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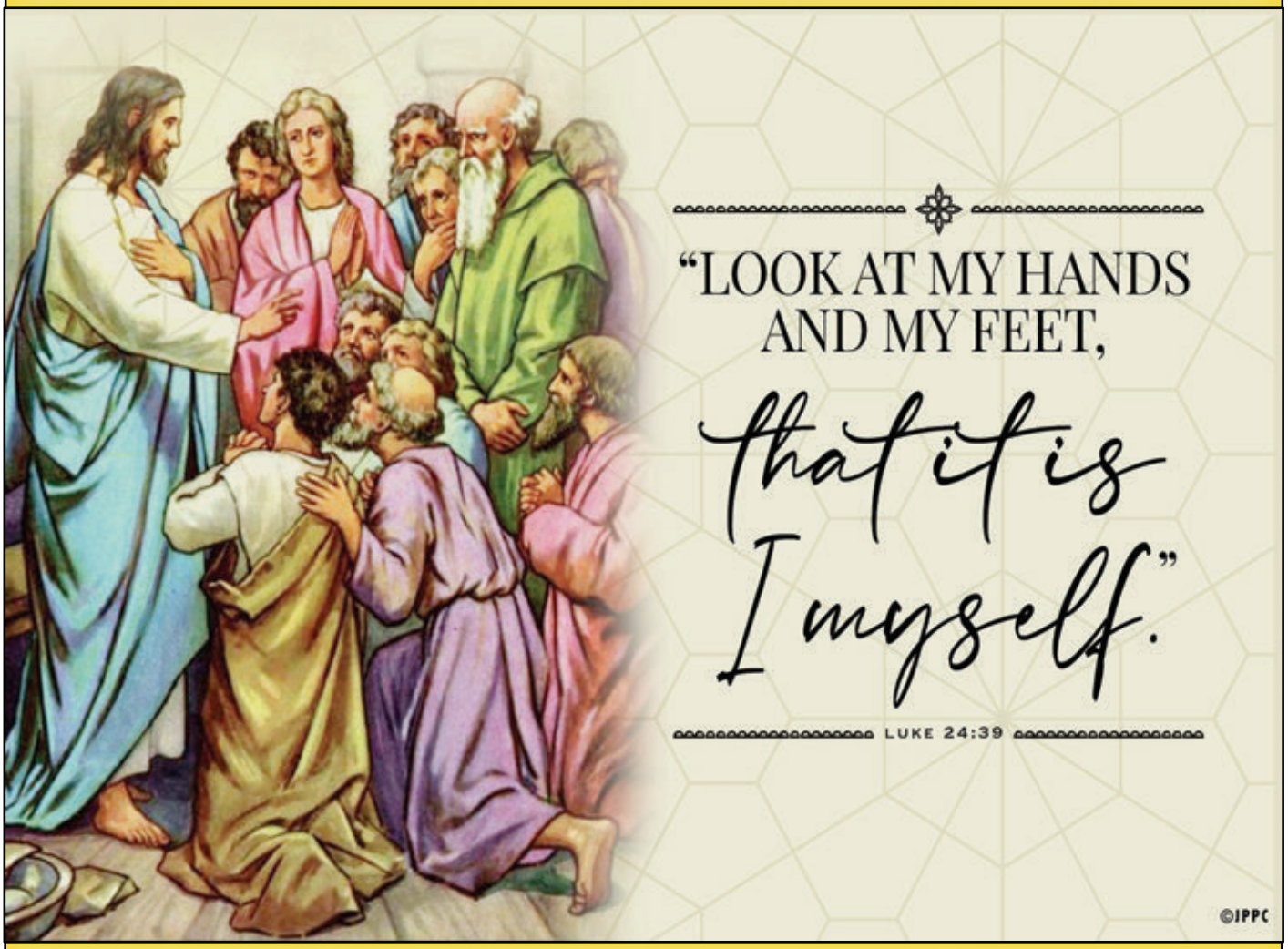

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Third Sunday of Easter April 18, 2021

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

All Masses will be held in the Church until further notice.

Saturday, April 17
5:00PM Sandra Adams

Sunday, April 18
7:30AM Rosemary Cox
10:00AM Eleanor Strumolo
12:00PM William & Elizabeth Cox

Monday, April 19
12:10PM Andrew Blaskewicz

Tuesday, April 20
12:10PM Gladys Perez

Wednesday, April 21
12:10PM John F. Papa

Thursday, April 22
12:10PM Gerardo Lanzerotti

Friday, April 23
12:10PM Page Family

Saturday, April 24
5:00PM Patrick Joseph Tanzillo

Sunday, April 25
7:30AM Greg Todak
10:00AM Elizabeth Keating
12:00PM Mrs. Dorothy A. Duffe

Hosts for each Mass have been donated by
The Rosary Society

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Vigil Lamps for the Week of April 18 – April 24

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Divine Mercy Lamp donated in Honor of
Lloyd Monterosa

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS!!

St. Mary's has switched to a new communication tool called **Flocknote** to send out our parish emails. To be sure you don't miss out on our weekly emails, please add **mail@flocknote.com** to your address book or safe senders list to ensure that the emails are landing in your inbox, and not going into spam. We started using **Flocknote** a few weeks ago, so you can also do a search of your email for *St. Mary's Parish* to see if our emails ended up in a different folder instead of your inbox.

If you do not receive our weekly emails, you can add yourself to our mailing list using the sign-up form on our parish website: www.stmarysnutley.org

Thank you for helping us
stay connected to you!

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for the Month of April

Fundamental Rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

MERCY HOUSE DONATIONS

If you remember, one of the charities we assisted during the Christmas season was The Mercy House of the Archdiocese of Newark, which provides support to individuals and families in need. During this pandemic, the need has grown for so many more families. They asked if St. Mary's Parish could again be generous in helping these families. One area especially of need:

NEW
Summer T-shirts and/or Shorts
(Boy and Girl Sizes 2T – 16)

We are requesting these items to be returned, unwrapped to the drop-off boxes in the Church vestibules or the Parish Center by Sunday, May 2.

Save the Date

St. Mary's Rosary Society invites all members of the Rosary Society to attend the Crowning of Our Blessed Mother, Sunday, May 2, before the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Please be in your seats by 9:20 a.m. as we will crown Mary and recite the rosary at 9:30 a.m. There will be no procession before and no social following the Mass. We ask that everyone in attendance follow the Guidelines for attending Mass at St. Mary's that can be found on the parish website.

All members of the parish are also welcome

Holy Year of Saint Joseph

Pope Francis declared a Holy Year of Saint Joseph in honor of the 150th anniversary of the naming of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. The Holy Year began on December 8, 2020 and ends on December 8, 2021. In the Pope's Apostolic Letter, *Patris Corde*, he states: "Each of us can discover in Joseph an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble." During this time of pandemic, the Church turns to Joseph to intercede on our behalf and looks to him as a model of strength and humility to help the world through these difficult times.

The Archdiocese of Newark now has a webpage dedicated to the **Year of Saint Joseph** to provide parishes and institutions in the Archdiocese and beyond with helpful links and resources for this Holy Year:

www.rcan.org/joseph

As we begin our celebrations of First Holy Communion next weekend, we invite all of our Parish Family to pray for our 54 children who will receive the Most Blessed Sacrament for the first time!

Lord Jesus Christ, bless the children coming forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time. May this day be the step toward a life-long love of the Eucharist. Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to you for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into full discipleship. Thank you for their innocence and goodness. May their hands, extended in anticipation of your body and blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred Sacrament. Amen.

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

Join us every Wednesday at 7pm in the Church
for Recitation of the Holy Rosary,
to pray the Novena Prayer,
for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Our Mother of Perpetual Help, Pray for Us!

Oh Mother of Perpetual Help, grant that I may ever invoke your powerful name, the protection of the living and the salvation of the dying. Purest Mary, let your name henceforth be ever on my lips. Delay not, Blessed Lady, to rescue me whenever I call on you. In my temptations, in my needs, I will never cease to call on you, ever repeating your sacred name, Mary, Mary. What a consolation, what sweetness, what confidence fills my soul when I utter your sacred name or even only think of you! I thank the Lord for having given you so sweet, so powerful, so lovely a name. But I will not be content with merely uttering your name. Let my love for you prompt me ever to hail you Mother of Perpetual Help. Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for me and grant me the favor I confidently ask of you. (Then say three Hail Marys).

St. Mary's Church Rosary Society
Off-Premise Spring Raffle

1ST Prize – Peloton Bike
(Basic Essentials Pkg w/ 3 Months Membership)
Valued at approx. $2,400.00
(Please allow 8 – 10 Weeks for Delivery after drawing)

2nd Prize - $1,000.00 Gift Card to Louis Vuitton

3rd Prize - $500 Gift Card to Shop-Rite

$25.00 Per Ticket

Only 500 Tickets will be Sold

Drawing to be held
Thursday June 17, 2021 at 1:00 P.M.
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ADMINISTRATOR'S WISH LIST

From time to time, I will list things we are looking to purchase for the Church or to enhance the beauty of St. Mary's. I will not order anything until someone expresses interest in donating the necessary funds so it will not cost St. Mary's anything.
All donated items can be in memory of or in honor of a person or family.

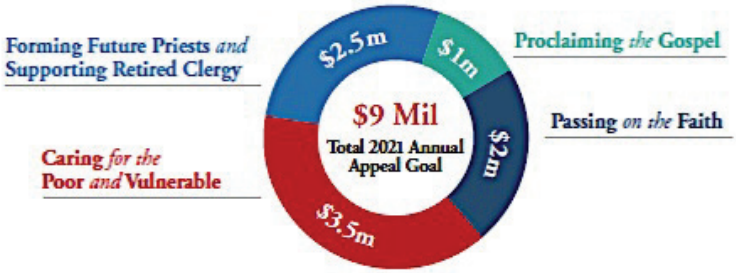
1. Refinish statue of St. Jude to match St. Anthony, St. Gerard & St. Francis
2. Donations for Our Lady's Chapel in the old Baptistry location
3. Outdoor Shrine of the Blessed Mother
4. Pedestals for Church for decorating for Christmas, Easter and other special occasions
5. Tabor Stand for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church

the 2021 Annual Appeal

Catholic Stewardship *in* Action

We need your help to reach our 2021 Annual Appeal goal! The Annual Appeal funds essential programs and ministries at the heart of our Catholic mission in the Archdiocese of Newark – namely to proclaim the gospel, to pass on the faith to future generations through the celebration of the sacraments, and to care for the poor and those on the margins. Reaching our goal, not only helps to fund essential programs throughout the Archdiocese of Newark, but can also help us lower our annual assessment payments. We invite you to partner with us in shining the light of Christ.

You can donate by going to https://www.rcan.org/ways-to-give or by using the envelopes located in the vestibule.



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Case *for* Support

Your gift to the 2021 Annual Appeal supports essential programs and ministries including:

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Proclaiming *the* Gospel
- Ministry to Multi-Ethnic Communities
- Office of Evangelization
- Office of Family Life
- International Missions
- Ministry with the Deaf

$3.5 Million
Caring *for the* Poor *and* Vulnerable
- Catholic Charities
- Hospital and Prison Chaplaincy
- Ministry With Persons With Disabilities
- Respect Life Office
  (Includes Mercy House and Pro-Life Efforts)
- Protecting God's Children

$2 Million
Passing *on the* Faith
- Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry
- Catechetical Office
- Campus Ministry and affiliated Colleges & Universities
- Catholic Schools

$2.5 Million
Forming Future Priests *and* Supporting Retired Clergy
- Continuing Formation for Priests
- Seminarian Education
- Priest Health Care

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 18, 2021

Reading I: Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19
Peter's use of several honored titles of God in the Old Testament shows that he is a true Israelite speaking to his own in this sermon, and he urges them to repent and be converted to Christ.

Reading II: I John 2: 1-5a
Jesus is our true Advocate should we fall into sin. Paul tells us that "to know God" means keeping His commandments.

The Gospel: Luke 24: 35-48
Several themes of Luke's gospel come together in this last section. Such are table fellowship, God's promises fulfilled in Jesus; forgiveness of sins; witnessing; the Holy Spirit; Jesus' journey to the Father is complete.

A Time to Love

For all those married in the name of Jesus, especially, **Deanna Cafone & Joseph DellaFave Jr**.

Father, Look upon our brothers and sisters who are ill, whom we now remember in a special way:

Giovanna "Jeannine" Atzeri
Thomas Heck

In the midst of illness and pain, may they be united with Christ, who heals both body and soul. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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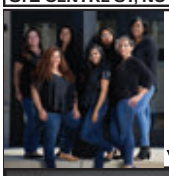

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