

### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Monday	March 25	Morning Mass	<b>9:00 AM</b>
Tuesday	March 26	Morning Mass	<b>9:00 AM</b>
		Chrism Mass, St. Francis Cathedral	<b>4:00 PM</b>
Wednesday	March 27	Morning Mass	<b>9:00 AM</b>
Holy Thursday	March 28	Mass of the Lord's Supper (will include the Ritual Washing of the Feet)	<b>7:30 PM</b>
Good Friday	March 29	Church will be open all day Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion Visitation of the Tomb of the Lord and Veneration of the Relic of the True Cross (All day, in the Church)	<b>3:00 PM</b>
		- <b>CHURCH CLOSES</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
		- <b>NO STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b>	
Holy Saturday	March 30	<b>NO 9:00 AM MASS</b> Blessing of Food Great Easter Vigil - Fulfills Sunday Obligation	<b>12:00 Noon</b> <b>7:30 PM</b>
Easter Sunday	March 31	Masses at 8:00, 10:00 & 12 Noon <b>NO Mass at 5 pm</b>	

There will be **NO** overflow Masses for the 10:00 & 12 Noon Masses.

No Confessions Will Be Heard at St. Augustine During The Triduum  
(Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday)

## Mass Intentions For The Week



March 10th, 2024  
Fourth Sunday of Lent

### SATURDAY, March 9

5:00 PM Rosa Coppola req.: Melania Scotto  
D'Aniello

### SUNDAY, March 10

8:00 AM Elaine A. Meszaros req.: Her Husband  
& Children

10:00 AM Eileen Fendt req.: Jim & Alice Kelly

12:00 PM Carmela DeLuca req.: The Family

5:00 PM Intentions of Alejandro Roig req.:  
Bernardo & Astrid Roig

### MONDAY, March 11

9:00 AM Erdos & Meszaros Relatives req.:  
Anne Pearce

7:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration

### TUESDAY, March 12

9:00 AM Intentions of Shane Quiterio & Family  
req.: John & Frederica Quiterio

### WEDNESDAY, March 13

9:00 AM Living & Deceased Parishioners of St.  
Augustine's

### THURSDAY, March 14

9:00 AM Anselm & Bridget Werner req.: Bob &  
Pat Mate

### FRIDAY, March 15

9:00 AM Rose Loffredo & Josephine Corio req.:  
Barbara Corio

### SATURDAY, March 16

No 9AM Mass

5:00 PM Living & Deceased Family and Friends  
of the Galaro Family

### SUNDAY, March 17

8:00 AM Salvatore Aucello req.: Steven &  
Carmen Aucello

10:00 AM Maria & Nicolas Raagas req.: Jocelyn  
Verdad

12:00 PM Theresa Collins req.: Christine  
Costantino

5:00 PM Paul Dosciter req.: The Family

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

March 11—March 17

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45

*Dwell ...*

*on the Word of God*



## SPIRITUAL REMEMBRANCE FOR WEEK OF March 10th, 2024

### TABERNACLE CANDLES

In Memory Of:

Elaine A. Meszaros

Donated by:

Her Husband & Children



## OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE



This week the Fatima statue will be in the home of The Roig-Corcelles Family. Please return the statue of Our Lady to the Church, by Saturday, March 9, 2024. Thank you for taking Our Lady on a journey through our parish.



## REST IN PEACE

Please remember the following parishioner who has died in your prayers, and for the families who mourn their loss.

**Dennis Zimmerman**

Brother-in-Law of Luz Zimmerman

99 Virginia Providence Blvd.

Kendall Park, NJ 08824-1930



## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### Monday, March 11th

2:00 PM Babysitting 101 w/First Aid  
7:00 PM Lenten Holy Hour  
8:00 PM A.A. Meeting

### Tuesday, March 12th

4:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal

### Wednesday, March 13th

6:00 PM Religious Education Classes  
6:30 PM Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal  
7:15 PM Breaking Open The Word  
7:45 PM Adult Parish Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, March 14th

11:15 AM Chime Choir Rehearsal  
6:00 PM School Father-Son Event  
7:00 PM Columbiettes' General Meeting

### Friday, March 15th

7:00 PM Way of the Cross

### Saturday, March 16th

8:00 AM Basketball  
10:00 AM Bereavement Group  
11:30 AM Confessions

### Sunday, March 17th

7:00 AM Parish Breakfast  
7:45 AM RCIA



## INTENTIONS OF OUR HOLY FATHER FOR DECEMBER

We are invited to unite with our Holy Father, Pope Francis, for this universal intention during the month of March.

**For the new martyrs:** We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.



## MEDITATION FOR March 10, 2024

*Offer gifts of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving out of love and gratitude to our merciful God.*

We offer our humble gifts of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving to God out of gratitude. We recognize that all is gift. God has poured out his grace upon us. We joyfully draw near to the giver of all good gifts in the spiritual practices we take up in this season.

The first reading chronicles the fall of Jerusalem because of the people's unfaithfulness, and the fulfillment of the prophecies through Cyrus, king of Persia. In his Letter to the Ephesians, Paul speaks of the richness of God's mercy and the immeasurable riches of his grace. The Gospel tells of Jesus' conversation with Nicodemus and the immense love God has for us.



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Here is the suggested schedule for children in our School and Religious Education program to attend. If you have children in different grades you are welcome choose one Friday in Lent and attend all

together as a family. *The children are to sit with their families.*

Stations of the Cross are held on the following Fridays at 7:00PM:

March 15 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

March 22 1<sup>st</sup> Grade/2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Please note: Good Friday is commemorated on Friday, March 29. The "Liturgy of the Lord's Passion" will take place at 3:00pm. There will be no Stations of the Cross on this day.



**Stewardship**  
*a way of life*

*"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son..." - John 3:16*

Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we are grateful and generous with our God-given gifts. That we nurture and develop our gifts, and in gratitude, generously give back with increase our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to support the mission and ministry of our parish and greater Church.

**March 3**

**\$ 21,011.00**

*Thank you for your continued generosity!*

# From the Pastor's Desk

## Mission Co-op Appeal

On the subsequent page is a letter we have received from the Apostolic Nuncio of the Central African Republic, Archbishop Giuseppe Laterza. The Mission Co-op Appeal will take place during the weekend of August 10-11, 2024. However, if you wish to contribute now in support of Archbishop Laterza's cause for the Church in Africa, as described in his letter, please use a regular, blank envelope and mark "Mission Co-Op" with your envelope number so we may provide you credit for your donation. I'll place the donations received during this time of Lent in a reserve account. Your donations will be sent after the Mission Co-Op collection in August. Especially in this Lenten time, you may be moved to make an added donation to this cause.

## From the Vatican

The Secretary of States Office has confirmed approval of a private tour of the Apostolic Palace on May 13 during my trip on May 6 to the 14th with my friend Bobby—whom I have known for over 30 some years—and his son—who is my godson—Anthony, 16. This is personally significant for me as May 13, 1984, is the anniversary of my first Mass. Perhaps my mother, Dorothy, was involved with this because that was Mother's Day in 1984! And it is the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima!

## My Continuing Health Journey

This past Monday afternoon, the face peel procedure was completed. Now ... I am healing.

Please take a moment to pray for all our parishioners who are facing illness and recovery of every sort in their life's journey.

## Condition of Parking Lot

A few parishioners have spoken to me about the condition of parking lot. In 2011, the parish paid \$250,000 to have the parking lot completely repaved. This was paid from reserved funds for the school.

Please understand that the entire property beneath the parish is shale. Because of the shale, there is

no way for any of the water to seep into the ground. This causes the macadam to heave and crack.

I will be in dialogue with pastoral board to discuss taking out a loan to have the parking lot repaved. Please know I'm aware of the situation of the parking lot and will address it in God's Providence.

## Snow Removal Bills

As the snow may be melting, the bills pile up. Over the months of January and February, we have received a total of \$14,589.00 in invoices for snow removal as follows:

Date received	Amount
January 7	\$2,000*
January 16	\$3,649
January 17	\$1,572
January 19	\$3,201
January 20	\$1,400
February 15	\$4,767
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$14,589</b>

\* Paid by the generosity of a parishioner

## Saturday Confession Calendar for March

Due to my health procedure—and the unavailability of brother priests—I have made the difficult decision to suspend the hearing of Confessions for weekends of March (2, 9, 16, 23, and 30).

However, please be aware the Lenten Penance Service will be held on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 7PM in the Gym and School. Information about the Service is found in this bulletin. Confessions will resume after Easter. Thank you for your understanding.

## Confession Times at Surrounding Parishes

*Saint Cecilia, Monmouth Junction:*

Saturdays, 3:45PM to 4:30PM

*Saint Mathias, Somerset:*

Saturdays, 3:30PM to 4:30PM

*Our Lady of Peace, North Brunswick:*

Saturdays, 3:30PM to 4:30PM





NONCIATURE APOSTOLIQUE  
EN RÉPUBLIQUE CENTRAFRICAINE

Bangui, February 24, 2024

At the Parish of Saint Augutin  
Diocese of Metuchen

Dear Father Bob and dear faithful parishioners,

I'm the Apostolic Nuncio to Bangui, capital of the Central African Republic, one of the poorest countries in the heart of Africa, marked by much suffering and poverty after years of war and exploitation.

Infant mortality is very high, reaching 40%, due to the absence of hospitals and medicines; 70% of the population is illiterate due to the lack of schools; the armed groups, rebels against the Government, control a large part of the national territory.

Dear brothers in Christ, in these conditions you can imagine the state of poverty in which people live. Furthermore, each family has an average of 7 children: children, in fact, are the only wealth, given that the average lifespan is 38 years.

To try to help the local population, starting with those closest to the Nunciature, we thought of organizing a project to build small houses. In fact, many people live in very precarious situations, under rudimentary roofs and with walls made of bricks built with rubbish. Each small house we would like to build (bedroom, living room with outdoor kitchen and bathroom) costs US\$ 3,500.

I appeal to your sensitivity and generosity, knowing your goodness of heart!

I ask you, above all, to pray for me and for these poor people. The Lord bless you



  
✠ Giuseppe Laterza  
Apostolic Nuncio

# From the Pastor's Desk

## Continued ...

### A Letter of Thanks Below

This letter is from Fr. Grzegorz Podolowski. He is the Pastor of Holy Trinity Parish, Borshchiv, Ukraine. Please note that it was a generous donor who made the \$40,000 donation to Parish. We were simply honored to provide the assistance to complete the transfer of the funds.



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25. 01. 2024

Dear Fr. Canon Robert Lynam,

Greetings to you from the Holy Trinity Parish in Borshchiv, Ukraine, where, by God's providence, I was sent to be the pastor of 7 churches. My parishioners are mostly of a Polish heritage.

As you are aware, Ukraine is at war with Russia and many people suffer greatly. Many of my parishioners are suffering personal losses. People have no means to support even the most urgent and necessary renovation of the churches or the rectory. Actually, I do whatever it is possible to organize some help for them and the parish. This donation which your parish sent to us is a great help - for me a sign that God has not forgotten His poor people.

Father Canon, I want to thank you for your help in sending our parish \$39,179.99 (thirty-nine thousand, one hundred seventy-nine dollars and ninety-nine cents) which all will be used for the most necessary needs of our parish. Please, pray for peace for this suffering country and I promise to pray for you and your parish. May Our Lady, Queen of Peace protect us always.

Sincerely grateful,

Fr. Grzegorz Podolowski, pastor



### Holy Week Schedule

Please be certain to review the Holy Week Schedule found on the front cover of this week's bulletin. We will repeat it the next two week's for your information. But take a moment and post it in your home for your family's information also!



... is meeting in the  
School Cafeteria  
beginning at  
7:15 PM

The readings we hear at Mass each week are not just stories of long ago. The Word of God is alive and speaks to us today, giving wisdom and guidance for our daily lives and relationships. Come and spend an hour with the Scriptures and let God speak to you in a personal way.

We meet each week, but there is no binding commitment. You come when you are able. No previous knowledge of the Bible is necessary. We will provide materials for you. Those who attend consider it the highlight of their week!

### Outreach Ministry Delivers Warmth!

Because of the generosity of the parishioners of St. Augustine's, the Outreach Ministry was able to purchase 50 sleeping bags, hats, gloves, thermal socks and boots for the homeless of New Brunswick this winter. As Sacred Scripture tells us: "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of My brothers, you did for Me." Thank you for all you do for those less fortunate!





## Music In The Church



Today we continue our Lenten journey. For today we celebrate the Fourth Sunday in Lent. This Sunday is called *LAETARE* Sunday which means "rejoice". However this rejoicing is not as much as Advent *Gaudete* Sunday. We are still in the most penitential season. Notice there is an Alleluia in Advent, but not permitted in Lent. In the Mass today we hear from the Evangelist John in both our B year and RCIA A year readings.

For all the Masses except the 10AM Mass we hear Jesus say "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert so will the Son of Man be lifted up." Then we hear the most famous Bible Quote at every sports game: John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that He gave us His only Son." That is why we are singing "What wondrous love is this?" and "Christians let us love one another."

For the RCIA (10AM Mass), we hear Jesus heals the blind man. That is why we are singing Amazing Grace: "I once was blind but now I see." (a direct quote from today's Gospel) and "Open My Eyes Lord" another quote from today's Gospel. On this Laetare Sunday the choir will sing at the 10AM Mass "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross". A beautiful text "did ever such love and sorrow meet; or thorns compose so rich a crown". This piece combines the love theme and is a foretaste of Holy Week.

The RCIA have the second scrutiny (meaning search) for today they hear about the man born blind. Are we blind to sin? Are we blind to seeing God working in the world today? The RCIA elect will soon have their eyes opened to Faith when they receive their initiation sacraments at the Great Easter Vigil. Keep singing His praise!



## *Lenten Eucharistic Adoration Mondays—7 PM*

**We welcome the following  
presenters for our Lenten  
Holy Hours**

**March 11 - Fr. Mariusz Koch**  
**Spiritual Director,**  
**Adjct. Prof. of Pastoral Theology**  
**School of Theology**  
**Seton Hall University**

"Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks  
the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to  
answer for the body and blood of the Lord."  
- 1Cor. 11:23-27

**March 18 - Sr. Mary Louise Shulas, MPF**  
**Director of Curriculum**  
**Diocese of Metuchen**

"Remain with me..."  
- Jn 15:4

*Consider spending one hour in prayer  
before the Son of God.*

***"Just give me an hour and  
I will give you a whole new life!"***  
*Jesus to Peter from the movie, "Son of God"*



**CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
2024-2025 TUITION  
ASSISTANCE ONLINE  
APPLICATION  
PROCESS NOW OPEN**

Families interested in  
applying for tuition  
assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen  
elementary or high school may apply online now  
through FACTS Gant & Aid Assessment at

<https://online.factsmgmt.com/aid>

Online applications must be completed (including  
all required documentation) no later than **March 31,  
2024**. Applications are available in English and  
Spanish.

Families that need assistance in completing the  
online application or need access to a computer to  
apply should contact their school.



## **THE EASTER MYSTERY**

*From His Wounded Side We Were Born*

This is the time of year when we begin to look forward to warmer weather and spring vacations. It is also the time of year when we pause to see where we've been and where we should be going. It is the time to recommit ourselves to the Lord through Almsgiving.

Throughout the Lenten season, you will notice a basket with decorated index cards by the cross of St. Lucy in our gathering area. Listed on each card is a suggestion of a necessary item to be purchased for an organization that helps those in need. These items will be collected after all the weekend Masses on:

**March 9/10 and March 16/17.**

This is our way as a parish to reach out to others through "Almsgiving", one of the spiritual blessings of our Lenten journey.

All donations need to be in by Sunday, March 17th 2024.

Anything received after that date will be given to our Food Pantry.

As St. Theresa of Avila said:

"We should not attach much value to what we have given God, since we shall receive for the little we have bestowed upon Him much more in this life and in the next."

***We Adore You O Christ and We Praise You,  
Because By Your Holy Cross You Have Redeemed the World***



# Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



† Our Elect-**Shannon Montulet** †  
Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist  
Sponsored by **Renee Smith**



† Our Candidate- **Melissa Forgione** †  
Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist  
Sponsored by **Sal Forgione**



**Pray For  
Our Elect  
And  
Our Candidate  
During Lent**  
as they prepare to receive  
their  
Sacraments of Initiation  
at  
The Easter Vigil



† Our Elect-**Alexis Montulet** †  
Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist  
Sponsored by **Kayla Smith**



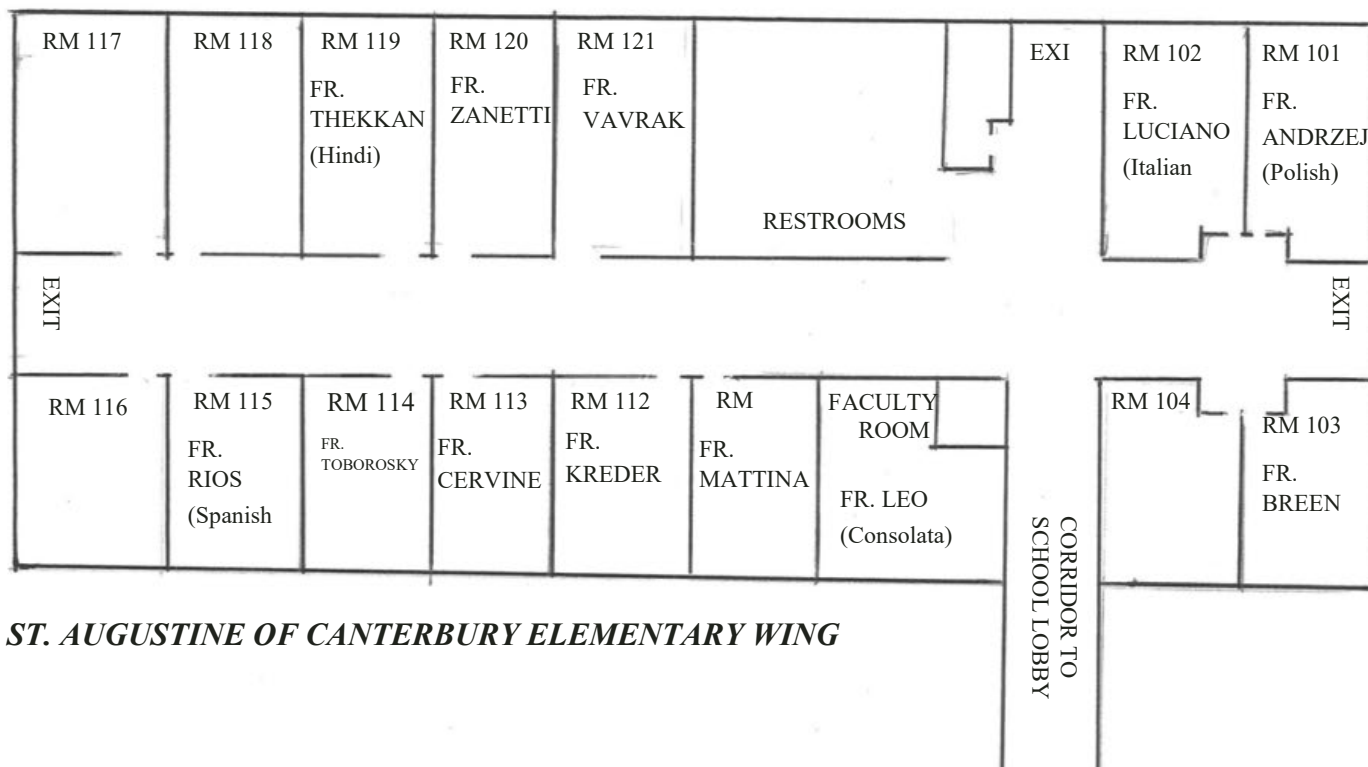
† Our Elect-**Melody McCarron** †  
Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist  
Sponsored by **Koke Portnoy**

# ***2024 Parish Lenten Confessions Priest's Location Guide***

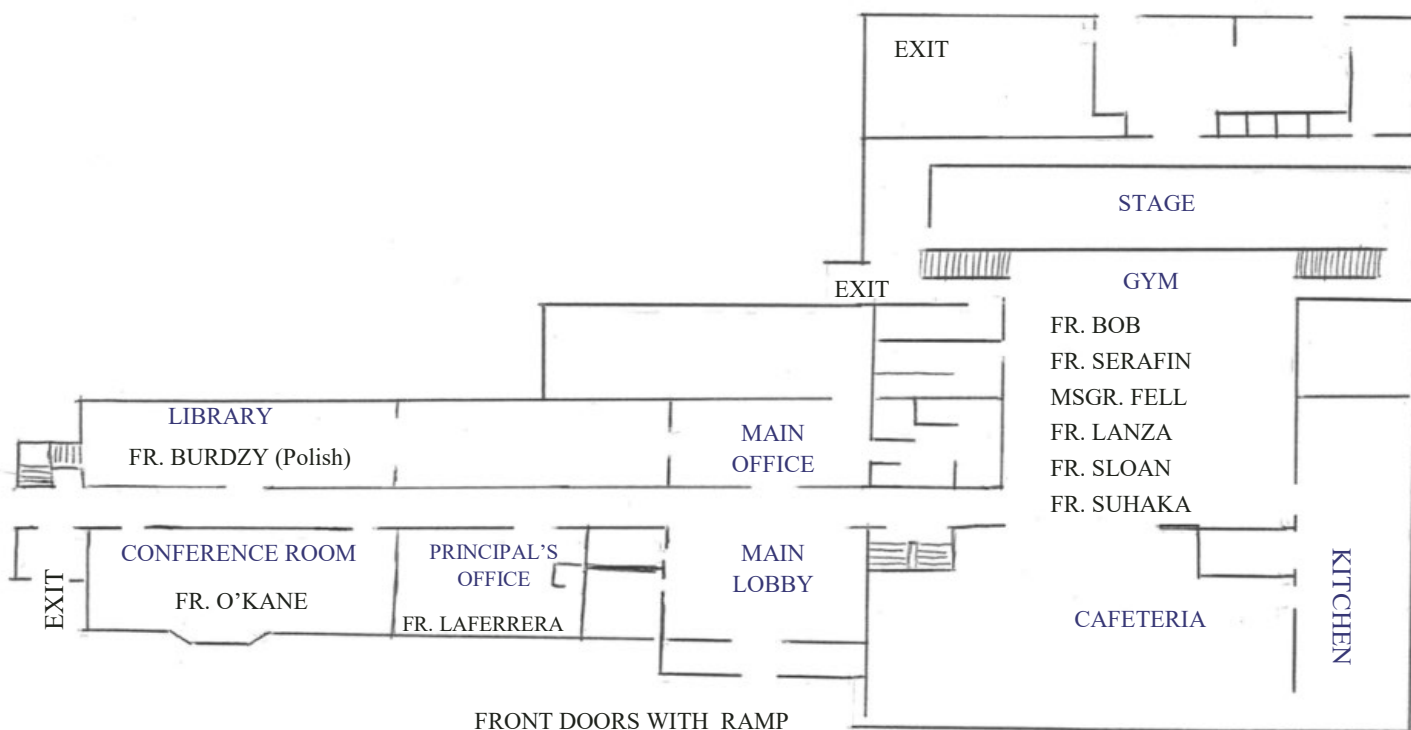
***Thursday, March 21, 2024***

***7:00 PM-8:00 PM***

***throughout the first floor of our School and the Elementary Wing***



***ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY ELEMENTARY WING***



***ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY SCHOOL***

***An Examination of Conscience  
to help you prepare to celebrate the  
Sacrament of Reconciliation***

Why should we confess? Confession is a sacrament instituted by Jesus Christ in His love and mercy to offer sinners forgiveness for offenses committed against God. At the same time, sinners reconcile with the Church, because it is also wounded by our sins. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a sacrament of healing and a sacrament of conversion, returning us to the Father after our sin.

We use an examination of conscience to help call to mind our sins and failings during a period of quiet reflection before approaching the priest in Confession. It's important for an examination of conscience to be thorough. This will help you learn about things that you may not be aware of. It's also a chance to develop your conscience.

To make an examination of conscience:

- set aside some quiet time for reflection
- start by praying to the Holy Spirit, asking for help in make a good examination to prepare for Confession
- read through the terms on this list and honestly reflect on your behavior for each item
- this examination of conscience is based on the Ten Commandments

***First Commandment***

*I am the Lord your God. You shall worship the Lord your God and Him only shall you serve.*

Have I doubted in matters of faith? Murmured against God because of adversity? Despaired of His mercy? Have I believed in or consulted with fortune-tellers? Neglected my morning or evening prayers? Omitted my religious obligations because of human respect? Presumed upon God's mercy in committing sin? Loved someone or something more than God (money, power, sex, ambition, etc.)? Been involved in the occult? Formally left the Catholic Church? Hidden a serious sin or told a lie in confession?

***Second Commandment***

*You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.*

Have I used the name of God or the saints with irreverence? Have I sworn (which means calling upon God to witness the truth of what I say) without a good reason, or falsely? Have I cursed (the calling

down of some evil on a person, place, or thing)? Blasphemed (using insulting language to express contempt for God), the saints, or holy things?

***Third Commandment***

*Remember to keep holy the Lord's day.*

Did I miss Mass on Sunday or a Holy Day of Obligation? Have I done unnecessary servile work or been responsible for others doing it on these days? Set time aside each day for personal prayer to God? Habitually come late to and/or leave early from Mass without a good reason? Not attending to taking my children to Mass? Did I fast and abstain on the prescribed days?

***Fourth Commandment***

*Honor your father and your mother.*

Have I been obedient to my parents and lawful superiors? Have I shown disrespect toward them? Have I deceived them? Have I been a good citizen by voting? Have I shown respect toward aged parents or in their time of need? Provided for the religious education and formation of my children for as long as they are under my care? Ensured that my children still under my care regularly frequent the sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion? Been to my children a good example of how to live the Catholic Faith?

***Fifth Commandment***

*You shall not kill.*

Have I been the occasion of another's sin through my bad example in word or deed? Have I been guilty of fighting, anger, hatred, revenge, or drunkenness? Did I refuse to speak to others? To forgive them? Did I use provoking language? Been involved in an abortion, directly or indirectly (through advice, etc.)? Seriously considered or attempted suicide? Unjustly inflicted bodily harm on another person? Verbally or emotionally abused another person? Been prejudiced, or unjustly discriminated against others because of their race, color, nationality, sex, or religion? Did I take illicit drugs?

***Sixth and Ninth Commandments***

*You shall not commit adultery.*

*You shall not covet your neighbor's wife.*

Did I take pleasure in impure thoughts or desires? Say impure things? Listen to impure conversations? Did I touch others or let other touch me in an impure



manner? Commit an impure act alone or with others? Purchased, viewed, or made use of pornography? Committed adultery? Committed incest? Committed fornication (sexual relations with someone of the opposite sex when neither of us is married) Engaged in homosexual activity? Made uninvited or unwelcome sexual advances toward another?

### ***Seventh and Tenth Commandments***

*You shall not steal.*

*You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.*

Have I stolen anything? If so, of what value, and did I return the stolen goods? Have I been unjust in buying or selling? Have I damaged the property of others? Accepted or kept stolen goods? Paid my just debts as soon as possible? Has my daily work merited its paycheck? Have I desired to steal anything or to damage my neighbor's property? Practiced works of mercy? Squandered money in compulsive gambling? Make a false claim to an insurance company?

### ***Eighth Commandment***

*You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.*

Did I tell lies? Have I been guilty of rash judgment (believing something harmful to another's character without sufficient reason?) detraction (without a good reason, making known the hidden faults of another)? Betrayed another's confidence through speech? Slander or calumny (by lying, injuring the good name of another)? Perjured myself under oath? Gossiped?

## **PRECEPTS OF THE CHURCH**

***Have I followed them?***

***You shall attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.***

***You shall confess your sins at least once a year.***

***You shall humbly receive Jesus in Holy Communion at least during the Easter Season.***

***You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence.***

***You shall contribute to the support of the Church.***

***You shall observe the laws of the Church concerning marriage.***

## **RITE OF CONFESSION**

### **INTRODUCTORY RITES**

**Upon kneeling or taking your seat in the room with the priest, bless yourself with the sign of the cross (+) and say:**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Bless me Father for I have sinned.

**At this point, the priest will encourage the penitent to have confidence in God with these or other words:**

May the Lord be in your heart and help you to confess your sins with true sorrow.

**If the penitent is unknown to the priest, it is proper to indicate to the priest your state of life, i.e. single, married, divorced, etc., the time of your last confession, difficulties in leading the Christian life, and anything else which may help the priest to exercise his ministry.**

**The penitent will accuse him or herself of his or her sins and ask for forgiveness.**

**After you completed your Confession, the priest will counsel or provide opportune advice, impart a **Penance** and may ask you to pray the **Act of Contrition**, either before him or privately afterwards in the Church.**

### **ACT OF CONTRITION**

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended You, and I detest all my sins because of Your just punishment, but most of all because they offend You, my God, Who art all good, and deserving of all my love.

I firmly resolve, with the help of Your grace, to sin no more, and to avoid the near occasions of sin.

Amen.

**The priest will then impart **Absolution**:**

God, the Father of mercies, through the death and resurrection of his Son has reconciled the world to himself and sent the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins; through the ministry of the Church, may God give you pardon and peace, and I absolve you from your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**The penitent answers:**

Amen.

**The priest dismisses the penitent with a final blessing. The penitent makes the sign of the cross and leaves the Confessional. He or she is expected to fulfill the penance imposed.**

**(After your Confession, enjoy the peacefulness of the Church!)**

***The Lord has freed you from sin.***

***May He bring you safely to His kingdom in heaven.***

***Glory to Him Forever!***

## EASTER FLOWER DONATION COLLECTION OF MARCH 24, 2024



A second envelope for March 24th is available in your envelope packet. This will allow you to make a donation towards the purchase of Easter Flowers for our Sanctuary and Church. Contrasting the darkness of Lent, on Easter Sunday you will walk into our Church and sense, feel, and “smell” the



joy of the Resurrection of Our Lord!

On the back of the envelope, please feel free to include the names of your loved ones for which you wish the donation memorialized. For those who donate towards our Easter Flowers, your special intentions and your loved ones will be remembered in all the Easter Masses, as well as the Masses celebrated during the Octave of Easter.

Those whose envelopes are received will be acknowledged in our Church bulletin during the Easter Season.

Special envelopes for Easter Flowers will also available in the Gathering Area of the Church.



### ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Parishioners, 18 years and older, who have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to do so, please fill in the form below and return it to the **Parish Center by March 21, 2024**. The form may also be placed in the collection basket.

Classes are to begin on **Thursday, April 4, 2024, from 7:30-8:30PM**.

Confirmation will be administered on **Pentecost Sunday, May 19, 2024**. If the candidate for Confirmation is married, the marriage must be recognized by the Roman Catholic Church. If you need assistance in validating your marriage, please contact the Parish Center. The Center may be reached at (732) 297-3000.

For additional information, please call Sr. Barbara at (732) 297-3011 or email at [srbarbarat@staugustinenj.org](mailto:srbarbarat@staugustinenj.org)

Once the form below is returned, you will receive a registration packet in the mail that will need to be filled out and returned on the night of the first session.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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## *Women's Retreat a Success!*

The annual women's retreat held at the Sacred Heart Spirituality Center, run by the Salesian sisters in Newton, NJ was held on February 16, 17 & 18, 2024. Father Tim Christie, rector at St. Francis Cathedral and former Vicar General, was the retreat master. Thank you Father Christie for sharing the gift of your priesthood.



Just a few of the many comments from attendees this year:

“My first retreat, a wonderful experience!”

“A very memorable retreat!”

“A wonderful, blessed retreat!”

“Basking in Our Lord’s love for the entire weekend!”

“Looking forward to participating next year and for years to come!”

“Blessings received!”



# **Cornerstone 2024 Registration Form**

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

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\_\_\_\_\_

Phone numbers:

(home) \_\_\_\_\_

(cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be 18 years old by March 22nd? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_

What name would you prefer on your name badge?

\_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact:** Please provide us with an emergency contact (family or friend). Be sure to include their full name, relationship to you and contact information below:

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

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone numbers:

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**RCIA**



*Are you interested in becoming Catholic? ... OR*

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The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is just for you! Gather with others who desire to know the Lord Jesus Christ in the truth of the Catholic Faith, as we undergo catechesis, reflect on the scriptures, and contemplate our call to faith in Christ in preparation for Baptism and/or reception and completion of the Sacraments of Initiation.

Meetings are held on Sundays at 8:15 am in Father McGivney Hall (followed by 10AM Mass).

If you are interested in getting connected, please call the Parish Center at 732-297-3000. We look forward to the opportunity in guiding you to this fulfillment.

*Deacon Denis*



**NEEDED: FIRST COMMUNION DRESSES & SUITS**

There are many young children whose families are unable to afford a

First Communion outfit. Perhaps this Lent you choose to donate a beautiful Communion Dress or Suit instead of giving up chocolate for a week?

***Needed:***

*Boys Suits, Jackets, Dress Shirts, Dress Pants – sizes 12, 14, 16 & Ties*

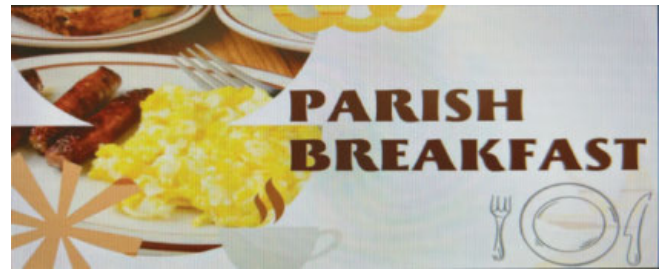
*Communion Dresses- sizes 12, 14 & 16 only, Communion Veils*

*Don't know where to buy them?*

*You may order these items online at: Amazon, Kohl's, Walmart.com, JC Penney.com & David's Bridal*

If you are unable to afford a complete outfit, consider buying a dress shirt or pants or even a veil. All outfits are due in the Parish Office no later than April 22, 2024. Any questions call the office: 732-297-3000.

*May God Bless you for all you do for these children.*



**St. Augustine of Canterbury  
PARISH BREAKFAST**

**Sunday – March 17, 2024**

**After 8:00AM & 10:00AM Mass**

**In the School Cafeteria  
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As Catholics, we are called to bring Christ to others. Take a moment to consider...

Do you know of a family member who is homebound?

Is there a fellow parishioner you know is unable to attend Mass, but wishes to receive the Holy Eucharist?

Are you or a family member in the hospital?

***Let us know!***

Call the Parish Center at (732) 297-3000 and provide the name, address, and phone number of the person. Sr. Ruthann will schedule a time.



Are you a Eucharistic Minister who would you like to volunteer to visit with homebound members of our parish?

***Let us know!***

To aid in this ministry, please call the Parish Center to provide us your name and phone number for more information. ***We look forward to hearing from you!***

## St. A's Bereavement Meetings



We are pleased to announce our Parish Bereavement Workshop for this Spring have begun! Meetings will take place every Saturday, though March 23rd, from 10AM to 12:30PM. We will

meet in the Parish Center in the Augustine Room. All are welcome!

*God bless you and bring you inner peace in every way.*

If you wish to receive extra support during this time of grief, please call the Parish Office at (732) 297-3000.

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## Graces Received from Daniel Mark Anderl



By his picture in the Chapel of the Saints are prayer intention forms that you can complete and place in the wooden Prayer Request Box. Father Bob will bring and place them by his grave at Resurrection Cemetery Piscataway Holy Spirit Mausoleum Saint John Paul II chapel.

Father Bob has received messages of gratitude of graces received through Daniel's intercession before God.





# OASIS 2024

## WOMEN OF FAITH

**April 20, 2024**  
**9:30 AM - 3:00 PM**

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**Pastor, St. Gerard Majella**  
**Paterson, New Jersey**

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- Rosary and /or Stations of the Cross
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Villa Walsh, 455 Western Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960

**Please make checks payable to Villa Walsh.**



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