



May 15, 2022 | 5th Sunday of Easter

THE PARISH OF SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CLAYTON & FRANKLINVILLE

REV. LAWRENCE E POLANSKY, PASTOR

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

*"To bear witness to **God the Father**,
to follow the teachings of **Jesus Christ**,
and to be guided by the **Holy Spirit**."*

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: 9a at Saint Catherine

Tuesday: 9a at Nativity

Wednesday: 9a at Nativity

Thursday: 9a at Saint Catherine

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4p at Nativity

Sunday: 8a at Saint Catherine

10a at Nativity

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: 7p at Saint Catherine

Holy Day: 9a & 7p at Nativity

*(Please confirm with
Mass Intention Schedule.)*

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00-3:30p at Nativity
or by appointment

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday: 10:00a-2:00p **Thursday:** 10:00a-12:00 noon

(You may also call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment anytime outside of these hours.)

FOR SACRAMENT PREPARATION OR FOR LETTERS OF ELIGIBILITY: *Please contact the Parish Office.*

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! Please take a look at our website or call to register

*Please visit our website at <https://www.psmaj-nj.com>
or on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/PSMAinDoC>*



SATURDAY, MAY 14TH

4:00p *In Thanksgiving for Favors Received*
by The Cichoski Family

SUNDAY, MAY 15TH
5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00a The People of the Parish

10:00a Mother's Day Intentions

MONDAY, MAY 16TH

9:00a Ethel O'Hara by Kevin & Kathy O'Hara

TUESDAY, MAY 17TH

9:00a Elizabeth Lubatty, Dolores Tankelwicz, &
Evelyn Contrevo by John & Anna Contrevo

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18TH
JOHN I, POPE & MARTYR

9:00a The Holy Souls in Purgatory by The Wright Family

THURSDAY, MAY 19TH

9:00a Dawn Christy Hallowell by Nancy Wright

FRIDAY, MAY 20TH
BERNADINE OF SIENA, PRIEST

9:00a *No Mass*

SATURDAY, MAY 21ST
CHRISTOPHER MAGALLANES & COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

4:00p John Mitchell by Kevin & Kathy O'Hara

SUNDAY, MAY 22ND
6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00a The People of the Parish

10:00a Angelo Ruberti, Sr. by Fred & Donna Ruberti



SANCTUARY CANDLE

If you've been thinking about having the Sanctuary Candles burn in the memory of your loved one, envelopes are available in the Gathering Spaces of both the Nativity and Saint Catherine of Siena for your intentions and offering of \$10. Please contact the Parish Office with any questions at 856-881-9155.

*The Sanctuary Candle in Nativity Church
Burns for the Health & Well-Being of*

Matthew Healy

Requested by Dan & Karen Seniff

*The Sanctuary Candle in
Saint Catherine of Siena Church
Burns in Loving Memory of Our Mother*

Helen Sandelier

Requested by Her Loving Children



Brenda Adams, George Bromwell, Nicholas & Rob Christian, Margaret Cloak, Henry Cottelli, Jim Cesanek, Janice Donahower, Judy Dutton, Anne Ellena, Debbie Fazio, Matt Healy, Ernest Henry, Sherry Jeffries, Lorraine Kreiner, Steven Lord, Pat Luko, John Henry Mathiesen, Rosemary McBride, Gerry McCloskey, Eileen Mulholland, Dot Myers, Jack Nelson, Michele Resavage, Bob & Barbara Stroh, Kathryn Tanner, Karen J. Viola, and Susan Webster

If you have a family member who you would like added to the Prayer List, please ask their permission (due to the HIPAA Privacy Act) and contact the Rectory by calling 856-881-9155 or e-mailing PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com. Thank you!

OUR MILITARY HERO PRAYER LIST

If you have a family member serving in one of the branches of the military, please send their name, rank, and branch of service to the Parish Office (PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com or 856-881-9155).

*Please keep our brave service people in your prayers,
Especially those suffering from the effects of war.*

US Army

CPL Austin Arledge, Specialist Bryan Jenkins,
1st SGT Shane W. McLaughlin, MAJ Eric Miller, CPT Graham Miller,
& PFC Vincenzo Taormina

US Navy

AWR Daniel Carr, AG1 Jamie Engleman & EM2 William Little

US Air Force

AB Jacob R Custis

US Marine Corps

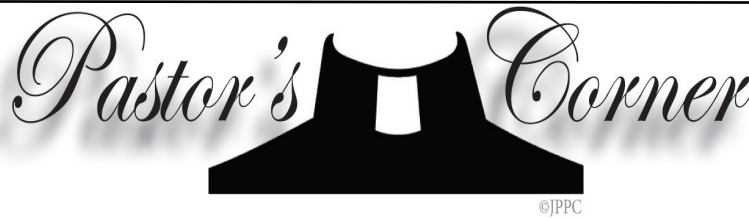
WO3 Brad Davis, SGT Nate McAllister, & CPT James V. Tumolo

LT JG Dominic J. Tumolo, US Navy; US Army Medic

STEWARDS LOVE OTHERS

*"I give you a new commandment: love one another.
As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."
~ John 13:34 ~*

"As I have loved you," this is the hard part – Jesus's love is unconditional; our love usually comes with strings attached. It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes the Stewardship of mercy and compassion to love someone when you feel unappreciated, feel used or feel like your opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage and the grace of God to "love my neighbor" when they may be someone you don't like, someone you don't know or someone that doesn't look like you.



Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!

Sometimes novels, plays, and movies use flashbacks as a literary technique to help tell the story or to fill in the details that are helpful for the audience to understand the unfolding tale and / or to remind them of previous incidents. The Gospel this weekend functions in the Lectionary (the book of Scripture readings we use at Mass) as something of a flashback for us. The Gospel's content is Jesus' farewell discourse to His disciples at the Last Supper – an event that took place before Jesus' Passion ... His Suffering, Death, and Resurrection. Now we read this Gospel after those events and hear Jesus' words in a new light. Death simultaneously reveals Jesus' glory as well as the full measure of His love for us. Jesus is willing to suffer and to die not only that He might live but also that all of us might share in that same glory and new life.

This flashback also helps us to understand more clearly Jesus' command to His disciples: ***“love one another.”*** The “new commandment” Jesus gives is not simply to “love” but to love as He has loved us. With respect to loving, “*how far?*” is the question. Jesus' commandment to love requires a new way of living ... regard for the other without counting the cost to ourselves. Jesus' death simultaneously reveals the full measure of His love and His glory. Our death – dying to self – reveals the full measure of our love for others and leads to a share in Jesus' glory. Love is the gateway to glory.

Jesus doesn't ask anything of us that He Himself hasn't already done to the fullest ... Holy Thursday, Good, Friday, Holy Saturday, Easter Sunday ... those events make clear the extent of Jesus' love for us – He will lay down His very life so that we might have a share in His risen life. As disciples, we are commanded to love as the Master loved. If our love is to imitate His, then our love must also include the willingness to lay down our lives for others. The kind of love that Jesus commands leads to self-emptying dying to self.

Glory and love are promised to us – but we share in them only if we take up Jesus' mission. As the Gospel this weekend says, Jesus was with His disciples only a little while longer. Through our own self-sacrificing love, we continue His mission of love whereby God is glorified. Loving one another, then, isn't just a nice idea shown in a flashback to a pleasant meal with friends and supporters. Loving one another is the very way in which we are called to live.

The Gospels tell us over and over in so many ways that love means self-sacrifice. We live the Paschal Mystery only when our own lives emulate the love of Jesus ... giving one's all for the sake of another. In many human ways we already do this and could think of no other way to act. Most parents sacrifice plenty for their children. We readily respond to others' tragedies with gifts of money and service. We reach out to the perfect stranger on the street who is in need. In so many ways, we already act out the love that Jesus commands in this Gospel. Perhaps this Gospel flashback reminds us that we need only do the everyday things we are already doing with new meaning. We share in Jesus' mission when we love. On the other hand, if an examination of our lives suggests that perhaps we are not as self-sacrificing as Jesus, then this Gospel is an invitation to love more completely. What is at stake is a share in Jesus' everlasting life and glory. This is worth loving for!

May Saint Michael the Archangel defend, guide, protect, and intercede for us!

Fr. Larry



SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

Your Choice † Your Privilege † Your Right

Memorial Day Mass Schedule

May 30, 2022 at 10:00a

Remembering Those Who Have Served and Who Have Gone Before Us

Memorial Day Masses are held in most of our Catholic Cemeteries to honor those who have served our country and paid with the ultimate sacrifice.

New Saint Mary Cemetery & Mausoleum

515 Browning Rd, Bellmawr 08031

Calvary Cemetery & Mausoleum

2398 Route 70 West, Cherry Hill 08002

Holy Cross Cemetery & Mausoleum

5061 Harding Hwy., Mays Landing 08330

All Saints Cemetery

1300 Tuckahoe Rd., Newfield 08344

Saint Joseph Cemetery

Paulsboro-Swedesboro Rds., Swedesboro 08085

Sacred Heart Cemetery & Mausoleum

741 E Walnut Ave., Vineland 08360

Saint Mary Cemetery

Walnut & Newton Aves., Williamstown 08094

"I command you: be strong and steadfast!

Do not fear nor be dismayed,

for the LORD, your God, is with you wherever you go."

~ Joshua 1:9 ~



Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

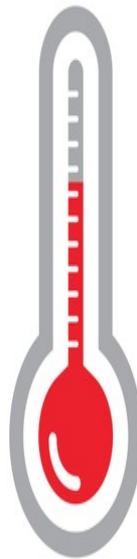
Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;

Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29



FROM MANY ...One Body



As of Monday, May 9th,

Through your generosity,
we have raised **\$47,617** toward
our goal of **\$50,700**.

We are **93.9%** there!

We're almost there!

Let's keep up the great work!

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Parish of Saint Michael the Archangel Food Pantry



*"Keep in mind the words of the Lord Jesus who Himself said,
'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"*

~ Acts 20:35 ~

As we move forward into spring, a season of renewal and rebirth, our parish food pantry continues to provide assistance to those who come to our church seeking a helping hand. If you would like to help, you may leave your donations of nonperishable items in the Gathering Spaces of both Nativity and Saint Catherine of Siena churches, or you may deliver them directly to the pantry at the O'Meara Conference Center **from 10:15a to 11:30a on Wednesday mornings**. There will be a bench outside the pantry on which you may leave your donations. You may honk your car horn before driving away to alert us of your presence so that we may retrieve the items. **Please, leave your food donations outside the pantry on Wednesday mornings only.**

Here are some suggested items: **pasta, ramen noodles, mac & cheese, instant potatoes, tuna, canned chicken (or other canned meats), rice, pudding, peanut butter and jelly.** Also, nonfood items such as **soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes** are appreciated.

*Thank you
for your continued support and generosity!*



May 15, 2022 | Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 14:21-27 | Rev 21:1-5a | Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

I'm an expressive one when it comes to sharing my opinions: I absolutely LOVE these new shoes! I LOVE, LOVE, LOVE this lemon meringue pie! All good. My friends and family are mildly pleased that I am content with my wardrobe and my diet. But in today's Gospel, Jesus gives us the great commandment, combining the two commandments – to love God and to love neighbor – into one: "Love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." But what does it really mean to *love*? Saint Paul says it is to be patient, kind, and to rejoice with the truth; it is not being jealous, pompous, rude, or quick-tempered. (1 Cor 13: 4-6) Saint Thomas Aquinas says that "to love is to will the good of another." The love we show is the very essence of what it means to be Christian. "*This*" (italics added) is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."



ACTIONS Spring is upon us! Plant something and watch it grow. Just as the sun and water nurture a garden, God nurtures and helps us grow through the Holy Spirit and the people around us. How can we in turn share that love with others?



The Knights of Columbus are raffling off (4) \$100 gift certificates to the Franklinville Inn. The drawing will be held on June 1, 2022. Monies raised will be used to support the Council and various charitable missions and causes. Anyone looking for tickets can contact any Knight or John Ryder at 856-307-9997.

**GO EVANGELIZE****PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT**

In today's reading from Acts, Paul, and Barnabas return from their travels to various Christian communities. They have shared the Good News, making disciples in each place and building up the Church. Yet when they return, they do not gloat or boast of their accomplishments. Rather, they "reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles." Sometimes in our strivings – to be better friends or parents, better Christians, better at sharing our faith – we can become discouraged when we fall short. Paul, arguably the best evangelist ever, reminds us that God works through us, not the other way around. We are to persevere, placing our trust in God. Through him we are able to love as he does, and help others come to know that same love.

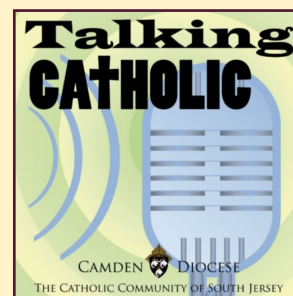


**PARISH MASSES
LIVE STREAMING**



<https://camdendiocese.org/livestreammass/>

You can use the above link to for live-stream Masses in the Diocese, outside the Diocese, or on the radio.



Please know that you can easily find Diocesan audio podcasts and YouTube resources from local Catholic experts, produced by the Office of Communications with the Catholic Star Herald, to share with others at talking.catholicstarherald.org/

Subscribe to these YouTube channels to view all videos:

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Pray for Peace in Ukraine

The Cathedral Clothing Store in Camden

Cathedral Clothing Store located on Broadway Street underneath the Diocesan Chancery Offices in Camden has reopened. Currently, they are open on Wednesdays from 10a to 1p. They have free clothing for children to adults for those in need. There are dress pants, suitcoats, and dresses for adults who may want to make a modest offering. Great for job interviews, weddings, and other formal occasions! If you know of anyone in need, please send them to the Cathedral Clothing Store on Broadway in Camden. As the store gains in popularity, it will be open on Mondays and Fridays as well.



DIOCESE OF CAMDEN SEMINARIANS

"WHENEVER THE DIVINE FAVOR CHOOSES SOMEONE TO RECEIVE A SPECIAL GRACE, OR TO ACCEPT A LOFTY VOCATION, GOD ADORNS THE PERSON CHOSEN WITH ALL THE GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT NEEDED TO FULFILL THE TASK AT HAND." SAINT BERNARDINO OF SIENNA

2021-2022 YOUNG ADULT PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT GROUP

An opportunity to meet with other young men (16-39 years old) considering the priesthood. We meet about once a month to discuss topics of discernment and to support one another in the discernment process.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Office
135 N White Horse Pike, Lindenwald, NJ
2:00 - 3:30PM

MAY 22 MY PATH TO THE PRIESTHOOD: WHEN DO I START?

FATHER ADAM CICHOSKI
DIRECTOR OF VOCATIONS

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Confirmation

Please pray for our young men and women receiving the Sacrament on Thursday, May 19th.

RACIAL JUSTICE COMMISSION & THE SECRETARIAT FOR EVANGELIZATION & HISPANIC MINISTRY



FEATURING THE MULTICULTURAL CHOIRS OF THE DIOCESE OF CAMDEN

MAY 22, 2022 | 2 P.M.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CHURCH, SICKLERVILLE, NJ
FOOD & FELLOWSHIP ON PARISH GROUNDS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

"RACISM STILL PROFOUNDLY AFFECTS OUR CULTURE AND IT HAS NO PLACE IN THE CHRISTIAN HEART."
-(USCCB AD HOC COMMITTEE AGAINST RACISM)

ALL ARE WELCOME! CONTACT MARIA NIEVA: MARIANIEVA126@GMAIL.COM



On Wednesday, May 18th at 2:00p, Susanna Steigerwald-Orap, Principal Organist at Saint Andrew the Apostle Parish, Gibbsboro, will present a virtual recital for May showcasing the historic instrument. Virtual recitals recorded at the Cathedral feature talented musicians from around the Diocese. Any questions, please contact Michael Bedics the Director of the Office of Worship and Christian Initiation.

Watch and listen to the recital at:

[Facebook.com/camdendiocese](https://www.facebook.com/camdendiocese)
or
[YouTube.com/camdendiocese](https://www.youtube.com/camdendiocese)