

St. Justin the Martyr Roman Catholic Church

975 Fischer Boulevard, Toms River, NJ 08753

SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2019

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Parish Pilgrimage to the Mexican Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine Monday through Friday November 18-22, 2019

To honor the **Patroness of the Americas**, and as a 'test run' for a future pilgrimage to **Lourdes** and **Fatima**, we are sponsoring a five day pilgrimage to the **Our Lady of Guadalupe [OLG] Shrine** and other Mexico City sites. [A parish Alaskan Cruise is being planned for 15 months from now, in the summer of 2020.] Visit: www.sacreddestinations.com/mexico/mexico-city-basilica-guadalupe for an overview of the most visited Catholic shrine in the world. It will be organized by **Educational Opportunities Tours**. The cost is \$1,648 which includes a 4% cash discount when paid by check, airfare, hotel, breakfast and meals indicated below. If interested, email your name and phone number[s] to seaspilgrimages@gmail.com. Itinerary includes:

Day 1: Newark to Mexico City flight
Welcome Dinner: Hotel Cathedral, Mexico City Holy Mass at the Hotel

Day 2: Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine
Plaza of the Three Cultures; view the Tilma
Holy Mass: the new OLG Basilica
Walking Tour of ancient ruins
Lunch & Show

Day 3: Tlaxcala [Archangel Michael Shrine] & Puebla
Holy Mass: Rosary Chapel of Santo Domingo
Puebla Immaculate Conception Cathedral
Lunch

Day 4: Zocolo & Our Lady of the Rosary Shrine
Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Martyr Shrine
Holy Mass at Metropolitan Cathedral
Festive Farewell Dinner & Show

Day 5: return flight to Newark

Flyers Available in the Narthex and on our parish website: www.stjustin.org



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

Mass Intentions

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, June 30

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am Anthony Faletta, Jr.
Jack Kolmansberger
9:00am Janet Szalkowski
Baby Margaret Pachman Ouano (living)
10:30am Victoria Smith
(Adult Choir) Brian Orlando
12Noon Robert Burghard
Rev. Thomas J. Barry (living)

MONDAY, July 1

Weekday; St. Junipero Serra, Priest

8:30am Brian Comes
Jean Tokarz

TUESDAY, July 2

Weekday

8:30am Ronald Vogel
Christina Marie Johnson
Roger & Dorothy Mazzella

WEDNESDAY, July 3

St. Thomas, Apostle

8:30am Edward Ferris
Sandy George

THURSDAY, July 4

Weekday; Independence Day

8:30am Maureen Schmid
Theresa Leonard

FRIDAY, July 5

FIRST FRIDAY; Weekday;

St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest;

St. Elizabeth of Portugal

8:30am Purgatorial Society

SATURDAY, July 6

FIRST SATURDAY; Weekday;

St. Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr; BVM

9:30am People of the Parish
5:00pm Richard Gregory
Irene & Stanley Dziuban

SUNDAY, July 7

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am Maryanne Bielski
Chester & Mary Bielski
9:00am Wahbia Eramia
Anatilde Espogei
10:30am Colleen Getler
(Adult Choir) Anatilde Espogei
12Noon Shawl Ministry (living)
Ann Marie Neveroski



*The Altar Bread,
which will become the Body of
Christ at the Masses celebrated
during the week is offered in loving
memory of*

Joan Sullivan

*requested by Barbara Finley, Alice Rush, and
Fran Baranowski*



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL NEEDS HELP

The 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal is experiencing a very challenging year thus far. Contributions are down 20% across the Diocese. The Appeal is the source of support for all our diocesan works and ministries. Please take a moment to consider how you can help if you have not done so already. Thank you for your consideration. May God's blessings be yours. *Bishop David O'Connell*

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.



From the Pastor
17th Sunday in
Ordinary Time - C
June 30, 2019

A SADLY COMMON CRIME TURNED MIRACLE. On June 25, 1950, Pope Pius XII canonized a Saint at a Mass which both the Saint's mother and the Saint's murderer attended. The details are chilling of how this 11-year-old-girl bravely thwarted her attempted rapist's regular unwanted advances, and then forgave him on her deathbed for his violent attack. But the details of her - and her murderer's - sad family

life, the miracle that, after years of being belligerently unrepentant, led to her murderer's conversion and to her mother's acceptance of his apology, are truly amazing! After praying the Collect for **Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr**, whose **Feast Day** is **July 6**, I'll tell the rest of the story.

Collect - Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr

O God, author of innocence
and lover of chastity, who bestowed
the grace of martyrdom on your handmaid,
the Virgin Saint Maria Goretti, in her youth,
grant, we pray, through her intercession,
that, as you gave her a crown for her steadfastness, so
we, too, may be
firm in obeying your commandments.
Through our Lord Jesus ... forever and ever. Amen.

SAD, SICK FERTILE GROUND FOR SIN. Born in Italy on October 16, 1890, into a farming family, **Maria's** father died when she was about 9, leaving her widowed mother, Assunta, with six children. With no social services or other means of support, Assunta 'hired' herself and her children out to a landowner, offering their crops for their rent; a neighbor, Giovanni Serenelli and his son, Alessandro, helped the Goretti family. But Giovanni was a drunkard who beat his son who, though many years older than **Maria**, lusted for her. **Maria** sought her mother's protection, but Alessandro had threatened to kill them both - setting the scene for a tragic 'ending.'

CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE. The then-19-year-old, angry Alessandro forced himself on the 11-year-old child who rebuffed his attacks; so he stabbed her - 14 times - leaving her for dead. After lingering in pain for 20 hours, enduring operations with no anesthesia, and being told she would die, she forgave her murderer. On July 5, 1902,

Maria died after receiving the Last Rites; the last image she saw in this world was of our Blessed Mother. In art, **Saint Maria Goretti** is often depicted with our Blessed Mother, holding lilies, a symbol of her virginal purity, and palm branches, a symbol of her triumph over death.

The police nabbed Alessandro as a mob sought to lynch him. At his trial, he accused Maria of 'coming onto' him: a common ploy of sexual abusers: blame the victim. With overwhelming evidence against him, he confessed his crime, but as a minor, was sentenced to 30 years of hard labor. He remained obstinate, refused visits from clergy, and seemed hopelessly lost - until after about 6 years in prison - he experienced what some consider **Saint Maria Goretti's** first miracle.

In a vision that melted his heart and changed his life, **Maria** appeared to Alessandro, offering him 14 white lilies - one for each stab wound - which turned into white flames. Over time, he became a model prisoner, sought sacramental forgiveness, and was released 3 years before his term was up. He immediately sought forgiveness from Maria's mother, who said, "If my daughter can forgive him, and God can forgive him, who am I to withhold forgiveness?" He testified to **Maria's** holiness in the hearings for her cause for Sainthood. After leaving prison, he entered a Capuchin monastery, serving as a gardener, and remained a lay brother until his death on May 6, 1970.



Saint Maria's mother speaks to her daughter's murderer at the canonization.

A UNIQUE SAINT. The canonization Mass for **Saint Maria Goretti** was so crowded, it was the first held outdoors, in Saint Peter's Square. She still is our youngest canonized Saint, and the only Saint whose mother attended the canonization. May **Maria's** example of purity and forgiveness move our hearts to reject sin and be more merciful! **Saint Maria Goretti**, pray for us.

Today is Father Tom Barry's last day with us. We thank Fr. Tom for his priesthood and his ministry to us. May Our Lord continue to bless him and bring to completion the good work He has begun in Fr. Tom. Please see my article, "Farewell Fr. Tom, Welcome Fr. Dan."

In Christ, *Father Mark*



Farewell Father Tom, Welcome Father Dan

Transitions are a part of life. From birth to death each of us goes through various transitions. In the priesthood, transitions are quite natural and expected. Father Tom Barry has served us for the past two years and will be entering into the first transition of his priesthood. Our diocese requires priests to serve in two parishes before being named a pastor. This was my experience. I served two years in my first parish and then ten months in my second assignment before coming to St. Justin. With an increasing shortage of priests, priests will be named pastors much sooner than in the past.



Father Tom will be leaving us and serving as parochial vicar at the parishes of St. James, Pennington, St. Alphonsus, Hopewell, and St. George, Titusville. In addition, he will be doing prison ministry. Prison ministry is a passion of Father Tom. It is something he wanted to do from the day of his ordination. These parishes have been merged under one pastor, Monsignor Michael Walsh. This will be exciting. But it will also be very challenging. Monsignor Walsh was my first pastor. He is an outstanding pastor and a great priest. I was very fortunate and blessed to have served under Monsignor Walsh. This will be the same for Father Tom. Monsignor Walsh is undoubtedly one of the best pastors in our diocese.

We are grateful for Father's keen intellect and fidelity to the Gospel and the magisterium. Father has a great desire to share his knowledge of the Church's teachings and doctrines. He has always taught the Catholic faith in its integrity. Father Tom was especially dedicated to the Sacramental preparation of our religious education students. He wanted them to fully appreciate the Mass and the deeper meaning of Eucharist. He has accompanied many of you... on the transitions of life from the baptism of your children, to marriage, in your personal difficulties and even in death. Father offers great hope that his talents and gifts will continue in the years ahead. We offer our prayers and congratulations to him and we thank him for his priesthood and ministry and hope that he has found his presence here fruitful and helpful for the future and an opportunity to grow spiritually.

Father Dan Price was ordained in 2016—one year before Father Tom. This is his second parish assignment. For the past three years, he has served and ministered at Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Keyport. We welcome him to St. Justin Parish. In time, I am sure he will share his story in more detail with us. For the moment, it is good for us to know that he, like Fr. Tom, answered the call to priesthood in an era marked by secularism and anticlericism. No doubt it will take Fr. Dan a little time to relocate to a different venue and to enter the life of the parish. I trust to say that as we bid "farewell" to Father Tom, we will graciously welcome Father Dan to our parish. The journey continues for us as some depart and others come to join us.

Both Father Tom and Father Dan were ordained and entered the priesthood at a difficult time for the Church. Dioceses around the country are still picking up the pieces from past mistakes and the sins and crimes committed by some members of the clergy. In some circles, we see dissent from Church teachings and the Gospel message. More and more, the world often considers religion and God—who gives life meaning—as irrelevant. The message of the Gospel is increasingly being drowned out by the never-ending noise of a materialistic world. To be Catholic is to be despised and hated by various groups that would love to squash Christians out of public life. The decision to dedicate their lives to the Gospel of Jesus Christ does not find in many sectors of our society the admiration and respect it used to generate. For that reason alone, their commitment and promises are more important today than at any recent time.

The priesthood in every age calls for heroism. Priesthood is essential to the life of the Church. Without the priesthood, the sacraments cannot be celebrated. The sacraments are the true living presence of Christ among us; they are the actions of Christ, Himself, that the priest undertakes on behalf of the Lord, Jesus. We applaud both Father Tom and Father Dan and their commitment to stay the counter-cultural course and be men of the Gospel. They stand before our Church as a great hope for the future. Let us pray for them and that their service may be fruitful.

Finally, this month marks the retirement of four pastors in our diocese. We are grateful to God for their priestly service. Only in Heaven will the fruits of their labors be known. This year, our diocese did not celebrate even one priestly ordination and not even one to the transitional diaconate. The smaller numbers of priests are a concern but they are also an opportunity for the Church to renew itself. It is also a reminder that we must redouble our efforts to promote and cultivate priestly vocations. As Pope Francis says, "A vocation flows from the heart of God and blossoms in the good soil of faithful people." While priests retiring from pastoral assignments do not retire from the priesthood and continue to provide an invaluable service to our parishes, the truth is we need more priests. We need more holy priests. We are grateful to God for those who have served us so well. May God continue to call more like them to serve His people. Let us ask the intercession of St. John Vianney, the great patron of parish priests, in our efforts to foster more priestly vocations.

Farewell Father Tom, Welcome Father Dan, may God bless you both. 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 eternal life..."

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, Kevin Kreder

*and for our President and
elected leaders of our Country.*

Readings for the Week of June 30, 2019

Monday: Gn 18:16-33; Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11; Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12; Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 20:24-29

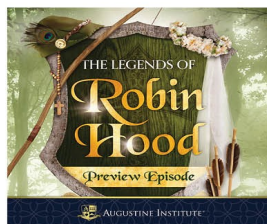
Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5;
Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:14-17

Sunday: Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; Gal 6:14-18;
Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or Lk 10:1-9

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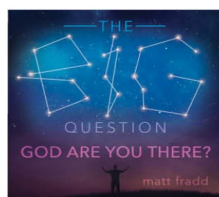


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the faithful Catholic whose deep faith and
courageous call to action in a violent age urged
him to fight for justice in an unjust world.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "ROAR"

**JULY 15TH -19TH -
REGISTER NOW!**

9:00 AM – 12Noon

**Games, Bible Skits,
Crafts, Music, Snacks**

\$20 (\$5 additional siblings)

**Children ages 5
(entering K- age 12)**

Get ready to engage the whole herd with an epic
African adventure.

At **ROAR**, kids explore God's goodness and
celebrate a ferocious faith.

Come join in the **FUN IN THE SON** this summer!
Come discover that God is active in our lives and that his
fingerprints are everywhere. You may return
the registrations forms by mail or come into the parish
office to register. Registration forms are available in the
Narthex as well as the parish office.

REGISTRATION FOR 2019-20 PROGRAM YEAR

All students returning next year for religious education
should have received their registration forms via the
mail. Please return all re-registrations as soon as
possible. Any child who is registering for religious
education for the first time should register in the parish
office and then register for R.E. **A Baptism certificate
must be provided at the time of registration.**

If you have any questions, you may
contact us at (732) 270-3797.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of some volunteers for the upcoming
program year. If you can fill the following needs,
please give us a phone call at (732) 270-3797:

Catechists on the following days:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

Building Aide on the following days:

Monday and Tuesday

St. Justin's 8th Annual Parish Night at the BLUE CLAWS GAME

Thursday, August 8th (Faith and Family Night)

Wear your RED St. Justin T-Shirt!

Time: 7:05pm; Cost \$10/ticket

(if purchased at the gate \$15--**Save \$5 person**)

This night is also Silver Sluggers Thursday
Seniors 60+ eat free.

**Tickets can be purchased at the Parish Office during
regular business hours and after all Masses the
Weekend of: Aug. 3-4**

**Flyers are available in the narthex & downloadable
from our website: www.stjustin.org.**

If you cannot attend the game but would like to
sponsor a family, call the Parish Office.

PARISH MINISTRY MEETINGS

A trip to The Statten Island Dinner Theatre, Staten Island, NY—for their Octoberfest is available. Cost \$120 which includes the *Show* and full sit down Luncheon. Flyers are in the Narthex.

For Info: Call Barbara at 732-232-3733

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, July 1, 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, July 1 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.

ST. JUSTIN'S BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Next meetings: Mondays, July 8th & July 22
7:30pm in St. Justin's Conference Room, Anyone who has lost a loved one please come join us in prayer, and sharing.



Please note that our Parish Offices will be closed on Thursday, July 4th, in observance of the Fourth of July Holiday. Our priests, deacons and staff wish all a safe and joyful holiday.

THE NEXT BAPTISMAL WORKSHOP

7PM in the Religious Ed. Bldg.

Wednesday, July 3, 2019

Registration for Workshop is Required
call the Parish Office at 732-270-3980 to attend

Ocean County "Love Thy Neighbor Campaign"

Once again, all communities of faith and houses of worship in Ocean County have been invited to participate in the county-wide "Love Thy Neighbor" campaign. This year's theme — "There Is No Room for Hate in Ocean County" — certainly flows from the life and Gospel message of Our Lord Jesus Christ. In St. John's Gospel, Our Lord prays for unity among believers, a unity that is rooted in love. May love move us all to see beyond the things that divide us to the Lord himself, who is the source of all unity and peace!

**Most Reverend David M. O'Connell, C.M.
Bishop of Trenton**



BUS TRIP TO *Golden Nugget Casino*
Benefiting Altar-Rosary Society
Tuesday, July 2, 2019

\$30 Tickets, Receive \$25 in Slot Play, \$5 Food Voucher

Bus Leaves St. Justin's Parking Lot at 11am

**For info/questions call Maryann: 732-270-3404
or Kim: 732-664-2311**

New Jersey Independent Victims Compensation Program opens June 15

As had been announced in February of this year, the Diocese of Trenton — along with the other Roman Catholic dioceses in New Jersey — has established an Independent Victim Compensation Program (IVCP) to compensate those who, as minors, were sexually abused by a priest or deacon of the Diocese. The IVCP will be open to claims beginning June 15.

The IVCP is independently administered by experienced victim compensation experts Kenneth R. Feinberg and Camille S. Biros. Mr. Feinberg was the plan administrator for the federal 9/11 victim compensation program, as well as the Boston Marathon bombing compensation program.

The IVCP will handle the submission, evaluation and resolution of individual claims, and will operate independently of the Diocese or any Church-affiliated institution. The administrators of the IVCP will have complete autonomy to determine the eligibility of a claim with the guidelines of the established Protocol. The amount of compensation for those who make a claim will be determined by the IVCP administrators. All victims — no matter when the abuse occurred — are eligible to participate, and all matters will be handled confidentially. Victims of clergy sexual abuse of a minor can begin the process of utilizing the program by going to www.njdiocesesisvcp.com and reviewing the Protocol for submitting a claim.

Anyone who was sexually victimized as a minor by a priest or deacon of the Diocese is strongly encouraged to participate in the IVCP. The Diocese also asks that anyone who knows of someone who was abused to pass along this information to the victim so that he or she is aware of the IVCP.



Having a Summer Barbeque?

The Altar Rosary Society will be having a Bake Sale the weekend of July 6th and 7th.

Stop by St. Justin's Conference Room after Masses to pick up a delicious treat.