

St. Justin the Martyr Roman Catholic Church

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February 10, 2019

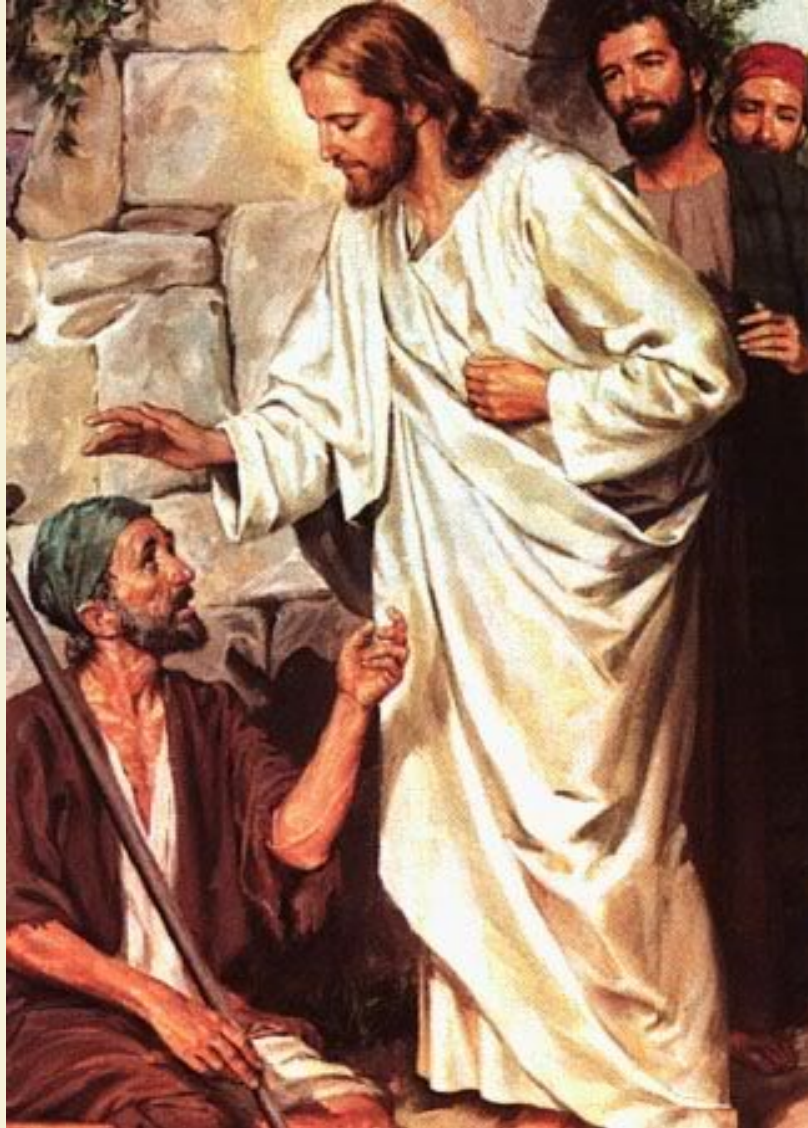
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2019, at 2:00pm

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Please Call the Parish Office to Register: 732-270-3908



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
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.**



SUNDAY, February 10

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am Martin & Catherine Brennan
Stanislaus Gorski
9:00am Berta Henriques
Anna Marie Beiswinger
10:30am Edward Plenzo
James Gonzalez
12Noon Joseph Gilsenan
Joseph Napolitano

MONDAY, February 11

Weekday; Our Lady of Lourdes

World Day of the Sick

8:30am Irene Theresa Racicot
Laurien Napoleion Racicot

TUESDAY, February 12

Weekday

8:30am Vincent & Mildred Kreder
Dustin & Daniel Friedland

WEDNESDAY, February 13

Weekday

8:30am James Gonzalez
Maryann Salanitro

THURSDAY, February 14

Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop

8:30am Olga & Thomas Lewandowski, Sr.
Dorothy Walsh

FRIDAY, February 15

Weekday

8:30am Gladys Ryan
Vincent & Mildred Kreder

SATURDAY, February 16

Weekday; BVM

9:30am People of the Parish
5:00pm Joell Lanfrank
Veronica Hauser

SUNDAY, February 17

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am James Rooney
Joanne Hnilicka
9:00am Olga & Thomas Lewandowski, Sr.
Christopher Farulla
10:30am Edward Plenzo
Joyce Kloza
12Noon Carl & Hilda Stelz
Veronica DiChiara

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*

Robert C. Muraczewski

requested by family



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.

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.

*Please Note that the Parish Offices will be
closed on Monday, February 18th
in Observance of Presidents' Day*



From the Pastor
5th Sunday in
Ordinary Time - C
February 10, 2019

A WOMAN OF GREAT ACTION. We know almost nothing about *Saint Scholastica*, but we do know a great deal about her twin

brother, *Saint Benedict*, who was born in 480 and died in 547. He died on March 21, which would always put his Feast Day in Lent or Holy Week, so the 1969 liturgical reforms moved it to July 11. He is still known for his compendium of policies governing proper monastic life, aptly called '*The Rule of Saint Benedict*.' But what about his twin sister, whose *Feast Day* is today, *February 10*, which we cannot celebrate, as a Sunday takes precedence over feasts in honor of the Saints, unless it's the Parish's Patron Saint. After praying the Collect for the Mass normally celebrated on her Feast Day, we will explain why *Saint Scholastica* is still so important to us today - even though we 'modern,' 'active' people seem to have little in common with a contemplative Nun from the Middle Ages.

Collect - Saint Scholastica, Virgin

As we celebrate anew the memorial of the Virgin Saint Scholastica, we pray, O Lord, that, following her example, we may serve you with pure love and happily receive what comes from loving you. Through our Lord Jesus ... forever and ever. Amen.

MORE THAN A CUTE STORY. Perhaps the most widely known story about the sibling twin Saints is their last conversation, just days before *Saint Scholastica* died. As was customary, and still is, in monasteries, men and women lived, worked and even prayed at totally separate sites. It was the siblings' custom to visit with each other once a year, at a place near, but outside, *Saint Benedict's* monastery's gate. After praying and reflecting on holy things together, they would retire to their respective monasteries before nightfall. But one time, *Saint Scholastica* wanted to continue conversing with her brother, who became anxious about returning to his cell and ignored her requests to stay longer. So, she bowed her head and prayed for rain; immediately the skies burst open in a torrential downpour that made it impossible for *Saint Benedict* and his confrères to leave.

Pious legend, based on historical facts, suggests this stormy night prayer meeting between the two Saints took place on *February 7, 547*, the Thursday before the *Lenten* fast which, back then, was quite severe! Three days later, while back in his cell, *Saint Benedict* saw a *dove* flying toward heaven and interpreted this as a sign that his sister had died. [Her images usually depict her with a dove.] *Saint Benedict* was correct; she was dead, and the third day after their 'last supper' - *February 10* - has long been *Saint Scholastica's* Feast Day. What can we learn from this story?

LISTEN CAREFULLY ... WITH THE EAR OF ... THE HEART. The prologue of *The Rule of Saint Benedict* begins with this sagacious advice, to not just listen, but to listen with the ear of one's heart. Ironically, *Saint Benedict* was so concerned about keeping the monastery custom of never staying outside one's cell that his heart could not hear what would be one of his sister's last wishes: to spend quality time with her brother. How often do we 'break' this 'first rule' by allowing 'life' to get in the way of truly living?

WELL-BALANCED SPIRITUAL LIFE. Eastern philosophies and decorators strive to keep the 'Yin/Yang' in balance. The feminine 'Yin' ['shady' side] and masculine 'Yang' ['sunny' side] complete each other, leading to perfect balance. [*Editor's note: I am not being a sexist; that is the Chinese root of these words!*] But the Christian faith also promotes this harmonious balance. We see it in Luke 10:38-42: *Mary*, the 'contemplative' one, sat at Jesus' feet to listen to Him, while her sister *Martha*, the 'active' one fussed over dinner. In John 21:21-23, *Jesus* told *Peter* to be active in feeding and tending the flock until he was also crucified, and not to be concerned about John, who would die of natural causes, and reflected on the Gospel until he died of old age. We see it in our *Blessed Mother*, who actively cared for *Jesus* and *Joseph*, yet "*kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.*" [Luke 2:19] And we see it in *Saints Scholastica* and *Benedict*, who once shared the same tomb. May the patron of rain and storms, *Saint Scholastica*, pray for us!

In Christ,

Father Mark

Readings for the Week of February 10, 2019

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20—2:4a; Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10

Sunday: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

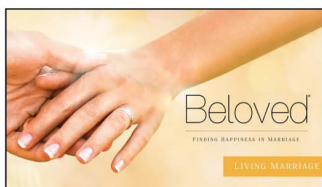
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Episode 1: Christ at the Center

See Your Vows in a Whole New Light

Learn how to put faith at the center of your marriage! This mix of the theoretical and practical will help you thrive in marriage.



"Great insights for the journey."

—Marga R., Greenwich, CT

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National Marriage Week: Recognizing marriage as a Sacrament of Service



"In the Catholic Church today, thanks to the annual celebration of World Marriage Day (second Sunday of February) and National Marriage Week (Feb. 7-14), St. Valentine's Day now signifies the ultimate expression of romantic love – Holy Matrimony.

The days surrounding Valentine's Day offer Catholic married couples a reminder of the gift they are, not only to their immediate and extended families, but to their parish family as well. It is also a time of gratitude for Catholic couples and families as they pause to appreciate the tremendous love and support they receive from their parish community throughout every stage of family life" Diocese of Trenton, Monitor 1/24/2019)



**Mark Your Calendars—
Social Sunday Next Week
Join us after all Masses
Sunday, February 17, 2019
in the parish hall for light
refreshments and fellowship. Hosted
by our Confirmation Candidates.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

We wish to **thank all** who helped with the **Bake Sale** last weekend. Our students raised \$1128.00. The money will be donated to the Saint Vincent de Paul Society and we thank all who help make this a success.

Monday – February 11th

First Eucharist Parent Meeting

7:00pm – Parish Hall

All parents/guardians of those preparing to receive this sacrament are asked to attend this important meeting.

Monday – February 18th

As per our calendar, there are **no religious education classes**.



Attention Confirmation Student Parents:

**The date to volunteer for
the Simon Soup Kitchen is
Tuesday, March 12, 2019
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.**

FAMILY FUN

St. Justin Center of Learning is hosting
JMT Productions to do a **puppet show** featuring
the **Lenten Journey**.

Date: Saturday, March 16, 2018

Doors Open at: 10:15am

Please bring at least one can of food to be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Bank as your admission. The show will start at 10:30am and run for about 30 minutes. We are inviting children of **ALL** ages! Light Refreshments will be available.

For further info: Walter & Patricia: 732-255-6116
or Francine @ 908-814-2242;

Email: HolySJCL@gmail.com

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

Ecclesiastes 3:11

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

Leonardo Gerasimos Menagos

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

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

Roger Mazzella, Anthony A. DiFumeri,
Theresa LaRocca, Eleanor Rodgers

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,

Cody Fisher, 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.



St. Justin's 1st Annual Lenten Family Supper & Stations

As we prepare ourselves for
Christ's Resurrection, let us
journey with Jesus Christ at the
Stations of the Cross. Please join
us for Soup and Salad on **Friday, March 8, 2019**,
following the 6:00pm Stations of the Cross.

Pre-registration is required so we can ensure we have
enough soup and salad for all who attend. **Please
return registration forms to the parish office
by Friday, March 1, 2019.**

Flyers are available in the narthex and downloadable
from our parish website: www.stjustin.org,
under News/Events.

Save the Date!
Pancake Breakfast
After All Masses
Sunday, March 3rd

*The Men's Faith Group
in conjunction with the Altar
Rosary Society will be hosting their 3rd Annual
Hospitality Sunday after all Masses.*
*Stop in after Mass and enjoy pancakes, sausage,
coffee, juice, and fellowship!*



The Sacrament of the

Anointing of the Sick
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World Day of the Sick— Communal Anointing of the Sick and Day of Prayer for Health Care Workers

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of
the Sick at Mass: **Saturday February 16th**
Time: 2:00pm

Anointing "is not a sacrament for only those
who are at the point of death" but is intended for all
those who are seriously ill. Consequently, what we
formerly called "Extreme Unction" is now more
properly called "The Sacrament of the Anointing of
the Sick".

More has changed than the sacrament's name.
Our experience of the revised Sacrament of the
Anointing has brought about a change in the way we
think about the sacrament. For example: 1) This
sacrament (like all sacraments) is a community
celebration; 2) sickness involves more than bodily
illness; and 3) anointing heals us through faith.

Offering the sacrament before one is in the
final moments of life affords the patient a better
opportunity to appreciate the prayers and symbols of
the rite. Also, in light of a shortage of priestly
vocations and increasing demands on the priest's
time, a priest may not be immediately available at
the final moments of life.

The grace of the sacrament has the following
effects: the uniting of the sick person to the passion
of Christ for his or her own good and for that of the
whole Church; the strengthening, peace, and courage
to endure in a Christian manner the sufferings of
illness or old age; the restoration of health, if it is
conducive to the salvation of his soul; and
preparation for the passing from this life to eternal
life (Catechism 1532). At this time, we will also
extend a blessing to all medical personnel, health
care workers and caregivers. **Finally, we would ask
that those who wish to be anointed call the parish
office at 732-270-3980 to register and to arrive
with their caregivers approximately 20 minutes
before the start of the Mass.** There will be people
available to write your name on an index card which
your caregiver will give to the priest when he comes
to anoint you.

Mark Your Calendars!
St. Patrick's/St. Joseph's Day Dinner Dance
Sunday, March 24th
Further info to follow

PARISH MINISTRY MEETINGS

ST. JUSTIN'S BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Next meetings: February 11th & 25th in St. Justin's Conference Room Anyone who has lost a loved one please come join us in prayer, and sharing. The meetings will be held at 7:30pm.

ST. JUSTIN'S SHAWL MINISTRY

Next Meeting—Wednesday, February 13th at 7pm, St. Justin's Conference Room. If you crochet or knit or want to learn how to do either, you will be welcomed by our group. We also happily accept donations of yarn for creating prayer shawls, baby blankets, lap blankets and various other items for people in need. Call Fran for info: 848-241-3976 or 732-492-0329

TEEN YOUTH GROUP

Next Meetings: February 17th, & March 3rd 6:00—8:00pm St. Justin's Conference Room

All Grade 8 through 12 youth are invited to become part of the "Youth Group." Come join our community service group where we share our faith while doing fun activities.

Come to a meeting for Pizza & Fun! Any questions?

See Deacon Fred after Mass. **Bring a Friend!**

ST. JUSTIN'S SENIORS

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 19, 2019, in the Parish Hall—Starting at 11:30 (please bring a non-perishable food item to the meeting) We will discuss an upcoming trip on May 21st. Bateaux—New York, Luncheon Cruise. This is a glass enclosed yacht giving you a beautiful view of the NY skyline, stop at South Street Seaport for 1 1/2 hrs. Special Chicken and a vegetarian lunch, cost \$120.00 All payments must be in by April 15th. For Info: Call Barbara at 732-232-3733

ST. JUSTIN'S ALTAR-ROSARY SOCIETY

Come join this wonderful group of women, we welcome new members as we pray the rosary, and serve God and the parish thru charitable events such as a shower for Birthright. Next meeting **February 27th 6:30pm in the church** to pray the rosary followed by our meeting in the parish hall. Further info? Please contact president Pat McDonald: 732-270-4061

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, March 4, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Religious Ed Building**

All Family and Friends are welcome. For further information call or text Kate Miick at 732-237-4080 or Diane Noonan at 732-503-1536.

ST. JUSTIN'S MEN'S FAITH GROUP

Monday, March 4, 2019, 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.



Attention Men!

Join other Catholic men from across the Diocese of Trenton

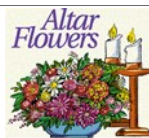
For the **22nd Annual Men's Conference** on **Saturday, February 23**, at Saint Mary, Mother of God Parish in Middletown, NJ. **The theme of this year's conference is "Rebuild My Church".** The day runs from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm and will feature Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop David O'Connell, as well as inspiring talks by **Curtis Martin** who, in addition to being the founder and CEO of Fellowship of Catholic University Students, is an internationally renowned author, Catholic radio & TV host; **Max Ford**, an evangelist, singer and songwriter who co-founded Holy Spirit House in the south of France; **Kevin Reilly**, motivational speaker, former NFL Player, Philadelphia Eagles Radio Announcer, cancer survivor. There will also be music, Catholic vendors, and the opportunity to fellowship with other men who are looking to grow in their walk with Jesus and dynamically live out their Catholic faith. **A youth breakout session will also be offered for young men from 8th grade to college age.** Cost is \$25 per person in advance (\$30 at the door); \$10 for students. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

For more information or to register online go to **www.catholicmenforjesuschrist.org**. By mail, send the name(s) of each person registering, your check, and a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Catholic Men for Jesus Christ, PO Box 816, Morrisville, PA 19067

Have you ever considered the possibility of a vocation to the priesthood?

Do you have questions about what it takes to become a Catholic priest?

The Office of Vocations for the Diocese of Trenton has a resource for anyone who is considering a call to the priesthood! The website: **www.godiscallingyou.com** provides practical answers to the questions you may have in discerning a call to the priesthood.



Would you like to commemorate a special occasion or honor the memory of a loved one or just help out with the beautifying of our church?

Consider donating the money for the Altar flowers for Mass!

The cost of the altar flowers is \$100.00 We will print the occasion or the name of the person being honored in the bulletin and those who donated the flowers. Please contact the parish office.

The Knights of Columbus Council #4969 will be holding a Raffle Ticket Fundraiser after all Masses the weekend of February 23/24

Please Support this worthy cause!