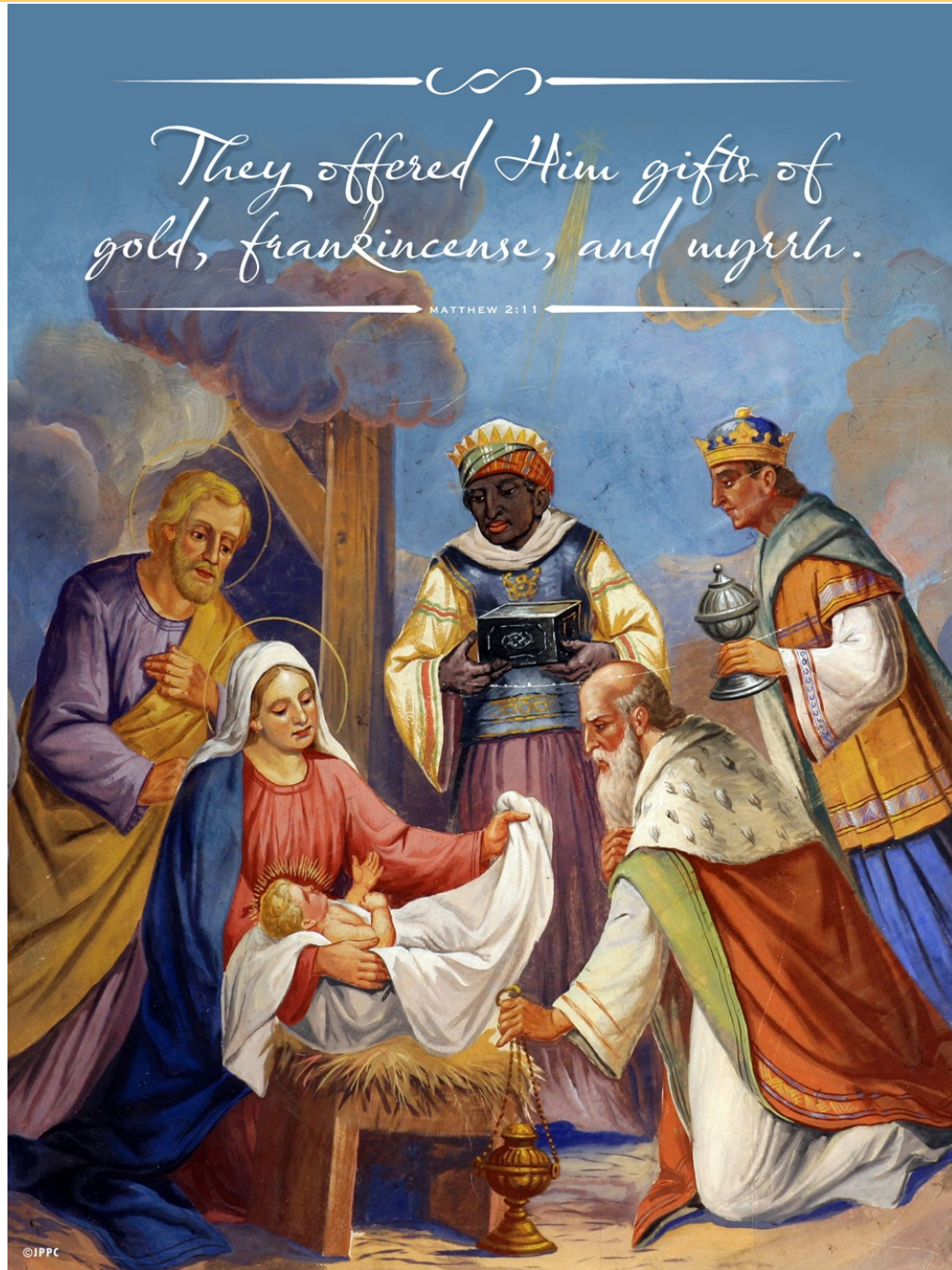


St. Justin the Martyr Roman Catholic Church

975 Fischer Boulevard, Toms River, NJ 08753

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2020

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Pastor: Reverend Mark A. Kreder
Parochial Vicar: Reverend Daniel Price
Deacons: James Campbell; James Gillespie
Frederick C. Ebenau, Sr.;
Pastoral Associate: Deacon James Gillespie
Religious Education: Ellen Noble
Trustees: Jean Glynn, William Anderson
Director of Sacred Music: 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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, January 5

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7:30am Michael Kelly
Michael & Joseph Napodano
9:00am Michael Viscel
Edwin Ortiz Arce
10:30am Adrian Shephard
(choir Mass) Bob Drahos
12Noon Ann Marie Neveroski
Robert VanSprang

MONDAY, January 6

Christmas Weekday; St. Andre Bessette, Religious

8:30am Robert Burghard
Rocco Melillo, Jr.

TUESDAY, January 7

Christmas Weekday; St. Raymond of Penafort, Priest

8:30am Neil Madonna
Janet Carol Dula

WEDNESDAY, January 8

Christmas Weekday

8:30am Joseph Carrasco
Marie Bianco

THURSDAY, January 9

Christmas Weekday

8:30am Deacon Richard Hauenstein
Rev. Thomas J. Barry, Jr. (living)

FRIDAY, January 10

Christmas Weekday

8:30am Joan Sullivan
Lena Laudisi

SATURDAY, January 11

Christmas Weekday

9:30am People of the Parish
5:00pm Anna Santana
Joseph Paparazzo, Jr.

SUNDAY, January 12

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

7:30am All Souls
Tracey Rogers
9:00am Justin Peter Mai
Dich Peter Nguyen
10:30am Alexander Zulewski
(choir Mass) Msgr. John Michael McCarthy
12Noon Deceased Members Tagliaferro Family
Deacon James Gonzalez



*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 offered in loving memory of*

Christina Marie Johnson

requested by grandparents



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.



*The Flowers Adorning
the Altar
are in loving memory of
Christina Marie Johnson
requested by grandparents*



From the Pastor
The Epiphany
of the Lord
January 5, 2020

**DID YOU HEAR THE ONE
ABOUT THE LAWYER WHO
DIED AND WENT TO**

HEAVEN??? Although there are many jokes about how difficult it will be to find a lawyer in heaven, the Church has canonized 30 attorneys, plus 3 have made it to first base [their title is 'Venerable']

and 37 have made it to second base [they are called 'Blessed.']. So, perhaps there's hope for everyone, even lawyers! For in addition to the better-known lawyer-Saints: *Charles Borromeo*, *Thomas More*, *Thomas Becket* and *Turibius*, we have the man honored on January 7: the Spanish *Saint Raymond of Peñafort*. Born in 1175 in Spain, he died - almost 100 years later - in Barcelona on January 6, 1275. [The Solemnity of the *Epiphany of the Lord* or '*Little Christmas*' on that date precluded it being made *Saint Raymond's* feast day.] After praying the Collect for the Mass in his honor, we'll explain his impact on the Church.

Collect - Saint Raymond of Peñafort, Priest

O God, who adorned the Priest Saint Raymond with the virtue of outstanding mercy and compassion for sinners and for captives, grant us, through his intercession, that, released from slavery to sin, we may carry out in freedom of spirit what is pleasing to you. Through our Lord Jesus ... for ever and ever. Amen.

A LAWYER WITH MERCY & COMPASSION. The world in which Saint Raymond lived was turbulently violent; the Moors had overtaken much of Spain, forcibly converting many to Islam; the Church was far from as organized as she needed to be; most clergy were poorly educated; and many decisions, policies and practices were made according to personal whim and with limited knowledge. But rather than clamping down with rigid laws that threatened or condemned those who were ignorant of or unable to comprehend most things, Saint Raymond and contemporaries like Saint Thomas Aquinas were compassionately understanding of the flawed human condition of those they sought to teach, govern and lead.

By properly - and positively - using 'Church law' [the regulations, rules, requirements and rubrics governing the life of Christians] *Saint Raymond's* pastoral outreach led many Islamic 'converts' to return to the Church. His powerful yet gentle preaching style even moved some Moors and Jews to seek baptism. His efforts to educate all people, not just Christians, helped reestablish the Church's influence in Spain after the Islamic invaders were ousted.

THE POSITIVE ORGANIZATION OF CHURCH LAWS & POLICIES. We all know it's frustrating to play a game with someone who keeps changing the rules - and how it's dangerous when drivers disregard the 'rules of the road.' Conversely, it's disheartening when regulations or policies are erratically enforced - or the 'letter' of the law lacks the 'spirit' of the law. We can thank *Saint Raymond* for all the work he did - at the request of Pope Gregory IX [reigned 1227-1241] - to compile, organize and codify the Church's 'rules and regs.' This had been done before [the last was 80 years before *Saint Raymond*], but his Decretals, as it was called, were so systematically comprehensive, it remained the main source of papal policies, council records and canon laws until the Code of Canon Law was promulgated in 1917, some 700 years later!

A CONNIVING CANONIST. His works helped form the *Sacrament of Penance or Confession* as we know it today, making it not only easier - but more pastorally and spiritually beneficial - by offering Priest-Confessors guidance - so they could better help truly repent sinners. Known for his academic skills, he was 'rewarded' by being appointed an Archbishop - a position he did not want and from which he resigned after it took a toll on his health. However, he was elected *Master General* of his *Dominican Order*. When he reorganized their constitution [the rules that regulate community life] he wrote into it a clause that allowed *Master Generals* to resign, which he did two years later, when he was 65. Smart man!

For the next 35 years, until he was almost 100, this *Patron Saint of Canon Lawyers* continued to do what he loved: study and write. *Saint Raymond of Peñafort, Priest, pray for us!*

In Christ,

Father Mark

Readings for the Week of January 5, 2020

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22-4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17;
Lk 4:14-22
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10; Acts 10:34-38;
Mt 3:13-17

RENEWAL OF SPIRIT

Join us for an evening of Renewal & Reflection

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

February 5, 2020

A Retreat for All Women in the Parish

***THE POWER OF "YES" MARY'S YES CHANGED
THE WORLD, WHAT CAN YOUR YES DO?***

***Presented by Colleen Kelly Rayner
6:30pm to 9:00pm (parish hall)***

(sponsored by St. Justin's Women's Faith Group)

"Colleen Kelly-Rayner has been participating in ministry for the last twenty years. Colleen answered God's call to ignite the fire of God's love in His people though an alternative style of evangelization.

Colleen is a dynamic speaker that engages her audience and gets them involved in the retreat. You never quite know what Colleen is going to do. Colleen has worked with thousands of pre-teens, teens, woman's groups, parishes, teachers, clergy, and just about anyone else she can get to listen to her!

Colleen's approach to retreats is to get the participants to break out of their comfort zone and try and do things they wouldn't normally do.. She strives to create an experience that allows Jesus to touch the hearts of each person in the room through her words. Colleen has a gift to open up the faith and share it with you in such a real way that you leave her retreats on fire for God."
No cost to attend, free will offering. Please sign up in the narthex or call the parish office so we have an idea of how many will be coming 732-270-3980.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Reminder:

Epiphany Pageant Dress Rehearsal – January 10th

Parish Hall 4:30-6:30pm

All students in Grade 1 are asked to attend this important practice.

Students who are providing their own costumes must bring them to this practice.

Important Dates for January

January 6th	Classes will resume
January 10th	Epiphany Pageant Dress Rehearsal 4:30-6:30pm – Parish Hall
January 11th	Epiphany Pageant – Following 5:00pm Vigil Mass
January 20th	NO CLASSES
January 26th	Sacrament of First Reconciliation - 4:00pm
January 27th	Sacrament of Confirmation Retreat 6:00-9:00pm – Parish Hall

(classes for CPHI ONLY are cancelled for this date)



GRADE ONE EPIPHANY PAGEANT

JANUARY 11TH – PARISH HALL

Following the 5:00pm Vigil Mass

Come and join us! to close out our Christmas season with song and fellowship. Our first graders have worked hard on their presentation of the Epiphany and **we invite our parish family to join in the celebration of this feast day.**



January 12, 2020
The Baptism of the Lord

**CHURCH
UN-DECORATING AND
CLEAN UP RIGHT
AFTER THE 12NOON
MASS!**

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN
HELPING PLEASE LEAVE
YOUR NAME AND PHONE
NUMBER AT THE PARISH OFFICE**



*To everything there is a season and a time to
every purpose under heaven*

Ecclesiastes 3:11

"...a time to be born..."

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

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

Cosimo DiBrizzi, Pamela Fano, Joseph S. Kloss

Those who have died in the Service of our Country.

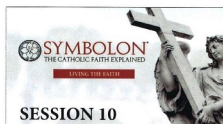
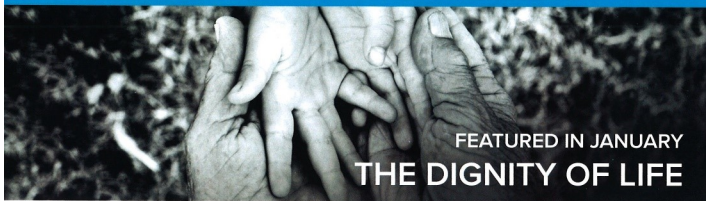
"...and a time for peace in all the world..."

pray for our servicemen and women at home and abroad,

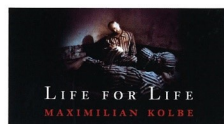
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And for our President and elected Leaders of our Country.

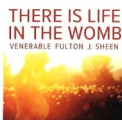
FORMED RECOMMENDATIONS



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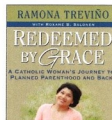
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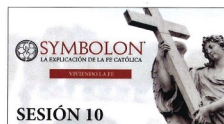
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READ



FOR CHILDREN



SPANISH

Not signed up for FORMED? FORMED is a free gift to you from our parish. For further info visit www.stjustin.org Click on FORMED on the Home Page

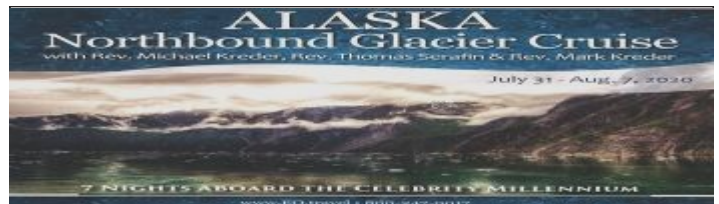
The Great Commandment

You shall love the Lord your God with your whole heart, and with your whole soul, and with all your mind.

This is the greatest and the first commandment.

And the second is like it:

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.



*Parish Alaska Northbound Glacier Cruise
7 Nights Aboard the Celebrity Millennium
July 31, 2020 to August 7, 2020*

*Mass will be celebrated each day,
receive Jesus in the Eucharist and enjoy the
beauty and grandeur created by God!*

**July 31-Embark from Vancouver, British Columbia
August 1 Cruising through the Inside Passage**

August 2—Ketchikan, Alaska

August 3— Icy Strait Point, Alaska

August 4— Juneau, Alaska

August 5— Skagway, Alaska

August 6—Hubbard Glacier (Cruising)

**August 7—Disembark in Seward, Alaska for deluxe
motor coach scenic drive to Anchorage**

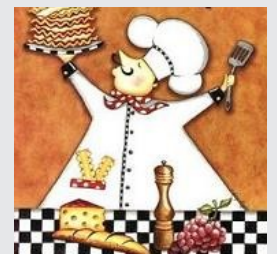
Cruise Pricing: (rates are per person, based on double occupancy) Interior Stateroom \$1298; Ocean View Stateroom \$1498; Veranda Stateroom \$2298. Includes Transfers, Cruise Taxes & Fees. Book your airfare through EO. Additional \$998 Roundtrip from Newark

brochures are also available in the Narthex and downloadable from our website

*You can also Register on-line from the link on our
parish website: www.stjustin.org*

St. Justin's 1st INTERNATIONAL POT LUCK DINNER

*Will be held on
Saturday, January 18, 2020
At 6:00pm in the parish hall.*



Please bring your favorite family dish (pre-heated) in a throw away tin. If you choose to attend without preparing a dish there will be a free will offering basket at the door. Feel free to decorate your table with anything depicting your country of heritage. Any additional questions call Sue at 908-591-4271



Attention Confirmation Student Parents:

*The date to volunteer for
the Simon Soup Kitchen is
Tuesday, January 7, 2020
from 4:45 to 7:00pm.*

*Simon's Soup Kitchen is located at 100 Grant Ave.,
Seaside Heights.*

*Any parent wishing to participate may leave their
name and number at the parish office*

PARISH MINISTRY MEETINGS

ST. JUSTIN'S MEN'S FAITH GROUP

Monday, January 6, 2020 7:00pm, St. Justin's Conference Room Come and See. Join other Men from the Parish for prayer, discussions and brotherhood as we live out, learn and share our Catholic Faith.

MENDING THROUGH FAITH

Family and Friends who have lost their Loved Ones through addiction The next meeting is scheduled for: **Monday, January 6, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Religious Ed Building** For further info call or text Kate Miick at 732-237-4080 or Diane Noonan at 732-503-1536

WOMAN OF FAITH

Next Meeting, Tuesday January 7, 2020 in St. Justin's Conference Room., 7:00pm to 8:30pm. (Note day change) We will be sharing our faith through prayer, readings & discussions as we explore the role of women throughout Biblical & Modern times, in order to uplift, share and encourage our *Sisters in Faith* in daily life. For more info: Linda (732) 232-7014.

ST. JUSTIN'S SHAWL MINISTRY

Next Meeting—Wednesday, January 8, 2020 7:00pm, St. Justin's Conference Room. If you like to knit or crochet, or would like to learn, please join us. Please call Fran: 848-241-3976 or 732-492-0329

ST. JUSTIN'S BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Next meetings: Monday, January 13, & 27th, 2020 7:30pm in St. Justin's Conference Room, Anyone who has lost a loved one, please come join us in prayer & sharing

ST. JUSTIN'S TEEN YOUTH GROUP

Next Meeting: January 19, 2020 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in St. Justin's Conference Room. Open to all students in Grades 8th – 12th. Info: see Deacon Fred Ebenau

ST. JUSTIN'S SENIORS

Next Meeting: January 21, 2020 in the parish hall. Coffee at 11:30 followed by our meeting at noon. Anyone 52 years young and over is more than welcome. Please bring a non perishable item for St. Vincent dePaul. **We will be having a nutritionist speak at this meeting.** Further info contact: Barbara 732-929-0298/732-232-3733

ST. JUSTIN'S ALTAR-ROSARY SOCIETY

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 6:30pm . We are a faithful group of women striving to live our Catholic faith thru prayer and good works. *We would love to have you join us! New members always welcome! For further information call the parish office.*

**THE NEXT
BAPTISMAL WORKSHOP**
7PM in the Religious Ed. Bldg.
Wednesday, January 8, 2020

Registration for Workshop
is Required

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



Advent Calendar Answers 2019

1. I hope you have your own personal Patron Saint; if not, choose one!
2. Saint John Vianney [05-08-1786 - 08-04-1859] was highlighted in the 2009 Year for Priests.
3. Mother Cabrini - born in Italy on 07-15-1850; became US citizen in 1909; died 12-22-1917
4. Saint Anthony of Padua "Dear Saint Anthony, please come around, something is lost that cannot be found." - or the shorter "Tony, Tony, look around. Something's lost and must be found!"
5. Saint Jude Thaddeus; fearing they were praying to Judas Iscariot, few prayed to the Apostle Saint Jude!
6. Saint Joseph: Feast Days: March 19 [Husband of the BVM] & May 1 [the Worker]
7. Saint Monica [Feast Day: August 27] - and her once wayward son, Saint Augustine [August 28]
8. The Patroness of the USA is our Blessed Mother under her title, 'The Immaculate Conception.'
9. Saint Bernadette [Feast Day April 16]
10. Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton [08-28-1774 - 01-04-1821]
11. Saint Charles Borromeo, 'founder' of the modern day seminary system
12. Saint Juan Diego
13. Saint Luke [Saints Cosmas and Damian, Feast Day: September 26, are also Patron Saints of Physicians]
14. Saint Blaise
15. Saint Philip Neri, who often goofed around, told jokes and tried to make people laugh away their woes.
16. Saint Joseph of Arimathea, who 'loaned' Jesus his own grave [Feast Day: March 17 - overshadowed by Saint Patrick]
17. Saint Peregrine, who won his battle against leg cancer in the early 1300's
18. Saint Gerard Majella
19. St. Thérèse of Lisieux, also known as Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus or 'The Little Flower'
20. Saint Mary Magdalene [Feast Day: July 22] and Saint Dismas, the Good Thief [Feast Day March 25]
21. Saint Christopher
22. Saint Nicholas: Feast Day: December 6
23. Saint Cecilia, Feast Day: November 22
24. Saint Francis of Assisi, Feast Day: October 4
25. Christmas Day: Let ALL the Saints and Angels rejoice in our newborn King!
26. Saint Lawrence, Feast Day: August 10
27. Saint Agatha
28. Saint John the Baptist: Nativity Feast Day: June 24; Martyrdom Feast Day: August 29;
29. Saints Joachim & Anne
30. Saint Apollonia, martyred with other women in 249, is usually depicted holding a pair of pliers. Ouch!
31. Saint Amand

1. none
2. Saint Bibiana
3. Saint Sebastian, who was in such great shape, he survived being shot thru with arrows!
4. Our Parish Patron, Saint Justin Martyr, who described the Mass almost exactly as we still do it today, 1854 years later!



For info on events happening in our co-hort parishes, visit our website
www.stjustin.org click the RCCTR tab