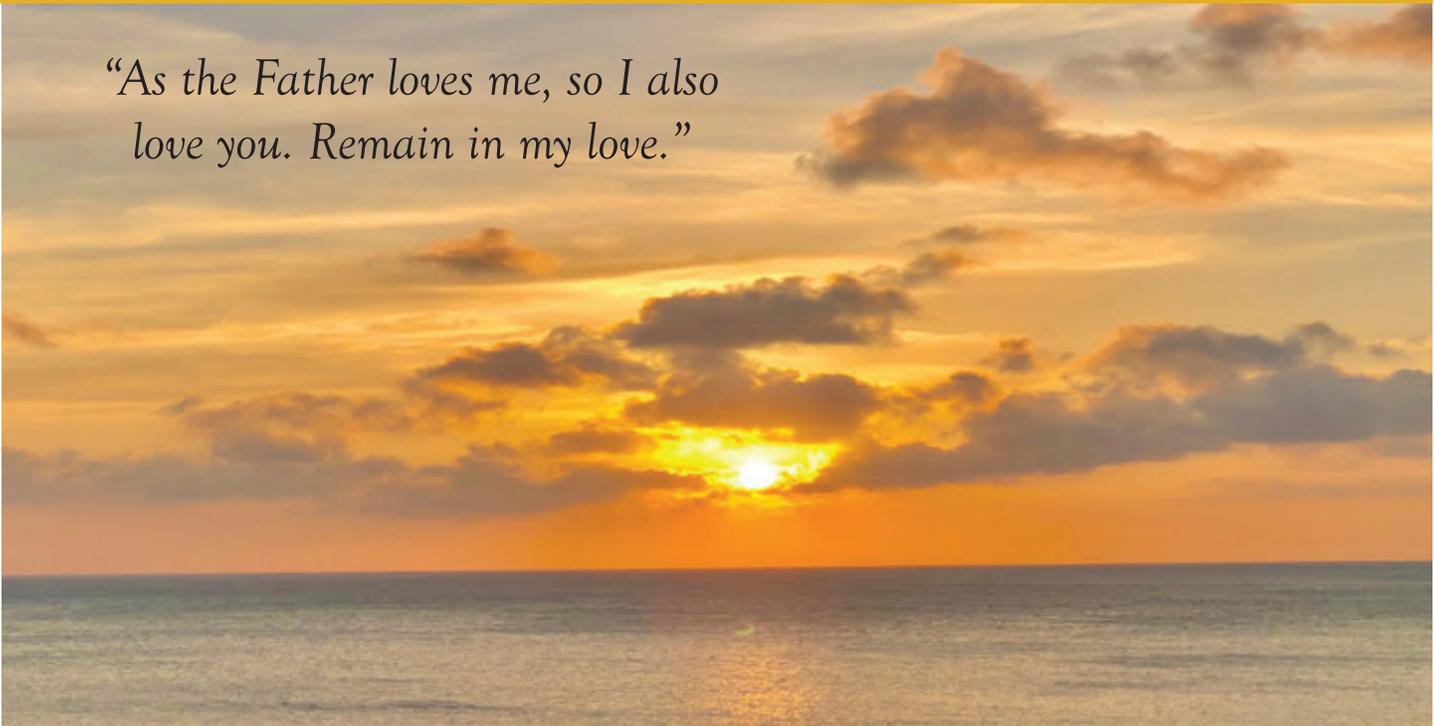


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63 Franklin Street (Silver Lake) Belleville, NJ 07109

*“As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love.”*



## MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday

5:30pm *(Sunday Vigil Mass)*

### Sunday

8:00, 10:30am & 12:00nn

10:30am—Lower Church

Religious Education Family Mass

### Weekday

Monday—Friday 7:00am & 8:00am

Saturday 8:00am

Every **3rd Sunday** at 5:00pm

Filipino Mass

*(suspended until further notice)*

## SACRAMENTS

### Confession

Saturday 4:30-5:15pm  
and by appointment

### Baptism

*(new schedule)*

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 1:30pm** starting June 2021.

Parents and sponsors must attend a baptismal preparation program held on the 1st Saturday of the month at 1:30pm in Ferraro Hall. Please arrange for baptism and the preparation program by calling the office as soon as possible.

### Marriage

Arrangements should be made at least one year before the wedding.

### Anointing of the Sick

Please call 973-481-1991 to receive this sacrament. We will also gladly bring Holy Communion to the homebound upon request.



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**Telephone Number**

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**Fax Number**

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**Website Address**

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**Let us revisit the greetings of Pope Francis on Mother's Day 2020:**

"Today being the day dedicated to moms in many countries, a round of applause for moms! I remember, too, the moms who are looking upon us from heaven, and continue to keep us safe with their prayers."

**Let us also recall the excerpts of his beautiful reflections on mothers from the first day of January 2019:**

Let us receive with amazement the mystery of the Mother of God, as the inhabitants of Ephesus did at the time of the Council. Like them, let us acclaim her "Holy Mother of God". From her, **let us allow ourselves to be gazed upon, to be embraced, to be taken by the hand.**

**Let us allow ourselves to be gazed upon.** Especially in times of need, when we are entangled in life's knots, we rightly lift our eyes to Our Lady, to Our Mother ... When she gazes upon us, she does not see sinners but children ... As she gazes upon us, she says: "Take heart, dear children; here I am, your Mother!"

This maternal gaze, which instils confidence and trust, helps us to grow in faith. Faith is a bond with God that engages the whole person; to be preserved, it needs the Mother of God. Her maternal gaze helps us see ourselves as beloved children in God's faithful people, and to love one another regardless of our individual limitations and approaches. Our Lady keeps us rooted in the Church, where unity counts more than diversity; she encourages us to care for one another. Mary's gaze reminds us that faith demands a tenderness that can save us from becoming lukewarm ... Tenderness is a word that today many want to remove from the dictionary. When faith makes a place for the Mother of God, we never lose sight of the centre: the Lord, for Mary never points to herself but to Jesus; and our brothers and sisters, for Mary is mother.

... A world that looks to the future without a mother's gaze is short-sighted. It may well increase its profits, but it will no longer see others as children. It will make money, but not for everyone. We will all dwell in the same house, but not as brothers and sisters. The human family is built upon mothers. A world in which maternal tenderness is dismissed as mere sentiment may be rich materially, but poor where the future is concerned. Mother of God, teach us to see life as you do. Turn your gaze upon us, upon our misery, our poverty.

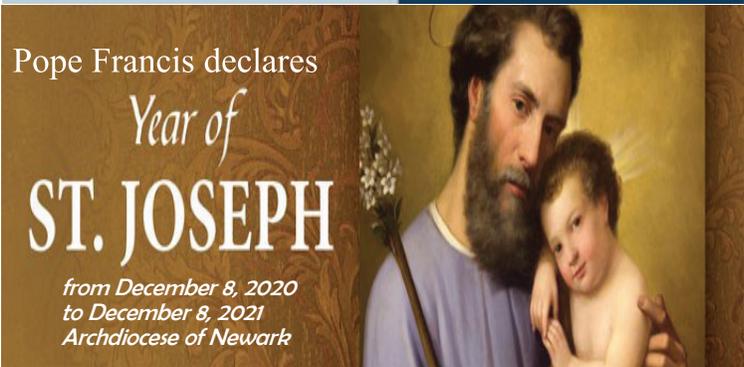
**Let us allow ourselves to be embraced.** From Mary's gaze, we now turn to her heart, in which, as today's Gospel recounts, she "treasured all these things and pondered them" (Lk 2:19). Our Lady, in other words, took everything to heart; she embraced everything, events both good and bad. And she pondered all these things; she brought them before God. This was her secret. In the same way, she now takes to heart the life of each of us: she wants to embrace our every situation and to present it to God.

In today's fragmented world, where we risk losing our bearings, a Mother's embrace is essential. How much dispersion and solitude there is all around us! The world is completely connected, yet seems increasingly disjointed. We need to entrust ourselves to our Mother. ... Mary is a cure for solitude and dispersion. She is the Mother of consolation: she stands "with" those who are "alone". She knows that words are not enough to console; presence is needed, and she is present as a mother. Let us allow her to embrace our lives.

And in the journey of life, **let us allow ourselves to be taken by the hand.** Mothers take their children by the hand and lovingly introduce them to life. But how many children today wander off on their own and lose their way. Thinking they are strong, they get lost; thinking they are free, they become slaves. How many, forgetting a mother's affection, live in anger with themselves and indifference to everything! How many, sad to say, react to everything and everyone with bitterness and malice! Life is such. Showing oneself "malicious" even seems at times to be a sign of strength. Yet it is nothing more than weakness. We need to learn from mothers that heroism is shown in self-giving, strength in compassion, wisdom in meekness.

Mary, take us by the hand. Clinging to you, we will pass safely through the straits of history. Lead us by the hand to rediscover the bonds that unite us. Gather us beneath your mantle, in the tenderness of true love, where the human family is reborn: "We fly to thy protection, O Holy Mother of God".

POPE FRANCIS



Monday—Saturday at 8:00am  
Sunday at 12:00nn

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



## SATURDAY, May 8<sup>th</sup>

5:30p Mariann & Antonio Pugliese by Lee Bocchino

## SUNDAY, May 9<sup>th</sup>

8:00a Jet DelBuerto by Emma  
 10:30a Angie Cuozzo & Gloria Constantino  
 12:00n Ruben Gutierrez by Tess De Jesus

## MONDAY, May 10<sup>th</sup>

7:00a People of the Parish  
 8:00a Antonio, Teresa, Gaetano, Nicola & Aniello  
 Violante by Family

## TUESDAY, May 11<sup>th</sup>

7:00a Maria DeOcampo by Fidel & Linda  
 8:00a Parents of Clermont Family

## WEDNESDAY, May 12<sup>th</sup>

7:00a Isidra Alberto by Nellie Aberto  
 8:00a Angela Carla Gates (Special Intention)  
 by David Gates

## THURSDAY, May 13<sup>th</sup>

7:00a Jose Anonuevo (Birthday) by Nellie Alberto  
 8:00a People of the Parish

## FRIDAY, May 14<sup>th</sup>

7:00a Pio Alberto Jr. by Nellie Alberto  
 8:00a Romeo Montas by Jay Montas

## SATURDAY, May 15<sup>th</sup>

8:00a In Honor of St. Liberatore by Fiorentino Martucci

## MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

May 9 - May 15, 2021

The Altar Bread & Wine will be offered Intention of  
**Florence & Gilda Yacullo**

The Altar Candles will be offered for the Intention of  
**People of the Parish**

The Sanctuary Lamp will be offered for the Intention of  
**People of the Parish**

## LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK

**Ann Ferrentino, Adriano Suarez, Kevin Hogarth, Cesar de Jesus, Richard Abrigo, Veron Patulot, Lydia Salzano, Angela Zarro, Patricia Mignon, Joseph Doria, Edward McNulty, Jeanette O'Mara, Avril Robson-Freda, Ronald Del Vecchio, Maria Eloisa Manahan, Mariel Moran, Alvin Almario, Vera Castellano**

Note: This list is updated monthly. Please call the parish office if you need the name/s to be kept in the bulletin.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday Regular Collection - \$ 5,030.00  
 (May 2, 2021)

Assessment Collection - \$ 842.00

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR CONSTANT SUPPORT TO OUR PARISH. YOUR FINANCIAL HELP IS ALWAYS NEEDED AND GREATLY APPRECIATED.**

## PARISH STAFF

**Rev. Ranulfo D. Docabo, SSL**  
 Administrator

**Rev. Wilson A. Paculan**  
 Parochial Vicar

**Ann Marie Kastner**  
 Co-Director of Religious Education

**Mari Ippolito, B.A.**  
 Co-Director of Religious Education & Youth Director

**Prof. Guido Morsella**  
 Director of Music Ministries

**Anthony Zimmermann**  
 Organist/Cantor

**Cristian Esguerra**  
 Bookkeeper

**Leonora DiLauro-Ragab**  
 Parish Secretary

**Sr. Gloria Doria, M.P.F.**  
 Office Receptionist

**Fidel Legaspi**  
 Maintenance

**Arturo Cruz & Rita Charles**  
 Board of Trustees

**Angela Cuozzo Zarro**  
 Financial Council Chair

## ANNUAL APPEAL 2021 UPDATE

(as of May 9, 2021)

Our parish goal this year is \$19,146.

**Total Pledged = \$20,999**

**% of Goal Reached (in Pledges) = 110%**

**Amount Received = \$17,489**

**Number of Contributors = 39 pax/family**

**THANK YOU SO MUCH** to all who made their pledges and especially those who have already given their share!

We now expect a 100% rebate of every dollar collected above the goal. This is, of course, based the amount received by the Archdiocese. Whatever you give now will all return to our parish. If you have not given your pledge, yet, please do so. Thank you again for your generosity. God bless!

## April 2021 Monthly Financial Report

Balance Forward 3,291.07

### RECEIPTS

Collections/Offerings	
Regular: Sundays & Holy Days	33,275.69
Special: Easter Flowers	1,854.00
Bingo	25,023.75
Add'l (Adjustment from March)	7,020.00
Perquisites	300.00
Candles	249.00
Assessment Collections	1,054.00
Donation	475.00

**TOTAL** **69,251.44**

### DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries (Priests, Full & Part Time Workers)	16,928.40
Food & Provisions	1,129.89
Gas & Electric	
Church & Lake St. House	1,051.44
Rectory	646.12
School & School Lights	2,510.66
Water	
Church & Lake St. House	53.35
Rectory	60.23
School	42.15
Telephone & Internet	
Church	124.33
Rectory	441.81
School	381.78
Supplies	
Church	617.97
Office & Rectory	178.37
Equipment Rentals	1,293.78
Subscriptions	20.25
Health Insurance	4,823.70
Transportation & Insurance	1,614.57
Repair & Maintenance	
Grounds [Snow Removal]	4,400.00
Buildings	466.00
Representations	168.18
Property Insurance	2,195.41
Assessment	1,000.00

**TOTAL** **39,018.50**

**BALANCE** **33,524.01**

### SHARE YOUR TALENTS

We are gradually creating new ministries and committees under the pastoral and finance councils. We ask you to share your talents to our parish. We need: **legal** (like lawyers) and **financial** (like accountants) personnel to create the Property Committee; **builders** (like engineers, architects, contractors, plumbers, electricians, etc.) to create the Construction/Building Committee; **medical and health** personnel (like doctors, nurses, therapists, dieticians, psychologists, etc.) to form the Wellness Ministry and Bereavement Ministry; **education** personnel (like teachers) to form the Baptism Ministry. All other talents (professions) can certainly help the different ministries and committees of we plan to form or reestablish. Please present yourselves to Father Nol or Father Wilson. Thanks and God bless!

### MAY CROWNING

Due to the schedule of the First Communions, the annual May Crowning of Mother Mary will be held on **May 30, Sunday, before the 12nn Mass**. All our first communicants, with their parents, are highly encouraged to attend to this event. May our devotion to Mary, the Mother of God, will remain strong and be preserved through the meaningful participations of the children and their families. Holy Mary, pray for us!

### NEW BAPTISM SCHEDULE

Starting June 2021, our regular baptism schedule is every 3rd Sunday of the month at 1:30pm outside of Easter Season. Pre-baptism seminar for parents and sponsors is every 1st Saturday of the month at 1:30pm in the Ferraro Hall (lower church).

### FIRST COMMUNION NEXT WEEKEND

**SATURDAY—MAY 15, 2021 @ 5:30 PM MASS**

**SUNDAY—MAY 16, 2021 @ 10:30 AM MASS**

### CONFIRMATION NEXT SUNDAY

**SUNDAY—MAY 16, 2021 @ 3:00 PM**

WE WELCOME THE NEWEST MEMBER OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

EMILIA XIOMARA LEGGIO

BAPTIZED ON THE 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 2, 2021



Emilia with her parents,  
Alessandro & Giovanna



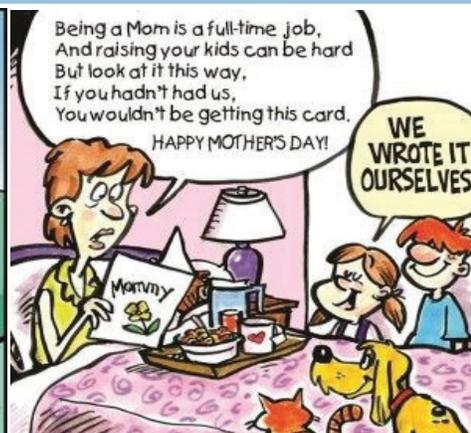
Emilia with her godparents, Anthony & Maria  
Vitella, and Fr Wilson, who baptized her

### OTHER GIFTS RECEIVED

We gratefully acknowledge receipt of a new weed wacker from CARMINE FORNAROTTO . Also, we have received another lawn mower (a used, yet functioning one) and a battery for the ride-on mower from NICKY INAUGURATO. Thank you so much for these machines for ground maintenance. May God bless you always!

### RIDE ON LAWN MOWER NEEDED

We continue to appeal for a **ride on lawn mower**. As of the moment, there are some parishioners who give donations to buy one. We sincerely thank them for their contributions, though they are not enough yet to purchase one. We are still hoping that a generous individual or family in our parish and beyond will give us this machine. Let's continue praying for this intention.



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