



St. Patrick and St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 16, 2022

Reverend Charles A. Sabella, Pastor

Deacon Lawrence D'Andrea

St. Rose of Lima Mass Schedule

85 Academy St. Oxford, NJ
Sunday: 9:30am

St. Patrick Mass Schedule

327 Greenwich St. Belvidere, NJ
Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am and 11:00am

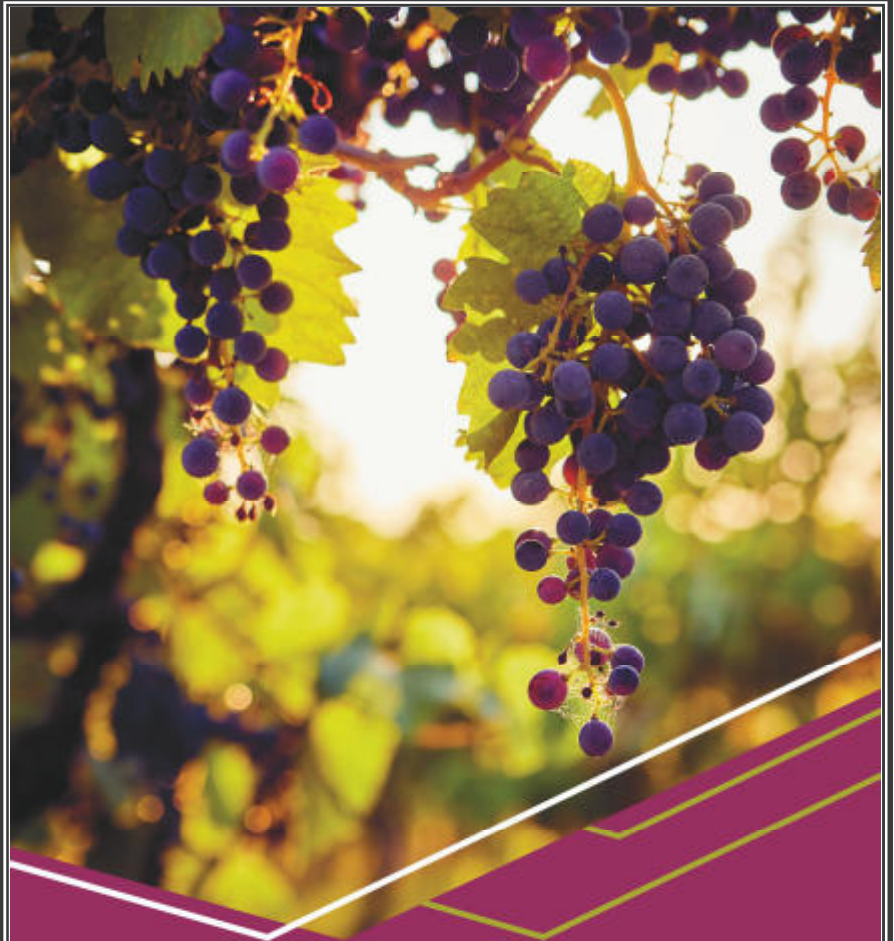
Weekday: Mon-Sat. 9:00am

Confessions: Saturday from 3:00-3:30pm

Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday Wednesday and Friday
9:30am-2:30pm

Thursdays from 9:30am– 12:30pm
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2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine."

- Jn 2:1-3

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Adoration and Devotions

Daily Rosary:

St. Patrick Church: 8:15 am Mon-Sat., Sun 7:20am

St. Rose of Lima Church: Sun 8:45am

Eucharistic Adoration First Fridays: 9:30am-5:30pm

First Friday Purgatorial Masses: St. Patrick Church

You may enroll at any time during the year. Masses will run for one year from the date of enrollment. Donation is \$25 for 12 Masses

To arrange for; Baptism, Marriage or R.C.I.A. Please call (908) 475-2559 ext. 0

Religious Education Office please email: thelisms@gmail.com

ST. PATRICK CHURCH, BELVIDERE ~ ST. ROSE OF LIMA CHURCH, OXFORD



Mass Intentions

Week of January 9, 2022

Saturday 15

(SP) 9:00AM Intentions of Greg English, r/The English Family
(SP) 4:00PM †Wanda Zibowich, r/her daughter Joan

Sunday 16

(SP) 8:00 AM †Flo Mazurczyk, r/Rena and Bill Clift
(SRL) 9:30 AM †Ralph Tuttle, r/Terry Reczka
(SP) 11:00 AM †Parishioners of St. Patrick and St. Rose of Lima Church

Monday

(SP) 9:00 AM †Tony and Mary Fernandes, r/Ken and Willa Berkes

Tuesday

(SP) 9:00 AM †Imre Czako, r/his grandchildren

Wednesday

(SP) 9:00 AM †John C. Frisbie, Jr., r/The Frisbie Family

Thursday

(SP) 9:00 AM †Donald Sirianni, r/Mike and Janet Piazzola

Friday

(SP) 9:00 AM †Donald Sirianni, r/John and Barbara Contini

Saturday

(SP) 9:00AM †Joseph Hickey, r/Sandy Silvia
(SP) 4:00PM †Donald Sirianni, r/Louise Cianci

Sunday

(SP) 8:00 AM †Parishioners of St. Patrick and St. Rose of Lima Church
(SRL) 9:30 AM † Rose Marie Hysick, r/Bernadette Tuttle
(SP) 11:00 AM †Ray Cooper, r/Dan and Meg McGrath

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Mass Celebrants for Sunday Masses

January 2022

Jan 2nd: 8:00am (SP) Father Michael
9:30am (SRL) Father Charles
11:00am (SP) Father Charles

Jan 9th: 8:00am (SP) Father Charles
9:30am (SRL) Father Michael
11:00am (SP) Father Charles

Jan 16th: 8:00am (SP) Father Charles
9:30am (SRL) Father Charles
11:00am (SP) Father Michael

Jan 23rd: 8:00am (SP) Father Charles
9:30am (SRL) Father Michael
11:00am (SP) Father Charles

Jan 30th: 8:00am (SP) Father Michael
9:30am (SRL) Father Charles
11:00am (SP) Father Charles

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Holy Hour

St. Patrick Church
every Thursday evening from
7:00pm-8:00pm
There will be a Reflection
by Father Charles
as well as an opportunity
for confession



Stewardship of Treasure

January 9, 2022

St. Patrick: \$5,096

St. Rose: \$1,353

Thank you for your offerings in support of our parish

Daily Rosary

St. Patrick Church:
Monday-Saturday at 8:15am
Sunday at 7:20am

St. Rose of Lima Church:
Sunday at 8:45am

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Patrick Church:

First the Friday of every Month:
Eucharistic Adoration from: 9:30am-5:30pm

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.
This process leads one, who chooses to become Catholic, into full membership in the Church.
Contact the Parish Office at 908-475-2559

For Religious Education

please email Michele Beha at
thelisms@gmail.com

Please visit our website
www.stpatrickrose.org

for additional information about events,
teachings, social ministry, prayer groups, etc.
Announcements from our bishop, Bishop James
Checchio and from the diocese.

Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday Wednesday and Friday
9:30am-2:30pm
Thursdays from 9:30am– 12:30pm

*A heartfelt Thank You
for all of the many cards, kind words, gifts
and goodies that I received during the
Christmas Season. May the new year of
2022 be one of peace,
great health and joy.*

Father Charles

The Sacrament of Marriage

Couples contemplating marriage should contact the parish office to make arrangements to meet with our pastor, Father Charles.

Either the bride or the groom should be registered at either St. Patrick or St. Rose of Lima Church. If you live in our area and have not yet registered, you may call and register with Kathleen.



Please reach out to the parish office if you have any questions.
(908) 475-2559

The Sacrament of Baptism

Please call (908) 475-2559 ext. 0 to make arrangements for the sacrament of baptism. Baptisms usually take place on Saturday morning. Please see our website for diocesan requirements regarding the choosing of Godparents.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Patrick Church
on Saturday evenings at 3:00pm
or by calling
parish office to arrange a time.



First Friday Adoration will take place Friday, February 4, 2022 at St. Patrick Church following 9:00am Mass until 5:30pm. All are Welcome and encouraged to come and spend an hour with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

We Can with "one Can" Campaign ! January 16– January 22: Peanut Butter and Jelly

All non-perishable food items are also joyfully accepted and can be at the parish office or on the back porch of Foley House

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Meditation from the Anavim Community

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Gospel Meditation

The Feast of the Santo Niño

The Feast of the Santo Niño was established to honor Jesus Christ. The Santo Niño is a sacred image which is connected with the very beginning of Christianity in the Philippines. The small statue now in Cebu, the *Santo Niño de Cebu*, arrived with Magellan and his crew, and it has remained here for over 500 years – an enduring symbol of the presence of the Lord in the Philippines and of the enduring love of the Filipino people for Jesus Christ.

There is more to today's feast than simply a popular devotion. It has many elements: historical, cultural, religious, and traditional. For example, today is also a celebration in honor of *children*. One of the reasons why Sto. Niño is so popular in the Philippines is that Filipinos love children. A healthy society celebrates children as a gift of God. Sadly, many societies see children more as an obstacle to happiness and a threat to prosperity. As a result of this distorted thinking, abortion is widespread in the world. Devotion to the Santo Niño – a child, a unique child, an extraordinary child, a divine child – helps counter the evil of abortion, reminding us that the life of every child is precious and sacred.

The Church has determined that the Sto. Niño should be celebrated every year on the third Sunday of January. Special readings have been chosen for the feast so that the word of God can give us a deeper appreciation of the identity and the mission of the Holy Child. This Child was spoken of long ago by the prophet Isaiah. In today's first reading, he proclaims, "For a child is born to us, a son is given us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder- Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace." It is a prophecy of the Messiah, who came to us as a child in Bethlehem.

At the center of this feast, then, is the extraordinary mystery of the Incarnation: God becoming man. We have been celebrating this throughout the Christmas season. Although Christmas is officially over, today's feast gives us another opportunity to reflect on this inexhaustible mystery, the unimaginable combination of God and man, a combination of greatness and littleness, of strength and weakness. It could be said that today's feast is a combination of the two feasts of Christmas and Christ the King.

When the Magi were seeking the Child, they knew he was a king. "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (Mt 2:2). But when they found him, he was not dressed as a king; he was "wrapped in swaddling clothes" (Lk 2:7). The Sto. Niño image is dressed as a king, reminding us that this humble Child is also God. As a child, he is very approachable and loveable; as God, he is trustworthy and powerful and deserving of our adoration.

Today's Gospel is the narrative of the finding of Jesus in the Temple, which we also ponder as the fifth Joyful Mystery of the Rosary. It is an appropriate passage to ponder today because it reveals Jesus as both son of Mary and Son of God, fully human and fully divine. This episode took place, not when Jesus was a little child, but when he was twelve years old, on the threshold of maturity. It is the only episode which records what he was doing for the thirty years of his hidden life: he was doing perfectly the will of the Father and living in perfect obedience to his parents, Mary and Joseph. Even as a child, Jesus was overcoming the sin of Adam and Eve, reversing their disobedience with his perfect obedience.

It is not always easy to understand the will of God or to accept what obedience to him requires. Sometimes it is confusing; we simply do not understand God's ways! Whenever another tragedy or hardship occurs, we wonder, 'Where is God? Why is he doing this?' When Jesus remained in the temple, Mary and Joseph did not understand why Jesus was missing, or why they had to experience sorrow and anxiety. Mary expressed this to him in her blunt question: "Why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety."

This is the very question that we have: 'Lord, why have you done this to me? Why did you allow me to suffer? Where were you when I was looking for you?' Jesus' response, which is also a question, is an invitation to reflect on what he was really doing. "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" This tells us something about the work of God in the world and gives us a lasting point for our reflection about Jesus Christ, about Sto. Niño. Jesus is the Son of the Father; he is *always* doing the will of the Father, even when we do not understand it. When we do not know where he is or what he is doing, we can be certain that he is always doing the will of the Father. What we experience as a contradiction must not lead us to doubt his presence or his goodness. He is here among us, doing what he must do to make it possible for us to live with him in perfect obedience, and thus in perfect joy, in union with the Father.

The Philippines has endured much suffering in the past 500 years, but the Sto. Niño has been with us the whole time. As humble children of God, let us adore him, and strive to imitate him in joyful obedience to the will of our heavenly Father.

*How do I express and share the joy of the Santo Nino in my life with others?
In prayer and action, how do I proclaim that the life of every child is precious and sacred?
What would be my inner reactions if I were Mary and Joseph looking for Jesus?*

Mary, grant me the grace to always surrender to the will of the Father.

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Eucharistic Adoration

every Wednesday 3 pm - 8 pm

at the Anawim Community Center

354 Jonestown Rd., Oxford, NJ



*All are
welcome*

Questions, please call (908) 453-3886 (908) 453-3561



The entire Catholic Church is called to participate in the upcoming Synod of Bishops!

The upcoming Synod is entitled: “For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission.” Synod is a greek word (synodos) meaning a meeting or assembly. The two Greek words that make up Synod are syn meaning together and hodos meaning way or journey. Pope Francis has called the entire People of God to journey together!

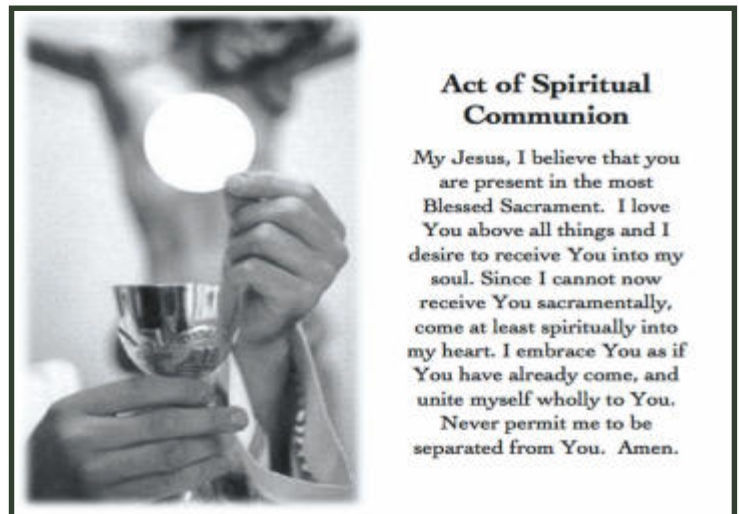
This Synod is not just another meeting with oral presentations and written reports. This Synod is a process of journeying together. As the Church, we will listen to each other, dialogue with each other, pray together, discern together and make decisions together for the purpose of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the world! Pope Francis is asking each local diocese to gather together-clergy, religious and laity-to first listen to each other’s joys and hopes, and griefs and anxieties (c.f. Gaudium et Spes no. 1). After we listen to each other, we are called to dialogue together on ways we can accompany each other as we seek to grow in holiness. Listening and speaking within the Church always involves prayer. We are listening, dialoguing and praying together so that we can hear the voice of the Holy Spirit. The “goal” of this journeying together is to be present with one another, to listen, and learn with each other, and to grow closer to the Lord and His Church. Visit: <https://www.diometuchen.org/synod2023>, for more information.

For our area: Sts. Philip and James Church 430 South Main St. Phillipsburg, NJ
Eucharistic Forty Hours beginning Sunday, January 23, after the 5:30pm Mass
 Benediction 6:30pm on January 25th

In each of the eight deaneries in the Diocese of Metuchen, a Eucharistic Forty Hours will beheld To view the list of hosting parishes, visit: diometuchen.org/synod2023.



In this season of Joy and Thanksgiving why not celebrate your marriage and its many blessings by attending a Marriage Encounter Weekend? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held February 4 – 6. Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco). Visit us at: www.wwme.org for more information.



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

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