



St. Margaret of Cortona Parish

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*Serving the Catholic Communities of Little Ferry and Moonachie
In Ministry, Education and Service -- Since August 24, 1912*

April 25, 2021



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In Residence

Sister Dorothy A. Donovan, S.S.J.,
Pastoral Associate

Eileen M. Ballone,
Director of Music

Dina R. Tarabocchia,
Parish Secretary

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 12:00 noon

Weekdays: Monday to Friday: 12:05 p.m.

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 1:00 p.m.

PARISH WEBSITE:

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Monday to Friday

Rectory

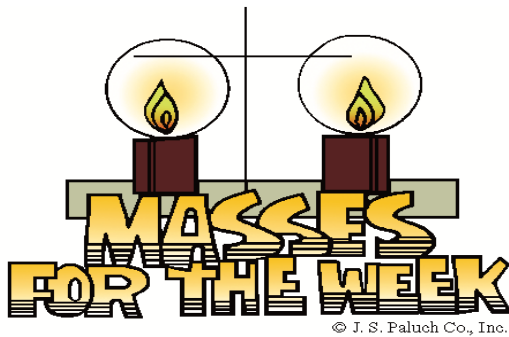
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By appointment only

Religious Education

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Sunday to Thursday



SATURDAY, April 24

5:30 PM Giuliano Spadavecchia

SUNDAY, April 25

Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM Elaine Palladino

10:00 AM Maria Alfio Lanuto

12:00 PM Marco Vlacancich

MONDAY, April 26

12:05 PM Ignazio Tatulli

TUESDAY, April 27

12:05 PM Damiana Camporeale

WEDNESDAY, April 28

12:05 PM Ana Tarabochia

THURSDAY, April 29

12:05 PM Domenica Mattessich

FRIDAY, April 30

12:05 PM Michele Brattoli

SATURDAY, May 1

9:00 AM Saint Margaret Mass Guild

5:30 PM Francesco La Rocca

SUNDAY, May 2, 2021

Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM Giuliano Spadavecchia

10:00 AM Luciano Lo Sardo

12:00 PM Matthew Nierstedt

**Memorials
Bread & Wine
And
Sanctuary Candle
People of Our Parish Family**

ON WEALTH

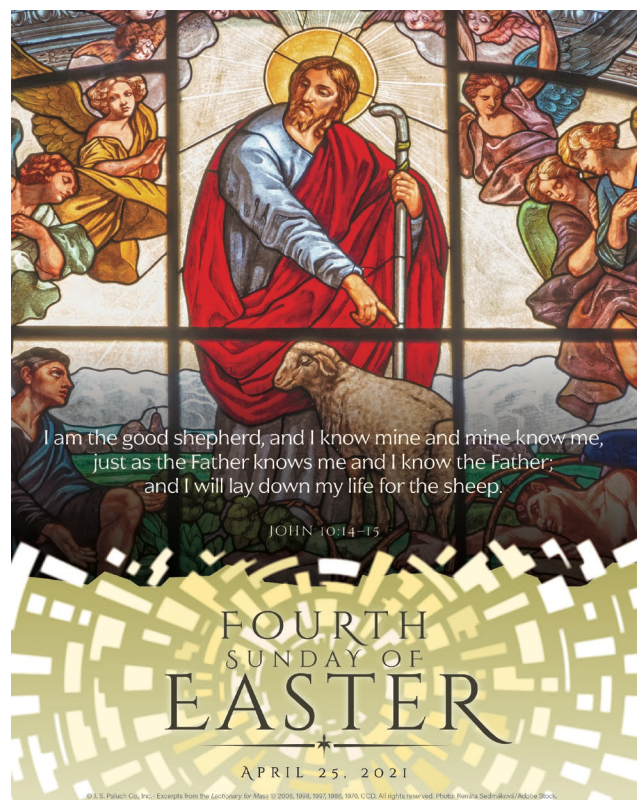
Nothing is more fallacious than wealth. It is a hostile comrade, a domestic enemy.

—St. John Chrysostom

THE GLORY OF GOD

The glory of God is humanity fully alive.

—St. Irenaeus





RESPONDING TO THE CALL

Do we truly know the voice of Christ? Do we truly respond to the voice of our shepherd with our own distinctive voice? How often we attempt to imitate those around us, appropriating the response of another member of the flock to Christ. Perhaps we need to balance the image of being sheep of one flock with the image from the second reading, which tells us that we are all children of God. What child has precisely the same interaction with parents as his or her siblings? Instead, they frequently do and say things to distinguish themselves in the eyes of their parents.

Whether we use the image of children or of sheep to understand our relationship with Christ, we believe that we are all known and called by name. With this great gift comes a responsibility: to respond to the call with our own distinctive voice, to take time to discern exactly what our call is, to determine precisely what the will of the Father is for each of us.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — There is no salvation through anyone else (Acts 4:8-12).

Psalm — The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God (1 John 3:1-2).

Gospel — The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11-18).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations

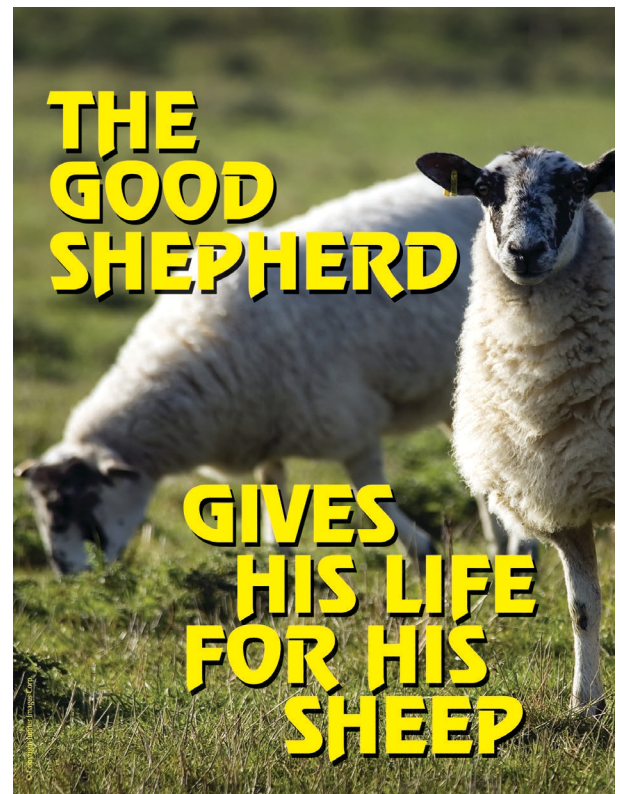
Wednesday: St. Peter Chanel;

St. Louis Grignion de Montfort

Thursday: St. Catherine of Siena

Friday: St. Pius V; National Arbor Day

Saturday: St. Joseph the Worker; First Saturday





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**We lift up to the Lord
in our prayers and
good works for: the
sick, frail and the
homebound.**

Shirley Pizza
Catherine Mary Moncello
Camilla Leventhal
Nicole Grano
Johanna Hanush
Lena Vitalle.
John Thomas Lazur Dersch
Robert Zienkiewicz
Florence Navarro
Paula Kelnhofer
Jacqueline Palmadessa
Michael Toscano
Ellie Lombardelli

John McConnell
Michel Porta
Julian Morgan
Baby Amato Jordan
Giovanna Careri
Grace Ehler
Julio Sanchez
Arline Hrbek
Kevin Michael Francis
Philip Dittmar
Barbara Demczynsyn
Caroline Ruppert Hubertz
Tom Greaux

Mary Ceppaglia

FEAST OF FAITH

The Gospel Reading

The climax of the Liturgy of the Word comes with the proclamation of the Gospel. Everything tells us that something important is happening. We stand. We sing special acclamations. Servers with candles and sometimes incense lead the deacon or priest to the ambo, where the reading is proclaimed from a special book.

All of the readings are important, but the liturgy directs special attention to the Gospel for a reason. “[A]mong all the inspired writings, even among those of the New Testament, the Gospels have a special place, and rightly so, because they are our principal source for the life and teaching of the Incarnate Word, our Saviour” (Dei Verbum, the Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation of the Second Vatican Council, 18). In the Gospels, the narrative of Christ’s saving life, death, and resurrection continues to be proclaimed in our midst.

Our Sunday Lectionary is structured so as to allow us to hear as much of the Gospels as possible. The readings are arranged in a three-year cycle. In Year A, the Gospel readings are taken mainly from Matthew; in Year B, from Mark and John; and in Year C, from Luke. In this way, over the course of three years, we hear a substantial portion of all four Gospels.

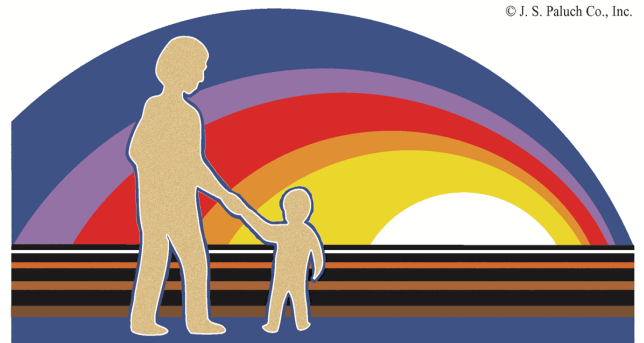


Rosa La Rocca

Victims of terrorism and war; genocide in Syria and the Holy Land, worldwide human trafficking, racism and hatred, domestic abuse and street violence, severe weather conditions and for all those victims who suffered and lost their loved ones, under the COVID-19 pandemic.



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“Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and forgiven.” (Pope Francis)
The Church can also be a place to heal. We are called to “be merciful like the Father.”
So many are suffering from the effects of abortion. Where can they heal? Where can they feel safe and loved?

The Archdiocese of Newark Respect Life Office will be hosting two upcoming Rachel’s Vineyard retreats to heal the wounds from abortion.

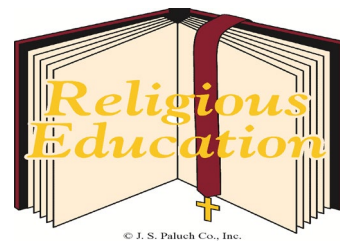
Retreat dates are May 14-16, 2021 (English) and April 23-25, 2021 (Spanish). Contact the Respect Life Office for more details by calling 973-497-4350 (Spanish option 2) or e-mail

Cheryl.riley@rcan.org (English)
elvinedoderaquelin@rcan.org (Spanish)
“He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.” (Psalm 147:3)

*** All Covid-19 Guidelines will be followed.**



If there is any adult (18+yrs.) who wishes to complete their initiation into the Catholic Church by receiving Confirmation, please call Sister Dorothy at 201-641-2989.



Registration for new students and/or families in our religious education program for the 2021-2022 school year are now in progress.

Registration can made in the parish center.

Call Sister Dorothy for further information or with questions.

Thank you.



Annual Appeal ^{for 2021}

Make your gift today.

St. Margaret’s 2021 Goal	\$24,229
Number of Pledges	83
Amount of Pledges	\$14,995

As of April 20