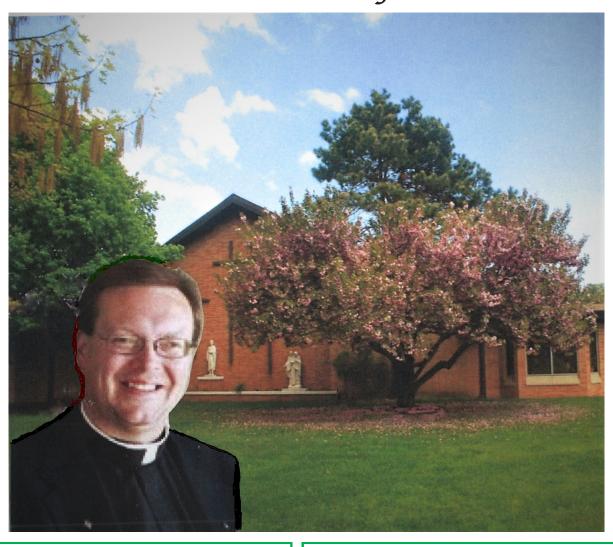
St. Justin the Martyr Roman Catholic Church

975 Fischer Boulevard, Toms River, NJ 08753 SUNDAY, JULY 7, 2019 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

God Bless You Reverend Daniel Price We Welcome You to St. Justin the Martyr Parish



Pastor: Reverend Mark A. Kreder
Parochial Vicar: Reverend Daniel Price
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 FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, July 7

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am Maryanne Bielski

Chester & Mary Bielski

9:00am Wahbia Eramia

Anatilde Espogeiro

10:30am Colleen Getler (Adult Choir) Anatilde Espogeiro

12Noon Shawl Ministry (living)

Ann Marie Neveroski

MONDAY, July 8

Weekday

8:30am Harold Frey

Joseph Skalitza

TUESDAY, July 9

Weekday;

St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest & Companions, Martyrs

8:30am William Barton

Ursula Borkowski

WEDNESDAY, July 10

Weekday

8:30am The Small Family

Patricia Boyle (healing & living)

THURSDAY, July 11 St. Benedict, Abbot

8:30am Brian Comer

Janine Latimer (healing & living)

FRIDAY, July 12

Weekday;

8:30am Mark Geraci

Katharine Arthurs

SATURDAY, July 13 Weekday; St. Henry; BVM

9:30am **People of the Parish**

5:00pm John & Carmela Marchello

Joell Lanfrank

SUNDAY, July 14

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am Martin & Catherine Brennan

Anatilde Espogeiro

9:00am Alix Way

Anatilde Espogeiro

10:30am Loretta Battista (Adult Choir) Anatilde Espogeiro

12Noon Jerry & Terry Wiercinski

Anatilde Espogeiro



The Altar Bread.

which will become the Body of Christ at the Masses celebrated during the week is offered in loving memory of

Wahbia Eramia

requested by daughter, Evette Arango

The Sanctuary Candle

which burns near the Tabernacle in Church, as a reminder of the Lord's Presence in the Most Holy Eucharist, is offered in loving memory of



Rev. Robert A. O'Leary

requested by family

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.

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From the Pastor 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time - C July 7, 2019

120 MARTYRS IN

CHINA. As we proudly celebrate our most cherished freedoms this 4th of July weekend: *life, liberty,* the pursuit of happiness and freedom to worship - the Church honors those who

could <u>only dream</u> of these freedoms - and who gave their lives in the quest to attain them. In 2000, *Saint John Paul* canonized *120 Martyrs* executed in China between 1648 and 1930: lay people, clergy and Religious Sisters and Brothers, ranging in age from 9 to 72; 87 were native-born Chinese; the rest were foreign-born missionaries.

They are just a <u>few</u> of the <u>countless</u> Christians who made the ultimate sacrifice to spread the Good News. Christianizing China has always been challenging, and the faith that was first brought to China in the 600's is still immersed in persecution and political turmoil. After praying the Collect for *Saint Augustine Zhao Rong*, Priest and Companions, whose *Feast Day* is *June 9*, I will explain the thorny situation.

<u>Collect - Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest</u> <u>and Companions, Martyrs</u>

O God, who in your wonderful providence have strengthened your Church through the confession of the Martyrs Saint Augustine Zhao and companions, grant that your people, faithful to the mission entrusted to it, may enjoy ever greater freedom and witness to the truth before the world. Through our Lord Jesus ... for ever and ever. Amen.

BETWEEN THE ROCK AND A HARD PLACE. As Jesus said to our first Pope, "... you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in

heaven." [Matthew 16:18-19] However, over the centuries, some governments have interfered with - or totally usurped - the Pope's God-given right and duty to govern the Church. China demands the right to approve - and to even appoint - Bishops; who gets - or does not get - ordained Priests; and Church teaching!

DAMNED IF YOU DO, DAMNED IF YOU DON'T. Just as Henry VIII and those who reigned after him gave themselves 'papal privileges' to name Bishops, confiscated Church property, and persecuted Catholics, so, too, did China. However, unlike most other countries, where the Pope has some say over what happens to Catholics, it is not so in China. The Chinese government even established its own 'Catholic Church' and continues to seek to destroy the true Catholic Church in China.

While the 'Chinese Catholic Church' looks and acts, for the most part, like the true Church, it is totally under China's rule; and all who pledge loyalty to the true Church are persecuted. Since the Chinese 'secular' Church lacks Apostolic Succession, their Sacraments are invalid and their teachings tainted. However, while past Popes have refused to condone this situation, Pope Francis is seeking a compromise wherebyfor the sake of the countless souls being denied valid Sacraments - he would 'accept' the Chinese 'Catholic Church' as a true Church - which brings us back to the martyrs we honor this week.

As a young soldier, the future Saint Augustine Zhao Rong was ordered to escort a condemned Bishop to his execution site. The Bishop shared his faith with the then-unbaptized soldier, who was so moved by the Bishop's faith that he sought Baptism. Soon after, he was ordained a Diocesan Priest, and was arrested, tortured, and executed with 119 others in 1815. Sadly, Chinese persecution of Christians, Jews and Muslims, as well as the unborn and other groups, persists to this day. Let us pray for our Holy Father who has to decide how to deal with such a challenging situation!

May Saint Augustine Zhao Rong and his Companions intercede for Church leaders as they strive to make the best out of a dismal situation. May they also intercede for our government as we work for a just and peaceful solution to our economic, political, social and other differences with the leaders of Communist China. May all peoples be allowed to freely practice their faith. Saint Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions, pray for us!

Let us welcome to our parish, Fr. Dan Price. Be sure to read his letter of introduction in today's bulletin. May God bless Fr. Dan in his ministry here.

In Christ,

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Readings for the Week of July 7, 2019

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab; Mt 9:18-26 **Tuesday**: Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15 Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-17,18-19 **Friday**: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 **Saturday**: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7;

Mt 10:24-33

Sunday: Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37



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-citybasilica-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 Brochures available in the narthex and on our parish website: www.stjustin.org

Greetings to All the Parishioners of My New Home at St. Justin's in Beautiful, Sunny Toms River ...

My name is Fr. Daniel Price, and I am the new parochial vicar at St. Justin's. I have been told that this is a wonderful faith community, and from my reception by Fr. Mark and the staff, I believe it. I look forward to meeting you as the days and weeks pass by.

Now I am sure you would like to know a little about my background, correct? So here we go... I was born in Traverse City, MI. It is home to the National Cherry Festival held each July. And, it is one of the centers for wine production for the entire Midwest (just so you know).

My parents eventually moved to the Eastern Shore of Maryland when I was quite young; this is where my dad is from. This is where I grew up and it is where I say I am from when asked. It was there, in it's beautiful, idyllic setting, that my parents raised my sister and I in a loving and warm household. Both my parents set the example for me in faith; they formed a "domestic church" in our home. Both by word and example of life they lived that faith for my sister and I to see. So, in hindsight, it's not hard to see why I am here today as a priest; it's because of them.

After high school I held a variety of jobs, none leading anywhere I really wanted to go, so I decided to attend college. After four years I received a degree in History from Towson State University in Towson, MD (right outside Baltimore). From there I worked, again, in a variety of jobs that eventually led me to the seminary. Just prior to entering seminary I worked as a driver, delivering medical and industrial gases to businesses, hospitals and doctor's offices. It was at this time I felt the call from God to become a priest. Now this idea had never, ever, come to me before, but now that it did, I couldn't shake it.

In the Fall of 2010, I entered St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore, MD for my six years of formation for the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston (I was living in West Virginia at the time). However, after two years, I decided to transfer to another diocese, and guess what? I came to the great and wonderful Diocese of Trenton! During my time as a seminarian there, my summer assignments were at St. Paul's in Princeton, Our Lady Queen of Peace in Hainesport, St. Catharine's in Holmdel, and as a deacon at St. Catharine-St. Margaret Parish in Spring Lake.

I was ordained to the priesthood on June 4, 2016, at St. Mary's Cathedral in Trenton. My first assignment as a priest was at St. Joseph's Church in Keyport, which in July 2018 merged with Jesus the Lord Church to become Our Lady of Fatima Parish. This brings me to the present. On April 1st I received from Bishop O'Connell a letter stating that I was to be transferred to St. Justin's, and I'm very happy to finally be here with you.

I wish all of you many blessings and know of my prayers for you. And please, pray for me as well. Thank you.

Fr. Dan

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

Ecclesiastes 3:11

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

Matthew John Sura, Olivia May Johnson "...a time to love..."

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

Robert Peter Van Sprang, Anthony Casale

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.



The Flowers
Adorning the Altar
are in Loving Memory of
Christina Marie Johnson

requested by Dad & Rachel

CHRISTMAS CAROLING IN JULY!

Come and Join our Children and Adult Choirs

Wednesday, July 17 at 10:30am

Where: The Havens at Silverwood, 1730 Rt. 37W., Toms River

Wednesday, July 24th at 2:00pm Where: Shorrock Gardens Care Center 75 Old Toms River Road Brick NJ, (732-451-1000)

What a beautiful way to bring joy to hearts that are lonely, and enjoy a little bit of Christmas "right this very minute"

All parishioners are invited!

INTERESTED IN JOINING EITHER CHOIR?
CONTACT ANGELA: 732-797-0978

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "ROAR"

JULY 15TH -19TH

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.

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PARISH MINISTRY MEETINGS

A trip to The Staten 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

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.

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,

August 5, 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, August 5, 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.

The Altar-Rosary Society is
Having a Bake Sale This Weekend
July 6th and 7th
Stop by St. Justin's Conference Room
after Masses to pick up a treat!

THE NEXT BAPTISMAL WORKSHOP

7PM in the Religious Ed. Bldg. Wednesday, August 7, 2019

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



CAN YOU HELP?

The St. Joseph Pastoral
Ministry is responsible for
distributing Holy Communion
to the Catholic patients at
Community Medical Center

here in Toms River.

We are in need of additional Eucharistic Ministers to help with this very important Ministry.

If you can help please contact Genie Amabile at 732-244-4696, email: genieamabile@verizon.net
Or Alan Reifenheiser at 732-349-0665,
email: areifenheiser@comcast.net



BUS TRIP TO Golden Nugget Casino Benefiting St. Vincent de Paul Tuesday, August 6, 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

Dear Sisters and Brothers of St.. Justin the Martyr Parish,

How many of you remember the message from my first homily the weekend I started here at St. Justin The Martyr? I communicated two things that my experience would provide, namely, to give love and to receive love. There are many ways for which I am truly grateful to God for having spent two years serving the community of St. Justin The Martyr.

Some of the ways in which I gave love was by celebrating the Eucharist, listening to your wants and desires whereby bringing back social get-togethers, anointing and burying your loved ones, hearing confessions, leading a Marian consecration, leading an Advent Bible prayer group, visiting the sick and homebound, inaugurating Holy Mass for our Religious Education program and other ways that remain in confidence. Some of the ways in which I received love from you was in generous cards and gifts throughout the holidays, a lovely card and note after a baptism or funeral, a sincere compliment from noticing the good that the Lord is working through me, the joy expressed from those who are truly grateful for how I have humbly ministered to them in various ways, in the many activities offered to all ages in the parish, in the time we have spent together at Mass every weekend, the prayers you have offered up for me and countless other ways that I will always cherish in my heart.

In the two years here, I have grown fond of the good people of St. Justin The Martyr. And so, in this regard it is with sadness that I must share that the Bishop has transferred me to a new assignment at the combined parishes of St. James in Pennington, St. Alphonsus in Hopewell, and St. George in Titusville starting on July 1, 2019. Besides my reassignment to these parishes, the Bishop has also asked me to return to a ministry dear to my heart by making me the Chaplain to Prison Ministry for the Diocese of Trenton. I am honored, privileged, and grateful to Bishop O'Connell for this opportunity for returning to a ministry that needs attention from priests, deacons, religious, and lay ministers.

I will always have a fondness for St. Justin The Martyr. This fondness overcame me during a mass a few weeks ago while administering the Body of Christ. I was overcome with sorrow as I looked into the eyes of many good people of God and realized the joy you have brought into my life during these two years. After holy Communion, I was supposed to announce the transfer, but my heavy heart was unable to do so. Please know you will be in my prayers and please keep me in your prayers. I bid you farewell and until we meet again may the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary protect and guide you to Eternal Life.

Always In Christ, Fr. Thomas J. Barry Jr

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