

MASSES FOR THE WEEK



SATURDAY JULY 5th

5:00 William & Carol Dobson
r/b Claire & Stan Laikowski

SUNDAY JULY 6th

8:00 Beverly Lena
r/b Thomas & Stephanie Healy
10:15 Peter Inguanta
r/b Moran Family
12:00 Angelo Cacciola
r/b Chris Finno

MONDAY JULY 7th

12:10 Joan Bancroft
r/b Ray, Eileen & Elsie Pajari
Friends of the Suffering Souls
r/b Victor & Judy Bastis

TUESDAY JULY 8th

12:10 Tilly DeCoralis
r/b Joseph & Joann Radigan

WEDNESDAY JULY 9th

12:10 Tony D'Allegro
r/b Tony & Marion LaFemina

THURSDAY JULY 10th

12:10 Carin Cantilina Andersen
r/b Parents

FRIDAY JULY 11th

12:10 Richard D. Le Grande
r/b Piejak Family

SATURDAY JULY 12th

5:00 Arnold Rhodes
r/b Kathryn Rhodes

SUNDAY JULY 13th

8:00 Jennie Bonasia
r/b Chris & John Terry
10:15 Roy McCullough
r/b Family, Kathy McCullough
12:00 Catherine C. Bello—32nd Anniversary
r/b Julianne & Anthony Medici



“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”

Matthew 11:28

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 6, 2008

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest

- Matthew 11:28



P R A Y E R C H A I N

*The Church of the Nativity
Prayer Chain is accepting prayer requests.
Please call the rectory with your request.*

Thank You!

Thank you for your continued support to our Church throughout the year.

CATECHETICAL CENTER

Religious Education Fall Program for Grades K-8



Re-registration letters have been mailed to all families presently enrolled. Re-registration may be done either by mail or in person. Beginning June 1, 2008, NEW registration will be taken at the Center during office hours.

To complete registration for our Parish Catechetical Program, a family must be:

- Registered members of the parish
- Present a certificate of Baptism for the child/ren and
- Registration fee.

To ensure that we make adequate provision for all planning to attend in the fall, we ask that ALL NEW REGISTRATION be completed by July 13th. Please relay this information to prospective new registrants who might not receive this bulletin, especially those planning to enroll first graders who have not been in our kindergarten this year. Thank you!

Summer Schedule



Please note that beginning July 1st; the Center is operating on a summer schedule of reduced hours from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon. Please CALL before coming. The voice mail will receive your message when no one is in the office and we will call you as soon as possible.

Attention Newcomers!

We are accepting registration of new students for K-8 in the Center during office hours. A certificate of Baptism and a registration fee are required. Please call the center (201-447-1776) before coming to register, since we are on a summer work schedule of reduced hours.

Babysitting Available – LiOnSS Group (Little Ones Summer Sundays)



During the summer months, we will offer child care for children ages 2 to 5 in the Upper Room at the 10:15 AM Mass

Confirmation 2009

Letters regarding details of our program and coming events will be mailed to all students who will be in freshman year of high school by the Fall of 2008 and who are considering taking part in next year's Confirmation program. If you do not receive a letter by the end of July, and wish information, please call the Center at 201-447-1776.



First Penance and First Communion Programs



To enroll in the second grade Reconciliation & Eucharist programs, it is necessary that a child must have completed Gr. 1 of formal catechism.



Treasures from our Tradition

It's Independence Day weekend, and we are in the middle of a series on the Eucharistic Prayer. There is a link worth tracing between the Declaration of Independence and the language of liturgy. One of the signers of the Declaration on that July 4 long ago was Charles Carroll, probably the wealthiest man in the colonies and one of the few Catholics on the political scene. As a flourish to his signature, he sought to distinguish himself from other prominent citizens bearing the same name by penning "Charles Carroll of Carrolltown"—a defiant "come and get me if you dare" postscript aimed at the British.

Carroll's brother John was a priest and patriot who in 1789 was given the task of organizing the Catholic Church in this country. By 1791 he had assembled a synod, or assembly of delegates, to launch that task formally. Archbishop Carroll wanted to gain acceptance of our faith by American people who mistrusted our customs and could not comprehend our liturgy. He made the amazing proposal to Rome that our liturgy should be prayed not in Latin, but in the vernacular, English. His wish was denied, but one hundred sixty years later, his deep desire helped the American bishops and scholars at the Second Vatican Council to win the vote in favor of the vernacular not just for the United States, but for the Church throughout the world.

Propagation of the Faith



Every year, the Archdiocese of Newark invites a missionary group to come to the parish and speak about their particular missionary outreach. On the weekend of July 19th and 20th, a priest from the Adorno fathers will speak at all masses about their missions in Africa, India and the Phillipines. We kindly ask you to respond to this appeal in the spirit of generosity.

Emergency Notification Cards

"I am a Catholic" Emergency Notification Cards are available at the back of the Church.

A Humble King



Like a tonal center in music, the note to which we keep returning in today's readings is humility. We wait in joyful expectation for the coming of our Lord as King. But what we are told to expect and rejoice over is a meek and humble king, riding on an ass. Not horses or chariots of the great and mighty, but a humble beast carries the Ruler whose dominion stretches "from the River to the ends of the earth" (Zechariah 9:10). This King comes to banish the tools of the warrior and bring peace. No wonder that a weary world rejoices and gives thanks to God!

The Healing Power of Forgiveness

Join us for an evening of spiritual enrichment with internationally known motivational and inspirational speaker, Janet Pfeiffer.

Using a blend of scripture, lecture, personal stories and examples of forgiveness, Janet will share with you the necessity of forgiving as well as a step-by-step guide to healing the pain and creating lasting peace within your heart.

"WE CANNOT BE A WORLD AT PEACE UNTIL WE ARE FIRST A PEOPLE OF PEACE." - Janet Pfeiffer.

Wednesday, July 16th at 7:00 pm
Most Blessed Sacrament

For more information, please call Sister rose Marie at (201) 891-4200.

Helpful Literature Available

Please check the literature rack in the back of the church. You will find some new booklets regarding help for yourself, your friends, and family. Please help yourselves to these booklets.



The **Pastoral Council liaisons** at the **Church of the Nativity** will gladly listen to your questions/comments or

Sean Conyngham	201-444-6362
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Janet Nemec	201-670-1871
Fr. Jack O'Connell	201-444-6362



**Catholic War Veterans
Post 1710, Fr. Washington**

Dear Father O'Connell:

This is a note to thank you for allowing us to conduct a charity effort at your parish.

One of our current efforts is to send "care" packages to G.I.'s in Iraq and Afghanistan. Your congregation's extraordinary generosity means a great deal to us but more importantly, to them "who will have borne the brunt of battle."

As Tiny Tim says, "God bless us all! and God God bless America!"

Yours truly,

*Catholic War Veterans
Post 1710, Fr. Washington
Jim Sullivan, Commanding*

Welcome back, Fr. Jude

We welcome back Fr. Jude who has returned for the summer to Church of the Nativity. There has been a lot happening in his native Kenya since the summer of 2007. After leaving Nativity late last summer, Fr. Jude returned to Belgium where he obtained his Masters Degree. At Christmas, Fr. Jude traveled to Kenya on holiday. While in Kenya, there was widespread political unrest. Fr. Jude's parish in Kenya took in almost 5,000 refugees who needed food and shelter for several weeks. Church of the Nativity was the first to respond to Fr. Jude's plea. Things settled down in Kenya with a new government and Fr. Jude was able to return to Belgium. Fr. Jude was so very grateful for the assistance from Nativity. We are happy at his safe return both to Belgium and also to Nativity. Fr. Jude looks forward to seeing the parishioners again.



Masstimes.org



For those travelers who would like to know what time Mass is in the area they are visiting, please check out the Catholic website: masstimes.org.

You can locate a Catholic Church anywhere in the US and view a listing of Mass times, address, and phone number for every church in the area. You can search for churches in a variety of ways including zip code, name, or city/state. If you're away from the computer, you can call the toll-free number 410-676-6000 to request a listing of churches and Mass times.

Attention Students who will apply to Catholic High School this fall!

In order to apply to the 32 Catholic High Schools in the four counties within the Archdiocese of Newark, students in the 8th grade must take the 2008 COOP Exam. The exam will be given on Friday, November 7, 2008. For more information, visit www.coopexam.org or call 1-888-921-COOP



From the Archdiocese...

Gaining the Pauline Plenary Indulgence



During The Pauline Year, beginning with the Vigil of the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul on June 28, 2008, and continuing through June 29, 2009, the Holy Father has granted the opportunity for the faithful to gain a

Plenary Indulgence. The Indulgence may be gained at public religious functions in any place of worship on June 28/29, 2008 and June 29, 2009.

In addition to the above, in the Archdiocese of Newark, one may gain the Plenary Indulgence once a day at public religious functions on each of the First Fridays of the month in the following churches:

Pauline Churches

Saint Paul, Ramsey (*Bergen*)

Saints Peter and Paul, Hoboken (*Hudson*)

Saint Paul, (Greenville) Jersey City (*Hudson*)

Saints Peter and Paul, Elizabeth (*Union*)

Other Designated Churches

Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark
(*Essex*)

Holy Trinity, Hackensack (*Bergen*)

Saint Aloysius, Caldwell (*Essex*)

Saint Henry, Bayonne (*Hudson*)

Saint James, Springfield (*Union*)

Catholics impeded by sickness or for other legitimate or important reasons, as long as they have the intention of fulfilling the other conditions as soon as possible, can gain the Plenary Indulgence by joining spiritually in a jubilee celebration in honor of Saint Paul and offering their prayers and suffering for Christian unity.

Prepared by the Office of Divine Worship, Archdiocese of Newark



This Week at Nativity

MONDAY, JULY 7th

9:00AM Summer CCD (Kennedy Hall, Mc Grath Room, School)

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Vocation Reflections

“For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.” In the secular world, the priesthood and religious life is not often viewed as a life of freedom—obedience, celibacy and poverty are not the virtues most commonly associated with one that possesses a light burden in their life. However, as Christ reminds us in the Gospel today, He is the one that takes the burden upon Himself. The life of service that the priest and religious enter allows them to be free from the true burdens that are experienced in life--burdens such as arrogance, lust and greed. When the promises or vows of poverty, chastity and obedience are made, the priest or religious free themselves to be true servants of God and His Church. Are you willing to let go of these worldly burdens and take the steps necessary to be one of those who answers Christ’s call to the priesthood or religious life? If so, you may have a vocation. Pray for the strength Christ gives and contact the Vocation Office at 973.497.4365 or email kellybar@rcan.org.

