

May 31, 2009

PENTECOST SUNDAY

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 30

5 p.m. **Theresa Pagano**
r/o John and Nancy Vas Korlis

Sunday, May 31

8 a.m. **Robert Burger**
r/o Daughter Margaret Bitecola
10:30 a.m. **Michelina & William Juliano**
r/o Family

Monday, June 1

8:45 a.m. **Robert Gross & Charles Folk**
r/o Angela Gross

Tuesday, June 2

8:45 a.m. **Souls in Purgatory**
r/o Don & Cathleen DeLorenzo

Wednesday, June 3

8:45 a.m. **Pasqualina & Rechrdoni**
r/o Diane Thomas

Thursday, June 4

8:45 a.m. **Dr. William J. Duffy**
r/o Charlene Cote

First Friday, June 5

8:45 a.m. **Edward & Anna Durnin**
r/o Mary Rupell

First Saturday, June 6

8:45 a.m. **Eleanor Neary**
r/o Mary Rupell
5 p.m. **Frank Kinney**
r/o Nadie & Paul Hill

Sunday, June 7

8 a.m. **Madeline Russo**
r/o The Saksa Family
10:30 a.m. **Evelyn Reese**
r/o The Lea Family



Tabernacle Candle in loving memory of the Family of Susan Reynolds: Anna Kane, Rose Kane, Francis Kane, Jeanette Urbano, Salvatore Urbano and Patrick Kane
By Paul and Elisabeth Boccolini



Altar Candles in loving memory of Michael Kelleher
By The Ouellette Family

Please Pray For

Margaret Glackin, Leslie Kuhn, Erin Stanton, Chris, Mrs. Fred Logan, Mrs. Skiawinska, Debbie Carmeci, Bree, Anna & John Saksa, Jurg Rennert, Ray Baldwin, Heather, Stephen

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts

We begin the second main part of the Mass, the Liturgy of the Eucharist with the preparation of the gifts. The Liturgy of the Eucharist takes place at the altar. We call it the altar because a sacrifice will take place here, the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross will be made present to us here. Bread and wine will be offered to God. Both the bread and wine are the 'work of human hands' so in presenting the bread and wine to God we are presenting something of ourselves. As the priest presents the bread and wine to God let each member of the congregation offer themselves to God and surrender themselves to God. While the gifts are being prepared the collection is taken up. What people give is expressive of themselves and is used for the upkeep for the parish.

When the priest mingles the water and wine in the chalice he prays 'By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity'. Christ became human, one of us, and we ask him to help us become more like him, more Christ-like. The mingling of the water and wine symbolize the mingling of Jesus and the Church, that Jesus and the Church are one.

The priest washes his hands as an expression of his desire for inward purification. When washing his hands the priest prays, 'Lord wash away my iniquity and cleanse me from my sins'.

The prayer over the gifts concludes the introduction the Liturgy of the Eucharist. **The Eucharistic Prayer** follows with its variable preface. The Preface begins with 'The Lord be with you' and concludes with the Holy, Holy. The Eucharistic Prayer is a great prayer of thanksgiving. Each Eucharistic Prayer contains the following elements.

The priest prays with both hands stretched over the gifts. At this time he prays the Holy Spirit may come upon the gifts and make them holy. The bread and wine now begins changing into the Body and Blood of Jesus, and not only at the consecration.

1. The priest raises the consecrated host and chalice of wine to the people so that they can adore Jesus truly present in the bread and wine. I invite you to look and Jesus and adore him as he is elevated in the bread and chalice.
2. After the Institution Narrative (consecration) the prayer remembers the actions of Jesus to save us.
3. The priest offers Jesus, the victim, to the Father.
4. There is a prayer once more to the Holy Spirit, this time to come down on the people and unite them.
5. This is followed by many petitions.
6. At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer the priest raises up the bread and wine as a reminder that it is through Christ, with him and in him that everything is made holy.

In Christ, Fr. Zenek, SDS

FYI

50/50 Drawing: This Sunday after the 10:30 Mass

Good Luck!

Little Brook Nursing Home, Califon,

NJ: Father will be saying monthly Mass there starting May 20 at 3 p.m. The nursing home is looking for Catholics (women & men) to say

the Rosary with their residents. If you would like participate in this new ministry, please see Fr. Zenek. Praying the Rosary with these individuals will enrich their spiritual life and they would be very appreciative. "Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain Mercy."

When sending mail to the church:

Please make sure you include our Post Office Box Number **(PO Box 146)** on your mail or the Post Office will not deliver it.

Mass of the Anointing of the Sick

Bishop Bootkoski will be celebrating a special Mass of the Anointing of the Sick on Saturday, June 20, 2009, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Francis Cathedral. This healing Mass is open to all the faithful of the diocese in need of healing and desire to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. If attending you must pre-register by June 10 by calling the cathedral at 732-548-0100. Information about the Mass is available on the diocesan website at www.diometuchen.org

ALTAR SERVERS

June 6 Luke & Grace Gleba

June 7 Mackenzie & Robert Mason-8; Angelica Jackson, Gianna Orrechio, Megan VanAlstyne-10:30

June 13 Evan & Ryan Moran

June 14 Robert & Juliette Capaldo-8; Kaitlyn Gagliano, Philip Koskoff, Justin Watt-10:30

LECTORS

June 6 John Haines

June 7 Theresa Lucas-8; Helene Picht-10:30

June 13 Nancy Guerriere

June 14 Mary Rupell-8; Bob Gagliano 10:30

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

June 6 Charles Shipley E, Eileen Mattison C, Ray Vonderheide C

June 7 Diane Keggan E, Monica Merkel C, Nadie Hill C-8; Tina Jackson E, Karl & Rose Strohmaier C-10:30

June 13 Tim Moran E, Ginny Moran C, Ray Vonderhiede C

June 14 Emily Cirone E, Joan Capaldo C, Bill Supple C-8; Jane Labato E, Phil & Mary Koskoff C-10:30

(Altar Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers: Please don't forget to sign in when you are serving the Mass.)

Last Week \$2,790.91; Summer Collection \$157.00
Last Year \$4,437.75; Summer Collection \$163.35



Special Collection

June 6: Diocesan Assessment: This collection is to help us pay the property assessment and insurance premium levied by the Diocese. We have been assessed \$36,000 for the property and \$16,000 for insurance. Ten thousand dollars was paid in December 2008 for the assessment, along with a \$7,000 fee for Catholic middle school children.

In April, I had a meeting with the diocesan director of the Office of Finance to discuss our situation. I explained to him that our collections were down from the previous year and it was impossible for us to meet this obligation. As a result of this conference, the director forgave the balance of the assessment for this year (\$23,000); however, we must pay the insurance premium. We also have to pay the Diocese the assessment of \$3,000 for Catholic High Schools.

Please know that these collections (three times a year) marked "**Diocesan Assessment**" are earmarked for the assessment costs and will not be applied by the Diocese for any other purpose.

I have trimmed our budget and instituted many cost-saving measures since I became your administrative pastor in August, trying to save money in preparation for unforeseen expenses. As I said to you last week, I need your help. I thank you and may God bless you.

Fr. Zenek

Religious Education Corner

ATTENTION CONFIRMATION PARENTS:

If you are interested in purchasing your child's Confirmation photos, please contact Andrew Myers at 908-835-0085, 9 Ramapo Way, Washington, NJ 07882 or www.amyers.net

2009 Religious Education Registration

Registration forms for the 2009 Religious Education Sessions have been mailed. Please complete the form and mail or deliver it to the Parish Office by the June 30 deadline. This form can be downloaded from our web site www.sttheodorenj.com

Life Choices: Life Choices adds Pathway to Peace, a post-abortion program of healing: If you are affected by the aftermath of abortion, this prayerful, Bible-based program has been created to help you find the Lord's forgiveness and peace. Completely confidential, compassionate help. No judgment. For information & meeting places: 908-213-6974 or vicky@lifechoicesonline.org

Our Weekly Offering