



St. Anne's Church

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HAPPY *Easter!*

We Invite You To Join Us In The Celebration Of The Eucharist

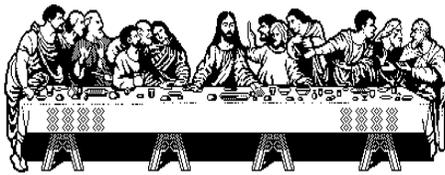
Saturday Evening: (anticipating Sunday) 5:30 PM (English) 7:00 PM (Misa Dominical)

Sunday: 7:30 AM; 9:00 AM; 10:30 AM; and 12:00 Noon

Monday through Friday 7:00 & 9:00 AM; Saturday 9:00 AM; Wednesdays 7:00 PM; Holy Days as Announced

Sacrament of Penance: by Appointment or Saturdays 1:00-1:30 PM & 5:00-5:30 PM

Parish Membership: Our Parish Family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Every family moving into the Parish is requested to register at the Rectory. Please notify the Rectory of any address change.



Schedule of Masses April 9th-15th, 2012

<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Requested for</i>	<i>Requested by</i>
Mon. 4/9	7 AM	NO MASS	
	9 AM	Sr. Dolores Alfone	Sr. Thelma
Tues. 4/10	7 AM	Deceased Lamp Family	Agnes & Kathleen
	9 AM	Concepcion Samson	Samson Family
Wed. 4/11	7 AM	Quinn Brothers	Mildred Bombich
	9 AM	Anka Sime Ivin	Stefina & Joseph Ivin
	7 PM	Ricardo Berrocales	Teresa Offerman
Thurs. 4/12	7 AM	Brendan Glennon	Szulc Family
	9 AM	(Liv) Mark & Gilda Spazian	Frances & Bruno
Fri. 4/13	7 AM	James Bombich	Mildred
	9 AM	Mary Baker	Gert Waller
Sat. 4/14	9 AM	Antonina Grillo	Frances & Angela
	5:30 PM Fr. John	Walter Duda	Sister Jean
	7 PM Fr. Nigel	Raul Lopez	Melendez Family
Sun. 4/15	7:30 AM Fr. Titus	Ebersan Garcia	Romano Family
	9 AM Fr. Nigel	Agustina Lambertien	Suntoso Jacob, James, Philip, Lia SS
	10:30 AM Fr. Ed	For The People Of The Parish	
	12 noon Fr. Ed	Tommasina & Frank Tango	Mr. & Mrs. Angelo Tango

Sanctuary Gifts April 8th-14th, 2012

<i>Gift</i>	<i>In Memory</i>	<i>Requested By</i>
Altar Wine	Special Intention	
Altar Bread	Bruno Spazian	Loretta Dempsey
Sanctuary Lamp	Michele Fusco	Fusco Family
Altar Candles	Special Intention	

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK



People will remain on sick list for 2 weeks unless otherwise notified:

Bill Waddleton Sr., Dianne O'Sullivan, Kenneth and Sadie Krieger, Carl Carlson, Anne Marie Williams, Vincenzo Vacca, Karen Haughney, Paul Grundling, Helene Clifford

Scriptural Reflections on Stewardship



On this day of days we offer a joyful sacrifice of praise to the Father who raised his Son from the dead. Let us be intent upon the life Christ offers us, Christ our Passover who has been sacrificed.

HOLY HOUR

Holy Hour will now take place in St. Anne's Convent Chapel every Tuesday from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. It is an hour of prayer for the priests, religious men and women and an increase of vocations to the priesthood and the religious life of the Church. All are invited to come and spend time with the Lord for these intentions and for any personal requests.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: Acts 2:14,22-33; Ps 16:1-2a,5,7-11;

Mt 28:8-15

TUESDAY: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5,18-20,22;

Jn 20:11-18

WEDNESDAY: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4,6-9;

Lk 24:13-35

THURSDAY: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2a,5-9; Lk 24:35-48

FRIDAY: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2,4,22-27a; Jn 21:1-14

SATURDAY: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1,14-15,16ab-21;

Mk 16:9-15

NEXT SUNDAY: 2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24; 1Jn 5:1-6;

Jn 20:19-31

Religious Education News



from Sister Alberta

CCD Office Hours: Sunday after 9 a.m. Mass; Monday thru Wednesday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; CLOSED THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY. Please call before coming: Office 201-360-0838/ Convent 201-963-0998.

- * April 8 & 15 - NO CLASS; EASTER RECESS.
- * April 18,23,25 - Communion Practice in Church 3:00-4:00 pm
- * April 21 - Confirmation Retreat
- * April 22 - CCD Teachers' Meeting
- * April 29 - First Holy Communion Day 9:00,10:30, 12 noon Masses

St. Anne's Adult Choir English & Spanish Rehearsals

All Choir rehearsals take place in the Church of St. Anne.



Choir rehearsal (English Liturgies) is held on **Thursdays at 6:30 PM.**

Choir rehearsal (Spanish Liturgies) is held on **Wednesdays at 7:30 pm.**

If you'd like to join either Choir, please attend choir rehearsal or feel free to contact Nancy McGrath at 973-473-6443.

St. Anne's Gift Shop

The Gift Shop has recently obtained prayer cards and medals of **Saint Pauline, the patron saint of diabetes.** Pauline, herself suffering from this disease, was a Brazilian nun of Italian decent. She was canonized by Pope John Paul II in 1991.

St. Anne's Parish Community Social

All are welcome to St. Anne's Parish monthly Parish Social sponsored by St. Anne's Holy Name Society.



SUNDAY, APRIL 15th

(After All **SUNDAY** Masses)



All are encouraged to visit Centennial Hall to enjoy friendly conversation and coffee/tea.

ANNULMENT INFORMATION EVENING

An Annulment Information Evening is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 11, 2012, Saint Aloysius Church, 691 West Side Avenue, Jersey City, NJ, at 7:30 PM.** A staff member of the Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Newark will provide basic information about annulments; the requirements for annulments and how to begin the process of petitioning for an annulment. There will be an opportunity for questions at the end of the session. Pre-registration is not necessary, but for directions, please call the parish at **201-433-6365.**

Thank You



Thank you to those who donated Easter Flowers for this Easter Season!
Those who dropped off their Easter Flower envelope by April 3rd, a list of 'donors' is displayed in the church vestibule.

Growing in FAITH™

Discovering **hope and joy** in the Catholic faith.

April 2012

One Minute Meditations

For his love

Each day, offering our very best to God raises all of our efforts to the level of a prayer. He rewards our dedication with peace, joy, and awareness of his presence in all that we do.

Don't give in

Delilah simply had to know the secret of Samson's strength but God had forbidden him to reveal it. *"And when she pressed him hard with her words day after day, and urged him, his soul was vexed to death"* (Judges 16:16). He gave in and it was his undoing. Don't let anyone – friend or family – pressure you into violating God's commandments.

Hold hope

"When a man has died, were he to live again, all the days of my drudgery I would wait, until my relief should come" Job 14:14. Despite all his misery, Job clung to the one truth that also gives us hope – resurrection. God offers the hope of being with him forever.



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Create understanding about the Catholic faith

Almost one out of four Americans is Catholic, yet misconceptions abound about our teachings and beliefs. Why not become an ambassador and spread the truth of our Catholic faith?

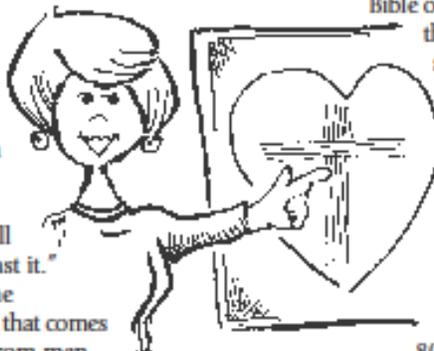
Remember our roots. Jesus established the Catholic Church and promised "the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it." The Church is the guardian of truth that comes from God, not from men.

Explain the rules. It is said that we have lots of rules. The guidance we get from the Church helps us to live holy, selfless lives that keep us right with God and teach us how to love our brothers and sisters. The goal is our salvation.

Have ready answers. Perhaps the

answers to questions or misassumptions aren't on the tip of your tongue. If you have a smartphone, download a free Catholic Bible or an app like iPieta that gives you a selection of Catholic literature for quick answers. At home, keep a copy of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The glossary helps locate subjects easily (available at www.usccb.org, 800-235-8722).

Share the love. From the first, the Catholic Church has been about action: caring for the sick and the poor, teaching children, welcoming immigrants, fighting for justice. Living selfless lives of charity and love is the best way to show others the true Catholic Church.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why are Catholic priests celibate?

Celibacy means remaining unmarried to dedicate oneself entirely to God and the service of his people. In the Latin Church, celibacy is required for bishops and priests. In some Eastern Churches, celibacy is a prerequisite for bishops; priests may not marry after



ordination.

Priestly celibacy is a discipline, not the Lord's commandment. A married priest's attention may be divided. Which has the greater claim: his family or his parishioners? Celibacy allows him to focus on God and his priestly duties.

Choose companions well

"Walk with wise men and you will become wise, but the companion of fools will fare badly" (Proverbs 13:20). The people with whom we spend time can help or hurt us. As people, our friends can be enjoyable to be around, but are they good influences for us? Consider this:

True friends build each other up. Choose for friends people who are going to lift you up toward Heaven, not those who will lure you away. Select people who also follow God's Commandments and who will encourage you, stand with you, enjoy the same

kind of entertainment, and will resist the evil you are determined to resist.

Healthy friendships have boundaries. A friend should never come between us and our families or us and our relationship with God. Recognizing what is best for someone and allowing enough personal space is a sign of a healthy friendship.

Good friends are forgiving. Healthy friendships don't have room for bitterness or resentment and aren't easily offended. They have generous amounts of forgiveness.



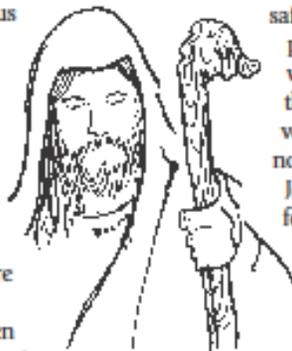
from Scripture

John 10:11-18, Jesus Is the Good Shepherd

This Gospel tells of our relationship with God. Jesus is the Good Shepherd and we are his flock.

Today society tells us that it is good to be independent and answer to no one. We are encouraged to please ourselves and follow our own desires. However, there is no one to turn to for guidance and comfort when circumstances go bad. There is no shepherd.

In Jesus' day, a shepherd lived with the sheep, cared for them, and even put himself at risk to keep them safe. He



tended them in a flock for safety, to protect them from predators. The shepherd was trusted and familiar, so that the sheep knew his voice and followed him but no other.

Jesus is the Good Shepherd for all of humanity. In this Gospel Jesus defined the role of a shepherd. He predicted how he would fill that role by giving his life for his sheep. But he looked beyond the sheepfold of Israel. His hope is to have one flock and one shepherd for the whole world. That flock is the Church which he founded.

Q & A Why should I go to Mass if I don't get anything out of it?

Attending Mass on Sunday fulfills the Third Commandment obligation to keep holy the Sabbath day. Thus it is a grave sin to miss Mass unless for an unavoidable reason.



But here are other reasons to go to Mass: Meet God in the flesh. Just because you don't feel the rush of the Holy Spirit doesn't mean nothing amazing is happening at Mass. He is there in the flesh.

You're a baptized person needed by your community. *"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them"* (Matthew 18:20). We help worship God just by being there.

You get "take out." The homily gives the Gospel relevance to our lives. Then we have something to act on in the coming week.

"Do this in memory of me" is the only direct order Jesus gave to his followers. That means God is the one who initiates this encounter with us. And when God asks us to do something, it is smart to do it.

Feasts & Celebrations

April 8 - Easter Sunday. The solemnity that marks Jesus' Resurrection. It is a Holy Day of Obligation.

April 11 - St. Stanislaus (1079). As Bishop of Krakow in 1072, St. Stanislaus attempted to reform the violent and depraved king of Poland, Boleslas II. When his efforts failed, he excommunicated the king. In retaliation, Boleslas murdered the saint as he said Mass.

April 15 - Divine Mercy Sunday. In 1931, Jesus appeared to St. Faustina and asked that the Sunday after Easter

become the "Feast of Mercy." Jesus promised that anyone who honors him as the King of Mercy and prays The Chaplet of Divine Mercy - the prayer he gave to St. Faustina - will receive special graces and great mercy.

April 21 - St. Anselm (1109). A native of Italy, St. Anselm initially enjoyed a gay life at court. After his mother died, he became a monk in France and reluctantly became bishop of Canterbury, England. He was exiled for rebuffing the king's interference in Church matters.



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PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF MASS LOCATION....

In an effort to conserve energy and foster a deeper sense of communion, most weekday and Saturday morning Masses will soon be celebrated in our Convent Chapel.

In addition to offering a sacred space that can be more easily heated in the winter and cooled in the summer, the Chapel will provide an intimate gathering space for worship. Sans microphones or special lighting, or vast distances between one another, it will offer an experience of the Eucharist that mirrors that of the very first Believers, gathered together in the Upper Room, experiencing the Crucified and Risen Jesus in their very midst...

*The switch will occur on **Wednesday, April 4th** with the evening novena Mass to Our Lady of Perpetual Help and commence in earnest on **Monday, April 9th** with the 7 o'clock morning Mass. Please remember that there are traditionally no morning Masses during the sacred time of Triduum; i.e., Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday; a separate schedule of Masses and Services on these special days will be placed in the next bulletin.*

In order to accommodate the students and faculty of Saint Anne School, who usually come together to celebrate the Eucharist once a week and every First Friday of the month, the 9 o'clock morning Mass of each Wednesday and First Friday, when School is in session, will be celebrated in the Church.

As always, thank you for your patience, understanding and support. This is not a decision that was made lightly, but is part of a broader effort to live within our budget and, in the process, perhaps strengthen our sense of connectedness to one another in Christ Jesus.

Shalom!

Fr. Nigel

**La Sociedad de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe
Invita a
Su Fiesta Anual
"Dedicada AL Día de Las Madres"**

**Ven y trae a tu ser especial a disfrutar
de una noche inolvidable en familia**

Sorteos de premios para las madres y 50/50



**Sábado, 5 de Mayo, 2012
8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.**

Iglesia Santa Ana "Centennial Hall"
(Entrada por Congress Street)
3545 Kennedy Boulevard • Jersey City, NJ

**Donación: \$15.00 por Adulto
\$5.00 Niños menores de 10 años
pagan en la puerta \$20.00 por Adulto
(Comida Incluida)**

La Comida se servirá de 8:00 a 10:00 de la noche



Weekly Planner

SUNDAY 4/8

EASTER SUNDAY

9:00 AM-12 PM Easter Egg Hunt-Cent Hall

1:00-3:00 PM Fil-Am Mtg-Cent Hall

MONDAY 4/9

1:00 PM-4:00 PM St. Anne Seniors-Cent Hall

3:00 PM Legion of Mary-Rectory

TUESDAY 4/10

12:15 PM Bingo-Cent Hall

3:00 PM-4:00 PM Holy Hour for Priests-**Convent**

WEDNESDAY 4/11

6:00 PM-8:00 PM Daisy/Brow/Jr Mtg-Cent Hall

7:00 PM OL Guadalupe Mtg-CCD Conf Room

FRIDAY 4/13

12:15 PM Bingo-Cent Hall

7:30 PM J&M Prayer Mtg-CCD Conf Room

SATURDAY 4/14

2:00 PM-4:00 PM Padre Pio Mass/Mtg-Ch/CentHa

SUNDAY 4/15

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER/DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

7:30 AM-1:30 PM Parish Comnty Social-Cent Hall

10:30 AM - HNS Mass/Mtg-Church/Cent Hall

1:30 PM (setup) Divine Mercy-Cent Hall

3:00 PM Divine Mercy Sunday-Church/Cent Hall

MONDAY 4/16

3:00 PM Legion of Mary-Rectory

6:00 PM-8:00 PM-Jr/Cadette Mtg-Cent Hall

TUESDAY 4/17

12:15 PM Bingo-Cent Hall

3:00 PM-4:00 PM Holy Hour for Priests-**Convent**

WEDNESDAY 4/18

3:00-4:30 PM Communion Practice-Church

7:00 PM Festival Mtg-Cent Hall

THURSDAY 4/19

6:30 PM-8:30 PM Cub Scouts-Cent Hall

FRIDAY 4/20

12:15 PM Bingo-Cent Hall

7:30 PM J&M Prayer Mtg-CCD Conf Room

Archdiocesan Anniversary Liturgies

The Archdiocese of Newark is preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples in our Archdiocese who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of Christian marriage in the year 2012. These anniversary liturgies will be celebrated by Archbishop John J. Myers in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

50 Years

May 6, 2012 at 3:00 PM

(deadline to register April 25th)

5 & 25 Years

June 3, 2012 at 3:00 PM

(deadline to register May 23rd)

It is the desire of the Archdiocese that every couple in the Archdiocese deserving of such recognition be present at the appropriate liturgy. The presence of a large number of couples will give favorable witness to the strength and stability of Christian marriage in today's society.

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