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Welcome Q!

On Tuesday, we officially welcomed **Q Furnald** as our **Director of Youth Ministry and Contemporary Music**. This past weekend many had the opportunity to hear from Q and personally welcome him to Notre Dame.



May Crowning at our Family Mass

May Crowning is a traditional Roman Catholic ritual held during May. It is a solemn procession leading to a statue of the Blessed Virgin being crowned with a garland or crown of flowers, honoring Mary as "the Queen of Heaven and the Mother of God." Our parish celebrated May Crowning this past Sunday at our Family Mass.

Before Mass, children prepared "Thank You" cards for our Blessed Mother.



The children then processed to the Altar and presented our Blessed Mother with carnations and their Thank You notes, while Sienna Bono, assisted by Fr. Alex, crowned the statue of our Blessed Mother.





After Mass, children were given a May Crowning coloring page and instructions for their family on how to pray the Rosary.

Special thanks to Cherylan Davies for capturing these special memories! Click [HERE](#) to view more...

Guatemala Outreach: *Yesterday's generosity paves the way for the future of a child!*

To a great extent, the COVID pandemic has limited the works of our Guatemala Outreach Ministry the last couple of years. However, our faith community's generous support continues through the **From Houses to Homes (FHTH)** organization, helping with the basic needs of shelter and food. In addition, education sponsorship continues at the FHTH **Kemna 'Oj School**; our parish has been sponsoring Axel Danilo since 2016, and several parishioners are also sponsoring children. Below we share special news the Tortorellos received regarding the longer-term impact of their support to a child at the school.

Dear Antony,

Greetings from our sponsorship program of From Houses to Homes. I would like to share some great news from José Julián Orón Bocel, the student you sponsored and graduated high school last year. José Julián received a diploma of recognition from the Departmental

Director of Education, Mr. Miguel de Jesús Hernández, as well as a kit containing an electronic tablet, backpack, pen, and mouse pad. José was highlighted for his academic performance at the national level, getting second place and representing the Galileo Galilei School of Antigua, Guatemala. Thank you again for your kindness; your sponsorship makes an enormous difference!

*Carmen Dardon, Administrative Assistant/Student Sponsorship Coordinator
From Houses to Homes Guatemala*



Anthony with José Julián in 2018.

2018 Guatemala Outreach missionaries with sponsored children and their families.

Community Service: It's a Family Affair



Emma Lutkowki and her mom Michelle went to Market Street Mission in Morristown. They made crosses and hearts on the cafeteria walls for the 60 residents who live there and community members who come to eat. Small cards are signed and sent in with donations, so they decided to put them to good use!



Ronan & Emmet Davies collected seven large boxes of art supplies for a special needs school, volunteered at Table of Hope in Morristown, volunteered at their school during parent-teacher conferences, and mowed lawns and shoveled snow for neighbors.

"As a family, we went to support our neighbor (who is disabled) in a play he was



partaking in. He was so happy to have the audience and it was lovely to see him so happy :). We also collected food, toys, and medical supplies for a dog shelter Save A Sato Foundation in Puerto Rico; we carried a suitcase full of these supplies on our vacation in April and then delivered them together to the shelter. We stayed at the shelter for about 2 hours and helped the volunteers to walk some of the dogs. In August, we fostered 4 kittens who were in need of a temporary home. We fed them, played with them, and took care of them until they were ready to be adopted."



"We have really enjoyed these service activities and will continue to instill the importance of these acts of kindness in our boys and in our family. In fact, Ronan is looking to continue supporting the ECLC school next fall by starting up an afterschool program where he and some kids from his High School go on a regular basis after school to support the kids - to play basketball, read, help with homework, etc."

Krista Davies



Janis Parrillo Catalano
These girls right here! Doing a little Earth Day weekend clean up! 🌍
Thank you for noticing and thanks for the shout out!
They did Malapardis, Brickyard and the Quick Check area. 😊



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Community service is an essential component of our teens' journey in preparation for Confirmation and their continuing spiritual journey.

When service opportunities are sought and offered with a generous heart and spirit, our relationship with God is deepened, as is that with our fellow brothers and sisters. In addition, our giving in service to our community helps us spread Christ's teachings and inspire others to do the same. Serving others is contagious!

Joe & Monica: Committed but Not Perfect



This awesome couple, parishioners Joe & Monica Orecchio, will share about their 36-year "Committed...But Not Perfect" journey as husband and wife at the Marriage Ministry Year-End Dinner event **Friday, May 20 at 6:30 pm in our Parish Hall**. As part of the event, there will also be a delicious Buffet Dinner by Sergio's of Denville. And for those couples who have little ones 2-10 years of age, onsite childcare will be provided! Of course, all couples are welcome, so be sure to invite others you know. Just click [HERE](#) to let us know you'll be joining us!

How do you bring Jesus wherever you go?

Fr. Alex recently challenged young children (and adults!) to be intentional about sharing Jesus with others.

Young Evan brings Jesus to others by praying before leaving for school. What a great reminder that our efforts to share Jesus wherever we go must be grounded in prayer!



Fresh from our Social Media Corner

by Melissa Fasano



The **Miraculous Medal Novena** is a special time to honor Our Lady and ask her to intercede for us with her Son, Jesus. Whether you have ever participated or not, come any Monday at 7:15 PM for a spiritually enriching prayer opportunity. We pray the Rosary at 7:15 PM, followed by the Miraculous Medal Novena at 7:45. Come to honor Our Lady because, after all, it is Mary who brings Jesus to us every day! Join us Mondays, 7:15 – 8:15 PM, in our church.

HAPPENING...

**This week's Mass
& Memorial Lamp
Intentions**

**Parishioner
Announcements**

Bible Timeline: *Get Closer to God's Love and Our Faith*

Consider joining **The Bible Timeline**, a 24-session journey revealing the remarkable story of our Faith.



Begins Thursday, June 2nd at 6:30 pm. Please click [HERE](#) for details and to register.

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Monthly Food Collection

3rd weekend of each month in our Gathering Space



Food Collection

UPCOMING:

May 14 & 15, 2022

Note: Please bring your donations no later than **11:30 am, Sunday**.

This is a food collection ONLY, Please do not bring clothing bags into the building. We appreciate your cooperation!

WEDNESDAY, May 18th, 7:30 pm

Downstairs in the Resource Library



Women's Guided Meditation





Registration is open for this year's Vacation Bible School!
Click below to find out more.



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