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SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION

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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Mon.—Fri.: 6:30am St. Mary, 9:00am St. Andrew

Sat. 9:00am SA, 4:00pm SA (*Anticipated*)

Sun.: 7:30am SM, 9:00am SA 10:30am SM,
12:00pm SA, 1:30pm SM (*Spanish*)

Holy Days: 6:30am SM, 9:00am SA, 7:00pm SA

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Peter Wehrle	<i>Pastor</i>
Rev. Philip Sanders	<i>Parochial Vicar</i>
Rev. Msgr. Joseph Reilly	<i>Weekend Assistant</i>
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Philomena Coco	<i>Faith Formation</i>
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Vivian Crespo	<i>Office Manager</i>
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Marge Russo	<i>Choir Director</i>
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WORSHIP SITES

St. Mary, Star of the Sea
326 Avenue C

St. Andrew the Apostle
2 West 4th 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 2nd Sunday of the month (alternating between St. Mary and St. Andrew) except during the Lenten season. Contact the parish office via email at 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 to be parishioners at Bl. Miriam Teresa Demjanovich Parish. *Census forms and collection envelopes are available at the office.*

DEVOTIONS

St. Jude Novena:
Mondays after 6:30 Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena:
Tuesdays after 9:00 Mass

Morning Prayer:
Weekdays after 6:30 Mass,
Weekdays before 9:00 Mass

Communal Rosary:
Weekdays after 9:00 Mass

1st Saturday Eucharistic Adoration:
3:00—4:00 (*St. Andrew*)
Benediction following the 4:00 Mass

MARCH 17, 2019

2nd SUNDAY IN LENT

 **Mass Intentions for the Week**

- Sat., March 16 *St. Clement Mary Hofbauer*
 St. A 4:00 PM Edward O'Rourke and family.
- Sun., March 17 *2nd Sunday in Lent*
 St. M 7:30 AM Barbara English
 St. A 9:00 AM Anthony Ambrosio
 St. M 10:30 AM People of the Parish
 St. A 12:00 PM Damian Morkevich
 St. M 1:30 PM Margaret Buckley
- Mon., March 18 *St. Cyril of Jerusalem*
 St. M 6:30 AM Patrick Duffy
 St. A 9:00 AM Anna Marie Squillante
- Tue., March 19 *St. Joseph*
 St. M 6:30 AM Frank Conway
 St. A 9:00 AM Edward Celano
- Wed., March 20 *St. Salvator of Horta*
 St. M 6:30 AM The Corus and Henthorn Fam.
 St. A 9:00 AM Margaret Fry
- Thu., March 21 *Bl. John of Parma*
 St. M 6:30 AM Josephine Kearney
 St. A 9:00 AM John Delaney
- Fri., March 22 *St. Nicholas Owen*
 St. M 6:30 AM Kathleen Boyle
 St. A 9:00 AM Linda Protocollo
- Sat., March 23 *St. Turibius of Mogrovejo*
 St. A 9:00 AM Rosalia Capodice
 St. A 4:00 PM Lilian Rizzo
- Sun., March 24 *3rd Sunday in Lent*
 St. M 7:30 AM Salvatore Spagnolo
 St. A 9:00 AM Madeline McNutt
 St. M 10:30 AM Joseph Szaro
 St. A 12:00 PM People of the Parish
 St. M 1:30 PM Alfonso Brito

MEMORIALS

- St. A. Sanctuary Lamp Frances Pormann
 St. A. Wine and Hosts John and Kathleen Barry
 St. M. Sanctuary Lamp Jessica Gallagher
 St. M. Wine and Hosts Daniel Duffy

FOOD PANTRY AND SOUP KITCHEN

Lou and Helen Ambrosio, Louise Ambrosio, Daniel Bialt, Lois Biondi, John Buzinkai, Martha DiMaria, Emilie Esposito, Dorothy Materowski 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.



While He was praying His face changed in appearance and His clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with Him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of His exodus that He was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. - Lk 9:29-31

LISTENING SESSION

The season of Lent is a time for conversion and growth. It is a time to prepare ourselves to become more like Christ. The current situation in which the Catholic Church finds herself is troubling to comprehend. For most of us, there is a combination of concern for the Church and her future along with anger and confusion about the Church that we love.

Deacon Peter Fiori, a staff member of RENEW International, is coming to Bayonne to facilitate a listening session on Monday, 4/1 at 7pm. The session will take place in the Andrian Room at St. Andrew School. Everyone is invited to join us as we walk together on the pathway of hope and healing.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS

Each Wednesday at 7pm, all are invited to join us for our Lenten Holy Hour at St. Andrew. This will consist of a period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament when the priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We will conclude the evening with Vespers and Benediction. All are invited to come and join us for some quiet time with our Lord.

Bilingual Stations of the Cross will take place each Friday during Lent at 7pm in St. Mary Church. Come and journey with us as we follow in the footsteps of Christ on His way to Calvary.

ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

The Annual Citywide Rosarian Communion Breakfast will take place on Sunday, 4/7. We will begin with Mass at 9am at St. Andrew followed by a brunch at the Chandelier. Tickets are \$36 at the Parish Office. All women are invited to attend.

FAITH GIVING

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

03/10	Sunday Collection	\$ 9,065.00
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Today, people are lining parade routes in their finest Irish attire and the bagpipes are playing across the globe as we strive to transport ourselves across the sea to the Emerald Isle. They say that everyone wants to be Irish on St. Patrick's Day. Patrick first set foot on Irish soil at age 16 when he and a number of his father's slaves were captured by pirates and sold into slavery. He escaped after 6 years and returned home, but this experience transformed his life. He would later return as a missionary to the pagan land to which he brought the message of Christ's redeeming love.

In today's Gospel, we hear of the transfiguration of the Lord before the eyes of Peter, James and John. These disciples did not completely understand what they were seeing as Jesus' face changed in appearance and His clothing became dazzling white. The culmination of the event was the voice of God saying: "This is my chosen Son; listen to Him!" The episode would also serve to transform the disciples lives as they received the strength to persevere all sort of evil in their mission to bring the Good News to the people throughout the known world.

While it is noble to wish to be Irish on St. Patrick's Day, I am sure that Patrick himself would rather a different transformation take place. That you and I might become more like our Lord as we recognize that Christ is with me, before me, behind me, within me, above me, on my right, on my left, when I lie down, when I sit and when I arise. Happy St. Patrick's Day!

EAGLE SCOUT AWARD

Christopher Shaw of Troop 20 earned his Eagle Scout Award, the highest rank a young person can earn in scouting. His Eagle Scout project was a book drive to support Women Rising Inc. which has been serving Hudson County since 1905. Christopher would like to thank everyone for their support and contributions during the drive. For parishioners wanting to support and know more about Women Rising, Inc, visit WomenRising.org

SHARING GOD'S BLESSING

This past weekend another 8 families made pledges of \$5,020 to the 2019 Annual Appeal. That brings our total pledges to \$45,415 from 158 families with the average gift just shy of \$290. This means that we have already reached 90% of our parish goal of \$50,499. At present we have 1836 registered families which means that only 9% of our parishioners are participating. I encourage you to view the 3 video vignettes by visiting RCAN.org/Stories. These are told by Lauren, Shakree, Marcos and his wife Glenda, people whose lives have been changed by the generosity to the appeals of years past. You can make a pledge right there on the website or by using one of the brochures that are available at both of our worship spaces. Please consider making a pledge to assist the great works of the Archdiocese of Newark through a contribution to the 2019 Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Peter, James, and John wanted to build a "booth" for Jesus and just stay on the mountain where His transfiguration took place. But the Son of God, the Chosen One, knew that He must instead keep moving toward His crucifixion. We, too, must rise from worship and do what we can to hasten the coming of the kingdom.

PARISH EXPENSES

Sometimes people wonder where the money from the collections go. This past week we received our insurance bill for our buildings: \$50,074 or \$4,173/month. During the month of February, the bill to Suez for water was \$951.07. PSEG bills for gas and electric totaled \$4,086.31 and we paid another \$9,462.87 for heating oil to Hilltop Energy. Our monthly assessment to the Archdiocese is \$7,078. Just these 5 expense items total \$25,751 for the month of February. These are just some of the major expenses, but does not include salaries, benefits, snow removal and any maintenance issues we might have. Through your generosity, our Sunday collection during the month was \$39,310 and we also received \$6,124 through our parish grounds and maintenance collection. Praise God, we are able to stay current with our bills and for this, we offer you our thanks!

SPRING FLEA MARKET

Our Spring Flea Market is back by popular demand and will take place on Saturday, 5/11. Contracts for table rentals will be available beginning Monday, 3/18 at 10am. The cost is \$25 for a 6' table. We will also have a few parish tables. Donations of gently used household items and clothing (no furniture) can be brought to the parish office during regular business hours.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Members of our Holy Name Society ran a successful celebration in honor of St. Patrick. Those who attended enjoyed a delicious meal and had a great opportunity for dancing to the music of the Band of Rogues. The total collected for the raffle was \$9,400. Our grand prize winner, Mary Ellen Sanniolla, received \$2,820 or 30% of the total pot. The 2nd and 3rd prize winner, Luz Valencia and Florence Skiba both walked away with 10% or \$940. Many thanks to all who participated!

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:

Michelle Burns, Victoria Cabello, Raymond Calvo, Loreta Cerullo, George Dewarn, Lillican DiLorenzo, Gilda Mendoza, William Hauser, Nancy Herrera, Mason Johanson, Alice Koenig, Yulaidy Leiva, Mary Lee, Maria Mercedes, Frederick Muntzer, Mary Louise Pede, Silvia Perez, Charles Protnicki, Angelica Rodriguez, Barbara Rotunno, Samia Said, Dolores Swokla, Eileen Swokla, Mary Tobolski, Ezequiel Yost,

For those who have died:

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ASCA NEWS

All Saints Catholic Academy will be hosting young women from St. Dominic Academy on Monday afternoon. They will be visiting Pre-K—2nd Grade as we celebrate “Read Across America.” It is a positive experience for everyone involved. We look forward to their visit each year.

On Tuesday, Photo-Life will be at school for spring pictures and 8th grade graduation picture retakes. Both are optional.

ASCA will be holding an Open House for prospective families each Wednesday morning of March from 9-11am. Registration for the 2019-2020 has begun and classes are filling quickly. Registration information may be found online at www.ascabayonne.org or by calling the school office at 201-443-8384.

BINGO!

Each Friday evening at 7:30pm the BINGO games begin at All Saints Catholic Academy. Over \$1,400.00 in cash prizes are given away every week. Bring a friend to have some fun and try your luck! You must be 18 years old to play and the doors open at 6:00pm. If you'd like to volunteer to help with BINGO, contact the parish office.

SUPPORT VOCATIONS

The Hudson County Serra Society, an organization fostering vocations to the priesthood and religious life, is having their Annual Seminarian Mass and Dinner on Tuesday, 3/26. Msgr. Gregory Studerus, Episcopal Vicar of Hudson County will celebrate the Mass here at St. Mary Church at 6pm. Dinner will follow at the Chandelier Restaurant. This year the Serra Society will honor Sr. Patricia Stringer, OP and will also posthumously honor Patricia Haggerty and Bob McNutt. The cost of the dinner is \$60/person. For tickets and information, please contact Michael at MABruz@verizon.net or 201-463-2380.

THE GIFT OF FAITH

As a gift to you, Bl. Miriam Teresa Parish offers a free subscription to FORMED.org. This is a resource of programs, movies and e-books for the whole family. Take some time with your entire family to unlock the mystery of the Catholic Church. Go to FORMED.org website and create a free account using the parish code: 8V6MZ7.

SAINTS ALIVE

At the age of 21, Salvator entered the Franciscans. As cook, porter, and beggar for the friars in Tortosa, he became well known for his charity. He healed many who were sick and when crowds began coming to the friary to see him, the friars transferred him to Horta. Again, around 2,000 sick per week sought Salvator's intercession. He told them to examine their consciences, go to confession, and to receive Holy Communion worthily. He refused to pray for those who would not receive those sacraments.

The public attention given to Salvator was relentless. The crowds would sometimes tear off pieces of his habit as relics. Two years before his death, Salvator was moved again, this time to Cagliari on the island of Sardinia. He died at Cagliari saying, “Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.”

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun., March 17

8:45—11:30 Religious Ed. Gr. 1-6 (ASCA)

Mon., March 18

4:00pm Legion de Maria (St. Joseph Room)

7:00pm Liturgy Meeting (St. Joseph Room)

Tues., March 19

6:30—8:00 Religious Ed. Gr. 7-9, RCIT (ASCA)

7:00pm Grupo de Oracion (St. Joseph Room)

Wed., March 20

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

7:00pm Holy Name Society (Holy Name Room)

7:00pm Lenten Holy Hour (St. Andrew)

Thurs., March 21

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (St. Mary Church)

7:30pm Estudio Biblico (Media Room)

Fri., March 22

6:30pm Youth Group Planning (St. Joseph Room)

7:00pm Stations of the Cross (St. Mary Church)

7:30pm Bingo (ASCA Cafeteria)

Sat., March 23

10:00am Baptism Prep Class (St. Joseph Room)

4:00pm Soup Kitchen (ASCA Cafeteria)

Sun., March 24

8:45—11:30 Religious Ed. Gr. 1-6 (ASCA)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 04/21 Easter
- 04/28 First Communion
- 04/30—05/4 Parish Carnival
- 05/11 Spring Flea Market
- 05/13 Confirmation

Readings for the Week of March 17, 2019

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-14a, 16/Rom 4:13-22/Mt 1:16-24

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT WEEK

From the burning bush, Moses is called by God to lead his people out of slavery into freedom. The parable of the fig tree speaks, on the one hand, of God's patience, but of the urgency of the call to conversion, on the other. Like the Hebrews of old, we too have failed to heed God's call, thinking ourselves to be self-righteous.

2nd SUNDAY OF LENT





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