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HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Acontecemientos de la Semana

Monday, April 29, 2024

Lifelong Faith Formation 6:45 pm *in St. Catharine Hall*

"CHRIST IS RISEN!"
The Significance of the
Resurrection in Christian Faith,
Hope, and Love
Fr. Michael will present on this
theme

Tuesday, April 30, 2024

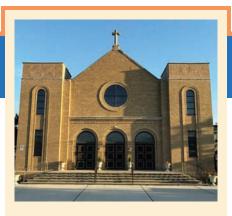
8:45 am Bible Study John 15: 9-17 in OLPH Parish Hall

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

6:15 pm Faith Formation for Children Grades 5, 6, 7 on St. Catharine Campus

NO 8th Grade Confirmation

Saturday, May 4, 2024 10:00 am First Communion at St. Catharine of Siena Church







PARISH LITURGY

Litúrgia de la Parroquia

Our Lady of Perpetual Help 100 Grant Avenue Seaside Heights, NJ 08751

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 4:00 PM (Vigil Mass) Sunday: 9:30 AM & 7:00 PM (Misa en Español)

Daily Masses

Tuesday, Thursday & First Saturday: 8:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation with Individual Confession

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 PM

St. Catharine of Siena Church 50 E Street Seaside Park, NJ 08752

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 4:30 PM (Vigil Mass) Sunday: 8:00 & 11:00 AM

Daily Masses

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 8:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation with Individual Confession

Saturday: 1:00 - 2:00 PM

Parish Mass Intentions April 29 - May 3, 2024

MON	8:00 am At St. Catharine	+ Robert L. Keim, Jr. by Merlinda & John
TUES	8:00 am At OLPH	+ Joseph Obst by Mother
WED	8:00 am At St. Catharine	+ Joseph Burns by Loving Wife
THUR	8:00 am At OLPH	+ Franciscan Vocations
FRI	8:00 am At St. Catharine	+ Florence Dickson by Family

SAINT FRANCIS FOOD PANTRY

Saint Francis Food Pantry is OPEN on Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

There is a special need at the pantry for the following:

Children's Cereal
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Canned Corn, Spinach, Beets, & Yams Pancake Mix & Syrup Pudding, Cookies, and Snacks

Mayo, Mustard & Ketchup Coffee, regular and instant

May 4 - 5, 2024

SAT	8:00 am At OLPH	+ John Santarpia by Family
	4:00 pm At OLPH	+ Mary Ann Mannino By Buzzerio Family
	4:30 pm At St. Catharine	+ Dave Mathis by Family
SUN	8:00 am At St. Catharine	+ Celia & Thomas Bentey by Peter Bentey
	9:30am At OLPH	+ Alice & Manuel DaCunha by Family
	11:00 am At St. Catharine	+ People of God
	7:00pm At OLPH	+ Thomas Mannix by Fr. Michael Spanish Mass

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WEEKLY OFFERING

April 20 - 21, 2024

Parish \$5,344 - Building Repair \$1,732

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Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

10:00 am -12:00 pm Office is OPEN

12:00 pm—1:00 pm CLOSED for LUNCH

1:00 pm-4:00 pm Office is OPEN

Tuesday Parish office is CLOSED in the morning for

a parish staff meeting and will open at

1:00 pm.

Friday No office hours.

PARISH TEAM

Fr. Michael G. Lorentsen, OFM Conv. Pastor

Fr. Mitchell Sawicki OFM Conv. Parochial Vicar

Ms. Renée Casadonte Coordinator of Faith Formation

Safe Environment Coordinator

Ms. Melissa Mara Parish Office Manager

Executive Assistant to the Pastor

Mr. Martin Wilk, Jr. Property Manager and

Facilities Maintenance

Ms. Laura Dalton Pastoral Musician

Mr. Andrew VanBuskirk Pastoral Musician

Mr. Kevin Dzugan Custodian

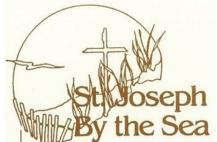
At OLPH Church

FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN



May 1st - 6:15pm - 7:30pm

Grades 5,6,7 **NO CONFIRMATION CLASS**



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May 3-5, 2024 - THE SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLES OF THE

TWELVE STEPS - Women working a Twelve-Step recovery program are invited to seek the spiritual freedom needed to go about making decisions in our daily lives. This weekend will include spiritual practices and prayer exercises to aid in making life's choices with clarity and confidence. St. Ignatian of Loyola's approach to decision making and discernment will be interwoven with the spiritual principles of the Twelve Steps. Eucharistic Liturgy included. No Supper on Friday.

Arrival: 5:00-6:00 p.m./ Departure: 1:00 p.m. Presenter: Maryallyn Black, MPH, M.Ed.

Cost: \$400



Spring into Life—Give Blood.

Saturday, May 11 8:00 am to 1:00 pm Union Church of Lavallette 25 Philadelphia Avenue, Lavallette, NJ For an appointment, please visit unionchurchlavellette.com/announcement/51231

LIFE-LONG FAITH FORMATION

"CHRIST IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED!"

Faith Formation on the Significance of the Resurrection in Christian Faith, Hope, and Love

With presentations by Fr. Michael Lorentsen, OFM Conv. We will study the Resurrection Narratives in each of the Four Gospels and in the writings of St. Paul during the Easter season. Please join us.

Monday, April 29 6:45 pm St. Catharine Hall

Monday, May 6 6:45 pm St. Catharine Hall

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The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend values in a busy changing world. Our local council #8415 will be holding a membership drive the weekend of May 5th. You will find that Knights of Columbus membership brings Catholic men together in a powerful way. If you would like to join today, simply go to KofC.org/joinus or scan the QR code and enter our council #8415.



Knights of Columbus will be here at Saint Catharine of Siena Church the weekend of May 4 and 5 and at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church the weekend of May 11-



"And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity"

(Colossians 3:14).

2024 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress:

Goal: \$60,000.00

Pledged: \$33,611.50 (56% of goal) **Paid:** \$29,890.17 (50% to goal)

Total Donors: 133 Total Gifts: 152 Average Gift: \$221.13

ACA 2023 Performance Comparison as of April 22, 2023

ACA 2023 Pledged: \$34,507.76 (58% of Goal)

ACA 2023 Donors: 126

ACA 2023 Average Gift: \$248.26

In 2023, we surpassed our goal, which gave us a rebate of \$10, 123 that we have deposited into our Building Repair Fund. Once we reach our goal, 15% of that money (\$9,000) comes back to the parish. We can add to that \$9,000 if we surpass our goal. Any money collected over the \$60,000 goal will come back to us at 50% instead of 15%.

KENTUCKY DERBY DAY, Saturday, May 4, 2024 Tri-Boro First Aid at "J" Street and Central Avenue

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4:30 pm-7:30 pm

\$50 a ticket

Tickets can be purchased at Stefanik Realtors at L Street and Central Avenue. Call first at 732-793-0812 or Sue at 732-250-6472

Chef Greg Manning from Half Moon Point Restaurant will prepare a Buffet dinner. Prizes for the "Hat Parade" winners and Derby Race winners. **Ticket deadline is April 28, 2024.**

A Message from our Pastor



Michael G. Lorentsen, OFM Conv.

May the Lord give you peace!

On Sundays during the Easter Season, we use a Sprinkling Rite instead of the more common Penitential Action (E.g. "I confess to Almighty God . . ." or "Lord Have Mercy." We do this to remember our baptism because in the Sacrament of Baptism, we each entered the holy mystery of Christ's life, death, and resurrection. In turn, we became members of the Body of Christ that is the Church.

Every Sunday of the year, we affirm that truth as we assemble for the celebration of the Sunday Eucharist. Our full, active, conscious participation in the Sunday Eucharist affirms our membership in the Body of Christ and reminds us of our common responsibility to continue the mission of Jesus Christ in the world. In our celebration of Sunday Eucharist, the priest is saying the words, but the whole prayer is in the second person plural "we." We are hearing the priests voice, but we are all uniting our prayers to the prayers of Jesus Christ to the Father.

The Eucharistic Prayer in the Mass starts with the Preface which begins with the dialogue between the presider and the assembly: "The Lord be with you. And with your Spirit." The Eucharistic Prayer ends with the Doxology "Through Him, with Him and in Him . . ." followed by the Great Amen. In the eucharistic prayer, we give praise and thanks to God for his actions in the world, especially his sending of his Son. We unite ourselves with Christ's sacrifice in worshipping the Father. We ask for the Spirit to transform us into the body of Christ so that we can continue his mission in the world.

The eucharistic prayer tells us what the Eucharist is all about. It is giving thanks and praise to God; it is being united with the sacrifice of Christ for our salvation; and it is being transformed by the power of the Spirit so that we can continue his work in the world. This makes Communion not an individual devotion but the community's worship of the Father and a transformative experience that turns individuals into what we eat, the body of Christ. We, the Body of Christ, continue the mission of Christ in the world.

Again, we ask for the Spirit to transform us into the body of Christ so that we can continue his mission in the world. In the third Eucharistic Prayer for Uses in Masses for Various Needs, we pray the following:

"Grant that all the faithful of the Church, looking into the signs of the times by the light of faith, may constantly devote themselves to the service of the Gospel.

Keep us attentive to the needs of all that, sharing in their grief and pain, their joy and hope, we may faithfully bring them the good news of salvation and go forward with them along the way of your kingdom."

Sharing in Communion at Sunday Mass is not simply about us receiving the true and real presence of the risen and glorified Christ in the Eucharist. Our sharing in Communion reminds us of our communion with one another in faith, hope, and love and our common responsibility to put ourselves at the service of all of God's children in the world and all of creation.

Peace and all good!

Fr. Michael

Thanks to the keen eye of one of our parishioners, we discovered that some of the Annual Catholic Appeal pledge cards were marked with the name and number of St. Rose Parish in Belmar instead of St. Junipero Serra Parish. We think about forty or so of the cards with the wrong parish name were in OLPH Church. If you have made a pledge to the ACA, you will receive a letter of acknowledgement from the diocese. If that letter says "St. Rose" instead of "St. Junipero Serra," please call the parish office. THANK YOU!!!

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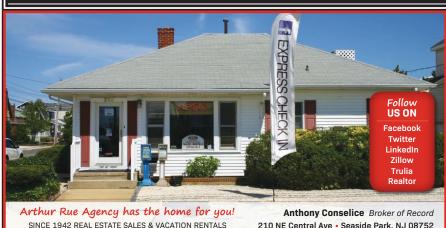
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