

# Blessed Miriam Teresa Demjanovich Parish

Established January 1, 2016

## February 3, 2019



St. Mary, Star of the Sea Church  
326 Avenue C, Bayonne, NJ  
Established 1861



St. Andrew the Apostle Church  
2 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Bayonne, NJ  
Established 1914

### EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES:

Sundays: 7:30am, 10:30am, 1:30pm (Spanish)  
Mon.—Fri.: 6:30am  
Holy Days: 6:30am

Saturday: 4:00pm (anticipated)  
Sundays: 9:00am, 12:00 Noon  
Mon.—Sat.: 9:00am  
Holy Days: 9:00am, 7:00pm

### PARISH OFFICES:

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Monday—Friday 9:30am—6:00pm  
Saturday and Sunday Closed

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Email: secretary@BMTParish.org

### PARISH STAFF

Rev. Peter Wehrle	Pastor
Rev. Philip Sanders	Parochial Vicar
Rev. Msgr. Joseph Reilly	Weekend Assistant
Ray Bober	Music Director
Philomena Coco	Faith Formation
Patrick Costello	Parish Trustee
Vivian Crespo	Office Manager
Janet Cymbor	Parish Trustee
Paige Porter	Cantor
Marge Russo	Choir Director
Regina Terriogo	Bookkeeper

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

All Saints Catholic Academy (201) 443-8384  
Sr. Rita Marie Fritzen, OSF Principal  
19 West 13<sup>th</sup> Street

### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:00pm-4:00pm—St. Andrew  
or by appointment

### BAPTISM

Children of registered parishioners are eligible for the Sacrament of Baptism which is celebrated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month (alternating between St. Mary and St. Andrew) except during the Lenten season. Contact us via email at [baptism@BMTParish.org](mailto:baptism@BMTParish.org).

### PASTORAL CARE FOR THE SICK

Any parishioner unable to attend Mass may contact the rectory to make arrangements to receive the Eucharist at home.

### MARRIAGES

Arrangements should be started at least one year in advance for the necessary preparation. Parish registration of either the Bride or Groom is required.

### PARISH REGISTRATION

Registration is required of all who wish to consider themselves parishioners at Blessed Miriam Teresa Demjanovich Parish. Census forms and collection envelopes are available at the office.

### DEVOTIONS

St. Jude Novena	Mondays after the 6:30 Mass
Miraculous Medal Novena	Tuesdays after the 9:00 Mass
Morning Prayer	Weekdays after the 6:30 Mass
	Weekdays before the 9:00 Mass
Communal Rosary	Weekdays after the 9:00 Mass
1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday Exposition	3:00—4:00 (St. Andrew)

 **Mass Intentions  
for the Week**

- Sat., February 2 *The Presentation of the Lord*  
 St. A 4:00 PM Catherine Condon
- Sun., February 3 *4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 St. M 7:30 AM Maria Cavallaro  
 St. A 9:00 AM Kathryn Churik  
 St. M 10:30 AM People of the Parish  
 St. A 12:00 PM Elsa de Ramos  
 St. M 1:30 PM Manuel Mercedes
- Mon., February 4 *St. Joseph of Leonissa*  
 St. M 6:30 AM Kathryn Byrne  
 St. A 9:00 AM John Fischer
- Tue., February 5 *St. Agatha*  
 St. M 6:30 AM John and Joan Zelinski  
 St. A 9:00 AM Joseph Hughes
- Wed., February 6 *St. Paul Miki & Companions*  
 St. M 6:30 AM The Corus and Henthorn families  
 St. A 9:00 AM Robert Redling
- Thu., February 7 *St. Colette*  
 St. M 6:30 AM Vera Smith  
 St. A 9:00 AM Paul and Dot Conte
- Fri., February 8 *St. Josephine Bakhita*  
 St. M 6:30 AM Domenico Perrotta  
 St. A 9:00 AM John Ormsby
- Sat., February 9 *The Presentation of the Lord*  
 St. A 9:00 AM Edward Veverka  
 St. A 4:00 PM The Nappi family
- Sun., February 10 *5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 St. M 7:30 AM Joesph Pelliccia  
 St. A 9:00 AM Irene O'Donnell  
 St. M 10:30 AM The Eichler family  
 St. A 12:00 PM People of the Parish  
 St. M 1:30 PM Samuel Rojas

**MEMORIALS**

- St. A. Sanctuary Lamp Dolores Daigo  
 St. A. Wine and Hosts Andrew Onacilla  
 St. M. Sanctuary Lamp Margaret Taylor  
 St. M. Wine and Hosts Daniel Duffy

**FOOD PANTRY AND SOUP KITCHEN**

Lou and Helen Ambrosio, Louise Ambrosio, Daniel Bialt, Lois Biondi, John Buzinkai, Nancy DeFelice, Daniel Duffy, RuthAnn Smith, Ann Tedeschi, Patrick Tierney

**PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL**

Saint Michael Archangel,  
 defend us in battle,  
 be our protection against the wickedness  
 and snares of the devil;  
 may God rebuke him, we humbly pray;  
 and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host,  
 by the power of God, cast into hell  
 Satan and all the evil spirits  
 who wander about the world seeking the ruin of souls.



*When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. They rose up, drove Him out of the town, and led Him to the brow of the hill on which their town had been built, to hurl Him down headlong. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away. - Lk 4:28-30*

**SHARING GOD'S BLESSING**

This weekend is the Archdiocesan kickoff for the 2019 Annual Appeal, Sharing God's Blessings. Last year 258 donors from our parish contributed \$63,026. That is an average gift of \$247. We just received a rebate of over \$4,800 because we exceeded our goal. More importantly, your wonderful outpouring of generosity has helped to fund the education of future priests in our seminaries as well as assist retired priests who have served us in our parishes. It has helped spread the faith in schools and on college campuses as well as help those in need through Catholic Charities. We have over 1,800 registered families. Imagine the good we could do if those who did not pledge last year could just make a one-time contribution of \$20.

This year we will not have a special collection this weekend. Rather, I invite you all to take home a brochure with you and pray about the appeal during the week. Next weekend we will have a second collection for you to make your pledge. Use the envelope provided in the brochure and don't forget to put your name on it so that your personal donation can be counted in the total number of donors. Thank you for your support of the 2019 appeal.

**TAX STATEMENTS**

Your annual contribution statements for 2018 to Blessed Miriam Teresa Parish using our envelope system will be available beginning tomorrow Monday, 2/4. Please note that we cannot give a statement for loose cash donations placed in the collection basket. Thank you again for the support you make to your parish.

**FAITH GIVING**

As always, we thank you for your continued generous support of Bl. Miriam Teresa Demjanovich Parish.

01/27	Sunday Collection	\$ 11,230.00
	Communicating God's Word	\$ 2,415.00



Oh, the difference a week can make. Last Sunday, our Gospel reading recalled Jesus' visit to the synagogue in Nazareth and concluded with everyone amazed as He said: "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." (Lk 4:21) Today we begin with the exact same passage. That amazement quickly turned to anger once our Lord began to preach to them. They not only drove Him out of the building, but wanted to push Him off the edge of the cliff on which their town was built! What caused the drastic change from amazement to anger? Jesus began to tell them that they were not living as God had intended.

Don't we want to be affirmed that all of our life choices are correct? I certainly would love for that to be the case. The first step for us to be able to make right choices is to know what God expects of me. Sadly, however, as I make my daily examination of conscience, I realize that my ways are not always His ways. At moments like that, I am grateful for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Lord allows me to return into His grace through the confession of my sins as long as I have a contrite heart.

We can't always do what we want. What we do need to do is to follow Jesus, for He is the Way, the Truth and the Life!

### ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Today is Hospitality Sunday in the St. Joseph Room from 8:30—12:00. Come on down after Mass for fellowship.

The Rosary Meeting will take place on Monday, 2/4, at 7pm in the cafeteria at ASCA. The guest speaker will be a nutritionist from Health Foods. All are invited.

### SPREAD THE WORD OF GOD

Our Evangelization Committee has been working to find opportunities to bring the Gospel message to our community. Would you or a loved one like a home visit to strengthen your faith through prayer? Contact the parish office to arrange a visit.

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Cardinal Tobin will continue the tradition of celebrating Masses for those celebrating 25<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> anniversaries of Catholic marriage. Mass will be offered on Sunday, 4/28, at 3pm at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark for those celebrating 50 years of the Sacrament of Matrimony. On Sunday, 6/2, at 3pm Mass will be celebrated for those marking their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. If you would like to take part in one of these two events and were married in the Catholic Church, please contact the parish office as registration is necessary.

### H&R BLOCK

For each new client using H&R Block to prepare their taxes, the company will make a donation to our parish or the food pantry. Either bring a copy of this bulletin with you or use the reference number 40010001085380 for the parish or 40010001085381 for our food pantry. Last year we received a check from H&R Block for \$3,440.

### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

*The word of the LORD came to me, saying: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you." Jer 1:4-5*

Jeremiah declares that the Lord knew him before he was born, and dedicated and appointed him to his role as prophet even before he drew breath. We, too, are known and sent by the Lord. What deeds of love and service are mine to perform?

### A NEW FACE AMONG US

Michael Gouda begins helping as a Sacristan each Sunday. Born in Egypt, Michael was raised as a Catholic in the Latin Rite worshipping in a parish run by Franciscan priests. He felt the call to the priesthood and went to Rome to study philosophy at the Urbaniana University. He discerned to become a priest of the Chaldean Rite of the Catholic Church and continued his studies in theology for 4 years in Iraq. When life there became too threatening, he came to Bayonne where his sister was already living with her family. He will be with us as he seeks to be ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Newark.

As Sacristan, Michael will help get things ready for each Mass at each of our worship sites and also serve at the Altar when necessary. He is also working on improving his English and assimilating into the American culture. Please welcome him as a member of our parish community and also to pray for him on His journey to the priesthood!

### CALLING ALL YOUTH

The next meeting of "Rising Apostles," our parish youth group, will take place on Friday evening, 2/15. They will host a Valentine's Dance for youth ages 13—18 at 6:30pm in the Andrian Room at St. Andrew School.

### ST. PATRICK DINNER DANCE

Our parish Holy Name Society is hosting their St. Patrick Dinner Dance on Saturday, 3/9. Watch the bulletin for further details about this fun annual event.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

For those serving in the Military:

Emerson Fandialan, Michael Gallagher, Joseph Materowski, Brandon Picerno, Lindsey Redondo, Shawn Redondo

For those who are sick and suffering:

Reina Aldaño, Emmanuel Brito, Oscar Brito, Joseph Botti, Michelle Burns, Victoria Cabello, Raymond Calvo, Loretta Cerullo, Margaret Conway, George Dewan, Lillian DiLorenzo, Luis Donado, Pauline Dyletczuk, William Hauser, Nancy Herrera, Ava Illenye, Zachary Illenya, Jamie Jensen, Mason Johansson, Dolores Kane, Alice Koenig, Mary Lee, James Leung, Susan Lomot, Lorraine Mahoney, Annmary Malave, Matthew Maran, Rafael Martinez, Helen McNulty, Maria Mercedes, Caroline Miele, Michael Morris, Frederick Muntzner, Rose Ormsby, Antoinette Paczkowski, Jo-Ann Pappalardo, Mary Lou Pede, Silvia Perez, Darrin Perrotta, Eileen Pfeiffer, Vito Polera, Charles Protnicki, Angelica Rodriguez, Josephine Rodriguez, Barbara Rotunno, Samia Said, Dolores Swokla, Eileen Swokla, Mary Topolski, Gregg Trapp, Zita Vivar, Elsie Wroblewski, Ezequiel Yost

For those who have died:

Mario Moreira

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## **ASCA NEWS**

All Saints Catholic Academy students in grades 2-7 have just finished up the winter session of MAP Growth testing. MAP (Measure of Academic Progress) is a computerized adaptive test; results are in real time and reports show how much growth has occurred between testing sessions – there are three per school year. ASCA is one of eight schools in the Archdiocese of Newark piloting the program.

Registration for 2019-2020 has begun and classes are filling quickly. We are holding an Open House for prospective families each Wednesday morning of February and March from 9-11am. Sr. Rita has already received inquiries about our 2020-2021 school year! For registration information visit our website, [www.ascabayonne.org](http://www.ascabayonne.org), or call the school office at 201-443-8384.

## **MOVIE SCREENING**

The Bayonne Board of Ed, in conjunction with the Public Library are hosting a screening of the film “Fair Game Surviving a 1960 Georgia Lynching” on Tuesday, 2/5 at 7:00pm at the Bayonne Public Library. The movie tells the story of Bayonne resident, James Fair. The filmmaker, Clennon King, will be on hand for a discussion following the screening. RSVP by calling 201-858-5993.

## **TRICKY TRAY**

St. Vincent de Paul Parish is hosting a Tricky Tray on Saturday, 3/2 at 12 noon. The cost is \$25 for admission which includes lunch, coffee, tea and dessert. Value packs are also available. For only \$40 you can get \$55 worth of tickets. To purchase tickets or for more information, call St. Vincent’s parish office at 201-436-2222. You must be over 18 years old to attend.

## **SPRING FROLIC**

The Friends of St. Francis are hosting their 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Spring Frolic. The fundraiser and dinner party will take place on Saturday, 3/30 at 6pm at the Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Center on East 22<sup>nd</sup> Street. All are welcome to enjoy dinner, dessert, door prizes, raffles, fellowship and good cheer in a festive atmosphere. The tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for kids ages 12-17. For more information please contact Cindy at 201-467-7982. All proceeds are donated to various charities.

## **SAINTS ALIVE**

As in the case of Agnes, another virgin-martyr of the early Church, almost nothing is historically certain about this saint except that she was martyred in Sicily during the persecution of Emperor Decius in 251. Legend has it that Agatha, like Agnes, was arrested as a Christian, tortured, and sent to a house of prostitution to be mistreated. She was preserved from being violated, and was later put to death.

She is claimed as the patroness of both Palermo and Catania. The year after her death, the stilling of an eruption of Mt. Etna was attributed to her intercession. As a result, apparently, people continued to ask her prayers for protection against fire.

**THE WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Sun., February 3**

8:30—12:00 Hospitality (St. Joseph Room)  
8:45—11:30 Religious Ed. Gr. 1-6 (ASCA)  
3:00pm Dios es Amor Retreat (Andreas Room)

**Mon., February 4**

4:00pm Legion de Maria (St. Joseph Room)  
7:00pm Rosary Society (ASCA Cafeteria)

**Tues., February 5**

6:30—8:00 Religious Ed. Gr. 7-9, RCIT (ASCA)  
7:00pm Grupo de Oracion (St. Joseph Room)

**Wed., February 6**

4:00—5:30 Religious Ed. Gr. 3-6 (ASCA)

**Thurs., February 7**

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (St. Mary Church)  
7:00pm RCIA Class (St. Joseph Room)

**Fri., February 8**

6:30pm Youth Group Planning (St. Joseph Room)  
7:30pm Bingo (ASCA Cafeteria)  
7:30pm Estudio Biblico (Media Room)

**Sat., February 9**

4:00pm Soup Kitchen (ASCA Cafeteria)

**Sun., February 10**

8:45—11:30 Religious Ed. Gr. 1-6 (ASCA)  
12:00pm Baptism Celebration (St. Mary Church)

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

02/11 Finance Council Meeting  
02/23 ASCA Gala  
03/06 Ash Wednesday  
03/09 HNS St. Patrick's Dinner Dance  
04/30—05/4 Parish Carnival

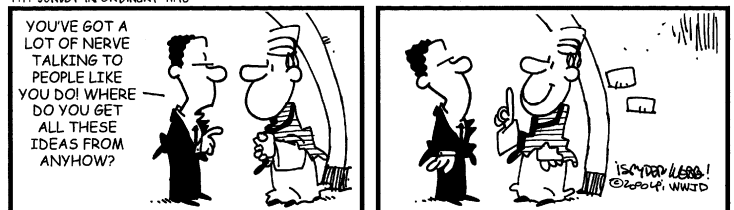
**Readings for the Week of February 3, 2019**

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Lk 4:21-30  
Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Mk 5:1-20  
Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4/Mk 5:21-43  
Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Mk 6:1-6  
Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Mk 6:7-13  
Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Mk 6:14-29  
Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Mk 6:30-34  
Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 5:1-11

**LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT WEEK**

Isaiah, a man of unclean lips, beholds the Lord's glory in the temple and is sent on a mission. Simon, a sinner, responds to the mission of Jesus by becoming a disciple. Paul, the persecutor, speaks of his call to preach nothing but Christ crucified and risen.

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME







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