

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

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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!



**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 4, 2021**

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

John Ballantyne, Trustee

Elizabeth Santora, Trustee

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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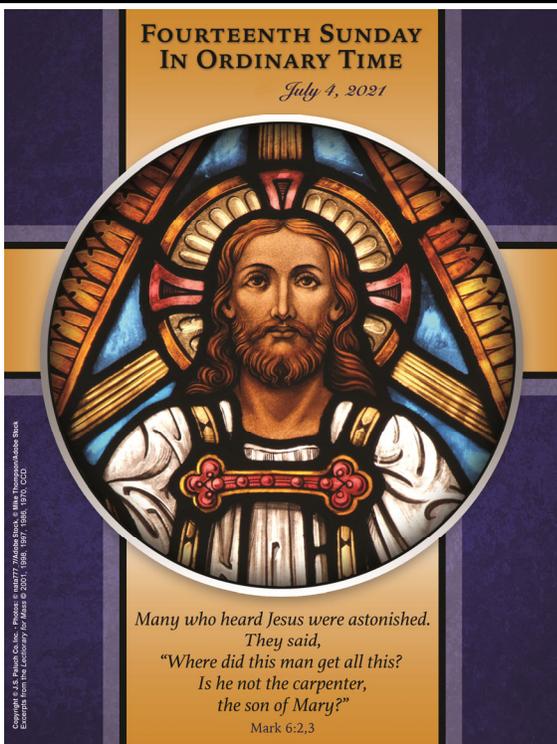
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Mass Schedule

SATURDAY, July 3: St. Thomas, Apostle:
First Saturday

8:00 AM **Souls in Purgatory**
(From: Anthony Sterio)
5:30 PM **Corporate Mass**
Please See List

SUNDAY, July 4: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Independence Day

8:00 AM **For the Parishioners**
10:30 AM **Lucille Lerner**
(From: Robyn Sisto)
12:00 Noon **Ann Marie Bonassisa**
(From: Jennifer & "Here We Grow" Staff)

MONDAY, July 5: St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal

8:00 AM **Dorothy and Walter Chess**
(From: Alice and Fred)

TUESDAY, July 6: St. Maria Goretti, Virgin/Martyr

8:00 AM **Dottie Jannuzzi**
(From: Suzanne Covine)

WEDNESDAY, July 7

8:00 AM **Raymond Wittevrongel**
(From: Angela, Bob, Kate & Rose Tobe)

THURSDAY, July 8

8:00 AM **Diane Morris**
(From: Suzanne Covine)

FRIDAY, July 9: St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

8:00 AM **Liam McNulty**
(Love, Mom and Dad)

SATURDAY, July 10: Blessed Virgin Mother

8:00 AM **Rita and Tom Santora**
(From: Betty and Tony Santora)
5:30 PM **Christine Marino**
(From: Sister, Angela)

SUNDAY, July 11: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM **For the Parishioners**
10:30 AM **Elaine McTague**
(From: Annette Conway)
12:00 Noon **Ann Marie Bonassisa**
(Love, Maureen McNulty)

Eucharistic Ministers WILL NOT RESUME until further notice. My hope is to resume fully in the near future.

Fr. Jim

LECTORS

July 3/4, 2021

5:30 PM Cindy Campbell
8:00 AM Debbie Kachnowski
10:30 AM Diane Burgos
12 Noon Celeste Michielli

July 10/11, 2021

Leona Seufert
Jack Kaulfers
Cindy Campbell
Nicholas Milici

ALTAR SERVERS

July 3/4, 2021

5:30 PM Joe Schmatz
8:00 AM Ethan Pama

10:30 AM Raciely Rodriguez
12 Noon

July 10/11, 2021

Sofia/Ivan Sanchez
Angelo/Anthony Geronimo



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!

Altagracia Alvarez, Kathy Barz, John Black, Al Bober, Fred Boyne, Florence Carosella, Christine Conrad, James Desiderio, Naomi Desiderio, Ronald Fellner, Nicholas Fusco, Lynn Gehrmann, Fran Getchies, Bonnie Greer, Joseph Gregory, Cynthia and Thomas Ingman, Vincent Intiso, A.M.J., Elizabeth Knych, Cyndee Kurri, Stella LoPiccolo, Tina Marino, Zchantell McDonald, Eleanor Morehouse, Tanina Naccarato, Carol Fellner Nasta, Monica Quigley O'Brien, Margie Ortizio, Lily Rita Procopio, Lorraine Ruivo, Roseann Santanna, Ann Sisalli, Anthony Spadora, Antonio Spano, Gabrielle Spano, Debra Szajko, Lynn Tumblety, Tony Wargacki



This weekend coincides with the celebration of our nation's independence. It is a time to reaffirm the vision of our founding fathers, to whom a free and just society is one in which "we hold [certain] truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

Edward Gibbon, author of *The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*, has attributed the fall of the Empire to:

1. The rapid increase of divorce; the undermining of the dignity and sanctity of the home, which is the basis of human society.
2. Higher and higher taxes and the spending of public monies for free bread and circuses for the populace.
3. The mad craze for pleasure; sports becoming every year more exciting and more brutal.
4. The building of gigantic armaments when the real enemy was within, the decadence of the people.
5. The decay of religion--faith fading into mere form, losing touch with life and becoming impotent to warn and guide the people.

The French writer Alexis de Tocqueville, after visiting America in 1831, said, "I sought for the greatness of the United States in her commodious harbors, her ample rivers, her fertile fields, and boundless forests--and it was not there. I sought for it in her rich mines, her vast world commerce, her public school system, and in her institutions of higher learning--and it was not there. I looked for it in her democratic Congress and her matchless Constitution--and it was not there. Not until I went into the Churches of America and heard her pulpits flame with righteousness did I understand the secret of her genius and power. America is great because America is good, and if America ever ceases to be good, America will cease to be great!"

The National celebration of the Fourth of July is an opportunity for all Americans to recall the greatness of the past and with renewed commitment to our founding principles, look to build upon the greatness of the past. Religion has been at the very foundation of our Nation's principles. Religion has always been free to engender within our Society goodness. Secular - atheism was scorned as the enemy in the not too distant past as it manifested itself in the former Communist States. Goodness in that system was found in the institution of the State and not in persons. The Communist State defined goodness. Religion finds goodness in the person not the State. The goodness of persons then has the ability to move the State to greatness.

This same enemy has now manifested itself in our own Land under the banner of new names. Who would ever have thought that in these United States of America, Religion would become the enemy of the State? Yet in our own time, the State is attempting to define itself as goodness and to restrict religious freedom. As a free people we must resist tyranny against the free practice of Religion, so that "the pulpits flame with righteousness" inspiring goodness in the hearts of citizens which alone will make America great. God bless America!

Fr. Jim



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

Maria Parthenia King

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:

+Reverend Monsignor Joseph P. Plunkett

Eternal Rest grant unto him, O Lord!

**Stand Up For Equal Rights for Babies In The Womb
the St. Vincent de Paul Society
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to support Equal Rights For Babies In The Womb
who have no voice in their destruction.
Stand up....be counted as someone on their side...
Someday you may be asked if you did.**

Additional pavers are still available! The pavers ordered this past year will be installed in July 2021.

The next order will be submitted October 1, 2021.

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, from the Rectory Office.

The Rectory Office will be closed on Fridays during the summer months beginning Friday, June 18. For emergencies, please call the Rectory at 908-245-1107 for forwarding information.

SPECIAL DONATIONS

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

In Loving Memory of Anthony & Lucy Iozzi

Requested by Isabelle Hill

Donation of Candles & Sanctuary Candle

St. John the Apostle Parish Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

You are invited to visit our Lord Jesus, present in the Blessed Sacrament, any time of the day or night! Our chapel will be celebrating our 25th anniversary this December 8th, and continues to welcome all. Any who feel called: can also dedicate an hour a week as an hourly adorer. More information on this is available at the chapel

“The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus waits us in the Sacrament of Love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet Him in Adoration, on contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our Adoration never cease.” -Saint John Paul II

For more info, please visit:

www.sjanj.net/ministries/perpetual-adoration

Text Anne at: [908-247-6998](tel:908-247-6998) or email: adoration@sjanj.net

St. Michael Parish, Cranford, will be conducting the annual Triduum Services and feast day Liturgies in honor of St. Anne & St. Joachim, July 23 thru July 26.

Triduum services will be conducted Friday, Saturday and Sunday (July 23, 24, 25) at 7 P.M.

On Monday, July 26, the feast of St. Anne & St. Joachim, feast day Masses will be celebrated at 7 A.M., 12 Noon and 7 P.M.

St. Michael Parish has been conducting special prayer services annually in honor of these saints for well over 120 years.

Candles for the special shrine honoring these saints are available weekdays through the Parish Office.

All are invited to attend these special services honoring the parents of the Virgin Mary and the grandparents of the Lord, Jesus Christ.

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MARY'S GROTTTO

Thank all who have come into shop. We are open Sundays during Masses. We have a sale outside the last Sunday of the Month weather permitting. Please stop by and see what we have. Many things on sale. If you don't see what you need just ask. We are always available to come in during the week. Just call the office leave your number and we will call you back and arrange a meeting.

Ladies of the Rosary Society, Church of the Assumption

Feast of St. Anthony Sponsors:

Over the past 20 years, the Feast of St. Anthony and Church of the Assumption have been blessed by the generous support of our sponsors.

Although we were unable to host our 21st Annual Feast of St. Anthony in its traditional format, we would like to take this opportunity to show our heartfelt appreciation and gratitude to our previous sponsors.

These have been challenging times for many of our business partners, please continue to show your support to those who've continuously supported our Parish:

Listing of sponsors 2021 (in no particular order)

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Roselle Catholic High School is happy to announce that our school days will now be open to our students 5 days a week!

We invite you for a personal tour. For more information, please email Mishell Arizaga at:

marizaga@rosellecatholic.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

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**Corporate Mass - Saturday July 3, 2021 - 5:30 pm Mass****Deceased:**

Joseph Anello
 Theresa Anello
 Pierino Berardinelli
 Olinda Berardinelli
 Michael Casa
 Patricia Ciniglio
 Matthew Conroy
 Sylvia Cruz
 Rev. William Drobach
 Carol Gill
 Amparo Hernandez
 Arlene Karaman
 Arlene Karaman
 James King
 The Martino Family
 Michael McLiwain
 Joan Nierstedt
 Albert Nitche
 Manuel Noya
 Maria Peralta
 Nina Rogers
 Joseph S. Rorro
 Salvador Sanchez
 Nicholas Scutti
 Jozef Smutelovic
 Tony Spina
 Lubomir Tomcany
 John Trapp
 John Trapp
 Debbie Wacker
 Deborah Wacker

Requested by:

Love, Rae
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 Maria DiFabio
 Maria DiFabio
 Helen and Family
 Loren and Chris Harms
 Mom and Dad
 The Geronimo Family
 Loretta Raczynski
 Leonor Sanchez
 Mary Ann Winters and
 Gerry Buckley
 Debbie and Joe Kachnowski
 Gilda D'Iorio
 Barbara Mahon
 Janet Landis
 Josie and Nick Florio
 Son, Cipriano
 Leonor Sanchez
 Annie Naccarato
 Judy Rorro
 Leonor Sanchez
 The Spera Family
 Rita Macolino
 The Spera Family
 The Imperiale Family
 Martin and Annette Venturo
 Leslie Lafferty and Family
 Judy Rorro

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Weekly Collection for June 26/27 **\$5,254**
Holy Father Peter's Pence **\$1,353**

Thank you for your generosity!

BELIEVE AND PRAY

**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



"Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and forgiven." (Pope Francis)

The Church can also be a place to heal. We are called to "be merciful like the Father."

So many are suffering from the effects of abortion. Where can they heal? Where can they feel safe and loved?

The Archdiocese of Newark Respect Life Office will be hosting two upcoming Rachel's Vineyard retreats to heal the wounds from abortion.

Retreat dates are September 10-12, 2021 (English) and October 22-24, 2021 (Spanish).

Contact the Respect Life Office for more details by calling 973-497-4350 (Spanish option 2) or e-mail

Cheryl.riley@rcan.org (English)

elvinedoderaquelin@rcan.org (Spanish)

"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds." (Psalm 147:3)

St. Joseph Golf Outing at Galloping Hill in September

The Church of St. Joseph the Carpenter and the Roselle Knights of Columbus will hold a golf outing on (Monday) Sept. 27 at Galloping Hill Golf Course in Kenilworth.

The fundraiser for Council #3946 will feature an 18-hole scramble format with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. following a BBQ lunch at 11:30. A post-golf dinner is planned for St. Joe's in Roselle at 6:30, when prizes will be awarded.

You can participate and help make the event a success in a variety of ways, including playing, sponsoring or donating. A foursome costs only \$600 (or \$160 for an individual golfer). Several sponsorship opportunities are still available, including hole sponsor.

To register, sponsor or donate, please contact: Rich Biddulph (732-688-5045) or Joe Skrec (jkskrec@hotmail.com).

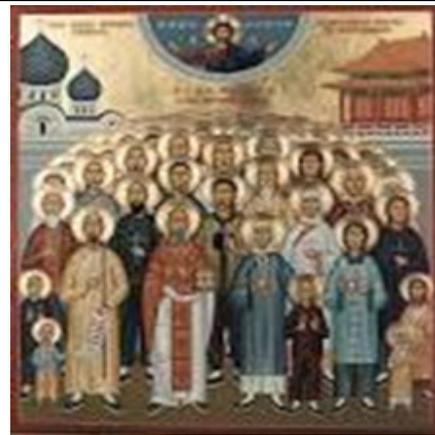


Saint Elizabeth of Portugal was devoted to following the Lord of Peace even to the point of putting herself in harm's way. She also sought out His face in the face of the poor. This was a result of her putting aside herself and seeking instead love for others, especially the needy.

At her birth in 1271, her father Pedro III, future king of Aragon, was reconciled with his father James, the reigning monarch. Under the healthful influences surrounding her early years, she quickly learned self-discipline and acquired a taste for spirituality.

Elizabeth was able to meet the challenge when at the age of 12, she was given in marriage to Denis, king of Portugal. She was able to establish for herself a pattern of life conducive to growth in God's love, not merely through her exercises of piety, including daily Mass, but also through her exercise of charity, by which she was able to befriend and help pilgrims, strangers, the sick, the poor—in a word, all those whose need came to her notice. At the same time she remained devoted to her husband, whose infidelity to her was a scandal to the kingdom.

Denis, too, was the object of many of her peace endeavors. Elizabeth long sought peace for him with God, and was finally rewarded when he gave up his life of sin. She repeatedly sought and effected peace between the king and their rebellious son Alfonso, who thought that he was passed over to favor the king's illegitimate children. She acted as peacemaker in the struggle between Ferdinand, king of Aragon, and his cousin James, who claimed the crown. And finally from Coimbra, where she had retired as a Franciscan tertiary to the monastery of the Poor Clares after the death of her husband, Elizabeth set out and was able to bring about a lasting peace between her son Alfonso, now king of Portugal, and his son-in-law, the king of Castile. Miracles were reported immediately after her death. She was beatified in 1526 and canonized by Pope Urban VIII on May 25, 1625.



Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions

Christianity arrived in China by way of Syria in the 600s. Depending on China's relations with the outside world, Christianity over the centuries was free to grow or was forced to operate secretly.

The 120 martyrs in this group died between 1648 and 1930. Most of them (eighty-seven) were born in China and were children, parents, catechists or laborers, ranging from nine years of age to seventy-two. This group includes four Chinese diocesan priests.

The thirty-three foreign-born martyrs were mostly priests or women religious, especially from the Order of Preachers, the Paris Foreign Mission Society, the Friars Minor, Jesuits, Salesians and Franciscan Missionaries of Mary.

Augustine Zhao Rong was a Chinese soldier who accompanied Bishop John Gabriel Taurin Dufresse (Paris Foreign Mission Society) to his martyrdom in Beijing. Augustine was baptized and not long after was ordained as a diocesan priest. He was martyred in 1815.

Beatified in groups at various times, these 120 martyrs were canonized in Rome on October 1, 2000.



Oh Saint **Maria Goretti** who, strengthened by God's grace, did not hesitate even at the age of twelve to shed thy blood and sacrifice life itself to defend thy virginal purity, look graciously on the unhappy human race which has strayed far from the path of eternal salvation. Teach us all, and especially youth, with what courage and promptitude we should flee for the love of Jesus anything that could offend Him or stain our souls with sin. Obtain for us from our Lord victory in temptation, comfort in the sorrows of life, and the grace which we earnestly beg of thee (here insert intention), and may we one day enjoy with thee the imperishable glory of Heaven. Amen.

Do you Remember?

Baltimore Catechism Revised Edition 1941

23j. Has Divine Tradition ever been committed to writing?

Divine Tradition has been committed to writing, especially by saintly writers called Fathers, who lived in the early centuries but were not inspired, as were those who wrote the Bible.

23k. Has Divine Tradition the same force as the Bible?

Yes; Divine Tradition has the same force as the Bible, since it too contains God's revelation to men.

23l. By what kind of act do we believe the doctrines contained in the Bible and in Divine Tradition?

We believe the doctrines contained in the Bible and Divine Tradition by an act of divine faith, which means that we accept them on the authority of God, who can neither deceive nor be deceived.

24. Is there only one God?

Yes, there is only one God.

I am the Lord, and there is none else: there is no God besides me. (Isaiah 45:5)

25. How many Persons are there in God?

In God there are three Divine Persons – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

Going, therefore, teach ye all nations; baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. (Matthew 28:19)

26. Is the Father God?

The Father is God and the first Person of the Blessed Trinity.
Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. (I Corinthians 1:3)

27. Is the Son God?

The Son is God and the second Person of the Blessed Trinity.
In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. (John 1:1)

28. Is the Holy Ghost God?

The Holy Ghost is God and the third Person of the Blessed Trinity.
Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? (I Corinthians 3:16)

29. What do we mean by the Blessed Trinity?

By the Blessed Trinity we mean, one and the same God in three Divine Persons.
Going, therefore, teach ye all nations; baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. (Matthew 28:19)

30. Are the three Divine Persons really distinct from one another?

The three Divine Persons are really distinct from one another.
And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape, as a dove, upon him. And a voice came from heaven: "Thou art my beloved Son. In thee I am well pleased." (Luke 3:22)

31. Are the three Divine Persons perfectly equal to one another?

The three Divine Persons are perfectly equal to one another, because all are one and the same God.

I and the Father are one. (John 10:30)

32. How are the three Divine Persons, though really distinct from one another, one and the same God?

The three Divine Persons, though really distinct from one another, are one and the same God because all have one and the same Divine nature.

33. Can we fully understand how the three Divine Persons, though really distinct from one another, are one and the same God?

We cannot fully understand how the three Divine Persons, though really distinct from one another, are one and the same God because this is a supernatural mystery.

34. What is a supernatural mystery?

A supernatural mystery is a truth which we cannot fully understand, but which we firmly believe because we have God's word for it.

35. What do we mean when we say that God is the Creator of heaven and earth?

When we say that God is the Creator of heaven and earth we mean that He made all things from nothing by His almighty power.

I am the Lord God, that make all things, that alone stretch out the heavens, that establish the earth. (Isaiah 44:24)

36. Which are the chief creatures of God?

The chief creatures of God are angels and men.

Thou hast made him a little less than the angels; thou hast crowned him with glory and honor; and thou hast set him over the works of thy hands. (Psalm 8:6-7)

37. What are angels?

Angels are created spirits, without bodies, having understanding and free will.

Thousands and thousands ministered to him, and ten thousand times a hundred thousand stood before him. (Daniel 7:10)

38. What gifts did God bestow on the angels when He created them?

When God created the angels He bestowed on them great wisdom, power, and holiness.

O ye angels of the Lord, bless the Lord. (Daniel 3:58)

39. Did all the angels remain faithful to God?

Not all the angels remained faithful to God; some of them sinned.

And there was a battle in heaven; Michael and his angels battled with the dragon, and the dragon fought and his angels. And they did not prevail, neither was their place found any more in heaven. (Apocalypse 12:7)