

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION



Saturday, August 15, 2015

5:30 People of Ascension Parish

Sunday, August 16, 2015

7:30 Con & Rose Lynch

9:30 Rose Caruso

11:30 John Burke, First Anniversary

Monday, August 17, 2015

8:00 Idadell Kuhr

Tuesday, August 18, 2015

8:00 Barbara Checco

Wednesday, August 19, 2015

8:00 Ratka Jurtofski

Thursday, August 20, 2015

8:00 Marge Buehler, 90th Birthday (living)

Friday, August 21, 2015

8:00 Teresa Fusco

Saturday, August 22, 2015

8:30 Helen Olsen

5:30 Antolin & Cruz Families

Sunday, August 23, 2015

7:30 People of Ascension Parish

9:30 Timothy Cronin

11:30 Olga & George Arnold

PARISH **\$**TEWARDSHIP REPORT
WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

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

Sunday, August 9, 2015: \$5,543.50
Mission Appeal: \$1,740.00

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
August 16, 2015**

Sunday: Prv 9:1-6/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58
Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Mt 22:1-14
Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Mt 2:34-40
Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Mt 3:1-12
Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

Supermarkets find that cooking food in the aisles gives us tasty bites that make us hungry for more. Today the Psalm urges us, "Taste and see that the Lord is good." God has issued a universal invitation to come closer, first to taste the Divine Mystery through Jesus, to become more conscious of God, and then to find yourself falling more deeply in love with Love. According to the great mystics, that is the spiritual life in a nutshell!

Jesus himself wants us to taste true awareness of him. He wants our hunger for God to be constantly awakened. So he says, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink."

When we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus in the Sacrament of the Eucharist, it is not just a symbol. Remember **transubstantiation**: at the words of consecration the bread becomes the Body of Christ and the wine becomes the Blood of Christ. We ACTUALLY (not just symbolically) receive the Body and Blood of Christ. St. Augustine said it this way: "Receive who you are; become what you receive." It means that we have already been baptized into the Body and Blood of Jesus. So when we take the host, we are receiving the very One of whom we are already a part. We receive who we are.

But in taking the Eucharist, we are not merely chewing and swallowing food: we are making a risky commitment to live and act as Jesus did. It means we dare not go to Communion unless we are ready to take on more and more of the consciousness of Jesus himself.

The real presence of Jesus is not only in the bread WE are to be real presence to the poor, the confused, the needy, and the stranger. This is what eating Christ's body means to share spiritual communion with all we meet.

✠ Thank you to Fr. Andrew Berinyuy, a member of the Order of Pious Schools/Piarist Fathers, who spoke last weekend at all Masses on behalf of their missionary ministry in Africa. Thank you also to all who contributed to the second collection to help support this missionary work. Let us continue to pray for Fr. Andrew and his community for their labors of love in the missions.

✠ Don't forget our parish celebration of the **Queenship of Mary** with Mass next Saturday, August 22nd at 5:30pm followed by procession and a sumptuous fiesta party on our parish grounds. Please, plan to join us.

✠ **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.

✠ 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.

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

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Call for a tour: 201-384-3627

Visit our web site: transfigurationacademy.org

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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.



CAR WASH ó Transfiguration Academy's 8th grade is having a car wash on Saturday, August 22 at St. Mary's Church, 280 Washington Ave. Dumont from 9:00am to 1:00pm. The prices are \$5 per car, \$8 per SUV or truck. All proceeds go towards graduation 2016.

50/50 RAFFLE

Don't forget to fill out and submit your óSummerFest 2015 Mega 50/50ö 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



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Registration for 2015-2016:

Registration forms for the 2015-2016 School year have been distributed to all students, 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 ó 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 ó Wednesday & Friday: 9 am to 4 pm ó in the Rectory
 Closed: Thursday & Saturday
 Other times by appointment

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR PARISH INFORMATION
WWW.CHURCHOFTHEASCENSION.COM

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.

AUGUST 16, 2015



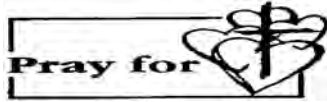
*Rev. David Milliken of The Church of The Ascension
presents*

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)



"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, 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
Maritha Gutierrez



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 availability.



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.



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

Monday, August 17, 2015

Queenship Novena ó 7:30pm - Church

Tuesday, August 18, 2015

Woodcrest Center, Communion Service ó 2:30pm

Queenship Novena ó 7:30pm - Church

Wednesday, August 19, 2015

Queenship Novena ó 7:30pm ó Church

Filipino Core Meeting ó 8:00pm ó Gathering Room

Thursday, August 20, 2015

Queenship Novena ó 7:00pm - Church

Friday, August 21, 2015

Queenship Novena ó 7:30pm - Church

Saturday, August 22, 2015

Confession ó 11:00am - Church

Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary 5:30 Mass

Reception Follows

Sunday, August 23, 2015

Summer Mass Schedule: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30am

50/50 Ticket Sales at all Masses

2016 MASS BOOK

WILL OPEN ON

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

Please look for forms in next weeks bulletin

BUS TRIP.....TO ATLANTIC CITY

Ascension is sponsoring a trip to:



TAJ MAHAL

Monday, September 21, 2015

The bus will leave the Ascension parking lot at 9:30am. Tickets are available for \$27.00/per person. Make your checks payable to: Church of the Ascension, and drop off at the rectory in an envelope marked óAtlantic City Trip.ó
Any questions, please call Marge at (201)265-5675.



Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal

Thank you to the 257 parishioners who have made a pledge to this year's Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal. We are currently at \$46,880.50 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



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 until the third week of August 8/23. 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 much appreciated.

**PART-TIME POSITION
YOUTH MINISTER**

Saint Joseph Parish in Oradell/New Milford is looking for a qualified individual to serve as a part-time Youth Minister in our high school youth ministry. A candidate must be a practicing Catholic, over 21 years of age, a college graduate, and have experience working with young people from 13-18 years of age. Good organizational skills and a passion to involve young people in sharing their unique gifts with the larger community are essential.

Interested candidates should send their resumes to **Fr. Andrew Park**, Saint Joseph Church, 105 Harrison Street, New Milford, NJ 07646.

**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!



Parish

On Sunday, September 13th our Parish Picnic * Honoring Grandparent's will be held from at 2:00-6:00pm on the church grounds. Many hands are needed to make this day a success. If you would like to help, please come to a meeting on **Tuesday, September 8th at 7:30pm in the Gathering Room.**

Stewardship, what a wonderful way to share of your time and talents in support of your parish.

SPECTAUCULAR 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: _____