

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!



**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 21, 2019**

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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It is [Christ] whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.

— Colossians 1:28b

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - July

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

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

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

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

LECTORS

July 20/21, 2019

5:30 PM Cindy Campbell

8:00 AM Jack Kaulfers

10:30 AM Ricardo Burgos

12 Noon Nicholas Milici

July 27/28, 2019

Leona Seufert

John Ballantyne

Diane Burgos

Maria Becker

ALTAR SERVERS

July 20/21, 2019

5:30 PM Joe Schmatz

8:00 AM Ethan Pama

10:30 AM Rocco Paolino

12 Noon Samuel Mendoza

July 27/28, 2019

Ivan Sanchez

Sofia Sanchez

Loretta Raczynski

Mattia Leingang



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!

Irene Alkiewicz, Kathy Barz, Richard Barz, Fred Boyne, Florence Carosella, Cathy Naccarato DeRoxtra, Ronald Fellner, Bonnie Greer, Joseph Gregory, Thomas Ingman, Thomas Intiso, A.M.J., Baby Janin, Richard Kratson, Ann Losyk, Janet Marino, Eleanor Morehouse, Arthur Muller, Tanina Naccarato, Carol Fellner Nasta, Jeanette Noto, Louis Noto, Monica Quigley O'Brien, Lily Rita Procopio, Roseann Santanna, Maureen Shaw, Frank Sillito, Nancy Sillito, Anthony Spadora, Antonio Spano, Gabrielle Spano, William Szajko, Steven Szajko, Lynn Tumblety, Joanne Vallone, Diana Verderame, Tony Wargacki, Ella Zsampar

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY, July 20: St. Apollinaris; Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM **Pauline Spera**
(From: Nancy Tortorelli)

5:30 PM **Bob Bodnar**
(From: Wife)

SUNDAY, July 21: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM **For the Parishioners**

10:30 AM **Josephine Hagman**
(From: Linda)

12:00 Noon **Elizabeth & Eddie Casano**
(From: Niece)

MONDAY, July 22: Saint Mary Magdalene

8:00 AM **Pamela & Arlene Trylong**
(From: Anthony Trylong)

TUESDAY, July 23: Saint Bridget

8:00 AM **Pietro & Fiorina Magliano**
(From: Josephine & Joe Vaccarella)

WEDNESDAY, July 24: Saint Sharbel Makhlūf

8:00 AM **Harold & Betty Davenport**
(Love, Ed & Mary Louise)

THURSDAY, July 25: Saint James

8:00 AM **John Antonucci**
(Love, Mom)

FRIDAY, July 26: Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM **Olga Mirabelli**
(From: Nieces & Nephews)

SATURDAY, July 27: Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM **Carmine Tedeschi**

5:30 PM **Andrew Colucci**
(From: Joyce Gregory)

SUNDAY, July 28: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM **For the Parishioners**

10:30 AM **Elizabeth & Ralph Oliveri**
(From: Ralph Oliveri)

12:00 Noon **Francesco Picarelli**
(Love, Iole Picarelli)

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.



I have been asked over and over again through the years: what happened to St. Christopher; is he no longer a Saint? The short answer is that St. Christopher is no longer celebrated with a feast on the Universal calendar of the Church but he is still a Saint! There is no doubt that a man named Christopher from the 3rd century A.D. lived and was among the earliest martyrs commemorated on the Christian calendar. What remains in doubt are the many legends about him that have passed through the ages. In an effort to be historically accurate, the Universal Calendar of the Church after the Vatican Council limited the commemoration of Saints to those whose memory were historically accurate. There was also a concern to place in the Calendar those Saints that have a Universal message. There are many Saints commemorated in local Churches that may not be celebrated throughout the world.

Saint Christopher is believed to have been born in Canaan and martyred in 251 A.D. St. Christopher's original name was Ofero. The ancient chronicles recount that he was a powerfully built man who wandered the world in search of novelty and adventure. He came upon a hermit who lived beside a dangerous stream and served others by guiding them to a safe place to cross. The hermit gave Ofero instruction in the truth of God. In time, Ofero took the hermit's place, but instead of guiding travelers, he carried them safely across the stream.

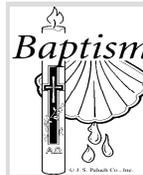
A legend of St. Christopher recalls how he carried a small child across the stream; the child's weight nearly crushed him. When they arrived on the other side, the child revealed himself as Christ, and He was so heavy because He bore the weight of the world on Himself; this is how his name has been forever remembered as CHRIST - OFER which means the Christ-bearer. Christopher was baptized and soon after martyred for the faith. Christopher's service at the stream led to his patronage of things related to travel and travelers. In our culture, it is common to place a medal of St. Christopher in our cars as a reminder that we are to carry Christ in our travels. We seek the protection of God and ask St. Christopher to be our guide. The Feast of St. Christopher is July 25.

The Prophet Elijah (9th century B.C.) is also remembered as a patron of those who travel. He is remembered on local Calendars on July 20 as the prophet who was taken to heaven in a whirlwind (2 Kings 2:1). We honor both St. Christopher and The Prophet Elijah as men whose sole direction in life was toward God. In celebration of

their Feast and in supplication to our God, I will bless cars as they leave Chiego Place next weekend July 27/28 that we may drive with courtesy, abide with traffic regulations, and carry Christ to all in our travels.

Fr. Jim

Annual Blessing of Cars in honor o St. Christopher and the Prophet Elijah will take place **after all Masses on the weekend of July 27/28.**



We welcome to our Parish Community the following child who was Baptized in Christ at Church of the Assumption

Fiadh Ros Brunty

God's Blessings on her and her family!

Guidelines for the proper reception of Holy Communion

1. Catholics who have officially received their First Holy Communion may approach to receive Communion at Mass after having examined one's conscience and attended the Sacrament of Confession as needed.
2. As one approaches the Priest or Eucharistic Minister, slightly bow the head or genuflect in reverence.
3. Respond to the Priest or Eucharistic Minister with a deliberate AMEN.
4. The option is to receive on the tongue or in one's hands; hold both hands up and out, one on top of the other.
5. It is disrespectful to "grab" the Eucharist from the hand of the Priest. The Eucharist will be placed into the open hands of the recipient, and the recipient then takes the Host and places the Host into the mouth.
6. The Host must be consumed immediately. The Host must not be carried away, or held for a time, nor used to make the sign of the Cross. The Host must be consumed immediately upon reception.
7. Only a designated Eucharistic Minister may bring Holy Communion to the sick.

MOVING? Keeping parish records is a continuous process. Will you help us? If you plan to move over these summer months, whether you will be remaining parishioners (staying in our area) or moving out of the area entirely, please call the Parish Office (908-245-1107) and let us know so that we can maintain updated records.

New families are WELCOME and invited to register.

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 Nandor Landis - 30 Years in Heaven but Never Forgotten

Love, Wife Janet & Daughters

Donation of Wine, Hosts, Candles, Sanctuary Candle, Tabernacle Flowers

In Loving Memory of Nancy Commerato

Requested by Lois Camasta

Donation of Wine & Hosts

Triduum Services in Honor of St. Anne and St. Joachim

Tuesday July 23 through Friday July 26

St. Michael Parish in Cranford will be conducting the annual Triduum in honor of St. Anne and St. Joachim, the parents of Mary and Grandparents of Jesus. On **Tuesday** evening, July 23, a candlelight procession to the special shrine containing the Icon of these saints will proceed the Evening Prayer Service in their honor. On **Wednesday & Thursday** nights the Triduum will continue with Prayer Service each evening. All services on these nights will begin at **7 P.M.**

On Friday, July 26, the feast of St. Anne and St. Joachim, there will be festival Liturgy conducted at **7 P.M.**

Yearly prayer services in honor of these saints have been conducted at St. Michael Parish for well over 100 years. Plan now to attend.

Candles are available at the Parish Center for the candlelight procession & Triduum Shrine. You are also invited to bring flowers (garden grown or store bought), in disposable containers to assist in decorating this special shrine.

If you would like to obtain a candle or for more information about the above listed services, please call the parish office 908 276-0360.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Weekly Collection for July 13/14 **\$4,697**

Archdiocesan Retired Priests **\$1,579**

Thank you for your generosity!

Mary's Grotto

THANK YOU once again for those who purchased at our Church Sale last weekend - it is very much appreciated. If you missed it, please stop over to Mary's Grotto (just across the street) - much more to see. We are always happy to meet and greet old friends and new. As we say: Stop and Shop or Have a Look!!

Ladies of the Rosary Society
Church of the Assumption

St. Michael's School Book Drive:

St. Michael's School in Cranford is collecting books for an upcoming Used Book Sale this Fall! Gently used books of all types: fiction, non-fiction and children's books (please no reference books, text books, encyclopedias or magazines). Please look for collection bins at the doors of Church. Need to arrange a pick-up or drop off for larger donations? Please contact Terri Hunsinger at: SMSUsedBookSale@gmail.com or (908) 272-7535.



St. Michael School located at 100 Alden Street in Cranford, celebrating over 90 years of academic excellence, is a faith-based environment focused on the spiritual, personal, and academic formation of all students. The Early Childhood program offers Pre K3 & Pre K4 (Full & Half Day) and Full Day academically based Kindergarten. Primary, elementary, and middle school curriculums prepare students for success in high school and beyond. The controlled class size and average 16:1 student-teacher ratio ensures a focused academic environment. Before and after care programs are available daily on site. St. Michael School is a member of the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA) and accredited by the Middle States Association Commission on Elementary Schools. Registrations for the 2019-2020 academic year are now being accepted. Limited spots are available in all grades. If you'd like to learn more about St. Michael School and all we have to offer, please call the school's office (908) 276-9425 to schedule a tour.

The Rectory and Religious Education Offices will be closed on Fridays during the summer months. The Rectory and Religious Education Offices are open through the summer Monday through Thursday from 9:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. For an emergency please call the Rectory at 908-245-1107 for forwarding information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Religious Education Contact Information:
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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!

Registration for New Students – Our registration for the 2019 -2020 school year is now completely filled for Sunday classes. We have classroom availability for grades 1,3,4,5, and 6 on Tuesdays from 3:45 to 5:00 p.m. or we offer a homeschooling option for these grades as well.

Contact the Religious Education Office at 908-245-6572 for additional information.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a process for non-baptized individuals and for non-Catholic Christians to learn more about the Catholic faith and discern full communion with the Catholic Church. The RCIA process is also for baptized adult Catholics to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation. It is a period of inquiry and learning about various aspects of the Catholic faith tradition. We invite anyone who wishes to find out more about the process to contact the Director of Religious Education at 908-245-6572 or e-mail assumptionschool113@gmail.com.

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

~Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Additional pavers are still available! The next order will be submitted October 1, 2019. There are pavers available before the Sacred Heart, St. Anthony, and bell Shrines. Please obtain an Adopt-a-brick Form from our web site, at the entrance of Church and from the Rectory Office.

**Knights 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

**Holy Trinity to hire Parish Nurse - A Ministry of Healing**

Holy Trinity Parish in Westfield is accepting applications for a part-time Parish Nurse. We are seeking an experienced, licensed registered nurse, with a desire to offer Faith-based Holistic care of Mind, Spirit, & Body to Holy Trinity’s parishioners, their families, and caregivers. The Parish Nurse will care for the sick, elderly, disabled and those in crisis or transition at any age or stage of life, in addition to conducting health screenings and providing education and resource referrals. Send resumes to Father Anthony Randazzo arandazzo@htcc.org or submit at the Rectory office (315 First St. Westfield). Please pass the word to nurses who might be interested.

To learn more, please visit www.htcc.org/parishnurse.

Please Save the Dates

Next year we will celebrate the **20th Anniversary of the Feast of St. Anthony**. Please be sure to save the dates:

Thurs., 6/4/20	6-10 p.m.
Fri., 6/5/20	6-11 p.m.
Sat., 6/6/20	6-11 p.m.
Sun., 6/7/20	6-10 p.m.

**Summer Dine Out to Donate:**

Please join us as we "Dine Out to Donate". Throughout the **entire month of July at Johnny Napkins in Union**. Please present flyer to ensure that a portion of your dine-in, take-out or delivery order will be donated back in support of Church of the Assumption.

You may have noticed that some of our Parishioners choose to kneel when receiving Holy Communion. This is an Ancient and venerable act of devotion and the option has always remained.

Pope Benedict XVI encouraged a return to this practice at the Masses he offered at St. Peter's Basilica during his Pastoral Ministry. To accommodate those who wish to kneel for the reception of Holy Communion we will place kneeling pads at the Altar Rail near the open space on both sides beginning next weekend. If anyone kneels at the Altar Rail on these pads, the Priest will come to you.