

Church of the Ascension

Invites You to Share with us. . .

+ Our Pastoral Staff +

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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.



**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 11, 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

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CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Mass Intentions for the Week

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 11, 2019

- 5:30 Ramon Abuedo
7:30 People of Ascension Parish
9:30 Larry Galvez
11:30 Macaria & Agustina Maglaqui

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, August 12, 2019

8:00 John Coringrato

Tuesday, August 13, 2019

8:00 Carmen Perez

Wednesday, August 14, 2019

8:00 Rev. George Shema

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday, August 15, 2019

7:00 Dona Viduya (L) Thanksgiving

8:00 Pauline & Roger Figalora

7:30 Ramon Abuedo

Friday, August 16, 2019

8:00 Ramon Abuedo

Saturday, August 17, 2019

8:30 Dorothy & Thomas Meyer

5:30 Ramon Abuedo

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time,

August 18, 2019

7:30 Donald Evans

9:30 People of Ascension Parish

11:30 Peggy Lacey

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT

WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

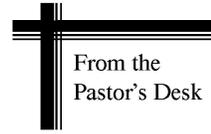
Ascension Parish is supported by people who place their faith and trust in God.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Amount. August 5, 2018: \$4,828.00; August 4, 2019: \$5,019.00; Maintenance & Repairs: \$2,624.00

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

Reading for Sunday, August 18, 2019

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b]/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53



Long before there was so much controversy everywhere about the concept of 'illegal aliens', there was Sarah and Abraham. They believed the promise of the Hebrew Scriptures, or Old Testament, that a Messiah would come to free them from years of slavery and oppression.

St. Paul says, 'All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted (the prophecies)... They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth....'

Aren't those words amazing? We already know the Messiah. We have the eye-witness accounts in the gospels. But these people walked in faith with no idea of where they were going. They trusted the words of God as Abraham received them.

How liberating to think of faith this way! Is our faith more like a bank where we deposit good works, and hope to get to heaven? Or an easy chair, where we say an 'Act of Faith' and then sit back for a 75-year snooze?

Jesus warns us... don't treat this world as anything more than a temporary assignment. We own nothing. All is gift. So keep moving, giving it all away as we go. Now, that's faith!

Next weekend, August 10th and 11th, Father Biju Mathai Mundackal of the Diocese of Malabar Province in India will be here to speak to us about the mission needs of his diocese. We will take up a second collection.

Your prayers and financial support will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity. May the Good Lord reward you a hundredfold.

Thursday, August 15th, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a holy day with obligation to attend Mass. We will honor Mary on this special day at Masses at 7am and 8:30am and 7:30pm.

Don't forget our parish celebration of the Queenship of Mary with Mass on Saturday, August 24th at 5:30pm followed by procession and a sumptuous fiesta party on our parish grounds. Please, plan to join us.

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

Handwritten signature: Fr. David



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

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 for 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. Please note there is a \$10 late fee as of June 30, 2019, per student. 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. If you need a Registration form please visit the parish website www.churchoftheascension.com and download the form.

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

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

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Invites You to Share with us in the

35th ANNUAL CELEBRATION

of the

Queenship of Mary



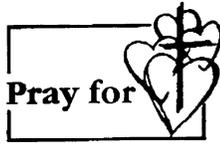
SCHEDULE OF NOVENA

- August 15 (Thursday) 8:00 pm (after 7:30pm Mass- Assumption)*
- August 16 (Friday) 7:30 pm*
- August 17 (Saturday).....6:30 pm (after the 5:30pm Mass)*
- August 18 (Sunday).....6:00 pm*
- August 19 (Monday)..... 7:30 pm*
- August 20 (Tuesday)..... 7:30 pm*
- August 21 (Wednesday)..... 7:30 pm*
- August 22 (Thursday)..... 7:30 pm*
- August 23 (Friday)..... 7:30 pm*

MAIN CELEBRATION

August 24, 2019 (Saturday)

**Mass: 5:30 pm Procession to follow after the Mass
Program & Reception at the Fr. Benedict Center**



"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 Kloebler, 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, Joseph Meyer, Peggy Evans, 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



**MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED
ON THIS HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 15TH, 2019
AT 7:00 & 8:30AM & 7:30PM**

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**



Sunday, August 11, 2019

Food Pantry Sunday

Monday, August 12, 2019

No events

Tuesday, August 13, 2019

No events

Wednesday, August 14, 2019

Novena at 7:30pm in Church

Thursday, August 15, 2019

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Day of Obligation

Masses 7:00am & 8:30am & 7:30pm

Queenship Novena after 7:30pm Mass

Friday, August 16, 2019

Queenship Novena 7:30pm in Church

Saturday, August 17, 2019

Confessions – 11:00am – Church

Queenship Novena 6:30pm in Church

Sunday, August 18, 2019

Collection for Church in Africa

Baptism – 1:00pm – Church

Queenship Novena 6:00pm in Church

Monday, August 19, 2019

Food Pantry Distribution

Queenship Novena 7:30pm in Church

Tuesday, August 20, 2019

Queenship Novena 7:30pm in Church

Wednesday, August 21, 2019

Queenship Novena at 7:30pm in Church

Thursday, August 22, 2019

Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Novena at 7:30pm in Church

Friday, August 23, 2019

Queenship Novena at 7:30pm in Church

Saturday, August 24, 2019

Confessions – 11:00am – Church

Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

5:30 Mass-Reception follows



**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.



Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal

Thank you to the 163 parishioners who have made a pledge to this year's Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal. **Because of your generosity we have reached our goal!** We are currently at \$40,935.57 pledged dollars. Please consider making your pledge today. Give a little; give a lot; but please give something! Remember anything over goal is shared with your parish.

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

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!

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR NEW MILFORD CHILDREN IN NEED

Throughout the month of August and the first week of September, the Service Ministry will be collecting school supplies for the children of New Milford who cannot afford to buy their own supplies. The following are some of the items which will be needed: pens, pencils, crayons, colored pencils, markers, erasers, safety scissors, rulers, index cards, composition books, spiral notebooks, 1" binders, pencil cases, lunch boxes, back packs. We are hoping to donate to children from kindergarten thru high school. A box has been placed in the vestibule of the church for your donations. Our sincere thanks goes out to all for your continued support of our ministry to those in need within our community.



CatholicMatch.com/NJ

Please remember to patronize, who help make this bulletin possible



HELP US TO

FOOD PANTRY DISTRIBUTION – AUGUST, 19th

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.

- JAM-JELLY-CANNED WHITE POTATOES-MUSHROOMS
- LEMONADE MIX-TEA-EGG NOODLES-COFFEE-FLOUR
- CANNED PEARS-CORN FLAKES-BREAD CRUMBS
- MIXED VEGETABLES-APPLE SAUCE-BROWNIE MIX
- INSTANT OATMEAL-SAUERKRAUT-CAKE ICING
- INSTANT FLAVORED POTATOES-LENTIL SOUP-JELL-O
- GRATED CHEESE-TISSUES-NAPKINS-TOOTHPASTE

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS!

We would like to establish and resume a group to crochet. Anyone older than 18 years old, regardless of the expertise in crocheting, is welcome.

If interested call me at 201 417 6444, Rosa Gutierrez, and leave a message with your name and number. I will call you back. Thank you in advance for your support.

Any religious education personnel who is interested please call me as well.

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: _____

