Blessed Miriam Teresa Demjanovich Parish

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Mon.-Fri.:	6:30am SM	9:00am SA	
Sat.:	9:00am SA	4:00pm SA (Anticipated)	
Sun.:	7:30am SM	9:00am SA	
	10:30am SM	12:00pm SM (Español)	
Holy Days:	6:30am SM	9:00am SA	7:00pm SA

PARISH STAFF

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WORSHIP SITES

St. Mary, Star of the Sea
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St. Andrew the Apostle
2 West 4th Street

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:00 - 4:00, St. Andrew Church
or by appointment

BAPTISM

Children of registered parishioners are eligible for the Sacrament of Baptism which is normally celebrated on the 2nd Saturday 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 Theresa Demjanovich Parish. *Census forms and collection envelopes are available at the office.*

DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena:
Tuesdays after 9:00 Mass

Morning Prayer:
Weekdays before 9:00 Mass

Communal Rosary:
Weekdays after 9:00 Mass

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

Weekly Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 - 8:00 pm (St. Mary)

November 7, 2021

Mass INTENTIONS

Sat., Nov. 6 ***Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time***
4:00 pm (St. Andrew) *Pro Populo*

Sun., Nov. 7
7:30 am (St. Mary) Claudia Adamson
9:00 am (St. Andrew) Denise DeLuca
10:30 am (St. Mary) Sister Aine O'Connor
12:00 pm (St. Mary) Catalina Figueroa and Victor Jacobo

Mon., Nov. 8 ***Weekday of Ordinary Time***
6:30 am (St. Mary) John J. Gillespie
9:00 am (St. Andrew) Edgar Hess

Tue., Nov. 9 ***The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica***
6:30 am (St. Mary) Jack Hartigan
9:00 am (St. Andrew) Manny Sambade

Wed., Nov. 10 ***St. Leo the Great***
6:30 am (St. Mary) John G. Cehelsky
9:00 am (St. Andrew) Deborah Abeltin

Thu., Nov. 11 ***St. Martin of Tours***
6:30 am (St. Mary) Helen Kazimar
9:00 am (St. Andrew) Bruno Brancatella

Fri., Nov. 12 ***St. Josaphat***
6:30 am (St. Mary) Jessica Gallagher and Mary Maida
9:00 am (St. Andrew) Lee Thomas Waskiewicz

Sat., Nov. 13 ***St. Frances Xavier Cabrini***
9:00 am (St. Andrew) James Pullaro
4:00 pm (St. Andrew) Patrick and Anne Boyle

Sun., Nov. 14 ***Thirty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time***
7:30 am (St. Mary) *Pro Populo*
9:00 am (St. Andrew) Florence Hansen
10:30 am (St. Mary) James Pullaro
12:00 pm (St. Mary) Luis Luy Giraldo

Memorials

St. Andrew
Sanctuary Lamp Jessica Gallagher and Mary Maida
Wine and Hosts Anthony Coco
Blessed Mother Lamp Mae Lair
St. Joseph Lamp

St. Mary
Sanctuary Lamp
Wine and Hosts Anthony Coco

Food Pantry

Patty and Gene Gallagher, David and Donnie McCann, The Spuma Family

Many rich people put in large sums. Calling His disciples to Himself, He said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood." - Mk 12:41c, 43-44

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Prayer Requests

For those serving in the Military:

Joseph Barbarise, Vincent Barbarise, Brandon Materowski, Joseph Materowski, Brandon Picerno, Shawn Redondo, Jonathan Weeks

For those who are sick and suffering:

Gladys Astudillo, Dario Brito, Irma Brito, Hector Brito, Bernadette Burke, Victoria Cabello, Raymond Calvo, Daniel Cotter, Magaly Diaz, John Farrell, Irma Fernandez, Maria Fernandez, John Fitzpatrick, Karen Flar, Clare Gannon, Irma Gomez, Marilyn Joyce Hager, Nancy Herrera, Jeanette Jensen, Aaron Jones, Barbara Kelly, Anthony Kotowski, Bob Kudlacik, Fred Marques, Msgr. Larry Miller, Michael Morris, Vito Moscato, Kelly Nguyen, Richard Nugent, Sandra Ortega, Rita Paragone, Tyhesa Payne, Argentina Rodriguez, Barbara Rotunno, Lorraine Seidel, Mitchell Seidel, Theresa Sullivan, Ralph Tedesco, Gregory Trapp, Humberto Valdez, John Wilson, James Wisely, Ezequiel Yost

For the Recently Deceased:

Desiree Antas, Elba Bonner, Wanda Dabney, JoAnn Dietrich, Kathleen Kelder, Sharon Valentine Moriarty, Manuel Sambe

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.

Faith Giving

As always, thank you for your continued generous support of the Parish.

October 31: Sunday Collection $6694

Notes from the Pastor

On October 19, we celebrated the Feast of the North American Martyrs. As I was preparing for my homily, I came across the Jesuit webpage containing the martyrdom accounts, some of which were unfamiliar to me, of these courageous Jesuits. I think it is helpful for us to consider the circumstances of their missionary activity.

Europeans began to colonize North America in 1492 with Columbus' arrival in America and the arrival of the Spanish in St. Augustine, FL in 1565. The French arrived in Quebec in 1608. The Pilgrims arrived in 1620. Certainly, the Europeans' arrival precipitated a clash of cultures; how could it not? The natives, logically, were not readily hospitable to the Europeans who wanted to appropriate land for their own use and who brought diseases with them which proved deadly to the natives. More often than not, these days, the Europeans are painted as being motivated solely by malicious selfishness. However, the Pilgrims came to escape religious persecution, not to oppress the natives, and their relationship with the Indians at the first Thanksgiving proves that reality. I believe the martyrdom accounts also help to show that the Europeans had more magnanimous hearts than certain groups would like the world to believe.

When the French arrived in Quebec, they encountered Indian tribes that were often at violent odds with each other. Believing that Christianity had something to offer the Indians, they initially invited Franciscans to come and work with the Indians and help them to see themselves as part of God's beloved family. The Franciscans were met with very modest success so they invited the Jesuits to help them. They were convinced that it would be better for the Indians to live at peace with each other and that the Christian perspective was the necessary foundation.

The Jesuits accepted the Franciscan invitation and sent eight priests to Quebec. One of them was Fr. Gabriel Lalemant. After arriving, Fr. Lalemant spent two and a half years learning the Huron language and customs. Having prepared himself for his missionary work, Fr. Lalemant became Fr. John de Brébeuf's assistant. One of their first village visitations took them to the village of Saint-Louis. Here is the official Jesuit description of what happened during that visitation:

> "During the night the Iroquois attacked another village not far away, and the two Jesuits knew that Saint-Louis would probably be next. On the morning of March 16, the Iroquois attacked the Huron village and easily overcame the defenses. The two Jesuits were taken prisoner because they had refused to flee into the forest before the attack. Attackers pulled out the finger nails of the two Jesuits and chewed their fingers before forcing them to run naked through the snow to a another village where other Iroquois warriors waited. The captives had to run the gauntlet and then the two Jesuits were led to two posts where they were to be killed. Apparently Lalemant had to watch the torments that Brébeuf suffered before the time came for his own torture at six in the evening. His tormentors set a fire around his feet, then burned him with heated metal hatchets and poured scalding water over his head. After they cut off his hands and gouged out his eyes, they placed hot coals in the sockets. Then they stopped for the night so that their victim could endure another day of torture. The next day they shoved burning wood into his mouth and sliced off his tongue, but Father Lalemant proved as courageous as his Jesuit companion and refused to shriek for mercy. Finally, they tore his heart out and ate it to gain his courage. The young Jesuit, only 36 years-old, died after 15 hours of unbelievable torment."

When I read that account, of one tribe attacking another and how the two priests were caught in the middle, I could not help but stop and consider whether Fr. Lalemant's behavior was driven by selfishness on behalf of the Europeans or out of love for the Indians, to lead them to a better life in Christ. It is hard to imagine that it was for selfish reasons; that would be madness. No one would endure that kind of suffering in order to overcome and suppress the natives. No one.

The reason it is important to consider the circumstances of the Jesuits' martyrdom is that it clearly shows us that the Europeans weren't solely interested in a land grab or wiping the natives from the face of the map. They believed they possessed a treasure that ought to be shared no matter the cost, the treasure of Christianity.

There is a movement in our culture that is attempting to paint European settlers as being motivated to suppress anyone they've come into contact with. But, I have to stop and ask myself whether the facts of history support that idea. I have a hard time imagining how eye sockets stuffed with burning coals supports the narrative of Europeans as oppressors.

All Souls' Candles Additions

The following All Souls' candles were requested after the list was published last weekend.

St. Mary: Salvador Altamirano Fermin Camacho Alvarado, Justine Alvarado, Lina Gomez Barrientos, Maximo Raul Camacho, Enid Cartagena, Miguel Montañes Crispin, Isabel Osorio Felix, Frank Giovanazzo, Virginia Giovanazzo, Rosalyn Camacho Gomez, Maria Iturbe, Adalicio Lopez Lopez, Eloy Lopez, Charles Lupo, Mildred Lupo, Pablo Mamani, The Moncion and Rodriguez Families, Mary Murray, Damiana Pari, Indalecio Mamani Pari, Macklin Polanco, Clare Powanda, Francisco Rivera, Maria Torres Rodriguez, Carlota Ruiz, Eloy Lopez Ruiz, Gilberto Lopez Ruiz, Pedro Lopez Ruiz, James Scudder, Rose Scudder, Yahajoiro Severino, Conrado Radames Soto

St. Andrew: Beatrice Bauer, John J. Bauer Jr., Thomas Bukow, Bobby Cannon, Pauline Cannon, Robert Cannon, James Fallon, Theresa Fallon, Claire Gunsiorowski, Robert Gunsiorowski, Michael Hanley, Jay Hughes, Joseph Hughes Jr., Dolores Krizenowski, Vicente Lorenzana, Patrick McGowan, Carol and Bill Macko, Helen McNulty, Leo and Helen Mahon, Dean Pelliccio, Porfirio Yuzon, Victorina Yuzon, Carolyn Schumann, The Smith Family, Barbara and John Snyder, Gerard P. Thoms, the Webber Family

Thanksgiving Baskets

Thanksgiving is quickly approaching and as we begin to plan our own celebrations, we also think about those in our community who may not have the means to enjoy a proper thanksgiving dinner. The parish Food Pantry has always made sure our Food Pantry clients are sufficiently equipped. Before the pandemic, we would provide each family with a turkey and all the trimmings. Covid required us to adapt the program because of social distancing requirements. So, last year, the clients received a gift card to a local grocery store so they could purchase the food directly. While social distancing is no longer a barrier to assembling baskets of food, there are a few personnel issues that will require us to distribute gift cards once again this year. Your ongoing generosity to the Food Pantry, especially with your Thanksgiving Day offering, funds this effort directly. May the Good Lord bless you for your generosity. "Whatever you do to the least of my brethren, you do to Me." Mt 25:40

Christmas Giving Tree

There are certain personnel issues that are preventing us from conducting our normal Christmas Giving Tree program this year. Therefore, as we did last year, we are soliciting monetary donations in lieu of actual gifts. The money will be used to purchase gift cards which will be distributed to the families enrolled in the Giving Tree program.

So, from now through December 12, you can donate to the Giving Tree by placing your donation (***cash or check only – no gift cards***) in an envelope marked "Giving Tree" and then placing that envelope in any Sunday Collection or you can drop it off at the parish office. As always, thank you for your participation in the Christmas Giving Tree Program.

Sunday Envelopes

Beginning in January 2022 the packet of envelopes you receive in the mail will contain two months of envelopes. So, for example, you will receive both January's and February's envelopes in the same mailing. This will save the parish a significant amount of postage.

The Little Sisters of the Poor

The Little Sisters of the Poor are committed to preserving the original charism of their Foundress Saint Jeanne Jugan, by giving happiness to the elderly and meeting their needs at their St. Joseph's Home for the Elderly in Totowa. They are with us this weekend to ask for our assistance with their important work. Please be as generous as you can.

Bayonne, NJ

ASCA News

We celebrated our first Mass of the year, fittingly, on All Saints Day. We are grateful and blessed to have had the Mass celebrated by His Excellency, the Most Reverend Gregory J. Studerus, auxiliary bishop for the Archdiocese of Newark. Look for the photo of Bishop Studerus and our 8th graders in the Bayonne Community News!

Congratulations to Tracy Ann Bernal, our third Calendar Raffle winner! We still have seven more drawings to go!

If you would like to participate in our "Plate it Forward" Houlihan's Dine Around, please request the flyer by calling the school office.

Student Council elections are under way. The results will be posted next week.

The Week at a Glance

Sun., Nov. 7	
Mon., Nov. 8	Legion de Maria, 4 pm, St. Mary
Tue., Nov. 9	Rel. Ed. Gr. 7-8, 9, 6:30 pm, ASCA Dios es Amor, 7:30 pm, St Mary
Wed., Nov. 10	Holy Hour, 7:00 pm, St. Mary
Thu., Nov. 11	Choir Practice, 7:00 pm, St. Mary
Fri., Nov. 12	Escuela de Fe, 7:30 pm, St. Mary
Sat., Nov. 13	
Sun., Nov. 14	Rel. Ed. Gr. 1-6, 8:45 am, ASCA

Mark Your Calendar

Thurs., Nov. 25	Thanksgiving Day Mass, 9:00 am, St. Andrew
Sat., Dec. 18	Advent Concert with *Clarum Sonum*, Time TBA, St. Andrew

Readings for the Week of November 7, 2021

Sunday:	1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44
Monday:	Wis 1:1-7/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday:	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
Wednesday:	Wis 6:1-11/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday:	Wis 7:22b–8:1/Lk 17:20-25
Friday:	Wis 13:1-9/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday:	Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday:	Dn 12:1-3/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

Looking Ahead to Next Week

At the end, the Son of Man will return with great power and glory, placing His enemies under His feet. Those whose names are in the Book shall live forever in light and joy.

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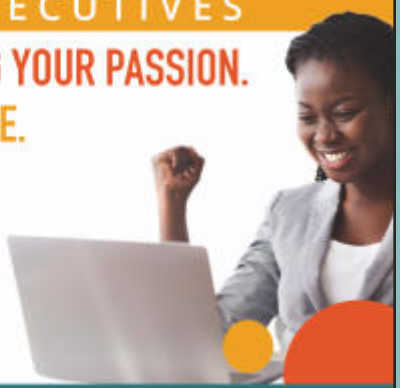
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