

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!



**Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 6, 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

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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THE MINISTRIES ARE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

PRAYER FOR A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



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, Fred Boyne, Florence Carosella, Christine Conrad, James Desiderio, Naomi Desiderio, Ronald Fellner, Nicholas Fusco, Bonnie Greer, Joseph Gregory, Cynthia and Thomas Ingman, A.M.J., Baby Janin, Elizabeth Knych, Zchantell McDonald, Eleanor Morehouse, 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, Lynn Tumblety, Joanne Vallone, Tony Wargacki, Ella Zsampar

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY, September 5: Blessed Virgin Mary: First Saturday

8:00 AM **Arsenio Ippolito**
(From: Josephine and Philip Papa)
5:30 PM **Corporate Mass**
See List

SUNDAY, September 6: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM **For the Parishioners**
10:30 AM **Maria C. Gualano**
(Love, Iole Picarelli)
12:00 Noon **John Vittorino**
(From: The Scalisi Family)

MONDAY, September 7: Labor Day

8:00 AM **Ella Jung**
(Love, Albert, Dilan, Sharon, Alex NG)

TUESDAY, September 8: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM **The Muzzo Family**
(From: The Bavosa Family)

WEDNESDAY, September 9: St. Peter Claver, Priest

8:00 AM **SVD for the Deceased Poor**

THURSDAY, September 10

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

FRIDAY, September 11: Patriot Day

8:00 AM **Robert Kaulfers**
(Love, Mom and Family)

SATURDAY, September 12: The Most Holy Name of Mary; Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM **Frank Longo**
(From: Judy Rorro)
5:30 PM **Elixabeth and Ralph Oliveri**
(From: Son, Ralph)

SUNDAY, September 13: Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day; 52nd International Eucharistic Congress (Budapest, Hungary); Catechetical Sunday

8:00 AM **For the Parishioners**
10:30 AM **Maria C. Gualano**
(Love, Iole Picarelli)
12:00 Noon **John Vittorino**
(From: The Scalisi Family)

*** Please note: All listed Masses, Services and Events are subject to change depending on further information.**



Labor Day signals the beginning of a new School Year and the return from our vacation hide-outs to the new routine of the COVID-19 era. A spiritual activity that resurfaces at the beginning of September is our St. Anthony Novena! The Novena begins on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 7:30 P.M. and will continue every Tuesday until the FEAST with Novena Prayers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

The choice of Tuesday for our Novena is rooted in a tradition that goes back to the funeral of the Saint. St. Anthony died on Friday, June 13, 1231. He was buried the following Tuesday, June 17, 1231. No miracle occurred during the interval but on that Tuesday of his funeral during the procession to the Church, the blind came to see, the lame came to walk, the deaf came to hear and he was acclaimed a "miracle worker". From that day forward, pilgrims came to St. Anthony's tomb every Tuesday to seek the grace and favor of God through the friendship and prayers of St. Anthony. Miracles still occur through the mercy of God and friendship of St. Anthony. This tradition continues today on every Tuesday in Padua and throughout the world.

In addition to the Novena Prayers to St. Anthony of Padua, each Tuesday during the Novena we offer prayers to St. Maximilian Kolbe on behalf of those suffering with the burden of drug addiction. It is because of the manner of his death, Fr. Maximilian has been invoked by persons who suffer the scourge of addiction. In these days of widespread addiction, no family escapes the horror of this disease. St. Maximilian was beatified in 1971 and canonized in 1982 by Pope Saint John Paul. May St. Maximilian remind us of the victory of Christ who is more powerful than addiction; that love is more powerful than hatred, forgiveness more powerful than sin, and life more powerful than death!

I invite you to befriend St. Anthony and St. Maximilian by bringing your intentions to their care that the blessing of God be upon you and your loved ones.

Fr. Jim

NOVENA

Our St. Anthony and St. Kolbe Novena will resume on Tuesday evening, 7:30 p.m., September 15, 2020. All Covid 19 requirements will be in effect, same as Sunday Mass.

Corporate Mass - Saturday September 5, 2020 5:30pm Mass

Deceased:

Ann Calabrese

Michael Casa

Carmela Firrincelli

Bernadette Fox

Ann Hertz

Julia Kaulfers

Christine Marino

John Mitros

Marian Mitros

Richard Powers

Richard Powers

Mary Sokol

Lupangelo Vaccarella

Given by:

Ron and Joanne Vallone

Judy Rorro, Laura and Lisa

Barbara Sokol

Joseph Signorello

Ron and Joanne Vallone

Tom and Cecelia Wisniewski

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The Assumption Choir

The Pierogi Ladies

Ida Vaccarella

The Mass Book 2021 opens on Tuesday, September 15, 2020.

You are welcome to book Masses for the Calendar year 2021 beginning Tuesday, September 15, at 10:00 am. In order for all the members of our Parish to have a chance to have Masses offered for their loved ones, each person will be able to book only three (3) Masses until September 30. Beginning Tuesday, October 13, the Mass Book will be open for additional requests. As permitted by the Code of Canon Law, there will be a "Corporate Mass" offered on the first Saturday of each month at 5:30pm. There will be multiple intentions for that Mass during which each name will be read. The priest who offers the Mass may receive only one stipend. The other stipends will be used for the support of missionary clergy. Masses may be offered for the living or the deceased.

Memorial Bricks

The most recent order of Memorial Bricks have arrived and have been installed. There was a delay due to the recent "shut-down". New orders will be taken in September for a Spring 2021 installment. Thank you for you continued support and generosity. May the memory of all the names inscribed be eternal!



*From Death
to New Life*

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

+Agnes Cardaci

+Rev. Msgr. William Harms

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord!

**A Big Thank You to Our
St. Anthony Feast Sponsors**

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MARY'S GROTTO

We are temporarily closed. Will let you know when we are back!

Ladies of the Rosary Society
Church of the Assumption

A MESSAGE OF LOVE

In the final verses of today's Gospel reading Jesus says that when two or three are gathered in his name, "there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20). So we understand that fraternal correction is always undertaken with Jesus present to us.

Likewise, encouraging the good in others is not only the right thing for us to do, it is a necessity. The Lord tells the prophet Ezekiel that if he "does not speak out" to dissuade a person from evil, then he too will be held responsible.

We live in a "do your own thing" age when moral objectivity is often ignored. Clearly when the message we share with others is one of love, our motives cannot ever be misinterpreted. As St. Paul writes, "Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law" (Romans 13:10).

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The Rectory Office Hours

We ask that you follow the recommendations for social distancing and the wearing of masks.

The Rectory Office Hours through the summer are Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Regular business hours will begin on Tuesday, September 8, from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For an emergency please call the Rectory 908-245-1107 for forwarding information.

On behalf of Church of the Assumption and the Feast of St. Anthony Sponsorship Committee, THANK YOU again for your generous sponsorship of our 20th Annual Feast of St. Anthony.

While this year's feast (our 20th Anniversary) was cancelled due to COVID, your continued support, loyalty, and generosity will never be forgotten. Especially this year during the pandemic.

We hope that Church of the Assumption can count on your continued support in the future.

**Until then, have a wonderful and safe summer.
With best wishes, sincerest appreciation, and God's blessing.**

**Jerry Vitale, Susanne Keicher, Kris Gamba and
Ann Marie Peterson
2020 Sponsorship Committee Chairpeople
Feast of St. Anthony**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Religious Education Contact
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**2020 Religious Education School Year**

Per direction from the Archdiocesan Catechetical Office, "in-person" classes have been suspended at least through the end of this calendar year.

The new Religious Education school year will begin on Sunday September 20, 2020 using our "home school" format.

Thank you to all of our volunteer Catechists and Aides who have once again stepped up to offer their time and talents. Their services are temporarily on hold until we get the green light to resume "in-person" activities. Thank you to our parents who are helping our students with their faith formation.

We continue to pray for the safety and well being of all of our volunteers, students, and their families.

God Bless

Church of the Assumption
Religious Education Staff

Deacon Dave
Director of Religious Education

Karen Colucci
Religious Education Coordinator

Mary Stewart
Safe Environment Compliance Officer
Spiritual Activities Coordinator

FOOD PANTRY

Our Food Pantry has been very busy with the increased need in our community.

We are in need of donations for the following items:
Soup, Canned Vegetables, Tuna, Fruit, Cereal, Mac and Cheese, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Canned Potatoes, Rice and Pasta.

If you can, please drop-off your items in the back of the church during the regular weekend Mass schedule, or you can bring them to the Annex on Thursdays, between 6:30 and 7:00 p.m.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Weekly Collection for August 29/30 \$5,204

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

**Prayer to St Joseph the Worker**

Oh St. Joseph, by the work of your hands, and the sweat of your brow, you supported Jesus and Mary, and had the Son of God as your fellow worker. Teach me to work as you did, with patience and perseverance, for God and for those whom God has given me to support. Teach me to see in my fellow workers the Christ who desires to be in them, that I may always be charitable and forbearing towards all. Grant me to look upon my work with the eyes of faith, so that I shall recognize in it my share in God's own creative activity and in Christ's work of our redemption, and so take pride in the work of my hands. When work is pleasant and productive, remind me to give thanks to God. When work is burdensome, teach me to offer it up to God, in reparation for my sins and the sins of the world. St. Joseph pray for me!

Saint Michael School

Saint Michael School 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 ensures a focused academic environment. Before and After Care programs are available daily on site. Saint Michael School is a member of the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA) and accredited by the Middle States Association Commission on Elementary Schools. For the 2020-2021 academic year, Saint Michael School will offer the choice for in person instruction or remote instruction. The school week for the first trimester will consist of full days (8:15AM-2:45PM) on Monday through Thursday. Fridays during the first trimester will be single session days ending at 12:15PM. After Care will be offered on all five days of the week.

Limited spots are available in all grades. If you would like to learn more about Saint Michael School and all we have to offer, please contact the school's office at (908) 276-9425 or saint.michael@verizon.net.