

# ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

113 CHIEGO PLACE  
ROSELLE PARK, NEW JERSEY 07204

To all who are tired and need rest; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are friendless and need friendship;  
to all who are discouraged and need hope; to all who sin and need a Savior; and to whomsoever will,  
**THIS CHURCH OPENS WIDE ITS DOOR IN THE NAME OF THE LORD JESUS!**



**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 19, 2020**

## **SERVED BY:**

**Very Rev. Father James F. Spera, V.F.**, Pastor  
Dean, Union County North

**Rev. Father Carmine Rizzi**, Priest-in-Residence

**Rev. Deacon David J. Farrell**, Deacon and  
Director of Religious Education

**Michael Casa, Elizabeth Santora**, Trustees

**Donna Schmatz**, Organist and Music Coordinator

**Virginia Jediny**, Parish Secretary

**Karen Colucci**, Religious Education Coordinator

New members of the Parish are welcome and invited to **REGISTER** by calling the Rectory Office. Please notify the Office when moving away from the Parish. Sponsor certificates for the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation will be signed and sealed for Registered parishioners only. You must be registered for 6 months prior to your request.

## **EUCCHARIST:**

**Saturday Evenings:** 5:30 pm

**Sundays:** 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 Noon

**Weekdays:** Monday - Saturday, 8:00 am

**Holy Days of Obligation:**

8:00 am and 7:30 pm

**Novenas:**

St. Jude after the Saturday 8:00 am Mass

St. Anthony, prayers with Benediction of the

Blessed Sacrament, Tuesday, 7:30 pm, September thru June

**Confession:**

Saturday afternoon from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Weekdays (Monday-Saturday) at 7:30 am before the

8:00 am Mass, or anytime by appointment

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*I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth. — Isaiah 49:6b*

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - January**

**5:30 PM** - James Kompany, Rita Kushner, Richard Powers, Loretta Raczynski, Alex Wisniewski

**8:00 AM** - Marge & Mike Denci, Joseph & Francisca Downey, Linda & David Farrell

**10:30 AM** - Virginia Biondi, Karen McCall, Steve Petruzelli, Rosa Pluchino

**12:00 Noon** - Debbie Kachnowski, Norah Scholte, Annette Venturo

**LECTORS****January 18/19, 2020**

**5:30 PM** John Kennedy

**8:00 AM** John Ballantyne

**10:30 AM** Diane Burgos

**12 Noon** Nicholas Milici

**January 25/26, 2020**

Cindy Campbell

Tom DiMaio

Ricardo Burgos

Maria Becker

**ALTAR SERVERS****January 18/19, 2020**

**5:30 PM** Sofia Sanchez

Ivan Sanchez

**8:00 AM** Hanna Lee

**10:30 AM** Matthew Stark

Nicholas Stark

**12 Noon** Samuel Mendoza

**January 25/26, 2020**

Joe Schmatz

Nico Lee

Raciely Rodriguez



**Prayer List: (In alphabetical order) To have someone placed on or removed from the sick list please call the Rectory.** We invite you to clip out this section each Sunday. Perhaps you could put it near a prayer book, in your Bible, or in your pocket or purse. It is a good thing when we pray with and for one another. Thank you and God bless you!

**Kathy Barz, Fred Boyne, Florence Carosella, Christine Conrad, Robert Curry, Cathy Naccarato DeRoxtra, Ronald Fellner, Bonnie Greer, Joseph Gregory, Cynthia and Thomas Ingman, A.M.J., Baby Janin, Elizabeth Knych, Richard Kratson, Ann Losyk, Sr. Theresia Maria, Janet Marino, Eleanor Morehouse, Arthur Muller, Tanina Naccarato, Carol Fellner Nasta, Jeanette Noto, Louis Noto, Monica Quigley O'Brien, Lily Rita Procopio, Roseann Santanna, Frank Sillito, Nancy Sillito, Ann Sisalli, Anthony Spadora, Antonio Spano, Gabrielle Spano, William Szajko, Steven Szajko, Lynn Tumblety, Joanne Vallone, Diana Verderame, Tony Wargacki, Ella Zsampar**

## Mass Schedule

**SATURDAY, January 18:** Blessed Virgin Mary; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (January 18-25)

**8:00 AM Daniel Farrell**  
(From: Loren and Christ Harms)

**5:30 PM Manny Calvanico**  
(From: Jimmy and Barbara)

**SUNDAY, January 19:** Second Sunday in Ordinary Time; Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)

**8:00 AM For the Parishioners**

**10:30 AM Angela Rorro**  
(From: Family)

**12:00 Noon Michael Bonassisa**

**MONDAY, January 20:** St. Fabian; St. Sebastian

**8:00 AM Daniel Farrell**  
(From: Elaine McTague)

**TUESDAY, January 21:** St. Agnes

**8:00 AM Philip Lamonaco**  
(From: Family)

**7:30 PM St. Anthony and St. Kolbe Novena**

**WEDNESDAY, January 22:** Day of Prayer for the Legan Protection of Unborn Children

**8:00 AM Jimmy Vigliotti**  
(From: Assumption K of C)

**THURSDAY, January 23:** St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope

**8:00 AM Robert Walter Burns**  
(From: Perri Nunziato)

**FRIDAY, January 24:** St. Francis de Sales

**8:00 AM Gertrude Zimmerman**  
(From: Susan & Kevin Smith)

**SATURDAY, January 25:** The Conversion of St. Paul

**8:00 AM Jimmy Cumming and Ian & Mary Nelson**

(From: Sister, Janet Landis)

**5:30 PM Vincenza Papa**  
(From: Family)

**SUNDAY, January 26**

**8:00 AM For the Parishioners**

**10:30 AM Armand Cistaro III**  
(Love, Mom)

**12:00 Noon Liam McNulty**  
(Love, Mom & Dad)

If the intention for the Sunday Mass has been reserved by you or your family, please notify an usher so that you may present the gifts at the Offertory of the Mass.



On Friday, January 24, 2020 voices will again be raised in prayer and protest on the Great Mall in Washington D.C. with a March up Constitution Avenue to the Supreme Court Building. Hundred's of thousands of Americans from every Religious Tradition and Non-Religious Traditions who believe that life begins at conception until natural death will come together as one voice. You will not hear about this March in the media nor view images in the news. The media continues to ignore the brutal reality of abortion. The purpose of the March-For-Life is clearly stated by the organizers of this grass roots organization.

The Life Principles are as follows:

We hold these truths to be self-evident: That all human beings are created equal and are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, among which is the right to life, and Therefore

- The right to life of each human being shall be preserved and protected by every human being in the society and by the society as a whole, and
  - The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected from that human being's biological beginning at the moment of conception, and
  - The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected from the biological beginning throughout the natural continuum of that human being's life by all available ordinary means and reasonable efforts, and
  - The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected at each stage of the life continuum to the same extent as at each and every other stage regardless of state of health or condition of dependency, and
  - The life of each human being shall be preserved and protected to the same extent as the life of each and every other human being regardless of state of health or condition of dependency, and
  - When there is any doubt that there exists a human being's life to preserve and protect, such doubt shall be resolved In favor of the existence of a human being, and
  - When two or more human beings are in a situation in which their lives are mutually endangered, all available ordinary means and reasonable efforts shall be used to preserve and protect the life of each and every human being so endangered:
- WHEREFORE, Pursuant To These Principles, we recommend and urge the adoption of a Mandatory HUMAN LIFE AMENDMENT to the Constitution of the United States of America.

This is the 47nd March on Washington seeking this LIFE AMENDMENT. The first March brought together a mere 20,000 people from around the Nation. Last year's March numbered over 500,000 people from all walks of life. This is only a small representative group of a larger silent majority who cry out in defense of life. Our Parish bus will depart the Church of the Assumption at 7 am to join the March. Mass will be offered at 6:00 A.M prior to departure. There are still seats available. Please contact the Rectory Office for information. I am grateful to the members of our Knights of Columbus Council and the Respect Life Committee of the St.

Vincent De Paul Society for sponsoring our participation. Please keep us in prayer for a safe journey and a future where life is defended from the moment of conception until natural death.

Fr. Jim

<b>Christmas Collection</b>	<b>\$35,286.00</b>
<b>Christmas Flowers</b>	<b>\$ 6,125.00</b>
<b>Oplatki</b>	<b>\$ 259.00</b>
<b>Crib Donation</b>	<b>\$ 199.00</b>

**Total Christmas Donation: \$41,870.00**  
 (+\$4,353.00 over 2018 collection of \$37,517.00)

#### WEEKLY COLLECTION

<b>Weekly Collection for January 11/12</b>	<b>\$6,812</b>
<b>Communicating God's Word</b>	<b>\$1,283</b>

*Thank you for your generosity!*

His Eminence Joseph Cardinal Tobin invites those celebrating their Fiftieth (50) Anniversary of Marriage to a Special Mass to be celebrated on Sunday, May 3, 2020 at the Cathedral-Basilica of the Sacred Heart at 3:00 P.M. Those celebrating their Twenty-fifth (25) or Fifth (5) Anniversary of Marriage will be invited to the Cathedral-Basilica on Sunday, April 19, 2020 at 3:00 P.M. Reservations are necessary for full participation. Please contact the Rectory Office (908)245-1107 for reservations.

#### Union of Sick and Elderly Missionaries Prayers and Benediction

**Please join us on Thursday evening, January 23rd at 7:30 p.m. in the Church for prayer and Benediction where the prayers of our elderly, sick, and disabled will be offered in union with the Passion of Christ in solidarity with the missions around the world.**



*We welcome to our Parish Community the following children who were Baptized in Christ at Church of the Assumption*

***Cora Mary Luz McGrail***

***God's Blessings on her and her family!***



*From Death  
to New Life*

Please pray for the repose of the souls of the recently deceased:

**+Carlos Elmer Osorio Millan**  
**+ George Blaskewicz**  
**+ Mary Ann DelaRosa**

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord!

## SPECIAL DONATIONS

To make a Special Donation for Hosts, Wine, Candles, Sanctuary Candles or Tabernacle Flowers, please use the Special Donation Envelopes found at the doors of the Church.

**In Loving Memory of Grace Filak**

Requested by The Filak Family  
Donation of Wine, Hosts, Candles & Sanctuary Candle

**First Saturday of Reparation at the Blue Army Shrine**  
- Feb. 1, 2020

Why Five First Saturdays? Because Our Lord and Our Lady (of Fatima) asked for it. When questioning why five First Saturdays, Our Lord replied to Sr. Lucia on May 29, 1930: "My daughter, the reason is simple... 1. Against Her Immaculate Conception; 2. Against Her Virginity; 3. Against Her Divine Maternity, refusing at the same time to recognize Her as the Mother of all mankind; 4. Those who publicly seek to sow in the hearts of children indifference, contempt, or even hatred of this Immaculate Mother; 5. Offenses of those who insult Her directly in Her sacred images." Begin your New Year by honoring Our Lord and Our Lady's plea. Bring your children and friends. The world needs this. The 15 minutes of meditation on the rosary requested by Our Lady will be a visual presentation. Confessions 10:30; Rosary w/15 min. meditation 11:30; Mass 12:15 N.; Brown Scapular Enrollment, talk at Holy House regarding its' relics; **Divine Mercy Chaplet. 674 Mt. Rd. E., Asbury, NJ 08802 908-689-1700, ex.224.**

**GIFT CARD SCAM ALERT:** Please beware of fraudulent emails or text messages claiming to be from a pastor or a representative of the archdiocese asking you to purchase gift cards to help the poor or sick. Such fraudulent activity should be reported to the State of New Jersey Cyber Crimes Unit at (609) 584-5051, ext. 5664, or online at >[www.njsp.org/division/investigations/cyber-crimes.shtml](http://www.njsp.org/division/investigations/cyber-crimes.shtml)  
Please feel free to call the parish or school office to validate the authenticity of any suspicious email claiming to be from our priests or staff.



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Jan. 22, Weds. - 7:00 p.m. - Knights of Columbus  
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Jan. 23, Thurs. - 7:30 p.m. - Union of the Sick  
Jan. 24, Fri. - 7:00 a.m. - March for Life  
Jan. 25, Sat. - 6:30 p.m. - Pizza Tasting

## MARY'S GROTTTO

It's the middle of January already - by now you know Mary's Grotto is temporarily closed. We have a suggestion worth considering on these long winter nights. Why not gather family around (or even yourself) and say the Rosary? It doesn't take long - try it and see for yourself Thank you..

Ladies of the Rosary Society, Church of the Assumption

**CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION**  
**BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY**

*"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."*  
*Matthew 5:4*

**SUPPORT GROUP FOR THOSE GRIEVING THE**  
**DEATH OF A LOVED ONE**

We invite you to join us for a series of six sessions of mutual sharing & support in a spiritual, caring, and confidential setting.

**2020 session dates: Wednesday Evenings**  
**7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

**January 22, 29, February 5, 12, 19, 2020**

**Meetings held: Church Chapel**

Registration is required. Please contact -  
Elaine McTague 908-241-7629

**All calls are confidential.**

## ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

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*Please join us for our*

**OPEN HOUSE**

**Thursday, January 23, 2020**  
**7:00 PM - 8:30 PM**

**Sunday, January 26, 2020**  
**10:30 AM - 1:30 PM**

St. Michael School ■ 100 Alden Street ■ Cranford, NJ

[www.smscranford.com](http://www.smscranford.com) ■ 908-276-9425

**Roselle Catholic High School** welcomes you to our Open House! Please join us on Sunday:

Date: January 26, 2020

Time: 1 pm—3 pm

Location Roselle Catholic High School

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

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**Come Share Your Faith as a Catechist** – Ever wondered what the catechetical ministry is all about? The requirements are simple: a love for God, love for our Catholic faith, and a willingness to spread the news of Jesus Christ. Please contact the Religious Education Office to set an appointment to receive all the information you need. One of the most rewarding things you can do is share your faith with the youth of our parish in our Religious Education Program. When we share our faith, we grow in faith!

*“If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other.”*

~Saint Teresa of Calcutta



It has come to our attention that items are being left outside of the Catholic Charity Clothing Bins. It is clearly noted that this is unacceptable. If the bin is full, please come back another time. There are two pick-ups a week on Monday and Friday. **We do risk losing the bins if this continues** which will impact Catholic Charities and the poor they serve. Please pass the word around that **items may not be left outside the bins!** If you have facebook, please pass on this message to the local community. Thank you!

**Knight's Corner (Council #3240)**

The Knights of Columbus (Council #3240) of the Church of the Assumption would like to invite any interested Parish men, that wish to learn more about the Knights of Columbus to fill out one of the cards located in the front of the Church and place it in the collection basket. The Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus is currently conducting a membership drive. Please be sure to “like” our Facebook page: Knights of Columbus - Msgr. Loreti Council #3240



The Knights of Columbus will once again be holding our **Baby Bottle Boomerang**. This is a fundraiser for Raphael's Life House in Elizabeth, NJ, a transitional housing for pregnant homeless women. The bottles were distributed last weekend at all Masses. We will be collecting them the weekend of January 18 & 19, at all Masses. Please consider filling it with your spare change, bills or checks payable to the Knights of Columbus. If you took a bottle home, please return it, we continue to use these bottles every year for this fundraiser.. Thank you.

**March for Life 2020 Bus Trip to Washington, DC**

Date: Friday, January 24, 2020

Time: Bus departs 7:00 AM

Location: Assumption Church parking lot  
 113 Chiego Place Roselle Park

Please call the Assumption Church Parish Rectory at (908)-245-1107 to reserve your spot on the bus. Reservations need to be in as soon as possible! We are limited to 53 seats on the bus, and cost is \$10/person.

The K of C Msgr. Loreti Council #3240 will host their 8th Annual “**Best Pizza Around**” **Tasting & Competition** on Sat. 1/25 from 6:30-9:30pm. At Church of the Assumption's Loreti Hall (basement). 113 Chiego Pl., Roselle Park.

Tickets are \$10/person. Children ages 3 & Under area FREE. Admission includes blind pizza tasting from area pizzerias, beverages and dessert.

Tickets are available for purchase after all masses: Sat. 5:30pm, Sun. 8am, 10:30am & 12pm. Or at the Parish Office Mon. – Fri. from 8am-4pm. call 908-245-1107. Reserved tables available for parties of 8 or more. Be sure to get your tickets early as this event has **SOLD OUT** the last 5 years.

**FORGIVENESS**

The only true forgiveness is that which is offered and extended even before the offender has apologized and sought it.

—Soren Kierkegaard