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"But I say to you,  
love your enemies  
and pray for those  
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Matthew 5:44



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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass:  
5:30 PM, 7:00PM (Spanish)

Sunday Masses:  
7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM  
1:15 PM - Spanish

Daily Masses:  
Monday—Friday  
7:00 AM  
9:00 AM  
7:30 PM



Saturday	<u>February 18</u>
5:30 pm	Delmy Escobar
7:00 pm (Español)	Bendiciones y Paz por Irene Blanco
Sunday	<u>February 19</u>
7:30 am	The People of the Parish
9:00 am	Elsa Valera
10:30 am	Cirilo Sapidula
12:00 pm	Catalina-Lorna Gregorio Canlas
1:15 pm (Español)	Jorge Mendoza Burgos
Monday	<u>February 20</u>
7:00 am	Jean Potoreiko
9:00 am	Joan Sommers
7:30pm	Antonetta Troisi
Tuesday	<u>February 21</u>
7:00 am	Sp. Int.: Sr. Sheila Lemieux
9:00 am	Pacifico Medado
7:30 pm	Rosemarie Tugaoen
Wednesday	<u>February 22—ASH WEDNESDAY</u>
7:00 am	Natividad U. De Los Santos
9:00 am	Orlando Rodriguez
7:30 pm	Dominic E. Francisco
7:00 pm (Spanish-LC)	David Castillo—28th Anniversary
Thursday	<u>February 23</u>
7:00 am	Sp. Int.: Sr. Chero Chuma
9:00 am	Margaret & Joseph Kiernan
7:30 pm	Idelio Antonio Rodriguez
Friday	<u>February 24</u>
7:00 am	Sp. Int.: Sr. Terry Donohue
9:00 am	Joan Sommers
7:30 pm	Erlinda Diesmo Flores
Saturday	<u>February 25</u>
7:00 am	Dominic E. Francisco
9:00 am	Pacifico Medado
5:30 pm	Maria Alvarado
7:00 pm (Español)	In Honor of The Virgen Mother Mary
Sunday	<u>February 26</u>
7:30 am	The People of the Parish
9:00 am	Eugene Iglar
10:30 am	Tomas & Rosario Chua
12:00 pm	Edward J. Edone
1:15 pm (Español)	Salustiana Hernandez— Anniversary

**Memorial Fund/Special Intention**

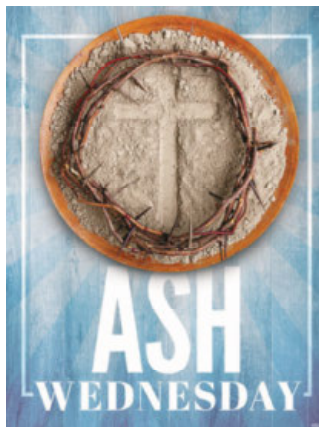
*Week of February 18th —24h*

Altar Flowers

*In loving memory of Dorothy Hartney  
Requested by The Rube Family*

**COLLECTION ENVELOPE NOTICE!**

Our envelope company advised us that due to internal issues, they will be unable to supply the Sunday collection envelope packets for February-March 2023. Please use a plain envelope with your name, date, and envelope number for each collection through the end of March. If you do not remember your envelope number, please include your address on the envelope. There are some temporary envelopes available at the doors of the church.

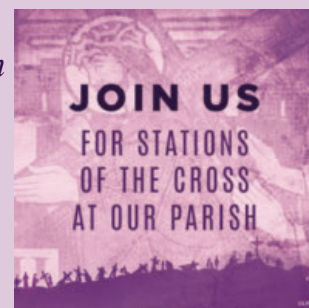



February 22  
Masses with  
distribution of Ashes:  
7:00 am, 9:00 am, 7:30 pm  
&  
7:00 pm ~ Español  
en la iglesia de abajo

Prayer Services with  
Ashes distributed:  
12 noon, 3:15 pm &  
4:30 pm ~ Español

*Español*  
Los viernes a las 6:00 pm  
en la Iglesia Principal  
(excepto el Viernes Santo)

*English*  
Fridays at 6:45 pm in  
the Main Church  
(except Good Friday)





Would you like to do something to help unborn babies and put an end to abortion?


Take a leap of faith and get involved with 40 Days for Life!

Please consider giving one hour a week during Lent to stand in a peaceful vigil across from Women's Choice Abortion Clinic, 10 Zabriskie St. Hackensack on the days that they perform abortions - Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays between the hours of 7am and 2pm.

Your presence will definitely make a difference and maybe save someone's life!

For more information or to sign up, contact: Margaret at 201-805-0937 [scullyfam@yahoo.com](mailto:scullyfam@yahoo.com)

February 22<sup>nd</sup>  
to April 2<sup>nd</sup>



*Prayers for the Deceased*  
Please remember Marianito Aclan Perez and  
John W. Gorman in your prayers.

Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you to those who made pledges last weekend for the Annual Appeal. I encourage every parish family to send your completed pledge form back to the Archdiocese, or use one of the envelopes in the church, or scan the QR code at the bottom of this page to make your pledge.

We have all seen reports of the devastating earthquake in Turkey and Syria. See the information on page 5 in today's bulletin if you would like to contribute to relief efforts there.

The Season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday this week. Lent provides us with the opportunity to personally identify what in our life keeps us from loving God and our neighbor as we should, and to use the ways of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving to begin to change to a more positive direction. Please see in this bulletin information about the schedule for Ash Wednesday, the Lenten regulations for fast and abstinence and "Easter duty," Public Stations of the Cross each Friday, and the availability of Rice Bowls with their included calendars for suggested Lenten sacrifices. Please take advantage of any or all of these and additional opportunities for your spiritual growth and enrichment.

Msgr. Richard Arnholts, Pastor

Stewardship: Sharing our Time, Talent, and Treasure!

"But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you..." MATTHEW 5:44

Love your enemies, easier said than done. But, remember, the foundation of stewardship is prayer. When we are in close communication with God, it opens our heart and it turns our attention away from "me" and moves it towards God and others. It changes my heart and actions, allowing for a little more empathy for "my enemy." When we pray for others, even our enemies, it may soften their hearts as well.

Our Sunday Offering: Sunday, January 8, 2023 — \$16,658.00 ~ January 9, 2022 — \$14,592.79

Request for Church Contribution Statement 2022

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Annual Appeal 2023

Make your gift today.



Your sacrificial support makes it possible for us to carry out the important work that we are called to do as missionary disciples of Jesus. Please consider participating in this year's Appeal to help make a significant difference in many lives within our Archdiocese. Please make a gift online today by visiting rcan.org/sharing.



## *Escritorio del Párroco*

Estimados Feligreses,

Gracias a todos los que llenaron el formulario para las promesas de La Llamada Anual el pasado fin de semana. Animo a todas las familias parroquiales a completar el formulario y enviarlo directamente a la Arquidiócesis de Newark. Si desea pueden usar el código QR en la parte inferior de esta página para hacer su promesa.

Todos hemos visto informes del devastador terremoto en Turquía y Siria. Vea la información en la página 6 del boletín de hoy si desea contribuir a los esfuerzos de socorro allí.

El tiempo Cuaresmal comienza este Miércoles de Ceniza. La Cuaresma nos da la oportunidad de reflexionar en nuestra vida personal y descubrir que es lo que nos aleja amar a Dios y a nuestro prójimo como debería de ser. La oración, el ayuno y la limosna nos ayuda a cambiar nuestro futuro en una dirección positiva y acercarnos mas a Dios. Por favor vea este boletín con información acerca de los horarios del Miércoles de Ceniza, y las regulaciones para ayunar, abstinencia y para el día de Resurrección, el Via Crucis todos los viernes, y sugerencias en esta Cuaresma, la Platos de Arroz y sus calendarios incluidos para los sacrificios de Cuaresma sugeridos. Favor de aprovechar todos las sugerencias y oportunidades para nuestro crecimiento espiritual.

Monseñor Richard Arnhols, Párroco

### *Administradores: ¡Compartiendo Nuestro Tiempo, Talento, Y Tesoro!*

*“Pero yo les digo, amen a sus enemigos y oren por los que los persiguen...” MATEO 5:44*

Amar a sus enemigos, eso es más fácil decirlo que hacerlo. Sin embargo, recuerde, el fundamento de la corresponsabilidad es la oración. Cuando estamos en estrecha comunicación con Dios, nuestros corazones se abren y cambia nuestra atención de “mí mismo” hacia Dios y hacia los demás. Eso cambia mi corazón y mis acciones, permitiéndome un poco más de empatía con “mi enemigo”. Cuando oramos por los demás, aún por nuestros enemigos, también se suavizan sus corazones.

*Nuestra Ofrenda Dominical: domingo, 8 de enero 2023 — \$16,658.00 ~ 9 de enero 2022 — \$14,592.79*

### *Solicitud de Declaración de Contribución de la Iglesia 2022*

Nombre: \_\_\_\_\_ Teléfono: \_\_\_\_\_

Dirección: \_\_\_\_\_ No. de Sobre: \_\_\_\_\_

**Por favor, complete, separe y coloque en la canasta de la colecta o devuélvalo a la rectoría.**



**Annual Appeal** 2023

**Make your gift today.**



Nuestro apoyo sacrificial nos permite realizar la importante obra que estamos llamados a realizar como discípulos misioneros de Jesús. Por favor considere participar en La Llamada para ayudar a hacer una diferencia significativa en muchas vidas dentro de nuestra Arquidiócesis. Por favor, haga un regalo en línea hoy visitando [rcan.org/sharing](https://rcan.org/sharing).





## ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK

### 2023 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.

- 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 some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
- The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the First Sunday of Lent, February 26, 2023 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, June 4, 2023.

\*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.*



### LENT IS COMING!

Join our faith community—and nearly 13,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl during Lent at the doors of the church. *Please return to the Rectory by Holy Thursday.* During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on the impact of global hunger and climate change on vulnerable communities around the world, and we will pray, fast and give alms to help our sisters and brothers in need.

Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more.

### St. John's Food Pantry

Food donations needed in February: Cereal, oatmeal, mac&cheese, canned tuna, tomato sauce and canned pasta.

*Thank you for your generous support.*

### Sacraments

Penance - Saturdays: 1:00pm-2:00pm in the Church.

Baptisms - English - 3:00pm — 2nd & 3rd Sundays of the month  
Spanish—2:45pm—4th Sunday of the month

Instructions for parents will be held on the 1st Sunday of the month in English at 1:30pm in the Parish Life Center Basement and the 3rd Sunday of the month in Spanish at 2:45pm in the Parish Life Center Gathering Room for parents having their first child baptized. All parents must be registered parishioners and present the child's birth certificate at the time of arranging the baptism. Godparents must be practicing Catholics, at least sixteen years of age, who have received the Sacraments of Confirmation & Eucharist, and, if married, the Sacrament of Matrimony. Sponsor certificate must be presented at least one week before Baptism.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

**We are accepting registrations for Baptisms for April and beyond.**  
NO BAPTISMS DURING LENT—FEBRUARY 22—APRIL 7  
**Please call the Rectory at 201-384-0101 for information.**

Matrimony - Arrangements for a wedding should be made at least one year in advance. Please contact one of the priests, 201-384-0101.

### Come & Pray

Adoration This Week:  
Tuesday 12pm—6:30pm &

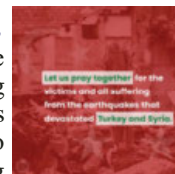
Thursday 12pm—5:30pm

**NO ADORATION ON ASH WEDNESDAY**



### Catholic Relief Services (CRS),

the international humanitarian agency of the U.S. Church, is already on the ground offering emergency relief efforts led by local partners with Caritas Turkey, Caritas Syria in Aleppo and Latakia, and others. They are bringing displaced people to safe spaces & distributing hot meals, clean water, hygiene supplies, and other essentials. They're collecting donations. If you wish to help in these efforts or make a donation, please visit [crs.org](http://crs.org).



### St. John's Prayer Groups

Legion of Mary —Meets each Saturday, 9:30am-11:00am in the Lower Church (English)

Padre Pio Prayer Group—Meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month, 3pm—5pm in the Lower Church.

St. John's Youth Group — Meets on Sunday 7pm-9pm, Youth Room, Lower Church.

For more information contact Eric Acosta, [ericacosta7@msn.com](mailto:ericacosta7@msn.com)

EL Shaddai DWXI-PPFI Bergenfield Cell Group —Meets 2nd & 4th Saturday 1:30pm-5:30pm in the Lower Church. Come & Be Blessed by the "Healing Message". For more info, contact Lhot Liwanag at 201.233.8235 or John Teopengco at 201.658.4032.

Anointing Fire Ministry Group —Meets Mondays 7pm-10pm in the Parish Life Center Chapel. Also, meets the 2nd Friday of the month from 10pm—6:30am for Eucharistic Adoration & Praise, in the Lower Church.



## Miércoles de Ceniza ~ Febrero 22

### Misas con distribución de Cenizas:

7:00 am, 9:00 am, 7:30 pm En Inglés en la Iglesia Principal

7:00 pm—En Español en la Iglesia de abajo

### Servicios de Oración con Cenizas distribuidas:

12:00 pm, 3:15 pm—Inglés

4:30 pm — Español en la Iglesia Principal



### ¡SE ACERCA LA CUARESMA!

Únete a nuestra comunidad de fe y a casi 13,000 comunidades católicas en todo Estados Unidos, en un viaje de Cuaresma transformador con Plato de Arroz de CRS. Recoge su Plato de Arroz de CRS por las puertas de la iglesia. Durante los 40 días de Cuaresma, reflexionaremos sobre el impacto del hambre y el cambio climático en las comunidades vulnerables de todo el mundo. Oraremos, ayunaremos y daremos limosna para ayudar a nuestros hermanos necesitados. Visite [crsplatodearroz.org](http://crsplatodearroz.org) para saber más.



### ARQUIDIÓCESIS DE NEWARK REGLAMENTO DE LA CUARESMA 2023

Los días de ayuno y abstinencia durante la Cuaresma son el Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo. Si es posible, el ayuno del Viernes Santo se continúa hasta la Vigilia Pascual (en la noche del Sábado Santo) como el "ayuno pascual" para honrar el sufrimiento y la muerte del Señor Jesús, y para prepararnos para compartir más plenamente y celebrar más fácilmente Su Resurrección. Los otros viernes de Cuaresma son días de abstinencia.

En un día de ayuno, solo se permite una (1) comida completa, y dos (2) comidas más pequeñas, que, si se suman, no excedería de la comida principal en cantidad.

Los que tienen entre 18 y 59 años están obligados a ayunar.

En un día de abstinencia, no se puede comer carne. Las personas que han cumplido 14 años están obligadas por la ley de abstinencia.

La obligación de observar las leyes de Ayuno y Abstinencia "substancialmente", o como un todo, es una obligación seria.

Los viernes del año, fuera de la Cuaresma, son designados como días de penitencia, pero cada individuo puede sustituir la tradicional abstinencia de la carne por alguna otra práctica de abnegación voluntaria como penitencia.

El tiempo para cumplir el Precepto Pascual (Deber Pascual\*) se extiende desde el primer domingo de Cuaresma, 26 de febrero de 2023, hasta la Solemnidad de la Santísima Trinidad, 4 de junio de 2023.



El 6 de febrero, un terremoto de magnitud 7.8 devastó grandes áreas del centro de Turquía y el noroeste de Siria, tomando las vidas de más de 21,000 personas y el número sigue creciendo. El terremoto es el peor que ha azotado a Turquía este siglo. Más tarde ese mismo día, la región experimentó un segundo terremoto de magnitud 7.7. Ayuda a las familias que han sido devastadas por el terremoto. Tu donación les brinda apoyo inmediato y refugio.

Visite [CRSEspañol.org](http://CRSEspañol.org)

## Grupos Parroquiales

La Palabra ~ lunes, Iglesia de abajo de 7:30pm ~ 9:30pm

Legión de María ~ martes, Capilla del Parish Life Center de 6:00pm ~ 7:30pm

Tienda del Encuentro ~ martes, Basement del Parish Life Center de 7:00pm ~ 10:00pm

Emaús Mujeres ~ miércoles, Iglesia de abajo de 7:30pm ~ 9:30pm

Emaús Hombres ~ miércoles, Basement del Parish Life Center de 7:30pm ~ 9:30pm

Grupo de Oración Luz y Vida ~ jueves, Iglesia de abajo de 7:30pm ~ 9:30pm

Devoción a la Preciosa Sangre de Cristo ~ viernes, Basement del Parish Life Center de 8:00pm ~ 9:00pm

Ministerio Matrimonios Con Cristo ~ tercer viernes del mes, Iglesia de abajo de 8:00pm ~ 9:45pm



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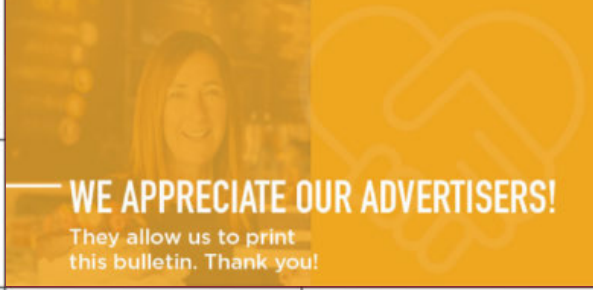
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