

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION



Corpus Christi Sunday, June 7, 2015

5:30 William & Elizabeth Morris
7:30 Melvin & Dorothy Evans
9:00 Jean Ziller
10:30 Lillian Person
12:00 People of Ascension Parish

Monday, June 8, 2015

7:00 Stephen Rappo
8:30 Gloria Fodera

Tuesday, June 9, 2015

7:00 Mike Mata
8:30 Gloria Fodera

Wednesday, June 10, 2015

7:00 Rev. John A. Merity
8:30 Fidel Narvaez

Thursday, June 11, 2015

7:00 Bea, Pat, John & Millie Feeny
8:30 Rev. Thomas E. Davis

Friday, June 12, 2015

7:00 Joseph Zmudniski
8:30 Stephen Hellriegel

Saturday, June 13, 2015

8:30 Florentino Cabreza Jr.
5:30 Augusta Bell Verrett

Sunday, June 14, 2015

7:30 Con & Rose Lynch
9:00 People of Ascension Parish
10:30 Bernard Sullivan
12:00 Mary Buckley, Ninth Anniversary

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

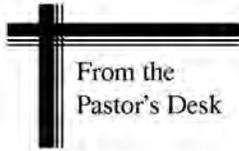
Ascension Parish is supported by people who place their faith and trust in God.

Sunday, May 31, 2015: \$6,699.00

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 June 7, 2015

Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7/Mt 5:1-12
Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Mt 5:20-26
Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37
Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Mt 5:33-37
Immac. Heart: Is 61:9-11/Lk 2:41-51
Next Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34



From the
Pastor's Desk

What do you think about these TV shows that specialize in major transformations? There's **Dancing With The Stars** which turns famous people with two left feet into pretty decent dancers. Home renovation reality shows help families who are in dire straits from poverty or illness, and give them the dignity and joy of a renovated home. **The Biggest Loser** gives personal trainers to people who are obese; they work in teams, support each other, and tell stories of how their self-respect, gratitude, and love for their own bodies increases daily.

What is fascinating to us is to see the miracles of what was become what can be, right in front of our eyes. Today, Jesus reveals the deepest transformation imaginable: the very cells of our bodies become transformed when we take into ourselves the real food of Jesus' body, and the real drink of Jesus' blood. Jesus then remains in us, and we have his eternal life. At first thought, it's unbelievable, isn't it? But food is our most basic requirement for life from the moment of conception. All creatures must eat and drink, or die.

However, in the case of Jesus, food is more than mere survival. When we take in Jesus' body and blood, we're not just takers; we become givers. Some people have a spirituality that is so pre-occupied with taking the host, they miss the transformation into givers. We can't mess around with this: we do not dare ask for Jesus in the Eucharist unless we are ready to do his work in the world. As one priest said, "If your Communion only happens in a church, then it is not Communion with our Lord Jesus Christ."

✠ This weekend we celebrate the **Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus**. Perhaps we remember this feast as **Corpus Christi**. We will celebrate 12:00 Noon Mass, after which we will expose the Blessed Sacrament and enter into a procession around our church grounds. During the procession we will pause twice for Benediction and return to church for a third Benediction. After Mass we will serve light refreshments on Ascension Plaza. What a day of Eucharistic Blessing for Ascension! Please, plan to join us!

✠ Congratulations to our 8th Graders of Transfiguration Academy who graduated this past Friday during commencement exercises here at Ascension Church. Congratulations, also, to all of the young men and women of our parish who will be graduating this month. We are so proud of all of you. May the God of all Wisdom guide you as you face new challenges and make new choices for the future.

✠ We are in need of adults to help as servers for Funeral Masses. This **Lazarus Ministry** is so comforting to a bereaved family. Also we are in need of Lectors and Special Ministers of the Eucharist for our Sunday Masses. Jesus calls us to love one another through our gift of service. These are grace-filled opportunities for us to serve the Lord. Anyone who is interested, please contact Fr. David in the Rectory.

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



TRANSFIGURATION ACADEMY

Grand Prize Awarded to Yashaan Hafizka
7th Grader takes honors at Bergen SciChallenge

Yashaan Hafizka, a 7th grade Transfiguration student took one of five Grand Prizes for his Science Project at the Bergen "SciChallenge", sponsored by Bergen County Academies. Approximately 70 Middle School students competed in the Science Fair.

Yashaan's project was an expanded version of the project he developed for the Transfiguration Science Fair held earlier in the month and involved alternative energy. Specifically, he converted Mud into enough energy to power an LED light. By being one of the Grand Prize winners, He is now eligible to apply for the BroadCom MASTERS competition in which 30 students are chosen to present their research projects and compete in hands-on challenges to demonstrate their critical thinking and communications skills.

Transfiguration's still holds an annual Science Fair and developed an engineering and technology curriculum which we consider to be an integral parts of our STEM initiative (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math), and which serves to develop such skills in all our students.

We congratulate Yashaan and his Transfiguration teachers.

They do this through strengthening faith, enlightening minds, and transforming hearts! one student at a time.

Transfiguration Academy
PK-8 Grade
10 Bradley Avenue
Bergenfield
201-384-3627

www.transfigurationacademy.org

**New Milford High School
Class of 1975 40th Reunion**

October 10, 2015
7-11PM * Biagio's
299 Paramus Rd., Paramus
\$87 per person

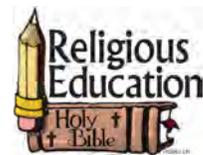
For information Call Phyllis Piro Adams (201) 446-0318



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.



Registration for 2015-2016:

Registration forms the 2015-2016 School year will be distributed to all students today 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. For returning students Registration forms can be down loaded from the parish website- www.churchoftheascension.com.

First Communion Families may pick up the child's banner anytime during regular office hours.



Volunteers Needed:

We are in need of **Catechists, Aides and Class Parents** for our Religious Education Program for the 2015 & 2016 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.

Religious Education Office Hours:

Monday & Wednesday & Friday: 9 am to 4 pm & in the Rectory
Closed: Thursday & Saturday
Other times by appointment



TO SANDS CASINO

A trip to the Sands Casino, Bethlehem, Pa. is planned for Wednesday, July 1st. The bus will leave Ascension's parking lot promptly at 9am. The cost is \$27 with a return of a \$20 slot dollar voucher and a \$5 food voucher.

Please make all checks payable to Ascension Church and drop off at the rectory mailbox. For info. Call Josie (201)265-0485 or Anna (201)387-2632.



Church of the Ascension

New Milford, New Jersey

*Invites You to Gather Together
and Celebrate...*

Corpus Christi

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus

June 7, 2015

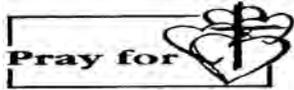
12 Noon Mass

Procession

Benediction

*Light Refreshments
on Ascension Plaza*





"To everything there is a season..."

"a time to be healed..."

Rose DeEufemia, Dolores Crowley, Shirley Busby, Ann & Jack Wall, Joseph Gorgone, Patricia Burke, Barbara Santore, Marge Bruno, Jim Keane, Kay Harrington, Marguerite Morris, Peggy Evans, Jose Diaz, Justine White, Donna Van Kleeck, Margaret Polis, Theresa Ruocco, Jessie Brown, Robert Barratt, 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..."

Rev. Peter Funesti, Rev Leonard Gilman, O.Carm.,
Alan Buchman

...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
are in loving memory of
William & Elizabeth Morris



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

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR PARISH INFORMATION
WWW.CHURCHOFTHEASCENSION.COM

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 Communion, Confirmations, Baptisms, Birthdays, Wedding Anniversaries. Please stop by or call the rectory office to check date availability.



Most Holy Body & Blood of Jesus

Sunday, June 7, 2015

Parish Maintenance & Repairs
Noon Mass with Corpus Christi Procession
Light refreshments on Ascension Plaza
Baptism Prep ó 1:15pm ó Gathering Room

Monday, June 8, 2015

CFM ó 7:30pm ó Rectory Meeting Room

Tuesday, June 9, 2015

Woodcrest Center, Rosary ó 2:30pm
Parish Events ó 7:30pm ó Gathering Room

Wednesday, June 10, 2015

Novena ó 7:30pm ó Church
BS Troop 291 ó 7:30pm ó Fr. Benedict Center
Filipino Core Mtg. ó 8:00pm ó Gathering Room

Thursday, June 11 2015

Hackensack Homeless
Childrens Choir ó 3:45pm ó Church
Combined Choirs ó 7:30pm - Church

Friday, June 12, 2015

No events

Saturday, June 13, 2015

Confession ó 11:00am- Church



Sunday, June 14, 2015

Air Conditioning Collection



BEGINNING: MONDAY JUNE 29TH
ENDING: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH
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

Charitable Gift Annuities

Making a significant gift to your parish can increase your bottom line! By making a gift for a *charitable gift annuity*, you receive an income tax deduction and annuity payments for life. Plus, part of each payment is tax-free. Learn more about this wonderful opportunity by contacting Theresa Lynch, Planned Giving Manager, Archdiocese of Newark at (973) 497-4042 or by email at lynchthe@rcan.org.



Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal

Springtime is always a very joyous time within the Catholic Church. In addition to the celebrating the wonderful joy of the Easter Season, our local church, The Archdiocese of Newark, has been blessed with a very fruitful spring season.

This May, the Archdiocese of Newark welcomed nine newly ordained Transitional Deacons and twelve newly ordained Priests. Ordinations took place at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

Our local Archdiocese is given new life with each new Deacon and Priest who we are able to welcome into the Archdiocese of Newark, and it is your prayers and support that help encourage more and more vocations. While many dioceses in the United States have no candidates for the priesthood and clergy shortages are widespread, the Archdiocese of Newark is blessed with several men each year who are willing to answer God's call to serve, insuring that the Church will be present for future generations. In fact, in several recent years, the Archdiocese of Newark has ordained more priests than any diocese in the United States.

A portion of the funds collected by the Annual Appeal supports the seminary training and formation of our new priests. Your support of the Annual Appeal continues to directly support the three seminaries maintained by the Archdiocese to educate and train future priests. We are truly blessed with a large number of men studying to be our future leaders.

Thank you for continuing to support these important programs and ministries, especially our seminaries. Please continue to pray for all of the seminarians, the newly Ordained Deacons, and our newly ordained Priests. Thank you for your support of the Annual Appeal which makes this all a reality!

To learn more about the ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark, please visit www.rcan.org/sharing, like us on facebook at -Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Newark or tweet us at @NwkArchdiocese

Thank you to the **241** parishioners who have made a pledge to this year's Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal. We are currently at **\$44,425.50** pledged dollars. Please consider making your pledge today. Give a little, give a lot, but please give something for the Glory of God!

This year our Parish Goal is \$53,403.00

Altar Servers

We are in need of several Adult Altar Servers to assist at Funeral Masses. If interested, please contact the Rectory (201) 836-8961 and sign up for a training class.



Please remember to patronize,
RIEWERTS MEMORIAL HOME INC.
201-384-0700
who help make this bulletin possible



On Father's Day weekend, June 20-21 all Masses will be offered for all those enrolled in the Father's Day Spiritual Bouquet. Gift Mass Cards are available for both the living and deceased. Names of those enrolled will be placed in the Sanctuary for Father's Day and will be remembered at all Masses. Please fill out the form below and return it in an envelope in the collection basket or to the rectory. If you would like a Mass card for each person enrolled, please come to the rectory in person. Donation is \$10.00 per person enrolled.

Name of Person to be Enrolled:

1. _____
Living Deceased Donation: \$ _____
2. _____
Living Deceased Donation: \$ _____
3. _____
Living Deceased Donation: \$ _____
4. _____
Living Deceased Donation: \$ _____

My Name: _____

HACKENSACK WALK-IN DINNER

Our next Hackensack Walk-In dinner is **Thursday, June 11**. We are asking for donations of baked items for the dinner. If you would like to donate, please bring the items to the rectory by 2:00PM on Thursday. Your continued support of this ministry is very much appreciated. Thank you.

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: _____