

# St. Justin the Martyr Roman Catholic Church

975 Fischer Boulevard, Toms River, NJ 08753

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2020

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



**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 26**  
**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Robert Skrable  
Giovannina & Raffaele Padovano  
**First Holy Communicants & Confirmation Candidates**  
Nicholas Torre  
Joan Rocks  
People of the Parish

**MONDAY, April 27**  
**Easter Weekday**

Michael Whitby  
Larry Mistichelli

**TUESDAY, April 28**  
**Easter Weekday; St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr;**  
**St. Louis Grignon de Montfort, Priest**

Mr. & Mrs. David O'Neill  
Charles Gambino

**WEDNESDAY, April 29**  
**St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church**  
Steve Yaremazak  
Frank Rubino & Family

**THURSDAY, April 30**  
**Easter Weekday; St. Pius V. Pope**

Janet Mascera  
Andrew Nadzan, Jr.  
Daniel Pierrie

**FRIDAY, May 1**  
**FIRST FRIDAY; Easter Weekday; St. Joseph the Worker**  
**Purgatorial Society**

**SATURDAY, May 2**  
**FIRST SATURDAY; St. Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

People of the Parish  
**First Holy Communicants & Confirmation Candidates**

**SUNDAY, May 3**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**World Day of Prayer for Vocations**

Pasquale Cosentino  
Jean & John Carillo  
**First Holy Communicants & Confirmation Candidates**  
Robert Van Sprang  
Grace Galbraith  
People of the Parish

*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*  
**Janet Mascera**  
*requested by husband, George*

*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*

**Charles Joseph Schmidt**  
*requested by the Schmidt-Ingato families*



## MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION:

Every third weekend of the month.

Contact St. Vincent de Paul for any questions:  
732-929-1119

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

**PARISH WEBSITE: [www.stjustin.org](http://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.

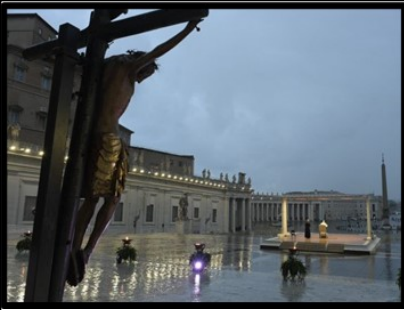
**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**  
Saturdays: At 3:30PM

## 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**  
3rd Sunday of Easter -A  
April 26, 2020

A Picture is Worth a  
Thousand Words!

Who was not moved by the unforgettable image on March 27 of Pope Francis imparting a special *Urbi et Orbi* [To the City and the World] blessing on us? [Watch it here: <https://youtu.be/JcUqLrbi9Cg>.] Or the Holy Father standing almost all alone, outside *Saint Peter Basilica*, in the enveloping rain and darkness, to impart the *Benediction* or *Eucharistic Blessing*? Or praying before that 14<sup>th</sup> Century crucifix, credited with halting a plague in the late 1500's, and imploring the intercession of our *Blessed Mother, Help of Christians* and *Health of the Sick*? What faith in action!

On March 30, the Vatican released a new set of orations approved by the Pope; while these prayers could not be used at any *Holy Week* or *Easter Week* Masses, they may now be used on weekdays that are not a Solemnity or Feast. Please, PLEASE pray the following Collect each day as our communal prayer for an end to this horrific pandemic and the restoration of a more normal way of life and communal prayer!

**Collect - In Time of Pandemic**

Almighty and eternal God,  
our refuge in every danger, to whom we turn  
in our distress; in faith we pray:  
look with compassion on the afflicted,  
grant eternal rest to the dead,  
comfort to mourners, healing to the sick, peace to  
the dying, strength to healthcare workers,  
wisdom to our leaders and the courage to  
reach out to all in love, so that together  
we may give glory to your holy name.  
Through our Lord Jesus ... for ever and ever. Amen.

**A PRAYER THAT COVERS ALL THE BASES.** This powerfully profound, all-inclusive oration certainly lifts our minds and hearts - as confused and heavy as they are - to God in prayer. But notice that in it we do not simply throw it all into God's lap. For while our first Pope counsels us to *"Cast all your worries upon him because he cares for you."* [1 Peter 5:7], this oration also encourages us to *"reach out to all in love"* so that we can be the means by which

others' prayers are answered and God's presence is made known.

**Prayer over the Offerings - In Time of Pandemic**

Accept, O Lord, the gifts we offer in this time of peril. May they become for us, by your power, a source of healing and peace. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**GIFTS GIVEN THAT GRACE THE GIVERS.** In one of the many paradoxes of our Faith, God not only provides every gift we offer to Him, for God made everything; God returns whatever we offer to Him with incalculable interest! We see this in the Eucharist: we offer bread and wine to God, which are His gifts to us in the first place, which He returns as *His Son's Sacred Body and Precious Blood!* And even when we cannot tangibly receive the gift of Holy Communion, as during this pandemic, Eucharistic graces and blessings still flow to all who make a 'spiritual communion,' *"for nothing [is] impossible for God!"* [Luke 1:37]

**Prayer after Communion - In Time of Pandemic**

O God, from whose hand we have received the medicine of eternal life, grant that through this Sacrament we may glory in the fullness of heavenly healing. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**HEAVENLY MEDICINE.** As I explained above, we can receive a 'dose of Eucharist' in a 'spiritual communion' by praying this oration: *"My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen."* [By Saint Alphonsus Liguori]

**Prayer over the People - In Time of Pandemic**

O God, protector of all who hope in you, bless your people, keep them safe, defend them, prepare them, that, free from sin and safe from the enemy, they may persevere always in your love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

I 'virtually' impart the above blessing on you; may we all be reunited around the Altar... SOON!

In 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 feternal life..."*

Vincent Occhipinti, Steven Senerchia, Andrew Albanese

*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.*

*Please pray for a full recovery for Father Jack Bogacz's brother Dan who was in a serious accident.*

### Readings for the Week of April 26, 2020

**Monday:** Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday:** Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

**Wednesday:** Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; Jn 6:35-40

**Thursday:** Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

**Friday:** Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

**Saturday:** Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Jn 6:60-69

**Sunday:** Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b4, 5, 6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

*Collections are vital to our existence as a Parish. If your circumstances permit, please consider donating to the parish at this time. Donations can be mailed to the church: St. Justin the Martyr, 975 Fischer Blvd. Toms River, NJ 08753. Also, consider making your online offertory for our parish thru the Diocese, that has now created a "Pass the Basket Emergency Fund." If you wish to make your weekly donation to our parish thru this method, please visit our parish website: [www.stjustin.org](http://www.stjustin.org). Under 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. These are challenging times for all of us. This crisis has hit many of us hard and our parish is no different. I am most grateful to all who have continued to mail in their weekly offerings, or donated on line, so we can pay all bills on time.*

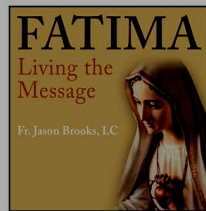
### FORMED PICK

## Fatima: Living the Message

By Fr. Jason Brooks

### Heed Your Mother's Advice

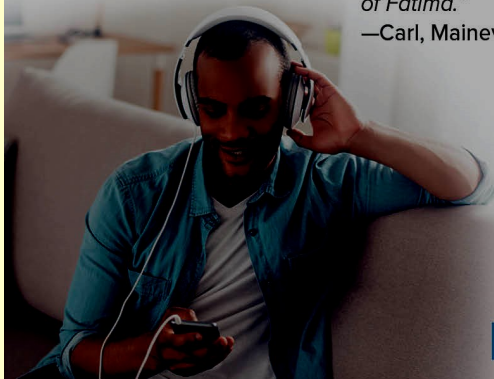
Fr. Jason Brooks brings to light why Fatima is regarded by many as the most important spiritual event of the past 100 years and why Our Lady's message is still as relevant as ever.



*"I thought I knew the story of Fatima well, but this gave even MORE insight into the message and meaning of Our Lady of Fatima."*

—Carl, Maineville, OH

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**The Mysteries of the Rosary**

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**MOVIE NIGHT:**

**Accidental Activist**

**Coming Home**

**Ryan Defrates—Secret Agent (children)**