

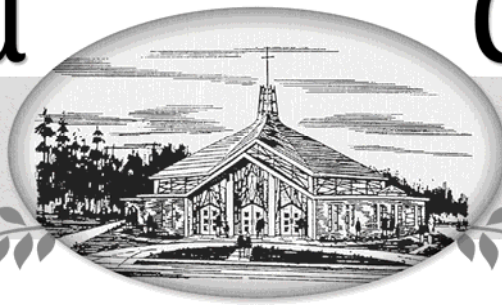
Centennial

1915-2015

Celebration



100 YEARS
OF FAITH



WE REMEMBER
WE BELIEVE
WE CELEBRATE

THE CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

47 ISLAND ROAD • MAHWAH NEW JERSEY 07430

SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2016

We Invite You to Share the Life of Our Parish Family.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES †

Weekdays.....8:00 a.m. & 12:00 noon (*Monday through Friday*)
Saturdays..... 8:00 a.m.
Saturday Evenings.....5:00 p.m.
Sundays..... 7:30, 9:00 (*Polish*), 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 Noon
Holy Days.....Announced

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays..... 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.
.....After daily masses and by appointment

BAPTISMS: Last Sunday of each month, with instructions preceding.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: We are greatly concerned about the pastoral needs of the sick, the shut-ins, the elderly, the hospitalized. Please notify rectory of your needs.

TEACHING THE GOOD NEWS

CCD-Religious Education Program
Adult Faith Formation
Baptismal Instruction Classes
Marriage Preparation Program

MARRIAGES: Contact rectory one year in advance.

PARISH REGISTRATION: Please contact rectory for registration cards, contribution envelopes, change of address, etc.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday.....9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Weekends..... Emergency calls only

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

All meeting times are announced.

- * Trustees (John Sulikowski, Mary Molinelli)
- * Pastoral Advisory Council
- * Rosary Society
- * Ministers of Hospitality
- * Parish Choir
- * Special Ministers of the Eucharist
- * Youth Ministry
- * Spirituality Ministry
- * Altar Servers
- * Home Bound Ministers

DEVOTIONS

- † **ROSARY:** Saturdays after the 8:00am Mass
- † **EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**
Fridays 12:30-6:00pm
- † **MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:** Mondays after
12:00Noon Mass

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*Mass Intentions***Saturday, March 5, 2016**

- 5:00PM +Frank & Robert DeGeorge**
by Mary Trusewicz
+Stanislaw Bodyziak
by Maria & Tadeusz & Family
+Joseph G. Kotos by wife, Yolanda & Family

Sunday, March 6, 2016**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

- 7:30AM +Rose Leahy** by Barbara Suleski & Family
9:00AM +Jan & Aniela Cieslar
by Children & Grandchildren
+Paulina Swiecicki by Father & Family
10:30AM +Anna Krupinski by the O'Leary Family
+Barbara Tie, Sr.
by the Tie, Briell & Kasting Families
Health Blessings for Erika Jentgens
by Gisela Sokol & Family
12:00PM +Tom Lagata by Eleanora Swingle & Family
and Jean Demeduk

Monday, March 7 For Our Parishioners and

- 8:00AM +Anthony Fontana** by the Family
In Thanksgiving by Lulu Dayap
12:00PM +Helen Contillo
by Lynn & Peter Fiore & Family
+Kenneth Gyongyosi by Anne Suleski

Tuesday, March 8

- 8:00AM +Rose Leahy** by Lisa Spiech
+Martin Lisi by Vincent Lisi & Family
12:00PM +Aline Hendricksen
by husband, John Hendricksen

Wednesday, March 9

- 8:00AM +Joe Kuzmik** by Helen & Elaine Kownacki
+Bernard Kuzmik by wife, Sylvia
12:00PM +Ramero Fernandez
by Valentina & John Link

Thursday, March 10

- 8:00AM +Michele Szwed** by the Family
12:00PM +Jean & Raymond Malverty
by Jacqueline Zito

Friday, March 11

- 8:00AM +James Miles** by the Family
Health Blessings for Henry Baker
by the Gerling Family
12:00PM +John Sinclair
by Eleanora Swingle & Family
+Mark Driscoll
by MaryEllen & the Boys

Saturday, March 12

- 8:00AM +Stephanie Spiech**
by Ron, Deborah & Mary Krupinski

Saturday, March 12

- 5:00PM +Stanley J. Sokol** by the Sokol Family
+Elvira Di Pasquale by Diane DeVanzo
+Leonardo Di Re
by Melina & Stephen Bisciglia

Sunday, March 13 Fifth Sunday of Lent**Daylight Savings Time Begins**

- 7:30AM +Deceased Members of**
Mahwah Fire Co. #2
9:00AM +Leokadia & Zygmunt Lukaszewicz
by son Mieczslaw
+Wieslaw Swiecicki
by son, Krzysztof & Family
10:30AM +Joseph Szwerz by Bill Martin
+Jack Dempsey by Ann Higgins
+Jack Yelle by John & Roberta Rahmer
12:00PM +John Sinclair by Nancy Murray

Memorial Candles**Sacred Heart (Alcove)**

In memory of **Cynthia**, my loving wife
From husband, Ed Plicinski

Blessed Mother (Alcove)

For Blessings Received
From the Gerling Family

PRAYERS FOR PARISHIONERS

For those who are ill: Michael Helms, Christine Sanese-Brett, Joan Malone, JoAnn Best, Stella Moran, Jaclyn Best, Helen Kelly, Nora Dempsey, Tara Arbia, Peter Rice, Maryann Titko, Theresa White, John LaPlaca, James and Barbara Straut, Ruth Stager, Eleanora Swingle, Frances Konior, Irene Calotta, Gabriele DiCarlo, Mary Gisonno, Carol Zarcone, Nicholas Sorgine, Susan Saladino, Henry Baker, Louise Yankowski, Michael Cardinale, Nancy Mayer, Robert Moris. Dave Conklin, George Leahy

(Names on the sick list will be on five (5) weeks. If you wish to leave them on longer, call the rectory weekdays, 9:00AM-5:00PM.)

For the recently deceased: Anton Leahy, Priscilla Binko, Joseph Kotos, Irena Ceglinska, John Kelly, Anna Krupinski, Christina Wyszomirski, Rose Leahy, Bozena Niepostyn, Anthony Fontana, Helena Marut, Joseph Szwerz, Jack Dempsey, Marilyn Jasenzak, Gabriel Wolanski, Stanislaw Wrzesien, Anthony Suleski, Fr. Chester Szemborski, SDB, Edward Michalak, Richard Gotowoko, Eileen Conway, Stephanie Spiech, Josephine DiDominico, Joseph DePiano, Robert Garza, Mary Strysko, Alice Levandowska-Pyka, Irene Nowicka, Ann Lake, Andrew O'Sullivan



March 6, 2016



Message from the Pastor:

Today, the Fourth Sunday of Lent, or traditionally, called Laetare Sunday ("Rejoice" in Latin), marks a joyful relief amidst the seriousness and soberness of weeks of preparation for Easter. The day is a day of relaxation from normal Lenten rigors; a day of hope with Easter being at last within sight. In today's Gospel, we hear about the parable of the Prodigal Son – the younger son was bold and disrespectful and squandered his inheritance but when he hit "rock bottom" he swallowed his pride, returned home, and threw himself on the mercy of his father. His father welcomes him as son - not a hired worker - clothes him in the best, and throws a lavish feast. He gave him new life. Jesus wants us to know what God's mercy is like. When anyone sins and is sorry for that sin, God rushes to embrace that person. Even when we feel that we may be undeserving of God's love, Jesus tells us that God rejoices like the father in the Gospel.

This Monday, March 7th, the noon Mass will be celebrated by our Archbishop Bernard Hebda, followed by a Reception on the "We Are Living Stones" campaign. If you haven't already signed up for this Reception in our Parish Hall or the last one on Wednesday, March 9th at 7pm, please by phone or email our Rectory or sign up on our Parish website. These Receptions will provide every parishioner the opportunity to learn the details of this campaign and how it will help our Parish needs as well.

Next Saturday, March 12th, 10am - 12 noon, I hope you will attend a wonderful "Morning of Reflection" here in our Church. Fr. Mark-David Janus, CSP, PhD, President of Paulist Press, will lead us in a Lenten Reflection on God's Mercy in our life's journey. Editor of *Crossing the Threshold of Mercy: A Spiritual Guide for the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy*, this collection of short inspirational excerpts will also help encourage us to leave behind doubt and fear and allow God's love to embrace us. Light refreshments will also be served afterwards with time for meeting and chatting with Fr. Janus!

Also coming up, please mark your calendars for our Lenten Retreats. On March 17th, 18th and 19th, at 7pm, Fr. Krzysztof Kietlinski will lead us in Polish. On March 20th (all Sunday Masses) and March 21st and 22nd, at 7 pm, Fr. Anthony Mastroeni, will lead us in English. More to follow.

Let us remember that the month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph, spouse of our Blessed Mother and foster father of Jesus, patron saint of all fathers, workers and the Universal Church. St. Theresa of Avila once wrote "I know by experience that the glorious St. Joseph assists us generally in all necessities. I never asked him for anything which he did not obtain for me." With that in mind, let us also pray to St. Joseph for help on our Lenten journey in nurturing our lives in Jesus and all the fullness it can bring!

Hope to see you this Monday at the 12 noon Mass with Archbishop Hebda!

Have a wonderful and safe week.

God Bless you!

F. Jacek

Recent Collections

Sunday Collection \$5,155.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

March Parish Calendar

March 7	Mass with Archbishop Hebda 12:00Noon followed by We are Living Stones Reception
March 9	We are Living Stones Reception 7:00pm Parish Hall Stations of the Cross English
March 11	Stations of the Cross Polish
March 12	Reflection Day 10:00AM Fr. Mark-David Janus CSP
March 13	Resurrection Eggs Craft Project
March 16	Confirmation Class** ** Date Change
March 17, 18, 19	Stations of the Cross English
March 20	Lenten Retreat Polish 7:00PM Lenten Retreat English
March 21,22	Sunday All Masses/ Lenten Retreat Cont'd 7:00PM
March 22	Pardon & Peace 8:00PM
March 24	Stations of the Cross English

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

every Friday 12:30-6:00pm

Chaplet of Divine Mercy *every Friday 3:00PM*

Family Rosary *every Saturday 3:00PM*

***“We are the
Living Stones of God...,
...Planning for Tomorrow.”***

*Remaining receptions are March 7th and March 9th.
It is never too late to R.S.V.P.*

IHM YOUTH GROUP MEETING Sunday March 6, 2016 6pm-8pm in the Gymnasium

Come join us for faith, fun and friendship as members of the William Paterson University Catholic Campus Ministry share their insights on being young Catholic adults in today's world. Pizza and volleyball to follow!

Be a Witness of Charity...

is this year's theme for the annual Peter's Pence Collection. In this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*, please support Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. ***“Charity is Infectious, It Excites, It Risks and It Engages! For true charity is always Unmerited, Unconditional and Gratuitous.”***



CRACK OPEN THE GLORIOUS STORY OF JESUS' RESURRECTION!

Join us on Sunday, March 13 in the gym after all Masses and make your own set of *Resurrection Eggs*.

Resurrection Eggs are 12 plastic eggs each containing an object pertaining to the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. All supplies will be provided - you just need to bring an empty, dozen-sized egg carton.

From Palm Sunday to the Empty Tomb, this is a great way to both learn and share the story of Jesus' resurrection.

Create a new Easter tradition!

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!



The tradition of Lent

“...a time for focusing on the heart, a time for asking questions about our spiritual health”
-Craig R. Higgins
“On Keeping a Holy Lent”

LENTEN

RETREATS

In Polish on March 17th, 18th, 19th at 7:00pm with Fr. Krzysztof Kietlinski.

In English on Sunday, March 20th, at all masses and March 21, and 22nd at 7:00 pm with Fr. Anthony Mastroeni.

The Lord is knocking at the door of our hearts. Have we put a sign on the door saying: “Do not disturb?”

Pope Francis

Please joins us on Saturday March 12th at 10:00AM with guest Speaker, **Fr. Mark-David Janus CSP,** His talk on Mercy is certain to inspire.

Family Rosary

Wondering what to do for Lent?

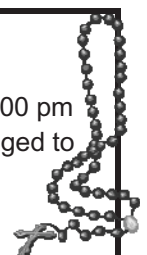
Join us as we pray the rosary Saturdays at 3:00 pm during Lent. All ages are welcome and encouraged to attend. All sessions are 30 minutes.

March 12

Glorious Mysteries

March 19

Sorrowful Mysteries



Needed: New or Used Communion Dresses and Suits.

The Office of Stewardship seeks your help for less fortunate children celebrating First Communion. Do not let financial hardship interfere with such a momentous occasion. Please contact Mrs. Dillon 201-529-2294.