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> 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Closed for Lunch from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm



Online Giving QR Code



New Mass Schedule

Anticipated Sunday Mass at 5pm Saturday Evening

Sunday: 8:30 am, 10:00 am Family Mass, & 12:15 pm

Weekdays, Monday – Friday 8:00 am, 12:05 pm

Saturdays 8:00 am and 12:05 pm

Holydays (as announced in Bulletin)
National Holidays - 8:00 am ONLY

Novenas: After 8:00 am and 12:05 pm Masses

Monday- Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Tuesday - St. Ann/St. Joseph Wednesday - St. Jude/St. Anthony Scriptural Rosary with Intercessory Prayer Wednesdays after 8:00 am Mass Thursday- St. Michael the Archangel Infant of Prague - 25th of each month. First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart after 12:05 pm Mass

Friday nights - Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm, on Friday nights.

Saturdays - Sacrament of Reconciliation -Please note new time 10:45 am to 11:45 am

OUR MISSION
BRINGING THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST TO YOU AND EVERYONE ELSE.
SHARE THE JOURNEY. DON'T GO IT ALONE!

APRIL 7, 2024 INTENTIONS

PASTOR'S LETTER Thoughts From the Heart Dear Brothers and Sisters,

oday we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, Jesus comes among His apostles and reveals His risen presence to them. We are called to recognize the presence of the risen Jesus as well, most especially in the Sacraments of the Church.

The redemption of the world has been accomplished through Jesus, whose death and resurrection has brought about the new life of the Holy Spirit in us.

As we celebrate God's goodness to us, we see His divine mercy at work in our lives through His saving action in Jesus. Please pray for me, and have a blessed Easter Love, Fr. Paul season.

STEWARDSHI

STEWARDSHIP - \$ 16,100.00 is needed weekly in our collection to support our parish.

The offertory for the week of March 30th/31st was \$ 23,652.00, which includes Easter Sunday. The Vanco online offertory for week of March 30th/31st was \$ 9,388.00. The total offertory for the week of March 30th/31st was \$ 33,040.00. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



SAVE THE DATE!! Pilgrimage to Divine Mercy Shrine Saturday, May 4, 2024

On Saturday, May 4th there will be a Pilgrimage to the Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge, Massachusetts.

The day will include Stations of the Cross, National Shrine Church, Confession, Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Blessing

of Religious Articles, Gift Shop Visit, Holy Family Shrine, Lourdes Grotto & Immaculate Conception Candle Shrine.

Please watch the upcoming bulletins for the time of departure from Assumption Church.

The cost of the trip per person is \$ 65.00 to cover the cost of the bus. Please bring your own lunch and snacks as food is not sold at the shrine.

Please call the Rectory Office during Business Hours for any questions or for more information.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Membership Info -

All men 18 years and older wishing to join the Assumption Council #5819 Knights of Columbus are welcome to contact Vernon Whitehouse at 201

-262-1122 to learn more about the organization and the charitable work that we accomplish during the year for our Parish and for our Community.

Knights of Columbus Special Needs Collection

Our Knights of Columbus # 5819 will be holding their Annual Collection for Those with Special Needs next weekend April 13th/14th. Please stop by next weekend to visit the Knights for this Special Collection.

Thank you for your generosity.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 7th - Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday

8:30 Angela Arias R/b Jean & Brian Flanagan

10:00 For All Parishioners

12:15 Susan Munroe, OCV R/b Susan Munroe, OCV (Mass for Healing Intentions)

Monday, April 8th - The Annunciation of the Lord

8:00 Christine Capone R/b Tom Amato 12:05 Kathleen Keegan R/b Tish & Michael Oates

Tuesday, April 9th

8:00 Savina Martino R/b Rosanne Gallé

(1st Anniversary)

12:05 Caroline & George Gershuny R/b The Sabella Family

Wednesday, April 10th

8:00 Bridget Feighan R/b Maura & Pat Enright 12:05 Patricia Canavan Petrowski R/b Fran Pajak & Larry Romano

Thursday, April 11th - St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr

8:00 Mario Santoro R/b Anna Maria Taormina 12:05 Mark & Maria Tucci R/b Their Loving Daughter & Family

Friday, April 12th

8:00 John Francis Smith R/b The Smith Family 12:05 Rose Gurreri R/b Her Loving Husband Bobby & Sons, Frank & Anthony

Saturday, April 13th - St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr

8:00 Joan & Jack Bushill R/b Their Loving Brother & Family

R/b Helen Deluga

12:05 Warren Koepplinger 5:00 Fred Velthaus R/b The Velthaus Family

Sunday, April 14 - Third Sunday of Easter

8:30 For All Parishioners

10:00 Catherine & Felice R/b The Guarnieri Family

Guarnieri

12:15 Peggy Sommers R/b Her Loving Family

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE burns for blessings for a healthy and safe life for

Joann Wieczorek

R/b Sofia

SANCTUARY LAMP burns with Thanksgiving for the

Intercession of St. Faustina

R/b Maureen Foran

ST. JOSEPH CANDLE burns in Loving Memory of

Robert Dickinson

R/b Sofia

ALTAR CANDLES were in Loving Memory of

Anna & James Foran

R/b Maureen Foran

BREAD & WINE were donated in Loving Memory of

Albert Clayton

R/b His Loving Wife & Son

THREE SAINTS CANDLES were donated for the

continued healing & prayers for

Christopher Prezioso

R/b His Loving Family



Please Pray for the Sick:

John Sullivan Jr., Bob Gilbert, Andrea Korner, Jimmy Muth, Jennifer Gismondi, Jackie Santalla, Mireya Devaraj, Jeanne Minck, George Dfouni, Frank Bello, Nicholas Santiago, Laurel Saluzzi, Constantinos Ballas, Troy Wright, George Green, Earl L. Harrison III, William Whelan, Trevor Monroe, Keith Sweatlock, Julie Cornella, Ned Holtje, Katie Wojcicki, Donna Jean Donaccico, Louise Romagnoli, "Jenny" & "Sandra", Tommy Branchini, Brenden Ayers, Maryann Anselmo, Richard Semenock, Debra Kool, Michael Mulvenna, Declan Bogyo, Lauren Scarola, Samran Dhillon, Donna Woods, Leonardo Franchino, Rita Puleo, Rose Mulloy, John Bollinger, Connor Hennessey, Dorothy Kalivas, Hugh Hennessy, Carly, Joseph Iskra, Kevin Frank, Marilyn Ferrity, Zach Spadaccini, Marianne Sullivan, Joseph Cittadino, Gerry Farrell, Debbie Hoehn, Sr. Dominic, Toddler Benjamin Foley, Child Hailey Anna Sipala, Anthony Sipala, Michael Sipala, Ronnie Kazanchy, Terri Jansen, Pat Sforza, Chris Nallin, Casey Walter, Shannon Mulvey, Mary Smith, Rene Hofman, Salmen Khoury, Julieta & Adriano Taormina, Gary Davila, Ruth Starkins, Eileen Dachelet, Kevin Murad, George Murad, Sasha, Barbara Monti, Michael, Tim Keohane, Mickey Flanagan, Pat Trovato, Millie Martinez, Debby DeCarlo, Victoria Gatollari, Kathy Meinsten, Coach William Dockery, Elizabeth & William Joa, Elizabeth Korkis, Todd Schuster, Mia Filan, Rosanne DiPasquale, Patricia Romano, Eddie Ryan, Virginia Moran, Katie, Jay's sister, Elly & Jason Wolden, James Leung, Angela, Julian Albano, Marion Baldino, Connie Sullivan, Janice Barone, Charles Wrubel, Robert Cooper, Melanie Tafuri, Jenny Blanco, Joseph Mastro, Samantha Rodriguez, Patrick McGeough, Jeanmarie Artusa, Clara Urgo, Frank P. Bellavia, Bermudez Family Members, Peter Samperi, Frank Barker, Lisa Brown, Janet Marhevka, Craig Maniacci, Rogelio Lucas, J.L. Pereira, Barbara Schreiner, Sandra Griffen, Bernadette Lukacs, Gail Joyner, Will Lopez, Connie Kehoe, Anthony Fodi, Gary Pearson, Guillermo Velez, Stella Marenko, Rich Watanabe, Alexander, Goyzie Walker, Nicole Fernandez, Anthony Rossi, Peter Weppler, Vihan & Ilknur Oz, Beverly Kuck, Josette Portalatin, Nicolas Arthur, Glenn Schult, Mary Ann Torre, James Powers, Eileen Kelly, Antoinette Colarulla, Christopher Prezioso, Karl Myers, Gertrude Scalera, Lisa Lee, Paul Lore, Robert Gottschalk, Ed Gorski, Gabriel Sniffen, Billy Leahy, Dawn Boyd, Kevin Comerford, Kathleen Beard, Jorge Mendez, Meghan Ahrens, Terry Byrnes, Tom Cirone, Jo Monahan, Joan Downey, Rachel Campbell, Antoinette Heyer, Darren Brayton.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY: Col. Jonathan Varoli, USAF; PFC

Justin Mignogna; Lance Corporal Capt. Trev Moncure; Brian Cirola, Staff Sgt. David Elliott; Lcpl, Sgt. Damon Baker; Justin Di Niro, US Na-

vy; Major Michael Anthony Franson; PFC. Sgt. Augie Manfre, US Army; PFC Mark MacFarlane Jr.; Sgt. Paul Cimino, N.J.N.G.; Corporal Kevin Quigley, USMC; SPC David Fasano, US Army; James Davies; Sgt. Patrick Myers; Salvatore B. Petruso, Tannor Saberon-Dover, Sgt. Michael Velthaus, USMC; PFC Alex Reppenhagen, US Army; First Class Petty Officer Paul V. Roman, US Navy; SGT. Robert C. Saul, US Army; USAF Airman First Class, Morgan Hofmeister; Lt. Col. Scott Pomyglaski, US Army; Alexander Hill, US Navy; Ensign Lindsay Verrico, US Navy, PFC, Sean Keohane, US Army, Corporal Mark Fredrick, USMC., Lt. Ann Mulvenna, US Army, Capt. Benjamin Clemente, US Army, Navy Lt. Jonathan Clemente, US Navy; Corporal Nicholas J. Barone, USMC; Airman Nickolas J. Castrovillari, USAF.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION 201-986-0970 - Office phone number Dear Parishioners,

Happy April!! Lusi and I hope you are doing well! We hope you enjoyed a blessed and happy Easter Sunday with your family and will continue to enjoy the Easter Season.

WE are in the process of preparing our Registration Forms for the 2024-2025 year. They will be mailed out in mid-May to all registered families. If you didn't register last year and are in need of a re-registration form or a new registration form for an incoming first grader or new student, please call the CCD office at 201-986-0970. We will mail or e-mail one out to you.

The learning, which continues in all our classes, really impresses me. I continue to be inspired by our Catechist's creativity and love seeing what they have planned each week in their classrooms.

During the month of March, I witnessed so much. Mrs. Miller's second grade brought in their loose change all during Lent and were able to collect \$ 25.35 for the Youth Group's Baby Bottle Drive. Mrs. Hirth's sixth grade each chose something to give up and each week they reminded and kept each other accountable. Man lessons surrounded Holy Week and Mrs. Solimando's class, as well as Mrs. Congiusti's and Mrs. Beahm's classes went over to the Church to do a Stations of the Cross. Miss Vivian created a Stations of the Cross in her classroom and her fifth grade learned about Holy Week and Jesus's Passion. Miss Audrey's first grade learned the story of Holy Week through 12 Resurrection Eggs. Mrs. Mulvenna's class did an outside Stations of the Cross and then next week planted seeds while discussing the seeds of faith.

I could go on and on sharing what our teachers are doing as this is only a small group of examples. This month many of our classes will center around the Easter Season and how we live out our faith.

Our Second Graders received the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, May 2nd. Congratulations to each of them. They are now preparing to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on April 27th and May 4th. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

If anyone would be available to substitute for us, please call the office and leave your name and phone number with Lusi.

As always, if you need anything, please feel free to e-mail me at jagnew@assumptionchurchemerson.org. You can also reach me on my cell phone at 551-265-2821.

Please keep all of our children in your prayers and we will keep you in ours. Everyone involved in our Religious Education Program wishes you a continued happy and healthy 2024!!



Love, Judi

WORSHIP APRIL 7, 2024

Don't' Miss it - Women's Bible Study





Let's meet, have coffee/tea, find spiritual-well being, be encouraged & supported, along the journey of parenting. Day/Time determined by group's preference Sign up at srector@assumptionchurchemerson.org.



WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP-

We have an ongoing Women's Prayer Group that meets **EVERY Tuesday** night at **7:00 p.m.** on Zoom on the computer. We support each other on our faith journey. If you are interested in joining our Prayer Group, please

e-mail:Assumption003@gmail.com Please feel free to join us!

DAYTIME MOM'S PRAYER GROUP

We started a ZOOM DAYTIME MOM'S PRAYER GROUP for NEW MOMS, SOON-TO-BE MOMS, SEASONED MOMS, GRANDMOTHERS AND GODMOTHERS.

We meet weekly on ZOOM on Wednesdays at 12:30 PM, please feel free to join us anytime. You are always welcome

If you need to reach out to us please e-mail us at: Assumption003@gmail.com.



ASSUMPTION PRAYER WARRIORS

When life is difficult, prayer is hope.

Need Prayers? Please e-mail your requests to Assumption's Prayer Warriors at:

assumptionprays@gmail.com.

You are also welcomed to be a Prayer Warrior; invite others. **Please e-mail: assumptionprays@gmail.com** to be included in this prayer chain.



Our Legion of Mary — All are welcome to come visit us!

The Legion of Mary is an international association of practicing members of the Catholic Church who serve the Church on a voluntary basis. Today, there are over 10 million members, both active and

auxiliary (praying) members worldwide.

Active Members: Attend weekly meetings, Daily recitation of the Catena (Legion Prayer), and perform Apostolic work, like visiting nursing homes, teaching religious education, and encouraging Sunday Mass attendance by lapsed members, among many other works.

The advantages: gaining of all indulgences attached in praying the Rosary & Legion prayers, sharing in thousands of Masses for the repose of members souls.

Join us in the Lower Church, Wednesday morning, April 10th, 2024 at 10:30 AM.

SAVE THE DATE: Experience the Power & Presence of the Holy Spirit Today/Day of Reflection

When: Saturday: May 18th, 2024, 1:00 to 4:00 PM

Guest Speakers: Rev. James White, D.Min. &

Mary Ann Collett, Catholic Lay Evangelist

Music Ministry: Joyful Praise

Information: St. Andrew's Facebook Page or Website: standrewcc.com/cpg, or call 201-666-5697

Know Someone who is thinking of Becoming Catholic?



Or do you want to finish receiving your sacraments?
Schedule a friendly, informal time to meet. 201-262-1122

ASSUMPTION YOUTH GROUP INFO!!! KID'S GROW SO FAST!

We are looking for donations to help buy new altar server vestments. We sometimes have Masses in which we can have up to 6 or 7 servers and just don't have enough. If you're willing to donate, please notify Fr. Kelly or Rich Beahm.

CHILDREN OF GOD MEETING— April 7th

A Children's Youth and Prayer Group will be meeting on **Sunday, April 7th, after the 12:15 Mass** in the Youth Room inside the Assumption School through the red doors by the Grotto of Mary.

Join Paul DeLalla and Theresa Weglarz as they have fun with the children, ages Kindergarten to 3rd Grade.

OUR NEW TODDLER MINISTRY MEETING IN APRIL - Join us in April for our new Toddler Ministry for the youngest of our Parish Families.

The toddler group will meet next on Saturday, April 20th, 2024. We meet every 3rd Saturday of the month in the Assumption Youth Group meeting room in the former Assumption Early Childhood Center.

Please e-mail: Ashley Rice at ashleym.rice@yahoo.com for more information or to pre-register.

American Cancer Society Cancer Action

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On **Saturday, April 13th, at 10:00 am** in the former Assumption Academy gym, Sr. Maggie inter of St. Francis and the State Grassmots Man

Lopez, a Sister of St. Francis and the State Grassroots Manager for the American Cancer Society Cancer Action network, will be hosting a "Gentle Yoga" benefit HERE at Assumption.

Gentle Yoga is a gentler style of yoga practice. It is performed at a slower pace, with less intense positions. Our instructor, **Erika DiPasquale** is a highly skilled and certified yoga instructor. Erika will once again provide a yoga experience that will relax our bodies, minds, and spirits.

Please join us and invite others to join us as well.

Registration is \$ 25.00. If you are not able to make it, please consider making a donation.

"Contributions or membership payments to the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, Inc. are not tax deductible." If you have any questions, please e-mail Sr. Maggie Lopez at Maggie.Lopez@cancer.org.

Together, we can help saves lives from cancer.

Flyers to register are at the doors of the Church for information on how to register with the QR code.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting Dates

We would love to have you join the Prayer Shawl Ministry. This is the perfect hobby for the **Spring**, or anytime during the year and we would love to have you join us anytime. If you are in need of a refresher, we can help with that as well.

Meetings will be postponed until the second Wednesday of May.

All are welcome to join us in the Convent meeting room. If you are in need of a Prayer Shawl, please come to the Rectory Office during business hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and pick up one of our beautiful blessed Shawls.

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Bingo HAS RESUMED BUT WE NEED HELP!!!

CAN YOU SPARE 1 FRIDAY NIGHT A MONTH TO VOLUNTEER FOR BINGO??? We need more volunteers or we may have to close!!!

We are getting close, but we could use about 10 more people to make your volunteer time once a month!!! Call Maria at 201-261-5712 and leave your name and phone number with a message and she will return your call. The doors open at 5:00 PM and numbers will be called starting at 7:00 PM.

If you have any questions, please contact Rectory Office during regular business hours at 201-262-1122.

ADULT SINGLES SUPPORT GROUP NEWS

Church of the Assumption's Adult Singles Support Group is open to widowed women and men, divorcees and all adult singles. It is designed to provide a warm friendly environment of emotional support, fun activities and social interaction to all single adults in the Parish community.

Please watch future bulletins for our April event.

Please call the Rectory if you are interested in joining the Assumption Singles Group at 201-262-1122 or with any questions.

St. Patrick/St. Joseph Lenten Food Drive

We are an Easter People!!

The *Social Concerns Ministry* would like to thank the VERY generous people of Assumption for the 60 bags of groceries and cereal, in addition to the \$ 200.00 worth of Shop Rite Cards.

Additionally, we received 3 hams and a turkey breast. All the food was split between the Office of Food Concern at St. Cecilia's Church in Englewood and St. Andrew's Food pantry in Westwood.

Again we can't thank you all enough for your generosity.

St. Andrew's Charismatic Prayer Group

Everyone is welcome to the St. Andrew's Charismatic Prayer Meetings.

Our next meeting will be Monday, April 8th, 2024 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm.

We will meet in the Parish Center's Multipurpose Room. Through the Power and Presence of the Holy Spirit, we grow and deepen our personal relationship with Jesus Christ. At our weekly meetings, we seek Mary's intercession as we pray the Rosary, worship Jesus through prayer and song, reflect and share scripture and conclude with intercessory prayer.

SPRING CONCERT COMING IN MAY!!!

Join Assumption in welcoming the:

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Come and experience a real joy on Saturday,
May 4th at 7:00 PM in the Church of the Assumption.

Free will donations gratefully accepted.

SERVICE APRIL 7, 2024

Archdiocese of Newark 2024 Lenten Regulations

 The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection.

The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence. On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and two (2) smaller meals, which if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

- 2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.
- The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat by some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
- The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*)
 extends from the <u>First Sunday of Lent</u>, <u>February 18</u>, <u>2024</u>
 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 26, 2024.

*Canon 920, 1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.



Starts In The Heart Ministry

Starts In The Heart Ministry is lead by Mary Jo Armen who is a certified Spiritual Director from Fordham's Graduate School of Religion and Religious Education.

Mary Jo is also a certified School Psychologist. She has a combined experience of psychology and theology. Through this ministry Mary Jo will offer faith based counseling, spiritual direction and programs offering spirituality to parishes. Please call 201-262-1122, to make an appointment with Mary Jo.

READY FOR AN ADVENTURE - JOIN FR. CHRIS ISINTA FOR A SAFARI ADVENTURE IN NAIROBI!

If you were ever interested in seeking an adventure and would like to try this safari with Fr. Chris, please let us know.

The safari is being run through Bella Safaris and they have sent a packed itinerary, starting from the day you arrive in Nairobi, October 19th, until the day you depart on October 30th, your days will be filled with animals, beautiful scenery, exciting tours of places you have only seen in National Geographic.

View Mt. Kilimanjaro, visit an elephant orphanage, go to the beach in Diani, enjoy swimming, see giraffes, fun bonfires at night with entertainment.

Hotel Rates and Airlines are on the flyers at the doors of the Church, or in the Rectory Office during regular business hours, 9 am to 5 pm.

Fr. Chris Isinta will be available to answer more questions in April. Please pick up a flyer at the doors of the Church, or contact the Rectory for more information regarding this trip to Nairobi.

The Archdiocese of Newark Reports all Allegations of Abuse — The Archdiocese of Newark takes all complaints of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious, and lay staff of the Archdiocese very seriously. We encourage anyone with any knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform the Archdiocese immediately so that we can take the appropriate action and provide support to the victim. Although the Archdiocese immediately reports all abuse allegations to the appropriate County Prosecutor, it also encourages victims to independently report such matters to the Prosecutor.

Individuals who want to report an allegation of sexual misconduct to the Archdiocese may do so by calling the Victim's Assistance Coordinator of the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at 201-407-3256.

The phone numbers for the County Prosecutors within the Archdiocese are:

Bergen - 201-226-5689 Essex - 973-753-1121 Hudson - 201-795-6400 Union - 908-965-3879

EASTER JOY

The Easter Season is upon us and the universal Church is rejoicing. Some people, however, have difficulty experiencing these joys due to their circumstances in life.

Catholic Charities aims to help relieve the suffering of many in our society through its various programs. Please help Catholic Charities continue its mission by donating your unwanted clothing, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, tools, toys, stuffed animals, knickknacks, and children's books to the Donation Bins located in the former Assumption Early Childhood Center parking lot on Locust Avenue.

May the spirit of the Risen Christ resound through your generosity.

Thank you for your help.

Brookdale Assisted Living Ride needed to Mass-

There is a gentleman at Brookdale Assisted Living Home in Emerson that is in need of a ride to 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays. If there is anyone who would be able to help him by giving him a ride to Mass, please call the Rectory Office during regular business hours for more information.

DON BOSCO PREP OPEN HOUSE

Don Bosco Prep High School located at 492 N. Franklin Turnpike, Ramsey, NJ will be holding a **Spring Open House on Thursday, April 25th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.**

Don Bosco is a top-tier Catholic High School that offers a traditional college-preparatory liberal arts curriculum. They are a lifelong brotherhood led by Salesian values: a Home that welcomes; a School that prepares for life; a Parish where our values shape character; and a Playground where our friendships are formed. Our excellence in the arts, athletics, business and engineering helped the Class of 2023 receive over \$46.5 million in college scholarships.

Visit donboscoprep.org for more information.

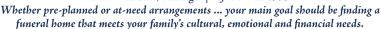
OPEN HOUSE at St. Peter's Prep- St. Peter's Preparatory School will hold its Spring Open House on **Sunday, May 5th from 1:00 to 3:00 PM** at the school's campus in historic downtown Jersey City. Faculty & staff, as well as coaches, students, & parents will be present to answer questions about the school and tours will be provided. St. Peter's Prep is an independent, college preparatory school for boy and it remains N.J.'s only Jesuit High School. Call 201-547-6465 for more info.

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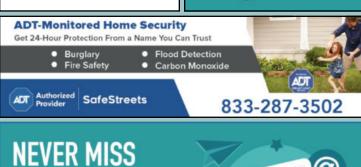


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