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Have faith in Him
and He will always
be there for you!

HAVE A BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER!



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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL 5:30 PM | SUNDAY 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12 Noon
DAILY (CHAPEL) MON-FRI 7:30 AM & 12:10 PM | SATURDAY 9 AM

MONTHLY

- ◀ **HEALING MASS:**
First Friday at 7:30 PM in the Chapel
- ◀ **PRAYERS FOR LIFE:**
First Friday following 12:10 PM Mass
- ◀ **2000 HAIL MARYS:**
First Saturday 7:30 AM-6:30 PM in the Main Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

- ◀ Saturdays after 9 AM Mass;
4:30- 5 PM in the Chapel **OR** call the parish office for an appointment at 201-653-8814.

WEEKLY DEVOTIONS

- ◀ **MIRACULOUS MEDAL:**
Monday after the 12:10 Mass
- ◀ **ST. ANTHONY:**
Tuesday after the 12:10 Mass
- ◀ **OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP:**
Saturday after 9 AM Mass

ROSARY

- ◀ Monday-Friday at 11:30 AM in the Chapel

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

- ◀ Takes place at St. John the Baptist Chapel Tuesday - Friday after the 12:10 PM Mass until 8PM, Saturday after 9AM Mass until 5:30 PM, and Sundays after 12 Noon Mass until 8 PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- ◀ Takes place at Our Lady of Mt Carmel on Sunday mornings. Classes are offered in both English and Spanish. Contact Evelyn Mayorga or Fr. Danny at 201-435-7080.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION

- ◀ The parishes of Jersey City North are proud to sponsor quality Catholic elementary education at the Middle States accredited schools: St. Joseph School (201-653-0128) and St. Nicholas School (201-659-5948).

HOSPITAL VISITATION:

- ◀ Please notify the parish. Hospitals no longer inform us or allow us to look up who is in the hospital.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 20 HOLY SATURDAY

8:15 PM JOHN & MARY PAWLAK
R/Hedy David

Sunday, April 21 EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 AM PEDRO, ANTONIA &
ALMANZOR LICAROS
10:00 AM IN THANKSGIVING & BLESSINGS
R/Veronica Rozario & Family
12:00 PM XIMENA ESPINOZA (L) B-DAY
R/Arminda Argandona

Monday, April 22

7:30 AM SINNOTT & CASSERLY FAMILY
12:10 PM EUGENE MCNALLY
MCNALLY & DEEGAN FAMILY

Tuesday, April 23

7:30 AM MARIE & GERARD GAUTHIER
MARY & EDWIN LEAYCRAFT
12:10 PM MCKEE FAMILY

Wednesday, April 24

7:30 AM SINNOTT & CASSERLY FAMILY
12:10 PM EUGENE MCNALLY
MCNALLY & DEEGAN FAMILY

Thursday, April 25

7:30 AM HARRY RICHARDS
12:10 PM NIEVES ARGANDONA (1ST ANNIV)
R/Arminda Argandona

Friday, April 26

7:30 AM MCKEE FAMILY
12:10 PM APOLINAR ARAGON R/Brenda Aragon

Saturday, April 27

9:00 AM ELIZABETH DAVIDSON
R/Deneen & Martin Kenny
5:30 PM DEC'D MEMBERS OF BROTHERS
& SISTERS OF CHARITY (BSCD)
R/Brother Thomas

Sunday, April 28

8:00 AM MCKEE FAMILY & FRANCIS FAMILY
R/Patrick Francis
10:00 AM SINNOTT & CASSERLY FAMILY &
IN THANKSGIVING R/Patrick Francis
12:00 PM NIEVES ARGANDONA
R/Arminda Argandona

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

In your prayers, kindly remember the Souls in Purgatory, the Suffering, the Lonely, the Depressed, the Homeless, the Homebound, the Sick and the Deceased.

EUCCHARISTIC BREAD & SACRAMENTAL WINE

The Altar Wine and Hosts for this week were donated in memory of

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at the request of Michael Ricciardone

SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp in the CHURCH burns this weekend in memory of

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PLEASE NOTE:

- You are invited to write your prayer intentions into the prayer book at the Pieta sculpture in church or the St. Anthony statue in the chapel. The Rosary Interspersory Prayer Group will pray for your intentions.
- If you have a prayer request for the Interspersory Prayer Group please call Dolores at: (201)-360-0614 between 6 and 10 PM.

For those receiving their First Communion this year at OLMC:

- Jesus' Day Celebration:** April 27th from 10:00 AM-12:30PM in the OLMC Parish Hall. Children will participate in different "Jesus-centered" activities. At 11:30 AM, we invite the parents to join our celebration so they can help our children to make a communion banner. These banners will be hung on the church seats for First Communion.
- First Reconciliation: April 27th** - We will have a reconciliation service at 1 PM. All children doing their First Communion have to be present. Parents are invited to be part of this celebration as well, since this is a great way to give Christian example to your children.
- First Communion Rehearsal:** For children doing their First communion in English Thursday, May 2 at 4:00PM. For children doing their First Communion in Spanish the practice will be held on Thursday, May 2 at 4:30 PM.
- First Communion at OLMC:** May 5th - 9:00 AM in English and 10:30 AM in Spanish

We are waiting for PSE&G to complete their job on Huron Avenue. They anticipate to be finished within one to two weeks, after which the sidewalk will finally be repaired. The situation is being addressed by various agencies outside the Church's control; therefore, your patience in this matter is appreciated.

Anyone celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary is encouraged to call the Rectory and register to attend the Archdiocese's April 28th celebration honoring this great milestone. This anniversary liturgy will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. *If interested, please call the Rectory at 201-653-8814.*

As Pope Benedict stated, "A good confession before Easter remains an obligation that should be fully valued and gives us the opportunity to start anew." Please take advantage of the Confession Schedule: Saturday, April 13 after the 9 AM Mass and at 4:30 - 5:00 PM; Holy Week: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday after the 12:10 Noon Mass or call the Rectory at 201-653-8814 to schedule an appointment. Please Note: No scheduled confessions on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Holy Saturday.

Divine Mercy Exposition - April 28, 2019. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 12:00 Noon Mass and at 3:00 PM the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be celebrated in the Church. All are invited!!

Please Note: Rectory office will be closed on Monday, April 22 in celebration of Easter.

DON'T FORGET THE PAMPHLET RACK in the cloister area of church, parking lot side entrance. There is some very good reading available there. A donation of just \$1.00 per pamphlet is requested to cover the cost - no profit made. Please place your donation in the envelope and drop it in the slot in the basement door, parking lot side or just drop it in the collection basket during Mass.

Please note: The collection numbers for the weekend of April 20-21 will be reported in next week's bulletin.

COMMUNITY Announcements

- Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark:** Collecting any unwanted clothing, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, and books (*no reference books*). The donation bin is located at the Holy Name Cemetery in Jersey City. Thank you.
- Learn How to Avoid Frustrated Parenting** - The Archdiocese of Newark's Family Life Office is sponsoring this special event to encourage & support single parents on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 6:45 PM to 8:30 PM at Notre Dame RC Church, 359 Central Avenue, North Caldwell. If single parenting leaves you feeling overwhelmed or inadequate some days, or overlooked in terms of your needs, join Loyla Louvis from Mothers in Training, LLC as we explore the ABC's of effectiveness in parenting so you can gain cooperation and avoid frustration. Loyla Louvis is a parenting coach, a mentor, a public speaker, and last but not least, a mother and wife. If you are a single parent, were raised by a single parent, a grandparent raising children or have ever been a single parent, you are welcome to come! Babysitting and dinner provided free of charge! *If interested, please RSVP at: <https://conta.cc/2EhSRFx> or email Lauren.Egan@rcan.org*
- OLMC Seniors are planning a trip to Atlantic City on Thursday, May 2nd** - Cost: \$40 with a slot return of \$25. There will be two pick ups - 9:15 AM at Grandview Avenue and 9:30 AM at OLMC. **To reserve a seat or for more information, please call 201-747-6941.**
- May 1st, Wednesday, at OLMC the Rosary Altar Society will be celebrating the May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary at 7 PM.** Afterwards, Coffee and ... in the Parish Hall. Come join the celebration! All are welcome!



The Day of the Resurrection

Even though Easter is not the beginning of the Roman Catholic liturgical year, it is the highpoint of the year. Easter is the celebration of the paschal mystery, coming from the word pascha, which means “Easter.”

There are a number of aspects of the paschal mystery incorporated into the celebration of Easter that makes it so embracing. One of these aspects, and perhaps the one that comes to the minds of most Christians when they think about Easter, is the memory of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

Another aspect of the Easter mysteries is the presence of the risen Christ beyond the time of his human journey. The Resurrection—indeed the whole of the paschal mystery—is not a past event that we merely commemorate. It is part of our lives today, part of the life of the Church since the days of the community that was formed around Jesus of Nazareth,

continuing and being built up in love as you stand in your assembly each Sunday at your own parish.

In the Gospels we do not find Sunday as a day for assembling the followers of Jesus, but we discover in all four Gospels that the Resurrection took place on a Sunday. (See Matthew 28:1-7, Mark 16:1-8, Luke 24:1-8, and John 20:1-18.) In addition to being the day on which Jesus had been raised from the dead, the first day of the week was also the day on which Jesus appeared to the disciples after the Resurrection....

We cannot, on the one hand, think of the Resurrection as merely an event in the life of the historical Jesus. That is wholly true, yet the Resurrection continues in the life of the Church. We experience the Resurrection when we celebrate the initiation of new members into our communities at the Easter Vigil. We experience the Resurrection when we celebrate the baptism of infants. We

experience the Resurrection whenever we celebrate the sacraments. And we experience the Resurrection whenever we bond with those we love because they are gifts of God. Yet these experiences are only one side of the coin.

The Resurrection also was part of the experience of Jesus, the Son of God who shared his human life with us by his incarnation. And so the Resurrection also was part of the experience of the paschal mystery in the life of Jesus two millennia ago. That is the other side of the coin that is the Christian faith.

by **Martin F. Connell** | <https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/easter/the-day-of-the-resurrection>

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