

# CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION



## Sunday, November 13, 2016

5:30 Richard Brown  
7:30 Delia Lynch  
9:00 Richard Brown  
10:30 Mary Karwoski  
12:00 People of Ascension Parish

## Monday, November 14, 2016

7:00 Daniel Piro  
8:30 Emily Kesper

## Tuesday November 15, 2016

7:00 Erlinda Habana, Birthday (L)  
8:30 Robert Barratt

## Wednesday, November 16, 2016

7:00 Anthony Ciuffitelli  
8:30 John Coringrato, First Anniversary

## Thursday, November 17, 2016

7:00 Marcela Zuniga  
8:30 Catherine O'Connor

## Friday, November 18, 2016

7:00 Cornelio & Isabel Nional  
8:30 Adeline Getsen

## Saturday, November 19, 2016

8:30 Joseph Curtis Paul Cronin  
5:30 People of Ascension Parish

## Christ the King

## Sunday, November 20, 2016

7:30 Jose I. Zuniga  
9:00 Czarina Viduya, Thanksgiving (L)  
10:30 Andrew & Eric Comer  
12:00 George McEwan

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT

### WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

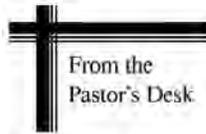
Ascension Parish is supported by people who place their faith and trust in God.

November 8, 2015:	\$5,536.50
November 6, 2016:	\$5,603.00
All Saints:	\$1,289.00
Maintenance & Repairs:	\$2,220.00
Military Services:	\$ 922.00

We thank you very much for your generosity. You always care for and support our Parish programs, ministries and plant maintenance.

### Readings for Sunday, November 20, 2016

2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-5/Col 1:12-20/  
Lk 23:35-43



Believe it or not, today's chilling description of the "end times," with utter chaos and no stone left standing, is actually not supposed to be a "shock treatment." Jesus is not using scare tactics. He is simply describing a coming reality: all that we see here on earth will come to an end—and a violent end at that, it seems.

But Jesus is clearly saying that how things will end is NOT supposed to be our preoccupation now. We need to be living in the moment, not in the future.

Jesus even says, "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified." When we are called to testify for Jesus before kings and governors, "you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself will give you a wisdom in speaking." Even when we are hated for believing in Jesus, we should not fear destruction, because the bottom line is, "By your perseverance you will secure your lives."

The decision to follow Jesus Christ is this process, this movement of following him *through death to life*. Think about your life as a Catholic Christian. If you are managing to persevere in faith, it is definitely costing you something, isn't it? Aren't you paying the price with many small deaths each day? Dying to your selfishness in order to help your husband and kids, dying to your anger so as to forgive a friend, dying to your greed so you can give to the poor. This is the way we persevere in focusing on moving through the "small deaths," and not get frightened by the idea of the physical death at the "end times."

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✠ November is here. Please remember these upcoming November Parish events:

- ◆ **Thanksgiving Turkey Drive** on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> from 7:00am to 1pm outside the Rectory. Confirmation Candidates and members of the Service Ministry will be on hand to help.
- ◆ **Interfaith Thanksgiving** on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church on Center Street in New Milford at 4pm
- ◆ **Thanksgiving Day Mass at 8:30am**
- ◆ **Parish Advent Giving Tree** on Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at all Masses

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



**TRANSFIGURATION ACADEMY**

**We Give Thanks**

A very important component of our total education program at Transfiguration Academy is our Catholic identity and the spiritual growth of our students. Each month we have a different spiritual focus. In November, we give thanks to God for all of the many blessings he has given us. At prayer each morning, we recall something to be thankful for. During their weekly classroom visits, our priests and deacons will also focus on this theme.

One way we as a community give thanks, along with our local parishes, is sharing a Thanksgiving meal. Enjoy a traditional turkey dinner with all of the trimmings and entertainment. This year's Thanksgiving Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 19 at 6:30 PM in Conlon Hall, 19 N. William Street, Bergenfield. Please contact the school office, 201-384-3627 for more information and tickets.

Transfiguration Academy knows that testing isn't the only measure of your child's education. **Discover why our students thrive in and outside the classroom:**

- É Call to pick up registration materials and/or for a tour: **201-384-3627**
- É **Email: [principal@transfigurationacademy.org](mailto:principal@transfigurationacademy.org)**
- É **Visit our website: [transfigurationacademy.org](http://transfigurationacademy.org)**
- É **Visit us on Facebook** to experience how engaged our students and families are

Transfiguration Academy is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Elementary Schools and serves students in Grades PreK 2+ through Grade 8.

**OFFERTORY GIFTS**

Please let one our ushers know, prior to Mass, if you would like to bring the Offertory Gifts up to the celebrant. If Mass intention is one that you have requested or if for the intention of your loved one.



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**Calendar:**

- Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> -- Pre- K thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade from 10:30 am to 11:30 am (SCH)
- Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Grade from 7:00 pm to 8:45 pm (MPR/SCH)
- Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> Grade from 7:00 pm to 8:45 pm (MPR/SCH)
- Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> -- Pre- K thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade from 10:30 am to 11:30 am (SCH)

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be celebrated at the 9 am Mass. All children in Pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

**Reminder that the Sunday Religious Education is from 10:30 am to 11:30 am. It is important that all students are on time for class. Parents with children in Pre-k/K to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade MUST come in to pick up children at 11:30 am. Please be on time for pick-up.**

All 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> graders are asked to be here at 6:55 pm as Classes start at 7 pm sharp.

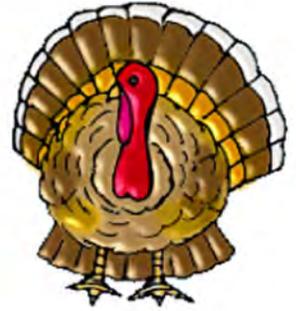
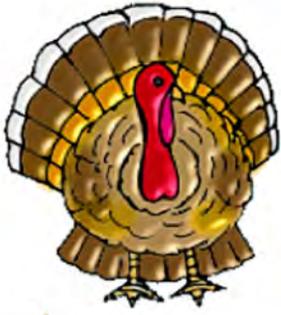
**It has come to the attention of the Religious Education office that when a HOME or EMERGENCY phone numbers are called, these numbers are not being answered. It is Very important that we have a number that will be answered in the event of a true emergency; we are not able to consent to treatment for any child that may need emergency treatment. Please make sure that we have a number that will be answered.**

**Volunteers Needed:**

- Ä We are in need of Aides and Class Parents for our Religious Education Program for the 2016-2017 school year. Anyone interested, please call Theresa Carbone our Coordinator of Religious Education at (201) 836-3085
- Ä 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 in Rectory:

- Monday & Wednesday: 9 am to 3 pm
- Thursday: 9 am to 12 Noon
- Friday: 9 am to 4 pm
- During Religious Education in School:
  - Monday and Wednesday: 6:30 pm to 8:45 pm
  - Sunday Mornings: 10 am to 11:45 am
  - Other times by appointment



**DON'T FORGET  
ASCENSION'S**

**THANKSGIVING TURKEY DRIVE**



**Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>  
Church Parking Lot  
7:00am to 1:00pm**

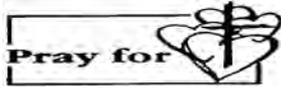
*For further information, call Joan Stephens @ 201-836-6684*



*Thanksgiving  
Blessings!*



## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

*"a time to love..."*

**Erica May Canlas & David Mark Hellriegel**

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

Rose Dæufemia, Dolores Crowley, Ann Wall, Joseph Gorgone, Jim Keane, Marguerite Morris, Peggy Evans, Don Evans, Donna Van Kleeck, Margaret Polis, Theresa Ruocco, Elsa Obera, Jerry Gordon, Marie Oberst, Ana Tumang, Marcella Sweeney, Jean Francisco, Carmelo Abbruzzesi, Leonard Abbruzzesi, Kitty Tricarico, Rose Ann Botcher, Joan Polis, Elnora Gordon, Thomas Gonzalas, Don Hellriegel, 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, Ian Belthoff, Recruit, U.S. Marine Corps, Paris Island, SC, and all Men and Women serving in our countries Armed Forces.

President Barack Obama, our National Leaders and all World Leaders.

*"a time to die..."*

**Frank Cecco, Theresa Colombini**

*...and a time for every purpose under heaven"*

Ecclesiastes 3:11



The **SANCTUARY CANDLE** burns this week in loving memory of **John Coringrato**



**BREAD and WINE** this week are in loving memory of **Richard Brown**



### **Sunday, November 13, 2016**

#### **Food Pantry Sunday**

Children's Liturgy of the Word ó 9:00am

Church/Gathering Room

Religious Education, Pre-K-6 ó 10:30am

### **Monday, November 14, 2016**

Parish trip to The Sands, PA

Deanery Mtg. ó 1:00pm ó St. Mary's, Dumont

Choir Practice ó 7:30pm - Church

Religious Education Grade 7 ó 7:00pm - School

CFM ó 7:30pm ó Rectory Meeting Room

### **Tuesday, November 15, 2016**

Woodcrest Center, Rosary - 2:30pm

Ministry of Worship ó 7:30pm ó Rectory Meeting Rm.

### **Wednesday, November 16, 2016**

Confirmation Prep ó 7:00-8:45pm

Novena ó 7:30pm - Church

Boy Scouts ó 7:30pm ó Fr. Benedict Center

Filipino Core Mtg. ó 8:00pm ó Gathering Room

Combined Choirs ó 8:15pm - Church

### **Thursday, November 17, 2016**

Altar server training ó 4:00pm ó Church

### **Friday, November 18, 2016**

Altar server training ó 4:00pm ó Church

### **Saturday, November 19, 2016**

Confessions ó 11:00am ó Church

Children's Choir ó 4:15pm ó Church

### **Sunday, November 20, 2016**

**Solemnity of Christ the King**

**Catholic Relief Services**

**Thanksgiving Turkey Drive**

Children's Liturgy of the Word ó 9:00am

Church/Gathering Room

Religious Education, Pre-K-6 ó 10:30am

Baptism ó 1:30pm ó Church

Interfaith Thanksgiving ó 4:00pm

At St. Matthew's Lutheran Church



**MINISTRY OF WORSHIP  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15  
AT 7:30PM  
IN THE RECTORY**

#### **AVAILABILITY**

**SANCTUARY CANDLE (\$15.), BREAD & WINE (\$40.), AND ALTAR FLOWERS (\$50. each basket) for the week.** Please stop by or call the rectory office to check availability.

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR PARISH INFORMATION**  
[WWW.CHURCHOFTHEASCENSION.COM](http://WWW.CHURCHOFTHEASCENSION.COM)

**WE ARE LIVING STONES**

Thank you to the many generous parishioners who have made their commitment to the We Are Living Stones campaign.

**Our Parish Goal:** \$592,239.00  
**Number of Pledges to date:** 183  
**Our Pledges to date:** \$297,576.43  
**Amount received to date:** \$ 90,236.36

Remember our plan is to use the We Are Living Stones proceeds to address the following needs for our parish.

- \*Entrance Vestibule Enlargement with ADA Restroom
- \*Main Chiller Compressor Replacement (Church)
- \*Five-Ton Air Handler in Church
- \*Replace windows in Rectory

Our goal is within reach! With each additional sacrifice, our goal becomes that much more attainable. Please prayerfully consider what you can do to help us plan for the future of our parish.

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

**OUR FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

Our stock of many most needed items has been depleted. We depend on the generosity of our parishioners to keep us up and operating, serving those in need in our community. The following is a list of items that we desperately need to stock our shelves. Your continued support of this most important ministry is greatly appreciated. God Bless!

- CRANBERRY JUICE\*COFFEE\*TISSUES\*
- APPLE SAUCE\*EGG NOODLES\*HAIR CONDITIONER
- OATMEAL\*SALAD DRESSINGS\*CANNED FRUIT
- APPLE JUICE\*CAKE MIX\*PEANUT BUTTER
- CRACKERS\*TOMATO SAUCE\*TEA
- CLAM CHOWDER SOUPS

Would you like to be involved in this ministry to the poor? The Service Ministry is always looking for people who share our concern for those in need. If you are interested in learning more about what we do, and possibly joining our small but dedicated group, speak to Father Ernie and he will introduce you to our team.

**WELCOME: Newcomers, Visitors and Parishioners**

The priests & ministers of Ascension Parish welcome you. If you would like more information about entering more fully into our parish life & ministry, we ask that you complete the form below. You may return by putting into collection basket, mail or stop by the rectory office. Thank You!

**I would like....**

- \_\_\_\_\_ to become a Registered Parishioner
- \_\_\_\_\_ to change my address
- \_\_\_\_\_ to advise you that I am moving out of the area
- \_\_\_\_\_ to let the Parish know of someone who is ill, or homebound & would like to receive Communion

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARISH PICTURES WANTED!!**

Do you have pictures of parish events that you would like to share with your fellow parishioners? If yes please transfer them onto a flash-drive and give it to Father David or drop it off at the parish office. We can then show the pictures on the monitor in the vestibule of the church for all to enjoy! Pictures of Special Events, Sacraments, Holy Day and Liturgical Celebrations are welcome. Thank you for sharing your Stewardship of talent with us!

**“Look at all the Food”**



How often have we heard those words as we look at the abundance on our Thanksgiving table? Many people lack food as well as a table to gather around. Please help Catholic Charities to feed the hungry as well as provide other corporal works of mercy by donating to the clothing bin on the Church property. Thank you.



**Interfaith Thanksgiving**  
**Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm**  
**St. Matthew Lutheran Church**  
**225 Center Street, New Milford**  
*Offering of food & money donations*  
*for New Milford Good Will Fund*