

OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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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
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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,

Beginning this Sunday, Jan. 26, and ending on Saturday, Feb. 1, the Church in the United States celebrates **Catholic Schools Week**. This year, the theme for CSW is ***Catholic Schools: Learn, Serve, Lead, Succeed***. This theme encompasses the core products and values that can be found in Catholic schools across the country. Not only are we teaching students to become future servant leaders, faith-filled disciples, and enriched citizens in our communities, we, as individuals and as faith communities, are growing with them. So, too, are those who educate students within a Catholic school community.

In Catholic schools, all are learners, servants, and leaders; whether students, parents, faculty, or administrators. These shared qualities are what makes Catholic schools work. They are what make Catholic schools succeed. All areas of Catholic schools blend together with faith – symbolized by the cross.

While it is true that Catholic schools seek to teach students in all areas of learning – the arts, science, modern language, math, and others – it is the quality of a faith-based education that sets Catholic schools apart. Within the life of every Catholic school, the message of the Gospel becomes paramount, including the proclamation of the word of God, the celebration of the Eucharist and other prayer experiences, the way in which students and teachers are called to interact with each other in charity and with a true sense of recognizing the God-given dignity of each person, the inclusion of prayer each day.

The Gospel message of Jesus becomes the guiding force of why everything takes place within a Catholic school. Whether it is within the field of academics or sports or extracurricular activities, students are encouraged to use their God-given gifts and talents to reach their fullest potential and to respect the rights and dignity of one another.

Students are called to serve, not only because it is an admirable thing to do, but because it is what Jesus did throughout his life and ministry. They are called to realize that they do not serve only when it is convenient or only when someone they know is in need. They serve because they follow the example and the mandate of Jesus – ***What I have done, so you must also do***. This is true whether students are called to help another student within the school community or whether they are providing assistance to those whom they may never meet, but whom they are called to help in whatever way they can.

I encourage you to go to Trinity Academy's website – www.trinityk8.com – or call the school office – 973-226-3386 – for more information or to find out how to make an appointment to go to Trinity and to sit with the principal, Ms. Linda Payonzeck, or to schedule a tour of the school.

I ask that, in a special way this coming week, we pray for all those who attend or teach in a Catholic school, especially Trinity Academy, asking the Lord to bless and to guide those who seek to encourage, to guide, to support, and to teach young minds, hearts, and spirits.

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



Saturday, January 25
Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle

8:45 am
5:00 pm

Angela Montano
Raymond Blum

Sunday, January 26
Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 am
10:00 am
12:00 pm
6:00 pm

People of the Parish
Carmella Paladino
Julia Kamienski Miczak
People of the Parish

Monday, January 27

Weekday
8:45 am

Jack Dalton

Tuesday, January 28
Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:45 am

Jose Ramon Fernandez

Wednesday, January 29

Weekday
8:45 am

Cole Truax

Thursday, January 30

Weekday
8:45 am

Norma DeVivo Hoyt

Friday, January 31

Saint John Bosco, Priest
8:45 am

Christopher John Manente

Saturday, February 1

Weekday
8:45 am
5:00 pm

Special Remembrance Mass
Charles & Madeline Scialfa

Sunday, February 2
The Presentation Of The Lord

8:00 am
10:00 am
12:00 pm

Bridget Josephine Milewski
Josephine Soroko
Louis Liotta

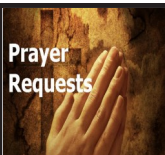


Inez Leone, Thomas Perillo, &
Constance Filippello

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, Antoinette Rogers, Zenaida Bautista.



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.*

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.*

Fr. Bob's new address

Fr. Bob's new address is:

Rev. Robert G. Laferrera
51 Santiago Court
Toms River, NJ 08757
201-647-3441

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 18 - 19 \$ 6,735.00

Collection for same weekend 2019 \$ 7,219.00

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.*

“He called them, and immediately, they left their boat and their father and followed him.” From the Gospel of Matthew. Just as Jesus called the first Apostles, he calls each of us to follow him, too. Not everyone is called to leave their business or family behind, but we are expected to put God first in everything – from our time in daily prayer, our talent in participating in one of our parish ministries, and our treasure to support the financial needs of our parish mission.

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 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.*



Do You Need Prayers?

We have a *Prayer Chain* here at OLBS. What is a *Prayer Chain*? It's a group of parishioners who have committed themselves to pray for people in our parish or their families who have a special need for prayer, e.g., out of work and need a job, a serious illness, surgery, etc. *What do you need to do?* It's very simple. Call the rectory and tell us the first name **ONLY** of the person who needs prayer and, if you wish, what the reason is for the prayer. *(That last part is not required.)* We are waiting to pray for all those who need our prayers; so, call the rectory and let us know what your prayer need is (973-226-7288).



If you know of a Homebound person who cannot come 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: Female Ushers

Through her history, including more recent times, the Church has had ushers, individuals who help those coming to worship to find a seat, to take up the collection, to distribute bulletins, and to simply be of assistance to those coming to Mass. Traditionally, the role of usher has been filled by men, but there is no reason why a woman cannot be an usher. If you are interested in being an usher, see one of the priests and let them know.

Electronic Giving

Although we do not yet know the exact date, Parish Giving, the company that coordinates our electronic giving program, will be here on a weekend in February to 1) answer questions about the electronic program, and 2) to enroll those parish families who wish to begin using Parish Giving to make their financial support to OLBS.

Care for new kneelers

We ask that special care be given to the new kneelers in the church in two ways: 1) please don't stand on the kneelers since that could damage the new covering, and 2) please be careful how the kneelers is placed in the "up" position after you stand up. **Thank you for the care that you give so that the church continues to remain a beautiful place for us to pray together.**



Sanctuary Memorials

Parishioners can offer a donation of \$15 for the



Sanctuary Candle – the candle near the tabernacle - to burn in memory of a loved one, in honor of a special event, such as a 50th wedding anniversary or simply in the name of a family in the parish. You can also memorialize the bread and wine for a week in the same way as the Sanctuary Candle. The donation for the bread and wine for one week is \$25.00. Please come to the rectory office and speak to Debbie or Patty for more information. These remembrances will be listed in the bulletin, directly below the list of those remembered at parish Masses.



Wedding Anniversary Masses

The Archdiocese of Newark is once again sponsoring special Masses for couples celebrating their 5th, 25th, or 50th wedding anniversary this year. These special Masses will take place at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, 89 Ridge Street, in Newark. Cardinal Tobin will say both of these Masses. If you are married 5 or 25 years in 2020, your anniversary Mass will take place on Sunday, April 19, 2020, at 3:00 PM. If you are celebrating 50 years of marriage in 2020, your Mass will take place on Sunday, May 3, 2020, at 3:00 PM. **Those who wish to attend these Masses must have celebrated their wedding in a ceremony recognized by the Catholic Church as a valid marriage.** Please call the rectory and let us know you wish to attend these anniversary celebrations so that we can notify the Office of Family Life at the Archdiocese of Newark.



**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

Our monthly **SPECIAL REMEMBRANCE MASS** celebrated on **the first Saturday of each month at 8:45 am**, will be celebrated on **February 1**. Those who will be remembered at this Mass are: Kathleen Kaczynski, Charles T. Hennigan, Ronald P. Mullane, Prayers and protection for unborn babies and their mothers, Theresa Burke, Timothy Caldwell, Joan Tolan, Deceased Members of the Dorchak & Meehan Families, Deceased Members of the Canzanella & Goeller Families, Joanne Cozzolino, Annette Lopreiato, August J. Sica, Rosemarie Napolitano, Maryann Cuccurullo, Maria Lobelia deCastaneda, Patricia Cox, Domenic DiBona, Irma Ann Mastrangelo, John P. Cross, Inez Leone, Anthony Tarabocchia, Thomas Perillo.


Catherine's Closet

We are asking for donations of gowns of **ALL** sizes including shoes, purses, and jewelry. Please drop off your donation (s) at OLBS by February 15/16.




For many, girls, this giveaway means the difference between attending their proms and staying home. Proms are a rite of passage of sort, and these girls deserve the best. Please know that we are making so many girls happy with divine memories during this season. We are creating a holy and spiritual environment to elevate self-esteem and make these girls feel like princesses.

If you would like to volunteer on sorting day February 22nd, please contact Josephine Lazzaro via email at: pinalaz@yahoo.com




Celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2020
January 26 – January 31



TRINITY ACADEMY
Pre-K thru 8th Grade

Exceptional Catholic Education

Experience what Trinity Academy means to our community of faith.



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

[trinity k8.org/open-house](http://trinityk8.org/open-house)

Mount St. Dominic Academy Parents' Association
2020 Tricky Tray Fundraising Event

26 March The Grove

691 Pompton Ave., Cedar Grove NJ
6PM - 10PM
\$65 per person*


Reservations are online only.

www.msdcademy.org/support/parents-association/tricky-tray
Purchase an early-bird special bundle for \$140 which includes 1 reservation* and 1 Super Pack of gift basket tickets. (Savings of \$50. Offer expires on 2/19/20.)
*Reservation includes entry to the event and a 3-course dinner, soda, dessert and coffee.


“Want to knit or crochet?”

- Needleworks is offering knit and crochet lessons at our regular meetings every Wednesday...free of charge!! From: 11:00am to 1:00pm in St. Joseph's Hall. We have the yarn, please just bring your own crochet hook or knitting needles and let's get started.






Trinity Academy
Pre-K thru 8th Grade



Trinity Academy's Annual Tricky Tray
When: Friday, February 7, 2020. Doors open at 6PM.
Where: Trinity Academy Gym, 235 Bloomfield Avenue
Tickets: Tickets are \$45 and include one sheet of standard tricky tray tickets (\$10 value) along with gourmet sandwiches, cookies, water & coffee. This event is BYOB. For tickets go to www.trinityk8.org or contact Nicole Sousa at nsousa@trinityhsa.com or call (973) 670-4504. Space is limited, so PLEASE make your reservation now!

From Needleworks Ministry:

We would like to remind everyone that if they know of anyone in need of a prayer shawl or lap blanket to please contact us. We do not need a name. We just want to provide some comfort for those in need. You can call the Rectory @ 973-226-7288 to make a request or you can come to one of the weekly meetings and inquire in person.





Christmas Collection

We want to give a updated amount for the total for our 2019 Christmas collection. That amount is **\$71,727.00**. 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.

Food Certificates

As you already know, food certificates to local supermarkets are on sale before and after Mass on Saturday evening and Sunday morning/afternoon. The proceeds from this sale - \$5.00 for every \$100.00 worth of certificates purchased - goes to help us feed the hungry. We remember that the Lord said, *"When I was hungry, you gave me to eat; when I was thirsty, you gave me to drink."* Through the purchase of food certificates, you can help the parish serve the needs of the hungry. **When you come to Mass and purchase food certificates, you can help us to help others in need.**

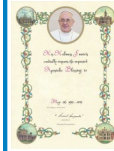
Communion Guidelines

Since we are in the winter season when so many people are subject to colds, we want to offer these following recommendations from the Office of Worship of the Archdiocese.



- Wash your hands before and after Mass. Make liberal use of hand sanitizers;
- If you are not feeling well, refrain from receiving the Blood of Christ and avoid physical contact with others;
- It is not obligatory to touch during the sign of peace; a reverent bow, for example, could suffice;
- Persons who feel that they may be contagious can legitimately excuse themselves from the obligation to attend Mass;
- Parents should determine the level of participation in the liturgy for their children, especially if they are sick;
- Ultimately, each individual needs to determine their level of liturgical involvement in sensitive situations.

Please know that our ministers of Holy Communion have been asked to sanitize their hands in one of the sacristies immediately before they minister the Body or Blood of the Lord.



REQUEST FOR PAPAL BLESSINGS

If you have a special event coming up in your own life or in the life of your family, e.g., wedding, 25th wedding anniversary, special birthday, you may want to request a Papal Blessing to mark the occasion. The blessings can come from either the Vatican itself or the Vatican Embassy in Washington, D.C. **Please note the following guidelines:**

- 1) The individuals named in the blessing must be practicing Catholics.
- 2) Only one blessing can be obtained per person.
- 3) If requested from the Vatican, the blessing should be requested 4 months in advance of the occasion. The cost is \$45.00.
- 4) If requested from the Vatican Embassy in Washington, D.C., the blessing should be requested 2 months in advance. The cost is \$25.00.
- 5) These requests have to be made through our parish office. **Please plan ahead if you want to request a Papal Blessing.**

E-MAIL ADDRESSES FOR STAFF MEMBERS AND SUPPORT STAFF

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