

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time—February 10, 2019

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday - February 9

5:00 PM - People of Blessed Sacrament

Sunday - February 10

7:30 AM + Robert J. Quinn
r/o Joanne & John Galasso

9:00 AM + Antonio Bianco
r/o Wife Caterina

10:30 AM + Mary Fahey
r/o Tom and Eleanor Fahey

12:00 PM + William S. Lu - Memorial Mass
r/o The Lu Family

Monday - February 11

9:00 AM + All Souls in Purgatory
r/o Vincenzo & Maria Armetta

12:30 PM + Antonino Armetta
r/o Giuseppa Armetta

Tuesday - February 12

9:00 AM + William S. Lu - Memorial Mass
r/o The Lu Family

12:30 PM + Phyllis Yanuzzi
r/o Husband Paul

Wednesday - February 13

9:00 AM + Phyllis Kos
r/o The Furtek Family

12:30 PM + John and Nancy King
r/o Michael King

Thursday - February 14

9:00 AM + Linda Young - 1st Anniversary
r/o Patty, Catherine and Michele

12:30 PM + Mildred Basile
r/o Gloria Basile

Friday - February 15

9:00 AM + Patty DuBois
r/o the McGovern Family

12:30 PM + Marianna & Pietro Evola
r/o Giuseppa Armetta

Saturday - February 16

9:00 AM + Michael Schambach
r/o The Mans Family

5:00 PM + Raymond Meisenbacher
r/o Rich and Ann Meisenbacher

Sunday - February 17

7:30 AM - People of Blessed Sacrament

9:00 AM + George Macor
r/o Betty Jean Di Iorio

10:30 AM + Renee Edwards
r/o The Yessman Family

12:00 PM + Linda Young
r/o The Noonan Family

From the Pastor's Desk

Thank you for your very warm welcome as I begin my duties as Administrator of Blessed Sacrament Parish. It is very good to be with you again and I know that I will be able to count on your support as we await a new Pastor in the Spring.

The next couple of months will be exciting. Lent is only a month away and that leads to Easter and the joyous celebration of the mysteries of our Salvation.

Two classes of children are preparing to make their First Holy Communion and our Eighth Graders are awaiting the Sacrament of Confirmation. I invite the whole Parish to join in the joyful celebration of these events. This is also a wonderful time to invite some of your relatives and friends who may not be as active as they used to be to come back home again.

As St. Paul says, "Jesus is the same yesterday, and today, and always". He's here waiting for us and we'll all be glad to see you come home again!

God Bless,

Msgr. Prus



The Altar Bread and Wine is Offered for

Val Brose



The Sanctuary Candle burns before the Blessed Sacrament

Carol Merten

Religious Education Updates



CONGRATULATIONS!

Joseph DiGiovanni
Jack Wein

Who received the Sacrament of Confirmation
the weekend of January 20th.

Father Rick was granted permission by Bishop
Checchio to perform this Blessed and Private
Confirmation.

We are so proud of all their hard work!

Parish Office Hours

Sunday 8 AM—1PM

Monday 9 AM—6PM

Tuesday 9 AM—9PM

Wednesday 9 AM—2PM

Thursday 9 AM—6PM

Closed Friday and Saturday



BAPTISM CLASSES

For All New Parents

1st Wednesdays of the Month

March 6th—6:00 p.m.

April 3rd—6:00 p.m.

Classes will be held in the Conference Rm.



SECOND GRADE RETREAT

Saturday, February 23, 2019

10 am—12 noon—Parish Hall

CHILDREN ONLY

Permission Sheet Required for Each Child



Religious Education for school
year 2019-2020

Registration and Re-Registration
for 2019-2020 begins on Monday, February 4, 2019

Forms will go home with all children currently in the
program.

Classes are offered on:

Mondays: (Grades K-6) 4:15 pm—5:30 pm

Tuesdays: (Grades K-6) 4:15 pm—5:30 pm

Tuesday Evenings: (Grades 6, 7, 8) 7:30 pm—8:45 pm

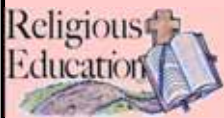
Thursdays: (Grades 1-6) 4:45 pm—6:00 pm

**We offer a special needs class on Thursday afternoons.
Call the Parish Office for details.**

All new registrations for students entering Kindergarten
and 1st Grade will need to be done in the Religious Edu-
cation Office. Parents please bring in your child's Baptism
Certificate if your child was not Baptized here at Blessed
Sacrament.

Catechists and Teacher's Aides are always needed! Call
the Parish Office: 732-356-4405 for details.

Register before July 1st to avoid a late fee.



Catechists Needed

Catechists, Teacher's Aides and Hall
Monitors needed!

If you are interested in joining our Faith Filled Religious
Education Team please contact the Parish Office or stop
by the office.

You must be 18 years of age.
Fingerprinting and Virtus Training is required.

New Catechist Training is provided.



YOUTH GROUP MEETING

Sunday, February 10th—Dinner Meeting

RSVP to Parish Office by Thursday, February 7th

Saturday and Sunday, March 2nd and March 3rd

Peanut Butter and Jelly Collection

Sunday, March 10th—Pizza and Movie Afternoon

Movie to be Determined

Parish Organizations and Info

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The mission of the Society is to honor the Blessed Mother by proclaiming the Good News of Christ, her Son, in our members' lives and in relationships with others; to promote the praying of the Rosary; to encourage a spirit of friendship and cooperation among its members and to participate in parish activities.

Next Meeting—February 20th—Dancing—all are welcome!

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!



The Blessed Sacrament Council of Catholic Women's mission is to respond with Christian values to the needs of women and their families. We are here to unite women of our Parish, to develop their spiritual growth and leadership potential and to encourage women to share their gifts from God with others in our Church and community. If you want to grow spiritually, while meeting and making new friends in a cordial, fun and very fulfilling way, join us at our monthly meetings. .

Activities/Meetings:

February 13 —Membership Meeting Program: Bingo
Event: February 26th—SHIP Gallery Soup Kitchen

PRAYER LINE

Council of Catholic Women sponsors a "Prayer Line". If you would like to request prayers or join the "Prayer Line" to offer prayers for the particular intentions of other Parishioners, call Gloria at 908-722-4791 or Barbara at 908-647-5749.



OUR LADY ROSARY MAKERS

Please join us as we make rosaries sent to missions around the world. It is fun, easy, inexpensive and very rewarding! We meet in the Conference Room on the second Tuesday of each month following the 9am Mass and Rosary. For more information, please call Theresa Carson at 732-424-8064.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 12th (there is no meeting in January)



A social group of widowed persons of the Catholic Faith dedicated to providing emotional support and opportunities for Social Activities.

The Circle of Friends holds monthly meetings on the **third Sunday of the month**, September thru June at 1:30 p.m. in Classroom 15.

Next Meeting: Sunday, February 17th —1:30 p.m.—Classroom 15

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Spiritual Book Club



Come join in exploring our Catholic Faith
2nd Monday of the Month
Next meeting: Feb. 11th — 9:30 a.m.—11 a.m.

We will be discussing: When God is Silent, Spiritual Peace Amid The Storms of Life by Luis Martinez

Book is available through:
Amazon.com and Sophiainstitute.com

No fees to join.

For info. Contact: Mary Brady: 732-356-3083 or Ketrin



Knights of Columbus Council #5959

Upcoming Activities & Meetings

Wednesday, Feb. 13th—7:30pm —Council Meeting
Wednesday, Feb. 20th—8:00 pm—Officer's Meeting
Wednesday, Feb. 27th—7:30 pm—Council Meeting
Sunday, March 17th—9:00 am—Council Unity Mass

Sunday, March 17th—10 am—12:30 pm—Parish Hall
52nd Annual Frank Commune Communion Breakfast.
This year's guest speaker will be Rev. Fr. Timothy Christy, Vicar General of Metuchen Diocese.
Tickets are \$10 per person, \$5 age 6-12, under 6 Free

Please refer to Wind O' the Hills for the latest information



VOCATIONS TRAVELING CHALICE PROGRAM

The Vocation Seekers give special thanks to those who carry the vocations traveling chalice home and pray for Vocations, particularly for seminarians in the Diocese of Metuchen. Please consider taking the chalice home to pray for vocations. Your prayers are truly being answered! **We especially need volunteers for March.** Please sign up in the foyer and pick up and return the Vocation Traveling Chalice to the foyer by noon on Saturday. Thanks!

VOCATIONS PRAY-A-DAY CLUB

February

- 09 - Laura Addison, Diana Malone, Frances Slahta
- 10 - Fred & Kathy Ciociola, Harley Juth, Debbie Mouridy
- 11 - Lori Csik, Mary Grab, Eric Koppi, Eugene Vereb, Mary Ellen Yen, Patricia Redmond
- 12 - Ginny Brogan, Tom Conly, Pat Manfredi
- 13 - Altobelli Family, Janice Bengivenga, Joe Beutsch, Alice Caltagirone, Ann Meisenbacher, Angelo & Maryann Penza
- 14 - Open
- 15 - Dan Hayes, Matt Moench, Ed Schmidt, Charlene Terraglia
- 16 - Christine Arcoleo, Gerry LoGiudice, Bob & Debbie Warren

Our Parish Prayers, Info and Needs

Parish Prayer Book of Intentions:

In our Parish Prayer Book, we pray for the sick, needy, struggling, suffering, etc. Every intention in our hearts! No intention is too big or too small for prayer! St. Paul reminds us:

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."



MAKE YOUR CHILD'S FIRST SCHOOL EXPERIENCE A POSITIVE ONE!

The Vocationist Sisters cordially invite parents of prospective students to visit the Nursery School and meet the staff.

ENROLLING ALL CHILDREN FROM 2 ½ - 5 YEARS OF AGE

For more information or questions, please call
Sister Perpetua at
732-667-5272 Fax: 732 667 5277

Email: littlefriendsnursery@gmail.com

Pray for our Military ☆☆☆

O Lord, be present with all those who serve our country. Comfort their spirits with your divine presence. Keep them close to You and grant them strength, wisdom and grace.

Pfc Jim Donovan, Army
EM3 Nicholas D. Hogan, Navy
Lt Michael Marano, Army
Sr. Chief Rich Symington, Navy
Lt Douglas Stahl, Navy
CPT Matthew McCarthy, Army
SPC Alexander Meditz, Army
Pfc AJ Anderle, Army
MAJ Christopher Lund, Army
4 Star Admiral John C. Acqualino, Navy

Pfc Sean Pieper
Major Antonio Martinez
SSGT Kirk F. Smith
Pfc Ryan Sternberg, Army
CPT John Nastus, Army
CPT Robert Emmons
CPT Michael Lyness, Army
Col. Patrick Hsieh, Air Force
Reservist Adam Starzyk, Air Force

If you have a family member, relative, or friend in the military, especially overseas, or in a dangerous assignment, please let us know so we can request the prayers of our parish family. Simply furnish their name, rank and Branch of Service.

Our Knights of Columbus, Council #5959, regularly sends "SHOEBOX" packages to troops serving overseas when a current military address is provided. For more information, please call Al Beronio at 732-356-8687.



We are always in need of Eucharistic Ministers for patients at the Robert Wood Johnson Barnabas Hospital Somerset - every day of the week - for one hour - between 9am & 4pm . If you can help us serve in this ministry, please contact:

Mike Zurat at michael.zurat@rwjbh.org

Please note, the hospital does require and provides a TB test, yearly free Flu shots, and a Photo ID.

We also need Eucharistic Ministers to visit the elderly and ill at their homes. To help with this ministry, please contact:

Peg Harmon at harmonp99@aol.com.

2018 Charitable Contribution Statements

2018 Charitable Contribution Statements will be available to all registered parishioners beginning February 1st.

Please contact the Parish Office: 732-356-4405 or email: msmith@blessedsacramentnj.org to receive a copy of your statement. Email is the quickest and easiest way to request and receive your statement. However, if you prefer to call the office we will forward your statement via US Mail or you can pick up a copy at the Parish Office.

If your records do not agree with the parish records, please call the Parish Office and we will work with you to resolve the discrepancy.

FLU SEASON IS HERE

With the onset of flu season, you may not be feeling 100%. Please know that it is totally appropriate to nod at the Sign of Peace, rather than shaking hands. We also would appreciate your refraining from taking the cup at communion. Receiving the host in your hand is appropriate and is full communion.

Hand sanitizer is also available on tables in the narthex and along the side wall of the church (where Eucharistic Ministers use hand sanitizer prior to distributing communion at Mass.) Please feel free to use these before or after Mass.

We appreciate your consideration of your fellow parishioners by following these guidelines.

SOCIAL OUTREACH PROGRAM



Just a gentle reminder: If you are interested in making meals for our Parish Families in need, please contact the Religious Education Office.

Meals are distributed on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Your generosity and kindness are appreciated!

How to Report Sexual Abuse

If you were sexually abused by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or know someone who was, you are encouraged to report that abuse to law enforcement and/or by contacting the Diocesan Response Officer at (908) 930-4558 (24 hours/7 days a week).

For more information on how to report abuse, visit our diocesan website: <https://diometuchen.org/report-a-suspected-abuse>.

Parish Info



NEW DATE!!

52nd PGK Francis Commune Annual Communion Breakfast

*Sunday, March 17, 2019
After 9 AM Mass*

All parishioners are welcome to join us to attend the Communion Breakfast in the Parish Hall immediately following a 9 a.m. Unity Mass in the Church.

This year's guest speaker will be Rev. Fr. Timothy Christy, Vicar General of Metuchen Diocese.

If you have already purchased tickets they will be honored on March 17th.

Additional tickets may be purchased the weekend of March 9th—10th and March 16th after all masses and at the door.



SHENANDOAH VALLEY, VA

The Circle of Friends' next motor coach trip will be Mon., June 10—Fri., June 14, 2019. It includes 4 overnight accommodations; 4 breakfasts, 1 dinner, 1 dinner with "Patsy Cline" entertainment, 1 dinner with historical songs and stories; Luray Cavern, Skyline Drive in Shenandoah National Park, Harper's Ferry, homes of James Madison, James Monroe, Woodrow Wilson and Monticello—home of Thomas Jefferson.

Meal, driver, gratuities and travel protection plan included. \$906 per person/double occupancy

Early reservation is recommended and necessary to hold your space.

For additional information and reservations contact:

Irma Huhn: 908-722-3565

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US



SAVE THE DATES!

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2019



Youth Group Annual Fish Fry

Tickets will be available the weekends of February 23rd –24th and March 2nd—3rd.

SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2019

Boy Scouts Chili Dinner

Tickets will be available the weekend of March 16th-17th



VOCATIONIST SISTERS 9TH ANNUAL

PATRICK'S DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturday, March 16, 2019

(Snow date: Saturday, March 23, 2019)

Location: Little Friends of Jesus Nursery School

1881 Washington Valley Road, Martinsville, NJ
(across from Blessed Sacrament Church)

Entertainment for the children and a large tricky tray with many great prizes!

This event will continue to serve the students of the nursery school by purchasing school supplies and to refurbish all the classrooms.

Tickets can be purchased at the Church after masses on February 16th-17th and February 23rd-24th or by calling: 732-667-5272

Adults: \$10 Children Under 5—\$5

