St. Justin the Martyr Roman Catholic Church

975 Fischer Boulevard, Toms River, NJ 08753

APRIL 22, 2018

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

No Greater Love

Presented by the Xavier Company

This Sunday April 22, 2018, 4:00pm

Written by Janeen Stevens; Directed and choreographed by Carol Ferrone; Musical direction by Gerard De Man, Jr.

FEATURING: Pasqualino Beltempo, Nikki Casseri*,Dorothy Dobkowski, Daniel Gonzalez, Diane Meck, Taylor Sumner, Brandon Schraml*, & Sam Wiegers, Tony Bartoli, Percussionist **Courtesy of Actors' Equity Association*

***No Greater Love*,** is a vibrant musical drama celebrating the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Don't miss this captivating performance! NO admission fee, free will offering after performance. Followed by refreshments in the Parish Hall.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, April 22
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
7:30am **Raffaele & Giovannina Padovano**
Pasquale Cosentino

9:00am **Marie Casella**
(Children's Choir) **Robert Finley**

10:30am **Eddie Marut**
(Adult Choir) **Adelaide Klocko**

12Noon **Daniel Caulfield**
Carl & Hilda Stelz

MONDAY, April 23
Easter Weekday;
St. George, Martyr, St. Adalbert, Bishop & Martyr
8:30am **Irving Davidoff**
Nick Tatler

TUESDAY, April 24
Easter Weekday; St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr
8:30am **Joell Lanfrank**
Maureen E. Schmid

WEDNESDAY, April 25
St. Mark, Evangelist
8:30am **Helen Volkert**
Maureen E. Schmid

THURSDAY, April 26
Easter Weekday
8:30am **Kevin Galbraith**
Lee & Margaret

FRIDAY, April 27
Easter Weekday
8:30am **Manuel Pereira**
Lisa Marie Soriano

SATURDAY, April 28
Easter Weekday;
St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr;
St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest
9:30am **People of the Parish**
5:00pm **Joell Lanfrank**
Patrick Casey

SUNDAY, April 29
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
7:30am **Frank Rubino & family**
John Ryan

9:00am **Frank Varga, Jr.**
(Children's Choir) **Robert Finley**

10:30am **Herb Carbone**
(Adult Choir) **Vincent Intintola**

12Noon **Rosa & Tristine Trento**
Joell Lanfrank

Pastor: Reverend Mark A. Kreder
Parochial Vicar: Reverend Thomas J. Barry, Jr.
Deacons: James Campbell; James Gillespie
Frederick C. Ebenau, Sr.; Richard Hauenstein
Pastoral Associate: Deacon James Gillespie
Religious Education: Ellen Noble
Trustees: Jean Glynn, William Anderson
Music Director: Angela Petti
Sacristan: Carol Lewandowski

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
Monday ~ Thursday 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon and 1:15 PM to 4:00 PM; Friday 9:00AM-12:00 Noon

REGISTRATION: All are welcome! Sponsorship letters for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony will only be issued to registered parishioners. Please contact the Parish Office to register and please also notify the Parish Office of a change of address or if you plan to move from the parish so that we may keep our records updated.

MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION:
Every third weekend of the month.

PARISH OFFICE: 732-270-3980
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: 732-270-3797
PARISH WEBSITE: www.stjustin.org

MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM
Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 10:30AM, 12:00Noon
Monday-Friday:8:30AM; Saturday: 9:30am
Holy Days: Announced

BAPTISM: Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session. Godparents/Sponsors are invited and strongly encouraged to attend. Please call the Parish Office as early as possible to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
Saturdays: At 3:30PM

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?
Adult R.C.I.A. program: Contact Parish Office
Children R.C.I.A. program: Contact Religious Ed.

MARRIAGE: The Sacrament of Marriage requires a time of spiritual preparation. According to the Common Policy adopted by the Bishops of New Jersey, this preparation requires attendance at a marriage preparation program (Pre-Cana) as well as sessions with the parish deacon or priest. Therefore, couples should make arrangements at the Parish Office one year before the planned wedding date and before finalizing any social plans.

MISSION STATEMENT: The goal of Saint Justin the Martyr Parish is that each member grow in the Grace through Jesus Christ, and in so doing cooperate with the Holy Spirit in giving glory to God, in experiencing the salvation of their soul, and in building up the Body of Christ.

From the Pastor
4th Sunday of Easter
April 22, 2018

On **April 25** we honor **Saint Mark** whose Gospel was written first, although it is placed after **Saint Matthew's** Gospel. **Saint Mark's** symbol is the **Lion**, since his Gospel **'roars'** from the start, with **Saint John the Baptist's 'roaring'** wilderness, penitential call to **"Prepare the way of the Lord!" Saint Mark** was probably a scribe or 'secretary' to **Saint Peter**, his 'source' of information. In 'veiled' language, our first Pope wrote: **"The chosen one at Babylon** ['code' word for the Church of Rome] **sends you greeting, as does Mark, my son."** [1 Peter 5:13]. These men were so close, **Saint Peter** considered **Saint Mark** his 'son!'

Scripture also attests to **Saint Mark's** close tie to **Saint Paul**, but they also had a major spat. **Paul** wanted to return to a town where he had sown the Gospel, and **"Barnabas wanted to take with them also John, who was called Mark,** [who was also Barnabas' cousin] **but Paul insisted that they should not take with them someone who had deserted them at Pamphylia and who had not continued with them in their work. So sharp was their disagreement that they separated. Barnabas took Mark and sailed to Cyprus. But Paul chose Silas** ..." [Acts 15:37-40a]. They later reconciled and travelled together ... but what a comfort to know even Saints had 'issues' and 'contentions.' Here are **Saint Mark's** orations.

Collect - Saint Mark, Evangelist
O God, who raised up Saint Mark,
your Evangelist, and endowed him
with the grace to preach the Gospel,
grant, we pray, that we may
so profit from his teaching as to
follow faithfully in the footsteps of Christ.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ … and ever. Amen.

WE PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL The Gospels not only help us understand what Jesus said and did; they are also intended to help us say and do what Jesus said and did. ***Saint*** **Mark**, who never met Jesus nor followed Him, did meet and follow ***Saint*** **Peter**, who made ***Saint Mark*** the first Bishop of Alexandria, Egypt. It also seems that ***Saint*** **Mark** and ***Saint Luke*** knew each other, for as ***Saint*** **Paul** wrote: ***"Luke is the only one with me.*** **Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is helpful to me in the ministry."** [2 Timothy 4:11] By the way we speak and live by Gospel values, we can also lead others to Jesus Christ and His Church.

Prayer over the Offerings - Saint Mark, Evangelist
As we venerate the glory of Saint Mark,
we offer you, Lord, the sacrifice of praise
and humbly beseech you,
that your Church may always persevere
in the preaching of the Gospel.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

WHAT'S THE HURRY: WHAT'S THE RUSH? While **Mark's** Gospel is the shortest Gospel and the longest account of Christ's Passion, he has a sense of urgency. For no less than 40 times, 12 times in just one chapter, **Mark** uses the Greek word "**euthus**," translated as "**immediately.**" His explosive sense of motion and importance reminds us of the critical need to hear and try to understand, pass on and teach, the truths of the Gospel. As Pope Emeritus Benedict said of him in an afternoon audience: **"[Mark] was careful of one thing, not to omit any of the things which he had heard, and not to state any of them falsely."** We must be no less fastidious with God's Word and Church teaching.

Prayer after Communion - Saint Mark, Evangelist
Grant, we pray, almighty God, that
what we have received from your holy altar
may sanctify us and make us strong in the faith of
the Gospel which Saint Mark proclaimed.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

WHAT'S UNIQUE ABOUT MARK'S GOSPEL? Only **Mark** records the healing of the deaf and dumb man of Tyre [7:31-37] and the blind man at Bethsaida [8:22-26]. Only **Mark** gives us the details and, in Arabic, Jesus' native tongue, the command He issued to raise Jairus' daughter back to life: **"Talitha koum" - "Little girl, arise!"** May we hear Jesus say similar words to us on the Last Day! **Saint Mark the Evangelist, pray for us.**

Please take a look at the door in the back of our church which features the four evangelists.
Also, please come this afternoon at 4:00 pm for the performance of **"No Greater Love."** It is a great experience .

In Christ,

Father Mark

Saint Mark

Mark was converted by Peter and accompanied him to Rome, serving as his secretary and interpreter. Mark puts into writing the accounts of Peter's talks on our Lord's life.

Mark's Gospel is the simplest, shortest and most straightforward of all the gospels. While the other evangelists record more of the spoken words, Mark records more of the actions of Jesus. His portrait of Jesus is by far the most human of the four gospels.

Saint Mark is symbolized by a lion because his gospel begins with a reference to St. John the Baptist as, "a voice of one crying out in the desert."

His feast day is April 25.

St. Mark, from the door in the back of our church that features the four evangelists

THE NEXT

BAPTISMAL WORKSHOP

7PM in the Religious Ed. Bldg. ***Wednesday, May 3, 2018***

Registration for Workshop is Required

call the Parish Office at 732-270-3980 to attend

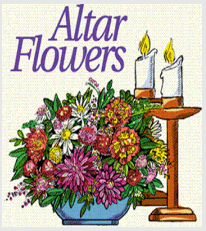
Have you visited our website? www.stjustin.org

Find out the latest information, be connected to the Diocese, the Vatican, EWTN, Domestic Church Radio and so much more!

Our Parish will be holding its May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary after the 12Noon Mass on Sunday, May 13th
Please join us in honoring our Blessed Mother in this beautiful ceremony!

Readings for the Week of April 22, 2018

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25: Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 14:7-14
Sunday: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32; 1Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8



The Flowers Adorning the Altar are in Loving Memory of

Tony Faletta, Jr.

requested by mom & dad

The Altar Bread, *which will become the Body of Christ at the Masses celebrated during the week*

And

The Sanctuary Candle *which burns near the Tabernacle in Church, the reminder of the Lord's Presence in the Most Holy Eucharist, is in Loving Memory of*

Thomas DiMicelli

requested by his wife, Denise & family

Raise Your Voice for the Lord!

St. Justin Adult and Children Choirs Join Now…

CONTACT ANGELA:
732-797-0978

Or email: music@stjustin.org

To everything there is a season
and a time to every purpose under heaven
Ecclesiastes 3:11

"...a time to be born..."
Jaxson Joseph Tuminelli

"...a time to love..."

..."and a time to be born to Eternal Life..."

Those who have died in the Service
of our Country.
"...and a time for peace in all the world..."
pray for our servicemen and women at home and abroad,
David Cozad, Jason Howie, Daniel Robert Costello,
Mark Caruso, Rick DiSanti, A.J. Elbert, Ryan Buckley,
Eric P. Fenske, Louis Graffeo, Michael Griffing,
Alexandria Del'Romero Hughes, Audrey Hughes,
Antoni Jedra, Charles Jones, Ian Krong,
Armando Leonor, Walter Reed, Tyler Brandon Sansone,
Trevor Smida, Christopher Sylvester, Nick Roma
Nick Panzara, Brian Macnab, Greg Hermack, John DiMicelli,
John M. Budenas, Robert Tront, Joey Colosimo
Michael Anthony DeAnni, Kieran Murphy, Colin Berrios
and for our President and elected Leaders of our Country.

IT IS WITH GREAT JOY WE ANNOUNCE THE NAMES OF OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS WHO SHARED A MEAL AT THE LORD'S TABLE FOR THE FIRST TIME.

April 14-15, 2018

Jeffrey Anderson
Angelina Ashworth
Madison Banka
Jaeda Batin
Samantha Bertero
Addison Betts
Gianna Bousquet
Aubrey Bowbliss
Jake Busco
Evan Carlevale
Skye Cervino
Aiden Ciaravino
Jayden Cobb
Ava DiNicola
Dyvinity Easton
Kelly Engo
Ilianna Ferrer-Rodriguez
Emmett Finlay
Anthony Formichella
Marco Fournier
Anthony Godfrey
Isabella Gullace
Kyle Kinney
Abigail Koehler
Kailyn Koman
Sonny Kuhl
Logan Macchia
Andrew Manisa
Julia Mann
Ashton Markese
Joseph Pagliuca
Julia Reis
Antonio Rossi
Nicholas Salvatore
Ashlyn Scheidt
Sophie Southworth
Chase Tampuu
Tyler Todaro
Claire Torpey
Shane Tursi
Gavin Vukan
Sofi Zydzik

THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST WILL BE ADMINISTERED AT THE FOLLOWING MASSES
April 21: 5:00pm April 22: 9:00am & 12Noon

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Sacrament of First Eucharist

Please hold in prayer the students and families of our children who will be receiving their First Holy Eucharist on April 21st and 22nd. Our students have worked hard to prepare for this special day. We wish to thank our clergy, their families and all of our volunteers who had a special role in the spiritual lives of these young children. Let us all witness God's special love as the children come to receive Jesus for the first time.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Confirmation Students Schedule:
April 23rd
4:30-5:45pm
Reconciliation/Distribution of Confirmation Robes

April 30th
4:30-5:45pm
Learning Session

May 1st
4:00pm
The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred by our Bishop, Most Reverend David M. O'Connell, C.M.,J.C.D.,D.D. at 4:00p.m. **Students must arrive by 3:15pm** to the parish hall wearing their Confirmation robes. They should be accompanied by their sponsor. If for any reason a sponsor is delayed, a responsible adult must accompany the student to hold a place for the sponsor until they arrive. Please hold in prayer these young people and may God bless them as they assume their new place in our Church as fully initiated Catholics.

REMINDER

There are no scheduled classes on Tuesday, May 1st!

This Weeks Suggestions on Formed

ST. MARK (Feast Day, April 25th)
Study: Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, Session 3: The Bible
Study: YDisciple: Activities, The Word
Watch: Lost Gospels or False Gospels?
Read: Sacraments in Scripture
Read: You Can Understand the Bible
Read: Golden Legend of Young Saints
Listen: Truth and Life Audio Bible: The Gospel of Mark
Listen: The Case for Jesus

ST. GIANNA MOLLA
Read: Divine Mercy, Episode 9: Mary's Knight

ST. LOUIS-MARIE DE MONTFORT
Study: Divine Mercy, Episode 9: Mary's Knight
Watch: The War of the Vendée

Contact bulletin@stjustin.org for info or questions

PARISH MINISTRY MEETINGS

ST. JUSTIN'S BEREAVEMENT GROUP

generally meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in St. Justin's Conference Room. Anyone who has lost a loved one please come join us in prayer, sharing, **Next meetings: Monday, April 23rd & May 14th**

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

Next Meeting Wednesday, **April 25th, 6:30pm.** Pray the Rosary in Church, followed by our meeting in the Parish Hall. New members always welcome! For further information contact: Pat: 732-270-4061

ST. JUSTIN'S TEEN YOUTH GROUP

invites all Grade 8 through 12 youth to become part of the "Youth Group." **Bring a Friend! Next Meeting: Sunday: May 6th, 6pm, St. Justin's Conference Room**

MENDING THROUGH FAITH

Family and Friends who have lost their Loved Ones through addiction meet once a month to help mend their broken hearts through faith. The next meeting is scheduled for: **Monday, May 7th, 7pm.** in the Religious Ed Building All Family and Friends are welcome. For further information call or text Kate Miick at 732-232-8614 or Diane Noonan at 732-503-1536.

ST. JUSTIN'S MEN'S FAITH GROUP

Come join other men of the parish in sharing your faith.
Next Monday Evening Meeting: May 7th, 7pm-9pm
***Next Saturday Morning Meeting:* May 19th**
Pivotal Players of Catholicism 7:45-9:15am
St. Justin's Conference Room

ST. JUSTIN'S SENIORS

Generally meet the third Tuesday of each month, from 11:30 to 12:00 with coffee/tea & sweet. Meeting starts at 12:00p.m. We have guest speakers, play some games or plan trips. On Oct. 16, 2018 trip to Smithville (1 hour to tour) buffet lunch then on to the Golden Nugget casino in Atlantic City, with $25.00 play money and $5 food comp. Cost is $70, all money must be in by June 30th. Our June luncheon will be on June 19th at the Clarion Hotel at 12:00 to 4:00 pm. Cost is $25, payable before the luncheon. Please bring a non-perishable item for the St. Vincent dePaul Society to our meetings. God Bless and plan to attend our events as soon as possible. Info call Barbara 732-929-0298 or 732-232-3733
Next meeting: May 15th, 11:30am, Parish Hall

ST. JUSTIN'S SHAWL MINISTRY

Attention knitters and those who crochet. If you do needlework please help us make shawls & lap blankets for distribution to grieving families of deceased parishioners. This beautiful ministry is greatly appreciated by those who receive the shawls. For further info call Fran: 848-241-3976 or 732-492-0329
Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 16th, 7pm
St. Justin's Conference Room

BUS TRIP TO
Golden Nugget Casino
Benefiting St. Vincent DePaul Society

Tuesday, May 1st 2018

$30 Tickets, Receive $25 in Slot Play

Bus Leaves St. Justin's Parking Lot at 1pm
call Bernie at 732-255-4363 or 732-232-3758

The Respect Life Cohort of Saint Justin, Saint Luke, Saint Joseph, and Saint Maximillian Kolbe will be praying a **"Rosary for Life"** on Friday April 27th from 11:45 to 12:45 in front of the Ocean County Library. Please join us as we pray for our families, our country, its leaders, and the pro life agenda.

"To pray the Rosary is to hand over our burdens to the merciful hearts of Christ and His mother."
Pope John Paul ll

For Further Info or questions, please contact:
Betty Sweeney at 732-270-1972

COME OUT AND ENJOY A FUN DAY OF GOLF AND FRIENDS AT
The Bob Phillips Memorial
Charity Golf Outing
GAMBLERS RIDGE GOLF CLUB
Friday May 11, 2018
Sponsored By: The Knights of Columbus, Council 4969
Tennyson Avenue, Toms River, NJ 08753
FOOD, BEVERAGES, PRIZES,
$100 PER GOLFER
Call to reserve a spot: Ray Gabbia 732-279-3300 or, Glenn Frantz 72-864-7239

12th Annual Pastoral Care Retreat
FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2018

Day of Reflection and Renewal at the Shore Pastoral Caregivers-come and experience a day of prayer, reflection and renewal with other pastoral ministers, volunteers as well as professional. Come, be refreshed at the shore and enjoy a retreat day made just for you! There will be some food for thought, some time to walk on the beach, some inspiration, some tools to support you in your ministry and time to be alone with God. (Sponsored by Catholic Diocese of Trenton-Department of Pastoral Care)
San Alfonso Retreat House,755 Ocean Avenue, Long Branch, NJ; Time: 9:30am to 3:00pm
(8:45 registration & breakfast)
Retreat Leader: Fr. Martin McGeough, CM, A
Registration Fee: $45 (Deadline April 25th)
Includes: Retreat, Mass, Continental Breakfast, Hot Lunch, Oceanfront Venue. Register Online at:

www.dioceseoftrenton.org/pastoral-care
For Further Info: Contact Deanna Sass at 609-403-7157/ Email: dsass@dioceseoftrenton.org