

St. Justin the Martyr Roman Catholic Church

975 Fischer Boulevard, Toms River, NJ 08753

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Rejoice
with me
BECAUSE I
HAVE FOUND
MY LOST SHEEP.

LUKE 15:6

Reading I: Exodus 32: 7-11, 13-14

Reading II: I Timothy 1: 12-17

The Gospel: Luke 15: 1-32, or 15: 1-10

“The third parable of the three Jesus tells is the most famous, but all three speak of the mercy of God. This third, more rightly titled “The Loving Father” rather than “The Prodigal Son,” finds Jesus playing on His audience’s knowledge of two brother stories, in which the younger brother triumphs over the older one.” *(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.; 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, September 15

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am Joanne Hnilicka
James & Elena Gleason
9:00am Barbara Pistilli
Cathy Farrant
10:30am Sara Scuorzo
(Adult Choir) Eleanor Jinx Rodgers
12Noon Gayle Capozzi Mitchell
Janice Mulligan

MONDAY, September 16

Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

8:30am Salvatore & Carmelina Giliberti
Grace & John Galbraith

TUESDAY, September 17

Weekday;

St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

8:30am Joseph John Sauer
Rev. Mark A. Kreder (living)

WEDNESDAY, September 18

Weekday

8:30am Vincent & Douglas Pannone
Ellen Crilley

THURSDAY, September 19

Weekday; St. Januarius, Bishop & Martyr

8:30am Maria Donato
Joan Sullivan
Peter Pravata

FRIDAY, September 20

Saints Andrew Kim Tai-gon, Priest, & Paul Chong Ha-sang, & Companions, Martyrs

8:30am Joan Ellen Kanya
(Mary) Terri Twist

SATURDAY, September 21

St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

9:30am People of the Parish
5:00pm Richard Luty
Carl & Hilda Stelz

SUNDAY, September 22

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am Charlotte & Harry Sinsheimer
Angie & Jason Campanalonga
9:00am Maria Nguyen Muong
Peter Nguyen Lien
10:30am Ralph Bernard
(Adult Choir) Joan Corblies
12Noon Hlzira & Joao Guedes
Sean Michael Culley



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

Joseph John Sauer

requested by family

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*

Barbara Pistilli

requested by Marie Paparazzo



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.

*“O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good;
for his mercy endureth for ever”
1 Chronicles 16:34*



From the Pastor
24th Sunday in
Ordinary Time - C
September 15, 2019

IS THERE A PATRON **SAINT FOR THOSE WITH DOWN SYNDROME?** Not yet ... but it may happen - for the Church is considering a geneticist, **Dr. Jerome Lejeune**, who, in 1958, discovered the extra chromosome on the 21st pair that causes Down syndrome. Some say that since he was

an ardent, Pro-Life Catholic, he was denied the Nobel Peace Prize. He was named the first president of the Pontifical Academy for Life by Saint John Paul, with whom he dined just before the Pope's 1981 assassination attempt. Jerome Lejeune is a great potential intercessor for those dealing with Down syndrome, who may, in turn, be the miracle he needs to advance the cause for his Beatification and Canonization!

To entrust these persons to an already canonized Saint, turn to the 'unofficial' Patron Saint for those with Down syndrome: **Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor**, whom we honor on his Feast Day: **September 17**. Here's his Collect:

Collect - Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor
O God, who adorned the Bishop
Saint Robert Bellarmine with wonderful learning
and virtue to vindicate the faith of your Church,
grant, through his intercession, that in the
integrity of that same faith your people
may always find joy.
Through our Lord Jesus ... for ever and ever. Amen.

A BRILLIANT MIND & A TENDER HEART. Born October 4, 1542, **Saint Robert Bellarmine** became a distinguished Jesuit theologian, writer, Cardinal, and defender of the Catholic Faith against Protestant Reformers; he died on September 17, 1621. But as the image above, created by an Italian artist and sculptor, Alexander Kostner, suggests, he not only had a brilliant mind; he also had a most tender heart.

Saint Robert Bellarmine lived during difficult times; many Priests, Bishops - and even Popes - were corrupt. With so few holy spiritual leaders, and confusion from extremist Protestant Reformers, many truly were *"like sheep without a shepherd."* [Matthew 9:36] But in this bleak

situation, **Saint Robert Bellarmine** and some of our greatest Saints - prevailed, not by condemning or excommunicating sinners - but by offering hope and reconciliation - and by heeding Jesus' command: **"Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."** [Matthew 5:16]

Saint Robert Bellarmine is best known for: his scholarly writings and talks; refuting Protestant claims that much of what Catholicism professes is not biblically based; preparing two catechisms; and defending the Pope's 'right' to be involved in political and secular matters. While he oversaw the fiasco with Galileo, who was never excommunicated but merely asked NOT to state to the 'simple public' what they were not ready to digest or had been proven - **Bishop Bellarmine** revived interest in - and understanding of - Bible history and the teachings of the 'Church Fathers:' the Bishops and theologians who, from biblical times to the late 600's, hammered out our biblically based Creeds, dogmas and doctrines.

However, **Archbishop Bellarmine** showed his gentle compassion in his Archdiocese of Capua: the Italian 'Las Vegas' of the 1600's: a gambler's paradise, froth with the same sinful stuff some say ... "Stays in Vegas!" He gave from his own means to help those who 'lost everything' in 'sin city.' He began what we now call 'Gamblers' Anonymous,' and 'halfway houses' to reform prostitutes. He helped clerics and others convicted of 'sins of the flesh' or gambling debts and sought to get them the help they needed to combat their sinful inclinations.

But what makes **Saint Robert Bellarmine** THE candidate for Patron Saint for those dealing with Down syndrome was his fierce, Pro-Life defense of those who were often 'discarded' as 'lesser' or even 'non'- persons While it took centuries for the Church to officially state that those with intellectual or developmental disabilities should always be Baptized; confirmed, if possible; and may also receive the Eucharist as long as they can 'distinguish the body of Christ from ordinary food,' even if this recognition is evidenced through manner, gesture, or reverential silence rather than verbally. **Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor**, pray for us!

In Christ,

Father Mark

Readings for the Week of September 15, 2019

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6; Lk 7:11-17

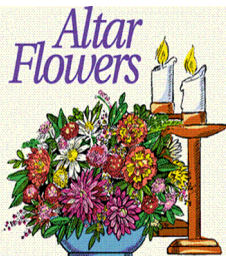
Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10; Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Mt 9:9-13

Sunday: Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 or Lk 16:10-13



*The Flowers
Adorning the Altar
are in Loving Memory of*

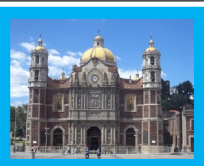
Barbara Pistilli

requested by mom & dad

Raise Your Voice for the Lord!

*Is God calling you to be part of this beautiful ministry?
St. Justin Adult and Children Choirs Join Now...*

CONTACT ANGELA: 732-797-0978



**Parish Pilgrimage to the Mexican
Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine
(Monday through Friday)**

November 18-22, 2019

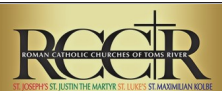
There are still limited seats

**available. Book now to reserve your place. Flyers available
in the Narthex and on our parish website: www.stjustin.org**



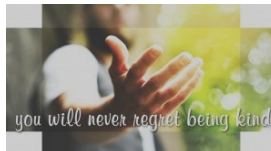
**Mark Your Calendars—
Social Sunday Next Week
Join us after all Masses Sunday,
September 22, 2019, in the parish
hall for light refreshments and
fellowship.**

hosted by St. Justin's Altar-Rosary Society



What Can You Do to Support Recovery?

The Roman Catholic Churches of Toms River (RCCTR) in conjunction with the *Mental Health Association in New Jersey (MHA)* and the *National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence (NCADD-NJ)*, is proud to present an educational community forum focused on helping others achieve wellness and recovery from alcoholism and substance abuse. ***This open-house event will be held on Thursday, 10/3/19 at St. Luke Parish Center*** (1674 Old Freehold Rd., Toms River) from 6:00 – 9:00 pm. The forum is designed to educate the community. It is free and open to the public and refreshments will be served. There will be many information tables at the event. Please register at: <http://bit.ly/missinglinkforum> ***For info on events visit our website www.stjustin.org, Click the RCCTR tab***



Catholic Relief Services (CRS)
is receiving donations from
anyone seeking to help the
victims of Hurricane Dorian with
immediate assistance. Those who

wish to donate to assist families and
people affected by the devastating storm, please go to
www.crs.org and follow the directions there.
Let's not forget to pray for the victims of hurricane.

MUMS FOR SALE!

Cost \$10/mum plant

**St. Justin's is providing you an
opportunity to honor your loved ones
with a mum in their name.**

**You may also provide a mum in
thanksgiving for all the blessings God
has bestowed on you and your family.**

**The mums will be used to decorate our
beautiful church & grounds. A name card will be
displayed on each mum. Forms are available in the nar-
thex & parish website www.stjustin.org and can
be dropped off at the Parish Office during normal busi-
ness hours — deadline: **OCTOBER 7TH****



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A Recovery Mass...All are welcome! Join us in prayer
with & for all those on the journey from Addiction to
Recovery on **Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at 7:00 PM**
at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine, 61 Georgia
Road, Freehold. The Very Rev. Robert S. Grodnicki, VF,
Pastor of St. Luke Parish in Toms River, will be the Chief
Celebrant. For more info go to [www.dioceseoftrenton.org/
addictions-ministry](http://www.dioceseoftrenton.org/addictions-ministry)

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

Ecclesiastes 3:11

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

Daniel Jonathan Murphy, Jr., Claire Elizabeth Murphy,
Daisy Rose Elizabeth Thompson, Franco Raffaele Guzzi, Jr.

Olivia Marie DeGeorge, Geno James Souders,
Aubree Kendal Waldron, Liam Patrick Sebastian

"...a time to love..."

Lauren Isabella Moscogiuri & Robert John Ciliento

"...and a time to be born to eternal life..."

Leonard Russo, Letitia King-Ragno

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,

Armando Leonor, 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

And for our President and

elected leaders of our Country.

BINGO

St. Justin's FAMILY NIGHT BINGO!

Friday, September 20, 2019 Parish Hall

Doors Open & Food Served at 5:30pm

Games: 6:00pm Dessert: 7:00pm

Cost is \$5.00 per family, which includes Bingo cards
and dessert. (a package of 10 additional boards can be purchased for \$5 night of event)

Hot Dogs must be pre-ordered and paid in advance at \$1.00
per hot dog. Soda & water may be purchased that night.

THIS IS A FAMILY NIGHT THEREFORE ALL
CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN
ADULT. For more info contact the parish office or
Susan at 908-591-4271. Anyone wishing to volunteer at the
event, please call the Parish Office and leave your name &
number. **Flyers available in narthex**

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 16TH

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL NEEDS HELP

*The 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal 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. God bless you for your consideration.*

Bishop David O'Connell



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Catechetical Sunday

This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 15, 2019. The 2019 theme will be "Stay with Us." Those who the Community has designated to serve as catechists will be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community.

(USCCB) We thank all volunteers, along with the parents/guardians, for echoing the faith to the children of this parish.

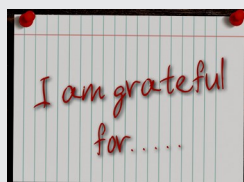
Important Dates for the Month of September

9/15/19—Catechetical Sunday, a blessing of all those who are involved the catechesis of adults/young people will take place during all Masses.

9/16/19—Parent Meeting for all those who are new to our program.

6:30pm Parish Hall

9/20/19 Family Bingo 5:30pm



Dear Parish Family, THANK YOU for all your prayers, cards, and loving concern during my recent illness, they have been greatly appreciated and have helped speed my recovery,
Deacon Rich



Saint Vincent de Paul Society

Coat & Winter Warmth Item Collection

We are having a **Coat Drive** to provide vital warmth to those in need.

All donated winter wear items in good condition including coats, hats, scarfs, & gloves, sweatshirts, hoodies, blankets will be donated to our local

"Grandmother's Cupboard"
and given at no cost to the needy in our local communities.

(All items should be clean and gently used)
Collection of clothing will be after all Masses on October 5th & 6th in the Narthex.

PARISH MINISTRY MEETINGS

ST. JUSTIN'S SENIORS

Next meeting will be Sept. 17th in the Church hall. Beginning at 11:30 with coffee, then the meeting at 12:00. We welcome our new members. Anyone 52 years young come and join us for a few hours of discussions/games/speakers. Please bring a non perishable item for the St. Vincent dePaul Society. Any questions, call Barbara 732-929-0298/732-232-3733.

ST. JUSTIN'S SHAWL MINISTRY

Next Meeting—Wednesday, September 18th 7:00pm, St. Justin's Conference Room. If you like to knit or crochet, or would like to learn, please join us. Please call Fran: 848-241-3976 or 732-492-0329

ST. JUSTIN'S TEEN YOUTH GROUP

Next Meetings: Sunday, Sept. 22nd & October 6th—St. Justin's Youth Group is open to all students in Grades 8th – 12th. Meetings are held on specific Sunday evenings from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in St. Justin's Conference Room. Come join us for fun, faith sharing, education, prayer, games, team building, fellowship, talks and special events. Further info see Deacon Fred Ebenau

ST. JUSTIN'S BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Next meetings: Monday, Sept. 23rd & Tuesday, October 15th (note date change)7:30pm in St. Justin's Conference Room, Anyone who has lost a loved one please come join us in prayer, and sharing.

ALTAR-ROSARY SOCIETY

Next Meeting Wednesday, September 25th 6:30pm, starting with the recitation of the Rosary followed by our meeting. **We will be holding our Annual Shower for Birthright, kindly donate a new baby item.**

New members always welcome!

For further information contact: Pat: 732-270-4061

WOMEN OF FAITH

Wednesday, October 2 in St. Justin's Conference Room., 7:00pm to 8:30pm. We will be sharing our faith through prayer, readings and discussions as we explore the role of women throughout Biblical & Modern times, in order to uplift, share and encourage our *Sisters in Faith* in daily life. For more info, call Linda (732) 232-7014.

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, October 7, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Religious Ed Building** All Family and Friends are welcome. For further info call or text Kate Miick at 732-237-4080 or Diane Noonan at 732-503-1536

ST. JUSTIN'S MEN'S FAITH GROUP

Monday, October 7, 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.



BUS TRIP TO Golden Nugget Casino
Benefiting St. Vincent de Paul Society
Tuesday, October 1, 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

THE NEXT BAPTISMAL WORKSHOP

7PM in the Religious Ed. Bldg.

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

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



Blessing of
the Animals

**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 5th**

1:00pm

**in the PARKING LOT
NEAR THE STATUE OF
ST. FRANCIS**

A trip to **The Staaten Island Dinner Theatre,**
Staten Island, NY—
Monday, October 21

for their Octoberfest is available. Cost \$120 which
includes the Show and full sit down Luncheon.
9:45am Depart for Staten Island
11:15 Arrive at Staaten Island Dinner Theatre
3:30pm Depart for Home. Flyers are in the
Narthex. For Info: Call Barbara at 732-232-3733



DONOVAN CATHOLIC OPEN HOUSE

711 Hooper Ave., Toms River, NJ

Thursday, October 3rd, 7pm-9pm

Sunday, October 6th, 2pm-4pm

Register today at: DONOVAN.CATHOLIC.ORG
Admissions: 732-349-8801 x2425

Save the Dates!

Saturday, November 9th

"The Fabulous 50's" Doo-Wop Dinner/Dance Party...
parish —Alaskan Cruise July 31--August 7, 2020
on Celebrity Cruise Lines.
more info to come on these events!

Knights of Columbus

Annual Fish Fry—2pm to 7pm

Saturday, Sept. 21, 2019—Cost \$20
(Children /10 \$8)

Cod Fish or Chicken Fingers and Fries; Clams;
Beer, Soda & Water; Dessert; Entertainment
For tickets contact:

Ray Gabbia: 732-966-4758 or Robert Young:
848-992-6043. Benefits Knights of Columbus & God's
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