

# I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

**April 10, 2016**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

## *Mass Intentions*

**Saturday, April 9**

5:30 pm For Robert Carey by Lennon Family

**Sunday, April 10**

8:00 am For Peace

9:30 am For Healing of the Sick

11:00 am For Lori Lee Brandon by Fania Family

**Monday, April 11**

8:45 am For Peace

**Tuesday, April 12**

8:45 am For the Homeless

**Wednesday, April 13**

8:45 am For the Hungry

**Thursday, April 14**

10:45 am Mass at Heath Village

**Saturday, April 16**

5:30 pm For Kimberly Lewis by Marie and Ryan Lewis

**Sunday, April 17**

8:00 am For Vocations

9:30 am For Peace

11:00 am For Andrea Pizzuto by Valentino Family

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**April 16, 17, 2016**

**Saturday, 5:30 pm**

**Celebrant:** Rev. Robert Diachek

**Greeter:** Help Needed

**Lector:** Kevin O'Shea

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mary Scarda, Barbara Burke

**Altar Servers:** Help Needed

**Sunday, 8:00 am**

**Celebrant:** Msgr. Joseph Goode, Deacon Tom Gibbons

**Greeter:** Help Needed

**Lector:** Susan Vetterl

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Carmen Veras, Austin Harvey

**Altar Servers:** Help Needed

**Sunday 9:30 am**

**Celebrant:** Msgr. Joseph Goode, Deacon Jim Jones

**Greeter:** Help Needed

**Lector:** Emily Wu

**Eucharistic Minister:** Tony Piombino

**Altar Servers:** Help Needed

**Sunday 11:00 am**

**Celebrant:** Msgr. Joseph Goode

**Greeter:** Help Needed

**Lector:** Tori & Darcy Caracciolo

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Charlotte Skoczylas, Claire Liskiewicz,

Angel Nowak

**Altar Servers:** Help Needed

**FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL**

**Altar Breads & Wine** – In loving memory of Patsy & Philip Marchese by Marchese family.

**Sanctuary Lamp** – In loving memory of Vito and Marie Benardone by Corry and Benardone families.

**Mass Candles:** For Harmony in the World by Skoczylas Family

**OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN PARISH**

**Saturday, April 16**

5:00 pm Celebrant: Rev. John Andrew Connell, Deacon Nick Ardito

7:00 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky

**Sunday, April 17**

7:45 am Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky

9:15 am Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky

10:45 am Celebrant: Msgr. Peter McHugh

12:15 pm Celebrant: Rev. Joseph Davis

**ST. MARK'S NEEDS \$5,280 PER WEEK TO MEET  
OUR FINANCIAL OBLIGATION**

Current Year	Last Year 2015
Easter Collection: \$9,056	Easter Collection 2015: \$7,250
April 3, 2016: \$2,992 Envelopes used: 49	
<b>Supermarket Gift Cards</b> April 3, 2016 Sales: \$4,200 Profit: \$210 YTD Profit: \$1,780.50 # of Families: 18	St. Mark's Faith Direct church code is NJ484

**FAITH DIRECT...**

Is spring cleaning on your mind? Looking for ways to simplify your week? eGiving through Faith Direct can help! Consider enrolling today by visiting [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and using our church code: NJ484. Your gifts through Faith Direct will help stabilize our parish finances, help you to get rid of the clutter of offertory envelopes in your home, and give you one less thing to worry about on Sunday mornings.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family with your time and talents as well as treasure!

God Bless You,  
Fr. Joe





### **WE ARE ONE IN THE SPIRIT...**

The power of Jesus' spirit that the first disciples received gave them the life force to go out and announce to the world the story of the Lord's suffering, death and resurrection. This is the story of the Good News of the Gospel. Without the resurrection, the story of Jesus might be just that of a man who did good, who taught well, brought healing to some and was put to death because those in authority were jealous of the crowds he attracted. However it was the fulfillment of his promise to rise again on the third day and make that promise to all who believe in him, that they too would share in similar resurrection to new life that is the message of Gospel that went forth and challenged other people to put faith in the name of Jesus. We are here today because we have such resurrection faith. We are resurrection people. We look forward to the Lord fulfilling that promise to us and to all who put their faith in his name. The post Easter challenge for us is to still tell the story and the promise of Jesus. During these weeks after Easter we reflect on how to be disciples of Jesus and messengers of the Good News and the promise of new life. People still need to hear this message through our words and actions. May the risen Lord help us to be like those first disciples filled with his spirit and a hopefulness that Jesus Christ has overcome all sin and evil and will give us life forever...Fr. Joe

### **THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY...**

"The courage to trust in Jesus' mercy, to trust in his patience, to seek refuge always in the wounds of his love. Maybe someone among us here is thinking: my sin is so great, I am as far from God as the younger son in the parable, my unbelief is like that of Thomas; I don't have the courage to go back, to believe that God can welcome me and that he is waiting for me, of all people. But God is indeed waiting for you; he asks of you only the courage to go to him." — Pope Francis

### **CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE --- CATHOLIC CHARITIES INTERNATIONAL...**

Learn more at: [CRS.org/you-did-it-for-me](http://CRS.org/you-did-it-for-me)  
In Mumbai, India, there is a shelter for girls that provides a range of services to help combat human trafficking. Some girls at the shelter were trafficked into Mumbai from rural India, and others are from poor areas of the city. Thanks to CRS and partner, Prerana, the girls can complete their education and receive services to prepare for a brighter future. This is just not a problem overseas. The following is an excerpt from the US Bishop's statement on Human Trafficking written in 2007. "Human Trafficking exists right here in the United States, where thousands of persons are trafficked each year for purposes of forced prostitution or forced labor. It is estimated that as many as 17,500 human beings each year are trafficked into the United States. Men, women, and children have been forced to work in prostitution and have been forced into different types of manual labor, without pay or protection. Trafficking in persons is a modern-day form of slavery, and it is the largest manifestation of slavery today."

### **FATHER DAN...**

Fr Dan is coming along slowly. He has been walking a lot outside on nice days. He feels he is coming along and is waiting for a doctor's appointment this coming week where he hopes to hear about his progress and what else he might have to do. He is anxious to return to the parishes. Please continue to keep him in your prayers. If you would like to send him a card please bring it to church and drop it in a basket with his name on it or mail it to the OLM rectory 2 E. Springtown Road, Long Valley, NJ 07853.

### **THE RED CHAIR PROJECT GOAL: 60**

As of this writing we now have donations for 29 additional Red chairs on our way to a goal of 60. The additional 60 will match the current 60 that were donated by the Knights of Columbus and the Columbiettes. The new red chairs are replacing the workhorse green ones of the past 28 years. If you would like to help -make a check out to St. Mark's note on it "Chairs" and either mail it to the office or drop it in the collection basket. Each new chair is \$30. We hope to make our goal by the summertime.

### **A PRESENTATION BY THE RCIA TEAM OPEN TO ALL...YOU ARE INVITED TO EXPLORE...**

"Was Jesus Politically Correct? Consider coming to this gathering... What do you think? As our year draws to a close, the RCIA Team from Our Lady of the Mountain/St. Marks would like to invite you to join us for a one night seminar entitled "Was Jesus Politically Correct?"  
April 13, 2016, 7-9 pm, OLM Parish Center.

### **WHY WE ARE CATHOLIC...**

We are Catholic because we believe: By his obedience to Mary and Joseph, as well as by his humble work during the long years in Nazareth, Jesus gives us the example of holiness in the daily life of family and work. From the beginning of his public life, at his baptism, Jesus is the "Servant", wholly consecrated to the redemptive work that he will accomplish by the "baptism" of his Passion. The temptation in the desert shows Jesus, the humble Messiah, who triumphs over Satan by his total adherence to the plan of salvation willed by the Father, The Catechism of the Catholic Church 564-566.

### **A THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: AN EXCERPT FROM THE IMITATION OF CHRIST -THOMAS À KEMPIS**

"Love is a strong force — a great good in every way; it alone can make our burdens light, and alone it bears in equal balance what is pleasing and displeasing. It carries a burden and does not feel it; it makes all that is bitter taste sweet. ... Nothing is sweeter than love, nothing higher, nothing stronger, nothing larger, nothing more joyful, nothing fuller, nothing better in heaven or on earth; for love is born of God and can find its rest only in God above all He has created."

### **SUMMER SESSION 2016 - ASSUMPTION COLLEGE FOR SISTERS...**

200 A Morris Avenue Denville, NJ 07834  
June 1-July 8 Course Offerings in Theology  
Th 201 The Church: Its Nature and History (3 credits)  
TH 203 Fundamental Moral Theology (3 credits)  
INFORMATION: Phone: [973-957-0188 Ext. 106](tel:973-957-0188) OR E-mail: [academicdean@acs350.org](mailto:academicdean@acs350.org)

**POSITION AVAILABLE:** Librarian for Assumption College for Sisters, Denville, NJ. This position would entail

- 1-2 hours/week.
- accessioning of new library holdings
- cross referencing what is in the data base with holdings on the shelves
- weekly tracking library usage and re-shelving holdings.
- Applicant should possess a degree in library science and has computer skills.

Contact Sister Joseph Spring at [president@acs350.org](mailto:president@acs350.org)



**PANTRY NEEDS...** Please keep the food pantry in your prayers and on your shopping lists during April. They are in particular need of canned fruits and vegetables, hearty soups, juices, and household cleaning products, but anything you can donate will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

**MANY THANKS...** The first Corporal Work of Mercy is "Feed the Hungry." St. Mark's did just that, thanks to the many parishioners who contributed to the Long Valley Food Pantry's Easter Basket drive. Together, we donated more than a dozen bags of groceries, along with \$420 in grocery gift cards. Many families in the area will benefit from this generosity! And special thanks to Angel Nowak and the CEC 5<sup>th</sup> graders. They not only donated several bags of food, but they also gave of their time to bring their donations to the Food Pantry, sort the products, and stack the shelves. **AWESOME!!**

**JOIN THE CLUB...**

Well, our book group is on its way! Our first meeting will be on Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm at St. Mark's. Tuesday at 7:30 pm will be our regular meeting time. As we said in earlier bulletins, we will be reading and discussing a biography of Pope Francis entitled Pope Francis: Untying the Knots by Paul Vallely (Bloomsbury 2013). The book chronicles the Pope's life and sheds light on the evolution of his economic and social philosophy. We will also attend a talk, Pope Francis and capitalism: the Enemy or the Answer, on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at St. Paul Inside the Walls. So far, there are five of us in the group. We would love for you to join us. If you are interested, please contact me, Janet Corry, at (908) 850-9394 or [janetcorry@comcast.net](mailto:janetcorry@comcast.net). Thank you.

**WINE TASTING / DINNER AT ST. MARK'S...**

Friday, April 22, 2016, 7:00 to 10:00 pm  
Join us to taste a variety of wines from around the globe. These wines of exceptional value will be paired with a hot and cold buffet worthy of the finest Kings and Queens of Europe! It has been 4 or 5 years since our last tasting! So many wines, so little time... St. Marks Catholic Church, 59 Spring Lane, Long Valley, NJ 07853 [908-850-0652](tel:908-850-0652) WINE!!! — Hot & Cold Buffet!!! Sign up in the gathering space. Cost \$30/person (Must be 21 & over) Place checks payable to St. Marks in the box in the gathering space. Pay by April 17 to receive a \$5 discount/person! Seating is Limited – Register NOW!

**VENDORS WANTED...** for the Columbiettes "Junk in the Trunk Flea Market" at St. Marks Church 59 Spring Lane, Long Valley June 4, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm; (8:00 setup). \$25.00 per 16 ft. X 17 ft. space. RSVP by April 30th. For more information call Marge at 908-852-3091 or Nancy at 973-219-5199

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SPRING OPEN HOUSE...**

The Long Valley Knights of Columbus invites all Catholic gentlemen of 18 years and older to join us for dinner to learn about our council on Tuesday, April 12 at St. Mark's at 8:00 pm. For more information, contact Tony DeSefano [majordo4@msn.com](mailto:majordo4@msn.com) (973) 975-8684.



*All-powerful and ever-living God the lasting health of all who believe in you, hear us as we ask your loving help for the sick; restore their health that they may again offer joyful thanks in your church.*

Randi Alloway, John Andaloro, Tony Atkins, Charlie, Baby Natalia Rose Bassett, Kenneth Bernisky, Luz Bracero, Paul Buckley, John Callaghan, Arlene Cichlar, Hannah Clark, Emily Condit, Kaitlin Cross, Natalia Danilczuk, Daniel DePaul, Krish Dharia, Charles & Ellen Eichler, Connie Elliott, Larry Fine, George Foehner, Elaina Grace Gaffin, Ann Geary, Barbara Gotterdam, Louie Gutierrez, Helen Greenly, Harper Lynn Granito, Regina Hague, William Heimsly, Bob Hodiern, Maria Dougherty Jante, Donna Jennings, Laurel Jilek, Claudia Kallmeyer, Kevin Kay, Russell H. Keller, Mary Anne Kindt, Mary Koenig, Jean Koenig, Mara Lak, Christina Lanaris, Lenore, Maryann Litori, Ann Loughney, Helene Mackie, Anthony Marino, Jennifer Martin, Norman Milz, Marie Molloy, Irene Maruggi, Raymond McCarthy Jr., Jonathon McClelland, Harold & Mary McKay, Kathy Minichini, Robert Neilson, Sr., Maryanne & Jack Newell, Girard Nolte, Jr., Jim Owens, Dennis Paradise, John Parker, Arlene Parikh, Nicky Pilosi, Martha Towne Riley, Clifford Reynolds, Ryan, Jillian Elizabeth Sayer, Tommy Scheffler, Kurt Shubert, Rhonda Soto, Judy Stone, Mary Travisano, Debbie Trepkau, Anne Walsh, Robert Ron Werner, Marie Zimbile

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**SUPPORT FOR HOMELESS VETERANS - Vets Summer Fest 2016** will be holding their Applebee's Flapjack Fund Raiser Breakfast on Saturday April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 8:00AM to 10:00AM, at the Applebee's at 225 Mountain Avenue, Hackettstown, NJ. Tickets are \$10.00 with the proceeds to benefit homeless veterans in New Jersey. We will be collecting bottled water, socks, tee shirts, ball caps, personal care items (for men and women), sunscreen, sleeping bags, tents. \*Note: items should be new and unused. CASH DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS APPRECIATED! Tickets are available online at <https://www.eventbrite.com>, search for Vets Summer Fest – Applebee's Pancake Breakfast to Support Homeless Veterans, or by calling Bobby Scanga at 908-269-5366. Stop by and meet representatives from Operation Chillout (<http://operationchillout.org/>) support homeless veterans. <http://vetsummerfest.org/>

**DINNER SHOW...** April 30<sup>th</sup> Elvis Tribute Show with Elvis Impersonator. \$35 reserve early, Ss. Peter & Paul Church, 360 US Hwy 46 Great Meadows. Dinner at 6pm show at 7:30 pm. No ticket sales at door. Purchase tickets by Tues, April 26 call (908) 637-4269



