

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Mass Intentions for the Week

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 13, 2014

5:30 Melvin & Dorothy Evans
7:30 Conrad & Eleanor Sedlak
9:30 Francis Thomas Hartney
11:30 Maria Luisa Gutierrez

Monday, July 14, 2014

8:00 Dona Viduya (thanksgiving-living)

Tuesday, July 15, 2014

8:00 Dong T. Vo

Wednesday, July 16, 2014

8:00 Conchita Cu

Thursday, July 17, 2014

8:00 Helen & Nick Rovneyko

Friday, July 18, 2014

8:00 People of Ascension Parish

Saturday, July 19, 2014

8:30 Asuncion Family
5:30 Antonino Speciale

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 20, 2014

7:30 Dorothy Hartney
9:30 Lilia Blanco
11:30 People of Ascension Parish

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH



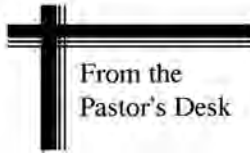
Ascension Parish is supported by people who place their faith and trust in God.

Sunday, June 29, 2014: \$6,984.00
Sunday, July 6, 2014: \$5,493.00
Maintenance & Repairs: \$1,970.00

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 July 13, 2014

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9
Monday: Is 1:10-17/Mt 10:34--11:1
Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Mt 12:14-21
Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30



From the Pastor's Desk

In the 1800s, the Victorians had strict rules of etiquette around how and when people could be received for visits. There were only certain times of each day that a man or woman would be receiving. If the butler told you, "Madame is not receiving today," you were politely asked to leave your card, and wait for a reply.

But today, with email, cell phones, and iPads, it seems we're all receiving all the time, whether we want to or not! There is starting to be a backlash many people report exhaustion and terrible pressure from too much contact and TMI (too much information, for those of you who don't text).

According to Jesus, there's no such thing as TMI from God! If we're not receivers of the seeds God has planted in us, we're not listening to God's voice deep within us; we need help. The uncontrolled talking in our lives can become like background babbling. How quiet is your house? Or your day? We can listen without hearing, but that does not nourish our soul.

Communication is the heart of the Christian community and Jesus says we desperately need deep communication with God, to grow in love. You know, we are soil, made from the dust of the earth. At times, God's word is the seed that falls on our hard hearts. We shut our ears, either from pride or anger with God, or simply laziness, so the seed can't grow. Or we're too busy and impatient to nurture the seed.

What would enable you to be more receptive to God's presence? And what blocks do you need to remove from your life now, so that you can really hear God again? Listen to God's answers to these questions so that your seed can really take root.



We offer our congratulations and prayerful best wishes to Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha, Vicar General of our Archdiocese and Regional Bishop of Essex County. Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, appointed him last week as the Eighth Bishop of the diocese of Fall River, Massachusetts. More information will be available later this month in the Catholic Advocate online and in a printed edition.



This weekend we welcome Fr. Steve Toft to Ascension as a part of our Archdiocesan Mission Cooperation Plan. He will speak at all Masses on behalf of his diocese of Fort Liberte in Haiti. We will take up a second collection to aid the Lord's ministry in Fort Liberte. Let us give Fr. Toft a warm Ascension welcome. As always, may God, the Giver of all good gifts, bless you for your generous stewardship.



Next weekend is Food Pantry Sunday. Envelopes are provided in the pews so that you may contribute toward the purchase of food Certificates for the hungry poor and to provide food for the homeless in our bi-monthly Hackensack Walk-in.



A thought concerning Summer contributions: Just a gentle reminder. Summer is the season for outdoor barbecues, beaches, and, of course, those well-deserved family summer vacations. While families spend hours planning ahead for those 3-day weekends and weeks out of town, they sometimes tend to overlook that their parish needs them even during the summer months. Envelopes are often forgotten. Our parish bills do not stop during the summer months. Please help us by making your offering each week. If you are away for vacation, please remember your missed offering the following week. Your good stewardship is so essential to our parish and is so very much appreciated.

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



TRANSFIGURATION ACADEMY

SUMMER HOURS

The Academy's business hours during the summer are from 9AM to 2PM, daily. Maintenance activities are in full swing as we prepare for our opening in September. We look forward to an exciting, challenging and rewarding year.

NEW FOR NEXT YEAR

We are currently negotiating for two new and exciting programs for next year. If all works out, Transfiguration will be the ONLY Catholic elementary school to offer a Fencing Club and a Model United Nations. Stay tuned for more information.

REGISTRATION – 2013/2014

To arrange tours of our campuses and see the latest technological advances which make Transfiguration Academy a leader in Educational Excellence, or to register a student, please call the following: Please call 201-384-3627.

The Ascension Food Pantry needs the following items:

Razors, Paper towels, Parmesan Cheese, Cookies, Crackers, Fruit Juices, Asparagus, Raisins, Pineapple, Rice Krispies, Oatmeal, Frosted Flakes, Egg noodles, Corned Beef Hash, Beef Stew.

Please NO outdated items!



If you had your portrait taken please stop by the rectory office during business hours and pick up your copy of our Parish Church Directory. Thank you!



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Registration for 2014-2015:

Registration forms the 2014-2015 School year were distributed to all students. Kindly fill out the forms and return them along with the fees to the Religious Education office. Please note there will be a \$10 late fee after June 30, 2014. 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.

Please note that the Religious Education Office will be closed the weeks of July 14-18 & August 4-9. If you need a Registration form you may pick one up in the Rectory during regular business hours.

All First Communion Parents

You may pick up your child's banner in the Religious Education Office. Please call to be sure someone is in the Religious Education office before you come.

Volunteers Needed:

We are in need of **Catechists, Aides and Class Parents** for our Religious Education Program for the 2014 ó 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 ó Wednesday & Friday: 9 am to 4 pm
Closed: Thursday & Saturday

To my friends of Ascension Parish,
My family and I would like to thank you for your many prayers during my daughter Margaret's illness. Your attendance at her wake and many cards was so appreciated. It was a wonderful tribute to her, to me and my family. Just to know that you cared so much will always remain in our hearts.

Thank you again.
Josie McEwan & Family

AVAILABILITY

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 the rectory office if you would like to check date availability.



Church of the Ascension

New Milford, New Jersey

*2014 Summer
Mass Schedule*

Monday, June 30th to Sunday, August 31st

Weekdays:

Monday through Friday...8am

Saturday...8:30am

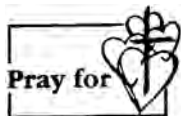
Weekends:

Saturday...5:30pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am

Holy Days: 7am, 8:30am, 7:30pm

Civil Holidays: 8:30am



"To everything there is a season..."

"a time to be healed..."

Frank Mottola, Shirley Busby, Helen Chaffiotte, Jerry Sullivan, Roger Carr, Rev. John McGovern, Andrew Comer, Janet Sweeney, 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, 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.

"a time to die..."

Harriet Schaefer, Nicholas Tricarico

...and a time for every purpose under heaven"

Ecclesiastes 3:11



The SANCTUARY CANDLE burns this week in loving memory of
Dong T. Vo

BREAD and WINE this week
are in loving memory of
Agrifina Gervo



Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 13, 2014

Missionary Appeal for Haiti at all Masses

Masses: 7:30am, 9:30am & 11:30am

Monday, July 14, 2014

No event

Tuesday, July 15, 2014

Woodcrest Center ó Communion Service ó 2:30pm

Wednesday, July 16, 2014

Novena - 7:30pm ó Church

Thursday, July 17, 2014

No event

Friday, July 18, 2014

No event

Saturday, July 19, 2014

Confessions - 11:00am ó Church

Parish Trip to Atlantic City

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 20, 2014

Food Pantry Sunday

Masses: 7:30am, 9:30am & 11:30am

Baptism ó 1:30pm - Church



**Filipino Core Group of Ascension
is sponsoring a bus trip to Atlantic City**

Caesar's Casino

Saturday, July 19th, 2014

Cost: \$35/per person and reservation may be made on or before July 12. The bus leaves Ascension parking lot at 8:00am (sharp). Check payment must be made out to Ascension Church. Contact person ó Sophie Flores (201) 385-2817.



SUMMER DRESS FOR MASS



As summer continues, we would like to remind you of the proper dress for Sunday Mass. What may be appropriate for the beach or outdoor activities is not necessarily appropriate at Mass. It used to be that Christians wore their "SUNDAY BEST" when they came to church. Today, in our more casual society while we may not dress formally for Mass, we should dress properly out of respect for God and the sensitivities of others attending Mass as well.

Please remember, as always at Mass, the priest is the last to enter and the first to leave. Also, please remember to turn your cell phones OFF!



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

Thank you to the 285 parishioners who have made pledges amounting to \$49,885.00 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.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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: _____

SAN LORENZO RUIZ NOVENA

Ascension parish will host the FIRST DAY novena in honor of San Lorenzo Ruiz on July 26 (Saturday) after the 5:30pm mass. This is in connection with the Archdiocesan celebration of San Lorenzo Ruiz feast day mass on September 28 at three in the afternoon in the Cathedral Basilica of Newark.



BEGINNING: MONDAY JUNE 30TH
ENDING: SUNDAY, AUGUST 31ST
SATURDAY: 8:30AM
SATURDAY VIGIL: 5:30PM
SUNDAY: 7:30AM-9:30AM-11:30AM
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY: 8:00AM
HOLY DAYS: 7:00AM-8:30AM-7:30PM
CIVIL HOLIDAYS: 8:30AM



“The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word but then the cares of the world and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit.” - Matthew 13:22
 Does the lure of riches and material goods choke God out of your life? Are you so caught up in worldly activities and anxieties that you have no time for God? Good stewardship is a life-style to be lived every day. It effects all the decisions we make. It’s not just the time we spend at Mass every Sunday.

**“The Home of the Free
 Because of the Brave”**

This year’s Parish Picnic on September 14 will have a very special theme. This year we would like to Salute the Armed Forces-those special men and women who volunteer to go into harm’s way around the world to protect our freedoms and way of life.

All of us have family and friends who are in or were in the services. We would like you to help us say “Thank You” to those brave men and women by volunteering to help, or with any ideas or suggestions. Please call Marguerite Morris at 201-385-0159.



Congratulations to the newly elected officers of the St. Josephs Knights of Columbus Council #3814. We wish them the best of luck for the 2014-2015 Columbian Year.

- Chaplain - Rev. George Reilly**
- Grand Knight - James M. White, PGK, PFN**
- Deputy Grand Knight - Bob Longo**
- Chancellor - Jojy Cheriyan**
- Recorder - Daniel Mallet, PGK**
- Treasurer - Robert Cappiello**
- Advocate - Open**
- Warden - Patrick Kelley, PGK**
- Lecturer - Open**
- Inside Guard - Robert Wieme**
- Outside Guard - Robert Garvey**
- Trustees - 3 yr John Klochan, PGK**
- 2 yr Fred Vanderbeek, PGK**
- 1 yr Open**
- Fin. Secretary - Frank DeBari, PGK**



SUMMER

Are you planning and packing for your vacation!!!
 School is closed, vacations are scheduled, be sure to include God in your plans. Remember the expenses of the church continue during the vacation months. Please continue to use your envelopes and if you are going away, please put in your envelope the week before or the week your return.
HAVE A HAPPY, SAFE AND HEALTHY SUMMER!



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 to your parish. Please contact the rectory office or speak to Father David if you are willing to share your Time & Talent with your parish. Thank you.