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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022 A.D.



**FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI
BLESSING OF ANIMALS
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022 AT 1:00PM**

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UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Sat 10/01	Confessions 8:30am & 4pm
Sat 10/01	NA 7pm LH
Mon 10/03	Miraculous Medal Novena after 9am Mass
Wed 10/05	Sts. Jude & Anthony Novena after 9am Mass
Wed 10/05	Supper of the Lamb Book Group 10:15am
Thu 10/06	Holy Hour - Church 7pm, Confession 6:30pm
Fri 10/07	First Friday Mass 7pm, Confession 6:30pm
Fri 10/07	AA 8pm LH
Sat 10/08	Confession AA 8pm LHs 8:30am & 4pm
Sat 10/08	NA 7pm LH

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please PRAY in the name of JESUS, the Healer, that the SICK of ST. JOHN PARISH may be restored to health and that those who ASSIST and CARE for the sick will be given the STRENGTH to continue GOD'S GOOD WILL:

Rhyan, Shane, Jeanne Aimone, Vahide Atlas, Marilyn Badami, Sue Baniel, Chieko Bernard, Pauline Bernard, Sheila Conroy, Joseph Corbo, Barbara D'Amato, Harold DelMonte, Dennis DeSantis, Mary Ellen Diakakis, Carla Errico, Nellie Fazio, Linda Gardner, Brendan Horan, Richard Hrbeck, Deena Kaiser, Joanne Kennedy, Andrea Korner, Scott Lyddon, Audrey Maguire, Carolyn McKeon, Michael Marino, Jean Marrano, Traci May, George Mulligan, Mary Netherby, Rita Neugebauer, Alice Palmieri, Mark Patricola, Gladys Patti, Gloria Petti, Betty Pisarek, Chris Ruskay, Netti Russo, Maureen Spadora, Maria Uhm, Anne Vaughan, and Adam Villavecchia.

PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY

O Prince of peace, we humbly ask Your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity and devotion, the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Be their rock, their shield, and their stronghold and let them draw their strength from You. For You are God, for ever and ever.

Sgt. Matt Brady, USMC
Lt. Col. Christopher Caldwell, O.D., US Army
Lt. Col. Dennis Castro, USAF
Maj. Michael A. Franson, US Army
Sgt. Joseph Gonzales, USAF
Lt. Robert Luceri, MD USN
Cmdr. Alexander McMahon, USN
Cpt. Matt Meagher, US Army

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Please keep in your prayers the following:

Richard Samperi
Walter Zygiel

Almighty Father, source of forgiveness and salvation, grant that our relatives and friends who have passed from this life may come to share your Eternal happiness through Christ our Lord. Amen.

MASS INTENTION

REQUESTED BY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2022 - ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

9:00 AM BETTY ROESER.....LENA BOGGIANO
5:00 PM ANNA MINGIONE.....THE ZAMBRELLA FAMILY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022 - 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM CORAZON DUMLAO SANDANG.....VICTORIA TANCIO
9:30 AM PETER INDIVERI.....BRIDGET & BRIAN BURKE
11:30 AM PAUL ODORISIO.....LISA & FRANK CIRILLO
6:00 PM MARIA RAYNA DIAZ NUNEZ.....JAN & JOHN CONNELL

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2022 ST. THEODORA GUERIN

9:00 AM BETTY ROESER.....LENA BOGGIANO
SYLIVA FERNANDEZ.....THE PORTUGUES FAMILY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2022 ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

9:00 AM FRANK Y. CHUNG (LIVING).....BRIGITTE CHUNG

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2022 ST. FAUSTINA KOWALSKA, VIRGIN

9:00 AM MONTELARO FAMILY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2022 ST. BRUNO, PRIEST

9:00 AM DOMINIC PICINIC.....MIKE & DINA VRKIC

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2022 OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

9:00 AM LUKA RYU (LIVING- BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS).....ELIZABETH KIM
7:00 PM BETTY ROESER.....MARY RAUSCH

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2022 ST. KENYA, VIRGIN

9:00 AM ROSE COVIELLO
5:00 PM MANUEL CASTRO.....ROSE-ANN PICCINICH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2022 - 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM NIKOLAOS MICHALOPOULOS
.....ELIDE & LIVIO VLACANCICH
9:30 AM CAROL A. BLAIR.....CECILE ARCEBIDO
11:30 AM PAUL ODORISIO.....LISA & FRANK CIRILLO
6:00 PM JEAN STANLEY-BROWN.....JANET O'DONNELL

Sanctuary Memorials

The Altar Bread & Wine is in memory of

Frank & Dorothy McNerny

Requested by: **The Lorenzo Family**

The Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of

Walter Zygiel

Requested by: **Sylvia Donohue**

The Altar Flowers, Bread and Wine, the BVM Votive Lamp, and St. Joseph Votive Lamp, the Sanctuary Lamp in the Church and in the Convent can be dedicated on a weekly basis.



Congratulations and God's Blessings

Amelia Leone Ryan

May God Bless Amelia and her parents as we welcome her into our parish family. May we all take a moment to reflect upon and renew our own baptismal promises and celebrate our own life in Christ.

Rosary for Life

Live via computer link
and conference call*

Thurs., October 13, 2022**
at 7:00pm (Eastern Time)

**Our goal is 1,000 people praying
for the Protection of Babies in the Womb
& in Reparation for the Sin of Abortion**

**with Bishop Manuel A. Cruz,
Auxiliary Bishop of Archdiocese of Newark
& priests from all over New Jersey**



** October 13 is the 107th anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima



**To view on line, register at:
watch.arrayofhope.net/pages/1000strong**

**To join by Conference Call (audio only)
Please register at:
lifeneducation.org/1000strong
Dial: 401-252-0031 Code: 759297#**

High School Open Houses

Tuesday November 1, 2022 **Bergen Catholic**,
Oradell, 7:00pm-8:30PM

Sunday, October 23rd, **Don Bosco Prep**,
Ramsey, 1:00-3:00PM

Sunday, October 23rd, **Holy Angels**,
Demarest, 10:00AM-2:00PM

Sunday, October 23rd, **Immaculate Heart Acad.**,
Washington Twp., 11:00AM-2:00PM

Sunday, October 2, **St. Joseph Regional HS**,
Montvale, 11:00AM

Sunday, October 16, **St. Peter's Prep**,

FOR THE SAFETY OF FELLOW PARISHIONERS

For the safety of yourself and consideration for your fellow parishioners, please refrain from touching and/or kissing the tabernacle, statues, pictures and banners in the Church. Thank you.

Putting your phone away and paying attention to those talking to you? There's an app for that and it's called "RESPECT".

St. John's Knights of Columbus



All men over the age of 18 are invited to join the St. John's Parish Knights of Columbus, the world's largest men's fraternal organization. For more information or to join, please contact Vito Mazza at 201-446-4072.

We are offering free membership in honor of Blessed Michael McGivney and Fr. Bryan's 30th Anniversary as a Knight—use password: BlessedMcGivney and join for FREE!! Visit:

<https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html>

Faith Formation News

REMINDER - Please note that there are no Faith Formation Classes next Sunday, October 9th.

New Jersey Right to Life Raffle

Raffle tickets to benefit New Jersey Right to Life will be sold after all masses the weekend of October 29-30.

☒ 1st prize - 2023 Volvo XC40 AWD SUV (retail value of \$ 42,400)

☒ 2nd prize - \$1,000 ShopRite Gift Card;

☒ 3rd prize - \$750 ShopRite Gift Card,

☒ 4th prize - \$500 ShopRite Gift Card.

Support LIFE, buy a \$10 ticket. Drawing on November 18, 2022.

What is the story behind the rosary?

The rosary is a sacred and popular Catholic devotion, but its origins are mysterious. Prayer beads to facilitate meditation began in the early ages of the Church. In the early medieval period, bead strings were used to count Hail Marys or Our Fathers. A tradition has developed that the rosary in its current form was given to St. Dominic by the Blessed Mother. However, the earliest biographies of the saint do not include this story. In the Middle Ages, the prayers were grouped into 50 Hail Marys with verses from Psalms and vignettes from the lives of Jesus and Mary. By the 16th century, the Joyful, Sorrowful, and Glorious Mysteries were established.

The rosary rose to prominence in the late 1500s. The Turkish Empire was spreading across eastern Europe, and pirates were raiding Christian ships. The Christian nations of Europe rallied for a great battle at sea. Pope St. Pius V urged all Christians to pray the rosary for victory. While vastly outnumbered, the Christian fleet was victorious at the Battle of Lepanto. The pope established October 7th as the feast of the Holy Rosary. Later, all of October would come to be known as the Month of the Rosary. ©LPi

St John's Altar Society News

Altar Society Speaker - October 9th Meeting

Sr. Maureen Colleary, FSP

Following the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 9th, the ladies of the Altar Society will have a meeting in the Lower Hall. Our Speaker will be Sr. Maureen Colleary, F.S.P., now a resident of St. John's Convent. Sr. Maureen's long and interesting career in the world of education and the Catholic Church will be part of her talk. All are welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served.

All women over 18 are invited to join the St. John's Altar Society, a group of women who quietly serve our parish in many different ways—washing altar linens, running bake sales and other types of fundraisers to help support our parish. For more information or to join, call Kathy Stendor at 201-956-7147 or Betsy Trautsch at 201-947-8679.

At the exits of church are coupons for any shopping you may do at Metropolitan Plant Exchange. The coupons do not expire until the end of the year. For every \$50 you spend, Metropolitan will very generously donate \$10 to St. John's Altar Society. Thank you for your support of this fundraiser!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MON: Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c/Lk 10:25-37
TUE: Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Lk 10:38-42
WED: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4
THU: Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 11:5-13
FRI: Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 11:15-26
SAT: Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 11:27-28
SUN: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19

ARRAY OF HOPE

"Array of Hope a national lay apostolate located in the Archdiocese of Newark exists to reveal the "Truths of our Faith" by creating high quality films, music and events is hosting its 2022 GALA at the Valley Regency in Clifton NJ on October 19th. Guests will enjoy a night of live music, new film premieres and fellowship. Humanitarian Immaculée Ilibagiza, Rwandan-American author and motivational speaker will be receiving the St John Paul II Threshold of Hope Award. Tickets are available at www.arrayofhope.org or call 201-261-3372."

10 Other Commandments to Live By:

- Try to understand the deep meaning. They are like the original Ten Commandments, try to follow them, in life, and all of the time!
1. Prayer is not a "spare wheel" that you pull out when in trouble, but it is a "steering wheel" that directs the right path throughout the journey.
 2. So why is a Car's WINDSHIELD so large and the Rear View Mirror so small? Because our PAST is not as important as our FUTURE. So, Look Ahead and Move on.
 3. Friendship is like a BOOK. It takes a few minutes to burn, but it takes years to write.
 4. All things in life are temporary. If going well, enjoy it, they will not last forever. If going wrong, don't worry, they can't last long either.
 5. Old Friends are Gold! New Friends are Diamond! If you get a Diamond, don't forget the Gold! Because to hold a Diamond, you always need a Base of Gold!
 6. Often when we lose hope and think this is the end, GOD smiles from above and says, "Relax, sweetheart, it's just a bend, not the end!
 7. When GOD solves your problems, you have faith in HIS abilities; when GOD doesn't solve your problems HE has faith in your abilities.
 8. A blind person asked St. Anthony: "Can there be anything worse "than losing eye sight?" He replied: "Yes, losing your vision!"
 9. When you pray for others, God listens to you and blesses them, and sometimes, when you are safe and happy, remember that someone has prayed for you.
 10. WORRYING does not take away tomorrow's TROUBLES, it takes away today's PEACE.

I've seen better days, but I've also seen worse.
I don't have everything I want, but I do have all I need.
I woke up with some aches and pains, but I woke up.
My life may not be perfect, but I am blessed.

~Lessons Learned in Life

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Be Careful What You Wish For

You've probably heard the phrase "Be careful what you wish for." In my experience, it's not often utilized with a lot of charity. You usually hear it said as a warning. The unspoken sentiment behind it is this: You're not as strong as you think you are.

As Christians we shouldn't be surprised to look ourselves in the mirror and own that reality. We are not as strong as we may think. We are time and time again shocked and dismayed by our own weaknesses, our own fears, our own shortcomings.

Should we be careful what we wish for? The apostles asked Jesus to increase their faith, and He told them it would take work. It would take suffering. It would take patience. But He didn't say it was impossible.

As everyday stewards, we need to continue wishing recklessly. Ask God for anything and everything, come to Him with all your needs. Beg Him for grace without limit.

When we hear God's voice, it does not always say what we want to hear. But it always speaks the perfect truth. If it tells us of a hardship that we think we cannot bear, let us take solace in the knowledge that we are the stewards — not the landlord.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Lector Formation

A workshop to train or renew those who serve in the ministry of lector. Topics include the importance of Scripture, public speaking and liturgical practicum for lectors:

Saturday, October 22, 2022 - 8:45am-12:20pm

LIVE, IN-PERSON

Archdiocesan Pastoral Center

171 Clifton Avenue - Newark

Please call the Rectory Office if you would like to sign up.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: What is a breviary?

Answer: A book with prayers, hymns, psalms, and readings for the canonical hours.

KIDS KORNER ANSWERS

1. Pope Francis.
2. Cardinal Joseph Tobin.
3. He changed water into wine.
4. Light.
5. Cana.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI
FEAST DAY OCTOBER 4

St. Francis of Assisi (1181 – 1226) left a life of luxury for a life devoted to Christianity after reportedly hearing the voice of God, who commanded him to rebuild the Christian church and live in poverty. He founded the men's Order of Friars Minor, the women's Order of St. Clare, the Third Order of St. Francis and the

Custody of the Holy Land.

Born in 1181 in Italy, St. Francis of Assisi was renowned for drinking and partying as a youth. During a military expedition/battle between Assisi and Perugia, he was captured and imprisoned for ransom. He spent nearly a year in prison and began receiving visions from God. After his release from prison, St. Francis of Assisi claimed to have heard the voice of Christ, who told him to restore the Christian Church and live a life of poverty. As a result, St. Francis of Assisi abandoned his life of luxury and became a devotee of the Catholic faith. Today, St. Francis of Assisi, known for his deep love of nature and animals, is the patron saint of the environment and animals. Each October, many animals are blessed on his feast day.

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Breakfast with Santa Cancelled



We sincerely regret that this year's Breakfast with Santa has had to be cancelled due to the unexpected issues with the Gym floor which may not be resolved in time for this event. We hope to resume this event next year.

WEEKLY OFFERING

September 24-25 2022

Budget: \$ 7,000.00

Sunday Collections: \$ 7,622.00



STEWARDSHIP

MY FAMILY – MY PARISH – MY RESPONSIBILITY

ShopRite Cards

When you purchase a \$25, \$50, or \$100 ShopRite card at the church you receive the full value of the card you purchased. ShopRite donates back to St. John's 5% of what we sell. Please consider helping your parish by supporting this program. Thank you.

KINDNESS

Kindness expands the light within us and reaches out to touch the light in others as well.

Kindness is an ideal that is easily accessible to all of us. We all know that a small kindness can make our journeys lighter and more enjoyable. Even bringing an instance of kindness to mind can put a smile on your face days or weeks later or perhaps even inspire you to share kindness with another. Though it may seem simple to the point of insignificance, many cultures throughout the world and history have recognized kindness as a powerful virtue. It may be the simplest way to experience and share all the grandest ideals of humanity. We can make the choice to act from the best place within ourselves at any time, while simultaneously recognizing the highest potential in another with the smallest of acts, nourishing the seed of hope in each soul we encounter.

In a way, kindness acts as the oil that makes the engine of our world move more smoothly and with less friction. We can still get where we are going but the ride is more pleasant, and those around us can share in the ideal world that we help to create. We are all fortunate that kindness is limitless in its supply and available to everyone. When we act in ways that confirm our ideals, we make the ideal our reality. Then, instead of affirming the experience of struggle and competition, we can shift our experience to the reality of ease and pleasurable camaraderie with the fellow citizens of the world.

Whether giving way to someone in traffic or letting someone go ahead of us in line, donating money or sharing our resources in a crisis, we actively create a universe of kindness and giving with every choice we make. The smallest gesture can bring a smile to light the shadow of an unpleasant situation or remove tension from a difficult task, but its effects can echo and extend far beyond the moment. We can be sure that we will receive a kindness in return, but giving is its own reward. Kindness expands the light within us and reaches out to touch the light in others as well, giving us all a glimpse of the glow that has the power to enlighten our world.

Mary Jo Dangel

FROM DAILY OM - WWW.FRANCISCANMEDIA.COM

KIDS KORNER



1. What is the name of our current Pope?
2. What is the name of our current Bishop?
3. What was Jesus' first miracle?
4. In creation, which appeared first: plants, animals or light?
5. In what city did Jesus perform his first miracle?

Answers on Page 4



Frank A. Patti

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