

Church of the Ascension

Invites You to Share with us. . .

+ Our Pastoral Staff +

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Religious Education Center

Theresa Carbone, Coordinator of Religious Education

Jeanette MacNish, Coordinator for Grades 7 & 8

Dena Sedlak, Coordinator of First Penance and

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.



Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 7, 2019

+ 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

7:00 a.m. and 8:30am

8:00am Summer

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 7:15 a.m.



RECTORY 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

E-mail: ascension@optonline.net

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

256 Azalea Drive, New Milford, NJ 07646

(201) 836-3085 • Fax (201) 836-5896

E-mail: ascensionreled@optonline.net

Mass  for the Intentions *for the Week*

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time,
July 7, 2019**

5:30 William & Elizabeth Morris
7:30 Donald Evans
9:30 Jerome Guce
11:30 People of Ascension Parish

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, July 8, 2019

8:00 Robert Rogers

Tuesday, July 9, 2019

8:00 Luis & Danielle Gutierrez (L)

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

8:00 Alice M. Stevens

Thursday, July 11, 2019

8:00 Jack Dizon

Friday, July 12, 2019

8:00 The Giella Family

Saturday, July 13, 2019

8:30 Lilia Blanco

5:30 People of Ascension Parish

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time,
July 14, 2019**

7:30 Anthony Special

9:30 Giovanni D. Ruiz (L)

11:30 Juanita Santiago

**PARISH  STEWARDSHIP
REPORT**

WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

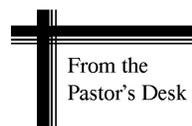
Ascension Parish is supported by people who place their faith and trust in God.

**NO FIGURES
AT TIME OF PRINTING**

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

**Reading for Sunday
July 14, 2019**

**Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34,
36, 37 [cf. 33] or PS 19:8, 9, 10, 11
[9a]/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37**



This gospel is supposed to hit us in the gut—but I have a feeling we’ve all heard it so many times, it may have lost its punch. But it’s obvious when the lawyer asks, “And just who IS my neighbor?” he is trying to justify his own behavior and bias. Like most of us, he has probably been kind enough to his social equals, other lawyers and Pharisees who think like him, his well-respected friends who live what appear to be morally similar lives.

But Jesus is aware that even religious leaders—just like us, in our own time—may disrespect, even secretly hate, those who are unrelated by blood, or belong to a different political group, religion, or race. That is why Jesus, a Jew, uses the despised Samaritan, their hated enemy as the hero of the story—to show God’s chosen people how to have a human heart. And this lesson is just as much for us. “Now,” Jesus says, “you want to know who your neighbor is? Just look around—who’s asking for your help?” And where is eternal life? It only comes to the one who shows mercy, who does the decent and compassionate thing, who gives of themselves, who is generous.

Jesus is hoping we choose to “invest on behalf of those who have no claim upon us. (The Samaritan) used his oil, his wine, his beast, his money, and he signed a blank check on behalf of a nameless stranger, an investment he had no chance of recovering.” (W. Brueggemann)

Let us, like the Good Samaritan, invest in those who cannot repay our love—in Jesus’ name.

✘ Welcome back, Fr. Hilary. We are happy to have you for July, August and September. Let us give Fr. Hilary our usual warm welcome to Ascension! We are certainly glad to have you back with us.

✘ **A thought concerning Summer contributions:**

Just a gentle reminder. Summer is the season for outdoor barbecues, beaches, the 4th of July 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. What better time than the summer to consider how **WeShare** consistently sustains parishioner support the whole year?

Electronic giving helps parishioners give consistently with the peace of mind knowing that they are doing their part to support their parish and its ministries. Why not consider enrolling in electronic giving this week?

Thank you for your faithful stewardship.

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



Summer Hours

The Academy's business hours during the summer are from 10:00am to 2:00pm daily beginning Monday, June 17.

Summer Camp

Transfiguration Academy will again host a summer camp. The camp which is open to all children in grades PreK 3 through grade 8 will run from June 17 – August 16. Full Day (8:00AM-6:00PM) and Half Day (8:00 – 1:00PM or 1:00PM – 6:00PM) options are available. Please contact the school office, (201)384-3627 for more information.

Seats are still available for the 2019-2020 school year.

The best way to learn about our school is by visiting us. Transfiguration Academy is a United States Department of Education 2018 Blue Ribbon School of Excellence and is accredited by the Middle States Association of Schools and Colleges. Please call the school, 201-384-3627 or email principal@transfigurationacademy.org for more information, to arrange a tour or to have your student spend the day with us as a "Tiger for a Day".



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: _____



Registration for 2019 - 2020:

Registration forms the 2019-2020 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 30th. 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 2019-2020 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

**36TH ANNUAL
 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
 TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2019
 NEW MILFORD**

**TO JOIN CITIES NATIONWIDE FOR
 "AMERICA'S NIGHT OUT AGAINST
 CRIME & TERRORISM"**

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 located off of Patrolman Ray Woods Ln.
 7:00pm-10:00pm
 Amusement rides, music (DJ), food vendors,
 law enforcement and emergency services displays, ice
 cream, games & much more!**

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR PARISH INFORMATION
 FYERS*FORMS*SCHEDULES*
 UPCOMING EVENTS
WWW.CHURCHOFTHEASCENSION.COM**



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New Milford, New Jersey

2019 Summer

Mass Schedule

Monday, June 24th to Friday, August 30th

Weekdays:

Monday through Friday...8am

Saturday...8:30am

Weekends:

(NO Changes)

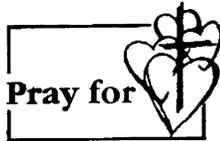
Saturday...5:30pm

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

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

Civil Holidays: 8:30am

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“To everything there is a season...

“a time to be healed...”

Ann Wall, Joseph Gorgone, Marguerite Morris, Donna Van Kleeck, Margaret Polis, Elsa Obera, Marie Oberst, Jean Francisco, Carmelo Abbruzzesi, Leonard Abbruzzesi, Kitty Tricarico, John Thomas, John Donohue, Concepcion Deus, Eileen Kloeblen, Judith Gonzales, Monica Vivas, Diane Warings, Jane Rodriguez, Herman Ivan Rodriguez, Joel Rivera, Victor Muwonge, Benny Santiago, Aldo Guerra, Evelyn Lawler, Ana Tumang, Mary Anne Meyer, John Quinn, Jim Block 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.

“a time to die...”

Nilda Redoblado

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



Sunday, July 7, 2019

Parish Maintenance & Repairs

Monday, July 8, 2019

No events

Tuesday, July 9, 2019

Parish trip to Resorts Casino

Baptism Prep. – 7:30pm

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Novena at 7:30pm in Church

Thursday, July 11, 2019

Hackensack Homeless

Friday, July 12, 2019

No events

Saturday, July 13, 2019

Confessions – 11:00am - Church

Sunday, July 14, 2019

Archdiocesan Retired Priests

Monday, July 15, 2019

Food Pantry Distribution

Tuesday, July 16, 2019

No events

Wednesday, July 17, 2019

Novena at 7:30pm in Church

Thursday, July 18, 2019

No events

Friday, July 19, 2019

No events

Saturday, July 20, 2019

Confessions – 11:00am - Church

Sunday, July 21, 2019

Food Pantry Sunday

Baptism – 1:00pm - Church



PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous support in last week’s Peter’s Pence Collection. Our contributions, combined with those from our brothers and sisters around the world, will help Pope Francis provide essential relief to people in need. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give!

Visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

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



Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal

Thank you to the 151 parishioners who have made a pledge to this year's Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal. We are currently at \$35,820.57 pledged dollars. Please consider making your pledge today. Give a little; give a lot; but please give something!

This year our Parish Goal is \$39,161.00

For information about the appeal or to make a donation you can visit website at: <http://rcan.org/sharing>



SUMMER

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!

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**BEAUGARD-MC KNIGHT
FUNERAL HOME
201-262-5050**

**Please remember to patronize,
who help make this bulletin possible**



**FEED THE
HUNGRY**

FOOD PANTRY DISTRIBUTION – 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 continued support of this most important ministry to the poor.

- RAISINS-JAM-JELLY-INSTANT MASHED POTATOES
- INSTANT RICE-LEMONADE MIX-TEA-EGG NOODLES
- CANNED PEARS-CORN FLAKES-BREAD CRUMBS
- CHILDRENS CEREALS-RAISIN BRAN
- PEANUT BUTTER-FLOUR-BATH SOAP
- INSTANT OATMEAL-SAUERKRAUT-BBQ SAUCE
- INSTANT FLAVORED POTATOES-LENTIL SOUP
- TISSUES NAPKINS-TOOTHPASTE-CONDITIONER

Your continued support of our ministry to the poor is greatly appreciated.

**ANIMAL SHELTER IN NEED OF
LAUNDRY DETERGENT**

START II, a local shelter we have worked with in the past, has reached out to us as they in in desperate need of laundry detergent. With the arrival of kitten season and a new batch of puppies, they are forced to do many extra loads of laundry each day. We are reaching out to our animal lovers to donate some detergent if they can. A box will be placed in the vestibule for your donations. Thank you for your generosity.

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: _____

