

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.



**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 6, 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.



PASTORAL CENTER

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

RECTORY

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Website: www.churchoftheascension.com

E-mail: ascension@optonline.net

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CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Mass Intentions for the Week



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 6, 2019

5:30 William & Elizabeth Morris
7:30 Donald Evans
9:30 Paul Slavin
11:30 Louise Dino (L) 90th Birthday

Monday, October 7, 2019

7:00 Matthew Camerlengo
8:30 John Delaney

Tuesday, October 8, 2019

7:00 People of Ascension Parish
8:30 Ruth V. Greenland

Wednesday, October 9, 2019

7:00 August Arevalo, First Year Anniv.
8:30 Giovanni Ruiz

Thursday, October 10, 2019

7:00 Richard Thomas
8:30 Margaret Bitetti

Friday, October 11, 2019

7:00 Mr & Mrs SBerna
8:30 Eileen Sullarton

Saturday, October 12, 2019

8:30 Juanita Santiago
5:30 Marie Conidi

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 13, 2019

7:30 People of Ascension Parish
9:30 Judi Sexton
11:30 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Corringrato

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT

WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

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

September 30, 2018: \$5,774.00
September 29, 2019: \$5,497.00
Fr. Hilary Scholarship: \$1,485.00

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

Reading for Sunday October 13, 2019

2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/2
Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19



It takes exercising faith to increase its muscles! How much easier it is to jog or work out with a friend? When we're in a faith community together, working out the ways of faith side by side, it's all part of a healthy Christian lifestyle. Even the hard parts of living our faith can feel positive.

Our Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "Faith is not an isolated act. No one can believe alone... You have not given yourself faith as you have not given yourself life. The believer has received faith from others and should hand it on to others...I cannot believe without being carried by the faith of others, and by my faith I help support others in the faith." (*par. 166*)

One of the most important things Catholics do is to supply faith for each other—as the Catechism says, "I cannot believe without being carried by the faith of others." We should offer to pray for each other frequently, because it comforts us and strengthens the network of faith.

There is no shame in admitting that we need each other; but some of us feel ashamed to talk about our faith, even with another churchgoer. Maybe that is why St. Paul says today, "don't be embarrassed...". We need to encourage each other in the working out of faith in the decisions of everyday life. And we humans constantly need to remind each other. C. S. Lewis said, "We have to be continually reminded of what we believe. Neither the belief in Christ nor any other will automatically remain alive in the mind. It must be fed...."

Reach out to someone who has stopped going to church. Just asking them is an exercise in extending your own faith. Try it and see.

✠ Many thanks to the members of our Filipino community who sponsored the **Goodbye and Thank You Potluck Dinner** last Sunday for Fr. Hilary. Thanks to all who brought food to share. Fr. Hilary was truly touched by our coming together and offering him our prayers and best wishes for his safe return to Rome and his studies.

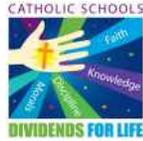
✠ October is here. It is **Respect Life Month** and the **month of our Blessed Mother**. I call your attention to some excellent opportunities for us as Catholics to honor Mary, the Mother of our God of Life. We pray the Rosary Monday through Saturday at 7:45am in church.

On Sunday, October 13th, the 102nd Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun in Fatima, we will gather in church with our Religious Education classes at 10:45am and pray the Rosary as Our Lady has asked us. Please make an effort to join us.

During the entire month we will collect donations for a **Baby Shower** for unwed mothers of our area. Our parish "**Giving Crib**", on the right side of the church, will remain in place for the whole month.

✠ Please plan to join us on Saturday, October 26th, for the Newark Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. The cost for the bus is only \$25.00 per person. Further information is in the bulletin.

Know that I pray for you and your loved ones everyday. Please pray for me, too. God Love You!



Help Transfiguration Academy and save money!

The Transfiguration Academy Home/School Association is selling Kidstuff coupon books. Each book contains many coupons for local, regional, and national restaurants and companies. The cost is \$25 and are available at the school office.

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:**

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

Transfiguration Academy, serving students in grades PreK 2+ through grade 8, is a 2018 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence and is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Elementary Schools.

AN EASY WAY YOU CAN HELP THOSE IN NEED – BECOME A VOLUNTEER BAKER!

Every other month the Service Ministry of Ascension visits the Hackensack shelter to feed dinner to those in need. We always bring with us home-baked goods, which are a big hit with the clients. As we normally feed up to 150 people, we need help from volunteer bakers. All you need to do is to bake a cake, pie, brownies, cupcakes or cookies and drop them off at the rectory by 2 pm on the day of our serving. If a daytime drop is not possible, they can be dropped off the night before. (If you cannot bake, we will also accept store bought goods) **Our next date is on Thursday, OCTOBER 10th.**

We could sure use your help. Thank you in advance for supporting our very important ministry.



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: _____



Calendar:

Sunday, October 6th -- 1st thru 6th grade from 10:45 am to 12 Noon (SCH)

Monday, October 7th -7th & 8th Grade from 7 pm to 8:15 pm (MPR/SCH)

Wednesday, October 9th – No Religious Education

Sunday, October 13th -- 1st thru 6th grade from 10:45 am to 12 Noon (SCH)

Children's Liturgy of the Word will start on Sunday, October 6, 2019 at the 9:30 am Mass.

All children in K to 5th grade are invited to join us. What a great way for families to Celebrate Mass together.

On Sunday, October 13, 2019 the entire Religious Education Program will be praying the Holy Rosary, in the Church. We ask that all parents and parishioners PLEASE join us at 10:45am in honor of our Mother Mary.

Registration for 2019-2020:

The Religious Education Office is still accepting registrations for the current school year. Class for the 1st to 8th grade have already started. Please come in ASAP and register.

Please note our hours for classes.

Our Sunday Mornings program is from 10:45 to 12 Noon.

The 7th and 8th graders meet on Monday evenings and 9th graders on Wednesday from 7 pm to 8:15 pm. Students are asked to be here by 6:55 pm in order to start at 7 pm sharp.

Volunteers Needed:

† We are in need of Aides and Class Parents for our Religious Education Program for the 2019-2020 school year. Anyone interested, please call Theresa 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 – Wednesday & Friday: 9 am to 4 pm – In Pastoral Center

Monday and Wednesday: 6:30 pm to 8:15 pm – In School

Sunday Mornings: 10 am to 12 Noon – In School

Closed: Thursday & Saturday

Other times by appointment



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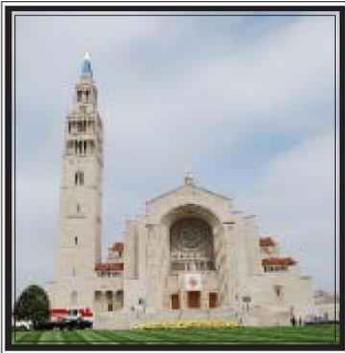
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1-888-862-6429

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OCTOBER 6, 2019

Ascension Parishioners and Friends...Come... Join Cardinal Joseph Tobin...



*Newark Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to the
Basilica of the National Shrine
of the Immaculate Conception
Washington, DC*

Saturday, October 26, 2019

- + 6:00am Bus Departs Ascension Church Parking Lot
(Bring your own lunch. Bus will make one stop going and returning.)
- + 11:30am to 1:15pm Confessions - Crypt Church
- + 12:30pm Carillon Concert (outdoors)
- + 1:00pm Organ Concert - Upper Church
- + There will be ample time to visit the many shrines and gift shop.
- + 1:30pm Procession of Parish Banners
- + 1:45 The Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary
- + 3:00pm Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
Principal Celebrant: Cardinal Joseph Tobin
Concelebrated by Regional Bishops and Priests of the Archdiocese
- + 5:30pm Bus Departs Shrine for Ascension; Return about 10:00pm.



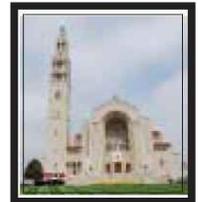
Fill out the Registration Form below and return with your check for \$25.00
(made payable to: Church of the Ascension)
in an envelope marked “**October Shrine Trip**” and return it to the rectory.

Deadline: Monday, October 21st. Your check is your receipt.

For further information, please call: Anna Giella (201) 265-9435, or Fr. David (201) 836-8961.



NEWARK ARCHDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE Saturday, October 26, 2019 REGISTRATION FORM



Please sign me up as a member of the archdiocesan pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC.

Name _____

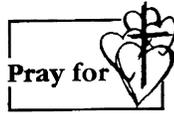
Address _____

Phone _____

Amount enclosed _____

Please return this form to Ascension Rectory by Monday, October 21st.

TWENTY-SEVENTH 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, 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.

"a time to die..."

Michael Paul Pedone, Margaret Stimola

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
Donated in loving memory of
William & Elizabeth Morris



Altar Flowers for this week
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Sunday, October 6, 2019

Parish Maintenance & Repairs

"Giving Crib" for Respect Life
Children's Liturgy of the Word – 9:30 – Chapel, PC
Religious Education 1-6th Grade - 10:45am
First Reconciliation Parent Mtg.
Baptism Prep – 1:00pm – Gathering Room, PC

Monday, October 7, 2019

Pastoral Staff Meeting – 9:00am – Gathering Room, PC
Rel. Ed. 7th & 8th Grade – 7:00pm – School
CFM – 7:00pm – Gathering Room, PC
Combined Choirs – 7:30pm - Church

Tuesday, October 8, 2019

Ministry of Word – 7:30pm – Gathering Room, PC

Wednesday, October 9, 2019

NO Rel. Ed. 9 Grade – 7:00pm
Novena – 7:30pm – Church
Boy Scouts – 7:30pm – Fr. Benedict Ctr.
Filipino Core. Mtg. – 8:00pm – Gathering Room, PC

Thursday, October 10, 2019

Hackensack Homeless

Friday, October 11, 2019

Finance Council – 7:30pm – Gathering Room, PC

Saturday, October 12, 2019

Confessions – 11:00am – Church
Children's Choir – 4:15pm - Church

Sunday, October 13, 2019

Food Pantry Sunday

Children's Liturgy of the Word – 9:30 – Chapel, PC
Religious Education 1-6th Grade - 10:45am
Rosary for Life – 10:45am - Church



Meetings

MINISTRY OF WORD
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8 AT 7:30PM
IN THE GATHERING ROOM

FINANCE COUNCIL
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11 AT 7:30PM
IN THE GATHERING ROOM

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

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.



