

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, June 19, 2016

5:30 All
7:30 Father's
9:00 Living
10:30 &
12:00 Deceased

Monday, June 20, 2016

7:00 Constanza Zuniga (healing)
8:30 Robert Barratt

Tuesday, June 21, 2016

7:00 Elisa Caparas, 88th Birthday, (L)
8:30 Luis Mendoza

Wednesday, June 22, 2016

7:00 Anne & P.J. Burke (L)
8:30 Hillary & Estefan Lobo

Thursday, June 23, 2016

7:00 Dominador Bulawan
8:30 Raymond & Cecilia Costa

Friday, June 24, 2016

7:00 Gerard Patrick Lee
8:30 Bruce Edward Lobo

Saturday, June 25, 2016

8:30 Mariam Joseph
5:30 John Iuliano

Summer Mass Schedule

Sunday, June 26, 2016

7:30 Melvin & Dorothy Evans
9:30 People of Ascension Parish
11:30 Mary Buckley

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT

WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

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

June 14, 2015:	\$5,656.00
June 12, 2016:	\$6,249.00
Air Conditioning:	\$2,330.00

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

Readings for Sunday, June 26, 2016

1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62



When we die, each one of us is going to have the crucial question put to us, as Jesus asks Peter today: **"Who do YOU say that I am?"** It's not enough to be able to tell Jesus what your wife or your mother say about him. Jesus wants to know who he is in **YOUR** heart.

We sometimes forget that Catholicism sees our whole relationship with God and Jesus as a process— an eternal process, at that. It begins before birth, at conception, when God knits us together in our mother's womb. After Baptism, God speaks to us in each Eucharist, and in many other sacred moments.

Sometimes it's a special moment that takes your breath away— or an unexpected experience that feels other-worldly. But the Holy Spirit is also breathing over us as we eat dessert, drink a beer, talk, suffer with others, make decisions, live our life. The Holy Trinity weaves the fabric we are living. From our first steps, to our first car, to our first job, to our marriage, to watching the birth of our first child— we wonder, we try to believe, we rejoice, we cry out, we worship God, we pray.

Have you ever faced a surgery? A divorce? The death of someone you love? We come very close to God when we are walking in the deep valleys of fear, loneliness, or questioning God.

Those times prompt us to hope, just as we try to faithfully seek and find Jesus, that all of Jesus' promises to us will be fulfilled. Finally, as we are dying, Jesus is there; we prepare to hand over our lifetime's efforts, hopes, and works. Then in life's last minutes, we get ready to enter more deeply into the most awe-inspiring discovery of our lives— a new stage of life with God!

✠ This weekend we recognize a special sign of God's care for us, his special voice in our lives— our Fathers. On this Father's Day may we take this opportunity to thank our fathers, living and deceased, for the many ways they have sacrificed themselves for us. May God bless all our fathers. **Happy Father's Day!**

✠ Our nation's bishops have again requested that we celebrate **"Fortnight for Freedom"** from Tuesday, June 21st to Monday, July 4th. This is a special time of prayer, fasting, education, and witness to address many current challenges to religious liberty. It is a time for a new birth of religious freedom in our beloved country. "Religious freedom protects more than the freedom to worship on Sunday; it also protects our ability to live out our faith the other six days of the week."

Let us join together to celebrate and pray for our freedom!

✠ Please remember our **2016 Summer Mass Schedule** begins next Sunday, June 26th and ends Sunday, September 4th. See page 3 of the bulletin for the full summer schedule.

✠ Congratulations to Beverly Dempewolf, Yvonne Payne and Laurencita (Renn) Reyes on completion of the three year program of **Christian Foundations in Ministry (CFM)** sponsored by the Archdiocese of Newark. Over the course of three years they have studied the following topics as related to lay ministry: Old Testament, New Testament, Sacraments, The Church and Christian Discipleship, Christian Morality, the Liturgical Year, Church History, Evangelization, and Collaborative Ministry. They will graduate and receive Certificates of Completion at a ceremony at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark next Sunday, June 26th at 3pm. Family, friends, and parishioners are invited.

✠ Our **"Fist Full of Dollars"** Mega 50/50 raffle books have been sent out to members of our parish. This is a major fundraiser for our parish. Each book contains 6 chances. Each ticket is \$5.00 individually, but a book of 6 chances is only \$25.00. What a deal! The Mega 50/50 drawing will take place at 6:00pm on September 18th during our SummerFest 2016 Parish Picnic.

On behalf of our Parish Events Committee I invite you to participate in our raffle. With your support of our raffle, a great prize will be won and a great profit gained for Ascension Parish!

✠ Congratulations to Fr. Ernie Tibay as he celebrates 40 years of priestly ordination this Saturday, June 25th at 10:30am Mass. A ticketed reception follows. See Fr. Ernie for further information.

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





TRANSFIGURATION ACADEMY

Transfiguration Academy News



Summer Hours: Beginning Monday, June 20, the school office will be open Monday ó Friday from 10:00 AM ó 2:00 PM

Registration is Ongoing: Parents wishing to provide their children with a quality Catholic education and those looking for alternatives to public school are encouraged to consider Transfiguration Academy. Please visit our website at transfigurationacademy.org and follow us on Facebook to learn more about our academic, athletic and extracurricular offering. **For more information and/or to schedule a tour of the school, located at 10 Bradley Avenue in Bergenfield, please email principal@transfigurationacademy.org or call the school office at 201-384-3627.**



THIS WEEKEND

Needs

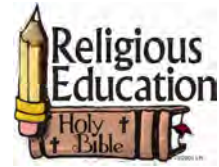
Coffee *Cranberry Juice*Canned Mandarin Oranges*Canned Pears*Raisins*Canned Corned Beef*Powdered Milk*Oatmeal * Regular and Instant*Instant Rice*Crackers*Mayonnaise.

Eucharistic Ministers/Pastoral Visitors

The Department of Pastoral Care at Hackensack University Medical Center is in great need of Eucharistic Ministers/Pastoral Visitors to bring Holy Communion and visit our patients.

If you feel called to this wonderful ministry, to bring Jesus and your own presence into the rooms of the sick, please contact:

Rev. David Armstrong at 551-996-2345.



Registration for 2016-2017:

Registration forms the 2016-2017 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. If you are in need of a registration form you can download one from the Parish website www.churchoftheascension.com. 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.

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



Volunteers Needed:

Ä We are in need of Catechists for our 1st & 3rd Grade program. Our 1st & 3rd grades meet on Sunday Mornings anyone interested is asked to call the Religious Education Office during the week.

Ä 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 ó Wednesday & Friday: 9 am to 4 pm

Closed: Thursday & Saturday

Other times by appointment

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR PARISH INFORMATION

WWW.CHURCHOFTHEASCENSION.COM



Church of the Ascension

New Milford, New Jersey

*2016 Summer
Mass Schedule*

Sunday, June 26th to Sunday, September 4th

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

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"To everything there is a season..."

"a time to be healed..."

Rose Dœufemia, Dolores Crowley, Ann Wall, Joseph Gorgone, Patricia Burke, Barbara Santore, Jim Keane, Marguerite Morris, Peggy Evans, Don Evans, Donna Van Kleeck, Margaret Polis, Theresa Ruocco, Elsa Obera, Jerry Gordon, Marie Oberst, Ana Tumang, Marcella Sweeney, Jean Francisco, Carmelo Abbruzzesi, Leonard Abbruzzesi, Kitty Tricarico, Rose Ann Bottcher, Joan Polis, 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.

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 for the intention of
Mary Blanco



BREAD and WINE this week
are offered in loving memory of
Manuel Garcia



Father's Day, Sunday, June 19, 2016

Food Pantry Sunday
Blessing of Fatherœ at all Masses
Baptism ó 1:30pm - Church

Monday, June 20, 2016

First Day of Summer

Tuesday, June 21, 2016

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

Wednesday, June 22, 2016

Harrison House
Novena ó 7:30pm ó Church
Filipino Core Meeting ó 8:00pm ó Gathering Room

Thursday, June 23, 2016

No events

Friday, June 24, 2016

No events

Saturday, June 25, 2016

Mass of Thanksgiving ó 10:30am
Fr. Ernieœ 40th Anniversary of Ordination
NO Confessions

Sunday, June 26, 2016

Summer Mass Schedule Begins
7:30am – 9:30am – 11:30am
CFM Graduation at Sacred Heart Cathedral Basilica

Monday, June 27, 2016

Summer Mass Schedule Begins
One Daily Mass at 8:00am

Tuesday, June 28, 2016

Woodcrest Center, Rosary - 2:30pm

Wednesday, June 29, 2016

Novena ó 7:30pm ó Church

Thursday, June 30, 2016

No events



**PARISH EVENTS MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 21 AT 7:30PM
IN THE GATHERING ROOM**

FOR SALE

Student Desks \$20.00 each
Stackable Chairs \$5.00 each
Delivery Available

Please contact the rectory office: 201-836-8961



FIRST FULL DAY OF SUMMER JUNE 20TH

*"A single sunbeam is enough to drive away many shadows."
-St. Francis of Assisi*

WE ARE LIVING STONES

Thank you to the many generous parishioners who have made their commitment to the We Are Living Stones campaign.

Our Parish Goal: \$592,239.00
Number of Pledges to date: 156
Our Pledges to date: \$281,261.43
Amount received to date: \$55,886.08

Remember our plan is to use the We Are Living Stones proceeds to address the following needs for our parish.

- *Entrance Vestibule Enlargement with ADA Restroom
- *Main Chiller Compressor Replacement (Church)
- *Five-Ton Air Handler in Church
- *Replace windows in Rectory

Our goal is within reach! With each additional sacrifice, our goal becomes that much more attainable. Please prayerfully consider what you can do to help us plan for the future of our parish.

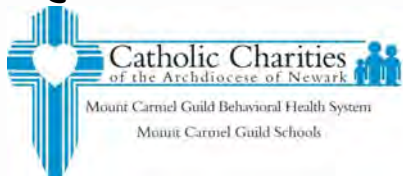
Altar Servers

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.

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Please let one our ushers know, prior to Mass, if you would like to bring the Offertory Gifts up to the celebrant. If Mass intention is one that you have requested or if for the intention of your loved one.

Our June Graduates help us to reflect.....



June is traditionally the time for graduation. Each graduate represents an accomplishment in academic achievement. For many people, however, providing the next meal is an achievement due to living in poverty. Please donate any unwanted clothing small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals and books (no reference books) to the Catholic Charities donation bin located on parish grounds. The proceeds help Catholic Charities in their work with the poor. Thank you.



A Father's Day Blessing

**Blessed is the Father
 who lets the Lord be his guiding hand,
 whose faith brings his family courage,
 whose wisdom comes from God,
 and whose children still stand and honor him.**

*Happy Father's Day to all Father's, Grand-Father's,
 God-Father's and those who are like Father's to us*

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: _____



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 201-262-5050
 who help make this bulletin possible**