

# St. Justin the Martyr Roman Catholic Church

975 Fischer Boulevard, Toms River, NJ 08753

SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2020

FIFTH 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, May 10**  
**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**Mother's Day**

**Mother's Day Novena**  
**Debra Collura Bourne**  
**Violet Martorano**  
**Lucia Ferrara**  
**Christina Johnson**  
**Carmela & Pasquale Cennamo**  
**Ann Marie Neveroski**

**MONDAY, May 11**  
**Easter Weekday**  
**Mother's Day Novena**

**TUESDAY, May 12**  
**Easter Weekday; Saints Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs;**  
**St. Pancras, Martyr**  
**Mother's Day Novena**

**WEDNESDAY, May 13**  
**Easter Weekday; Our Lady of Fatima**  
**Mother's Day Novena**

**THURSDAY, May 14**  
**St. Matthias, Apostle**  
**Mother's Day Novena**

**FRIDAY, May 15**  
**Easter Weekday; St. Isadore**  
**Mother's Day Novena**

**SATURDAY, May 16**  
**Easter Weekday**  
**People of the Parish**  
**Mother's Day Novena**

**SUNDAY, May 17**  
**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**Mother's Day Novena**  
**Kenneth Ritter**  
**Gertrude Heid**  
**Joseph Otroshina**  
**Daniel Foley**  
**The McGuire Family**  
**Deacon Richard Hauenstein**

*Flower Intentions that were scheduled to be placed on the Altar will be rescheduled when the church is allowed to be open for public Masses*

*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*

*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*  
**Joell Lanfrank**  
*requested by Mom & Dad*



## 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  
5th Sunday of Easter - A  
May 10, 2020  
Mother's Day

### **HONOR YOUR BLESSED MOTHER!**

This week, on **May 13**, we honor our **Blessed Mother** under her title '**Our Lady of Fatima**.' The Church does not require us to accept apparitions; in fact, she more often rules against a purported apparition if it, in any

way, is contrary to our Faith. No valid apparition: contradicts the Gospel; adds anything to what God has already revealed; or profits a visionary or those promoting it. This was not the case in **Fatima**, Portugal, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of each month, from May to October, in 1917.

**Our Lady** appeared six times to young Francisco and Jacinta and their cousin, Lucia, entrusting three main messages to them - of which only one became 'famous.' The so-called '**Third Secret of Fatima**' is a misnomer: the first two messages were not secrets, and the third message was more of a private revelation concerning '**a bishop in white**' of which there are many, as clerics in warm climates often wear white cassocks. However, even skeptics have to admit that what **Our Lady** foretold' not only came true; the reasons she gave for her 'predictions' are also, sadly, very, very true. More about the three revelations at **Fatima** after praying the Collect for her **Feast Day**: the anniversary of the First Apparition: **May 13**.

#### **Collect - Our Lady of Fatima**

O God, who chose the Mother of your Son to be our Mother also, grant us that, persevering in penance and prayer for the salvation of the world we may further more effectively each day the reign of Christ. Who lives and reigns ... for ever and ever. Amen.

**THE FIRST 'SECRET': HELL'S ETERNAL FIRE.** In a series of apocalyptic visions, **Our Lady** showed the three children the just punishment and horrific penalty for our sins: the eternal, tormenting fires of Hell. As the Catholic Catechism teaches: while God does not desire "**that any should perish but that all should come to repentance**," [2 Peter 3:9c], Jesus did warn us about "**the unquenchable fire**" [Mark 9:43] and "**the eternal punishment**"

[Matthew 25:46] that awaits those who ignore the hungry or thirsty, the stranger or naked, the ill or imprisoned. And like all good mothers, who warn their children not to become dangerously presumptuous and overly assured of their Father's forgiveness, our **Blessed Mother**, out of love for us, showed the visionaries the dreadful fate of unrepentant, mortal sinners.

**THE SECOND 'SECRET': FAITH OR FIASCO.** **Our Lady of Fatima** also foresaw the fearful fallout of faithless societies: the disintegration of the family; the disrespect for life; the decrease in ethics and morals; etc. Many know she asked for reparations for sins against her **Son** and her **Immaculate Heart** and for prayers for the Conversion of Russia. So the Fatima Decade Prayer, "**O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and lead all souls to heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy.**" was added to the **Rosary**. Before we condemn **Communist Russia** or her wicked stepsister, **Communist China**, is not the same fearful fallout of faithlessness in the **USA**? **Our Blessed Mother** was on to something ... and we'd better pay heed!

**THE THIRD 'SECRET': VILE PERSECUTION.** While the third message was not publicly disclosed until May 13, 2000, at least two Popes [and others] had read the letter written by Sister Lucia, who died at age 97 on February 13, 2005, but kept it 'classified.' There were many rumors about its content: was it the Doomsday date? A description of a nuclear WWIII? Was it, as some comedians suggested, the bill for the Last Supper? It turned out NOT to be a laughing matter.

**COINCIDENCE OR DIVINE PROVIDENCE?** As the world watched in horror, during one of his hundreds of 'Popemobile' rounds through **Saint Peter Square**, Pope, now **Saint John Paul II**, was nearly assassinated: hit by two bullets at close range. The date: **May 13, 1981: The Feast of Our Lady of Fatima**; he said **Our Lady** saved his life: "**one hand pulled the trigger, another guided the bullet.**" One year later, as a pilgrim to **Fatima**, he had the bullet that nearly ended his life placed in the crown of the statue of **Our Lady of Fatima**!

Happy **Mother's Day** to all earthly mothers - and to our **Blessed Mother**. Father Dan and I continue to offer the sacrifice of Mass for all our parish families during this pandemic and hope we will soon be together at the altar.

In Christ,

*Father Mark*

### ***Farewell to Father Dan***

*On Friday, May 1, Bishop O'Connell announced the assignments for priests. Sadly, we will be losing Father Dan. Father has been assigned as the parochial vicar of St. Barnabas Parish in Bayville. We thank Father for his service and wish him well.*

*The assignments are effective July 1<sup>st</sup>. As the Bishop said, we hope; this date may change if things are not up and running by then. We will plan a proper farewell in the future.*

### ***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..."*

Andrew Fenar

*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.***

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 OF THE WEEK**



### **FATIMA**

Hope for the World

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**Our priests and deacons will be celebrating the anniversary of their ordinations in the months of May and June. Please keep them in your prayers and thank them for answering God's call to serve Him and His Church and for their service to our parish.**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Anniversary Date</u>	<u>Years Ordained</u>
Father Mark Kreder	May 17, 2003	17
Father Dan Price	June 4, 2016	4
Deacon Fred Ebenau	May 14, 2005	15
Deacon James Campbell	May 13, 2006	14
Deacon James Gillespie	May 14, 2011	9

### **Readings for the Week of May 10, 2020**

**Monday:** Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26

**Tuesday:** Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21;  
Jn 14:27-31a

**Wednesday:** Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8

**Thursday:** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8;  
Jn 15:9-17

**Friday:** Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

**Saturday:** Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

**Sunday:** Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20;  
1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

***O Mary conceived without sin,  
pray for us ... pray for us.  
O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us  
who have recourse to thee.***