

We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

April 17, 2016

Fourth Sunday of Easter

@Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 16

5:30 pm For Kimberly Lewis by Marie and Ryan Lewis

Sunday, April 17

8:00 am For Vocations

9:30 am For Peace

11:00 am For Andrea Pizzuto by Valentino Family

Monday, April 18

8:45 am For Married Couples

Tuesday, April 19

8:45 am For Nicholas & Regina Armando by Draghi Family

Wednesday, April 20

8:45 am For Protection of Natural Resources

Saturday, April 23

5:30 pm For Kimberly Lewis by Daniel & Ann Marie Huntz

Sunday, April 24

8:00 am For Parishioners of St. Mark's

9:30 am For Parishioners of St. Mark's

11:00 am For Parishioners of St. Mark's

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 23, 24, 2016

Saturday, 5:30 pm

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode, Deacon Bob Head

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Fred McQuaide

Eucharistic Ministers: Holly Zimmerman

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday, 8:00 am

Celebrant: Rev. Joseph Davis

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Bill & Amy Barron

Eucharistic Ministers: Rick Gebbia, Mark Vetterl

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday 9:30 am

Celebrant: Rev. Joseph Davis, Deacon Nick Arditto

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Kevin Mullin

Eucharistic Minister: Eric Woelfel, Marylee Terpstra

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday 11:00 am

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Al Escudero

Eucharistic Ministers: Liam McLoughlin, Trish Mitchell, Lorraine Fleming

Altar Servers: Help Needed

FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

Altar Breads & Wine – In loving memory of Patsy & Philip Marchese by Marchese family.

Sanctuary Lamp – In loving memory of Vito and Marie Benardone by Corry and Benardone families.

Mass Candles: For Harmony in the World by Skoczylas Family

OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN PARISH

Saturday, April 23

5:00 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Peter McHugh

7:00 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

Sunday, April 24

7:45 am Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

9:15 am Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

10:45 am Celebrant: Rev. John Andrew Connell

12:15 pm Celebrant: Rev. John Andrew Connell

ST. MARK'S NEEDS \$5,280 PER WEEK TO MEET OUR FINANCIAL OBLIGATION

Current Year	Last Year 2015
April 10, 2016: \$4,086.06 Envelopes used: 70	April 12, 2015: \$2,767 Envelopes used: 66
Parish Debt Reduction: \$571	Parish Debt Reduction: Figures not available
Supermarket Gift Cards April 10, 2016 Sales: \$4,950 Profit: \$247.50 YTD Profit: \$2,028.00 # of Families: 22	St. Mark's Faith Direct church code is NJ484

FAITH DIRECT...

Is spring cleaning on your mind? Looking for ways to simplify your week? eGiving through Faith Direct can help! Consider enrolling today by visiting www.faithdirect.net and using our church code: NJ484. Your gifts through Faith Direct will help stabilize our parish finances, help you to get rid of the clutter of offertory envelopes in your home, and give you one less thing to worry about on Sunday mornings.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family with your time and talents as well as treasure!

God Bless You,
Fr. Joe





“AMORIS LAETITIA” “THE JOY OF LOVE” ...

Friday April 5 Pope Francis issued this document called a post Synodal Apostolic Exhortation. You might have heard mention of it in the news. This document represents several years of listening to the people of the world in regard to love and the Sacrament of Matrimony. Our parishioners, like those in all countries of the world were given opportunities to comment on proposals that were to be reviewed by a Synod of bishops which Pope Francis called together over a two year period of time. The Synod of bishops ended last fall and Pope Francis writes this exhortation addressed to the “clergy, the religious, Christian Married couples and all the lay faithful on the love of the family.” I just finished reading the document this week and found it to be a wonderful “love letter” from the Pope on the greatness of marriage and family. In one of the early paragraphs he writes the reason why he is writing this to us. Pope Francis writes: “This Exhortation is especially timely in this Jubilee Year of Mercy. First, because it represents an invitation to Christian families to value the gifts of marriage and the family and to persevere in a love strengthened by the virtues of generosity, commitment, fidelity and patience. Second, because it seeks to encourage everyone to be a sign of mercy and closeness wherever family life remains imperfect or lacks peace and joy.” #5

“THE JOY OF LOVE” ...Papal documents are written by chapter and then each paragraph through the document is numbered. Here is an excerpt from paragraph 104 Pope Francis writes: “*My advice is never to let the day end without making peace in the family. And how am I going to make peace? By getting down on my knees? NO! Just by a small gesture, a little something and harmony within your family will be restored. Just a little caress, no words are necessary. But do not let the day end without making peace in your family. Our first reaction when we are annoyed should be one of heartfelt blessing, asking God to bless, free and heal that person. “On the contrary bless, for to this you have been called, that you may obtain a blessing.” 1st Letter of St Peter 3:9. Pope Francis concludes this paragraph saying: “If we must fight evil, so be it; but we must always say “no” to violence in the home.”*”

ORDER A COPY: The document is about 200+ pages on the Vatican web site www.vatican.va but it will be available in print in the United States some time later in April. The cost will be around \$13.00. I would urge you to make the commitment to read it. You can pre order a copy from the web site of the Catholic Bishops www.usccb

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY...

"Jesus affirms that mercy is not only an action of the Father, it becomes a criterion for ascertaining who his true children are. In short, we are called to show mercy because mercy has first been shown to us." — Pope Francis

CATHOLIC CHARITIES USA

Barry* is a former gang member who turned his life around when, after serving time in prison, he entered a Catholic Charities reentry program. There he received the guidance and support he needed to reject violence and crime. Now he is a Peer Mentor in the same program, and he is studying for his social work degree at a local university. Barry credits Catholic Charities for helping him make a change in his life: “I did then what I knew how to do. Now that I

know better, I do better To learn more, visit www.CatholicCharitiesUSA.org

THE RED CHAIR PROJECT GOAL: 60

As of this writing we now have donations for 49 additional Red chairs on our way to a goal of 60. The additional 60 will match the current 60 that were donated by the Knights of Columbus and the Columbiettes. The new red chairs are replacing the workhorse green ones of the past 28 years. If you would like to help, make a check out to St. Mark’s note on it “Chairs” and either mail it to the office or drop it in the collection basket. Each new chair is \$30. We hope to make our goal by the summertime.

FATHER DAN....

Update on Fr. Dan’s progress will be mentioned at all masses this weekend.

WINE TASTING / DINNER AT ST. MARK’S...

Friday, April 22, 2016, 7:00 to 10:00 pm join us to taste a variety of wines from around the globe. These wines of exceptional value will be paired with a hot and cold buffet. It has been 4 or 5 years since our last tasting! So many wines, so little time... St. Marks Catholic Church, 59 Spring Lane, Long Valley, NJ 07853 908-850-0652 WINE!!! — Hot & Cold Buffet!!! Sign up in the gathering space. Cost \$30/person (Must be 21 & over) Place checks payable to St. Marks in the box in the gathering space. Pay by April 17 to receive a \$5 discount/person! Seating is Limited – Register TODAY!

WHY WE ARE CATHOLIC...

We are Catholic because we believe: The kingdom of heaven was inaugurated on earth by Christ. “This kingdom shone out before men in the word, in the works and in the presence of Christ”. The Church is the seed and beginning of this kingdom. Its keys are entrusted to Peter. The Catechism of the Catholic Church 567

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE --- CATHOLIC CHARITIES INTERNATIONAL...Learn more at: CRS.org/you-did-it-for-me

In Mumbai, India, there is a shelter for girls that provides a range of services to help combat human trafficking. Some girls at the shelter were trafficked into Mumbai from rural India, and others are from poor areas of the city. Thanks to CRS and partner, Prerana, the girls can complete their education and receive services to prepare for a brighter future. This is just not a problem overseas. The following is an excerpt from the US Bishop’s statement on Human Trafficking written in 2007. “Human Trafficking exists right here in the United States, where thousands of persons are trafficked each year for purposes of forced prostitution or forced labor. It is estimated that as many as 17,500 human beings each year are trafficked into the United States. Men, women, and children have been forced to work in prostitution and have been forced into different types of manual labor, without pay or protection. Trafficking in persons is a modern-day form of slavery, and it is the largest manifestation of slavery today.”

SUMMER SESSION 2016 - ASSUMPTION COLLEGE FOR SISTERS...

200 A Morris Avenue Denville, NJ 07834

June 1-July 8 Course Offerings in Theology

Th 201 The Church: Its Nature and History (3 credits)

TH 203 Fundamental Moral Theology (3 credits)

INFORMATION: Phone: [973-957-0188 Ext. 106](tel:973-957-0188) OR E-mail: academicdean@acs350.org

POSITION AVAILABLE: Librarian for Assumption College for Sisters, Denville, NJ. This position would entail

- 1-2 hours/week.
- accessioning of new library holdings
- cross referencing what is in the data base with holdings on the shelves
- weekly tracking library usage and re-shelving holdings.
- Applicant should possess a degree in library science and has computer skills.

Contact Sister Joseph Spring at president@acs350.org



PANTRY NEEDS... Please keep the food pantry in your prayers and on your shopping lists during April. They are in particular need of canned fruits and vegetables, hearty soups, juices, and household cleaning products, but anything you can donate will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

JOIN THE CLUB...

Next meeting for the Book Club will be Tuesday, April 19th 7:30 at St. Mark's. Tuesday at 7:30 pm will be our regular meeting time. As we said in earlier bulletins, we will be reading and discussing a biography of Pope Francis entitled Pope Francis: Untying the Knots by Paul Vallely (Bloomsbury 2013). The book chronicles the Pope's life and sheds light on the evolution of his economic and social philosophy. We will also attend a talk, Pope Francis and Capitalism: the Enemy or the Answer, on May 3rd at St. Paul Inside the Walls. So far, there are five of us in the group. We would love for you to join us. If you are interested, please contact me, Janet Corry, at (908) 850-9394 or janetcorry@comcast.net. Thank you.

VENDORS WANTED... for the Columbiettes "Junk in the Trunk Flea Market" at St. Marks Church 59 Spring Lane, Long Valley June 4, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm; (8:00 setup). \$25.00 per 16 ft. X 17 ft. space. RSVP by April 30th. For more information call Marge at 908-852-3091 or Nancy at 973-219-5199



All-powerful and ever-living God the lasting health of all who believe in you, hear us as we ask your loving help for the sick; restore their health that they may again offer joyful thanks in your church.

Randi Alloway, John Andaloro, Tony Atkins, Charlie, Baby Natalia Rose Bassett, Kenneth Bernisky, Luz Bracero, Paul Buckley, John Callaghan, Arlene Cichlar, Hannah Clark, Emily Condit, Kaitlin Cross, Natalia Danilczuk, Daniel DePaul, Krish Dharia, Charles & Ellen Eichler, Connie Elliott, Larry Fine, George Foehner, Elaina Grace Gaffin, Ann Geary, Barbara Gotterdam, Louie Gutierrez, Helen Greenly, Harper Lynn Granito, Regina Hague, William Heimsly, Bob Hodiern, Maria Dougherty Jante, Donna Jennings, Laurel Jilek, Claudia Kallmeyer, Kevin Kay, Russell H. Keller, Mary Koenig, Jean Koenig, Mara Lak, Christina Lanaris, Lenore, Maryann Litori, Msgr. Paul Longua, Ann Loughney, Helene Mackie, Anthony Marino, Jennifer Martin, Norman Milz, Marie Molloy, Irene Maruggi, Raymond McCarthy Jr., Jonathon McClelland, Harold & Mary McKay, Kathy Minichini, Robert Neilson, Sr., Maryanne & Jack Newell, Girard Nolte, Jr., Jim Owens, Dennis Paradise, Arlene Parikh, Nicky Piloni, Martha Towne Riley, Clifford Reynolds, Ryan, Jillian Elizabeth Sayer, Kurt Shubert, Rhonda Soto, Judy Stone, Mary Travisano, Debbie Trepkau, Anne Walsh, Robert Ron Werner, Marie Zimbile

Every now and then we try to update our prayer list of names of the sick and special intentions. We have alphabetized the names in the hopes of making them easier to read. There are some names that we in the parish office cannot associate with a person who made the request to pray for them. Please look over the list and if you requested prayers for a person please either call the office or e mail Fr. Joe to let us know if you wish to continue to be on this prayer list.

COMMUNITY NEWS

SUPPORT FOR HOMELESS VETERANS - Vets Summer Fest 2016 will be holding their Applebee's Flapjack Fund Raiser Breakfast on Saturday April 23rd, 8:00AM to 10:00AM, at the Applebee's at 225 Mountain Avenue, Hackettstown, NJ. Tickets are \$10.00 with the proceeds to benefit homeless veterans in New Jersey. Please bring a donation in the form of a gift card from businesses such as: ShopRite, Target, Wal-Mart, Home Depot, Kohl's. The gift cards will be used to purchase needed items in the field: bottled water, clothing, personal care products, sleeping bags, tents. **CASH DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS APPRECIATED!** Tickets are available online at <https://www.eventbrite.com>, search for Vets Summer Fest – Applebee's Pancake Breakfast to Support Homeless Veterans, or by calling Bobby Scanga at 908-269-5366. Stop by and meet representatives from Operation Chillout (<http://operationchillout.org/>) to see what you can do to support homeless veterans. <http://vetssummerfest.org/>

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP RECREATION...

Certified Nutritional Coach and Chef Kiera Mitchell will give ideas on what kind of sides you can bring to a BBQ. Demonstration is Tuesday, May 10 at 12:00 –pm at the W.T. Senior Center. Pre-registration is required. No walk-ins to register call (908) 876-5941 or recreation@wtmorris.net before May 2.

