

*The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist*  
*June 24, 2018*

**LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

**Sunday, June 24- The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist**

5:00 p.m. – Lawrence & Josephine Bugar req. by Barbara Martin

8:30 a.m. – Loretta Joyce req. by family

10:00 a.m. – Ruth Lopez Maximo req. by Elmer Maximo

**Monday, June 25- Weekday**

12:00 p.m. – Rita Tironi req. by family

**Tuesday, June 26- Weekday**

12:00 p.m. – Patricia DiGirolamo req. by husband, Anthony

**Wednesday, June 27 – Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

12:00 p.m. – Father Stanley Skrzypek req. by Fr. Zig

**Thursday, June 28- Saint Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr**

12:00 p.m. – For the People of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

**Friday, June 29- Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles**

12:00 p.m. – Aldo Vukosa req. by Ann & Carlo Thompson

**Sunday, July 1- Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 p.m. – James & Ethel Gorman req. by the Maulbeck family

8:30 a.m. – MaryAnn Hopler req. by Donna & Mike Gosden

10:00 a.m. – Denise Bell req. by Anne Reilly

*This week the*  
*Sanctuary*  
*Candle*  
*burns in memory of ...* Loretta Joyce  
Requested by: family

Collection for June 16 & 17: \$3417.50  
Parish Pay Electronic Giving: \$2380.75 (May)  
Collection from last year: \$2930.50

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE**

**MILITARY:** Aleksandr Killeen, Airman 1st Cl,  
Nicholas DelCore, Air Force, Captain Jessica L. Rotile Rudo,  
Kenneth Rudo, Warrant Officer,1

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Irene  
Schreiber, Doug Bansch, Maria Acevedo, TJ Schoudel, Capt.  
Adam Cowan, USA, Julio Soto, Ben Marvilla, Michelle

**OPEN HOUSE AT SACRED HEART RECTORY:** On Friday evening, **July 13th** an open house will be held at **Sacred Heart Rectory from 7 to 9 o'clock**. The event will provide an opportunity for parishioners and friends to meet Father Pawel and support him in his new position as parish administrator. Because there are many needs in the rectory, you are invited to participate in the BED, BATH & BEYOND Registry #546080432 for much needed items for the rectory which is now Father Pawel's new home. All donations are welcome and your generosity greatly appreciated.

Monslave, Amelia Marie Cayea, Mary Therese Loftus, Sharon Bauer, Mary Davenport, Jose Prado, Arlene Berlin, Robert Nielsen, Marge Vogel, Efrain Gonzalez, Amanda Villarubia, Mary Skelly, John Skutka, William McBurney, Anne Riordan, D.M. Lynch, Linda Hoffman,, Mike Izzo, Edward Frame, Adam Hayward, Carol Centonze, James Boyle, Carol Ann Boyle, Jessica Gorman, Theodora Maulbeck. John Krause, Ethan Chandra, Jim McNamara, Dorothy Murray, Louise Kelly, Tom Gorman, Carlos Carbajal, Miguel Fojas, Victoria Santana, Mary Merz.

**PARISH POLICY –PLEASE NOTE:** All Catholic families living within the parish boundaries are encouraged to register as members. Registration has many benefits, and in particular, facilitates any arrangements for baptisms, marriages, sponsors, etc. Please contact the rectory at 973-627-0422

**Divine Mercy Academy** is accepting applications for the 2018-2019 schoolyear. 87 Halsey Ave. 973-627-6003. We offer a safe, secure & compassionate environment with a high level of individualized attention; certified teachers; weekly liturgies & daily Religion class; academic curriculum with all core subjects; STEM; physical education; music, art, Spanish & library, with technology integrated throughout the curriculum.

Before-care/after-care and extracurricular activities available. Full day & Half Day Pre-K3 & Pre-K4 programs starting at \$2420 a year. Full Day Kindergarten through 8th grade tuition rates as follows: 1 child: \$5030 2 children: \$8200 and 3 children: \$9960 per year. Come see the difference an academically excellent Catholic education makes!

**ATTENTION ALL MINISTERS:** The FINAL July schedule has been released. Copies are available in the sacristy. Thanks, Jack

**Please join us** as we welcome Father Pawel as our new administrator and pastor! We will have a light reception in Suchon Hall on **Sunday July 1st** after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

My dear parishioners,

In our gathering to celebrate the Lord's Day we also commemorate the Feast of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist. The holy Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John is highly venerated in the Diocese of Paterson for he is the Patron Saint of the Diocese as well as the one for whom our Cathedral Church in Paterson is named. The placement of this feast in the liturgical calendar is significant. John's birth is 6 months and 1 day before the birth of Christ, all signs that he was the one who came before the Lord Jesus to prepare for His coming. Also, this is the time of year when the summer solstice occurs and the days begin to decrease in sunlight only to be reversed at the winter solstice near the Birth of Christ. This is a reminder of Saint John the Baptist's words recorded in the Gospel of John, chapter 3, verse 30, "He must increase, but I must decrease."

The Gospel of Luke, chapter 1, verses 39 speaks to us about the second mystery of the Most Holy Rosary, the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to her relative Elizabeth. The Gospel tells us that after the Angel departed from Mary she proceeded to Elizabeth. The Virgin Mary travelled from Nazareth, located north in Galilee, to Ein Karem, located south in Judea, a distance of about 100 miles. This journey for a pregnant woman was not an easy one.

This Gospel states how the unborn child, John the Baptist, rejoices when the unborn Christ Child who is within the womb of the Mother of God approaches. These two babies will challenge the world and become signs of life to the proponents of death. The Prophet John will testify to the coming of the Lord and the need for preparedness through repentance for sin. The Lord Jesus, the Only Begotten Son of God, will be crucified for sinners and through this sacrifice bring eternal life to all those who trust in Him. Yes, these two unborn babies, one who is God and the other who is his messenger, will bring hope to a dying world.

How appropriate it is that we should today have an opportunity to rally around LIFE through the 20/20 PROJECT. Representatives of the pro- life cause will briefly address us at all Masses asking for our support in the cause of life, the cause which rings out in today's celebration of the Feast of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist. The Catholic Church is committed to the cause of life and its protection from conception to natural death. Your pro- life stand is a sign of your faith! Pro- choice is pro death!! Christ came to give life but it is the devil that supports death!

Our gratitude and best wishes to Father Pawel as he begins his new pastoral assignment at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church on East Main Street. May the Lord richly bless him!

And God bless you too!

Father Zig

**PARISH PICNIC:** Thanks to all who worked on this year's Parish Picnic. Although it was another rain out, the picnic was held in Hayes Hall and saw a great turn out after a change in plans. Much of the hard work of those who baked, cooked, set up and cleaned up was put to good use. Thanks again to all those who helped or volunteered to help and those who attended.

**Saint Cecilia and Sacred Heart Parishes Summer Bible Camp "Growing Up Catholic"** will be held Tuesday July 17 to Saturday July 21st from 4-6 PM at Divine Mercy Academy. All children Pre K to 4th grade are invited to attend. There will be games, crafts, songs, Bible stories, and snacks. The registration fee is \$20 for 1 child and \$25 for two or more children. Adult and teen volunteers are needed. For info please email [stcecilia.faithformation@gmail.com](mailto:stcecilia.faithformation@gmail.com) or contact Denise at 973-462-3795.

**NEW DAILY MASS SCHEDULE** – Beginning on Monday, July 2nd, two morning Masses at St. Cecilia will be offered Monday thru Friday at 6:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. On Saturday morning only one Mass will be celebrated at 8 o'clock.

**VISIT ROME AND THE AMALFI COAST IN 2019:** Father Zig is leading a trip to Rome and the Amalfi Coast of Italy September 5-14, 2019. A presentation for all those interested in this trip will be held on Tuesday evening, September 18th in Hayes Hall beginning at 7:00 pm. A representative from Collette Tours will make the presentation and answer all questions related to this wonderful trip. Brochures for the trip are now available from the parish office or the church vestibule.

**“Quo Vadis—Where are you going?:”** “Vocations Discernment for young men 15-25. “Quo Vadis—Where are you going?” Where is the Spirit acting in your life? Where is the Lord encouraging you to go? Quo Vadis Days in a time of recreation, fellowship, and prayer to help you explore the Lord’s call in your life. Activities will include prayer, Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Liturgy of the Hours, Rosary, games, sports, talks, great food, and discussions. It is a time to share our faith and meet other young men seeking God’s will. Quo Vadis Days will be held June 27-29, 2018 at the Saint Mary’s Abbey Retreat Center in Morristown, New Jersey. There is no cost. For more information and/or registration, contact the coordinators Fr. Edgar Rivera and David Monteleone in the Vocations Office at 973-777-8818, ext #711, by email: [revedgar@patersondiocese.org](mailto:revedgar@patersondiocese.org)

**RCIA:** Have you been worshiping with us or in another Catholic Parish, but have never officially taken steps to become Catholic? Is another family member Catholic, but not you and you wonder what is the Faith they are practicing? Were you baptized in the Catholic Church, but have not been attending Catholic Mass for some time? Are you seeking a deeper personal relationship with Jesus but have not been baptized, or have not received First Communion, or have not been confirmed in the Catholic Church? Are you dating or engaged to a Catholic person and concerned what the effect of marrying a Catholic would be? Are you married to a Catholic and attend Mass, but just don’t know what the next step is in becoming a Catholic? Are you or your spouse a Catholic, but did not have a Catholic wedding? If any of the above questions apply to you, contact Deacon Paul Willson at 973-551-0749, Or leave contact information with Parish Office. Or send an email to [paul.d.willson@gmail.com](mailto:paul.d.willson@gmail.com).

**Registration for First Holy Communion classes** is now open for children of our parish ages 7 to 8 entering 2<sup>nd</sup> grade in September. Mrs. Lucy Rovegno will serve as the catechist. Classes will begin in October. Please call the rectory (973)627-0422 for registration and other information.

**ATTENTION ALL GRADUATING 8TH GRADE STUDENTS:** If you will be starting high school (Catholic or Public) in September and plan to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation, please ensure you register prior to August 15, 2018. Classes meet Sundays after 10 a.m. mass, every other Sunday. Please take a form in the entrance of the church and return with Baptismal Certificate and registration fee. Any questions, please contact Michele Shaffer at 973-625-9274

**WOMEN'S GROUP: Women at the Well:** The Women at the Well meet the FIRST SATURDAYS of each month. These evenings are meant to serve as spiritual and social refreshment for women. The evening begins with a potluck dinner, followed the Rosary, quiet prayer and ending with dessert and socializing. Registration is required by emailing Jennifer Nelson & Faith Rose at [wellwithmysoul17@gmail.com](mailto:wellwithmysoul17@gmail.com) with your name, parish and email address. This group is open to those outside the parish as well. Bring your Rosary and a friend!

**The Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth** in Convent Station is looking for part-time help at the Motherhouse Reception Desk on weekends. The position includes welcoming guests, signing in guests, answering the telephone and directing calls to sisters or staff. Orientation will be provided, competitive salary. For further information, contact Paul Guida, Director of Physical Plant, at 973-290-5355.

**CAR FOR SALE**—A 2010 Chevy Malibu, with low mileage, which was formally a parish convent vehicle is for sale. Please contact the St. Cecilia Parish Office for further information @ 973-627-0313.

**Please be advised that all the "Senior Events"** are open to everyone 55 and over from St. Cecilia & Sacred Heart  
**Tuesday- June 26-** Sands Casino- Price \$25.00-Slot Play-\$20.00- Food-\$5.00

**Sunday, July 1**—Paper Mill Playhouse Day Trip

Day trip at Paper Mill Playhouse to see "Halftime" (afternoon show)

Members: \$65.00—Nonmembers: \$70.00

**Tuesday- July 3-** Regular Meeting

11am set up: 12-1 pm social hour, coffee & cake 1-2pm meeting, bingo, & cards afterwards

**Sunday Sept. 16-Friday Sept. 21, 2018:** Wildwood Crest- For Info call Lorraine 973-366-6871

**Don't forget about the St. Cecilia Seniors Adventure of the Sea on May 17, 2019:** For more info. Call Alice Koller @ 973-627-8558.

**Birth Haven-Shelter & Hope for Young Mothers:** Pregnant/ Need Help? The agency provides a safe and nurturing environment in which to carry an unexpected pregnancy to term, while additionally helping the resident learn the tools necessary to achieve greater self-sufficiency. Individuals served by the organization include both those who intend to raise their child after delivery and those who opt for adoption placement. Most residents stay at Birth Haven throughout their pregnancy and up until 6 weeks after the baby's birth, exceptions are made when it is in the best interest of the mother and infant. Birth Haven • 4 Academy Street Newton, New Jersey 07860  
973-579-7979 FAX: 973-579-6831 \* <http://www.BirthHaven.org>

**Randolph-Kiwanis Freedom Parade:** Come March With Us! Join Morris County Right to Life in the Annual Freedom Parade, **12:00 noon—2:00 pm, Saturday, June 30!** Parade will begin at Dover-Chester & Quaker Church Rd, continue to Center Grove Rd, cross Rt. 10 and end at the lower lot of County College of Morris, Randolph. Park at the County College of Morris by 11:00 am. There will be a shuttle bus available to drive you to the parade line-up. Wear our pro-life T-shirts or patriotic colors. We will carry our MCRTL banner, pro-life flags, balloons & distribute candy with positive pro-life messages. For the latest info call: 973-933-2800 or email [info@morriscountyrighttolife.org](mailto:info@morriscountyrighttolife.org), follow us on Facebook or visit our web site [www.morriscountyrighttolife.org](http://www.morriscountyrighttolife.org)