

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

8:00AM -ROBERT REMEDIOS

-r/o Mr. & Mrs. George Poracky

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

8:00AM -GERTRUDE MARRON

-r/o The Piltz Family

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

8:00AM -PATRICIA DIODATO-KOPF

-r/o The Barrett Family

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 - THANKSGIVING DAY

9:00AM -ROBERT REMEDIOS

-Maria Fonseca & Family

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

8:00AM -VICKI & JOHN TAPSCOTT

-r/o Cindy & Dennis Maher

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

9:00AM -FELISA MANZANO

-r/o The Villongco Family

5:00PM -PAUL, CARMELA & WILLIAM STEFANELLI

-r/o The DeBenedictus Family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

8:00AM -CHARLES DI RAIMONDO

-r/o Francine Lentini

10:00AM -THERESA WALLS

-r/o De & Joe Passaretti

11:30AM -BIAGIO & ANN PELLIGRA

-r/o Roseann Chrzanowski and Michael

& Teresa DeLuca

VOTIVE LIGHTS - IN MEMORY OF

Muriel, Leslie & Anna Roberts Juan Antonio "Tony" Medina Rosalie & Frank Moscarello Peter and Susan Colombo

Charles Mitchell

Anthony Carbone Joseph L. Esposito James J. Healy Michael Kelsall Howard Whitford



SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Mark & Kelly Chrzanowski Teresa & Michael DeLuca Ryan, Julia & Lydia Watch Over Our Daughter Help & Guidance for Michael and Jonathan

Pray for Anthony, Grace and Shari
Help & Guidance for Carolyn
World Peace Please cure & keep me
free of anxiety, panic & depression
Health & healing for Ethel Goldberg
Strength for my dear friend, Stacy



HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Mass – 3rd Sunday of every month Next Mass – November 19th at 8:00 a.m. Meeting – following the Mass.

WEB PAGE

For updated bulletin information, please go to www.mhr-parish.org.



TABERNACLE LIGHT



Tabernacle candle in the Church burns this week in loving memory of Susanne d'Auguste r/o Debbie & Scott Dyson

Tabernacle candle in the Chapel burns this week in loving memory of Dominick DeNardo
r/o Debbie Dyson

PARISH SICK LIST



Rev. Edward J. Struzik, Shannon, Hayley & Brett Lawrence, Jacqueline Braniff, Christina Pulido, Sophie Wojtaszek, Janice Sanborn, Marie

Velleneuve, Beth Morris, Renee Burke, Joseph Peabody, Veronica Balmore, Billy Sherwood, Jr., Peter Skujins, Cindy Junquet, Kenneth Kramer, Timothy McGravey, Beatriz Castillo, Dolores Nee, Michael Guariglia, Marieann Poplaski, Lucy Littlefield, Jean Marie Brigandi, Elena Coumo, Gabino & Maria Rodriguez, Alice Gorres, Johnny Gibbs, Barbara Celia, Ida Morales, Maryann Hughes, Emilie Matlosz, Germaine Raimo, Luddy Demsia, William Armstrong, Fr. Gregory Moore, Sandra Steinberger, Frank Roberts, Barbara Bradshaw, Fred Morrone, Larry & Marie Fama, Lenny Gatti, Sumanta Chowdhuri, Nicole E. Montagna, Nico Oneto, Kathleen O'Brien, Debbie Archibold, Alex Berg, Wendy Oates, Robert C. Pederson, Marie Scifo, Patrick Barry, Toni O'Rourke, William Sohor, Robert Pedersen, Robert Conte, Dan Marcellus, Jose Pacheo, Margaret Malloy, Rose LaFergola, Kathleen Lau, Anne Slate, Kimberly Perry, Jackson Christian Thomas, Miguel Ley, Marie Ciezbka, Betty Pulido, Charley Goldsmith and Louis Martinez.

We ask Almighty God and our Blessed Mother, Mary to comfort and heal the sick. If your loved one recovers and our prayers for them are no longer required, please call the parish office to have their name removed. Thank you.

PRE-BAPTISM

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Please call the Parish Office to register. The next Pre-Baptism class will be held Wednesday, December 6th at 8:00 p.m.

in the Chapel.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MILITARY PERSONNEL SERVING OVERSEAS

Jason Del Duca, U.S. Air Force Matthew B. Kaplan, U.S. Army Michael Lanzafama, U.S. Army Richard A. Lapp, U.S. Navy Douglas Leo, U.S. Army Michael J. Sanzone, U. S. Army Mark G. Sieczkowski, U. S. Navy Thomas Welch, U.S. Army





RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Help support the Parish Religious Education Program by purchasing a discount card for \$20 per card. It is good from time of purchase through

December 31, 2018 with unlimited and reusable discounts to over 350+ merchants. No need to carry around a bulky discount book when you can place the discount card in any wallet. It will pay for itself in no time.

Route 9 Community Discount Cards may be purchased through the Religious Education Office.



BOXED ENVELOPES



We will soon be in the process of preparing our year 2018 **boxed envelopes for registered parishioners**. You must be registered to receive

envelopes. If you did not use your 2017 envelopes a minimum of 10 times during the past year, envelopes will not be reissued to you. Besides assisting with the regular financial support of your parish, your usage of envelopes also helps record your Mass attendance. This, in turn, helps the pastor to better verify your level of commitment to the parish when requesting sponsorship certificates. Participation in the envelope system is also necessary for the parish office to be able to issue statements for IRS purposes.



OFFICE

PARISH OFFICE



The parish office will be closed Wednesday, November 22nd at 12:00 noon and will reopen on Monday, November 26th at 8:30 a.m.





The Giving Tree will be ready for the weekend of November 25/26. Gifts are due back on the weekend of December 16/17.

STEWARDS OF OUR TREASURE



Weekend of November 11/12, 2017: \$7020 Weekend of November 12/13, 2016: \$7192



OFFICE STAFF EMAILS

Irma Knox - Parish Secretary
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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Our Most Holy Redeemer Conference exists primarily to help those in financial need. This is made possible by the generosity of our Parishioners each month;

thank you.

If you or someone you know needs help, please call 732-566-9334. *Everything is completely confidential.*

Food Pantry

Groceries collected every weekend at Mass.



ST. LAWRENCE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP FOR THANKSGIVING BASKETS. The Food Pantry is beginning to assemble the items needed for the food baskets.

When you go shopping this week it would help them out by contributing one or more of these non-perishable items: potatoes, canned vegetables, stuffing, cranberry sauce, gravy, canned fruits, cereal, and cake mixes. Thank you for your help.

PARISH COFFEE SUNDAY Sunday, November 26th

Please join us on this Sunday, November 26^{th} after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses in

Desmond Hall for coffee and fellowship.

We look forward to seeing you there.



DID YOU KNOW WHEN YOU SING YOU PRAY TWICE?

The choir of Most Holy Redeemer is Needed looking for members who wish to pray via music. Can you imagine Christmas or Easter without music??? During these special holidays, we sing in harmony, which involves four voice ranges. However, you need many voices to create those melodic sounds, and the choir could use more members. If you like to sing (or play an instrument), we practice on Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m., and sing the 11:30 Mass on Sunday. All ages are welcome. The 10:00 a.m. Mass is also looking for voices and instruments to enhance the Mass. For more information, please call Pat Keaveney at 732-566-2937, or the parish office at 732-566-9334.

CHOIR

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

Practices will begin for the 9th Annual <u>5:00</u> p.m. Children's Christmas Eve Mass.

If you are in 2nd grade and up, and you would like to make a "Joyful Sound" on Christmas Eve, please come on Sundays

after the 11:30 a.m. Mass on November 5^{th} . If you have any questions, please call 732-566-2937 and ask for Mrs. Keaveney. Practices last about one hour. Hope to see everyone there.



PARISH COAT DRIVE Share the Warmth

Once again our parish will collect gentlyused coats for both



genders, infants through adult sizes.

Coats can be dropped off in either vestibule in the designated coat collection boxes until December $3^{\rm rd}$ before and after all Masses, and during the week on CCD nights (Tuesdays and Wednesday).

Thanks to one of our catechist, Christina Mennella for organizing the coat drive once again. For more information or questions, please contact her at christina.mennella@yahoo.com.



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

This weekend's second collection will be for the CCHD which provides funding for

groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor of the United States. CCHD's grants improve education, support economic development, and create affordable housing in low-income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and build communities of solidarity. Please give to the CCHD Collection.

www.mhr-parish.org FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



This weekend, the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, we observe World Day of the Poor. Pope Francis instituted this special observance

as one of the spiritual fruits of the Jubilee Year of Mercy which concluded in 2016.

Love for the poor has always been at the heart of Jesus' gospel. Poverty, in the Christian sense, operates at two levels. At the spiritual level, it has to do with growth in reliance on God, not just for material benefits, but, more importanly a deeper awareness of God as the foundation of our lives.

The Christian is to understand self-reliance as a necessary element in striving to be a mature person, but our ultimate reliance is a dependency on divine help. God gives us the wonderful gifts of the Holy Spirit like courage and fortitude, for example, to meet the challenges of daily life. We also have a brain which we use to build a mature life and a better world for one another. So our reliance on God is an active reliance. I am poor in spirit, not because I can't do anything for myself, but in recognition of God as my source for everything in my life.

The second feature of poverty from the Christian perspective is our commitment to those who struggle with being poor. Our attitude, based on the gospel, is to be one of moral solidarity with our neighbor who is in need.

Our parish is kept in regular contact with the poor of our area through the St. Vincent de Paul Society, which operates as the social concerns arm of the parish. Our communal support of this Society, both spiritually and financially, enables us to meet the gospel injunction to serve the poor in Christ-like charity.

We also have an annual coat drive which one our parishioners began a couple of years ago. This also keeps us mindful of those who are in need while helping them materially.

And we must not forget that many of us perform many kind acts towards the poor which are never publicized nor ever recognized. In Christian humility, most of us prefer to keep our charity to the poor "under wraps" so to speak, and that's perfectly understandable. The only one who needs to know of our charity to God's poor is God Himself.

Many will be joining our bishop at the special World Day of the Poor prayer service this Sunday at the cathedral. But let us remember the poor in our prayers each and every day, as well as all those in our parish and elsewhere who are involved in the hands-on work of ministering to the poor. And thank you all for your on-going support of our parish efforts in this regard.

Gratefully, Father Carina PAGE FIVE MHR1987@aol.com



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CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Children grades K-7 interested being a shepherd, angel, sheep, narrator.

Christmas Eve Mass - Sunday, When: December 24th at 5:00 p.m.

Practices: Wednesday, December 13th and 20th, 5:45 - 6:15 p.m.

Children in grades 2-7 are also invited to participate in the choir.

Contact the Religious Education Office for further details at 732-566-5630.



TO ALL THE GOOD PEOPLE OF

MOST HOLY REDEEMER PARISH HAPPY DAY OF GIVING THANKS



Each year on the fourth Thursday of November, we Americans take time to thank the Lord God for His many

blessings. We realize that there is more to "Thank You" than just words. Since the word "Eucharist" means "Thanksgiving" it is in the Eucharist that we find the perfect "Thank you."

Consider participating as a family in our Parish Eucharistic Liturgy and thank the Lord for all His spiritual and material blessings of this past year.

The Liturgy will begin at 9:00 a.m.



CHRISTMAS FLOWER COLLECTION

Next weekend's second collection will be for the Christmas Flowers. Please PRINT loved ones' names clearly and legibly

so they may appear correctly in the bulletin.







SAVE THE DATE: Saturday Evening, December 2nd at 6:00 p.m. (right after the 5:00 p.m. Mass) for Our Annual "Best Ever Advent Celebration."

This Year it's the amazing "Manger of Kindness Experience" for you

and your family. Watch the Bulletin and Parish Website for details. It's all FREE but plan to REGISTER EARLY; the last two years have been sold out!





COOKIES WITH SANTA

The Holy Name will be having "Cookies with Santa" the weekend of December 16th after the 5:00 p.m. and December 17th after all 10:00 and 11:30 a.m.

Masses in Desmond Hall. Have your picture taken Donations of cookies will be greatly with Santa. appreciated.

SAVE THE DATE!



The Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabililties is hosting a Christmas Party at the Diocesan Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway on Saturday, December 16,

2017 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. This includes children and young adults with disabilities.

If you would like to attend, please provide the parish office with the name of each Special Guest, family member and caregiver planning to attend. We must forward all names to the Diocese before Friday. December 1st for seating purposes.

CAN YOU HELP??

The Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities would like to present each Special Guest at their Christmas Party with a \$50 gift card to one of the following stores: Walmart, Target, Shop-Rite, Stop & Shop, Rite-Aid, CVS or Walgreens.

The gift cards can be mailed directly to: Office for Persons with Disabilities P.O. Box 191 Metuchen, NJ 08840 **Attn: Christmas Party**

CHRISTIANS OF THE HOLY LAND

Next weekend, Christians of the Holy Land will be here to sell hand-crafted religious articles in the parish hall after all Masses. Proceeds from this sale benefit our Christian brothers and sisters in the Holy Land of Jesus' birth. Please come and have a look at all the beautiful religious articles and works of art.

Our parish coffee will be in conjunction with this sale after the 8:00 am and 10:00 am Masses.





ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

St. Lawrence Altar Rosary Society will hold their annual Tricky Tray on December 3rd in the Parish Hall, Laurence Parkway, Laurence Harbor. Doors open at 1:00 p.m. and calling will

begin at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10. NO ONE UNDER 18 WILL BE ALLOWED. For additional information or tickets, please call Maria at 732-290-3002 or Karen at 732-721-3774.

Also, we are sponsoring a bus trip to Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA to see "Jesus". Tickets are \$135, which includes transportation, show ticket and lunch at Good and Plenty. For information, please call Anne at 732-566-9276.