

JUNE 4, 2017
PENTECOST Sunday

MONDAY – Saint Boniface, Martyr

8:30 William Connors req. by his family

TUESDAY – Saint Norbert

8:30 Stella Maris Hardware req. by the Tabaranza Family

WEDNESDAY

8:30 Kay Brewer req. by Barry & Tawnie Scymanski

THURSDAY

8:30 Walter Wickley req. by Felix & Teri McIntyre

FRIDAY – Saint Ephrem

8:30 Special Intention of Charlie & Mae Catalano req. by Ana Hernandez

SATURDAY

8:30 Special Intention for Anna & Simon and the Geronimo Family req. by the Scanlon Family
Special Intention req. by Linda O'Connell
5:30 People of the Parish
Nancy Zande req. by Bob & Doris Mayer

JUNE 11, 2017
The Most Holy Trinity

7:45 Katherine Trimavera req. by Sue Kurta

Gregory Wroblewski req. by Doug Vance

9:00 Kay Brewer req. by Debbie Gilmartin

Joseph Mulligan req. by Doug & Terry Post

10:30 John Kollar req. by the Motto Family

Mary Ann Gaffney req. by the Griffith Family

12:00 Raymond O'Leary req. by John, Stephanie, Sean & Sharon Sullivan

Carrie Borges (4th Anniv.) req. by her husband, Ramon Borges and family

PARISH FINANCES

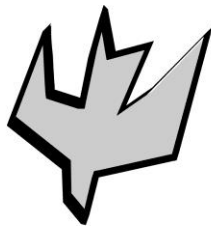
May 28, 2017 \$ 10,207

Ascension Thursday \$ 1,562

Haiti \$ 4,471

Next Week's 2nd collection is for Catholic Relief Services.

*All were made
to drink
of the one Spirit*



REFLECTION

Come, O Holy Spirit

Today we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost. It's up there with Christmas and Easter. You might ask: "Well, if it's such a big feast, how come I haven't received a Pentecost card? I get lots of Christmas cards and a few at Easter, but no cards at Pentecost. Why is that? It might be that Hallmark might have difficulty explaining what Pentecost is all about. How do you describe who the Holy Spirit is? It's not easy. The best thing we can do is look at the images the scripture writers came up with in describing the Holy Spirit.

Sometimes the Holy Spirit is described as a dove, as a bird. Birds are not earthbound. They fly high into the air and they can look down on the comings and goings of us humans. They sing. They move from place to place travelling thousands of miles each year. They're unencumbered and free – just like the Holy Spirit.

Sometimes the Holy Spirit is described as the breath of God. Not surprising. As we breathe we are alive. The minute we stop breathing we're dead. The Holy Spirit is like the breath of God that gives life and energy. Fire is another image. Tongues as of fire came to rest on the disciples' heads. The power of fire. When you look at a beautiful glass, you realize that it's made up of sand, alkalis and oxides. But only fire can transform these ingredients into clear glass. It reminds us of the Holy Spirit creating new possibilities.

Given all that, we can see what an important role the Spirit plays in our lives. Sadly, the Holy Spirit has been referred to as the forgotten person of the Blessed Trinity. We see the Father as creator, the son as redeemer, but the Holy Spirit gets lost somewhere along the way. In the old days we referred to the Holy Spirit as the Holy Ghost. Perhaps that didn't help those who were squeamish about ghosts and haunted houses. And the fact that the ghost was holy didn't help greatly.

The truth is that the Holy Spirit is the most important person in our lives. During the week as we show our love for others, for members of our families, for our fellow workers, for those in need, we will be guided by the Holy Spirit. St. Augustine once told his congregation: "If you have love, you have all the gifts of the Holy Spirit. If you do not have love, any other gift or power you may have is worthless." That's a strong statement, and yet it's true. Today, bring the Spirit of Jesus with you wherever you go, and in so doing you will be witnessing to the Risen Christ in your life like the disciples on that first Pentecost.

Sincerely,

Father David



THE WEEK IN THE PARISH 6/5/17 TO 6/11/17

Mon.	5:00 PM Knights of Columbus	McKenna Hall
	7:30 PM Respect Life	St. Benedict
Tues.	9:00 AM Scripture Sharing	Cassidy Hall
Thurs.	6:45 PM BINGO (non-smoking)	McKenna Hall
Fri.	7:00 PM Filipino Mass	Church/YR
	8:30 PM AA	Cassidy Hall
Sat.	After 8:30 Mass – Legion of Mary	St. Benedict
	4:15 PM Welcoming Gathering	Cassidy Hall
	8:00 PM AA	McKenna Hall
Sat. & Sun.	After Masses – Ministry Fair	

LITURGY

PENTECOST SUNDAY

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

On the feast of Pentecost, the disciples were gathered together when suddenly tongues of fire rested upon them, and they were filled with the Holy Spirit. They began to speak in many tongues; those who heard them were filled with amazement.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

Paul tells the Corinthians that each possesses different gifts and performs different ministries, but each works for the common good in Christ Jesus.

Gospel: John 20:19-23

Jesus appears to the apostles after his resurrection and bestows upon them the power to forgive sins.

NEXT SUNDAY

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

First Reading: Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Gospel: John 3:16-18

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those serving in the military especially: Richard Fox, John Garlasco, Brian McCarthy, Lt. Daniel Faherty, Joseph Venutolo, Cpl. Marc Vero, Sgt. Jeremy Overstreet, Kevin Michael Kiefer, Michael Krapels, Robert Stumpe, USMC, Staff Sgt. Jeremy Curcio, Staff Sgt. Lena Webb, Spc. Samuel Nolan, US Army, Lt. Jamie Curcio, Navy Reserve, 1ST Lt. Christopher Tantillo; Cpl. Conor J. Brady, USMC, LCpl. Marc Stanziale, USMC. 1st Lt. Joseph Brunone, US Nat'l Guard, Brandon Adams, USAF. Please continue to pray for all our servicemen and women.

FILIPINO MASS

Due to Father Francis Conde's schedule, the bi-lingual Filipino Mass had been moved to Friday, June 9th at 7:00 PM in Church. Fellowship and refreshments will follow in the Youth room. All are welcome to attend.

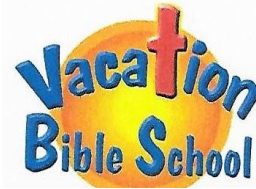
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS MEETING

Eucharistic Ministers will meet on Tuesday, June 13 at 7:30 PM in Cassidy Hall. This meeting is for all Eucharistic Ministers, whether or not you're assigned to serve at a particular Mass. Please mark your calendars.

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group meets every Monday at 6:30 PM. to 8:00 PM in the Youth Room.



SIGN UP NOW!

Registration Form can be found on our website!

August 7th – 11th (8:30 AM – 12:00 Noon)

Our Lady of the Lake's Vacation Bible (incoming PreK-4 to 4th grade) is seeking volunteers to help with this summer's VBS. Those interested must be entering 6th grade through adult. All adults 18 and over must be Virtus trained. Please consider sharing your time, treasure and talent with our church community. This is also a great way to earn service hours! Questions, please contact Angela Bell: 862-955-0222 or huntermenna22@hotmail.com.

REVEREND BROWN SCHOOL

SUMMER STEAM ENRICHMENT PROGRAM.

R.B.S. Summer STEAM is a four-week program for students Kindergarten through fifth grade. Each course is appropriately designed to challenge students at their specific ages and grade levels. . Classes run on a five-period rotating schedule with three minutes of passing time. Each class will be 44 minutes in length with the exception of third period to allow for snack. All K-5 Reverend Brown and Non-Reverend Brown students are welcome.

Reverend Brown students receive a 10% discount if they bring a non-RB friend. Students are to be dropped off in McKenna Hall by 7:50 a.m. Monday through Thursday each week. The program ends each day at 12:00 Noon. Students can be picked up at 12:00 noon by their parents/guardians in McKenna Hall as well. Price per student: \$220 per week. Space is limited, so register early to guarantee your spot! Log on to www.rev Brownschool.org. Click on the Summer Steam Tab to register.

WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE

Disciples of the Sacred Heart

Ministry for Young Adult Catholics - Young adults (ages 20s and 30s) are invited to meet for fellowship, socializing, and prayer every First Friday; 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, 209 US Highway 206, Branchville, NJ (973) 948-3185.

Assumption College for Sisters is offering the following online courses from June 4 – July 30, 2017

Online Course Orientation (required) – 0 credits

World Civilization I – 3 credits

General Psychology – 3 credits

Special Topics in Theology: Christian Ethics – 3 credits

For additional information, full course descriptions or an application form, please contact

academicdean@acs350.org or call (973) 957-0188 X 106.

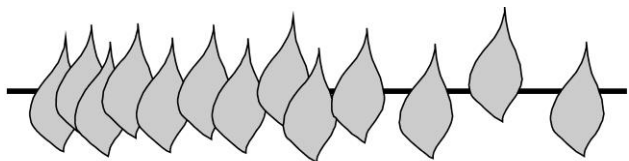
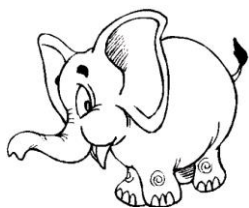
World Apostolate of Fatima/Blue Army Shrine

Tuesday, June 13th, 100th Anniversary – Join in celebrating Our Lady of Fatima's Second Apparition to the three shepherd children in 1917. All are welcome at Our Lady's Blue Army Shrine, 674 Mountain View Road East, Asbury, NJ 08802. 10:30 am- Confessions; 12:00 Noon – Rosary Procession; 12:30 Guest Speaker Rev. Matthew Mauriello; 1:00 – Holy Mass w/celebrant Rev. Michael Venditti Eucharistic Procession; Fatima Farewell; Divine Mercy Chaplet; Enrollment in the Brown Scapular. Visit the Holy House USA, a replica of the Holy House at Loreto, Italy. A Jubilee year plenary Indulgence has been granted to this Shrine. Info (908) 689-1700 x 210 www.bluearmy.com.

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

The trailer is now in place to receive donations for the White Elephant/Rummage Sale that will be held as part of the Parish Carnival. The proceeds of this sale benefit our sister parish in Haiti. Donations of all types of household goods, dishes, small appliances, toys, bicycles, games, linens, books, purses, frames, sporting goods, etc. are needed. Questions please call Pat Convey at (973) 222-6532. **Please, no encyclopedias, televisions, stuffed animals, or furniture (except patio furniture).**



*wisdom ~ knowledge ~ faith ~ healing
all for the common good*

FOCUS ON:

PARENTS' SUPPORT GROUP

On the third Tuesday of every month, a small fraternity gathers in one of the available rooms of the parish center. Membership in this fraternity is not an enviable, but we couldn't do without its existence. You see, all the members of this fraternity have suffered the loss of a child. This is the Parents' Support Group, dedicated to the healing process of one of the darkest times in a parent's life. We share the knowledge gained through our own life experiences in dealing with the loss of a child. We also encourage the group to share their feelings and what they do to help cope with their loss.

It becomes apparent that within the group there are a multitude of ways in which parents deal with this tragedy, that there isn't just one way to come to grips with their emotions and continue living. Anyone that has suffered the loss of a child learns that it isn't just another one of life's events where the feelings diminish with time, it isn't anything you "get over", the pain is incomprehensible and forever. Attending the group and being able to share stories of good times and memories of our child's lives helps to ease the pain. It is also therapeutic to listen to others speak of their children; their love is apparent in their expressions. It is truly a support group, for the tone of the meeting is never judgmental or negative, but that of love and caring.

I unfortunately became a member of this fraternity in 2015, and owe a great deal of gratitude to the Support Group; whereas it has become more than just a support group, but more of a family. If it weren't for my faith in God and the benefits of attending this Group, I can truly say I don't know where I'd be today.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Kretzmer



Food Collection

SEC CHILDREN'S SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

The following dates of food collections will be on the weekends of June 10-11, July 15-16 and August 12-13. Items such as cans of tuna, soup, fruit, meal-in-a-can, jello, pudding, cereal, mac & cheese, cookies, etc. are most appreciated.

SOME CAUSES OF HUNGER...

Unemployment: Many of those who have lost their jobs are now running out of unemployment benefits.

Low wage work and fixed incomes: 205 of the workforce (26 million people in America) earn \$8.23 an hour or less Most of them are adults supporting families.

High cost of housing: In order to afford an average rent and meet basic living expenses in NJ, a worker would have to earn \$19.74 per hour or more. A worker earning minimum wage would have to work 153 hours a week to afford a basic two-bedroom apartment.

FINANCE

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If you're shopping online please keep in mind that if you make purchases through Amazon.com, you can help our parish by using the link on our website (www.ourladyofthelake.org). The church gets a little money back for every dollar that people spend on Amazon using our link. To find the link, click on the "Getting Involved" button and you will see the Amazon.com link at the bottom of the drop-down menu.



We are pleased to announce a SUPER 50/50. Only 1000 tickets will be sold. Tickets are \$50 each and are available in the Parish Office. Tickets will also be sold after some Sunday Masses. First prize will be **UP TO \$20,000.00** with 5 second prizes of **UP TO \$1,000.00**. The winning tickets will be drawn at our Carnival on Saturday evening, July 1st. Please help us make this important fundraiser a great success.

SUNDAY EVENING MASS

Beginning this fall, the Sunday Mass will be discontinued. Our teens no longer attend this Mass because of a different teaching schedule, and the overall participation throughout the year varies which, at times, makes it difficult to find liturgical ministers for the celebration. As we discontinue the Sunday evening Mass, I'm hoping that one of the other five Masses over the weekend will be convenient for you.

GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER



On Saturday, June 10th we will have a "Getting to Know Each Other: gathering for parishioners who have joined the parish within the last three months. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please call the parish office to let us know if you plan to attend.

"If any person may have been abused by any priest, they should immediately contact their local county Prosecutor's Office and the Diocese's Victims Assistance Coordinator: Peggy Zanello at (973) 879-1489. You may also be in touch with either of the Diocesan Response Officers: Rev. Msgr. James T. Mahoney, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, (973) 777-8818 Ext. 205 or Sister Joan Daniel Healy, S.C.C., Chancellor/Delegate for Religious, (973) 777-8818 Ext. 248.

The entire text of the Policy of the Diocese of Paterson in Response to Complaints of Sexual Abuse is available on the diocesan Web site: www.patersondiocese.org."

Our Lady of the Lake Ministry Fair

June 10-11, 2017



"Church" is more than Sunday!

We are a large family; we are a community. And like the apostles we are not always sure what to expect from our community. We may not be sure what role we play.

We know we should come to Mass on Sunday, to God's table, where we rejoice in the Eucharist. And God's table is a family table. God is our Father, and Jesus is his Son and our brother. We are a loving family.

We bring our time and our talents to God's table. Oh yes, we're quite certain we don't have much of either time or talent. But God has given us all certain gifts that he finds useful. Sometimes we're so distracted by our daily life that we don't recognize our gifts for what they are, God-given.

We have a solution to the problem. Next weekend, at the 5:30 PM Mass on Saturday, June 10th, and at the morning Masses on Sunday, June 11th, we are having our Annual Ministry Fair. There will be tents outside the door and tables where you can see all that our parish offers our parish family. Don't be surprised if you find something you like.

Excerpt from article by Judy Bosworth

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