

# 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!**



**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 28, 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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*You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. — Colossians 2:12*

### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - August**

**5:30 PM + August 15, 7:30 PM** - Cindy Campbell, Michael Casa, Angela Gravina, John Mattingly

**8:00 AM** - John Ballantyne, Catherine Cerilles, Elaine McTague, Barbara Sokol

**10:30 AM** - Juan Allende, Kim Allende, Marlene Polyak, Noelle Degbe

**12:00 Noon** - Ann Marie Bonassis, Sue Carlstrom, Cathy Chin, Maureen McNulty

### **LECTORS**

#### **July 27/28, 2019**

**5:30 PM** Leona Seufert

**8:00 AM** John Ballantyne

**10:30 AM** Diane Burgos

**12 Noon** Maria Becker

#### **August 3/4, 2019**

Leona Seufert

Tom DiMaio

Matthew Leingang

Celeste Michielli

### **ALTAR SERVERS**

#### **July 27/28, 2019**

**5:30 PM** Ivan Sanchez

Sofia Sanchez

**8:00 AM** Loretta Raczynski

**10:30 AM** Mattia Leingang

**12 Noon**

#### **August 3/4, 2019**

Joe Schmatz

Angelo Geronimo

Anthony Geronimo

Rocco Paolino

Samuel Mendoza



**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 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)

### MONDAY, July 29: Saint Martha

8:00 AM **In Honor of San Lupo**  
(From: Josephine & Philip Papa)

### TUESDAY, July 30: St. Peter Chrysologus

8:00 AM **Joseph Peter Coletta**  
(From: Maria Miranda)

### WEDNESDAY, July 31: St. Ignatius of Loyola

8:00 AM **Larry & Ralph Martino**  
(From: Wife & Mother Elizabeth)

### THURSDAY, August 1: St. Alphonsus Liguori

8:00 AM **Ryan Faella**  
(From: Family)

### FRIDAY, August 2: St. Eusebius of Vercelli; St. Peter Julian Eymard; First Friday

8:00 AM **Joseph & Maria Renda**  
(From: Daughter Ella Manfre)

### SATURDAY, August 3: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

8:00 AM **Angelo Jannuzzi**  
(From: Sister Dottie)

5:30 PM **Corporate Mass**  
(See List)

### SUNDAY, August 4: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM **For the Parishioners**

10:30 AM **Erminio DiNardo**  
(From: Wife Josefina)

12:00 Noon **Frank Signorello**  
(From: Joe & Family)

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.



The sixteenth century was remarkable for its colorful parade of extraordinary personalities; personalities that were destined to influence, for good or evil, all succeeding generations. In that long, brilliant line of statesmen, scholars, reformers and revolutionaries, almost hidden from view, limped a short, bald-headed Spaniard. He had a small book tucked under his arm, and a spirituality buried deep in his heart. The man was Ignatius Loyola, the book was the Spiritual Exercises, and the spirituality was to be “contemplative in action” by “finding God in all things.”

The first twenty-five years of Ignatius’ life was given over entirely to the vanities of the world. He tells us that he took great delight in the use of military weapons, and had an almost insatiable craving for the praise and the glory of the world. The turning point of his life came at the age of thirty when he was wounded during a battle against the French. His right leg had been badly shattered and vanity forced him to undergo several very painful operations. Despite the cruel twisting and tugging of the doctors, his right leg remained shorter than his left to the end of his life.

During his long weeks of convalescence, Ignatius asked for some romantic novels to read. Instead he was given two other books that he had little taste for: the Life of Christ, and The Lives of the Saints. For the want of something else to do, he began to read these books. Gradually, he began to see the world in its true perspective. Realizing that he had found the pearl of great price he was willing to sell all to buy it. He resolved to do two things when he got up from his sick bed: he would do penance for his sins and transfer his allegiance from the King of Spain to the King of Kings.

He went to the Benedictine monastery at Montserrat, made a general confession and spent the night in vigil before the shrine of our Lady of Montserrat. Laying down his sword and putting on the garb of a pilgrim, he journeyed to the town of Manresa. Daily he retired to a cave along the Cardoner River, where he began to make notes of his spiritual experiences. These notes were to become the Spiritual Exercises which were destined to become the source and the dynamic of the Society of Jesus (The Jesuits), and produce such saints as Francis Xavier, Peter Canisius, Robert Bellarmine, Peter Claver, John Francis Regis, Edmund Campion, Isaac Jogues, Aloysius Gonzaga, and John Berchmans. It has been said that only the New Testament and Thomas Kempis’ Imitation of Christ has had more influence in Western Christianity than the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius.

St. Ignatius Loyola has been dead for more than four hundred and fifty years but he lives on today in the lives of millions of priests, religious and laity who, formed by

the same Spiritual Exercises are “contemplatives in action” who are “finding God in all things.” Ignatius is telling us that we don’t have to flee to the desert or to a monastery cell to be contemplative. To be contemplative in action is not a contradiction. It is a paradox. Our faith teaches us that God is TRANSCENDENT, God is IMMANENT and God is TRANSPARENT in His creation.

Ignatius is telling us that reality is more romantic and more mysterious than fiction. We live in a wonderful grace-filled world where everyone we meet and everything we see is a visible sign of invisible reality, the footprints of God, a sign of the love of God for us. “Every bush is burning.” “The hills are mute but how they speak of God. There are tongues in trees, books in running brooks, sermons in stone, and God in everything.” “I see his blood upon the rose and in the stars the glory of his eyes.” “The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.” “In Him we live and move and have our being.” “Poems are made by fools like me but only God can make a tree.”

God does not work in a vacuum. God works in the real world. God deals with us as human beings. God sanctifies us through our daily actions, our fears, failures and yes even our sins. He is the potter we are the clay. It is a false dichotomy to divide reality into the sacred and the secular; to departmentalize our lives so that we are Christians for a few hours a week and then live as pagans for the rest of the time.

Ignatian spirituality is easily discernible. How? By joy; joy is the most infallible sign of Ignatian spirituality. Why? Because joy is the most infallible sign of the AWARENESS of the presence of God. What a tragedy to go through life and never experience this joy! As we commemorate the Feast of St. Ignatius Loyola on Wednesday July 31, let us seek that joy by finding God in all things.

Fr. Jim

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



*From Death  
to New Life*

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

**+Jesus R. Saldana**

Eternal Rest grant unto him, 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 Elizabeth and Ralph Oliveri**

Requested by Son, Ralph  
Donation of Wine, Hosts, Candles, Sanctuary Candle, Tabernacle Flowers

**In Loving Memory of Ronald Cecere**

Requested by Niece, Linda  
Donation of Wine

**In Loving Memory of Jesus Saldana**

Requested by Saldana & Catorre Family  
Donation of Sanctuary Candle

**In Loving Memory of Nancy Commerato**

Requested by Lois Camasta  
Donation of Wine & Hosts

**Mary's Grotto**

Would you believe this is the last weekend of July - how time flies! We at Mary's Grotto are thinking of our Church Sale which we anticipate to hold the weekend of August 10/11. Just a reminder that August 15 is the Feast of the Assumption of Mary into Heaven and we have a beautiful statue of her. A good reason to Stop and Shop or Have a Look. COME ON OVER - We're always pleased to be of assistance.

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.

**Corporate Mass 5:30 PM August 3, 2019****Deceased**

Nettie Bianca  
Lena Cacia

Eva Canova  
Joseph E. Colucci, III  
Salvatore Finocchiaro  
Richard Huxford  
Virginia Lucas  
Bridget Milewski  
Billy Mitchell  
Maria Scalisi  
Nunzio Scalisi  
Pauline Spera  
John Vitorino  
Elizabeth "Betty" Wojcik

**Requested by**

Loretta Raczynski  
The Tumblety, Surhoff,  
Blasi & Capone Families  
The Huxford Family  
Candice Slevin  
Daughter, Maria & Family  
The Huxford Family  
Mary's Grotto  
Daughter, Maria & Family  
Daughter, Maria & Family  
Nora DeNike  
The Scalisi Family  
Loretta Raczynski



Join Us as We  
Dine Out to Donate



495 Chestnut Street in Union, NJ 07083  
Throughout the Month of August  
For Lunch or Dinner  
From 11:30am – Closing

Please present this flyer to your server to ensure a portion of your bill will be donated back to Church of the Assumption.



*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**

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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](mailto:assumptionschool113@gmail.com).

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

~Saint Teresa of Calcutta

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

Weekly Collection for July 20/21      \$5,432

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**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

**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@htccc.org](mailto:arandazzo@htccc.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.htccc.org/parishnurse](http://www.htccc.org/parishnurse).

An "Entering Canaan" retreat for those who are suffering as a result of losing a sibling to abortion will take place August 16-18, in Stirling, New Jersey. The retreat will be hosted by Lumina and The Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. There is no cost for this retreat and assistance is given in relation to transportation for those who may need it. For further information and confidential reservations please call: Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina/ Hope & Healing after abortion: 1-877-586-4621, or email at [Lumina@postabortionhelp.org](mailto:Lumina@postabortionhelp.org).

**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.

**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.