

OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

28 LIVINGSTON AVENUE, ROSELAND, NEW JERSEY 07068



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

A faith community rooted in the Gospel Message of Jesus Christ, Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish embraces all people. We seek to empower all to share their time, talent and treasure. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we grow together in faith, striving to follow the One who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

**Pastor
Parochial Vicar
Weekend Assistants**

**Rev. Robert G. Laferrera
Rev. Stefano Hong
Rev. Msgr. Joseph R. Reilly, Ph.D.
Rev. Douglas J. Milewski, S.T.D.
Rev. Frank J. McNulty, S.T.L., S.T.D.
Sister Anita Gramer, C.S.JB.
Cathy Gibbons, Ph.D.
Donald Pennell
Patty Braga
Cathy Buchanan
Mark Terranova and Linda Julian
Linda Payonzeck**

**Pastor Emeritus
Pastoral Associate-Sick & Homebound, Parish Outreach
Director, Religious Education
Music Ministry
Youth Minister
Coordinator, Liturgy/Adult Formation
Parish Trustees
Principal - Trinity Academy, PreK-8**

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SUNDAY MASSES

**SATURDAY 5:00PM
SUNDAY 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 NOON and 6PM
WEEKDAY MASS 8:45AM, Monday-Saturday
HOLYDAY MASSES 6:45 AM, 8:45 AM; 12:05 and 7:30 PM
CIVIL HOLIDAY MASS 8:45 AM
CONFESSIONS Saturday: 11:15 AM; Other times by appointment
PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday—Friday: 9:00 AM to 5:30 PM**

My brothers and sisters in the Lord,

This weekend, our parishioners have viewed a video in which Cardinal Tobin spoke about this year's appeal *Shining the Light of Christ*. The video showed only a few of the ways in which the annual appeal supports the mission and the ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark. There are simply too many to highlight on the video without taking an extraordinarily long time. The video's purpose is simply to show that the money raised by the appeal is used in a variety of ways for the proclamation of the Gospel.

We so often think of that proclamation as taking place from a pulpit or in a classroom. That is most definitely one of the ways in which the Gospel message is passed on. However, the word of God is equally announced by the actions in which we participate. And so, we saw how Catholic Charities seeks to develop ways to ensure that those with disabilities always know that they have a place in our worship. Those who have come to our country from other nations are given the legal help that they require to ultimately become naturalized citizens in this nation. The Office of Respect Life provides what is necessary, especially clothing and food, so that people can have the dignity that is their right as children of God. For those who believe that they have a vocation to a life of service as a priest of the archdiocese, programs are offered to assist them in their discernment as to where the Lord is leading them. The Office of Youth and Young Adult, among other ministries, offers children the chance to enjoy activities in summer camps that they sponsor.

As I mentioned at the start of this column that what you viewed on the video only scratches the surface of the many programs that the Archdiocese of Newark offers through the various offices and agencies that are the instrument for fulfilling what we are called to do and to be as the local Church of Newark.

I know that not everyone is able to offer the same amount. However, each donation gives the archdiocese another tool to offer the programs and the assistance needed so that we can *Shine the Light of Christ*. Please consider being one of the ways through which that light can shine so that we, as a local Church, can fulfill our mission.

You have noticed the wooden frame that is at the base of the baptismal font that has been returned to the church. That frame will soon be waterproofed and covered with marble and will become the lower font where, we hope, adults will soon be baptized into the family of God which is the Church. Our font will then have two parts to it: the upper font for infant baptisms and the lower font for adult baptisms. As a sign that the waters of baptism will bring new life to those being initiated, the water of the font will not be still. It will flow from the upper font to the lower font as a sign that the water will bring the life of Christ to those who are baptized.

The contractor has assured me that the font will be completed by the end of January. We can then invite those asking to be initiated into the Body of Christ to come to the water of new life.

***Love and Peace,
Fr. Bob***

Fr. Bob's retirement party

Parishioners are invited to attend our farewell and retirement party for Fr. Bob next Sunday, Jan. 26, in the auditorium, following the 12:00 Mass. Please call the rectory and let us know if you are able to attend and how many of your family members will be coming. If you would like to bring a dessert, please let us know as well. ***Please call by this Wednesday, Jan. 22 and let us know that you are coming. This will allow us to order a correct amount of food.***

Word of God Sunday - Jan. 26, 2020

Pope Francis has declared Sunday, Jan. 26, 2020 ***Word of God Sunday***. On that weekend, Jan. 25-26, we invite our parishioners to bring their bibles from home and we will have a special blessing for these bibles after the homily. This is a wonderful way to proclaim how important the word of God is to us as the Body of Christ.



Saturday, January 18

Weekday

8:45 am

Patricia Handley

5:00 pm

Mary, John & Patrick McGovern

Sunday, January 19

Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 am

Frank & Ofelia Falgons

10:00 am

Riley Jean Berge

12:00 pm

Christine Siedler, 1st Anniversary

6:00 pm

People of the Parish

Monday, January 20

Weekday

8:45 am

People of the Parish

Tuesday, January 21

Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

8:45 am

Teresa Ruotolo

Wednesday, January 22

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

8:45 am

Gary Caputo

Thursday, January 23

Weekday

8:45 am

Frank & Kathy Capella

Friday, January 24

Saint Francis de Sales Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:45 am

Anna Hamstra

Saturday, January 25

Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle

8:45 am

Angela Montano

5:00 pm

Raymond Blum

Sunday, January 26

Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 am

People of the Parish

10:00 am

Carmella Paladino

12:00

Julia Kamienski Miczak

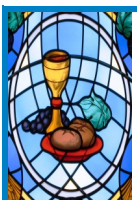
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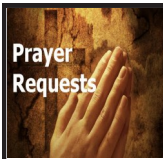


Irma Ann Mastrangelo, Anthony Tarabocchia, Gary Cross, and August Sica

Rest In Peace



If you wish to bring forward the Offertory Gifts of Bread and Wine at Sunday Mass, please come to Church 15 minutes early and notify one of the priests.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE

ILL. Julia Soroko, Msgr. Peter J. McHugh, Michael Mingari, Erin Kate Reagan, Anna Marie Versacio, Chris & Stephanie DeMark, Alberta Parisi, Skip Hess, Miguel DeCastro, Linda Fullerton, Lucas Villarosa, Susie, Alain, Elie, June, Roger, Patrick, Louis Saporito, Jr, Andrew Boyle, David, Anne Murray, Ann Miola, Annemarie Magnoppi, Brian Glynn, Special Intention, Jeff, Christine Patton, James Caldwell, Brandon Glynn-Young, Terance Glynn, Peter C., Clara H., Lessie G., Barbara L., Cindy Michalowski, Ceclia, Robert, Sammy, Jennifer McEnroe, Barbara R., Eileen, Dorothy, J.V., Fr. Jerry Orbos, Ernesto DeGuzman, Kosta Tsanakos, Catherine Bertero, Sr. Therese Ganly, Rosalee Tortoriello, Edmund Gerard Sherry, Brielle, Bernice Baker, Inez Leone, Theresa R, Rebecca Cox, Joanne J., Joanne M, Harold Engelke, Jacob Berard, Marie, Michael McHenry, Guy, Betty E, Bobbi Dugas, Michael, Dana, Melanio Villarosa Jr., Mel Gulfin, Tina Caluag, Cathy Bianco, Lynn Murray, Bill Murray, Aiden, Ceil, Richard, John, Richard Terranova, Denis, Fred.



WE ASK YOUR PRAYERS FOR THE FOLLOWING MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE SERVING OUR COUNTRY IN THE ARMED FORCES:

Capt. Joseph Thomer, USAF; Airman Michael Traynor; USAF, CPL Joseph M. Venutolo (LaRiccia), US Marine Corps; Matt Tolliver, US Coast Guard; Lt. John Werner, US Army; Capt. Bill Morgan, LCPL; CPL. Michael Festa, US Marine Corps; LCPL Daniel Veltre, US Marine Corps; Ensign Dylan Pennell, US Navy; Stephen, US Navy; Capt. Aaron Farley, USAF; Lt. Calan Farley, USAF; and for all those involved in conflicts throughout the world and their families.

Sunday Evening Mass

Each Sunday evening, we gather and celebrate the Eucharist at 6:00 PM. If you cannot be with us on either Saturday evening or Sunday morning, please join us and share the Eucharist on Sunday evening. *We especially hope that our teen parishioners will come to this Sunday evening Mass and then join Patty Braga, our Youth Minister, and the other teens of our parish for Youth Group.*



K of C Rose sale

The Knights of Columbus will be at all Masses this weekend, Jan. 18-19 to ask for donations for roses for Right to Life. We ask that you consider making a donation to the K of C for this important cause that they promote.



Readers & EM's at Sunday 6:00 PM Mass

If you are one of our parish readers or Eucharistic ministers and would be able to periodically read or minister at our Sunday evening 6:00 PM Mass, please email Fr. Bob – frbob@olbs.org – and let him know what date (s) would be good for you. *Thank you for ministering at our Sunday evening Mass.*



Parish Office Hours – Jan. 21

All parish offices will be closed on Monday, Jan. 20, in observance of Martin Luther King Day. All offices will open again on Tuesday, Jan. 21.

God's Plan for Giving – *“The measure of your free-will offering shall be in proportion to the blessing the Lord, your God, has bestowed on you .”(Deuteronomy 16:10)*

Collection for January 11 - 12 \$8,176.00
Collection for same weekend 2019 \$9,220.00
Communicating God's word \$1,618.00

N.B. *The amount that we receive from Parish Giving, our electronic giving company, will be listed once at the end of each month rather than each week. Each weekly collection in a given month would be increased by one-fourth of the monthly electronic collection amount.*

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“Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb...” *From the book of the prophet Isaiah.* God has given each of us different gifts. In order for God's plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts that God has given you and generously share them with others.

Electronic Giving

There are flyers at the doors of the church regarding the use of electronic giving for our parishioners to support OLBS. This is an easy and deliberate way for parish families to decide what their weekly offering. Then they no longer will have to use envelopes each week. *We ask that our parish families consider electronic giving. Please contact Patty Braga at the rectory – patty@olbs.org – if you have any questions.*



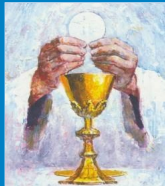
Social Concerns Ministry would like to thank all our parishioners who contributed food or cash to this week's Food Drive. Our next collection date is the weekend of February 08/09.

REMEMBER food can be dropped off any time and left in the vestibule closet, located in the back of the church. **MONETARY DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS ACCEPTED.**



FOOD DRIVE: *Please mark your calendars “FOOD DRIVE DATES FOR 2020:” February 08/09; March 07/08; April 18/19; May 02/03; June 13/14; July 11/12; August 08/09; September 12/13; October 10/11; November 07/08; December 12/13. COMMIT to supporting our monthly*

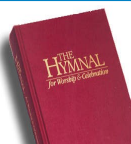
Food Drive to provide food for God's poor.



If you know of a Homebound person who cannot get to church on a regular basis, and you bring Holy Communion to them, please notify Sr. Anita. Please give Sr. Anita your name, telephone number & The Homebound person's name. Sr. Anita 646-427-4393 or sranita@olbs.org

New Hymnals

We have had 355 hymnals donated in memory of a loved one or in the name of a donor. Thanks to those who have already donated one or more hymnals. There are still more hymnals that can be memorialized. The cost is \$25.00 per hymnal. **The donation form for hymnals can be found on our website – olbs.org.**



This week's Highlighted Ministry: Bereavement Ministry

Last weekend, we highlighted the adults whose ministry is to serve at funeral Masses. This weekend, we want to talk about our parish **Bereavement Ministry** which seeks to offer comfort and consolation to those who have lost loved ones. Sr. Anita, along with parishioners who have gone through a training session in bereavement, work with family members who have lost a loved one and who are looking for comfort in their grief. Essentially, our Bereavement Ministry works with these grieving family members for 8 weekly sessions that support them in a most difficult time in their lives. *If you would like to be a part of our parish's ministry to those who grieve, please contact Sr. Anita – sranita@olbs.org – and let her know that you would like to participate in this ministry of comfort and consolation.*

500 Club Raffle

Tickets will be on sale after all Masses for our 2020 **500 Club** raffle. The cost per ticket is \$120.00 and the first drawing will take place on Saturday, Jan. 25, following the 5:00 PM Mass. This cost allows the buyer to be eligible to win every month of 2020. The month prize is \$2,000.00. **Tickets will only be sold until Friday, Jan. 24.**



Celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2020
January 26 – January 31

Catholic Schools
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WINTER OPEN HOUSE

January 26 & March 8
Sunday, 12:30 – 3:00 PM

trinity.k8.org/open-house

Save the Dates
Women's Retreat
Weekend

A Center for Christian Renewal

March 20, 21 & 22, 2020
San Alfonso's Retreat House
on the ocean in Long Branch, NJ



Christmas Collection

We want to give a final amount for the total for our 2019 Christmas collection. That amount is **\$67,262.00**. We thank those who gave of their treasure to support the mission and the ministries of our parish. Through what our parish families have given to OLBS, we can continue to proclaim the Lord's word and to serve those in need.

Please come and join us. We will celebrate Mass together at 6pm, and the meeting will be in the youth room from 7pm-9pm.

All teens grades 8th-12th are welcome!

February 9th: meeting

If you have any questions, please contact

patty@olbs.org.

***** please let me know if there are any dietary restrictions.**



Moms, Dads, Grandparents, Nannies, Babies and Toddlers

.....All Are Welcome!!

Come join us for coffee, support, conversation and fun.

Come for coffee, come for a small break in the morning, come for adult conversation, whatever the reason, just come. We meet in the Youth Room, which is located in the rectory.

January 29th

From 9:30am-11:00am

RSVP to patty@olbs.org

Mark your calendars/save the date!! Hope to see you there!



SAVE THE DATE **FAITH QUEST 2020**

The annual Lenten Adult Education Forum
Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday March 11

Wednesday March 18

Wednesday March 25

Wednesday April 1

Location: St. Thomas More, 12 Hollywood Ave, Fairfield, NJ 07006

Faith Quest is sponsored by the four parishes of West Essex: Notre Dame, St. Thomas More, Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, and St. Aloysius.

E-MAIL ADDRESSES FOR STAFF MEMBERS AND SUPPORT STAFF

Fr. Bob Laferrera
Fr. Stefano Hong
Sr. Anita Gramer
Cathy Gibbons
Donald Pennell
Patty Braga
Cathy Buchanan
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Our Christmas Flower collection this year was \$4,029.00

Thank you to everyone who donated.

Last years collection was \$ 4,447.00

Mr. & Mrs. Martin Mendoza, Dr. & Dr. Manuel Mangahas, Mrs. Rita Lupine, Mr. Carmine Notare Jr., Mrs. Linda Martino, Mrs. Robert Rose, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Yankowski, Mr. & Mrs. Richard McFeeley, Mr. & Mrs. Pomponio G. Ucab, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Knott, Mrs. Patricia Williamson, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Pollio, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Mingari, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Mooney, Mr. & Mrs. William Styskal, Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Casey, Mr. & Mrs. Steven Segal, Mr. & Mrs. Oscar Peralta, Mr. Matthew Findlay, Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Zerance, Mr. & Mrs. Philip Cirella, Ms. Monica Ralston, Dr. & Mrs. Joshua Massler, Mr. & Mrs. Domenic Simonetti, Mr. & Mrs. John Taberna, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Pacio Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Richard Sessa, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Caprio, Mr. & Mrs. Laurence, Elaine Styles, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Salvatore, Mrs. Patricia Sobieski, Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Young, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Perillo, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas McGovern, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Effenberger, Mr. Thomas Kaczynski, Mr. & Mrs. Chris Gustafson, Frances Coon, Kelly Moynihan, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Lavista, Annette Yannuzzi, Mr. & Mrs. Agostinho Branco, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas P. Sheehy, Mr. & Mrs. Werner Staehle, Mr. & Mrs. David Burgos, Mrs. Ann Marie Sampson, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Pettinato, Mr. & Mrs. Harold Engelke, Antonio & Maria Musano, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Ecrhardt, Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Nolan, Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Shaw, Mr. & Mrs. Jerome F. O'Brien, Ms. Sandra Carida, Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Mullane, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bellasalma, Mrs. Nina Neglia, Jean Martino, Ms. Marva Jacob, Mr. & Mrs. William Courter, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Lahue, Mr. & Mrs. Robert C. Butler, Antonio & Jillian Costantino, Mrs. Marilyn Reeve, Mrs. Gail Dellafera, Mrs. Madge O'Gara, Mrs. Dorothy Coccoziello, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Schleunig, Mr. & Mrs. Andy Vogel, Mrs. Evelyn Peter, Matthew Balint, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Panzitta, Mr. & Mrs. Alan Crosta, Mr. Edward Burke, Mr. Frank Corso, Mr. Ralph D'Addario, Mrs. Patricia Caso, Mr. & Mrs. Emil D'Angelo, Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Vizzone, Mr. & Mrs. Neal Walsh, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Decker, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Nevins, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Mathieson, Mr. Kenneth Verderese, Ms. Mary Ann Cicchino, Jill McLaughlin, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Rubino, Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Hauser, Ms. Marie Cacciarelli, Mr. John Saporito, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Murray, Mr. & Mrs. Jaime Penaloza, Dr. & Mrs. Robert H. Mack, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Marano, Mr. & Mrs. Hugo Gonzalez, Mrs. Mae Healy, Mr. & Mrs. John Berardi, Mr. & Mrs. James Peterson, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph LaMonica, Ms. Catherine Gibbons, Mr. & Mrs. Chester Lindquist, Mr. & Mrs. Michael O'Connor, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Sova, Mrs. Joanne Williams, Ms. Gail Verderese, Mrs. Henry Finelli, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Temples, Ms. Johanna Idelberger, Mr. & Mrs. Charles A. Shenocca, Mr. & Mrs. John Sayers, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Toohey, Ms. Kristine Dorchak, Mr. Columbia Idelberger, Ms. Mary E. Smolen, Mrs. Adeline Biancone, Mr. & Mrs. Howard Booth, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kellenberger, Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Gentile, Mrs. James Carroll, Mr. & Mrs. Wankeith Akin, Mrs. Marilyn Varallo, Ms. Francine Vlacich, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur McGarrity, Mr. & Mrs. Basil Filipone, Mrs. Patricia Fitzpatrick, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Lew, Mrs. Pietrina Capella, Mrs. Camille Baier, Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Cofone, Mr. & Mrs. James Cunningham, Mr. & Mrs. John O'Connor, Mr. & Mrs. John Festa, Mr. Joseph Bergen Jr., Mrs. Mary Ann Barba, Mrs. Theresa Minish, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Connolly, Mr. & Mrs. John Sitnik, Mrs. Joan Duerre, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Fusco, Mr. & Mrs. Pomponio G. Ucab, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Knott, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Murano, Marc & Donna Ellis, Mr. & Mrs. Wankeith Akin, Mr. & Mrs. Oscar Peralta, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Schleuning, Mrs. Marilyn Reeve, Mrs. Margretta Lundgren, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Mazzocchi, Mr. & Mrs. Harold Engelke, Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Casey, Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Fox, Mr. & Mrs. Dominic Bertoldi, Mr. & Mrs. Generoso Romano, Michael & Melissa Slomienski, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Gesario, Dr. & Mrs. Jean Paul Makhlof, Mrs. Barbara Buechner, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Masella, Russell & Arline Oberst, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Mathieson, Mr. & Mrs. Charles A. Shenocca, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Szymanik, Ms. Johanna Idelberger, Ms. Marilyn Varallo, Mr. Raymond T. Burke, Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Cannarozzi, Mr. & Mrs. Alan Crosta, Ms. Marie Lourdes James, Myles & Alison Edwards, Mrs. Joanne Williams.