rome in **October of 2016**. Please see brochures at doors of church or stop by the rectory office for complete information.

✠ Thank you to those parishioners who stay after Mass and tidy the church pews. We ask others to volunteer to stay after Mass and neaten the pews. It takes only about five minutes. Further, please consider those who will be at Mass after you and make sure you replace the hymnals in the racks and clean up after yourselves. Let's keep God's house clean.

✠ On the next Sundays after all Masses, volunteers will be in the front vestibule of the church selling tickets for our 2015 Mega 50/50 Raffle. You may return your sold and unsold books at this time and get more if you need them.

✠ Please put these upcoming events on your calendar and plan ahead to join us...
 + Sunday, August 16th ... Blessing of College Students at 11:30am Mass
 + Saturday, August 22nd ... Parish Celebration of the Queenship of Mary Mass at 5:30pm followed by a sumptuous Reception on the parish grounds
 + Sunday, August 23rd ... Blood Drive from 9am to 12:30pm
 + Sunday, September 13th ... Parish Picnic honoring Grandparents from 2 to 6pm
 + Sunday, September 20th ... Catechetical Sunday

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

Fr. David



TRANSFIGURATION ACADEMY

Transfiguration Academy Registration - 2015/2016

Discover why Transfiguration Academy's diverse student body grows, learns and succeeds.

Call for a tour: 201-384-3627

Visit our web site: transfigurationacademy.org

Like us on Facebook

Transfiguration Academy is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Elementary Schools and serves students in Grades Pre-K 2+ through Grade 8. The Academy's business hours during the summer are from 9:00am to 2:00pm daily.

50/50 RAFFLE

Don't forget to fill out and submit your "SummerFest 2015 Mega 50/50" Raffle Tickets before you leave on vacation!



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

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

The Food Pantry is in need of the following items: Toothpaste, Deodorant, Paper Towels, Toilet Tissue, Flavored Rice, Canned Fruit, Macaroni and Cheese. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry. Your generosity is appreciated by the many families our pantry assists.



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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. 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. For returning students Registration forms can be downloaded from the parish website- www.churchoftheascension.com.

First Communion Families may pick up the child's banner anytime during regular office hours.



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 & in the Rectory

Closed: Thursday & Saturday

Other times by appointment

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR PARISH INFORMATION

WWW.CHURCHOFTHEASCENSION.COM



****SAVE THE DATE*SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH****
PARISH PICNIC * HONORING GRANDPARENT'S
FROM 2:00-6:00PM

AUGUST 2, 2015



*Rev. David Milliken of The Church of The Ascension
presents*

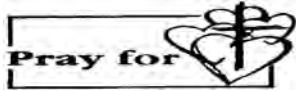
Italian Treasures

Milan-Venice-Padua- Florence - Assisi- Rome

October 4, 2016 - 10 spiritually uplifting- fun filled days

\$2765. per person/dbl.occ - Plus Taxes --- (Airfare & Transfers Included)

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"To everything there is a season..."

"a time to be healed..."

Rose DøEufemia, Dolores Crowley, Shirley Busby, Ann & Jack Wall, Joseph Gorgone, Patricia Burke, Barbara Santore, Marge Bruno, Jim Keane, Marguerite Morris, Peggy Evans, Donna Van Kleeck, Margaret Polis, Theresa Ruocco, Jessie Brown, Robert Barratt, Elsa Obera, Jerry Gordon,
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
William & Elizabeth Morris



BREAD and WINE this week
are in loving memory of
William & Elizabeth Morris



Altar Flowers for this week are
in loving Memory of
William & Elizabeth Morris

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 or call the rectory office to check availability.

SUMMER VOLUNTEER HELP NEEDED

We are looking for motivated individuals, especially students looking for service hours, 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 if you are willing to share your Time & Talent with your parish.
ascension@optonline.net. Thank you.



Sunday, August 2, 2015

Summer Mass Schedule: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30am
Parish Maintenance & Repairs

Monday, August 3, 2015

No events

Tuesday, August 4, 2015

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

Wednesday, August 5, 2015

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

Thursday, August 6, 2015

No events

First Friday, August 7, 2015

Communion Visits to Homebound

Saturday, August 8, 2015

Confession ó 11:00am- Church
First Day of San Lorenzo Bergen County Novena
4:30pm

Missionary Appeal at all weekend Masses

Sunday, August 9, 2015

Summer Mass Schedule: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30am
Missionary Appeal at all Masses
50/50 Ticket Sales at all Masses

Monday, August 10, 2015

No events

Tuesday, August 11, 2015

Woodcrest Center, Rosary ó 2:30pm

Wednesday, August 12, 2015

Novena ó 7:30pm - Church

Thursday, August 13, 2015

Hackensack Homeless
Queenship Novena ó 7:30pm - Church

Friday, August 14, 2015

Queenship Novena ó 7:30pm - Church

Saturday, August 15, 2015

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass at 8:30am
Confession ó 11:00am- Church
Queenship Novena ó 6:30pm - Church

Sunday, August 16, 2015

Summer Mass Schedule: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30am
Food Pantry Sunday

Blessing of College Students at 11:30 Mass
50/50 Ticket Sales at all Masses
Baptism ó 1:30pm ó Church
Queenship Novena ó 6:00pm - Church

Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal

Thank you to the 254 parishioners who have made a pledge to this year's Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal. We are currently at \$46,290.50 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

To learn more about the ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark, please visit www.rcan.org/sharing, like us on facebook at Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Newark or tweet us at @NwkArchdiocese



"Dear Parishioners:

Cross Catholic Outreach wishes to thank you for the welcome you extended to Father Patrick McCormick on our recent visit to your parish. On behalf of the poorest of the poor, we thank you for having shared in their lives. May our Lord continue to bless all of you for our love and support."

SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

The Ascension Service Ministry with the New Milford Women's Club will be collecting School Supplies in the box at the back of the church starting 7/19 and running through the third week of August 8/23. Supplies needed are: pencils, pens, notebooks, composition books, loose leaf paper, crayons, highlighters, 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 much appreciated.

NEXT WEEKEND MISSION APPEAL

The Order of the Pious Schools was founded in 1617 and is completely dedicated to the education of children and youth especially the poor ones. We carry out our Missionary work in the challenging context of the central African region We believe in the power of Christian education. For the next school year that begins in September, we have two main targets that I will like to share with you and ask for your assistance:

TUITION ASSISTANCE:

Many families in Central Africa live in poverty barely surviving on \$1 a day. These families have many other priorities that the education of their children is not often one of them. We would like, through your help, to assist as many children as possible to pay their annual tuition so that they too can have access to quality education.

REQUIRED TEXT BOOKS

Given that many families barely manage to pay the tuition, it is never easy on them to buy the required textbooks. To solve this situation, we want to provide the four required textbooks to the students. We would like to provide for each student four textbooks: Mathematics, Language, Science and Religion. Each textbook costs \$4.43. This is therefore our Missionary experience for which we implore your support. Whatever you may find in your heart to do for these poor children in Central Africa: either buying a textbook or paying tuition, we are very grateful. From the bottom of my heart, I thank you on behalf of these children.

SPECTACULAR FALL FOLIAGE TOUR

Our Parish is sponsoring a 3 day trip to the Adirondacks from September 30th to October 2, 2015. The price of the trip is \$459 per person double occ./\$598 single. And includes 2 nights lodging at the Turning Stone Casino Resort, 2 breakfasts, 2-\$15 meal Coupons for dinner, Adirondack Scenic Railroad Ride into the beautiful Adirondack Mountains. After lunch on your own board the Old Forge Boat for a Cruise on the Fulton Chain of Lakes, wine tasting at Villa Verona Vineyard, National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, 2-\$40 Casino Free Play vouchers, bus transportation, luggage handling, all taxes and standard gratuities. \$100 per person deposit is required to hold your reservation. For info. And reservations, call Josie (201)265-0485 or Anna (201)387-2632. Make all checks payable to Ascension Church, mail to 256 Azalea Drive, New Milford, NJ 07646 or drop off at rectory mailbox. Cancellation insurance is strongly recommended.



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: _____

SUMMER Vacation

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.

HAVE A HAPPY, SAFE AND HEALTHY SUMMER!