

# CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP & ST. JAMES

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## **Sacred Music**

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## **Parish Cemetery**

Mr. Mark Sandt, Superintendent

**BAPTISM:** *Infants should be Baptized as soon as possible. Please call the Church Office to make arrangements.*

**CONFESSION:** *Pope John Paul II, of blessed memory, said: "Anyone who goes frequently to Communion, must also go frequently to Confession."* **Saturdays: 9am-9:30am and from 3:15pm-4:15pm or by appointment with one of the priests.**

**FOR MARRIAGE AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION:** *Please call the Church Office.*

**DEVOTIONS:** Adoration: Monday-Saturday: 8:30am-11:00pm; Sunday: 1:00-11:00pm (Chapel)  
Novena (Miraculous Medal): Monday at 7pm (Chapel)  
Charismatic Prayer: Wednesday at 7pm (Chapel)  
Legion of Mary: Wednesday at 5:15pm (Mercy Hall)

**RCIA:** Anyone interested in becoming Catholic should contact the Parish Office about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults—a process which helps adults and older teens learn and ultimately enter the Catholic Church. Deacon George Frank directs this process in our Parish and will be happy to help you in this regard.

## **HOLY MASS**

*Every Catholic who is able has a serious obligation to worship God at Mass on Sunday or Saturday evening.*

**Saturday Evening:** 4:30pm (fulfills Sunday obligation)

**Sunday:** 7am, 9am, 11am, 1pm (*Spanish*), and 5:30pm

**Daily Mass:** Monday through Friday: 6:45 & 8am & 12:10pm in Holy Family Chapel (Tuesday 12:10pm in Warren Hospital);  
Saturday: 7am & 8am in Holy Family Chapel



**Passion/Palm Sunday + March 28, 2010**

## ● FOR YOUR INFORMATION ●

### **FROM FR. JOHN'S DESK...**

Special congratulations are due to Saints Philip and James School and Parish basketball teams and cheerleaders on the conclusion of their season. Three of our teams made the playoffs – the 7-8<sup>th</sup> grade girls, 3-4<sup>th</sup> grade girls, and 3-4<sup>th</sup> grade boys. I had the pleasure of watching a number of their games this year – and really enjoyed myself. I also want to thank the coaches and parents for all the time they put in – whether with the teams themselves or running the wonderful snack bar!

I also want to thank those who came to St. Joseph's Table last Sunday. It was nice to pray, enjoy some treats, and just spend time together. Thanks also to all those who made it possible.

As we begin Holy Week, I want to encourage everyone to make a real effort to come to Church on both Holy Thursday (7pm) and Good Friday (3pm). Our Church really should be filled on those most holy days. Indeed, if you can get to Church on those days, you really should. They are the days on which Jesus gave us His greatest gift – His Body and Blood, offered on the Cross to take away our sins so we can have eternal life in Heaven! Our presence in Church on Holy Thursday and Good Friday are a token of our appreciation of all that He did.

Please remember that Mass on Holy Saturday is at 8pm – rather than the usual 4:30pm. This is due to the Catholic Church's ancient tradition of offering Holy Mass after dusk on Holy Saturday. Doing this makes that Mass a true vigil for the Resurrection. While that Easter Vigil Mass is a good deal longer than an ordinary Mass, it is also very beautiful, inspiring, and well worth attending.

Tomorrow (Monday) evening, the priests of our diocese will renew their commitment to the priesthood at the annual Chrism Mass. At that Mass, our bishop will also bless the holy oils that are used in the sacraments – especially Confirmation and Anointing of the Sick. Everyone is welcome to attend the Chrism Mass in St. Francis Cathedral in Metuchen at 7:30pm. Whether or not you come to that Mass, please do say a prayer for me and all our priests as we renew our priestly promises that evening. Pray that we will really live up to those promises, and become the kind of priests that Jesus wants us to be.

Finally, please be sure to check this bulletin carefully for the schedule for Holy Week and Easter. I look forward to worshipping and praying with all of you at the most holy time of year. May our good God bless us with a truly joyous and blessed Easter!

Happy Palm Sunday!

Fr. John

### **HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE**

The Mass schedule for Holy Week and Easter is as follows:

**Holy Thursday** – Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm, with Adoration until 11:00pm; **Good Friday** – Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion at 3:00pm; Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm; **Holy Saturday** – No morning or afternoon Confessions – Blessing of Food at 12:30pm in Church; Solemn Easter Vigil Mass at 8:00pm; **Easter Sunday** – Masses will be celebrated at 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, and 1:00pm (Spanish). There will be no 5:30pm Mass.

### **BINGO WORKERS**

**3/30** – T. Reilly, C. Franceschino, M. McCabe, N. Mathias, M. Whitehouse, M. Oviedo; **4/1** – NO BINGO; **4/3** – NO BINGO

**PLEASE REMEMBER...**In your charity, pray for the sick and the lonely – visit them if you can. Also, please remember to pray for all who have wandered from the faith and all who have died, especially Gail Martin, Kenneth Brunetti, and the babies who have been killed through abortion and their parents.

### **WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!**

Last weekend we welcomed into our Parish Family through the Sacrament of Baptism: JALEENA JESSICA BLACKENSHIP, daughter of M/M David Blackenship

### **CHURCH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS**

The Church Office will be closed on Holy Thursday (April 1) and Good Friday (April 2). However, we will be open on Holy Saturday (April 3) from 9am to 12 noon.

### **PARISH EASTER DINNER**

St. Philip and St. James will be holding a Parish Easter Dinner from 3:00-4:30pm in Mercy Hall. Reserve your seat by phoning Colleen at 454-9880 by Tues., March 30. Open to all parishioners!

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION HOLIDAY HOURS**

Eucharistic Adoration will be closed on Holy Thursday and will reopen at 1pm on Easter Sunday.

### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

Divine Mercy Sunday will be held on April 11 at 3pm in the Chapel. Novena Prayer available in Chapel and at Church exits – begin on Good Friday.

### **FOOD FOR THE NEEDY COLLECTION**

Since Easter is the first Sunday of the month, the April "Food for the Needy" collection will be held on the weekend of April 10/11.

### **2010 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

The 2010 offertory envelopes are still available for pick-up at the Church Office. If you did not already pick up your envelopes, you may do so during regular office hours.

### **OPERATION RICE BOWL**

*The Passion...* This week we walk with Jesus through His passion, death, and resurrection. We begin to experience the sacrifice He made for us and how we are also called to give our life for others. Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl has helped us walk with our sisters and brothers who daily take up the cross of poverty. Through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving we unite ourselves in the one human family that is God's creation.

### **DONATIONS FOR OPERATION RICE BOWL**

Donations for Operation Rice Bowl can be placed in the display container in the foyer of the Church or the collection basket Easter Sunday and Divine Mercy Sunday. Please be sure to mark your envelopes "ORB". For ease of handling, we request that for those who can, a check be turned in instead of coins. Please make your check payable to "Operation Rice Bowl". Thank you.

### **GOOD FRIDAY DINNER**

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Good Friday Dinner on April 2, 2010 from 4:00-7:00pm in Mercy Hall. Dinner includes: White fish, baked potato, salad, vegetable medley, applesauce, roll & butter, dessert, and beverage. Cost is \$10.00 per platter for adults; \$5.00 for children 6-12 years old; Children under 6 free. Not a fish fan? Pizza is also available for \$2.00 per slice.

### **"COULD YOU NOT WATCH ONE HOUR WITH ME?"**

*"Every hour you spend with Jesus will be recorded in heaven and retold throughout eternity"*—Mother Teresa. **Adorers are urgently needed for Thursdays at 4pm.** Phone Camille at (908) 387-0001 for these times or any other time you are able to commit to on a weekly basis. Substitutes are also needed!

### **BUS TRIP TO SIGHT & SOUND THEATRE**

A bus trip to Sight & Sound Millenium Theatre to see "Joseph" will be held on Tues., May 18, 2010. Bus leaves Saints Philip and James School parking lot on Roseberry Street at 10:30am and returns at

8:30pm. Cost is \$85.00, which covers Show, bus, and driver tip. Children and teen pricing available. Shady Maple Smorgasbord or Dutchette Restaurant for lunch (not included). Reservations will close on April 16. Please contact Camille at (908) 387-0001.

#### **PASTA DINNER**

St. Philip and St. James will be holding a Pasta Dinner on Sun., April 18, 2010 from 12 Noon to 6pm at Saints Philip & James Elementary School on Roseberry Street. Cost: Adults -- \$7.00; Children 5-12 years old -- \$5.00; Children under 5 – free; Family of four -- \$20.00. For tickets, please call Anna Marie at 859-4473, or they can be purchased at the door.

#### **COME TO THE CARNIVAL!**

Saints Philip & James School Carnival will be held Wed., May 19 through Sun., May 23, 2010. Support our Catholic School and enjoy fantastic food, funnel cakes, beer, wine, great rides, games, and music daily. Regular Wristband Days: Thursday, Saturday (12-5pm) and Sunday. Or, for \$75.00, you can purchase an Unlimited Wristband which allows you to ride all rides for the entire carnival, with no limitations! Advance purchase necessary. Call (908) 859-1244 for more information.

#### **SPSJ OVER 50'S CLUB TRIP**

The SPSJ Over 50's Club is sponsoring a trip to Niagara Falls, New York on May 24-27, 2010. Four days, 3 nights – including transportation, lodgings, 3 breakfasts 3 dinners, tour of Niagara Falls, ride on the Maid of Mist, and a visit to Our Lady of Fatima Shrine. Price is \$400 per person double. For information, call Rose at (908) 454-3196.

#### **BABYSITTING TRAINING CLASSES**

Warren Hospital is holding Babysitter Training Classes on Tuesdays, April 13, April 20, and May 4 from 3:30-5:30pm, and Tues., May 11 from 3:30pm-5:00pm in the Farley Education Center. Participants must be 11 years old before the start of class. Course includes 7.5 hours of instruction. All participants receive a certificate of completion. The class is taught by a Warren Hospital Health Educator. Cost is \$30.00. For information or to register, please call the Community Education Department at 859-8877.

#### **N.D. LITTLE CRUSADERS FOOTBALL**

Attention current 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> graders – Little Crusaders Football is having an introductory parents and players meeting on Wed., April 7 at 7pm in the Notre Dame High School Cafeteria. We'll be taking sign-ups for the 2010 season, giving away T-shirts, and meeting the coaches for the team, along with Coach Muller, Varsity Head Coach. If you have any questions or cannot make the meeting, please contact Coach Fedrizzi at (610) 504-7952 or at [dfedr68@hotmail.com](mailto:dfedr68@hotmail.com).

#### **CHRISM MASS**

On Mon., March 29, 2010, Bishop Paul G. Bootkoski will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese. At this Mass, the Bishop will bless the Holy Oils which each parish receives for the rites of anointing. At the Mass, all priests make a Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service, recommitting themselves to their Bishop and to their ministry to God and His people; the Bishop and all Priests then ask the people for a pledge of their prayerful support. All are strongly encouraged to join in the ancient, grace-filled Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen at 7:30pm.

#### **FOOD FOR THE NEEDY**

Count your blessings. Share your food! Remember—“Food for the Needy” Collection—First Sunday of each month.

## ● MINISTRY ●

**April 3/4, 2010**

**HOLY SATURDAY VIGIL MASS**

**8:00 p.m. (CH)**

Acolytes: Parker Bay & Shane Lukachek  
Cup Ministers: Frances Ludwig & Robert Ellwood  
Lectors: Jack Kocsis, Carol Koop, Ruth Clark, Mark Pincus, Mike James  
Servers: Justin Mourt & Tyler Pincus

**EASTER SUNDAY MORNING**

**7:00 a.m. (CH)**

Acolyte: Molly Zgoda  
Ministers: Mary Brogan & Patricia Flynn  
Lector: Carol Bevilacqua  
Servers: Ellie Zgoda & Mark Zgoda

**9:00 a.m. (CH)**

Acolyte: Braydon Lauer  
Ministers: Emil Brisson & Patricia Brisson; C1 – Allison Frasca, C2 – Charlene Hummell, C3 – Earl Miller, C4 – Reenie Miller  
Lector: Thomas O'Neil  
Servers: Sean Frasca & Mitchell Frasca

**11:00 a.m. (CH)**

Acolyte: Amelia Llanos  
Ministers: Bud Lilly & Peg Skears; C1 – Anna Marie Cervasi, C2 – Gloria Cervasi, C3 – Robert Hopkins, C4 – Maureen Speer  
Lector: Karen Llanos  
Servers: Jake Curtachio & Jason Curtachio

**5:30 p.m. (CH)**

No 5:30pm Mass

## **NURSING HOME TEAMS**

Lopatcong Care Center

3/28/10 – Theresa Richey & Margie Markus  
4/4/10 – Camille Rapinesi

Brakeley Care Center

3/28/10 – Valerie Patti & Charlene Hummell  
4/4/10 – Ines Berluche

Phillipsburg Care Center

3/28/10 – Barbara Balas & Karen Llanos  
4/4/10 – Barbara Shaneberger

## ● MASSES FOR THE WEEK ●

### SUNDAY, MARCH 28

7:00 – Nicholas A. Viscomi by M/M Sebastiano Galati  
 9:00 – Eileen Perdoni by Dalrymple Family  
 11:00 – Anthony Pugliese by Rose & Family  
 1:00 (SP) – For the People  
 5:30pm – Thomas Hallman, Sr. by Rose Solt

### MONDAY, MARCH 29

6:45 – Charles Farley, Jr. by Family  
 8:00 – Julius Marci by Wife, Lillian  
 12:10 – Frank Manasseri by Family

### TUESDAY, MARCH 30

6:45 – Tina Graziosi by Connie Rinaldi  
 8:00 – Anna R. Ostili by Art Ostili & Lusardi Family  
 12:10 (WH) – Suor Maria Aurea Goretti by Fermina Baldascini

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

6:45 – Fred Corona by Marie Frinzi  
 8:00 – Mary Jarrell by Uncle Dan Flynn  
 12:10 – Russell J. Johnson by M/M Edward Weirsky

### THURSDAY, APRIL 1

#### HOLY THURSDAY

7:00pm - Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper

### FRIDAY, APRIL 2

#### GOOD FRIDAY (Day of Fast & Abstinence)

3:00pm - Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion  
 7:00pm - Stations of the Cross

### SATURDAY, APRIL 3

#### HOLY SATURDAY

12:30pm (CH) - Blessing of Food  
 8:00pm - Solemn Easter Vigil Mass

### SUNDAY, APRIL 4

7:00 – Julia Madden by Daughter, Mary Duaine  
 9:00 – Samuel Frinzi by Children  
 11:00 – Silviotti Family by Iola O'Hare  
 1:00 (SP) – For the People  
 5:30pm – No Mass

## ● CALENDAR ●

### 28 - Palm Sunday

(Palm distributed at all Masses)

1:00-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration  
 2:30 - CH - Baptism Ceremony

### 29 - Monday - Monday of Holy Week

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration  
 7:00 - HFC - Novena (Day 3)

### 30 - Tuesday - Tuesday of Holy Week

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration  
 4:00 - SSPJ - No CCD  
 7:00 - HFC - Cenacles of Life  
 7:00 - CH - Hispanic Ministry  
 7:00 - MH - Bingo  
 7:30 - MH - Boy Scout Troop Mtg.

### 31 - Wednesday - Wednesday of Holy Week

8:30am-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration  
 5:15 - MH - Legion of Mary  
 7:00 - HFC - Charismatic Holy Hour & Reflection  
 on Scripture Readings for Sunday

### 1 - APRIL - Thursday - Holy Thursday

No Eucharistic Adoration  
 7:00 - CH - Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper,  
 with Adoration until 11pm  
 7:00 - MH - No Bingo

### 2 - Friday - Good Friday (Day of Fast & Abstinence)

No Eucharistic Adoration  
 9:00-9:30 - CH - Altar Server Practice for Good  
 Friday  
 3:00 - CH - Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's  
 Passion  
 4:00-7:00 - MH - K. of C. Good Friday Dinner  
 7:00 - CH - Stations of the Cross

### 3 - Saturday - Holy Saturday

No Eucharistic Adoration & No Confession  
 8:30 - CH - Easter Decorating  
 11:30-12:00 - CH - Altar Server Practice for Holy  
 Saturday  
 12:30 - CH - Blessing of Food  
 7:00 - MH - No Bingo  
 8:00 - CH - Solemn Easter Vigil Mass (RCIA  
 Elect & Candidates Receive the Sacraments)

### 4 - Easter Sunday

(Special 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - Easter Decorations)

1:00-11:00pm - HFC - Adoration  
 3:00-4:30 - MH - Parish Easter Dinner  
 No 5:30pm Mass

## Stewardship of Treasure

March 21, 2010: \$11,189.00  
 Adopt-A-Missionary: \$691.00

## MASS CELEBRANTS ON APRIL 3/4, 2010:

8:00pm – Fr. James  
 7:00am – Fr. Chen  
 9:00am – Fr. John  
 11:00am – Fr. James  
 1:30pm – Fr. Alphonsus  
 5:30pm – No Mass