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**FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**FEBRUARY 8, 2026**

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Sat Vigil: 5:30 , 7:00 PM (Sp)

Sun Masses: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM,  
10:30 AM, 12:00 PM, 1:15 PM (Sp)

Daily (Mon-Fri): 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM,  
6:30 PM (Tues: 6:30 PM Sp)

Sat Masses: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM

Penance (Sat): 1:00 PM-2:00 PM



# MASS INTENTIONS

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

5:30 PM Ricardo Corona Piccone & Joy Corona  
7:00 PM (Spa) Gisela Astwood

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

7:30 AM People of The Parish  
9:00 AM Barbara O'Leary  
10:30 AM Lo Piccolo Family  
12:00 PM Melencio & Lawrence Isip, & Edzelle Lawrence Redoncio  
1:15 PM (Spa) Elias & Maria Duran

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9

7:00 AM Baby Matthew  
9:00 AM Margaret Raguse – 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
6:30 PM Catherine Wagner-Auryanser

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

7:00 AM Richard Doyle  
9:00 AM Teresa & Raymundo – Wedding Anniv.  
6:30 PM (Spa) Eddie Malonzo Franco

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

7:00 AM Ceila Noonan  
9:00 AM Robert Dushlek  
6:30 PM Socorro Ladera Anora

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

7:00 AM Kevin Mark Eterna - 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary  
9:00 AM Rolando Pagcaliwagan  
6:30 PM Joseph C. McGill

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13

7:00 AM Rolando Pagcaliwagan  
9:00 AM Elias Ibay & Danilo Bonifacio  
6:30 PM Jeen Joseph & Ancy George & Joshua Naviamos

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14

7:00 AM Richard Ascolese  
9:00 AM Jack Coleman  
5:30 PM Melencio Isip  
7:00 PM (Spa) Maria Briceño

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

7:30 AM People of The Parish  
9:00 AM Hermenegilda Romano  
10:30 AM Elaine Mischler  
12:00 PM Juanito Salipong & Noel Junsay Barnon  
1:15 PM (Spa) For the Health of Maria Espinal & Family

### SAINT OF THE WEEK ST. FRANCIS' PRAYER

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; it is in dying that we are born again to eternal life.

**St. Francis of Assisi, pray for us!**

## CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS AND YOUTH



LET US NOT BE AFRAID TO ASK OURSELVES:  
WHAT AM I LIVING FOR?  
DO I LIVE MY FAITH IN MY EVERYDAY LIFE?  
DO MY SUFFERINGS HAVE MEANING  
BEHIND THEM?  
AM I TIRED OF LIVING MY FAITH ALONE?  
HOW CAN I PASS FAITH TO MY CHILDREN OR  
GRANDCHILDREN?

### COME AND LISTEN!

THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE LOVE OF GOD  
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MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS  
8:00 PM

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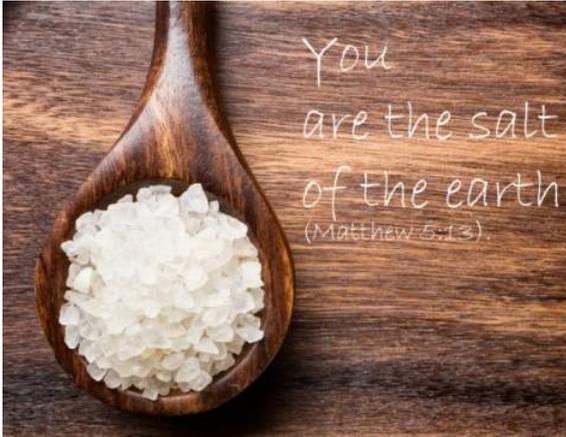
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Dear Brothers and Sisters



“You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste it is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.” Mt 5:13

Human life depends on the presence of salt. Salt is the only trace mineral that is found in every cell in the human body, without it we would cease to exist.

The salt in our Christian DNA comes from the fact that we have been salted, i.e. given life, by Christ. He is the essential presence in every cell of our body. Without Christ our testimony, our novelty, our zeal, our very life would cease to exist.

It is possible that the salt in us – the presence of Christ – loses its taste. It is still there, but it is of no use. Why does this happen?

Salt loses its taste for one reason: exposure to moisture or the elements. Thus Christianity can also be diluted by exposure to the elements around us – thoughts and opinions, the optics of the media, or assimilation to the mainstream culture. We live in the world, but are not of the world. Salt loses its taste when it becomes just like everything else around it. When this happens the novelty, the taste, the witness to the presence of something life-giving within us – Christ, Eternal Life, Faith, Hope, Charity, Humility... is gradually dissipated.

In Jesus day, when salt was ruined it was mixed with gypsum and was then used to seal roofs. The roof was often used as room or gathering space, and was therefore literally ‘trampled underfoot.’

The word gypsum means ‘bitter’. Our being salt – that is our witness to Christ, and our zeal for the Gospel – can gradually loses its flavor in the measure in which we become embittered. Our life can take one of two paths. There is the path to life or the path to death.

The path to life means our seeing the goodness of God in everything. It means understanding that God is writing a history of salvation with the events of our life. The psalmist experienced this when he exclaimed “Taste and see the goodness of the Lord”.

The path to death on the other hand means becoming hard-hearted, embittered, truculent, and narcissistic. It is a path were complaining, rivalry, petty-mindedness, lack of forgiveness and resentment begin to take hold.

The great Good News for us today is that Christ is giving us taste and meaning, he is the one who wants to give flavor to our life. His DNA becomes our DNA. We can experience it at the Liturgy today.

Fr. Sean

**Baptism**

Call the rectory (201-384-0101) to schedule.

**Parent meeting:** 1st Sun. 1:30 PM (Eng),  
3rd Sun. 2:45 PM (Sp).

**Baptisms:** 2nd & 3rd Sun. 3 PM (Eng),  
4th Sun. 2:45 PM (Sp).

Parents **must** be parishioners, provide child's birth certificate, and select Catholic godparents (16+, confirmed, Eucharist, married in Church if applicable).

**Sponsor certificates due 1 week prior.**

**Marriage**

Arrange one year in advance. Call the rectory (201-384-0101) for an appointment with a priest. **Please obtain an updated baptismal certificate.**

**Religious Education News**

- Please remember to turn in any assignment, Mass Attendance Sheets, & sacramental paperwork as soon as possible.
- SJRE has started a **Google Classroom for the Confirmation classes.** To join the Google Classroom use the code: **3v2wuglj**
- **The next Youth Group meeting is February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026. See you there!**

**Prayers for the Deceased**

Please remember  
**Bryan K. Bastian & Christopher Haugh**  
in your prayers.

**The Pope's Monthly Intention**

**For children with incurable diseases**

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

FRANCISCAN FRIARS OF THE RENEWAL PRESENT

# MEN'S DAY 2026

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**MARCH 14, 2026**  
**MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT FRIARY**  
 375 13TH AVENUE, NEWARK, NJ  
 (ENTER THROUGH GATE ON 9TH STREET)

9 AM: Registration and Coffee & Doughnuts  
 9:30 AM: Music, Morning Prayer, and Welcome & Intro

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3 PM: Approximate departure time

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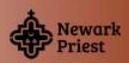
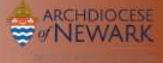
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**WHEN:** Friday, February 27, 2026, 6 – 8 PM  
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**St. John's Food Pantry**

Our next food distribution will be on Monday  
Feb 23rd (8:30 am - 11am / 6pm to 7pm).

Items needed in Feb & March:  
Kids cereal, tomato sauce, tuna, corn, bath  
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This month we don't need: pasta, rice, or  
beans.

Thank you very much for your generous  
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Any questions - contact Joe McHale 201-655-  
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**St. John's Prayer Groups**



**Legion of Mary**

Saturdays, 9:30–11 AM, Lower Church (Eng)

**Padre Pio Prayer Group**

2nd Sat., 2:00–4:30 PM, Conlon Hall Cafeteria

**El Shaddai DWXI-PPFI**

2nd–4th Sat., 1:30–5:30 PM, Lower Church.  
Info: Lourdes 201-233-8235 / John 201-658-4032

**Anointing Fire Ministry**

Mondays, 7:00–10 PM, Parish Life Center  
Chapel 2nd Fri., 10:00 PM–6:30 AM, LC  
(Adoration).

**Request for Church Contribution Statement 2025**

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  - Emaús Mujeres**  
Miércoles, 7:00–9:30 PM, Iglesia de abajo
  - Emaús Hombres**  
Miércoles, 7:00–9:30 PM, PLC Basement
  - Luz y Vida**  
Jueves, 7:00–9:30 PM, Iglesia de abajo
  - Preciosa Sangre de Cristo**  
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