



PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

1st Ever Country Western Hoedown,
Saturday, January 26, 2019.

WEB PAGE

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 24

8:00AM -EMMA FAZZALARO
-r/o Michele & Dennis Rodman

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00PM -KENNETH G. KUNZ & BABY FRANK
RUSSO & ANTOINETTE "TONI" RUSSO
-r/o Frank, IV & Julianna
9:00PM -VIRGINIA & JACK DE LILLO
-Laurie & Rich Iandoli

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY

8:00AM -TERESA, BIAGIO, FRANKLIN, SAL & ANN
PELLIGRA AND STELLA & TONY CARAFOLA
-r/o Roseann Chrzanowski
10:00AM -KEAVENEY & LEAHY FAMILIES
-r/o Pat Keaveney
11:30PM -FRANK MOSCARELLO
-r/o The Mantle Family

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26

8:00AM -NEAL FITZPATRICK
-r/o Michael & Teresa DeLuca

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28

8:00AM -JAMES FENNESSY, SR.
-r/o Maureen Mulcahy

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

9:00AM -JAMES MORRIS
-r/o The LaCava Family
5:00PM -DE BENEDICTUS & STEFANELLI FAMILIES
-r/o The DeBenedictus Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30

8:00AM -JEFFREY ZMIGRODSKI
-r/o The Borriello Family
10:00AM -ROBERT REMEDIOS
-r/o De & Joe Passaretti
11:30AM -IVAN & MARIA TARABOCCHIA
-r/o Antonio & Anna Tarabocchia

VOTIVE LIGHTS - IN MEMORY OF

Muriel, Leslie & Anna Roberts	Mary Spinelli
Juan Antonio "Tony" Medina	Joseph Scifo
Rosalie & Frank Moscarello	Loretta Muscillo
Carmela & Arthur Gizzarelli	Anthony Romano
Mr. & Mrs. Michelle Papalia	Michael Kelsall
Peter & Susan Colombo	Claire & Rocco Riccio
Joseph L. Esposito	

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Thank you for all our blessings All personal intentions
Please help my son Special Intention
Help overcome depression & anxiety

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Mass - 3rd Sunday of every month
Next Mass - January 20th at 8:00 a.m.
Meeting following the Mass.

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Tabernacle Candle in the Church burns this week
in loving memory of Doris Dyson
r/o Scott & Debbie Dyson

Tabernacle candle in the Chapel burns this week in
loving memory of Virginia & Jack DeLillo
r/o Laurie & Rick Iandoli

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, Maryann Hughes, Emilie Matlosz, Germaine Raimo,
William Armstrong, Fr. Gregory Moore, Sandra
Steinberger, Frank Roberts, Fred Morrone, Lenny Gatti,
Sumanta Chowdhuri, Nicole E. Montagna, Nico Oneto,
Kathleen O'Brien, Alex Berg, Wendy Oates, Robert C.
Pederson, Marie Scifo, Patrick Barry, Toni O'Rourke,
William Sohor, Robert Pedersen, Robert Conte, Jose
Pacheo, Kathleen Lau, Kimberly Perry, Jackson Christian
Thomas, Miguel Ley, Marie Ciezbka, Betty Pulido, Charley
Goldsmith, Louis Martinez, Joel Rivera, Margaret
Podolsky, Ida Morales, Tommy Brown, Philip Genchi,
Joan & Richard Zipp and Karen Brown.

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 CLASS



Please call the Parish Office to register.
**The next Pre-Baptism class will be held
Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 8:00
p.m. in the Chapel.**



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MILITARY PERSONNEL SERVING OVERSEAS

Alex Barnhard, U.S. Navy
Jason Del Duca, U.S. Air Force

Krystal L. Godowski, U.S. Army
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

If you have a family member who is an active-duty member of the military and wish to have their name added to the Military Prayer list, please call the parish office at 732-566-9334.



LIFT

This is going to be a big year for us and there is a lot to convey to the Team so please make it a PRIORITY to attend our first meeting for 2019 on Tuesday, January 22nd. Pretty sure you will be surprised and enthusiastic about what you hear.

BAPTISM



We wish to welcome into the family of God and the parish community of Most Holy Redeemer the following children who were baptized here on weekend of December 15th:

MICHAEL ANTHONY TRONOLONE
PATRICK ALLEN TRONOLONE
Sons of Michael and Mila

We pray that their parents will be examples of faith to inspire them to follow the Lord. We, as their family in faith, also accept the responsibility to help these parents in their duty to bring up the children in the practice of the Faith by our prayers and example.

2019 BOXED ENVELOPES



Please take a moment after Mass today to pick up your new set of boxed envelopes for 2019. They are located in the Parish Hall. If you can't find your envelopes, please call the parish office.



STEWARDS OF OUR TREASURE

Weekend of December 15/16, 2018: \$6662
Weekend of December 16/17, 2017: \$6945
Additional Immaculate Conception Collection: \$122
Additional Collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious: 110
Additional Christmas Flowers Collection: \$195



OFFICE STAFF EMAILS

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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 opens on Saturdays and Mondays from 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE



The parish office will be closed Monday, December 24th and Tuesday, December 25th the parish office will reopen on Wednesday, December 26th at 8:30 a.m.

PASTORAL COUNCIL



The next Pastoral Council meeting is scheduled for, Monday, January 28, 2019, 7:15 – 9:00 p.m. in the Desmond Hall.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Special thanks to Emily Hayes and her assistants for organizing once again our Parish Giving Tree. This is a wonderful charitable effort and I ask God's blessing on, not only our organizers, but also on all our Parishioners for making the effort to contribute gifts which will help make someone's Christmas a little brighter.

Secondly, my thanks to our Holy Name Society, especially our President, Louis Savarese and Bill "Santa Claus" Keller, for hosting the annual "Cookies with Santa". The kids really get excited and I'm grateful to our Society for organizing this heartwarming event.

God Bless Us All!
Fr. Carina

Advent

Fourth Week in Advent



Blessed God, we await the coming of your Son our Savior. In this last week of our waiting, bring us to greater love of our family by learning to give to one another greater respect and honor, that our homes may be happy, joyful places into which your Son, Jesus Christ, may come. **Amen.**



SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Friday, December 21st

11:00 a.m. – 12 noon

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Monday, December 24th – Christmas Eve

5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 25th – Christmas Day

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

Monday, December 31st – New Year's Eve

5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 1, 2019 – New Year's Day

8:00 a.m., and 10:00 a.m.

SAVE THE DATE
Most Holy Redeemer
1st Country Hoedown

Most Holy Redeemer will be hosting its 1st ever Country Western Hoedown and Bar-b-que Dinner on Saturday, January 26, 2019. Take out your dancing boots and be ready to swing your partner.

This parish fundraiser will feature fun night of line and square dancing together with a delicious western bar-b-que style meal featuring fried chicken, corn, chili and all the fixin's! Ticket sales will begin the weekend of January 6th.



THANK YOU
Coat Drive
Most Holy Redeemer



Dear Parishioners of MHR,

Thank you so much for your generosity and donations of gently used and brand new coats. We successfully donated **267** coats to Jersey Cares for their annual coat drive this year. We truly spread warmth! Let's top this next year. The Alfano's

MOST HOLY REDEEMER PRAYER GROUP
Most Holy Redeemer Prayer Group for the month of December has been cancelled. Next Prayer Group is scheduled for Friday, January 25, 2019.



THANK YOU

On behalf of the patients and hospitals served by the Blood Center, we thank you for hosting your blood drive on November 29th – 53 donors attempted to donate, resulting in 45 lifesaving blood donations. It was very much appreciated.

Next Blood Drive to be determined.



If you are interested in donating a paver for our prayer garden in memory of a loved one, please pick up an order form in the vestibules of the church or stop by the parish office.



MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Christmas Gift

Looking for the perfect Christmas gift for our spouse? Why not give yourselves a Marriage Encounter Weekend.

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held January 25 - 27, 2019

Early registration is advisable as space is limited. Please call 732-904-9636 for registration and information or visit us at: www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org for more information.



STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE!



- Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
- Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
- Are you constantly fighting?
- Do you simply shut down?
- Have you thought about separation or divorce?
- Does talking about it only make it worse?

RETROUVAILLE (Rediscovery) is a Lifeline to help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages. The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The next program begins the weekend of **February 8-10, 2019**. All inquiries are confidential. For more information, please call the Family Life Office 732-243-4573, to register please call Rich & Annette Colasuonno at 732-236-0671 or email: 3024@retrouvaille.org.



JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF



"Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted." **YOU ARE NOT ALONE.**

If you are suffering over the death of someone you loved, perhaps the 8-week Bereavement Support Group Sessions may help you during this difficult time. The Group will be meeting TUESDAY evenings in the Parish Teen Center for eight weeks.

PLACE: Mary Mother of God
Teen Center Living Room
157 South Triangle Road
Hillsborough, NJ 08844

DATES: January 15 - March 5, 2019

TIME: 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

FACILITATORS: Trudy Madden
908-874-6288
Philomena Cellilli
908-285-6053

No fee. Pre-registration required.

REFLECTING ON THE WORD

I've come to know a Dominican Sister of Peace—Sister Nadine—whose ministry is one of mercy in the Hilltop area of Columbus, Ohio. She drives through the streets of this rough neighborhood to serve people who are drug-addicted, especially women whose only source of income is prostitution. She visits her people with the fruit of Mary's womb, Jesus, by being attentive to them and helping them get treatment, food, shelter, and protection from those who harm and abuse them. By sharing the stories of their lives, the people she serves visit us. In people often ignored by society because they are considered unworthy and like Bethlehem of Judah, we see Christ's face, and he comes to us again this Advent. Sister Nadine offers our sisters and brothers an oasis of peace and comfort in a desert of abuse, addiction, rejection, and pain. Their lives challenge us to live the words we sing in our responsorial psalm: "Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved."

The Letter to the Hebrews tells us that by doing God's will, Christ has consecrated us to God, once and for all. Doing God's will mean that we visit our world with the unconditional, merciful love God made visible in Jesus Christ. In these last two Advent days, invite Jesus to visit you in prayer. Make time to visit him. Let that visit help you discover God's will and open your eyes to see the face of Christ where we might least expect it. Like Sister Nadine, be the face of Christ for those often neglected by us and our world. There was no room for Christ in the inn. Like Mary and Sister Nadine, make room in the inn of your heart and carry him into our world.

Consider:

- Describe some times when Jesus has visited you in ways you did not expect.
- Describe God's will for you this Advent season.

LIVING AND PRAYING WITH THE WORD

Almighty and ever-present God, you visited us by becoming one with us in your Son, Jesus Christ. Help us believe that you love and care for us even when we feel small and unworthy. Fill us with your Spirit and help us to visit our sisters and brothers with the fruit of Mary's womb, Jesus.