

# Church of the Ascension

*Invites You to Share with us. . .*

## + Our Pastoral Staff +

### **Pastor**

Rev. James T. Brown, M. Div.

### **Pastor Emeritus**

Rev. David W. Milliken

### **Director of Music**

Glenn Gordon

### **Director of Maintenances**

Brendan Suter

### **Weekend Assistant**

Rev. Tim Graff

### **Parish Business Manager**

Serina Sharkey

### **Parish Trustees**

Christopher Cudina

Elizabeth Delgado

### **Religious Education**

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 Parish Office. 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 Parish Center Gathering Room. Godparents must be practicing Catholics in good standing. Pre-registration at the Parish Office 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 Parish Office 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 Parish Office if someone from your family is in the hospital and wishes a priest to visit.

### **WEDDINGS:**

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



**The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 10, 2021**

## + 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 - Thursday**

One Daily Mass at 8:00 a.m.

No daily Mass on Friday

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

**Holiday Mass:** 8:30am

## + Our Devotions +

Rosary is prayed Monday-Thursday & Saturday after Mass



### **PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS**

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

### **PARISH CENTER**

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

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**

256 Azalea Drive, New Milford, NJ 07646

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E-mail: [ascensionreled@optonline.net](mailto:ascensionreled@optonline.net)

Mass Intentions for the Week

Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 10, 2021

- 5:30 William & Elizabeth Morris
7:30 People of Ascension Parish
9:30 Maria Conidi
11:30 Margaret McEwan Bitetti

Monday, October 11, 2021

- 8:30 Gerard Patrick Lee

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

- 8:00 Rosa Santos Carreon
Paul J. Figalora, 33 year Anniv.

Wednesday, October 13, 2021

- 8:00 Kim Nguyen
Judi Sexton

Thursday, October 14, 2021

- 8:00 Jean & Andrew L. Comer
German & Clara Natividad

Friday, October 15, 2021

No Mass

Saturday, October 16, 2021

- 8:30 Idileo Ireneo
5:30 People of Ascension Parish

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 17, 2021

- 7:30 John A. Montecucollo
9:30 Sr. Mary Anne Duva
11:30 Buckley & Mullane Families

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT

WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

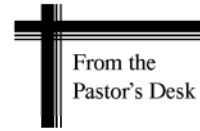
Ascension Parish is supported by people who place their faith and trust in God.

Sunday, Oct. 3, 2021: \$4,864.00
Maintenance & Repairs: \$3,101.00

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

Readings for Sunday  
October 17, 2021

Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45



Live Streaming

Last week we ran into a snag. The Installation did record but youtube tagged it due to possible copyright issues. When setting up the channel it did not ask for our License number and I forgot about it. I am working to resolve this issue as soon as possible. Once resolved the installation will post and we should be able to move forward.

Posture at Mass

When the 3rd edition of the Roman Missal was published the overwhelming majority of people have misread one of the instructions.

At the preparation of the gifts number 29 says: standing at the middle of the altar, facing the people, extending and then joining his hands, he (the celebrant) says: "Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father."

Then it says: The people rise and reply.

This means that the congregation does not stand until the celebrant has finished his invitation. Then, the congregation stands and then responds.

We will work on this. The only way for us to change the habit will be for me to correct us. I will only do that if the dominos are falling—everyone appears to be standing at the incorrect time. It is ok, it will be a little funny. God has a great sense of humor.

Thank you

I want to say thank you to everyone who had a hand in making sure that the Installation Mass and reception was a success. Everyone worked very hard. Thank you. I also want to thank the Filipino and Indian community who contributed financially to help defray the costs. May God continue to bless you all.

Father Jim

## MEMORIALS

If you would like to contribute to this fund, please send your donation to the parish center with the coupon below. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office (201) 836-8961.

Please 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 PARISH OFFICES ARE LOCATED AT THE ASCENSION PARISH CENTER. THE PARISH CENTER BUILDING IS LOCATED TO THE LEFT OF THE CHURCH & THE ENTRANCE IS BEHIND THE STATUE OF JESUS. PLEASE VISIT US HERE FOR ALL YOUR PARISH AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEEDS. CENTER OPENS AT 9:00AM MONDAY-FRIDAY. ALL OTHER TIMES BY APPOINTMENT.**

**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 parish office to check availability.**



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### Calendar:

Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup> – Group B on line work due by Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. Group A on line work due by Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>.

Monday, October 11<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Group A in Parish Center from 6:55 pm to 8:15 pm.

Wednesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade in Parish Center from 6:55 pm to 8:15 pm.

**If you have not done so already PLEASE come to the Parish Center and pick up your child's packet.**

**REMINDER to All 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> graders- All "On-Line" work is due for each chapter every week. Please email all results to [ascensionreled@yahoo.com](mailto:ascensionreled@yahoo.com). Make sure that you include your child's name with the results.**

### Registration for 2021-2022:

**The Religious Education Office in the Parish Center** we are still accepting Registration for the 2021-2022 school year. Please see the Office hours at the bottom or call before coming in to register.

**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. Please meet Mrs. Carbone in the Courtyard of the Statue of Mary.**

### Volunteers Needed:

We are in need of Aides and Class Parents for our Religious Education Program for the 2021-2022 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 – Parish Center  
Monday and Wednesday: 6:30 pm to 8:45 pm – Parish Center  
Closed: Thursday & Saturday  
Other times by appointment

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR PARISH INFORMATION  
FLYERS\*FORMS\*SCHEDULES\*BULLETINS  
UPCOMING EVENTS  
[WWW.CHURCHOFTHEASCENSION.COM](http://WWW.CHURCHOFTHEASCENSION.COM)**

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**Church of the Ascension  
256 Azalea Drive  
New Milford, New Jersey**

**Dear Friend,**

**We, of Ascension Parish, feel that it is important for us to remember in our prayers those who have gone before us, those persons who have touched our lives and whose presence we miss.**

**On Tuesday, November 2, 2021, we will celebrate All Souls Day, at 7:30pm Mass, with our annual PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE for all who have died during this past year (November 2020-November 2021).**

**We extend an invitation to you and your family to participate in this parish celebration.**

**Please return the bottom portion reply information on or before October 25, 2021 indicating if you will/not participate in the Mass. (You may return by mail, in collection basket or drop off to parish office.)**

**We look forward to being with you on Tuesday, November 2.**

**In the Lord's Peace,**



**Fr. Jim and Your Ascension Parish Family**

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**Annual Prayer of Remembrance**

**My Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Loved One** \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship to Me** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Death in 2020-21** \_\_\_\_\_

**Yes, I will participate in the Prayer of Remembrance**

**No, I will not be able to participate. Please remember my loved one.**

**Please, return no later than October 25, 2021**



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

**“a time to be healed...”**

Angelita Villaluna, Al Suter, Joseph Gorgone, Marguerite Morris, Donna Van Kleeck, Elsa Obera, Marie Oberst, 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, Evelyn Lawler, Mary Anne Meyer, Peggy Evans, Neil Magbanua, Vincent Guido, Amy Irwin, Louis Vallis, Jerry Speciale, Sari Contreras, Sally Santiago, Deacon Harold L. Bates, Jr. 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, Staff Sgt. James Penser, Beale AFB, CA and all Men and Women serving in our countries Armed Forces.

**For all of our Emergency, Medical & First Responders.**

**“a time for peace...”**

All of our National and World Leaders.

**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 offered in loving memory of **William & Elizabeth Morris**



**Altar Flowers** for this week donated in loving Memory of **William & Elizabeth Morris**



**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, October 10, 2021**

**Mass at 7:30am, 9:30am & 11:30am in Church**  
**Columbus Day-Monday, October 11, 2021**

**Mass 8:30am in Church**  
**Parish Center Offices Closed**

**Tuesday, October 12, 2021**

**Mass 8:00am in Church**

**Wednesday, October 13, 2021**

**Mass 8:00am in Church**

**Thursday, October 14, 2021**

**Mass 8:00am in Church**

**Friday, October 15, 2021**

**NO MASS**

**Saturday, October 16, 2021**

**Mass 8:30am in Church**  
**Vigil mass at 5:30 in Church**

**Sunday, October 17, 2021**

**Mass at 7:30am, 9:30am & 11:30am in Church**

**Benefit Concert Summary for Churches**

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark will host it's **4<sup>th</sup> Annual Benefit Concert for the Homeless** on **Saturday, November 13, 2021**, featuring **Tommy James and the Shondells**, at the Union County Performing Arts Center in Rahway.

All proceeds from ticket sales will directly support the agency's homeless programs and services which provide assistance to thousands of individuals and families each year.

Tickets can be purchased directly from the UCPAC @ 732-499-8226 or [www.ucpac.org](http://www.ucpac.org)

You can also contact Peter Ruccione at Catholic Charities @ 973-818-4060 or [pruccione@ccannj.org](mailto:pruccione@ccannj.org) for more information.

Enjoy a great night of classic 60's music and support a worthy cause.

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[www.churchoftheascension.net](http://www.churchoftheascension.net)  
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**OUR DAILY MASS SCHEDULE  
MONDAY-THURSDAY  
8:00AM  
INTENTIONS FOR FRIDAY MASS WILL  
BE SAID PRIVATELY  
BY FATHER JIM**



**We are in need of volunteers to help with the  
laundering of our parish Altar Linen's.  
Anyone interested in donating their time & talent to  
this ministry please contact the parish office.  
201-836-8961.**



The opening Mass for the Synod will be celebrated by Pope Francis in Rome on October 10, 2021 and the opening Mass in dioceses across the world will take place on October 17, 2021.

**You are cordially invited to participate in the opening Mass celebration at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, October 17, 2021 at 12 Noon.**

The word Synodality means "journeying with." It refers to the people of God, our Church, clergy, religious, and laity all walking together, collaborating on how best to make the Gospel heard in our time.

Synodality defined by the International Theological Commission in 2018, is "the action of the Spirit in the communion of the Body of Christ and in the missionary journey of the People of God."

With this understanding, we hope to move forward with listening sessions in the next few months to hear what the Holy Spirit asks of us in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. More information with be forthcoming.

**We ask the Holy Spirit to guide us as we begin our process here in the Archdiocese of Newark.**

**HELP US TO FEED THE HUNGRY**

**FOOD PANTRY DISTRIBUTION – OCTOBER 18**

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.

- COFFEE-TEA-HOT COCOA-RICE KRISPIES
- RAISIN BRAN-OATMEAL-KETCHUP-MAYONNAISE-
- BREAD CRUMBS-TOMATO SOUP-GRATED CHEESE-
- EGG NOODLES-APPLE JUICE-CRANBERRY JUICE-
- GRAPE JUICE-CANNED PEAS & CARROTS-MUFFIN
- MIX-CRACKERS-INSTANT MASHED POTATOES-
- INSTANT STUFFING-SHAMPOO-CONDITIONER-DISH
- SOAP-SHAVE CREAM
- NAPKINS-TISSUES-PAPER TOWELS

**DONATIONS CAN BE LEFT AT THE PARISH CENTER**

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

**HARRISON HOUSE**

We give thanks to the many volunteers who represented our parish by preparing meals for the residents of Harrison House, a residence for person with Aids, once a month during 2021!

**Help is needed for 2022...**We are seeking people who are willing to prepare a meal at home (one time) for 8 people and deliver it to Harrison House (on the grounds of Bergen Regional Medical Center) for the year 2022. Our parish has the 4th Wednesday of each month. If we have twelve volunteers, this means a family or individual will need to prepare only one meal for the year. Please call Hanna or Mary Lee, Chairpersons of our Aids Ministry, (201) 261-9246. if you can help in this worthwhile ministry. Thank you.

**COVID DIRECTIVES FROM  
THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK**

**"The Communion Rite**

\*The Sign of Peace should be offered but continue to be made without physical contact.

\*Communicants will continue to receive Communion in the hand. If not fully vaccinated, they lower their masks to consume the host, then replace their masks.

The chalice is still prohibited for the assembly."

Please note: the only option for receiving communion at this time is in the hand.

**Thank you for your cooperation & understanding.**



**MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2021  
PARISH CENTER OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED  
MASS CELEBRATED AT 8:30AM**