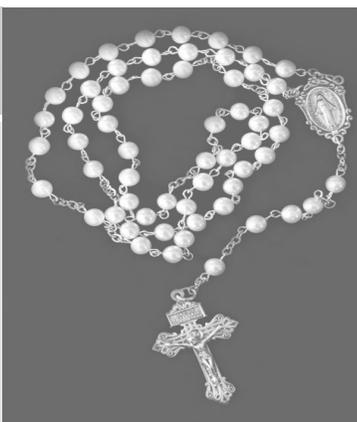




February 7, 2021
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Church of the Holy Rosary

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Mass Times

Daily Mass (Monday-Friday): 8:00AM
Saturday Evening Mass: 5:30PM
Sunday Masses: 8:00AM & 11:00AM (in English);
12:00PM (in Spanish)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the Church at 365 Undercliff Avenue. The Exposition begins at 12:00PM and ends at 3:00PM, followed by the Divine Mercy. All are welcome to attend.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:00-5:00PM (Church)
Baptism: Baptisms have resumed. Please be advised you must be a member of Holy Rosary Parish in order to receive a sponsor certification for Baptism.

Holy Rosary Parish is a proud Co-Sponsor of **Christ the Teacher Interparochial School**, 359 Whiteman St., Fort Lee, NJ 07024 (201-944-0421)

Assistance attending Mass

If you are a senior or disabled, and you would like shuttle transportation to and from the 11:00AM Mass on Sundays, call the Parish Center for information. **(Temporarily suspended)**

Religious Education

For information on our CCD program, please see the "CCD Corner" section of this bulletin.

For the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), please call the Parish Office.

Choir Rehearsal

Wednesdays at 7:30 PM
in the Church

Minister of Music:
Bill Jones



Catholic Community Services—Social Services Helpline
1-800-CCS-7413

saint snippets

January 12

The more I do God's will,
the more he will prove
his love for me.

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys
French religious sister who devoted her life to
educating young girls and the poor in Canada

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WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

If you are attending Mass at Holy Rosary and consider Yourself a parishioner, but haven't registered, we invite you to do so. Knowing who our parishioners are helps us adapt our parish programs to your needs. It is also important to be registered for Baptisms, Marriage, to be a Sponsor/Godparent, etc.

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

New Registration

Request Envelopes

Address Change

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, February 6
5:30 PM *Cosmo J. Azzoline (His Loving Family)*

Sunday, February 7
8:00AM *Jose Renato Abalon (Barbara Brady)*
11:00 AM *Michael & Joan Lydon (Beverly & Gary Shea)*
12:00 PM *Jose Renato Abalon (Pearl & Manny Roxas)*

Monday, February 8
8:00 AM *Dolores Calubiran (Drs. Jose Castro & Vilma Fule-Castro)*

Tuesday, February 9
8:00 AM *Celestino Milani (Silvana Maric)*

Wednesday, February 10
8:00 AM *Denise Buonanno (Drs. Jose Castro & Vilma Fule-Castro)*

Thursday, February 11
8:00 AM *Veronica Milani (Silvana Maric)*

Friday, February 12
8:00 AM *Alma & Josant Gabarda (Drs. Jose Castro & Vilma Fule-Castro)*

Saturday, February 13
5:30 PM *Fernando Sigismondi (Mario Novello)*

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All those suffering in any way from the CoVid-19 pandemic.

Also James Allocco, Phillip Armstrong, Edward Baldino, Cheryl Bostyan, Jean Braden, Rick Brouillette, Louise Bruce, Chase, Pat Caruso, Sharbel Chaoul, Anna Corrado, Danny Coyle, Gary Devila, Marie Ferrie, Ginny Frasco, Kenneth Galfo, Joelle & Juliana Gedeon, Annmarie Gilmartin, Madeline Goodwin, Joe Heatter, Agnes Hoffmann, Bobby Jordan, Rosemary Kaminski, Eileen & Donald Kopczynski, Diana Lucio, Isaiah McLean, Heidi Monico, Humberto Norena, Conception Ortiz, Rebecca Papadopoulos, Phyllis & Joseph Palermo, Rich Richinski, Rebecca Rigolosi, Antoinette Ring, Boris Reznik, Frank Romero, Desi Santos, Anthony Saporito, Jack Sweeney, Jenna Szandrocha, Phillip Tarabola, Ruth Weis, Krista Wilkinson, Kyle Wilson, Mark Winnie.

"Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, 'Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.'" - Mark 1:35, 38

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what He wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER JOSE

First of all, I would like to thank all of you for your participation in the launching of the 2021 Annual Appeal in our parish that supports our Archdiocese ministries and services to our communities of faith. More so, this Appeal is an occasion to give thanks to God for the daily graces and blessing he showered upon us. Evidently in truth the more we give the more we receive. I will regularly keep you updated on this Annual Appeal.

Also this week, as our late Pope John Paul II designated February 11 as World Day for the Sick, we will offer a special prayer to all the members of our parish that are sick and all those affected by the coronavirus. Prayer is always a key to discover the mystical power of God.

Much more, we also pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit so that may we always be one with God in all our daily undertakings.

God Bless... Father Jose

ALTAR APPOINTMENTS

A special way to remember a loved one is to donate the monthly Altar Bread and/or Wine in honor of their memory. You may also choose to remember a loved one by donating a weekly Sanctuary Lamp in either the Church or the Chapel. Sanctuary Lamps burn day and night to illuminate the Blessed Sacrament, serve as an emblem of Christ's abiding love, and as a reminder to the faithful to respond with loving adoration in return.

- * The **Altar Bread** for **February** is donated in loving memory of *Jose Ignacio Celis (The Chan Family)*
- * The **Altar Wine** for **February** is donated in loving memory of *Jose Ignacio Celis (The Chan Family)*
- * The **Sanctuary Lamp** in the Church this week is in memory of **the deceased members of our Parish.**

THE GOOD NEWS

Today's readings begin with a few verses from the book of Job. First, Job complains that his nights drag on endlessly. Then, worse yet, "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; / they come to an end without hope" (Job 7:6). Not exactly encouraging, these lamentations, not when taken alone.

Most of us have been there, though, and the antidote is the "good news" that Paul found so compelling that "an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it!" (1 Corinthians 9:16). Paul felt driven to announce the gospel to as many people as possible, "to save at least some" (9:22).

This good news is the mystery of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, who lifted Simon Peter's mother-in-law from her sickbed with a mere touch of his hand. "The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons" (Mark 1:33-34)). Our woes and demons are as real as Job's, and Jesus is our savior.

THE WORD OF GOD

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Job finds life on earth to be drudgery; he is filled with restlessness (Job 7:1-4, 6-7).

Psalms — Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted (Psalm 147).

Second Reading — Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel. I have become all things to all, to save at least some (1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23).

Gospel — Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases (Mark 1:29-39).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Day for Consecrated Life;
Scout Sunday
- Monday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita;
International Day of Prayer and Awareness
Against Human Trafficking
- Wednesday: St. Scholastica
- Thursday: Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick
- Friday: Abraham Lincoln's Birthday;
Lunar New Year 4719
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

ST. SCHOLASTICA

St. Scholastica, sister of St. Benedict, consecrated her life to God from her earliest youth. After her brother went to Monte Cassino, where he established his famous monastery, she took up her abode in the neighborhood at Plombariola, where she founded and governed a monastery of nuns, about five miles from that of St. Benedict, who, it appears, also directed his sister and her nuns.

She visited her brother once a year, and as she was not allowed to enter his monastery, he went in company with some of his brethren to meet her at a house some distance away. These visits were spent in conferring together on spiritual matters.

On one occasion they had passed the time as usual in prayer and pious conversation and in the evening they sat down to take their reflection. St. Scholastica begged her brother to remain until the next day. St. Benedict refused to spend the night outside his monastery. She had recourse to prayer and a furious thunderstorm burst so that neither St. Benedict nor any of his companions could return home. They spent the night in spiritual conferences. The next morning they parted to meet no more on earth.

Three days later St. Scholastica died, and her holy brother beheld her soul in a vision as it ascended into heaven. He sent his brethren to bring her body to his monastery and laid it in the tomb he had prepared for himself. She died about the year 543, and St. Benedict followed her soon after.



WORKS OF CHARITY

TIME & TALENT

FOOD PANTRY:

Parish members assist in supplying approximately 45 families with food every month. Thank you to all who donated and helped in any way! The **Food Pantry** is open the last MONDAY of each month from 11:00AM-12:00PM.

FEEDING THE HOMELESS:

Normally, Holy Rosary Parish members feed the homeless on the second Monday of every month. This has been temporarily suspended due to current CoVid-19 pandemic. We will resume as soon circumstances allow.

TREASURES

YOUR MONETARY DONATIONS: The work of Christ at Holy Rosary is supported by parishioners who have embraced the biblical ideals of Stewardship Tithing. Donations for January 2021:

Jan. 3: \$2,308.04; Jan. 10: \$1,051.00;
Jan. 17: \$1,348.00; Jan. 24: \$2,596.00;
Jan. 31: (see future bulletin).

Current Holy Rosary Fundraiser Proceeds: The current proceeds from our ongoing fundraising efforts for a church cooling system are as follows: A/C Fundraising (ongoing): \$26,127.50; Four bake sales: \$989; Tricky Tray (12/8/19): \$1,470.

FEAST OF FAITH

The Gloria (1)

The Gloria, or Glory to God, follows the penitential rite. Both are acts of praise. In the penitential rite, we sing of the mercy of Christ. In the Gloria we praise God's saving action in the universe.

The Gloria is a relatively late addition to the Mass. It first appeared in the Roman liturgy in the sixth century, and then it was sung only by the pope—and only on Christmas! With time, the hymn came to be sung by bishops on major feasts, and then by priests; finally, it became the song of the entire assembly. With the advent of more elaborate musical settings, the people gradually stopped singing the Gloria, until this song of the people became the exclusive domain of the priest and the choir. But the liturgical reforms have restored it to its place as primarily the song of the assembly.

The language of the Gloria echoes the New Testament canticles. It may be begun by the priest, the cantor, and the entire assembly in varied combinations. The Gloria is sometimes called the "greater doxology," and in some ways it is like an extended, ecstatic version of the familiar doxology ("Glory be to the Father") prayed in the Divine Office and the rosary.

[The LORD] tells the number of the stars and calls them by name.

— Psalm 147:4

El Señor puede contar el número de estrellas y llama a cada una por su nombre.

— Salmo 147 (146):4

Take the Love of God with You as You Go.....

PRAYERS TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Oh ever immaculate Virgin, Mother of Mercy, Health of the Sick, Refuge of Sinners, Comfortess of the Afflicted, you know my wants, my troubles, my sufferings. Look upon me with mercy. When you appeared in the grotto of Lourdes, you made it a privileged sanctuary where you dispense your favors, and where many sufferers have obtained the cure of their infirmities, both spiritual and corporal. I come, therefore, with unbounded confidence to implore your maternal intercession. My loving Mother, obtain my request. I will try to imitate your virtues so that I may one day share your company and bless you in eternity. **Amen.**

POPE JOHN PAUL II'S PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Hail Mary, poor and humble Woman, Blessed by the Most High! Virgin of hope, dawn of a new era; We join in your song of praise, to celebrate the Lord's mercy, to proclaim the coming of the Kingdom and the full liberation of humanity.



Hail Mary, lowly handmaid of the Lord, Glorious Mother of Christ! Faithful Virgin, holy dwelling-place of the Word, Teach us to persevere in listening to the Word, and to be docile to the voice of the Spirit, attentive to His promptings in the depths of our conscience and to His manifestations in the events of history.

Hail Mary, Woman of sorrows, Mother of the living! Virgin spouse beneath the Cross, the new Eve, Be our guide along the paths of the world. Teach us to experience and to spread the love of Christ, to stand with you before the innumerable crosses on which your Son is still crucified.

Hail Mary, woman of faith, First of the disciples! Virgin Mother of the Church, help us always to account for the hope that is in us, with trust in human goodness and the Father's love. Teach us to build up the world beginning from within: in the depths of silence and prayer, in the joy of fraternal love, in the unique fruitfulness of the Cross.

Holy Mary, Mother of believers, Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30
Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please regularly refer to holynosaryedgewater.org for the most up-to-date information about our Parish. To get in touch with Parish staff, please do so only by sending an email to holyrosary@aol.com. Thank you.

Christ the Teacher School: The school — located at 359 Whiteman Street in Fort Lee — is currently registering students for the 2021-2022 school year. They can be reached by phone at 201-944-0421 or by email at info@christtheteacherschool.org. Tours are by appointment only.

THE CCD CORNER

A Student Prayer



*Thank you, God, for giving me a mind that can know and a heart that can love.
Help me to stay focused on my studies, and encourage me when learning is difficult that I may grasp the truth that is held out before me.
Grant me the grace to put my knowledge to use in building the kingdom of God on earth that I may find the courage to follow Your Son, Jesus. Amen.*

CCD Registration for children and young adults between grades one through eight is open. Classes began October 18, and are being held remotely by Zoom this year. To register you can download registration forms from our website or pick up blank forms at the back of the church. There is no registration fee this year; only a suggested voluntary donation.

ABOUT CCD AT HOLY ROSARY

Religious education classes begin in First Grade and conclude after the Reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation in Ninth Grade. **Enrollment for all parish children within this age group is strongly encouraged.**

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

The Holy Rosary Parish website provides information, as well as spiritual reflections, that exceed the space limitation of this bulletin. Visit our website www.holyrosaryedgewater.org

