

# Church of the Ascension

Welcomes You and  
Invites You to Share with us. . .



## + Our Pastoral Staff +

**Pastor**  
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First Holy Communion



## + Our Pastoral Life +

### PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

We welcome all new parishioners to our parish family. Every family participating regularly in the spiritual life of our parish is encouraged to register at the Rectory. Please inform us if you are moving.

### BAPTISM:

It is mandatory to attend a baptism instruction class before scheduling the date for the baptism. Baptism is usually celebrated on the third Sunday of each month at 1:00 p.m. Parents must be registered parishioners and must attend pre-Baptism instruction usually given on the first Sunday of every month at 1:00 p.m. in the Gathering Room. Godparents must be practicing Catholics in good standing. Pre-registration at the Rectory is necessary prior to the Baptism instruction.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Other times by appointment. Communal Penance Services are celebrated seasonally.

### MINISTRY TO THE SICK:

Please notify the Rectory of any elderly, shut-ins, or sick at home who wish to receive the Eucharist or Anointing of the Sick. Priests of the parish will be happy to visit parishioners in the hospitals in the area. Please notify the Rectory if someone from your family is in the hospital and wishes a priest to visit.

### WEDDINGS:

Please make arrangements at the Rectory with one of the priests of the parish one year in advance.

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**July 15, 2018**

## + Our Parish Mission Statement +

Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit,  
we, the Catholic Community of the  
Church of the Ascension, New Milford,  
commit ourselves to celebrate the Gospel of Jesus  
in Sacrament and Prayer. We dedicate ourselves  
to foster a warm and loving parish of concern and service  
for the individual, family and total community.

## + Our Eucharistic Celebrations +

**Saturday**  
8:30 a.m.

5:30 p.m. (Vigil Mass)

**Sunday**

7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

**Monday - Friday**

8:00 a.m.

7:30 p.m. (Fridays during Lent)

**Holy Days:** 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 7:30 p.m.

**Please see inside bulletin for Holiday Mass time**

## + Our Devotions +

Novena in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Wednesday 7:30 p.m.  
Rosary is prayed Monday through Saturday 7:45 a.m.



**RECTORY & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday  
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

### RECTORY

256 Azalea Drive, New Milford, NJ 07646  
(201) 836-8961 • FAX: (201) 836-5896  
Website: [www.churchoftheascension.com](http://www.churchoftheascension.com)  
E-mail: [ascension@optonline.net](mailto:ascension@optonline.net)

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

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# CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Sunday, July 15, 2018

5:30 People of Ascension Parish

7:30 Mae Somontina

9:30 Dona Viduya (L)

11:30 Dong T. Vo

### Summer Schedule

### Monday, July 16, 2018

8:00 Marcelino Miranda

### Tuesday, July 17, 2018

8:00 Jose R. Ruiz

### Wednesday, July 18, 2018

8:30 Mary Daly

### Thursday, July 19, 2018

8:00 Richard Conti

### Friday, July 20, 2018

8:00 Robert Hall

### Saturday, July 21, 2018

8:30 Onofrio Petrella

5:30 Sue Everingham

### Sunday, July 22, 2018

7:30 People of Ascension Parish

9:30 Fermin Pineda

11:30 Minnie P. Lobosky

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT

### WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

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

July 9, 2017: \$5,885.00

July 8, 2018: \$6,366.00

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

### Reading for Sunday, July 22, 2018

Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/  
Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34



In this economy, so many of us and our friends have suffered huge losses of jobs, homes, and life savings, much of it due to criminal behavior by executives of large companies. Some people, however, lost money by becoming obsessed with making profits in the stock market, and unbalanced their lives by investing too much money in some stocks.

We all know the saying, "GREED is the root of all evil." Catholic theology says money is a means to the good end of a happy life, where we share what we have for the good of all. But in hard times it's tempting to focus more on making more money, than on the good money can do. Money then turns into a huge source of anxiety and pressure.

Today Jesus sends his disciples out with NO money, NO food, and not even a change of tunic. Is he reminding us that real wealth will always be the power of God, which comes from pure dependence on God's care?

He also means that investing all of our passions into seeking and doing God's will is the first order of business. Even if you are the busiest mom, CEO, teacher or construction worker in town, the Lord says to us as in the first reading, "Go, prophesy to my people..." (Amos) It is always our baptism which calls and equips us with the gifts to do this.

If we become "everyday prophets," making God's work our first investment, Psalm 85 tells us, "The Lord Himself shall give his benefits:

"Kindness and truth shall meet;  
Justice and peace shall kiss.  
Truth shall spring out of the earth,  
And justice shall look down from heaven

✠ Next weekend, as part of our Archdiocesan Mission Cooperation Plan, **Fr. Andrzej Makowski, CSsR**, from the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, will be with us and preach at all parish Masses. Please give him and the message he bears a warm Ascension welcome. There will be a second collection to aid the congregation's missionary work. (More details are included within the bulletin.)

✠ Please remember we have changed our weekday Mass times for the summer months of July and August:

**Summer Weekday Mass Schedule**  
**Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Monday through Friday: 8am**  
**Saturday 8:30am**  
**Civil Holidays: 8:30am**

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



## Investing in the safety of our Academy family

The safety of our Academy family is extremely important to us. With this in mind, we are making the following security improvements to our campus this summer:

- Security shades are being installed
- Tamper resistant door-latch plates are being installed

We're also investing in the appearance and upkeep of our facilities. New LED lighting is being installed in Conlon Hall which will make the hall brighter and save the Academy money on electric costs. The basement classrooms and hallways are being repainted and receiving new flooring. The third floor classrooms are also going to be repainted.

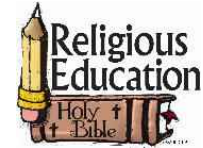
A safe, clean, and bright campus are all part of our commitment to...

**Strengthening faith, Enlightening minds, and Transforming hearts...one student at a time.**

### Registration is Ongoing:

Parents wishing to provide their children with a quality Catholic education and those looking for alternatives to public school are encouraged to consider Transfiguration Academy. Please visit our website at [transfigurationacademy.org](http://transfigurationacademy.org) and follow us on Facebook to learn more about our academic, athletic and extracurricular offering. Transfiguration Academy is an investment in your child's future and much more affordable than you would expect.

For more information and/or to schedule a tour of the school, located at 10 Bradley Avenue in Bergenfield, please email [principal@transfigurationacademy.org](mailto:principal@transfigurationacademy.org) or call the school office at 201-384-3627.



### Registration for 2018-2019:

Registration forms for the 2018-2019 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 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. For more information please call us at 201-836-3085.

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



### Volunteers Needed:

† We are in **NEED** of Substitute Catechists and Class Parents for our Religious Education Program for the 2018-2019 School year. Anyone interested, please call Mrs. Carbone, our Coordinator of Religious Education at (201) 836-3085.

† 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 – Friday: 9 am to 4 pm – In Rectory  
Other times by appointment



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JULY 15, 2018



## *Church of the Ascension*

*New Milford, New Jersey*

# *2018 Summer Mass Schedule*

*Monday, June 25th to Monday, September 3rd*

*Weekdays:*

*Monday through Friday...8am*

*Saturday...8:30am*

*Weekends:*

*(NO Changes)*

*Saturday...5:30pm*

*Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am*

*Holy Days: 7am, 8:30am, 7:30pm*

*Civil Holidays: 8:30am*

**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



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

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

Dolores Crowley, Ann Wall, Joseph Gorgone, Jim Keane, Marguerite Morris, Donna Van Kleeck, Margaret Polis, Elsa Obera, Marie Oberst, Jean Francisco, Carmelo Abbruzzesi, Leonard Abbruzzesi, Kitty Tricarico, Joan Polis, John Thomas, John Donohue, Concepcion Deus, Deacon Jim Stumbar, Eileen Kloebler, Richard Gabettie, Judith Gonzales, Monica Vivas, Diane Warings, Jane Rodriguez, Herman Ivan Rodriguez, Charles Hellriegel, John Delaney, Anita Zucconi, Joel Rivera, Victor Muwonge, Bob Quinn, Benny Santiago, Aldo Guerra, Janice P., 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, PFC Ian Belthoff, U.S. Marine Corps., Cherry Point, NC, A1C James Penser, Beale AFB, CA and all Men and Women serving in our countries Armed Forces.

*"a time for peace..."*

President Donald John Trump,  
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  
**Dong T Vo**



**BREAD and WINE** this week  
are in loving memory of  
**Angelito Barredo**



**Altar Flowers** for this week are  
in loving Memory of  
**Angelito Barredo**



**Sunday, July 15, 2018**

Food Pantry Sunday  
Baptism – 1:00pm – Church

**Monday, July 16, 2018**

Food Pantry Distribution

**Tuesday, July 17, 2018**

No events

**Wednesday, July 18, 2018**

Novena – 7:30pm – Church  
Filipino Core. Meeting – 8:00pm–Gathering Room

**Thursday, July 19, 2018**

No events

**Friday, July 20, 2018**

No events

**Saturday, July 21, 2018**

Confession – 11:00am – Church  
Second Collection for Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, Fr. Andrzej Makowski, CSsR

**Sunday, July 22, 2018**

Second Collection for Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, Fr. Andrzej Makowski, CSsR

**Monday, July 23, 2018**

No events

**Tuesday, July 24, 2018**

No events

**Wednesday, July 25, 2018**

Harrison House  
Novena – 7:30pm – Church  
Filipino Core. Meeting – 8:00pm–Gathering Room

**Thursday, July 26, 2018**

No events

**Friday, July 27, 2018**

No events

**Saturday, July 28, 2018**

8:30am Mass followed by Bergen County Filipino Apostolate San Lorenzo Novena  
Confession – 11:00am – Church

**Sunday, July 29, 2018**

Second Collection for Fr. Hilary



**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.

**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 it is for the intention of your loved one.

## Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal

Thank you to the 184 parishioners who have made a pledge to this year's Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal. We are currently at \$34,070.00 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 \$40,546.00**

### MESSAGE FROM THE CONGREGATION OF THE MOST HOLY REDEEMER

Please welcome Rev. Andrzej Makowski, Redemptorist, who will speak on behalf of the Redemptorists ministries in Ukraine and Russia next weekend.

"The Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, Redemptorists, is a missionary congregation that ministers to the poor in more than 70 countries around the world. The area of the former Soviet Union is undoubtedly a place where many neglected people need help. Thanks to the efforts of Polish Redemptorists, we have been building the next church there. In front of us, there is the next project: the completion of the construction at the church and pastoral center in Togliattie-central Russia. We would like to express our deep gratitude to all of you for your prayers, kindness and support of our projects. Every day, we thank God in our prayers for all people of good will, their prayers, and generosity. May God Bless you all."



### 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 Parishioner
- \_\_\_\_\_ to change my address
- \_\_\_\_\_ to join a ministry
- \_\_\_\_\_ to let the Parish know of someone who is ill,  
Or homebound & would like to receive  
Communion

FULL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

## SUMMER Vacation

**Are you planning and packing for your vacation!!!**

School is closed, vacations are scheduled, be sure to include God in your plans. Remember the expenses of the church continue during the vacation months. Please continue to use your envelopes and if you are going away, please put in your envelope the week before or the week your return.

**HAVE A HAPPY, SAFE AND HEALTHY SUMMER!**

### HELP US TO FEED THE HUNGRY FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY – JULY 15TH

The following are items most needed to restock our shelves this month. Any item or items you can purchase for our pantry would be greatly appreciated. God Bless you for your continue support of this most important ministry to the poor.

Grape Juice\*Iced Tea Mix\*Lemonade Mix\*  
Salad Dressing\*Apple Sauce\*Jam\*Bread Crumbs\*  
Canned Beets\*Canned Spinach\*Chicken Gravy\*  
Beef Gravy\*Brownie Mix\*Cake Icing\*Jell-O\*  
 pudding\*Pancake Syrup\*Mayonnaise\*Beef Broth\*  
Grape Juice

### 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)

<b>MEMORIAL CANDLES:</b>	<b>\$150/1 Year</b>
	<b>\$20/30 Days</b>
<b>ALTAR BREAD &amp; WINE</b>	<b>\$40 per week</b>
<b>ALTAR FLOWERS</b>	<b>\$50 (per basket/per week)</b>
<b>SANCTUARY CANDLE</b>	<b>\$15 per week</b>

#### MEMORIAL FUND

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Donation Amt.: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Requested: \_\_\_\_\_

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INFORMATION**

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