

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Mass Intentions for the Week

Mother's Day, May 11, 2014

5:30 All Mother's
7:30 of Ascension Parish
9:00 Living
10:30 and
12:00 Deceased

Monday, May 12, 2014

7:00 Msgr. Francis A. Fox
8:30 Margaret & Dorothy Meyer

Tuesday, May 13, 2014

7:00 Lillian Gehler
8:30 Yolanda Vallis

Wednesday, May 14, 2014

7:00 Helen Rovneyko
8:30 Generoso Paciullo

Thursday, May 15, 2014

7:00 Santiago Sunga
8:30 Anna Gonsalves

Friday, May 16, 2014

7:00 Bernard Lombardelli
8:30 Lourdes Cruz

Saturday, May 17, 2014

8:30 Reynald Gatal
5:30 Joseph & Ida Grimaldi

Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 18, 2014

7:30 Nicholas Rovyenko, First Anniversary
9:00 Anne & Harry Somo
10:30 Aurora Hontanosas
12:00 Patrick Mangosing

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH



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

May 4, 2014:	\$6,823.00
Maintenance & Repairs:	\$2,359.00
Additional Easter 2014:	\$ 742.00

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

Readings for the Week of May 11, 2014

Sunday:	Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10
Monday:	Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:11-18
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14
Next Sunday:	Acts 6:1-7/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12



Today, Jesus refers to us as his sheep and to himself as our shepherd. Jesus says he is our guardian who promises to care for us always: "Whoever enters the sheepfold through me will be safe." If we develop a whole-hearted relationship of love and trust in Jesus, he will protect us from harm, especially from the harm of spiritual death through sin and evil.

Sheep get disoriented easily; they lose their path, and wander in confusion. Just as Jesus knows us intimately, the shepherd really knows what the sheep need. The bottom line for us Catholics is this: to be fully human, we don't just exist; we must enter a deep relationship with God. This means listening to the voice of Jesus by private and group prayer, and by listening to the stories of faith others tell us.

Intimacy with Jesus demands intimacy with others. Today on World Day of Prayer for Vocations, we pray to hear exactly HOW God's voice is calling us to bring our gifts to others. The point is to use our relationship with Jesus for the good of the world—whether single, married, or in religious life.

God is the only true place of safety for our heart and soul. Let us trust our Master, Jesus the Christ, to lead us into lives that accomplish God's will for us all.

✠ This weekend we recognize a great gift of God's special shepherding love in our lives—our Mothers. On this Mother's Day may we take this opportunity to thank and pray, especially for our mothers, living and deceased, for the many ways they have sacrificed themselves for us. May God bless all our mothers. Motherhood takes on so many forms today. Let us affirm and remember in our prayers all women who take on a mothering role in our lives—religious sisters, teachers, aunts, sisters, best friends, counselors, advisors, mentors, neighbors. **Mother's Day Mass Cards** are available to remember our mothers for the month of May. **Happy Mother's Day to all of you!**

✠ Next Saturday, May 17th at 11am, Bishop Dominic Marconi will confer the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of **Confirmation** upon young men and women of our parish. We invite you to come and celebrate with them. We ask you to keep these candidates in special prayer this week.

✠ Next Friday and Saturday at 7pm, children of our parish who attend Transfiguration Academy will be starring in their drama club's presentation of **High School Musical, Jr.** in Conlon Hall at the Academy. Tickets are \$5.00. A reminder flier is inserted in the bulletin.

✠ Jesus, the Good Shepherd, is so close to us, especially, in times of illness and suffering. Jesus always reached out to the sick to bring them to wholeness. In this Easter season He reaches out to touch all who are sick and infirm through our parish celebration of **Anointing of the Sick** on Sunday, May 18th at the 12:00 noon Mass. If you wish to celebrate this Mass with us and receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please fill out the form included in the bulletin and return it to the Rectory as soon as possible.

✠ On Thursday, May 29th, we celebrate the **Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**, a holyday of obligation and our parish Feast Day. Most Rev. Bernard A. Hebda, Co-Adjutor Archbishop of Newark, will be with us at the 7:30pm as we celebrate our solemn Feast Day Mass which will be followed by our "Make your own Ice Cream Sundae" reception on Ascension Plaza. Please plan ahead to join in the festivities.

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

Fr. David



TRANSFIGURATION ACADEMY

Looming for a Cause Students once again put Faith in Action

Faith in Action Transfiguration students donated over 370 hand loomed bracelets which they made on their own time and at their own expense to be given to children in Nigeria, as part of the Looming Club's ministry to help others. The donated bracelets were given to a group of physicians and nurses at St. Joseph's Hospital who recently opened a pediatric clinic in Edo State, Nigeria. The bracelets will be given to their young patients.

The students purchased their own materials and gave of their time and talent in true stewardship fashion. In the past they sold the bracelets to raise funds for Typhoon victims, and for breast cancer research.

ENROLLMENT IS NOW OPEN

Transfiguration Academy, prepares students to face the challenges of a changing society and become the leaders of tomorrow through, strengthening faith, enlightening minds and transforming hearts, one student at a time.

For more information, or to arrange a tour of the Academy, or to register, please call us at: 201-384-3627 or visit us at 10 Bradley Ave. Bergenfield, NJ 07621.

öBegin the Transformationö



Children of our parish, who attend Transfiguration Academy, are starring in *High School Musical, Jr!*

The Transfiguration Academy Drama Club will be presenting *High School Musical, Jr.* on Friday, May 16 and Saturday, May 17. All performances are at 7pm in Conlon Hall (gym) at

St. John's Church in Bergenfield. Tickets are \$5 per person and can be purchased at the door. For more information, call 201.384.3627.

Transfiguration Academy is the co-sponsored elementary school of Ascension Parish (New Milford), St. Mary Parish (Dumont) and St. John the Evangelist Parish (Bergenfield).



CALENDAR:

Tuesday, May 13th ö Confirmation Rehearsal 7pm in Church
Friday, May 16th ö Confirmation Rehearsal 7pm in Church
Saturday, May 17th - Confirmation Mass at 11am

Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume in October.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

CONFIRMATION:

- Tuesday, May 13th ö Confirmation Rehearsal 7pm in Church- Candidates Only - Mandatory
- Friday, May 16th ö Confirmation Rehearsal 7pm in Church- Candidates and Sponsors öMandatory for BOTH
- Saturday, May 17th - Confirmation Mass at 11am- Candidates and Sponsors are to meet in the Fr. Benedict Center (gym) at 10:30am SHARP

Registration for 2014-2015:

Registration forms the 2014-2015 School year were 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 before June 30th. 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.

Volunteers Needed:

We are in need of **Catechists, Aides and Class Parents** for our Religious Education Program for the 2014 ö 2015 School year. Anyone interested, please call Theresa Carbone our Coordinator of Religious Education at (201) 836-3085 during office hours.

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.

Office Hours:

Monday ö Wednesday & Friday: 9 am to 4 pm

Closed: Thursday & Saturday

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR



ROSARY BEADS FOR THE MILITARY

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting rosary beads to be given to the chaplains of the Archdiocese of the Military. The chaplains will distribute the rosaries to the troops and to others they serve. The K of C will have canisters at the doors of the church and will collect the rosaries throughout the month of May.

Ascension Parish

offers our prayers and best wishes to
our *Confirmandi* 2014

Michael Anthony Alfoche
Alec Thomas Aquino
Shawn Felix Aranda
Ian Michael Belthoff
Jade Joan Catral
Michael Anthony DeAngelo
Julia Jude delRosario
Ralph Ignatius Dela Cruz
Julius Alexander Esquivia
Jonathan John Fernandez
Christine Seraphina Galvez
Sarah Alexandra Garcia
Justin Paul Hugerich
Brett Peter Konnberg
Maclin Catherine Lim
John Roy Lorenzo Lorada
Marcus Alexius Macalinas
Gregory John Mao Nish

Justin Paul Malveda
Marc Philip Mandap
Justin Miletta
Samantha Teresa Morales
Ryan Joseph Mulligan
Joseph Thomas Ng
Jeremy Palad
Felicia Anne Pasoulli
Michael Anthony Rappo
Ridge William Rebadic
Mark Reyes
Nikolas Nicholas Rivera
Sara Savino
Casey Anastasia Schrek
Ricardo Nicholas Tello
Michael Valente
Joanna Elizabeth Laocardi

Grow in the Spirit!
May God Bless You Always!
Congratulations!



"To everything there is a season..."

"a time to be healed..."

Rev. John McGovern, Andrew Comer, Matthew Sammon, Peggy Evans, Janet Sweeney, Anna Gorgone, Frances Lanzilotti, Anita Zucconi, Jack Wall, Eileen Burke, Michael Cullen, Joseph Gorgone, John Burke, Bob Stasi, Peggy Funesti, Patricia Burke, Eleanor Pompeo, Alyssa Brady, Dolores DeMatteo, Barbara Riley, Alex Kuhr, Barbara Santore, William Schettinger, Yvonne Payne, Rosemarie Salimbene, Marge Bruno, Jim Keane, Monica Vivas, Margaret Bitetti, Theresa Ruocco, Kay Harrington, Adem Shavelli, Joseph Albanese, Joe Hartney, Marguerite Morris.

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
All Men and Women serving in our countries Armed Forces.

"a time for peace..."

President Barack Obama, 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
Grace Mason



BREAD and WINE this week
are in loving memory of
Luisa Garcia



BUS TRIP.....TO ATLANTIC CITY

Ascension is sponsoring a trip to:



TAJ MAHAL
Monday, June 16, 2014

The bus will leave the Ascension parking lot at 9:00am (sharp). Tickets are still available for \$27.00/per person (with a rebate of \$25.00). Make your checks payable to: Church of the Ascension, and drop off at the rectory in an envelope marked Atlantic City Trip. Any questions, call Marge at (201)265-5675.



Fourth Sunday of Easter, May 11, 2014

Communicating God's Word

May Crowning of our Blessed Mother ó 9:00am

Monday, May 12, 2014

CFM ó 7:30pm ó Gathering Room

Tuesday, May 13, 2014-Our Lady of Fatima

Woodcrest Center, Rosary - 2:30pm

Confirmation Rehearsal ó 7:00pm - Church

Wednesday, May 14, 2014

Novena - 7:30pm ó Church

Filipino Core Group ó 8:00pm ó Gathering Room

Thursday, May 15, 2014

Children's Choir ó 3:45pm ó Church

RCIA ó 7:00pm ó Gathering Room

Combined Choirs ó 7:30pm ó Church

Friday, May 16, 2014

Confirmation Rehearsal ó 7:00pm - Church



Saturday, May 17, 2014-Armed Forces Day

Confirmation - 11:00am ó Church

Reception Ascension Plaza

Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 18, 2014

Food Pantry Sunday

Anointing of the Sick at Noon Mass

Baptism ó 1:30pm ó Church

**SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND
CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN
PLEASE BE AS GENEROUS AS
YOUR MEANS ALLOW**



PAINTERS NEEDED



We are looking for experienced painters to help with projects in and around the parish facilities. What a wonderful way to be a Steward beginning this Lent. Please contact the rectory office or speak to Father David if you are willing to share your Time & Talent with your parish. Thank you.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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: _____



Mother's Day Cards are available at the doors of the Church this weekend. As you know, all Masses will be offered for the Mother's, living and deceased, of parishioners on Mother's Day. If you would like a card for your mother, Grandmother, Godmother, Mother-In-Law, Wife, Aunt, Sister, Daughter, Friend or anyone who has been like a mother to you please pick one up after Mass this weekend. The outer envelope may be returned to the rectory during the week. Suggested offering for each card is \$10.00.



2014 Archbishop's Annual Appeal 2014
"When I called, you answered"

Thank you to the 263 parishioners who have made pledges amounting to \$48,320.00 to the 2014 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. With your help, we can reach and hopefully surpass our goal of \$53,400.00. If you have not done so, please remember to return your completed pledge envelope for the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. You may place the envelope in the collection basket or bring it to the office. For those who have already made a gift, thank you for your support.



"And Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ...'"
 ACTS 2:38

The word *repent* means to turn from sin, to change our actions. When it comes to change, do we take responsibility for change or do we think that others have to change instead? Change that is permanent comes from within, we must take control and be disciplined. Remember though that we are not alone, Jesus is there to help lighten the load.

Communal Anointing of the Sick
 within Sunday Mass
 Fifth Sunday of Easter
 May 18, 2014



Church of the Ascension
 will celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
 at 12:00 Noon Mass on Sunday, May 18, 2014.

If you wish to celebrate this Mass with us and receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please fill out and return the form below to the Rectory no later than Friday, May 16, 2014.



Church of the Ascension
 Communal Anointing of the Sick
 Sunday, May 18, 2014
 12:00 Noon Mass

Name _____ Age _____
 Address _____ Phone _____

_____ I wish to be anointed

Please return this response no later than Friday, May 15, 2014.

EASTER FLOWERS

You are invited to make a donation toward the Easter Flowers, which will continue to decorate our Church during the Easter Season. Donations may be made in memory of a loved one or a special intention. Each intention donation is \$10.00 please place form & donation in an envelope marked "EASTER FLOWERS" & drop off at the rectory.

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY

In Memory of: _____

For the Intention of: _____

Requested By: _____

Phone: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____



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