

Since 1848 The Parish Family of

*The Church of the Assumption
of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

Welcomes You

February 14, 2021



As we pray for you, we ask for your prayers.

*Mass
Schedule*

Saturday

8:00 a.m.

5:30 p.m.

Sunday

7:00, 8:30, 10:00 a.m.

12:15 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

(Sept.-May)

Weekdays

7:00 a.m.

12:05 p.m.

Holy Days

5:30 p.m. Vigil

(Day Before)

7:00 a.m. &

12:05, 7:30 p.m.

National Holidays

9:00 a.m.



Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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Visit our Website: www.assumptionparish.org

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Parish Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 8:30—4 p.m. Friday 8:30—3 p.m.

Parish Registration: Call 973-539-2141 or visit the parish website at www.assumptionparish.org.

Assumption School: 973-538-0590; www.assumptionnj.org
Sr. Merris Larkin, S.C. Principal

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Tara Speer: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Sue Paradise: Secretary

The Faith Formation traditional program for kindergarten through 8th grade will meet virtually for 2020-2021. Second grade sacramental prep will have a blended model, face-to-face and virtual. Confirmation prep will also have a blended model. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd classes will meet September–April on Sundays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and will adhere to all state guidelines and regulations.

Music Ministry—973-539-2141, extension 19
Claudia Nardi: Director, Dr. Fran Covalessky, Organist
Adult Choir, Youth Ministry Choir, Children's Choir

Holy Rood Cemetery—973-539-7501
Website: www.holyroodcemeterynj.com

Diana Loughman: Cemetery Director
Emerson Brito, Emerson Pavezzi: Caretakers

Church Sexton—Doug Reisch

Deaf Interpreter - Kathleen Skaf

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

During Covid, confessions are heard by appointment only.

Marriage: Arrangements should be made with a priest or deacon by registered parishioners **at least one year in advance** of the marriage date. Marriage arrangements should be made PRIOR to reserving reception facility.

Baptisms: Contact Liz Rotunno in the Parish Office to arrange your child's Baptism. For first-time parents, attendance at a Baptismal Preparation class is required. Prep classes are held on the second Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

Visitation of the Sick and Elderly: Please keep us informed so that we may be attentive to those who are ill at home or in the hospital. Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring Communion on Sundays.

Parish Ministries

Africa Surgery	Tom Johnson	973-292-3320
Altar Linens	Mike Cherello	973-267-6825
Altar Servers	Fr. John Hart	973-539-2141
Bereavement	Michele Cameron	973-769-9634
Bethany Ministry	Linda Macios	973-539-2141
Boy Scouts	Kevin Kelly	973-727-7082
Cub Scouts	Cassandra Nielsen	973-452-3857
Centering Prayer	Fr. Ken Lasch	973-538-2653
Children's Worship	Linda Cannilla	973-540-1683
CYO Basketball	Kevin Bopp	917-861-2876
Endowment for Poor	Claudia Nardi	973-539-2141
Eucharistic Min.	Marybeth Wooters	973-538-6784
Family Promise	Brian Doherty	973-714-7674
Finance Committee	Greg Kurlander	973- 984-9516
Food Pantry	Claudia Nardi	973-539-2141
Gardening	Fr. Lukasz Wnuk	973-539-2141
Giving Tree	Brian Morgan	973-462-6972
Good Samaritan	Jeanette Fredericks	973-267-7152
Home School Assoc.	Jean Jabbour	973-809-8630
Holistic Health	Michele Cameron	973-769-9634
Homeless Solutions	Ralph Ferrara	973-769-6418
Knights of Columbus	William C. Duggan, Jr.	973-960-6417
Lectors	Andrea Bozzi	973-656-9864
Men's Group	Peter Zarembo	215-518-4973
Nursing Homes	Mary Dibble	973- 998-0838
Pre-Cana	Ken and Rosa Rose	973-539-9845
RCIA	Fr. John Hart	973-539-2141
Respect Life	Sue and	
	Dave O'Dougherty	973-993-3068
Safe Environment	Linda Macios	973-539-2141
Senior Citizens	Janet Dedrick	973-539-7811
Separation / Divorce	Deacon Elliott Stein	973-539-2141
Soup Kitchen	Annaliese Rush	973-455-0391
Spiritual Direction	Karen Florance	973-476-5542
Ushers	Anthony Romano	973-267-5433
Village Angels/Tanzania	Johanna Burani	973-610-4856
Welcome /Hospitality	Moiria Clarkin	973-539-4390
Women's Cornerstone	Chrissy West	973-809-1646
Vocations	Fr. John Brandi	973-539-2141
Young Professionals	Fr. Lukasz Wnuk	973-539-2141
Youth Ministry	Clare Ettensohn	973-267-8519

MASS INTENTIONS	
SATURDAY	February 13
8:00 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Parish
5:30 p.m.	Peter DeParto Ruth Rogers
SUNDAY	February 14
7:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
8:00 a.m.	Vincent Borelli Gina Gonzales Dan Poling Dave Heiner
10:00 a.m.	Angela Brandi Valerie Roast O'Connor
12:15 p.m.	Leonard Pergentile Marie Dooner
5:30 p.m.	
MONDAY	February 15
9:00 a.m.	Stanley Kozlowski
TUESDAY	February 16
7:00 a.m.	Patricia Ann Hassert
12:05 p.m.	Kay Slattery Mary MacNeil
WEDNESDAY	February 17
7:00 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Parish
12:05 p.m.	Charles and Jeanne Seergy
5:30 p.m.	Deborah Johnston
7:30 p.m.	Merian Rochino
THURSDAY	February 18
7:00 a.m.	Marco Mancini
12:05 p.m.	Joseph Baron Marykate Schweiger
FRIDAY	February 19
7:00 a.m.	Mark Sponaro
12:05 p.m.	David Paradowski Rose McAdams
SATURDAY	February 20
8:00 a.m.	Madeline Longo
5:30 p.m.	John Doody Thomas Haltigan
SUNDAY	February 21
7:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
8:00 a.m.	Peter O'Hagan Kaitlin Mulholland
10:00 a.m.	Giacamo Maccarrone Richard Anderson
12:15 p.m.	James Del Guidice Brian McNally
5:30 p.m.	Alan Mautone

HELP NEEDED AFTER LITURGIES

Assumption Church needs many volunteers to help us assist those attending Mass each weekend, to answer questions, to sanitize the church after each Mass, and monitor compliance with the requirement to wear a mask or face covering. Volunteers should be between the ages of 18 and 60, and have no underlying health conditions. If you can help contact Bill Duggan, at wcdugganjr@hotmail.com or 973-960-6417.

First Reading: **Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46**

This Hebrew Scripture reading describes the community health precautions to be taken to prevent the spread of leprosy.

Second Reading: **1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1**

In this brief excerpt from one of his letters, the Apostle Paul urges all believers to be motivated by the desire to glorify God.

Gospel: **Mark 1:40-45**

In this passage from early in his Gospel, Mark describes how Jesus heals a leper and instructs him to follow the health codes of Leviticus. Despite an apparent effort to avoid sensationalism, the news of the cure attracts still more interest in Jesus.



Be Made Clean

We invite you to prayerfully reflect on the Readings for the week of February 14

Monday	Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday	Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday	Ash Wednesday Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2; Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18
Thursday	Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 9:22-25
Friday	Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday	Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday	First Sunday of Lent Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

**PLEASE REMEMBER AND PRAY
FOR THE RECOVERY OF:**

Charles Arnolt, Charles Arteglier, Greg and John Baxter, Paula Rose Carducci, Jim Cavanaugh, John Hyland, Kenneth Krause, Nancy Arteglier, Jim Mongey, Sister Marie Graziano, Jack Guerriero, Francesca Kobylarz-Bongiorno, Saletha Corbin, Ray Donovan, Stephanie Trincanello, Rob Loia, Terri Abrams, Louis Cicitta, John Jennings, Janet Friedman, Janet Stiles, Audrey Roast, Vivian Hart, Debra Phillip, Capt. Roseanne Hartley, Gloria Dabal, Millie Fragopane, Norman Gravino, Kenneth Bodnar, Dr. Orlando Ternen, Linda Leo, Michael Scavone, David Levit, Sylvia Walsh, Philip Barret, Rowland Lucid, Francis Romance, Joey Jones, Marianne Jones, Joe Jones, Anthony Sauchelli, Angela Caraccia, Maria Marrero-Kirc, Ian Nguyen, Rossana Wright, Jim Wright, Will Cofnuk, Fred Lawless, Margarita Pagan, Kyle Gannon, Mary Author, Marie-Abou-Daoud, Irma Zuwolinsky, Cody Diorio, Fr. Philip-Michael Tangorra, Fr. Edwin Saumut, Len Solimene, Richard Giacabone, Frank Vallario, Walter Touchette, Ray Maskal, Dale Potter, Sr. Joan Daniel Healy, Fr. Joseph Lugo, Fr. Leonardo Jaramillo, Rev. Yohan Serrano, Jean McHugh, Lonnie Ridley, Fr. Eugene Romano, Catherine and Raymond Corrine, Joseph Luayon, Vincent Marella, Fr. Rick Hardy, Phyllis Savage, Kiva Sullivan, Carl Sullivan, Mark Anderl, Mary Anne Gotch, Tom Walsh, Regina Bennett, Valdo Brito, Eric Simonsen, Rev. Milton Comargo, Lilian Vargas, James Basile, Jack Anderson, Anita Sullivan, Sal Enea, Patty Gallagher, Mark Enea, Brian LaBoryf, Sr. Jo Mascera, Charolette Spires, Richard Comerford, Andrew Sudylo, Delia McGee and Maurice Elbeck, Tony Pace, Kathleen Peg, Maria and Sidney Bowers, Msgr. George Dudak, Donald Karsko, Alex Donahoe, Bobby and Felicia Callagy, Don Karsko, Holly O'Boyle, Carol Burns, Jeff and Marie Frew, Doris Costello, Jamari Harris-Gomez and Maria Gomez-Espinal, Donita Judge, Luis Jiminez, Angela Caraccia, Rob, Lindsay Chabak, Ann Waller, Danny Leo, Maryann Casale, Michael Moran, Sr., the Spruiel Family, Matius Kling, Blanca Kling, Aramina Lake, John Morris, Jean Brady, the Montagne Family, Patrick Sapio, Cheryl Biegel, Carmine Cavezza, Kerrie Bee, Diane J, Danielle M., Karch Csilla, Pat Sapio, Miriam Tamburello, Roman Gawlik.

Please call the Parish Office at 973-539-2141 with the names of who you would like included in the prayers for the good health of the sick and homebound.

**ETERNAL REST
GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD**

Mark Spagnola
Husband of Peggy

Aniello "Neil" Spagnuolo
Father of David

Alan James Mautone
Husband of Susan

**PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH
COMMUNITY AND THEIR LOVED ONES WHO HAVE
SERVED, OR ARE SERVING, IN THE ARMED FORCES**

CW3 Michael Benkosky Green Beret, Special Forces, Airborne Joint Forces; Captain William H. Shipp, Military Professor, Naval War College, Newport, RI; Andrew Vasquez US Army; Andy Soucy US Army; Dan Lessnau Former Marine and Veteran of the Viet Nam War; Kevin Felix US Military Colonel; Lt. Tim Fleury, US Navy; Staff Sergeant William J. McSweeney Retired Marine Served Around the World; Matthew Gonabe, Lt. US Navy Pilot Serving in the Persian Gulf; David Ribardo, 1st Lt. US Army Serving in Afghanistan; Capt. Brendan Griswold 82nd Air Borne in Afghanistan; Capt. Patrick Flynn, US Army 1st Infantry, Afghanistan; Sergeant Richard Galluzzo Serving in Afghanistan, Lt. Thomas Keyes Jr.; Capts. Scott and Meghan Harra, US Army in Afghanistan; Captain Timothy Newcomb, US Army Special Forces; Col. Jason M. Barrett, USMC in Iraq and Afghanistan; Capt. Andrew Pineda and Capt. Laurence Pineda, US Air Force, SMSgt. John Bartow, Stratton ANGB NY, Douglas Reisch, 1/325 Infantry, 82nd Airborne Division, Daniel Baron, US Navy, Hawaii, CPT Schuyler Orecchio, US Army, Special Operator 2nd Class Patrick Gaven, USN, Staff Sargent Brent M. Betit, ARNG, First Sgt. Jeramiah Dempsey, USAF, Dr. Casey McCann, Lt. Commander Navy; 1st Lt. J.D. Poling, US Army, Gitmo, Cuba, PFC Peter Mitchell, USMC, Dale G. Potter, Retired Lt. Commander US Navy, and Major US Marine Corps, Lt. Michael Herbert Jr. 3-66 Armored Brigade 1st Infantry Division Fort Riley Kansas deployed to Germany, Seaman Connor Fitzpatrick, US Navy, Great Lakes, IL., Brendan Rochelle, PFC, 1/127 82nd Airborne, Fort Bragg.

GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY

Do you need help? Our Good Samaritan Ministry can assist registered parishioners with various errands and services. If you, or anyone you know, is unable to get groceries, prescriptions or other necessities, due to the Coronavirus restrictions or for any other reason, please have them contact our Good Samaritan coordinator for the month of January, Audrey Geraghty at (973) 538-3134.



JESUS HEALS THE LEPER

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, “If you wish, you can make me clean.” Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, “I do will it. Be made clean.” (Mark 1: 40-45)

A painful moment recounted in **The Christian Century** [August 19, 2018]:

He had been a minister for 25 years. He was a generous colleague to other clergy in the area, serving on committees and attending ordinations and installations. He had friends in other churches — or so he thought.

Then a dispute erupted in his church resulting in public charges, counter charges, angry public meetings, and critical articles in the local newspaper. A long, ugly, drawn-out legal process tore the parish apart. Seeing him at meetings, his fellow clergy were friendly — but distant. After all, they had their own churches — and skins — to worry about.

In time, the issues were resolved and the parish was healing. At their next gathering, his fellow ministers greeted him warmly, clapping him on the back, shaking his hand. One minister offered a prayer of thanksgiving that all had ended well.

Later at the meeting, the minister stood and asked to speak. He didn’t talk about the issue his parish had faced or the long legal process. He told his brother and sister ministers “about the silence at the center of the noise” — about the phone that never rang in a gesture of friendship, his feeling of being deserted by friends and colleagues in ministry.”

“Where were you?” he asked. “I didn’t expect you to take a stand alongside me. It wasn’t your battle. I did expect your friendship, your offers of prayer, a shared cup of coffee. We could have talked about something else. Or we could just sit together for a bit, not saying anything. Where were you?”

A minister who was there remembers, “There was a silence and downcast faces. In our silence, we were ashamed. And, I hope, recalled our better selves, as ministers and as people.”

Our attitudes and perceptions can reduce others to “lepers”: those we avoid for fear of being caught up in their problems or crises, those who don’t “fit” our image of class and decorum, those whose politics or religion or race or gender seem to threaten our own. We exile these “lepers” to the margins of society outside our gates; we dismiss them with simplistic labels and unfair stereotypes; we reject them as too “unclean” to be part of our lives and our world. The Christ who heals lepers comes to heal



People kept coming to him
from everywhere.

us, as well, of our debilitating sense of self that blinds us to the sacredness and dignity of those we demean as “lepers,” to heal us of our own “leprosy” so that we are able to realize again that God extends his compassion and grace even to the likes of us. Before God, no one is a leper, no one is beyond the reach of God’s healing mercy and compassion; all of us are sons and daughters of God; all of us are made in the sacred image of the God of justice, peace and reconciliation. (Connections)

In Christ’s Peace,
Father John

HEALED AND RESTORED

All of us have encountered illness either in our own lives or in the lives of those who are close to us. We can recognize the impact of illness. We know it takes physical toll but also a social and spiritual toll as well.

Adults: How do I understand the "integral healing" and the restoration that only God can offer, as I reflect on my own experience of illness and limitation?

Children: When has God helped me to feel better?

A Family Perspective: By choosing to heal the man with leprosy, Jesus showed God's compassion for the sick and the outcast. The sick and the outcast of our world are watching us, to see if we as Christians will choose to extend ourselves to others in need of healing and compassion.

Gather with your family and talk about some of the choices you have made as a family. How does your family go about making these decisions? What do your choices communicate to others about your family's values?

LENTEN FAITH SHARING YOUTH GROUP

This Lent connect with others in a virtual small group experience focused on building community through prayer, discussion of Scripture and sharing of life. We will pray with the powerful examples Jesus reveals with His life through the Gospel of John, each week diving into a different characteristic of His sacrificial love.

This Lenten small faith sharing group is open to all high-school aged youth. The group will begin on Wednesday, February 24th at 7:00pm and continue to meet virtually at 7:00pm on Wednesdays during Lent.

Register in advance on our parish website at www.assumptionparish.org.

WE ARE HALFWAY TO OUR GOAL! AFRICA SURGERY NEEDS YOUR HELP

Africa Surgery again wants to send a 40-foot container of badly-needed supplies to Sierra Leone, West Africa, including crutches, wheelchairs, hand-powered mobility carts for victims of polio, and more. The total cost of the shipment will be about \$7,000. If you wish to participate in this drive, please send your check for any amount to: Africa Surgery, Inc., 70 Macculloch Ave., Morristown, NJ 07960. Please write "container" in the memo box. You can also donate online at assumptionparish.org/africa-surgery-inc

ASSUMPTION SCHOOL RAFFLE

Please support our HSA Grand Raffle, which is our major fundraiser for this year. Tickets are \$5.00 each. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket please call Assumption School at (973) 539-2141. The prize remains the same, a **\$10,000 Amex Gift Card** and the drawing will take place on Saturday, March 13th. For information contact hsafundraising@assumptionnj.org.

You can also make a tax deductible donation to the school directly from our parish website www.assumptionparish.org.

MASS ATTENDANCE FEBRUARY 6/7

	In Church (People)	Online (Households)
5:30 p.m.	110	119
8:00 a.m.	73	140
10:00 a.m.	41	178
12:15 p.m.	14	75
Total:	238	512

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

Assumption is a Tithing Parish

The collection total for the weekend of February 6/7 was \$15,794. The collection total for this weekend last year was \$21,175.

Pastors Note: I am most grateful to you for your sacrificial giving in our offertory every week. Your generosity empowers Assumption to accomplish the charge given to us by Jesus to go and make disciples of all people. Thank you for helping us to spread the Good News! Jesus Christ is Risen!

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE DURING LENT

What does it mean to "fast"? To fast is to do without food. Its purpose is to experience the effects of not eating. It also serves to be a penance or a sacrifice - for the purpose of strengthening us. When we don't eat, for even a little while, we get hungry. When we get hungry, we have a heightened sense of awareness. If, when we eat too much, we have a sluggish feeling, when we fast, we have a feeling of alertness. Fasting is a wonderful exercise whenever we want to sincerely ask for an important grace from God. It is not that our fasting "earns" God's attention, but by fasting, we clarify our thinking and our feeling. It is purifying and prepares us to pray more deeply.

What does it mean to "abstain"? To abstain is to not eat meat. Its purpose is to be an act of penance - an act of sacrifice, that helps us grow in freedom to make much bigger sacrifices. Of course, it would not make sense to make the sacrifice of not eating meat, and then eat a wonderful meal I might enjoy even more. Many people eat a vegetarian diet, for a variety of reasons, and eating meat is not even an issue. It might be possible to abstain from a non-meal that I really like, on all the Fridays of Lent. It should be noted that many people in this world cannot afford to eat meat or do not have access to it. Part of our abstaining from meat can place us in solidarity with so many of our sisters and brothers around the world.

During Lent, Catholics in the United States abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. They fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

To abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent means to not eat meat on those days. It does not intend the omission of eggs or dairy products.

The required fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday involves eating only one full meal on those days. One or two smaller meals may be taken on those days, but may not total one full meal. The required fast does not allow eating anything between meals.

"All Catholics who have completed their fourteenth year are bound by the law of abstinence; all adults are bound by the law of fast up to the beginning of their sixtieth year."

**THANK YOU DEACON MIKE AND JEANNE
MAY GOD BLESS YOU**



Mike and Jeanne Hanly joined the parish with their two young children, Holly and Paul, in 1980. It was time for Holly to start school and so it was Assumption School that led them

to the parish and they haven't looked back.

When asked, why did you decide to become a deacon, Mike said that there was a lot going on in his life in the mid-80's. His mother and Jeanne's father both died suddenly, Jeanne was diagnosed with breast cancer and Mike had to leave his job at the ad agency. He began to question, what's going on, God? Maybe there's something else that should be part of my life. That prompted him to talk to Fr. Dericks, who was pastor at the time, and to begin one year of discernment before enrolling in the diocesan diaconate training program. Fr. Martin Rauscher arrived at Assumption when Mike was half way through his training and he, like Fr. Dericks, was very supportive of his decision.

Mike was ordained on May 25, 1991 by Bishop Frank Rodimer. Fr. John happened to be at Mike's ordination because he was Bishop Rodimer's Secretary at the time. Now, as pastor, Mike is grateful for Fr. John's continued support of his ministry here at Assumption.

In the early days of his diaconate, Mike was mentored by Deacons Tony DeLorenzo and Bill Harty. Deacon Mike has been the baptizer of more than 900 Baptisms, witnessed more than 50 weddings and led numerous wake, funeral and graveside services. Jeanne and Deacon Mike were coordinators of the Pre-Cana Ministry here at Assumption for 18 years. Mike also served as the coordinator of the Respect Life Ministry for ten years. Deacon Mike and Jeanne led small group faith sharing *Renew* and later, *Why Catholic*, programs. For a period of eight years, Jeanne and Mike were catechists for our Faith Formation program. Then, for 10 years or more, Mike was the visiting Deacon for our Faith Formation classes, particularly on Sunday mornings. He led classroom sessions,

coordinated prayer services in the Little Theater of the school, and guided grade level tours of our church. In more recent years, Mike and Jeanne both served as catechists for our Fridays Faith & Family program. Deacon Mike has always tried to make these encounters fun and considered it a privilege to be a part of sacramental celebrations.

Deacon Mike has enjoyed being a channel for people to God, an interface. He hopes that by his enthusiasm he might direct people to come in touch with their faith. Recognizing God in other people has made Mike more keenly aware of his role as an evangelizer in all walks of his life. One who is held to a higher standard and called to live up to the image of a deacon because people are watching. No doubt, his two grandsons, James and Christopher, are watching and how fortunate for them to have Mike in their lives.

Mike says that, his wife, Jeanne has been his rock throughout his ministry. She has offered her unconditional support and a total reality check with regards to homilies. Mike has trusted her judgement and common sense point of view from the perspective of someone in the pew. And, she has been an example of Christian living day to day, much like his mother was, and has influenced how he has lived out his life and his ministry.

Deacon Mike has decided to step down from active ministry to give other deacons more opportunity to preach and baptize, and to be enriched by many of the same experiences he has had for the past 30 years. He will continue to be available to advice and mentor them, as needed.

If you would like to send a card or a note to Deacon Mike, you can send it to the parish office at 91 Maple Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960

“He has shown you, O man, what is good;
and what does the LORD require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?”

Micah 6:8

LENT

PRAYER, FASTING, ALMSGIVING

ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 17

7:00 a.m. Mass

12:05 p.m. Mass

4:00 Service of the Word

5:30 p.m. Mass

7:30 p.m. Mass

RESERVATIONS NEEDED

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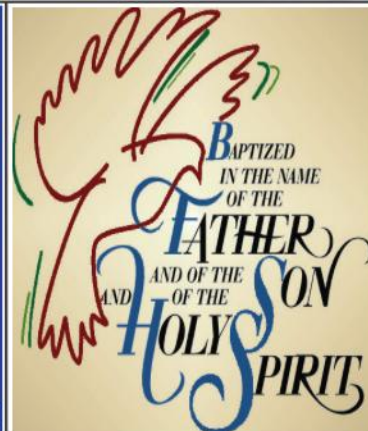


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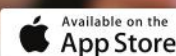
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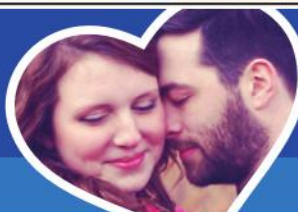
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