

4th Sunday of Easter



April 21, 2024

Church of the Little Flower

*Church - 310 Plainfield Avenue
Bernauer Parish Center - 290 Plainfield Avenue
Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922
(908) 464 -1585*

Child Abuse Prevention Month

*Little Flower partners with
Covenant House. You can
help homeless and
trafficked youth.*

AAA Update

*June 30th is the deadline
for donations to be counted
against our assessmet and
towards a rebate check.*

First Communions

*Please take a moment to
pray for our First
Communicants during the
month of April.*

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Mon - Thu - 9am - 5pm
Fri - 8:30am - Noon



Dear First Eucharist children,
Congratulations to you who are receiving the Lord in the Eucharist for the first time. The whole family community at Little Flower celebrates with you. Be assured of our prayers throughout the new stage of your Christian journey. Happy Easter!



Your parish priest,
Fr. JC Merino

April 20th at 5:30 Mass:

- Lukas Adamczyk
- Kelsey Baccarella
- Thomas DiGregorio
- Jackson Dunne
- Nicolas Jerusalemi
- Jack Kisch
- Willa Mcgrady
- Christopher Milia
- Charles Phelan
- Kayla Reilly
- Nicholas Russo
- Parker Venkateswaran

April 21st at 11:30 am Mass:

- Anna Bartiromo
- Charlotte Conrad
- Julie Finley
- Giada Furina
- Clementin Hartman
- Jack Larson
- Beckham Lucio
- Mae Lynch
- Jaxson Maxwell
- Claire Moore
- Olivia Nassif
- Harper Pakis
- Kenzie Pakis
- Blake Rosario
- Stephen Silvers
- Zackary Stein

the 2024
Annual Appeal

DONATE HERE

GOAL Goal - \$72,788

RECEIVED Received Dollars: - \$38,342

We are at 53% of our goal!

Funds must be received by June 30th in order for Little Flower to receive a 2% reduction in the Archdiocese assessment

VBS
Camp Firelight
June 17 - 20

Register Today!

Pre K - Rising 5th grade

A SUMMER CAMP ADVENTURE WITH GOD

Go to littleflowerbh.org to register

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Mass - 5:30pm
Sunday Mass - 8:30am & 11:30am
Daily Mass –
Monday - Saturday - 9am

Confession:

Saturdays 4 - 5pm
or by appointment

Mass Intentions

April 20 - 5:30 pm
Claire Kingsley

April 21 - 8:30 am
Anthony R. Bartello

April 21 - 11:30 am
Anne E. Ferraioli

April 22 - 9 am
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April 23 - 9 am
Florida Ascolese

April 24 - 9 am
Jeanne Neigel

April 25 - 9 am
Michelle Passaflume
Martin Felezzola

April 26 - 9 am
Michelle Passaflume

April 27 - 9 am
Sr. Vilma Cozzini

April 27 - 5:30 pm
Louis Vispoli

April 28 - 8:30 am
Priscilla Prokacimer

April 28 - 11:30 am
Frederic Lim



If you or someone you know is homebound or unable to attend Mass due to age or illness, reach out to Dan Grossano via email at pastoral110.lf@gmail.com. We will make arrangements for Communion visits.



In the event of serious illness or hospitalization, please call the Parish Offices (908) 464-1585 to arrange for Anointing.

Anointing of the Sick can be given to anyone who is seriously or terminally ill, facing a major surgery, or near death.



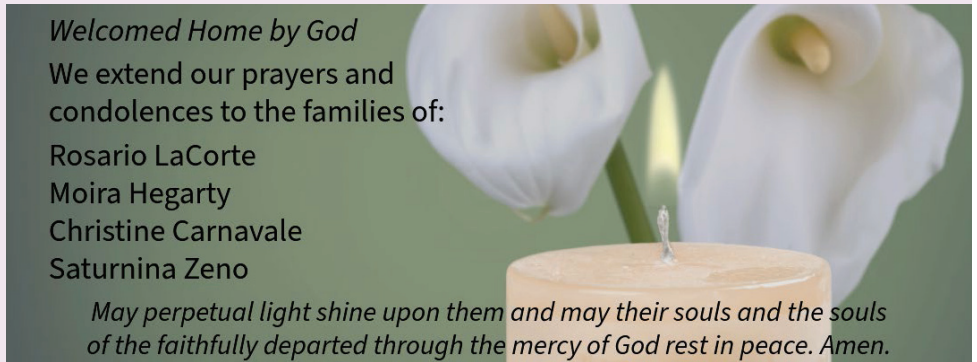
Baptisms are celebrated during weekend Masses. New parents are asked to complete Baptismal Preparation, which provides a great opportunity to meet other young parents and to dive deeper into the beauty of this First Sacrament. Reach out to us at (908) 464- 1585 to get started.



Please pray for the sick of the parish:

- Kinleigh Connelly
- Joseph Sciortino
- Michael Grouss
- Andre Popescu
- Marion Swanwick

Please Note: For privacy reasons and HIPAA regulations, names may only be added by members of the immediate family after they have received permission of the one who is sick.



Welcomed Home by God

We extend our prayers and condolences to the families of:

- Rosario LaCorte
- Moiria Hegarty
- Christine Carnavale
- Saturnina Zeno

May perpetual light shine upon them and may their souls and the souls of the faithfully departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Ministry Gatherings

Men's Ministry
Meets Wednesdays
7pm
mensministry.lf@gmail.com

Rosarians
Meets 1st Wednesday of the month
10:30am
rosarians.lf@gmail.com

Bereavement Planning Team
Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month
4:30 PM.
bereavement.lf@gmail.com

Prayer Shawl Plus
Meets 3rd Wednesday of the month
11am
prayershawlplus.lf@gmail.com

Respect Life
Meets 2nd Thursday of the month
7:30pm
respectlife.lf@gmail.com

You Are Mine Support Group
Meets 3rd Thursday of the month
7pm
youaremine.lf@gmail.com

Check the parish calendar for meeting locations.

Family Mass Weekend:
May 11 and 12

Liturgy of the Word for Children
May 19 at 11:30am Mass

DISCIPLES IN ACTION! TARA BARTIROMO



"I started cooking meals as part of the St. Joseph's soup kitchen and the Homeless Ministry because it was something I could do at home and know I was still helping. Then I learned about the family our parish "adopted" and the mom's desire to earn her GED. She needed tutoring in math and science, and I had a background as a science teacher. But with my young children at home, I felt like it would be too hard to do it. When a second email went out asking for help, I felt God was calling me to step out of my comfort zone and offer to work with her. God made a way for us where I could not see a way. We meet weekly and the mom has already passed the math component of her GED. My family has been amazing in their willingness to support me with this service and I know I could not do it without them."



HOMELESS MINISTRY / SOUP KITCHEN



Young Life Capernaum Youth Group



Parents are invited with their children ages 14 - 22 for a pizza party and youth group meeting.



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Lower Level

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karenk@tricity.younglife.org

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An Afternoon of
Reflection with Mass on
the Sixth Sunday of Easter
1:30-6PM

Please join **IN GOD'S IMAGE**, Church of the Sacred Heart in South Plainfield, and other LGBTQ+ welcoming parishes.

All are welcome to attend this gathering for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Catholics and their loved ones

Facilitated by Rev. Francis Gargani, C.S.S.R.

To reserve a space or for more information,

Email: sacredheartigi@gmail.com

Where: San Alfonso Retreat House, Long Branch, NJ

When: Sunday May 5, 2024

Suggested offering \$20. Event includes snacks and a light meal



Prayers for the Military

Major James A Giacchi,
NJ National Guard
Patrick R. Smith,
U.S. Coast Guard
Spencer Wilkinson,
U. S. Coast Guard
Major William Toft,
U.S. Army
James Minogue,
NJ National Guard

Devotions:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
First Fridays of the month after 9am Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena
Mondays after 9am Mass



First Responder's Mass

Sunday, May 4th



Light Fare Following

11:30 AM

Honoring Berkeley Heights Finest

RSVP to Dan Grossano,
Member of the BH Fire Department and Pastoral Associate for Outreach and Ministries at The Church of the Little Flower
908.464.1585



Honoring couples in the Archdiocese celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of marriage in 2024!

Anniversary Masses celebrated in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

50 years:

June 2nd - 12PM - RSVP by May 24th

5 and 25 years:

May 5th - 12PM - RSVP by April 29th

RSVP to Dan Grossano at 908-464-1585



Scan here or contact the Parish Office for more information.

Follow in the Footsteps of Saint Paul Across Greece and Turkey - September 18 - 28



April is Child Abuse Prevention Month



Join Us

Prior to every Mass during April to pray one decade of the rosary to end child abuse. Scan the QR code to pray on your own.



Connect with us:

Website: www.littleflower.org

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Facebook:

The Church of the Little Flower

X: @littleflowerbh

Flocknote: text flower to 84576

Our Parish Mission

As disciples of Christ, we pass on our Catholic traditions, give witness to the Gospel, serve those in need and grow as a welcoming family of faith.



Child Abuse Prevention Month

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Street and Community Outreach

Crisis Care and Shelter

Education and Employment

Long Term Physical and Mental Health Support



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4 - 6pm

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