

Church of the Ascension

Invites You to Share with us. . .

+ *Our Pastoral Staff* +

Pastor

Rev. David W. Milliken

Weekend Assistant

Rev. Tim Graff

Parish Business Manager

Serina Sharkey

Director of Maintenance

Brendan Suter

Director of Music

Glenn Gordon

Parish Trustees

Christopher Cudina

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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 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 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 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 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.



Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2020

+ *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.



PARISH CENTER

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday

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

PARISH CENTER/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

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CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 17, 2020

5:30 John Carbone
7:30 People of Ascension Parish
9:30 Joan Polis, First Anniversary
11:30 Margaret McEwan Bitetti

Monday, May 18, 2020

7:00 Gerard Patrick Lee
8:30 Evelyn Finno

Tuesday, May 19, 2020

7:00 Charlotte Vickers, B'day (L)
8:30 Clemencia Cabacoy

Wednesday, May 20, 2020

7:00 John Foran
8:30 Raymond Walicki

Thursday, May 21, 2020

7:00 All Parishioners
8:30 of Ascension Parish

Friday, May 22, 2020

7:00 Gerard Patrick Lee
8:30 Angelina Iuliano

Saturday, May 23, 2020

8:30 Fernandito & Velma Garingal (L)
5:30 People of Ascension Parish

Ascension of the Lord, May 24, 2020

7:30 Juan Redoblado
9:30 Ramon Abuedo
11:30 Jan Pagano, First Anniversary

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT

WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

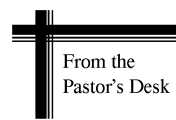
Ascension Parish is supported by people who place their faith and trust in God.

Social Concerns:	\$ 383.00
May 3 & 10, 2020	\$6,313.00
Maintenance & Repairs:	\$2,222.00
Additional Easter:	\$1,290.00

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

Readings for Sunday May 24, 2020

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9
[6]/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20



Today we hear Jesus preparing His friends for His departure. He reminds them that they are not being abandoned and left as “orphans.” Jesus tells them that, with his passing, a new relationship begins.

Jesus has loved His friends and will intensify that love even to the death on the Cross. He reminds His early Church that they will continue to have a way to love Him. Notice once more, God loves us first, in Christ, and our response has to be in human terms, human expressions. Jesus reminds them that loving Him is revealed through keeping, not only the famous Ten Commandments, but the even more human commandment of loving one another.

Our Easter Season at Ascension is usually filled with celebrating Sacraments in our church — Sunday and weekday Mass, Funeral Masses, Baptisms, First Communions, Reconciliation, Marriages and Confirmation. When we can celebrate these sacraments once more in our church, we will be doing what the Church is, the very actions of Jesus’ taking flesh.

The Sacraments, which are the gestures of Jesus extended into time and according to human experiences, are given as gifts to be lived as part of the new relationship between God and us. The reception of the Sacraments is but a beginning. We are all called by the various Sacraments to BE sacraments, or visible, lively, loving presences of Jesus in the important times of the lives of our family—God’s family.

“I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.”

✠ On Friday, May 22nd, we begin our **Novena for Pentecost**—nine days of prayer asking God to renew us, our parish, and our world with the gift of the Holy Spirit. We will pray the Novena prayer, which has been emailed to you, at all daily and weekend Masses after the Universal Prayer.

✠ Cardinal Tobin has transferred the celebration of the **Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord** from Thursday, May 21st to Sunday, May 24th. This great feast is, a holyday of obligation and our parish Feast Day. We will live-stream Mass at 10:00am. Although we cannot enjoy our “Make your own Ice Cream Sundae” reception after Mass this year, treat yourself to some ice cream!

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

Thank you to all who have continued making their weekly donations, it is truly appreciated.

By now all registered parishioners should have received an important letter in the mail regarding donation information options. Please consider the following:

WE SHARE-ONLINE GIVING
PLEASE GO TO OUR PARISH WEBSITE FOR A DIRECT LINK FOR INFORMATION/INSTRUCTIONS
www.churchoftheascension.net
OR CONTACT DIRECTLY

WeShare Donor Customer Service Phone Number: 800-950-9952 (press #3 and then press #2)
WeShare Customer Service Email: weshare@4lpi.com
WeShare Donor FAQ: [WeShare Donor Support](#)

A **GoFundMe** account has been set up for direct donations:
<https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/ascension-parish-of-new-milford>

Please remember that during this crisis our monthly financial responsibilities continue.

Please **mail in or drop off** (in door slot of parish center **not black box**) your weekly contributions.
Thank you & God Bless!



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 Parish Office (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: _____



Registration for 2020-2021:

Registration forms the 2020-2021 School year have been email to all families, please look for them in your regular and spam emails. Kindly fill out the forms and return them along with the fees to the Religious Education office before July 30th. All families that are new to the program are asked to come to the Religious Education Office and pick up a Registration Form, please call before. For more information please call us at 201-836-3085.

First Communion Families and Confirmation Families as soon as we are able to reschedule these Sacraments you will receive an Email and a Phone call from Mrs. Carbone.

Volunteers Needed:

† We are in need of Substitute Catechists and Class Parents for our Religious Education Program for the 2020-2021 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

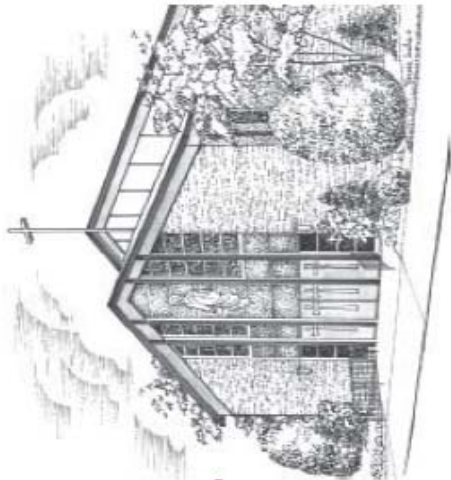
OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Center Offices
Will Remain Closed To The Public
Until Further Notice.
Stay Safe!

Church of the Ascension

New Milford, New Jersey

Invites You to Gather Together and Share...



Our Parish Feast Day

Sunday, May 24, 2020

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

...10:00am Live-Streamed Feast Day

Eucharistic Liturgy

Please...Join Us !

(Facebook Church of the Ascension New Milford NJ)

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



“To everything there is a season...

“a time to be healed...”

Angelita Villaluna, Elnora Gordon, Al Suter, Ann Wall, Joseph Gorgone, Marguerite Morris, Donna Van Kleeck, Margaret Polis, 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, 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., Yokosuka, Japan, Sr.A 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...”

President Donald John Trump,
our National Leaders and all World Leaders.

and a time for every purpose under heaven”

Ecclesiastes 3:11



Sunday, May 17, 2020

Mass at 10:00am livestreamed via Facebook

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Mass at 9:00am livestreamed via Facebook

Tuesday, May 19, 2020

Mass at 9:00am livestreamed via Facebook

Wednesday, May 20, 2020

Mass at 9:00am livestreamed via Facebook

Novena at 7:30pm livestreamed via Facebook

Thursday, May 21, 2020

Mass at 9:00am livestreamed via Facebook

Friday, May 22, 2020

Mass at 9:00am livestreamed via Facebook

Saturday, May 23, 2020

Mass at 9:00am livestreamed via Facebook

Ascension of the Lord

Sunday, May 24, 2020

Mass at 10:00am livestreamed via Facebook

**ALL MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE
ACKNOWLEDGED BY FATHER DAVID
AT HIS DAILY & SUNDAY
MASS CELEBRATIONS**

Thank you to all who have responded to our request to update the information we have for you/your family in our parish database. All registered parishioners have been contacted via, mail, email or phone requesting this information. If you have not received a correspondence it is because the contact information we have for you has either changed or is outdated. We are asking all registered parishioners to please contact us at 201-836-3085 or ascensionreled@optonline.net and update your information accordingly.

Having this information allows us to contact you with important notices regarding your parish. If you have not received any type of correspondence please reach out to us via phone or email ASAP. Thank you for your cooperation and prompt attention to this matter. Stay Safe!

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 parish office to check availability.

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

**HELP US TO FEED THE HUNGRY
FOOD PANTRY DISTRIBUTION – MAY 18TH**

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-FRUIT COCKTAIL-GRATED CHEESE-ICED TEA
- LEMONADE MIX-BAKED BEANS
- PORK & BEANS-JELL-O
- PUDDING-COOKIES-INSTANT FLAVORED POTATOES
- CANNED WHITE POTATOES-MIXED VEGETABLES
- APPLE SAUCE-BEEF STEW
- RAISIN BRAN-CORN FLAKES
- EGG NOODLES-TOMATO PASTE-WHITE RICE-SUGAR
- PANCAKE MIX-PANCAKE SYRUP-BREAD CRUMBS
- SALAD DRESSING-TISSUES-NAPKINS

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



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 parish center 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: _____

Catholic Charities Bins To Open Again

Sentinel Management has notified Catholic Charities that our Donation Bins are anticipated to be open as of May 18th. We are grateful for your patience and look forward to your continued support. We need clothing, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, novels, toys, knickknacks, and children's books.

We pray for an end of this virus in our society and throughout the world. Thank you with all our heart.



Mother's Day Mass Remembrance

Requested By

- Marylou Fineza
- Marylou Fineza
- Marylou Fineza
- Marylou Fineza
- Roseann & Robert Sofia
- Roseann & Robert Sofia
- Erlinda Habana
- Erlinda Habana
- Marguerite Morris
- Marguerite Morris
- Marguerite Morris
- Marguerite Morris
- Dena & Ronald Sedlak

In Memory of

- Patty Tesalona (Living)
- Cynthia Fineza (Living)
- Angela Dayrit (Living)
- Patricia Fineza (Living)
- Rose Carbone
- Sylvia Sofia
- Isabel Volcan Nional
- Aurora, Rafaila, Leonora
- Elizabeth Morris
- Grace Morris
- Alta Milliken

Eleanor Sedlak (D) & Eleanor Lombardelle (L)

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| Mr & Mrs Isagani Reyes | Ma. Paz Besinio |
| Mr & Mrs Isagani Reyes | Zeny Besino, Josefina Cetbile |
| Mr & Mrs Andrew Leuffgen | Irene Fahey |
| Mr & Mrs Andrew Leuffgen | Mae Leuffgen |
| Ida Coringrato | Delfina Duarte & Angelina Coringrato |
| Camille Sommo | Anne Sommo |
| Camille Sommo | Rose Lanza |
| Camille Sommo | Grace Sommo |
| Anna Gorgone | Josephine Sehriber (Living) |
| Anna Gorgone | Nunzia Gorgone |
| Sally Santiago | Desamparades Hontanosas |
| Sally Santiago | Purita Hontanosas Cortes |
| Sally Santiago | Diane Hontanosas Go |
| Sally Santiago | Soledad Santiago Santos |
| Ed & Sophie Flores | Fidela Sunga |
| Ed & Sophie Flores | Rosario Flores |
| Mrs Grace Zampella | Amelia Massa |
| Mrs Grace Zampella | Arcangela Massa |
| Mrs Grace Zampella | Anna Zampella |
| Mrs Grace Zampella | Lisa Doster (Living) |
| C. Lazarus | Ann Goldsmith |
| Mr & Mrs Felipe Toriano | Toriano/Martal Moms (L) |
| Mr & Mrs Felipe Toriano | Toriano/Rous (D) |
| Judith Domanski | Sophie Domanski |
| Judith Domanski | Maryann Hatler |
| Judith Domanski | Tera Hatler |
| Judith Domanski | Alyssa Hatler |



ROMAN PIZZA & RESTAURANT
201-265-9371

Please remember to patronize,
 who help make this bulletin possible