

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Communal Baptisms are held every month on the first Sunday at 1:30pm and on the third Saturday at 11:00am (except for Holiday weekends). Register a month or two in advance for Baptismal Program.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

Saturday 1:00pm-2:00pm &
Monday 7:00pm-7:30pm
(Sept-May)

Other times by pre-arranged appt. with a priest. Communal Penance celebrations (with individual confessions) are celebrated in Advent and Lent and will be announced.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Those who wish to enter the Catholic faith and Catholics who wish to complete the sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation are most welcome to begin the journey at any time. Call the Rectory.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Registered parishioners regularly practicing the Faith at our Parish are welcomed to contact the Rectory one year in advance of a proposed wedding date. Specific dates are only discussed after meeting with a Priest. Couples must attend a pre-Cana program and provide required Sacramental and other documentation.

VOCATIONS

Is God calling you to the priesthood or religious life? Speak to one of our priests or call the Archdiocesan Vocations Office at 973.313.6190, Newarkpriest.com

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the *Anointing of the Sick* will be administered at anytime in an emergency and also at parish celebrations during the year. Consult the bulletin for dates. *Communion* is brought to the sick, the elderly and the homebound by priests of the parish and by Eucharistic ministers. The priests also visit the local hospital regularly. If you or a family member is hospitalized, please contact the Rectory to make arrangements.



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WEEKENDS

Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am
12:30pm, 3:00pm (Spanish) and
6:30pm

WEEKDAYS

6:30am, 8:30am and 12:00 noon
Saturdays: 8:30am

HOLY DAYS

Eve: 7:30pm (anticipated)
6:30am, 8:30am, and 12:00 noon

Fourth Sunday of Lent ~ March 27, 2022

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Dear Friends,

-Annual Appeal Update

As of today, the total pledged is \$157,775, from 283 donors. Thank you—to each and every one of these 283 households for helping us reach our stretch goal. But we are a long way from our goal of 500 donors, or even the 420 who donated last year. Last week, I posed the question... “Why should I be a donor?” And I answered it: First, because it is a good cause.” To see a fuller explanation of that statement, please check out my column in last week’s online bulletin. Today I give the second reason. **Because it helps the parish.** As I’ve said in the past, parish support (collections) are down. This is probably because we have not yet returned to pre-pandemic attendance at Sunday Mass. Though the numbers are increasing, we are still down about 800 people in attendance which, of course, effects the income of the parish. But we still need to carry on the ministries of the parish. A big help to offset that loss was the rebate the parish receives when we go over the AA stretch goal. But this year, they’ve tightened the strings a little on that rebate. The rebate the parish receives will only be based on pledges MADE NO LATER THAN JUNE 30, 2022 and fulfilled by December 31, 2022. So, if you make a pledge on June 25, and pay it off on Christmas Day, December 25, the parish will receive a rebate on that gift. But if you make the pledge on July 25, and pay it off that same day or a month later, the parish will not receive any rebate on that gift. So, I am asking everyone to make their pledge **now, or at least by June 30**, even if you know you will not make a payment until later in the year. As I mentioned at the beginning, the rebate on this Appeal helps the parish compensate for lost revenue due to the drop in attendance still being seen because of the pandemic. I hope this makes some sense to you. If not, please send me an email or call and I would be happy to try to explain it a little better.

-On holier things

Last week, in my column, I introduced, or reminded everyone, about the **RCIA**, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. If you missed it, and want to catch-up, you can find it on the website. As part of that introduction, I mentioned the *scrutinies*, those special rites, celebrated on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent, when those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil are invited to look deeply into their lives, to uncover and heal what is weak and strengthen what is upright. Each Sunday, this is accomplished through three different “signs” from the Gospel of John. Last week, it was the living water of the well of Jacob in Samaria. Today it is the “sign” of the man born blind. And the rite is celebrated at the 11:00AM Mass. But the rite, and its celebration, offers the whole community an opportunity to do what the catechumens are invited to do, to uncover and heal what is wounded through sin and to strengthen what is good.

Did you ever notice how “blind” all of us can be? Ask someone who has been in an unfamiliar place, a room, a building, etc. to describe the colors, the arrangement of

furniture, and it's amazing how many details go unnoticed. Likewise, when someone is trying to get across some non-verbal message, how blind we can be to his or her attempts. Usually our blindness is caused by our fixation on something or someone else.

That's exactly what can happen in our spiritual life. Something or someone else can blind us to God's presence, action and call in our lives. We begin to see wrongly, or not at all and God fades out of sight. In the prayers this Sunday we pray, "Free these elect (and us) from the false values that surround and blind them (and us). Set them (and us) firmly in your truth, children of the light forever."

As we reflect in these weeks on our need to be healed, there is no better way than the reception of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, that special moment when, like the man born blind, we recover our sight. And an excellent moment to have the space, the time, the peace and the inspiration to do this is the Communal Celebration of the Sacrament (with individual confessions) on the Tuesday of Holy Week, April 12th, at 7:30PM. The quiet, the music, the Scripture all speak to our hearts, giving us the courage (and sometime we need courage) to admit our need for healing, seeking the gentle touch of Jesus, through the ministry of the priest. Start thinking about it now and maybe God will move you to come.

And speaking of reconciliation and mercy, we find it again in today's readings from Cycle C (the Gospel of Luke) for the rest of the masses of this 4th Sunday of Lent, with the exception of the 11:00 which I have already mentioned. This 4th Sunday is called *Laetare Sunday*, taken from the words of the opening antiphon, *Rejoice Jerusalem*. Taken together, the readings call us to celebration and reconciliation, or I might better put it, celebration because of reconciliation. Because God has reached out to us, lifted us up and reconciled us to himself, we have cause to celebrate. As I have mentioned, the first two Sundays of Lent always focus on the temptation of Christ in the desert (week 1) and the Transfiguration (week 2). After that, the third, fourth and fifth weeks of Lent diverge into different themes, according to the author of the Gospel. In this year of Cycle C, the Church gives us Luke and his emphasis on God's mercy. Last week, it was the gardener who looked for more time to restore the health of the fig tree. In today's 1st Reading, the Israelites have finally reached the Promised Land, they are to enjoy the fruits of the land which God is giving them and celebrate in its fulfillment. In the Psalm Response, the psalmist invites the reader to rejoice because this God not only hears the cry of the poor, but acts in their behalf. In the 2nd Reading, Paul proclaims a new creation, because we have been reconciled to God in Jesus, the Christ. But it is especially in the Gospel that we see God's mercy, a mercy he extends to both the wayward son and to the hard-hearted son, "we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and has been found." The cause of our rejoicing, then, is that God forgives us, heals us, raises us up and invites us back into the family. What could be better than to feel the warmth of that welcome and the peace of that relationship in a world which so often is filled with

acrimony, anxiety and division?

This year, especially in this time of a greater freedom from Covid 19 (we hope and pray) make the end of Lent a time of rejoicing, as the loud celebration in the house of the Father is for you who have been reconciled to your God. In addition to the Parish Penance Service, confessions are heard on the Saturday (4/9) before Palm Sunday, from 1:00PM-2:00PM, and on the Wednesday evening of Holy Week (4/13), from 7:00PM-9:00PM. You will not regret finding your way back to the Father's house.

God Bless,
Fr. Ron

STEWARDSHIP

In the 1st Reading, the Lord announces that He has "removed the reproach of Egypt from you." He has fulfilled His promise. No longer was there manna, for "they ate of the produce of the land," the Promised Land. God is forever faithful. Likewise for us, for those who are faithful Stewards, offering gifts of **Time, Talent and Treasure**, God will be faithful.

God bless your generosity in support of the work of the Gospel. Donations may still be made for Ukrainian relief. Either make out a check to Catholic Relief Services, with Ukrainian Relief on the memo line and drop it in the boxes at the doors of the church, drop it off at the rectory, or go to the **WE SHARE** link on the homepage of the website and go to the special collections and you will find it there.



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2022 Annual Appeal

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Checks Payable: 2022 Annual Appeal

*Pledges made by June 30th and fulfilled by December 31st
aid in reducing our assessment
and are used to calculate the parish rebate.*



SUPPORT FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

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Drop in the boxes at the doors of the church
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2022

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions Saturday, April 9, 1:00-2:00pm
 Parish Penance Service Tuesday, April 12, 7:30pm
 Confessions Wednesday, April 13, 7:00-9:00pm

PALM SUNDAY—April 10

Saturday Eve: 5:30pm
 Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am
 12:30pm, 3:00 (Spanish), 6:30pm

11:30am—Blessing of Palm & Procession from Veterans Field to the Church for the 12:30pm Mass

HOLY THURSDAY—April 14

Morning Prayer—8:30am
 Mass of the Lord's Supper—7:30pm

GOOD FRIDAY—April 15

Morning Prayer—8:30am
 Celebration of the Lord's Passion—3:00pm
 Living Stations of the Cross—7:30pm

HOLY SATURDAY—April 16

Morning Prayer—8:30am
 Blessing of Easter Baskets—12:00 Noon
 Solemn Easter Vigil—8:00pm

EASTER SUNDAY—April 17

8:00am
 9:30am
 9:30am (Auditorium)
 11:00am
 11:00am (Auditorium)
 12:30pm
 12:30pm (Auditorium)
 3:00pm (Spanish)

NO 6:30 PM MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY



INSPIRE
A Catholic Young Adult Ministry
 Under the Patronage of St. John Paul II

Inspire: Young Adult Ministry
First Friday Meeting
Stand Up Comedy
Friday, April 1st—7:30PM

It will be April Fool's Stand Up Comedy Night with Fr. Paul Houli! (Yes! Fr. Paul *really* is a priest-comedian!) Join us at 52 Passaic Street, lower level of the School Building (enter through the rear door). A social will follow at the Glen Rock Inn.

Inspire Young Adult Ministry is a Catholic Young Adult Ministry under the patronage of Pope St. John Paul II. We offer spiritual and social events for young adults in their 20s and 30s.

Facebook: Inspire: A Catholic Young Adult Ministry
Instagram: inspire_youngadultministry
Email: olmcyoungadults123@gmail.com

NEWS FROM ACADEMY OF OUR LADY



Each year, the Archdiocese of Newark recognizes an outstanding Grade 8 student from each school. I am proud to announce that Emma Ibarbia has been chosen as the 2022 Outstanding Catholic School Graduate from Academy of Our Lady. Emma was chosen because she exemplifies Catholic values in word and deed and she displays superior academic commitment and integrity. The honorees were celebrated last weekend with their families at a beautiful Mass and breakfast hosted by the Archdiocese.

Faculty and Staff attended a Professional Day at Academy of Our Lady this past Wednesday. The agenda items included interpretation of MAP Growth testing data and a continuation of work on Middle States Re-Accreditation.

Please continue to keep the students and staff of Academy of Our Lady in your prayers.

ACADEMY OF OUR LADY CALENDAR RAFFLE RESULTS RECENT WINNERS!

3/18/22	Amanda Carroll	#1192	\$100
3/19/22	Michele Dagenais	#0030	\$50
3/20/22	Bialik Family	#0507	\$50
3/21/22	Anthony Sibani	#0633	\$50
3/22/22	Russell Forenza	#0937	\$50
3/23/22	Jim Harris	#0939	\$50
3/24/22	Melinda Santiago	#0798	\$50

Men & Women's Weekend Retreat

Loyola Jesuit Center, Morristown, NJ—May 13-15, 2022

Please join Men & Women from our parish family for a quiet listening Retreat (in person or virtual). Cost—free will offering. All are welcome at Loyola regardless of financial status. For more information or to register, contact: Dcn. Bob Liwanag, 201.663.3644, bob.liwanag@olmcridgewood.com, Bob Reilly, 201.447.2430, rpreilly1@hotmail.com, or visit www.loyola.org



Beginning This Week, March 31st
Thursday Evenings 7:30PM
Daily Mass Chapel

In response to Mary's request at Fatima for a devotion to the rosary for the conversion of Russia and to stop war, the parish community is invited to pray the rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy in the Daily Mass Chapel at 7:30PM each Thursday evening beginning March 31st.

Please join us to respond to Our Blessed Mother's request.

YOUTH MINISTRY FOOD DRIVE THIS COMING SATURDAY, APRIL 2ND

All non-perishable food accepted. No expired items please.

Drive thru drop off available in the school building driveway.

Questions: Contact Glen McCall
gmccall@olmcridgewood.com



LENT MORNING PRAYER
Monday-Friday—6:00AM
Lower Level of the School Bldg.
Enter through the rear door.



PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

CHAPEL IS OPEN 24/7

MAXIMUM OF 6 PEOPLE PERMITTED IN THE CHAPEL

PEA is made possible by all the Parishioners who sign up as Scheduled Adorers and Substitutes. Each one takes a turn every hour to pray before the Blessed Sacrament, 24/7. When we commit for a particular Holy Hour, we help keep the door open to anyone seeking peace, to anyone seeking God. It becomes a service of love for others. Our unity and continuity in prayer, 24/7, bears a lot of fruit both temporal and spiritual, fruit that lasts even after life. Our Holy Hour is a time well spent for ourselves and for others.

SCHEDULED ADORERS NEEDED!

Sundays: 1-2AM; 4-5AM; 5-6AM; 10-11AM
 Mondays: 3-4PM; 11PM-12Midnight
 Tuesdays: 1-2AM; 3-4AM; 12NN-1PM; 9-10PM
 Wednesdays: 2-3AM; 3-4AM; 11PM-12Midnight
 Thursdays: 3-4AM; 11AM-12NN; 10-11PM
 11PM-12Midnight
 Saturdays: 3-4AM; 7-8PM

TO SIGN-UP, PLEASE TEXT/EMAIL

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Handy/Holt Confirmation Group Children's Book Collection Now through March 27th

We are collecting children's books (ages 6-18) so that we may provide a Book Fair for a local Boys & Girls Club. New, or very gently used, books may be dropped off at:

695 Kingsbridge Ln. or 231 Lotte Rd.
 (If you need a pickup, Call 201.788.0114)



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ILL MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH

Martha Bombardier, Francis Cabrera, Reynaldo Caling, Art Carpenter, Ellin Carroll, Peter Colgan, Maria de la Rosa, Joan D'Gerolamo, Agnes Duffy, Irene Frey, Maria Garate, Kitty Gill, Frank Gillen, Sydney Heinold, James E. Hough, Marc Johnson, Tom Keleher, Ryan Kelly, Lorenzo Kim, Claudia LaFrance, Anna Lobascio, Beverly Magner, Dennis Maloney, Emeteria Mariano, Juan Martinez, John McGowan, Gemma Miller, Mark Mongon, Pat Mullen, Bea O'Rourke, Joseph Pasculli, Cathy Ricciuto, Michael Runz, Donald Schwenker, Mark Steppe, Don Strittmatter, Dennis Tomala, Sebastian Yarleque, Walter John Zelop, Jr.

Parishioners may call the Rectory with the name of a family member who is sick to have them included on our prayer list.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

Aedan Cannon, Matthew Casale,
 Edgar Delgado, James Nardelli, Robert Smith

MUST ORDER BY NOON THIS THURSDAY, MARCH 31ST



2022 Food Truck Fish Fry

Friday, April 1ST
 Our Lady of Mount Carmel
 Drive-Thru Pick Up
 School/Religious Ed Driveway
 5:00pm—7:30pm
TAKE-OUT ONLY
 adults: \$20 IN ADVANCE; \$23 AT THE TRUCK
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Purchase tickets online at
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RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Part of the RCIA journey of faith is to participate in the Scrutinies. These are RCIA steps that are intended to scrutinize a catechumen's heart and mind to develop and deepen a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. At each Scrutiny, the catechumen is invited and challenged to express publicly and privately where he or she is in her journey of faith to become a Catholic.

The Scrutinies are celebrated on the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Sundays of Lent. The readings are from Liturgical Year A and on the Gospel of John.

At OLMC, the Scrutinies will be celebrated at the 11:00AM Mass. The First Scrutiny was on March 20th with the Gospel reading about Jesus encountering the Samaritan woman at the well. The Second Scrutiny is today, March 27th with the Gospel reading about Jesus healing the blind man at the Pool of Siloam. The Third Scrutiny will be on April 3rd with the Gospel reading about Jesus bringing Lazarus back from the dead.

Gabriela Blacido is the candidate who will participate in these Scrutinies to help prepare her on a journey to receive Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist in the Easter Vigil. The parish is invited to pray for her.

The presentation of the Creed (Apostles or Nicene) to the elect (non-baptized candidate for Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist) takes place during the week after the First Scrutiny. This is an important step in the RCIA journey of faith. It is intended to help the elect hear and understand the fundamental beliefs of the Catholic Church. Gabriela Blacido is the elect who will liturgically receive the Apostles Creed on Saturday, March 26th, at the 8:30AM Mass.

Stations of the Cross Continue Each Friday during Lent
 Immediately Following the 12NN Mass



TODAY'S READINGS

Monday, March 28

- + 6:30AM Pascual Quimbo
req A Friend
- + 8:30AM Michael Guillod
req Carol & Ed Beesley
- +12:00NN Richard Duggan
req Monica & Ed McCabe

Tuesday, March 29

- + 6:30AM Donald Klein
req Celeste O'Malley & Family
- + 8:30AM Thomas Berry
req The Savello Family
- +12:00NN Mary & John Daly
req Anne & George Skau

Wednesday, March 30

- + 6:30AM Walter Matesic
req Stefano & Domenica Bussanich
- + 8:30AM Ellen Klutkowski
req Frank & Karen Sheehy
- +12:00NN Lucy & Joseph Macchiarola
req The Macchiarola Family

Thursday, March 31

- + 6:30AM Danielle Nadra
req Marge Merhige & Family
- + 8:30AM Rosemary Donoghue
req Her Family
- +12:00NN James Dempsey
req Anne & Bill Leahy

Friday, April 1

- + 6:30AM John Radossi
req His Family
- + 8:30AM Louise M. LoBue
req The Toolen Family
- +12:00NN Edmund J. Mullane
req Maureen & Family

Saturday, April 2 *Saint Francis of Paola, Hermit*

- + 8:30AM Holy Souls in Purgatory
req A Friend
- + 5:30PM Joann Moran
req Linda Casella

Sunday, April 3 *Fifth Sunday of Lent*

- + 8:00AM Paul Abate
req Sal & Tina Volpe
- + 9:30AM Lt. Gerald T. Ramsdell, USN
req Richard & Jane Certo
- +11:00AM Yolanda Julia Lanza
req John & Lucy Pergolizzi
- 12:30PM For the People of the Parish
- + 3:00PM Aurelio & Eulogia Morales
req Maria Morales
- + 6:30PM Angele Ekert
req John Thurlow

1. Joshua 5:9-12

This excerpted passage represents the conclusion of the forty-year journey from Egypt. Once before, in an earlier generation, they had stood at the border of the Promised Land, but would rather have returned to Egypt (the "reproach of Egypt"). This lack of faith initiated many more years of wandering in the desert, until that generation died out. Now that the nation is in possession of its homeland, the manna, the journey food, ends, as they prepare to celebrate their first Passover in the land "flowing with milk and honey."

2. 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Paul saw his world in much the same light as many do in today's world. Slipping further and further away from God. But Christ has come and altered that course for those who believe. God made Jesus part of our world so that in Him (Jesus) we might become acceptable to God. Because God takes the initiative in reconciling us, we need to abandon ourselves more and more to that power by becoming instruments to entice others to join us.

3. Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Luke dedicates all of Chapter 15 to the theme of forgiveness, and no lines are more famous than the story of the prodigal son, a story filled with all the emotions of broken relationships, compassion, stubbornness and forgiveness. One son disgraces himself by treating his father as dead, squandering that inheritance, turning his back on the most sacred traditions by his "unclean" actions. A second son also disgraces himself by his hardness of heart. Both sons stand in need of forgiveness, freely offered as grace to both, accepted by one, rejected (at least as far as the story goes) by the other. Whether one focuses on the "prodigal" son or the "angry" son, the point of the story is the same—forgiveness and reconciliation are grace and gift, not earned and not deserved.

REFLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK

1. One son leads a dissolute life. One son lives in hardness of heart. Does either one strike a familiar chord in your heart?
2. When have you experienced the kind of "unconditional" love the prodigal son received from his father, from God, from another human being? Has it affected your willingness to forgive others?
3. Do you have places in your heart where resentments linger? How can you get rid of them, or do you even want to?

NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS

(always subject to change)

Sat. 4/2	5:30PM	Fr. Ron
Sun. 4/3	8:00AM	Msgr. Sheeran
	9:30AM	Fr. Frank
	11:00AM	Fr. Ron
	12:30PM	Fr. Frank
	3:00PM	Fr. Merino
	6:30PM	Fr. Ron

Late changes appear on the website after 12:00NN on the Saturday of that weekend.

THE CELEBRATION OF MASS WILL BE LIVE STREAMED TODAY
SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2022

11:00AM—FR. FRANK | 3:00PM—FR. ANDRES (SPANISH)

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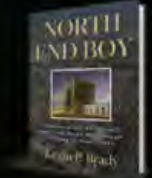
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