

Sunday

April 7, 2019



Mass Intentions

Monday, 4/8

7:00 a.m. Henry Janssen by Ruth Payer

Tuesday, 4/9

7:00 a.m. Amedeo Esposito by
Cosimo & Lina Giordano

Wednesday, 4/10

7:00 a.m. Henry Janssen by Ann M. Hill

Thursday, 4/11

7:00 a.m. Rich Cassano by
the Chapleski family

Friday, 4/12

7:00 a.m. Anna Fitzgerald by Jayne &
Roger Lendach & Rose
Marsjanik

Saturday, 4/13

5:00 p.m. Sylvia Craig by
husband George

Sunday, 4/14

8:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. John's &
Gerald Buczynski by St.
John's Parish

10:30 a.m. Albert Saverino by son John
& family

*This week our Sanctuary lamp is lit in memory of
Clotilda D' Souza by the Miller family.*

Sacrificial Offerings 2019

Sunday, March 31

Regular Collection: \$4,975.40



Holy Week Schedule

The schedule of services for Holy Week is
as follows:

**Palm Sunday – 4/13, 5pm; 4/14, 8:30,
10:30**

Holy Thursday – 4/18, 7 p.m.

Good Friday – 4/19, 3 p.m.

Stations of the Cross – 4/19, 7 p.m.

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil - 4/20, 8 p.m.

**Easter Sunday – 4/21, 8:30, 10:30 and
Noon.**

**PLEASE NOTE: The Blessing of the Food
will take place on Holy Saturday, 4/20, at
12 noon in the CHAPEL.**

Parish Office Holiday Closing

The Parish Office will be closed on **Holy
Thursday, 4/18; Good Friday, 4/19** and
Easter Monday, 4/22 and will re-open on
Tuesday, 4/23.

Scrip Pick Up

Scrip will be available for pick up after Mass
on **Sunday, 4/7** or at the Parish center on
Monday, 4/8.

St. John Food Pantry

Our Food Pantry for those less fortunate is in need of the following food products: Dry pasta, cereals, tomato sauce, canned soups, canned meats, canned fruit and juice. Please note that all foods that are donated to St. John's will be brought to the FISH Food Pantry located on New Market Rd., Piscataway. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity.

Social Concerns

Do you know a needy person or family? Could one of your neighbors benefit from assistance with food and/or other essentials? Please call the Pastoral Center, 732-968-2621, in confidence, and we will do whatever we can to help. Please continue to bring men's toiletries, tooth brushes, and large and medium thongs or slippers for the Ozanam Men's Shelter. Articles may be left in the vestibule. Thanks for not forgetting the "guys".

Time, Talent and Treasure




Fostering stewardship is a way of life. Everyone benefits from the sacrificial gift one makes of his/her time, talent and treasure. We gratefully acknowledge and salute:

The Altar Rosary Ladies

Thank you for your participation!

Knights of Columbus

Lenten Fish Fry

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their Lenten Fish Fries on  all Friday's during Lent, beginning on **3/8 through 4/19**. They will be held between **5:30 - 7:30 PM** at the **Council Home, 647 Grove Street, Dunellen**. All are welcome to attend.



**Pray
for the
Military**

Prayers for Our Service Members

Please pray for the following parishioners who are currently serving in the Military:

U.S. Navy Reserve Lt. Michael Bartilotti
U.S. Army Pvt. Luke Harshaney
U.S. Army Pvt. Raymond C. Pizzigoni
U.S. Coast Guard Lt. Ed Sella
U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Paul Frabizzio
U.S. Marine Mer. Cpl. Thomas Tyler Lizak
U.S. Army Pfc. Sean Parente
U.S. Marine Pvt. Dante Parente
U.S. Army 2nd Lt. Casey Wenzel
U.S. Army Spec. 4 Timothy Francisco
US Marine LCpl. Stephen Wright
U.S. Marine Pvt. José Citron

If there are any other military members you would like to be included in our prayers, please contact the Parish Office.

The First Holy Communion Blessing Cup Retreat will be held on **Wednesday, April 10th** from **6-8pm** in the **Parish Center**.

The Confirmation Retreat will be held at **Guardian Angels Parish Center, Edison** on **Friday, April 12th** from **5:15-9:30pm**. Confirmation Candidates and their sponsors are required to attend. If the sponsor is unable to attend due to distance, another adult must attend the retreat with the Candidate.

New to the Parish?

Need to register your child in Religious Education?

Registration for **NEW** students in our Religious Education Program begins on **April 6th** and runs through **May 15th**. We have a Family Catechesis Program which meets once monthly on a Monday or Tuesday evening from 6-8pm. Please email stjohnpcl@gmail.com or call the office at 732-968-0233 for further information or to obtain registration materials.



*Cast the first stone,
if you are without sin!*

Chrism Mass

Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese at the



Cathedral of St. Francis in Metuchen on **Monday, 4/15**, beginning at **4:00 pm**. At this Mass, the Bishop will bless the Holy Oils which each parish receives for the Rites of Anointing and the priests make a Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service, recommitting themselves to their Bishop and to their ministry to God and his people. All are encouraged to join in this ancient, grace-filled event.

Mount Saint Mary House of Prayer

UPCOMING PROGRAMS: Registration required; call 908-753-2091 or e-mail:

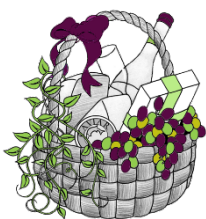
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FOOTSTEPS IN THE GARDEN

A Women's Retreat

Do you ever wonder what God is doing and has done in your life, even without your help? In scripture, God says, "You will be like a watered garden." (Is 58:11-12). The blooms in the garden take root in the silence. Although the garden needs tending and harvesting, often in our busyness we miss the beauty that comes on its own and the footsteps of the One who scatters seeds of hope. Come to spend time in the garden of your life. **Fri., Apr. 12, 6:45- 9:30 p.m. & Sat., Apr. 13, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.** (\$100 for overnight guests; \$75 for commuters)

Facilitators: Paulette Cicero and Ellen Murphy
Experienced spiritual and retreat directors



Music Ministry Spring Basket Raffle

Step into Spring with our Music Ministry's Annual Spring Basket Raffle! **Tickets will be available at all Masses March 30, April 7 and April 14.** The winning ticket will be drawn on April 16. Cost is \$1 for 1 ticket, \$2 for 3 tickets and \$10 for 5 tickets. Proceeds will go toward hiring instrumentalists for our Triduum liturgies.

Easter Egg Hunt

Please join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt **following the 10:30 Mass on Easter Sunday, 4/21** around the Parish Center. All children 9 and under are invited to participate. No registration is necessary. If you are interested in donating, candy/prizes may be dropped off at the Parish Center. If you have any questions please contact Patricia Hummel, 908-922-6037/phum@optonline.net.



Music Ministry Memorial Donation

Memorial donation opportunity is available to enhance our music ministry during the Easter Triduum. Should you wish to participate, please complete the bottom of this form and return it with your cash donation or check in an envelope marked "Music Memorial." We ask that memorial requests be submitted no later than April 11, 2019.



Thank you for your support of our Music Ministry.

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Please return this portion with your donation. *Thank you.*

Name: _____

Telephone number: _____

Amount enclosed: _____

This donation is made IN MEMORY OF or IN HONOR OF (please circle):

