

# SAINT PAUL

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Schedule of Masses

Saturday: 9 am

Saturday Eve: 5 pm (Sunday Obligation)

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9 am, 10:30 am, & 12 pm

Weekdays: Monday-Friday 7:30 am & 12 pm

Holy Days: 7:30 am, Noon & 7:30 pm

National Holidays: 9:00 am

Spanish Mass: 7:00 pm, Second Saturday Each Month

*The Parish is Served by*

*Rev. John Gabriel, Pastor*

*Rev. Paul Houlis, Parochial Vicar*

*Rev. Stefano Hong, Parochial Vicar*

*Mr. Tom Flanagan, Deacon*

*Mr. Jeremiah K. Rehse, Deacon*

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*..., he spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" – which means Sent – .*

**Jn 9:1-41**

**MARCH 26, 2017**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, Mar. 27

7:30AM **Don Markey** ~ Marie Quinn  
12:00PM **James F. Higgins** ~ The Craw Family

### TUESDAY, Mar. 28

7:30AM **Don Markey** ~ Addie Caputi  
12:00PM **Novena of Masses**

### WEDNESDAY, Mar. 29

7:30AM **Donald Markey** ~ Dolores Heck  
12:00PM **Nancy Barone** ~ Tonia Holtz

### THURSDAY, Mar. 30

7:30AM **Novena of Masses**  
12:00PM **Joyce Kay Wilson** ~ Mr. & Mrs. Michael Hayward

### FRIDAY, Mar. 31

7:30AM **Rose A. Mastandrea** ~ Her Husband, Tony  
12:00PM **Margaret Jaworski** ~ The Stevens Family

### SATURDAY, April 1

9:00AM **Charles Henderson** ~ His Sister  
5:00PM **Bill & Kitty Griffin** ~ Marilyn Byrne & Family

### SUNDAY, April 2 ~ Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30AM **Edward & Nancy Carr** ~ Joe & Cathy Lynch  
9:00AM **Anne Leddy** ~ The O'Dowd Family  
10:30AM **Sam & Marie Ganguzza** ~ The Dabakian Family  
12:00PM **Phyllis DeLuca** ~ Cathy & Charlie Campbell

## APRIL NOVENA OF MASSES

James Ralston  
John Holster  
J. Brian Smith  
Carol Larrat  
Sheila Urinyi  
Elizabeth Stagg  
Don Markey  
Miguelina Miranda  
Barbara Sues  
Carl Joseph Dietze  
Thomas Derfus  
Rose Nazzari  
George Derfus  
Lee Meiman  
John & Lee Nunziata  
Terry, Mike, Florence Lieb  
Mary Noone  
Lorraine Miele  
Tom D'Alessandro  
Tom Skrobala Jr.  
Charles Bohmert  
Mildred Oberle

Marie Killman  
Joan Fairechio  
Pauline Ray  
Edward Gertz  
Catherine McGarvey  
Donald McNeil  
Filomena Dillon  
Stephanie & Joseph Spiech  
Mary & Victor Urna  
Stanley Spiech  
Mickey Ewen  
Lucille D'Agnillo  
Eileen Lynch  
Richard Vernotica  
Raymond Servidio  
George W. Leavesley  
Susanne Crimmins  
Marie Rau  
Robert Spittel  
  
**Special Intentions:**  
Aquino Family

## DEVOTIONS AND MEMORIALS

To have a loved one remembered please call  
the Parish Center  
Sanctuary Lamp ~  
Bread and Wine



### ALTAR BREADS

**Louis Cassella** ~ Joe & Cathy Branciforte

### ALTAR WINE

**Louis Cassella** ~ Joe & Cathy Branciforte

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Military

All the women & men who serve in our armed forces.

### Sick

Lisa Meeks, Tom Murray, Steven Pirotta, Marion Pennachio, Rudy Lorio, John Runge Jr., and Frank Froelsch.  
For those names that are listed on the altar.

### Deceased

Chuch Nuzzo, Dennis Kelly Jr., Florence Smith, and Frances Shatalsky.

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Come to St. Paul's Stations of the Cross, every Friday in Lent, beginning at 7:00pm in the Church.

This is a wonderful opportunity for all (adults and children alike) to pray and reflect on the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior – who accepted the cross for each of us.

March 31 Stations of the Cross with St. John Paul II  
April 7 St. Faustina's Way of the Cross  
April 14 Good Friday: The Seven Last Words of Christ.

## FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

This weekend as we come to Holy Mass we find ourselves at the mid-point of our Lenten journey. Today is traditionally called "*Laetare Sunday*" because it is a time for us to relax the rigors and austerities of Lent with a taste of the Easter joy that is to come. This Sunday gets its name from the Latin entrance antiphon: "*Laetare Jerusalem: et conventum facite omnes qui diligitis eam.*" ("*Rejoice, Jerusalem, and come together all you who love her.*") This is one of only two Sundays in the Church year (*the other one is Gaudate Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent*) when the priest is permitted to wear rose colored vestments, a sign of joyful anticipation. The correct liturgical color for this Sunday is not exactly pink but a dusty rose color, a softening of Lent's violet. The Church this Sunday wants to whet our appetite for the festivities that await us if we only hold on a bit longer. But this is in no way an invitation to forget our Lenten resolutions for spiritual growth or our commitment to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. We still have several weeks of Lent to go, and God can do amazing and wonderful things within us and around us on our Lenten journey even if to this point our Lenten sacrifices and commitments have been mediocre or half-hearted. If you had hoped to "do" something for Lent and did not, or were not exactly faithful to your Lenten resolutions, now is the time to recommit yourself to these few remaining weeks. *It's not too late to make Lent a spiritually profitable and grace-filled experience!* God can accomplish within us in the twinkling of an eye that which takes us a lifetime to accomplish on our own! Be courageous, persevere, and engage the struggle with true faith and hope. Something wonderful is coming, and God will not be outdone in generosity!

Some of you may have noticed (as I have) that February and March seem to have traded places this year: February felt like March and March felt like February! Last week's blizzard made it difficult for us to feel the approaching spring, but as we gather this Sunday perhaps we are called to remember that Springtime is indeed upon us! The barren earth is beginning to reawaken, the seeds scattered by autumn winds, dormant all winter, are beginning to move imperceptibly (at least for now). The 19<sup>th</sup> Century Catholic priest and poet **Gerard Manley Hopkins** wrote: "*Nothing is so beautiful as Spring - when weeds, in wheels, shoot long and lovely and lush; Thrush's eggs look little low heavens, and thrush Through the echoing timber does so rinse and wring The ear; it strikes like lightnings to hear him sing.*" Soon everything around us, the birds and animals as well as the fruit and flowers, will burst forth in new life! How thoughtful of God, the master Artist, to create such a stunningly beautiful world! Let us enjoy this Lenten moment with an eye to all that God has in store, and let us prepare our hearts and our lives so that we may worthily embrace all that the good God has planned!

I want to say a word of thanks to all those who've made our Lenten journey so rich and beautiful so far: those who've been attending our programs of spiritual growth, the *Franciscan Mystery Players* who led us in a wonderful reflection on Christ the Healer, the *Knights of Columbus* who hosted such a joyful *St. Patrick's Day* celebration, and all those who planned and participated in a terrific evening to celebrate *St. Joseph* last weekend! Special thanks to our newly formed *Respect Life Committee* who increased our parish awareness of *Several Sources*, a ministry of support to young parents who choose life for their children, and their Ramsey founder *Kathy DeFiore* who came to speak at all of our Masses. Yes, new life is bursting through all over the place! May we continue to Rejoice together in faith!

*In His Love,  
Father John.*

## RECONCILIATION DURING THE SEASON OF LENT

- ◆ Saturdays from 1:00 pm to 2:00 in the Church
- ◆ Wednesday of Holy Week, April 12, 2017, 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Church
- ◆ Saturday, April 1, 2017, Noon , ***Communal Penance Service at Church of the Nativity, 315 Prospect St, Midland Park, NJ 07432***

## A SPECIAL APPEAL BY FR. PAUL

### An Introduction to the Theology of the Body

Have you ever wondered about the **WHY** behind the **WHAT** of Church teachings especially its most "controversial" moral teachings? Asking the question *why* and searching for the meaning to these things as they pertained to the purpose of my life is what ultimately caused a dramatic conversion in my life to Christ and His Church.

I used to question everything! I'm glad I did because it helped me to learn much. However, this learning of the mind helped lead to a much more important enlightening of my heart. And that's what Christ wants...he desires our hearts.

Are you ready to learn more? Are you ready for your heart to grow in love of God, self, and others? Are you ready to learn about God and the meaning and purpose of your life in a way that you very possibly have not learned before? Do you want to teach your children or grandchildren the very meaning and purpose of their existence? If so, then you are ready for *An Introduction to the Theology of the Body*. The **Theology of the Body** is the very teaching that changed my life forever. It's what helped me to embrace my call to greatness; the call that God calls each one of us to.

Please join Fr. John and me as we begin this new study-series in the Easter Season which will help answer the following questions: • What is my life's purpose? • What does it mean to be "made in the image and likeness of God?" • What is the real meaning of my sexuality? • How can I find happiness and fulfillment? and much more. Details and registration information will be provided next weekend. Fr. John and I very much look forward to going on this epic journey with you.

*God Bless You,  
Fr. Paul*

## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

**On Saturday, April 1st, we will visit and help the Several Sources Shelter in Ramsey, NJ.** They are doing AMAZING work for women and their children. We will be restoring their "Garden of Life" <http://www.severalsources.net/several-sources-gardenoflife.html>.

We will meet for 9 a.m. Mass at St. Paul's on that day (April 1st) and then immediately head to the shelter. We will have a tour, meet the women and their saved babies who live there, and then we will go to work on the garden. Please don't pass up on this opportunity. PLEASE let me know if you will come to this A.S.A.P. at phoulis@stpaulrchurch.org or call the parish office.

The Sunday before we go to Several Sources, **March 26th**, we will all watch the movie Gimme Shelter together at **6:00p.m.** in the Youth Room (upstairs of the school gym). I will order pizza...please bring your own drinks....please let me know if you will come.

Finally, on **Saturday, April 29th**, we will feed the homeless in NYC with the **Relief Bus**. This is truly an amazing experience for both you and for them. **Only 10 people can come on this trip**, so let me know ASAP if you are coming. <http://www.newyorkcityrelief.org/about-us/outreach-the-relief-bus.html>

## RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

LET US PRAY: Lord, God, may we all work together to protect the unborn, give help to women in crisis pregnancies and assist families in providing loving homes for their children. *Bless the efforts of Several Sources and all organizations that offer shelter and assistance to women in crisis pregnancies, and the Knights of Columbus in defending the right to life of every human being.*

*"It is God who gives life.  
Let us respect and love human life,  
especially vulnerable life in a mother's womb."*

*- Pope Francis  
Twitter, May 15, 2013-*

The Respect Life Ministry invites *your* participation—and hope you will share your time or talent in whatever way you feel God is calling you. Watch the bulletin for updates or contact Fr. Paul for more information.

## LECTIO DIVINA

*READING THE SCRIPTURE, REFLECTING ON THE MEANING, RESPONDING THROUGH PRAYER, RESTING IN GOD, RESPONDING IN ACTION...*

We invite you to join Fr. John Gabriel Monday mornings from 6:30 a.m. to 7:15 a.m. in the Rectory living room during Lent.

## MEN'S CORNERSTONE 2017 ~ "BE NOT AFRAID"

The theme for Men's Cornerstone 2017 was "Be Not Afraid". It was a wonderful experience for the 23 participants and more than 80 alumni volunteers produced an incredible encounter with the Lord. Under the direction of Eddie Scholl and Amato Spagnoletti the many months of preparation resulted in a weekend filled with prayer and fellowship. Spiritual Direction by Father Paul and Father John enhanced the entire weekend. Special thanks to witness speakers Scott Deas, Father John, John Bomma, Patrick Mottola, Father Paul, Eddie Scholl, Ben Mamola, Carlo Pellicciari. The efforts of Mickey Sebes, Jim Meiman, John Fisher, Nick Mangieri, Bill Kessler, Brian Donovan, Andre Floyd, Bill Mulryan, Steve Bohmert, Ken Gubala, Doug Doyle, Craig Zurlini, Joe Losos, Bill McLaughlin, Dan O'Leary, Rich Riordan, Phil Gonnella and too many others to name are sincerely appreciated. The beautiful, inspiring Adoration Chapel was designed and created by Women's Cornerstone.

Our music ministry under the direction of Denis Mullins was awesome. Special appreciation to Kristin Dabaghian and the members of the choirs who joined Denis at the closing Mass. Also we appreciated the musical contributions of Jerry Healy, Dan Diffley, Roberto Cotes, Jeff Rutkowski and Jim Castello. The 'kitchen crew' under the direction of J.M. Nunziata created an environment of hospitality and delicious meals. The cooking team was awesome (many men participated) led by executive chefs Mike Hornidge and Joe Journick; and supported by Matt Brogowski, Peter Kilman, Pete Hakkenberg, Art Keys, Walt Milowic, Joe Mangano Sr.

Please pray for the participants as they begin a new chapter in their faith journeys.

John Bianchi	Jim Cavanagh	Jim Cowie
Jim Cheviot	John Dooley	Guy Dupont
Brendan Lobban	Bill Mahar	Joe Mangano, Jr.
Ralph Mattaccio	Joe Perkins	Darren Petersen
Bob Press	Brian Reedinger	Bill Strauss
Rich Maus	John Donato	Joe Vocca
Jerry Derenzo	Mike Lavin	Mike Adriance
Roy Corella	Danny Rosa	



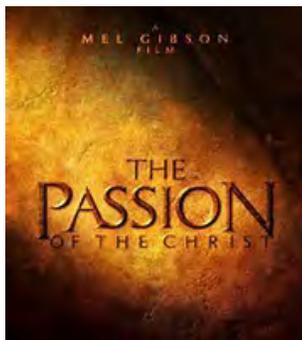
## ST. PAUL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES SUPPORT MEN'S CORNERSTONE 2017

True Christian service in action was demonstrated by the many Saint Paul Church Confirmation candidates who actively supported Men's Cornerstone 2017. From 'set up' on Thursday night through 'breakdown' Saturday night, these young Catholics worked hard. Without them Brian Donovan's Environment team would have been unable to convert the gym into the beautiful spiritual environment that we had. Their time and efforts are appreciated.





# CINEMA DIVINA PRESENTS



SUNDAY,  
APRIL 9TH  
6:30PM

SCHOOL LIBRARY

Pizza and refreshments start at 6:00p.m.

**Please Note:**

*The Passion of the Christ is rated R.*

**A fun morning for our 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders!**

**Surfin' with the Saints**

Tuesday, April 11 - 11:00 am to 1:00 pm- please arrive 30 minutes early.



**Wondering what to do during your Spring Break?**

**Come paint with your peers.**

**Parents are invited to participate too.**

**Come by yourself, meet new friends, bring family and/or friends !**

**You do not need painting experience and you do NOT have to be an artist.**

**Pinot's Palette, 25 Oak St, Ridgewood, NJ**

**\$30.00 person (snacks are included)**

To register go to: <http://www.pinotpalette.com/ridgewood/event/143495>

reservations are directly through the Pinot's Palette website via the link above

If you should have any questions, please contact Colleen Jagde at 201-327-8010 or [cjagde@stpaulrcchurch.org](mailto:cjagde@stpaulrcchurch.org).

## SAINT PAUL CHURCH RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

*Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart*  
Rite of Continuing Conversion ~ March 5th  
Cardinal Joseph Tobin, Presider

Dennis Bailey ~ Christina Dooley ~  
Kayscha Streich

The season of Lent is a significant time for our RCIA *Candidates* who are journeying on the road to full communion in the Catholic Church. Dennis, Christina, Kayscha will receive Confirmation and First Eucharist on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at the 10:30AM Mass.

On March 5<sup>th</sup> our Candidates, Dennis, Christina and Kayscha were welcomed by Cardinal Tobin at the Rite of Continuing Conversion at Sacred Heart Cathedral Basilica.

RCIA is a journey of conversion for adults who want to become members of the Catholic Church. It is a journey of faith and peace leading to the celebration of the Sacraments. *Catechumens* are individuals who are not baptized in a Christian tradition recognized by the Roman Catholic Church. Catechumens prepare to receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism/Eucharist/Confirmation) at the Easter Vigil. *Candidates* are individuals who have been baptized either in the Roman Catholic Church or a recognized Christian faith. They prepare for reception of the Sacraments of First Eucharist and/or Confirmation. The parish RCIA Team is John Nunziata, Eddie Scholl, Karen Little and Walter Zuck.

If you or someone you know is interested in more information about RCIA please contact John Nunziata, Pastoral Associate, at 201-327-0976 or [jnunziata@stpaulrcchurch.org](mailto:jnunziata@stpaulrcchurch.org).



## FAITH FORMATION

### THOUGHTS FROM OUR PARISH CHILDREN

"I felt Jesus right next to me. I enjoyed being in Jesus' presence. I hope that I can go to this again."

*Francesca - attended Children of Hope*

"Time for Me" (Adults all ages) at Pinot's Palette, Ridgewood has been rescheduled for Wednesday, April 19, 7pm to 9 pm. (doors open at 6:30 pm). This is a wonderful evening out for all adults. To sign up go to <http://www.pinotpalette.com/ridgewood/event/143493>.

**SAVE THE DATE**

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

*Help  
Wanted*

If you are reading this, our YOUTH NEEDS YOU!  
Our Faith Formation Program meets on

Sunday mornings  
Weekday Evenings  
Weekday Afternoons  
Summer (for 5 days)  
Vacation Bible School

And at other days/times for First Reconciliation,  
First Holy Communion and Confirmation  
Preparation

We are in need of Catechists, Substitute Catechists,  
& Aides throughout the year. *Training Provided and  
the reward is great!*

Please prayerfully consider continuing  
Jesus' mission as the Sower and help sow  
the seeds of faith with the young people of  
our parish family!



To volunteer contact Colleen at 201-327-8010, e-mail  
at [cjagde@stpaulrcchurch.org](mailto:cjagde@stpaulrcchurch.org) or complete the  
bottom of this flyer and return to the Faith  
Formation Office.

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Faith Formation Volunteer - 2017

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Available: \_\_\_\_\_

## FISH FRY

FISH FRY FRIDAYS continues this Friday March 31.  
The St. Paul Fish Fry, together with our Youth  
Group, offers an opportunity for parishioners to  
come together and share a meal. The menu is served  
a la carte and includes Fish & Chips, Corn & Clam  
Chowder, Fresh Pizza, Tossed Salad, assorted  
beverages, and weekly Pasta, Fish, & Dessert  
Specials! Eat in for the community feel or enjoy the  
convenience of take-out. Food is served from  
5:30pm until 8:00pm. Visit the parish website for  
more information and pricing.



**SPECIALS for March 31:**  
Pasta Special - Homemade Manicotti  
Fish Special - Teriyaki Salmon

### CAR NEEDED DESPERATELY

The Social Concerns Committee is still trying to  
locate a car for a parishioner who is a child  
caretaker. It doesn't need to be fancy, but it is  
important that it be safe. We will provide you with a  
receipt for tax purposes. If you think you can help,  
please call Eileen Wimberger at 201-825-0413.

## Academy of Saint Paul

Proudly Presents

### THE SOUND OF MUSIC

Music by:  
Richard Rodgers



Lyrics by:  
Oscar Hammerstein II

Book by: Howard Lindsay and Russel Crouse  
Suggested by "The Trapp Family Singers" by Maria Augusta Trapp

Director: Jared Rosenblum

Choreographer: Kyle Garvin

Musical Directors: Kathy Sheppard & Kristin Dabaghian

Tickets  
are  
\$12-  
(\$15.50 online)  
Friday, March 31, 2017 - 7pm  
Saturday, April 1, 2017 - 2pm  
Saturday, April 1, 2017 - 7pm

Don Bosco Prep High School - DeSales Hall Auditorium

492 N. Franklin Turnpike

Ramsey, NJ 07446

For Advance Tickets contact Dan & Tara Callaghan  
[ASPRamseyTickets@gmail.com](mailto:ASPRamseyTickets@gmail.com)  
or order from <https://asp.booktix.com>

## SOCIAL CONCERN

**Food Certificate Program** - St Paul Food Certificate Program currently aids 50 local families per month by supplementing their incomes with the donation of a food certificate. Donations towards purchasing food certificates are greatly needed as we have seen an increase in need for local families and a decrease in funds for the program. Shoprite of Ramsey offers the Parish a 5% bulk discount when purchasing our monthly allotment of food certificates. Your contribution will help us to continue our efforts in supporting local families in need. Please make checks payable to St Paul Parish and indicate Food Certificate Program in the memo section. If you have any questions regarding this program, please contact Elieen Wimberger at 201-825-0413.

**Food Pantry** - The St Paul Food Pantry is supported through generous donations from St Paul parishioners. The pantry is located in the front vestibule of the church and is available for all in the community in need. The Food Pantry is open on **Tuesday's from 11:30am - 12:00pm**. Please contact the Parish Center at 201-327-0976 if you need to make special arrangements to access the Food Pantry. Place all food donations in the wooden donation boxes located at the side entrances of the church. We are always in need of the following items:

Juice, Ice Tea Mix, Snacks/Cookies/Crackers, White Rice, Canned Meat (Tuna, Chicken, Ham), Can Fruit (Peaches, Pears, Fruit Cocktail), Cereal, Peanut Butter, Spaghetti Sauce, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Soup, Canned Vegetables (No Peas Please), Paper Products (Tissues, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels), Bath Products (Soap, Shampoo, Deodorant, Toothpaste), Coffee and Tea.

**Please no perishable items...**

**Diaper Drive** - There is a great need for disposable diapers in many of our local, less fortunate families. Our committee would like to collect Diapers (Newborn-5), Baby Wipes, Baby Food and Formula to provide help to those in need. Please bring all items to church on the weekends of March 25/26 and April 1/2. There will be bins available at the church entrances during the collection dates. Thank you for your generous and caring gifts to others.

**Harrison House**—Twice monthly the committee provides a home cooked meal for eight people with the AIDS virus, who live in a home on the grounds of Bergen Regional Medical Center. Volunteers are needed to prepare and deliver a meal for Sat., Apr. 1. If you are able to help, call Debbie at 201-825-7856.

## YOUTH GROUP NEWS



### *Upcoming Events:*

#### **Fish Fry Volunteers Needed**

Every Friday During Lent!

#### **The Cotillion Ball**

Friday, April 7

#### **Holy Thursday Lock-In**

April 13 -14

The Holy Thursday Lock-In is an overnight retreat and an intense all-nighter where participants explore the life and death of Our Lord, Jesus Christ. Activities include exciting icebreakers, talks, small & large group discussion, meals together, free time, reflection, and group bonding. "Groupies" come away bodily drained, but spiritually fulfilled. Registration fee and form to be submitted by April 4. For more information attend youth group meetings.

### *Mark your Calendar*

#### **New Jersey Youth Rally**

#### **Six Flags Great Adventure**

Sunday, May 21

### *Check Out Our Website!*

Go to [www.StPaulRCChurch.org](http://www.StPaulRCChurch.org), scroll over "Ministries", and click on "Youth Ministry" to get information about meetings, retreats, events, community service, and all the fun activities we do every year!

### *High School Youth Group*

Meetings are scheduled for Tuesdays from 7:30 until 9:00 pm; gather at 7:15 pm.

## STEWARDSHIP TREASURE

WEEKEND of March 18 – 19

**\$23,353.00**

**\$17,380.00 Collection**

**\$5,973.00 from Faith Direct**

Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: NJ654 to sign up for Online Giving. Thank you for your continued support.

## PETER'S PENCE

As a parish, we collected **\$\$2,436.00** ~ *Omitted in error from March 19, 2017 bulletin.* Thank you for your generous support.

# PARISH SCHOOL NEWS



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## Academy Happenings

During the week of March 6-10, students in grades 2-8 took Terra Nova Standardized Tests. Sixth graders took a break from their schedule to play memory games or to patiently listen to their first grade buddies read. The first graders are doing such a great job this time of year so it was a pleasure for all those involved.



### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Archdiocese is honoring those who will be celebrating five, twenty-five, and fifty years of Christian marriage in the year 2017 with a special Mass. These anniversary liturgies for Bergen County will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

April 30th, 2017, 3:00PM – 25 & 5 years married  
**(registration due April 19th)**

May 7, 2017, 3:00PM – 50 years married  
**(registration due April 26th)**

Please call Joanne Becker at the Parish Center to register, 201-327-0976.

### EASTER MEALS



We invite you to help make this Easter a blessed one for those less fortunate by providing Easter meals for 25 families from St. Joseph's Church in East Orange. Sponsors will purchase groceries and bring them to the church garage on Tuesday, April 11, for delivery in time for Easter. Please consider sponsoring a family or joining with friends to sponsor one. Also, we would like to help as many local families as we can this Easter through the gift of Shoprite food certificates. Certificates may be placed in the collection baskets or delivered to the Parish Center. To sponsor a family or for information, call Mary at 201-825-2729, Lonny at 201-236-6486, or Fran at 201-995-9486. Thank You.

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## MISSION STATEMENT

*We are Catholic Christians  
who embrace the plan of God for our salvation.*

*We come together in faith  
to worship in a loving community.*

*We are moved by the Holy Spirit  
to witness to the life, death, and  
resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

*We wish to live out the vision of Jesus  
expressed in the Beatitudes  
as it unfolds in our daily life,  
through time, talent and treasure.*

## SACRAMENT INFORMATION

### Baptism

Parents, please contact the Parish Center during the pregnancy, or prior to adoption, to begin preparing for your child's baptism.

### Penance

Saturdays 1:00-2:00 pm or by appointment.

### Marriage

Arrangements must be made one year in advance.

### Anointing of the Sick

At two special Eucharistic Liturgies in Church during the year. Visitation of the sick at home any time.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

For those interested in becoming a Catholic. Call the Parish Center for information.