St. Justin the Martyr Roman Catholic Church

975 Fischer Boulevard, Toms River, NJ 08753
SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2020
EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



Our Sanctuary, Easter 2019

The Gospel: Matthew 28: 1-10

Mary Magdalene reports to Peter and the Beloved Disciple (John?) of her pre-dawn discovery of the empty tomb. Out of his respect for Peter, the younger "Beloved Disciple" waits to enter the tomb until after the older man has. Both came to understand that Jesus "had to rise from the dead."

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

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

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, April 12 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

James Rooney
Ralph Totino
Mary Ferragamo
Mark Bram
Daniel Pfeiffer
Christina Johnson
Ann Marie Neveroski
Joseph Carrasco

MONDAY, April 13
Monday within the Octave of Easter
People of the Parish

TUESDAY, April 14
Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
Joseph F. Carrasco, Jr.
Nicole Butler

WEDNESDAY, April 15
Wednesday within the Octave of Easter
Robert Rush
Fred & Clare Schmid

THURSDAY, April 16 Thursday within the Octave of Easter Debra Salas Salvatore Pirrera

FRIDAY, April 17 Friday within the Octave of Easter Bobby Skrable Mark Geraci

SATURDAY, April 18 Saturday within the Octave of Easter People of the Parish Joell Lanfrank Louis Fitamant

SUNDAY, April 19
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER OR
(SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)
Anne Fleming
Bobby Skrable
John E. DiStefano
Rev. John V. Bowden
Bernard Gries
Gino Gionnella
Margaret Lynn
Rosa & Tristine Trento

Dear Parishioners, please note that while there are no public Masses allowed, Father Mark and Father Dan will say their private Masses for the intentions listed on our Mass schedule.



The Altar Bread.

which will become the Body of Christ at the Masses celebrated during the week is offered In Loving Memory of

Bobby Skrable

requested by the Bergin family

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



requested by the Bergin family



Every third weekend of the month.

PARISH OFFICE: 732-270-3980 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: 732-270-3797 (Offices are temporarily closed until further notice)

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.

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From the Pastor
Easter Sunday of the
Resurrection of the Lord - A
April 12, 2020

"He is not here, for he has been raised." Our faith assures us that these joyful words, taken from this year's Easter Gospel [Matthew 28:1-10], will

one day be said about **US** and our grave and the graves of all the faithful departed. Since it is customary in these holiest of days of the year to visit the graves of loved ones, adorn their resting places with blessed palm branches, **Easter flowers** and other signs of our faith - and to pray that God will forgive their sins - we have been offering reflections on 3 of 6 sets of orations: two weeks ago, on the Mass for All the Dead-2; last week, on the Mass for All the Dead-3; and today on the Mass for All the Dead -4. May the exuberant joy experienced by the Apostles, Mary Magdalene, and all who were so privileged to see the Risen Lord, one day be ours! Happy Easter, alleluia, Alleluia, **ALLELUIA!**

Collect - For All the Dead - 4

O God, Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, grant to your departed servants the remission of all their sins, so that through our devout supplications they may obtain that pardon which they have always desired.

Through our Lord Jesus ... for ever and ever. Amen.

THROUGH OUR DEVOUT SUPPLICATIONS. A

consistent theme throughout the Bible is that by God's design, everything is a <u>team effort</u> even achieving our eternal salvation. While our *Glorious Captain, Jesus Christ*, is the Victor in the war to conquer sin and death, and scored the game-winning point, the battles rage on and the plays continue. For while God lives in timeless eternity, we do not ... at least not yet. So, while the *Risen Lord* has already

secured the *GRAND FINALE*, we must still 'live out' each phase of the *GRAND SCHEMA* in the 'here and now.'

In other words, we must do our part in claiming for ourselves - and others - [remember, it's a team effort!] all that the *Risen Lord* won for us. And we must pray for all who have died, who still need our help to attain all that awaits us. And since the *holy* Mass is our *greatest* prayer for during it, we offer back to God His greatest gift to us: his Son, *Jesus* - having the *holy Mass*

offered for the faithful departed is "a holy and pious thought." [2 Maccabees 12:45]

Prayer over the Offerings - For All the Dead - 4
Be merciful, we pray, O Lord, to your servants
(N. and N.), for whom we offer you the sacrifice of conciliation, and, since in this life they remained steadfast in the Catholic faith, may they have their reward in the life to come.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SACRIFICE OF CONCILIATION. While the word 'conciliation' is rarely used in common parlance, it is often used in our revised orations; what does the word 'conciliation' mean? There are two definitions: 1] it is the action of stopping someone from being angry; and 2] it is the act of mediating between two disputing people or groups. While both these definitions certainly apply to our relationship with God, who is justifiably angry at all that we sinners have done to our world, its second meaning is more in tune with the <u>Catholic</u> understanding of God.

The Puritan preacher, Jonathan Edwards, gave a sermon known by its grimly bleak title, "Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God." The Catholic view is far more upbeat and positive: we are the lost sheep; the prodigal children; the travelers robbed by bandits, left on the road to Jericho to die; the leper no one wants to touch - for whom, God sent His Son - not to condemn - but to save. Do we pray for those who have died, even those who may have been terribly imperfect and woefully sinful?

Prayer after Communion - For All the Dead - 4
May the prayer of those who plead before you benefit the souls of your servants, we pray,
O Lord, so that through this sacrifice,
you may free them from all their sins
and make them sharers in eternal salvation.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THROUGH THIS SACRIFICE. How can we atone for the sins of those who have gone before us? Our Catholic Faith has the answer: we offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for them! We remember them, as Saint Monica asked her son, Saint Augustine, to remember her: at the Altar. We include a prayer for the dead in the Universal Prayer and Eucharistic Prayer. We memorialize the holy items used in sacred worship. What do you do to atone for the sins of your loved ones?

n Christ

Father mark

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 fternal fife..."

Daniel Sullivan

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, 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,
Walter Reed, Tyler Brandon Sansone, Trevor Smida,
Christopher Sylvester, Nick Roma, Nick Panzara, Greg Hermack,
John DiMicelli, John M. Budenas, Robert Tront,
Joey Colosimo, Michael Anthony DeAnni, Kieran Murphy,
Colin Berrios, Kevin Kreder, Christopher Wright, Jordan Thomas

And for our President and elected Leaders of our Country.

The word **"Easter"** comes from Old English, meaning simply the "East." The sun which rises in the East, bringing light, warmth and hope, is a symbol for the Christian of the rising Christ, who is the true Light of the world.

The Paschal Candle is a central symbol of this divine light, which is Christ. and lit for all liturgical celebrations.

http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/easter/index.cfm

Readings for the Week of April 12, 2020

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22;

Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9;

Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:35-48 **Friday**: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27a; Jn 21:1-14 **Saturday**: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21;

Mk 16:9-15

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

At this time religious education classes have been cancelled- please check the parish website for future notifications www.stiustin.org

ON-LINE GIVING IS NOW AVAILABLE FOR OUR

PARISH. The Diocese of Trenton has set up an on-line giving option for each parish thru their website. If you wish to make your weekly donation to our parish thru this method, please visit our parish website: www.stjustin.org, Click the News/Events tab, select the On-Line Giving tab.

When the Diocese page opens, scroll down to the "Pass the Basket" option, select St. Justin the Martyr Parish. You will receive a confirming email from the Diocese for your contribution.

☐ As you know, collections are vital to our existence as a Parish. Since you are not coming to Mass donations can also be dropped off in the church narthex in the hopper labeled "Weekend Donations/Contributions, or mailed to the church:

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Rosary: Praying the Rosary Like Never Before audio by Dr. Edward Sri

Divine Mercy Chaplet /Divina Misericordia 101 pray at 3pm daily

Children's Cartoons

Movie Night, AND SO MUCH MORE!

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