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Monday, Wednesday

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

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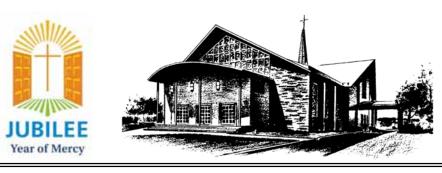
Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Saturday 9:00 AM to NOON

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Those who are sick, homebound or in the hospital are a vital part of our parish family. Please call the Parish Center to arrange for reception of the Eucharist and Anointing of the Sick.



EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - MARCH 27, 2016





On the Lord's Day

The Saint Andrew's Roman Catholic Church mission is to spread the love of Jesus Christ through active ministry, inclusive worship and charitable works for our community and the

world. We invite all who live in our area to join our parish community by calling the Parish Center or by seeing one of the priests.

COME WORSHIP WITH US

OUR PARISH FAMILY

New parishioners may register by calling the Parish Center. Current parishioners should notify us of any changes in their status such as births, deaths, marriages, change of address, etc. Registration is a prerequisite for receiving the Sacraments.

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 28

9:00 AM Margaret Blessing - the Cowling Family

Tuesday, March 29

9:00 AM Rev. John Carcich - his family

Wednesday, March 30

9:00 AM Mary Buckley - her friends

Thursday, March 31

9:00 AM Theresa & Peter Pfeiffer—their daughter

Friday, April 1

9:00 AM Florence Sambets (living) - Theresa Sambets

Saturday, April 2

9:00 AM Thomas Dunne - St. Andrew Youth Ministry

5:00 PM Maria Tereza Xerri - Diana & Charles Griffen

Sunday, April 3

8:00 AM Dotty Voorhis (living) - Gladys Pfeiffer

10:30 AM Neil Ender - his family

12:15 PM Robert Fernino - his wife

7:00 PM Francisco Sanchez Martinez - his family

Those who have pre-arranged a Mass intention, are invited to present the gifts of bread and wine during that celebration. On the Lord's Day and Holy Days, please inform the usher.

"To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven." Ecclesiastes 3:11 "A time to be healed"

For those who are ill, especially: Msgr. Thomas McCarthy, Gilda Gilmartin, Barbara Stewart, Chris Napoli, John Spellman, Robert Lebron, Craig Carosella, Joan Casey, Jim Ferris, Michael Bodtman, Olivia Lifrieri, Cathy Wojcicki, Corey Rooney, Juan Antonio Rodriguez, Naomi Barbaretti, Irwin, Ralph Gigante, Lee Ann Fernino, David Nowacki, Deyanira Pineda, Kay Pareti, Michael Cucco, Mary Pulver, Christopher P. Marra, Ada Binder, Patricia Massey, William Quinn, Nancy DeMeola, Daniel Swift, Pauline Olds, Rhea Felknor, Vincent Ficarra, Kay Vanderhoof, Susan McShane, Mclean Ambrogio, Anna Meehan, Ed Marlow, George Harshberger, Margaret Buckley, Shirley Manfredi, Carol Petrucelli, Judy Murtagh, Elizabeth Krone, Frank Sakosits, Elizabeth Pfeiffer, Fr. Ward Moore., Sam Mercurio, Steve Brawley, Diane Mariconti, Lucrezia, Joseph and Amelia G. Luongo.

"A time for peace"

For those serving in the Armed Forces, especially: Alma & Michael Baffa, Dillon Heyliger and Jeffrey Gum.

"If today, you hear his voice..."

For those studying for the priesthood, especially: Pedro Soriano, our parishioner.

Help Needed

An elderly Park Ridge woman is in need of several hours of day time home care. If you can assist, please call 201-391-9087.



A reminder that all families are invited to a Family Mass to be celebrated on April 3 at 10:30 AM. Please join us.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED Novena to St. Jude/Miraculous Medal . 7:00 PM (Church) Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina 7:30 PM (Chapel) Charismatic Prayer Group 8:00 PM (MPR)

Tuesday, March 29

Monday, March 28

Fr Alex's Bible Study 9:45 AM & 7:00 PM (MPR) Choir Practice 7:30 PM (Church) Basketball After 5:00 PM (Gym)

Basketball After 5:00 PM (Gym)

Wednesday, March 30

Thursday, March 31

Friday, April 1

Spanish Youth Grp. 7:00—9:00 PM (3rd Floor) Practice for 10:30 AM Confirmation . . . 7:00 PM (Church) Practice for 1:30 PM Confirmation . . . 8:00 PM (Church)

Saturday, April 2

Men's Cursillo 8:00 AM (MPR)

NO AAA MEETING TODAY

Sunday, April 3 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Social Justice Corner:

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Today we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. We are called to make our voice heard in support of a petition to stop genocide in the Middle East. Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz, President of the USCCB, released a statement on March 14 which said in part: "For months, the Catholic Church has been a voice for Christians and other religious minorities facing the evil of persecution. Please make sure your name is added to the witness. The very future of the ancient Christian presence in the Middle East is at stake." The petition is available at:

www.stopthechristiangenocide.org.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred on 107 of our parish teens next Saturday, April 2 at 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM. Most Rev. Bernard A. Hebda, Coadjutor Archbishop of Newark, will preside at the celebrations. We ask you to support our young people with your prayers.

Pastor's Letter

Dear Parish Family,

I wish you all a joyful and faith-filled celebration of Easter!

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Easter is the 50-day celebration of Christ's resurrection from the dead. Jesus Christ's resurrection, on the third day following His crucifixion, marks the triumph of good over evil, sin and death. It represents the fulfillment of God's promises to mankind. Easter was regularly celebrated from the earliest days of the Church. The date of Easter is movable and is always celebrated on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the spring equinox. All of which speak of joy and gladness as Easter is a feast of spring, when nature comes to life in rebirth. It is a moment to bring Christ to life.

I take this opportunity to thank all those who assisted us in our Lenten and Holy Week Services: the Liturgy Committee, the Parish Staff, the Hispanic Community, our Parish Teens, the Children in Religious Ed., our Adult Choir, the Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist, the Sponsors of the Stations of the Cross, Lectors, Altar Servers, Ushers, Eucharistic Coordinators, Sacristan, Fr. Rafael and Deacon Bob. Thank you all for your service and ministry.

I would like to remind you that next Sunday, April 3, is Divine Mercy Sunday. Here, at St. Andrew's, we will have a special celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM. There will be prayers and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. We invite everyone to join us in this solemn celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday.

As of March 18, we now have pledges of \$191, 950 from 79 donors for the "We Are Living Stones" Capital Campaign. I thank all those who have already made their pledges. While this is indeed a significant accomplishment, we still need to raise more monies to meet our campaign goal. If you still have not participated in this campaign, please prayerfully consider contributing so that we can complete the sound system in the church, address the much needed roof repairs, fix our retaining wall, as well as renovate the house between the rectory and the parish center. These are urgent projects that we need to address. I pray that I can count on your support in this very important endeavor.

May the joy of Easter fill your hearts with peace, hope and love!

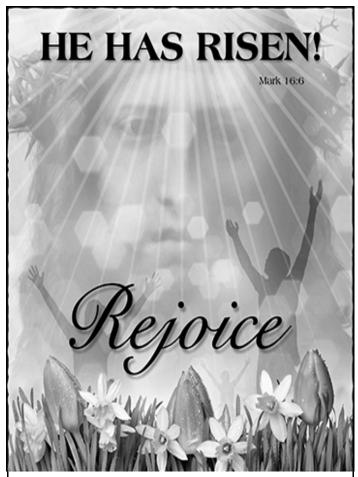
Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Alex



Table Prayer for Easter

This is the day the Lord has made, Alleluia! This food is a sign of your generous love, O Lord, a love shown most perfectly in your raising of Christ. In breaking the bread and drinking the cup, your love strengthens and refreshes us. May others come to know your love through our charity and witness to justice. You have made this day for blessing, O Lord. Let us be blessed by your love at this table and at the supper of the Lamb. Amen.



Looking for a Way to Get Involved??

We are in need of **daytime adult altar servers** for funerals. If you would like to participate, speak to Fr. Alex or call the parish office at 201-666-1100. Thank you.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY April 3
St. Andrew 's Church
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
Adoration, Chaplet of Divine Mercy,
Prayers for Healing

St. Andrew's Parish will host a *Holy Hour of Adoration*, *Pray The Divine Mercy Chaplet and Prayers for Healing* on *Divine Mercy Sunday* in the Church, 2:00 PM. There will also be an opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Pope John Paul II dedicated the first Sunday after Easter for this Devotion given to St. Faustina. St. Faustina was asked to pray the Chaplet by Jesus especially for the dying. He urged her to encourage others to pray it also, promising extraordinary graces to those who would recite this special prayer. We invite you to prepare for this day by praying The Chaplet of Mercy Novena beginning on Good Friday, March 25. Copies of the Novena will be available on the back tables of the Church. For further information, please call 201-666-5697.

Church Stewardship

Our stewardship commitment to support the work of the parish and its ministries shows our appreciation to God for the gifts we have been provided and our willingness to share those gifts.

COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF: MARCH 19-20			
Envelopes: 254	\$	8,810.00	
Non-Envelopes	\$	1,683.00	
In-Church Total	\$	10,493.00	
Electronic Giving	\$	348.00	
General Repairs			

HUMAN CONCERNS ITEM OF THE WEEK: JUICE



ADDITIONAL FOOD PANTRY ITEMS: juice, tomato sauce, pancake mix, canned fruit, toilet paper, toiletries, crackers, tuna.

SUPERMARKET GIFT CARDS ARE ALSO WELCOME.

CLOTHING BIN OPEN: We ask that clean, ready-to-use clothing, shoes, towels and bed-linens ONLY be placed in it. Do not leave any items outside the bin or the Church garage doors. Due to limited space, we are ONLY able to accept clothing, small toys, children's books, kitchen, and baby items at the garage on Mondays from 6:30 - 8:00 PM and Tuesdays from 1:00 - 2:30 PM.

WANTED: Volunteers are needed on Mondays, 6:30 - 8:00 PM and Tuesdays, 1:00 - 2:30 PM.

NEW HOPE. INC. 31st ANNIVERSARY GALA "New Hope Building Lives" - SAVE THE DATE!

Wednesday, April 27, 6:30 - 10:30 PM. Seasons, 664 Pascack Road, Washington Twp. 07676. \$75 per person. Cocktail hour, gourmet dinner, silent auction, Tricky Tray, raffle, huge 50/50 and dancing. Your generosity enables us to reach out to first-time single mothers and their babies so please celebrate with us. Reservations: Kathy: (201) 573-8697 or kturlick@gmail.com. Thank you in advance for all you do to help us help women "Choose Life" for their babies!

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St. John's Academy News



Happy Easter to our Parish Families! May the Blessing of the Risen Christ be with you this Easter Season and always!

During Lent, our students collected change in their mite boxes to benefit children around the world. This collection is coordinated through the Missionary Childhood Association and our diocesan mission office. This project encourages children to be missionaries for other children. \$3.00 buys 75 pencils for a mission school, \$4.00 buys bread for ten children for one week and \$5.00 buys milk for one child for an entire month.

A "BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY" TRIP WITH FR. ALEX

Fr. Alex is leading this tour to religious and historic sites in Austria, Hungary and Poland from May 9 to 21. The cost is \$2,798.00 per person/double occupancy and includes airfare and transfers. Flyers are available at the Parish Center.

LOCAL COLUMBIETTE ORGANIZATION BEING FORMED!

Who are the Columbiettes? We are a unified body of Catholic women who work side-by-side with your parish Knights of Columbus Council with which we are affiliated. We enjoy the challenges and satisfaction of making a difference. You can do more for your church, family and your community as a Columbiette.

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Join others in programs that brighten the lives of the less fortunate: the sick, the handicapped, the elderly and the young. Have fun, make friends. Join others in events that bear fruit and strengthen our Catholic Faith.

For further information, contact Vicki Bird, State Columbiette Vice-President at vicki.ann.bird@gmail.com or at http://www.columbiettes.com/





FOR THE RIDE HOME

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1st Reading Acts 10:34a, 37-43 2nd Reading Colossians 3:1-4 Gospel John 20:1-9



Question for Children: Jesus appeared to the disciples even though they were afraid and locked in the closed room. How can you show Jesus to another person this week by how you act?

Question for Adults: Jesus said: "Blessed are those who have not seen and vet believe." Give one example of how you will show your belief in Jesus this week - how you are being sent forth.

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