



Archdiocese of Newark

Celebration of World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life

On Monday evening, February 2nd at 7:00 p.m., an “Evening Prayer for Consecrated Life” will be offered at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart. Archbishop John J. Myers cordially invites each and every Religious Sister, Brother, Priest and Seminarian, as well as our lay brothers and sisters, to come and together give thanks to God for the graces and blessings of Consecrated Life.

This evening of prayer gives us the opportunity to reflect on the sentiments of Pope Benedict XVI, shared with the Church on February 17, 2008:

“Today, as in all ages, there is no lack of generous souls ready to give up everyone and everything to embrace Christ and His Gospel, consecrating their existence to His service within communities characterized by enthusiasm, generosity and joy.”

Consecrated Religious by their lives of total surrender to God and through Him, to others, render the hope of future blessings for the Church and for the world, enslaved by so many false promises. An “Evening of Prayer” gives a special opportunity to render deep gratitude for the sign of Consecrated witness to every member of the Church.

The presence of our parishioners will give evidence of their faith and loving support of the Religious men and women in our Archdiocese. If you are interested in attending, please call your Parish Office as soon as possible. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP
&
FAITH
Time, Talent, Treasure.
Putting God First?

There is a certain urgency in today's Gospel as Jesus calls His first disciples—Andrew and Simon, James and John. Each one follows Jesus immediately, unhesitatingly abandoning nets and boats and father and fellow-workers. To what is Jesus calling me—at this moment, in these circumstances? What will I need to abandon in order to follow Him?

Your Stewardship in Treasure
last week **\$11,234**; last year **\$11,031**.
Mortgage Reduction **\$4,926**.
Thank you for your generosity.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Mk 4:21-25
Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95; 1 Cor 7:32-35;
Mk 1:21-28

THE DEMANDS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Christmas is less than a month behind us, but today we are encountering readings that already have a Lenten feel about them. Nineveh undergoes a forty-day fast, the psalmist reminds us that God alone can show sinners the way, Paul shows us how fleeting the things and events of this world are, and Jesus calls out "Repent!" before he calls his new followers. Even though it is easy to misunderstand these Sundays called "Ordinary Time" as being commonplace, they are anything but that. "Come after me," Jesus says, but if we truly live out the commands and demands of our discipleship through baptism, we will first know our need for conversion, our repentance, our need to believe in the gospel fully in order to live out whatever vocation Christ has called us to. Today's Gospel opens with the stark reminder of what befell John the Baptist for completely living out his vocation as the herald of Christ and the gospel: he was arrested and imprisoned. Though few of us will experience consequences that extreme, we must all be ready to risk some sort of rejection as, heeding the call of Jesus, we live out the kingdom of God at hand, repent of our sins, and believe in the good news of salvation.

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New Parish Office Hours

To better serve parishioners' needs, the Parish Office of St. Agnes Church—presently located in the rectory (the priests' residence)—is now "open for business" for many more hours:

Monday-Friday	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

May we help you!

Bulletin Deadline:

Notices for the bulletin must be submitted to the Parish (Rectory) Office no later than 12 noon Monday for publication in the next bulletin. Please email Joanne Cancro at stagneschurch@comcast.net with your information.

A Thank you from St. Joseph Service Center . . .

Thank you so much for your generosity! Again we were inspired by the number of people who so generously donated new clothing, toys, food and monetary gifts at Christmas time. You made it possible for many to enjoy a wonderful holiday! Because of your kindness, many people had warm clothing, hot meals and gifts for their children. In the true spirit of Christmas, you shared with those in need! May this new year bring you many blessings!

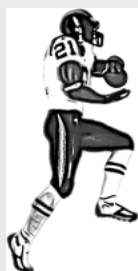
Sister Jacinta Fernandes & Staff

"Food Collection Sunday"
3rd Sunday of Each Month

Starting January we will set aside the 3rd Sunday of every month as Food Collection Sunday. We ask that you bring in a nonperishable grocery item that will be sent to the St. John's Food Pantry. Our next collection date is February 15th.

For our first Food Collection Sunday we collected 23 bags of groceries. Thank you to everyone who supported this important ministry.

This Pantry feeds over **600 local families** who are in need of food every month. There are food collection boxes located in the entrance of the Church and in the entrance to the school next to the office.



**COUNTDOWN TO OUR
8th ANNUAL
SUPER BOWL SUNDAY!!!**

**FEBRUARY 1, 2009
ST. AGNES GYM**

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 PM

**VIEW THE GAME ON A 15 FT.
DIAGONAL MOVIE SCREEN**

**17 AND OVER: \$14.00
UNDER 17: \$9.00**

**PRICE INCLUDES: SNACKS, COLD BUFFET,
SODA, BEER**

**FOR TICKET INFO CALL
BOB BOTTITTA @ 732-388-5595**



**St. Agnes Super Reverse 50/50 Raffle
Volunteers Needed**

Looking for volunteers to chair and work on the committees for this year's event (May 2009). The committees are:

- Food**
- Decorations**
- Technology**
- Set-up/Clean-up**
- Kitchen**

If you are interested, please contact the Parish (Rectory) Office at 732-388-7852. A meeting will be scheduled in January for all interested.

ST. AGNES BOARDWALK 2009!!

Come join the fun!

Cotton candy, games & prizes to be won!
"Dot the Clown", food, pastries and tattoos!!!

**Something for everyone,
hope to see you!**

**Friday, February 20th
6:30 - 10:00 PM**

**Saturday, February 21st
6:30 - 10:00 PM**

Clown Hours:



Friday - 7:30 to 9:00 PM

Saturday - 7:30 to 9:00 PM

**Homemade hot dogs, pizza
& pierogies!!**



Raffle baskets too!!

(All raffles will be called Saturday night)

**Please call Carol & Bob Bottitta at
(732) 388-5595**

**A FUN-FILLED WEEKEND!
FREE ADMISSION**



Baptisms

We wish to **WELCOME** the following who have entered into the faith community through the sacrament of Baptism:

MADDEN JOSEPH BIZZARRO

Son of Jody and Michael

TYLER RAY PETTENATO

Son of Ellen and Robert

MATEO GIAN NOVAK

Son of Claudia and John

NICHOLAS ANTHONY CALANDRA

Son of Samantha and Anthony



THE MASS INTENTION BOOK FOR 2010

The **2010 Book for Mass Intentions** will be open on **Monday, February 16th** between the hours of **9:45 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the gymnasium**. We will break for lunch from 12 noon - 1 p.m. The number of Mass intentions will be limited per person. In the spirit of fairness, parishioners will be limited to a total of 5 intentions. (Three weekday and 2 weekends). We appreciate your cooperation in complying with this process. After April 14, 2009, parishioners will be able to request additional intentions. In addition to Mass intentions, we will be continuing donations in memorial of loved ones for the weekly Sanctuary Lamp offering \$10.00, Devotional Area Flowers offering \$50.00 and Altar Bread & Wine offering \$50.00. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

ST. AGNES SPIRITUAL BOOK NOOK



*Sundays 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. - St. Jude Room
(Closed Holiday weekends.)*

*Check out our expanded collection of books,
DVD's, videos and more!!*

ROSELLE CATHOLIC H.S. TO HOST WINTER OPEN HOUSE

On Thursday, January 29th, Roselle Catholic High School will host its annual winter Open House. Come and meet its dedicated faculty, administration, and staff. Talk with its students and parents about the Roselle Catholic tradition. Learn about all its sports and activities including how you can participate in its dynamic Campus Ministry and "Freshman for a Day" program. Information will be available regarding admission, transportation, and tuition. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m. Come and experience a personalized approach to education that is, "Nothing Short of Excellence." For more information please contact Br. Dan O'Riordan at 908-245-2350.

NEW BEGINNING TOURS AND ST. AGNES ROSARY SOCIETY

**INVITE ALL THE FAITHFUL
TO JOIN US THIS MAY ON
OUR SPIRITUAL AND HISTORIC
PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA & LOURDES.**

**WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE
THAT FATHER NUNO WILL BE
JOINING US AS OUR SPIRITUAL GUIDE.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL
TONY ROCCIA AT 732-382-3108.**

ROSARIANS' BAGEL SALE!



**FEBRUARY 1st
AFTER ALL MASSES**

Thank you for your support!!

Mass Schedule



SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, 2009	
5:30	Raymond Jackey—Janet & Joe Papetti
SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2009	
7:30	Daniel McNulty—Dolores Acquisto
9:00	Andrew Youchock—Family
10:30	Michael Biondi—Wife
12:00	People of the Parish
MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2009	
7:00	Frank Gorka—Barbara Arnold
9:00	David Rosen—Charlotte & Colette
TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2009	
7:00	Stephanna Musolf—Peggy & Joe Azydzik
9:00	Mary-Lynn Petteway—Mr. & Mrs. Lubniewski
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2009	
7:00	Noelia Ouimet—Helen & Joe Suszko
9:00	Frederick Zakerski—Mr. & Mrs. F. Lubniewski
THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2009	
7:00	Isabel Jeronimo—Sot Family
9:00	Alfred & Florence Kempinski—Mary Ellen & John Pyar
FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 2009	
7:00	Ralph Caprio—7 AM Mass Attendees
9:00	Helen R. Flanagan—Vincent & Betty Flanagan
SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 2009	
8:30	Michael Dalton—The Compton Family
5:30	People of the Parish
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2009	
7:30	Anne Mazalewski—Rick & Carol Lindemann
9:00	Catherine E. Quigley—Doris Reilley
10:30	Roy Nunes (Living)—Gloria Francisco
12:00	Andy Pavelko—The Howell Family

SATURDAY	JANUARY 24, 2009
6:00 PM	Sports—Gym
SUNDAY	JANUARY 25, 2009
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK	
8:45 AM	CFF Classes
MONDAY	JANUARY 26, 2009
6:00 PM	Sports—Gym
6:30 PM	CFF Classes
7:00 PM	Scripture Sharing—OLG Room
TUESDAY	JANUARY 27, 2009
6:00 PM	Sports—Gym
6:30 PM	CFF Classes
WEDNESDAY	JANUARY 28, 2009
7:30 PM	RCIA—St. Joseph Room
7:30 PM	St. Agnes HSA Meeting—Gym
THURSDAY	JANUARY 29, 2009
3:30 PM	Children's Choir—Music Ministry Office
6:00 PM	Sports—Gym
7:00 PM	CFM—St. Lucy Room
7:30 PM	Adult Choir—Music Ministry Office
FRIDAY	JANUARY 30, 2009
6:00 PM	Sports—Gym
SATURDAY	JANUARY 31, 2009
ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL	
6:00 PM	Sports—Gym
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 1, 2009
ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL	
ROSARY BAGEL SALE	
8:45 PM	CFF Classes
1:30 PM	Baptisms
5:00 PM	Super Bowl Party—Gym

Holy Family Church of Nutley, N.J. Celebrating Centennial During 2009

On February 7 and 8, 2009, at all the masses, the parish will celebrate World Marriage Day by inviting all couples who were married at Holy Family to attend mass and a reception in their honor after the mass. The reception will be held in the St. Joseph Center. The Mass schedule is:

Saturday, February 7th, 5:30 p.m. (English)
and 7:00 p.m. (Italian)
Sunday, February 8th, 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.
and 12:00 Noon

Please call Pat Attanasio at (973) 667-2991 if you would like to attend.

Altar & Rosary Society

TRAVELING MADONNA Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be in the home of Grace Bradley during the week of January 25th.



SANCTUARY LAMP will burn in memory of Frances & William Bartus during the week of January 25th at the request of Barbara Superak.

PLEASE PRAY FOR**Those Who Have Died**

Louise Harrison

Those Who Are Sick

Mary Zelanko, Frank LaVerda, Alvera Martin, Joe Margeton, Irene Sisko, Noel Stevenson, Leilla DiLeone, Mary Morelli, Anthony Szablowski, Robert Szabo Jr., Jean Williams, Mary Lawrence, Ann Miller, Barbara Rygiel, Henry Latch, Vickie Tomasco, Earl Miller, Margaret Shea, Hank Kaczka, Patrick Miller, Louise Regeci, Wendy Sullivan, Jean Subliskey, Annette Drake, Lucia DeCristofaro, Barbara Steinberg, Nancy Liberti, Daniel Palumbo, Jim MacConchie, Eileen Imbriaco, Josephine Zbikowski, Antonina Manto, Warren Sidney, Elizabeth Kate Chern, Zackary Infante, Vincent Flanagan, Helen Kiemista, Carmelina Giacobbe, Joseph Loria, Rose Gerhardt, Mariani Rocco, Dominic Preite, Marge Geist Gais, Jerry Veza, Brenda Vermeal, Angie Plesh, Gabriella Giordano, Mary Gianti, Joao Faria, Maria Dietrick, Mark Shipe, Richard Ciccone, Joseph Fabijanczuk, Jennifer Concalves, Linda Shea, Joey Santillo, Josephine Kane, Sergio Ricciardi, Kevin Keating, Nicholas Maculoso, Jeanmarie Stewart, Joseph Santillo, Josephine Pipa, Neil Boyle, Jr., Alice Dowzycki, Janet Papetti, Joseph Sciacchitano, Claire Orense, Joanne Piech, James Shea, Don LaPenna, Anton Danco, Paige Hornsby, Jason Greenbush, Rita Corrado, Richard Shipe, Richard Adamonis, Lou Peragallo, Ann Toltl, Edward Nicholson, Sr., Bonnie Webb, Faye Darnell, Maria Fernanda Smith, Anthony Vitanzo



Almighty God, Creator of the earth in which we live, help us today in our search for peaceful ways to avoid war, to eliminate terrorism and tyranny and to establish justice for peoples of all races and faiths. We pray that the billions of peace-loving people of goodwill throughout the nations, will join together in prayer and action to bring love where there is hatred, friendship where there is enmity and justice where there is oppression. May God continue to bless and watch over our men and women who make ultimate sacrifices for our freedom and democracy. Amen



Conversion of St. Paul
January 25, 2009

The kingdom of God is at hand.
 Repent, and believe in the gospel.

—Mark 1:15