
From the Pastor



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Dear Friends,

The countdown continues – **ONE MORE WEEK TO GO!** Next weekend, our Masses will be celebrated in our newly renovated church. The Archbishop will be celebrating a rededication Mass on Sunday, November 20th, at noon. Parishioners attending the Vigil Mass on Saturday night, or the earlier Masses on Sunday morning will be seeing double. There will be two altars and two tabernacles side by side. We cannot use the new altar until the Archbishop dedicates it. The same logic holds true for the new tabernacle. Hence, your reason for seeing double – ha!

All parishioners are invited to the noon Mass, but be prepared. We are anticipating a full congregation, with standing, and it should last approximately an hour and forty-five minutes. If the numbers in attendance, or the length of Mass are of concern, you may want to attend an earlier Mass and still come to the reception in the gymnasium following the rededication Mass.

On Saturday morning, November 19th, we will be preparing the worship space in church. The first official function in the renovated church will be *Confessions* at 1:00 pm. Following confessions the church will remain open. Parishioners are welcome to pay a visit, say a prayer and check things out. We hope you like what you see and will be encouraged to pray a prayer of thanksgiving. I give thanks to God everyday for the privilege of serving St. Agnes Community as your pastor. Your support and practice of Christian Stewardship continues to make dreams come true. Thank you.

AT OUR BEST. *We often hear the terms “on message” and “on task” these days. This is another way of talking about focus. Strong leaders urge us toward objectives deemed worthy of our time and effort. They marshal our energy toward those great, good objectives. People of vision so engaged do their best work. Everything else is subordinated to the great work. In times like these, we are at our best.*

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

Good stewards are like the industrious and reliable servants in today's Gospel, prudently using and multiplying the gifts entrusted to them by God.

Your Stewardship in Treasure
last week was **\$11,039.00.**
Thank you.

BUILDING FUND

To complete Phase I projects,
we still need to raise –

\$660,543.00

*If you would like to make a donation,
please make check payable to
St. Agnes Church and mail to the Rectory
attention Building Fund,
or drop in the collection basket.
Thank you for your continued support.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63;
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44

Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48 or (for
the memorial of the Dedication)
Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Mt 14:22-23

Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23; 1 Cor
15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

Since you were
faithful in
small matters,
I will give you
great
responsibilities



Sisters of Mercy of the Americas

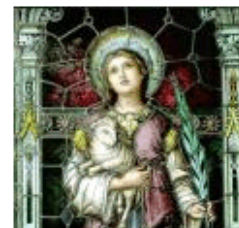


*Sisters of Mercy Christmas Bazaar
Mount Saint Mary, Watchung
Saturday, November 19th from 9 AM to 4 PM*

*Featuring quality handmade crafts, gifts,
homemade goodies, theme baskets,
50/50 raffles and more.
Cafe...delicious food.*

*For the children...visit and picture with Santa,
face painting and sand art.*

*Please come and join us on
Sunday, November 20, 2005
at 12 Noon, as we celebrate a
Mass of Rededication
Followed by Refreshments
in the Gymnasium*



*Most Reverend John J. Myers,
Archbishop of Newark, Presiding*



THANKSGIVING FAMILY MASS

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH
9:00 AM**

**GATHER TOGETHER
AS FAMILY. . . .**

**COME AS FAMILY
OF ONE OR MANY. . . .**

HOLY SPIRIT SEPARATED AND DIVORCED CATHOLICS

The Holy Spirit Catholic Church at 971 Suburban Rd., Union, NJ, sponsors a nondiscriminatory Ministry for those newly Separated and Divorced which meets every Thursday night at 7:30 in Drexler Hall for supportive discussions. For additional information, please contact either Fred at 732-528-5998, Vivian at 732-381-1597 or Jeff at rjshundlr@aol.com.

**Habitat for Humanity
of the Greater Elizabeth Area
13th Annual "Walk Home"**



**Join us on
Saturday, November 19, 2005
for our annual "Walk Home"
4 mile Walk-A-Thon**

**Pre-registration forms available at
St. John's Church
61 Broad Street
Elizabeth, NJ 07201
(908) 353-1218**



St. Agnes Rosary/Holy Name Christmas Party

*Date: Tuesday, December 6, 2005
Place: Gran Centurions
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Amount \$21.00*

*Tickets can be purchased at the Rectory or by
calling Rose at 732-574-0023.
The deadline for purchasing tickets is
Monday, November 28th.*



Right of Christian Initiation of Adults

- *Is the Lord calling you to a closer relationship to Him?*
- *Are you interested in formally joining the Catholic faith?*
- *Do you have questions about what it means to be a Catholic?*
- *Do you know anyone who would like to be a Catholic?*
- *Are you presently an adult Catholic who has not received Eucharist or Confirmation?*

If you answered "YES" to any of these, the RCIA process is for you. Inquiry Sessions are held monthly. Our next Inquiry Session is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, November 15th at 7:30 p.m. in the teachers' lounge. If you need any additional information, please call the Rectory at (732) 388-7852.



"Well done good and faithful servant..."
The Lord greets his beloved with these words as He welcomes them into Paradise at the end of their lives. The duty of a priest and Religious is to prepare mankind for his judgment. There is much help needed in gaining souls for Christ. Are you willing to help Christ gain souls, through God's grace? You may have a vocation to the priesthood or religious life. If you or someone you know has such a vocation, pray for the guidance of the Master, then call the Vocations Office at 973-497-4365 or email kellybar@rcan.org.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS!**St. Agnes 5th Annual Wine Tasting**

By
Rotundo's Deli & Fine Wines, Clark
Has Been Postponed to
Friday, December 2, 2005

*What wines to serve and give for the holidays
 Vendors will help with shopping
 and decorating ideas.*

Friday, December 2, 2005
St. Agnes Gymnasium - 7:00 PM

\$35.00 Per Person

*Includes wine tasting, fruit, cheese, pasta stations,
 coffee and dessert*

*For ticket information call the Rectory
 at (732) 388-7852
 A selection of premium wines.*

The Church of Saint Mark
 287 Hamilton St., Rahway

ST. MARK'S SOCIAL CLUB (UMA)
 (Unmarried Mature Adults)

Our regular meeting is on Friday, November 18th at St. Mark's Church, 287 Hamilton St., Rahway. Lucy Biller, our Treasurer and PNC Bank VP, will give us some tips on "Identity Theft." The meeting starts at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served - \$3.00 donation.

For more information, please call Anne Greve at 908-272-8796 or Nina at 732-381-1298.



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

MICHAEL JOHN PEDALINO
 Son of Michael and Jennifer

MICHAEL JOSEPH CALABRESE
 Son of Dino and Lisa

ISABELLA ANNA POPP
 Daughter of Matthew and Anna

JOHN ANTHONY RAPPOCCIO
 Son of John and Roseann

JULIA MAE SUGRUE
 Daughter of Robert and Karen

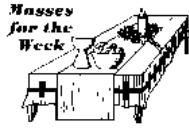
SANTO ANTHONY TALLO
 Son of Stephen and Christine

SARAH CATHARINE WILLIAMS
 Daughter of James and Catharine

Roman Catholic
Archdiocese of Newark

The New Jersey Catholic Schools Marketing Council presents an informative one-day workshop called – "If You Market, They Will Come: **Building Your School of Dreams** on November 28 and again on November 29. The workshop is open to all who assist schools in their marketing efforts: principals and school staff, pastors and parents.

Workshops will be held at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway, New Jersey (directions: www.diometuchen.org). Workshop time is 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Breakfast and lunch are included and the fee is \$20 or \$100 for six participants from the same school. Same-day registration is \$30. Contact Trish Fitzpatrick, Director of School Marketing, Archdiocese of Newark, at (973) 497-4258 or at fitzpapa@rcan.org to register.



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2005

5:30 James P. Scott - Mom and Dad

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2005

7:30 People of the Parish
9:00 Anthony Ciarlone - Wife
10:30 Barney Clarke, Angelina, Charles, Felice Perriello - Dolores Clarke
12:00 Robert Aklonis - Jean & Lorraine

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2005

7:00 John Spond - Nikki Spadafino
9:00 Pasquale Saracino - Donna Saracino

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2005

7:00 Richard Johnson - Josephine & Walter Serafin
9:00 Hildebrand & Lubniewski Family -Mr. & Mrs. F. Lubniewski

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2005

7:00 Anna Yonco - Gloria Kosuch & Family
9:00 Eleanor Palmquist - Larry & Sandy Palmquist

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2005

7:00 Jeanne Hachey - Tom & Janet McCann
9:00 Michael Versusky - Family

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2005

7:00 Giuseppa Ferrigno - Ferrigno Family
9:00 Mrs. Jennie Garra - Daughter

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2005

8:30 Memorial Mass - Peter Mastrogiacomo, Sr., Isabelle Cadigan, Ruth Christensen
5:30 Maria & Giacomo Denora - Sam & Mary

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 13

9:00 AM Religious Education
7:00 PM CYO - Gymnasium

MONDAY NOVEMBER 14

3:30 PM Religious Education
6:00 PM Sandwiches - Team 1C
7:00 PM Religious Education
7:30 PM Scripture Sharing - Teachers' Lounge

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 15

7:00 PM Religious Education
7:00 PM Sports Meeting - Gym
7:30 PM RCIA Inquiry - Teachers' Lounge

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 16

12:00 PM Dismissal - Parent Conferences
4:30 PM Brownies - Kindergarten

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 17

11:30 AM Holy Name A/C
3:30 PM Children's Choir
7:30 PM Adult Choir

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 19

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

8:30 AM Memorial Mass

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 20

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

9:00 AM No Religious Education
12:00 PM Rededication Mass
7:00 PM CYO - Gymnasium



TRAVELING MADONNA - Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be in the home of Crescenza Toto during the week of November 13th.



SANCTUARY LAMP will burn in memory of Crescenza Toto during the week of November 13th at the request of Mary Bove.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those Who Have Died

Maria Yost

Those Who Are Sick

Aileen Sasala, Florence Iasello, Mary Zelanko, Joe & Irene Margeton, Ann & Michael Dudek, Frank LaVerda, Alvera Martin, Anna Manigold, Ann Lesko, Irene Sisko, Noel Stevenson, Leilla DiLeone, Michael Denora, Mary Morelli, Anthony Szablowski, Robert Szabo Jr., Jean Williams, Mary Lawrence, Ann Miller, Wayne Tribble, Linda Ruth, Vincent Flanagan, Barbara Rygiel, Anna Reichenstein, Gene Andre, Henry Latch, Thaddeus Zbikowski Sr., Vickie Tomasco, Mary Marrin, Maria Conforti, Alice Triano, Barbara Guinta, Alice Bartlomiejczyk, Ronald Francisco, George Stanka, Earl Miller, Margaret Shea, Hank Kaczka, Edward Alfano, Robert McKeon, Andre Kovacs, Patrick Miller, Louise Regeci, Cecelia Smentkowski, Wendy Sullivan, Jean Subliskey, Robert Palumbo, Josephine Pugno, Florence Kempinski, Bart Zucosky, Stefan Nowak, Barbara Slack, Theresa Hanselman, Elizabeth Bell, Marie Telesco, Leon Orshak, Annette Drake, Mary Lou Loffa, Craig Allen, James MacConchie, Louise Venezia

Atlantic City Bus Trip

WHEN: November 17, 2005

TO: Caesar's

TIME: 11:30 AM Coffee & Buns

LEAVE: 12:30 PM From Gran Centurions Parking Lot. Please park in back of lot.

COST: \$23.00

For reservations call:

Tony 388-2315

Joe 381-3395

**WE WILL BE RUNNING 1 BUS.
PLEASE CALL EARLY TO RESERVE
A SEAT. BRING A FRIEND.**

**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 13, 2005**

Blessed are you who fear the LORD.

- Psalm 128:1a

