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Saturdays: 8:00 am, 12 Noon
Holy Days: Check Bulletin for Mass times

RECONCILIATION: Monday through Saturday after the 12:00 Noon Mass and Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m.

BAPTISMS: Contact the Parish Center for date and Prep Class.

MARRIAGE: One year preparation program. Please contact the Parish Center.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Homebound: Please let us know of any parishioners, unable to attend church, wishing to receive the Sacraments - Anointing of the Sick and Communion. Hospital Visitation: Present privacy regulations require the family to notify the parish of hospitalized parishioners. Please call the Parish Center to arrange a visit.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: We welcome new members to our parish. Registering helps us know you are one of us. Please visit the Parish Center.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): We welcome inquiries into our Faith. Please contact the Parish Center.

YOUTH MINISTRY: Weekly in the Youth Room - High School 7:00 p.m. Sunday - at St. Michael’s

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### Readings for the Week:

**Monday:** Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10  
**Tuesday:** Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1-7; Jn 10:22-30  
**Wednesday:** 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20  
**Thursday:** Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3,21-22,25,27; Jn 13:16-20  
**Friday:** Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6  
**Saturday:** Acts 11:19-26; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20  
**Sunday:** Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-28,30-32; Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

**Please Note:** We will not celebrate the 12 Noon Mass on Saturday, May 5, 2018, because of the times allotted to the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at 11:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

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**Masses for the Week**

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**Legion of Mary:**
- Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m.--Parish Center  
**Rosary:**
- Weekdays 6:30 am; Sat:7:30 am; Sun:8:30 am  

**Social Services Helpline:**
(Cath. Comm. Services) 1-800-CCS-7413

**Crisis Pregnancy Center:** 1-201-991-2850

**To Report Abuse:**
- Victim Assistance Coordinator 201-407-3256  
- Union County Prosecutor 908-965-3879

**Pilgrim Statue:**
- God Bless Those Who Welcome Our Lady!
  - Apr.22-29: Mary Buontempo, 322 Manor Ave

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**“...I know mine and mine know me...”**

This Sunday, known as ‘Good Shepherd Sunday’, highlights Jesus’ use of that image when describing His relationship with His ‘flock’. Tending sheep and goats was, and still is, a notable reality in the culture of the Middle East, where for millennia it was part of a nomadic economy. Jesus, growing up in rural Galilee, would have seen and understood the interdependence that characterizes the shepherd/flock relationship, and He recognizes it as an apt way to portray His own relationship with His followers. It is a multi-dimensional reality, with several applications, but in today’s passage from St. John’s Gospel Jesus emphasizes the role of a shepherd in protecting and guiding his flock. It is said that sheep may have poor distance vision, as a result of constantly browsing vegetation close to the ground, especially in an arid environment where grass is scarce. Their intense focus leaves the sheep vulnerable to unseen threats (the stealthy approach of a wolf, e.g.) and to wandering away from the flock to follow a rare and tempting patch of grass. The shepherd must keep the flock together and be on the watch for dangers, but some are so perilous that not every sheep will instinctively “lay down his life for the sheep”. Jesus describes a shepherd who is no hireling, but one committed to caring for his flock, knowing how precious each and every sheep or goat is. The shepherd Jesus talks about is concerned about keeping the flock intact, but also appreciates the individuality of each member of it. “I know mine and mine know me”: the sheep are dependent on hearing the shepherd’s familiar voice and even on picking up his scent, the result of spending time close together. Jesus gives His listeners a key to understanding the why and wherefore of His approaching death. John has Jesus make it clear: His death is an exercise of His responsibility as “the good shepherd”: “I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own.” It is an act of sacrificial love, not a defeat by a powerful enemy. The Resurrection is the proof of His Father’s acceptance of this sacrifice on behalf of all humanity: so Peter can say to the people that Jesus is “the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. There is no salvation through anyone else”, because of the human nature we share with Jesus, “whom God raised from the dead…”

The Church asks us today to consider the responsibility we share as members of the Body of Christ, to call forth those in whom the Holy Spirit may be stirring the instincts of a “good shepherd”, to continue Jesus’ ministry of keeping His flock united in faith and nourished with the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. Pray for vocations to the priesthood and the consecrated life, but also invite and encourage those you know who demonstrate, even at a young age, the heart and insight of our Good Shepherd. We need them, and they will thank you for helping them hear the Lord’s call. God love you!

*Msgr. Tim Shugrue*
STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep...and they will heed my voice.” John 10:14-16

When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for the things you want? Do you ever ask Him what He wants from you? How do you listen for His response? Usually, the answer is in “quiet whispers”, so take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His response.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

We are accepting Memorial Donations for flowers for the Altar area, the Candles, Bread & Wine used for the Liturgies, and the weekly Sanctuary Candle. These items may be donated in memory of someone or to mark a special occasion. A donation of $10 is suggested for the candles, bread & wine and sanctuary candle, and a donation of $40 is suggested for the weekly flowers. (MEMORIAL CARDS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THESE DONATIONS.) ALSO, as we face the need to replace various items for liturgical use, we are happy to arrange for memorials of deceased loved ones. Contact the Parish Office.

MINISTRY OF MOMs

MOMs helping Moms...Mother’s Day Bags will be assembled by St. Michael MOMs to bring a smile to the mothers of Cranford Family Care and Raphael’s Life House. There is a collection bin in the vestibule of the church for donations of toiletries, nail polish, make-up, socks, hair accessories….or anything you feel would pamper a Mom on Mother’s Day. Collection runs through April 30.

WEB MASTER NEEDED!

The St. Michael Pastoral Council is looking to initiate a project to enhance the parish website in order to create a more enriching and informative experience for our parish community. Ideally, the website will serve as the central hub for communications, activities, ministries, and social activities. The Council is seeking volunteers who have subject matter expertise in this area and a creative passion in how best to refresh the website. If you or anyone you know has an interest in participating in this project, please contact the Parish Office; e-mail parishcenter@stmichaelscranford.org or call 908-276-0360.

WOMEN’S RETREAT DAY

A Women’s Retreat Day will take place on Monday, May 14, 2018, from 8:00am - 4:00pm at the San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch, NJ. Cost of $55.00 includes transportation, Danish and coffee upon arrival, and a hot lunch. Check is payable to St. Michael Rosary Society and may be mailed, dropped off to the Parish Center Office, or placed in the collection basket. Deadline for reservations: Monday, April 30, 2018. Questions? Dorothy 908-276-2499.

2018 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

We are once again preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples in our Archdiocese who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years or more of Christian marriage in the Year 2018. These anniversary liturgies will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

- **Sunday, April 29** - 3:00 p.m. - 5 & 25 years
- **Sunday, May 6** - 3:00 p.m. - 50 years, and more

It is hoped that every couple in the Archdiocese deserving of such recognition be present at the appropriate liturgy. The presence of a large number of couples will give favorable witness to the strength and stability of Christian marriage in today’s society. Please contact the Parish Office at 908-276-0360 for further information.

NEW MEMBERS

will be recruited for the Cranford Knights of Columbus this weekend. Members will be outside of Church before/after all Masses. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please see one of the Knights.
YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAM

This Sunday we invite all High School teens to join us for our next meeting, tonight, in the Youth Room at St. Michael’s. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. and we get started shortly after 7:30 p.m. Tonight is our “Mr. CYO Night”. Come see who will walk away with the title this year! Get the latest information about the Youth Ministry Program at www.stmtym.com. You can also reach Rich at the Youth Ministry Office at 908-276-5990 or via email at rich@stmtym.com.

Samaritan Ministry

Jane Hannon 908-276-0863-H 908-591-3202-C

SANDWICH PROGRAM - Drop-off sites this Sunday are: Chris & Tae Haum, 219 Central Avenue, and Kathy & Don McGee, 14 Hamilton Avenue. “The simplest acts of kindness are by far more powerful than a thousand heads bowing in prayer.” (Mahatma Gandhi) Show your kindness by making a loaf or two of sandwiches to the people of St. Joseph’s in Elizabeth. Sandwiches will be delivered early Monday.

MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION - for Cranford Family Care will be at all Masses this weekend and next. Needs for the month include side dishes such as instant mashed potatoes, white rice, and macaroni & cheese, canned meals such as stew or pasta dishes, hot chocolate and mayonnaise. Fresh foods are always welcome and can be delivered to CFC, 61 Myrtle Street (908-276-3530). Your help and support are always appreciated.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND for Inner-City Children

Annual Gala will be held on Thursday, April 26, at The Venetian in Garfield. Honorees will receive awards. Proceeds will provide partial tuition scholarships to low income students in Grades K-12 attending Catholic Schools in Bergen, Essex, Hudson and Union counties. For more information or to order tickets or place a journal ad, please visit www.sfcnj.org or call SFIC at 973-497-4278.

LET’S TALK ADOPTION CONFERENCE will take place on Saturday, May 5, at Rutgers University (8:30-4:00), Busch Campus Center, Piscataway. This is for people interested in foster care, kinship care, or adoption, as well as those who are currently raising these children. The program can be seen on www.cpfanj.org where you can also register online. Cost: $60 per person or $100 couple. Information: Pat Bennett, Paben48@gmail.com or 908-273-5694.

VOLUNTEERS are needed at St. Joseph Social Service Center in Elizabeth for the Project Ready Program. The program provides job readiness and computer skills training for adults seeking to (re)enter the workforce. It is a five-week program that runs Tuesdays through Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. There are seven sessions throughout the year. If you are able and would like to share your time and talents, please contact Colletta Liccardi, Program Director at 908-353-1045-Ext 213 for more information.

ART AUCTION & SALE: “Taste and See”…. to benefit Raphael’s Life House will be held Thursday, May 10, (6:30-9:30 p.m.) at Simply Art & Framing, 11 North Union Ave., Cranford, which will donate 20% of sales during the event. Silent auction items will also be provided by Martin Jewelers, Cranford. Tickets ($15 in advance, $20 at door) and more information are available through Christine at 908-451-7633 or cmcmullan@gmail.com. Tickets are also available at Simply.

SEVEN AWESOME HABITS FOR SHARING YOUR FAITH

Sr. Terry Rickard, O.P., will speak at St. Helen’s Church, Westfield, on Friday, April 27, 2018, at 7:30 p.m. in exploring seven awe-inspiring habits that will help you give humble witness to your faith and pass on its richness to your children, grandchildren and anyone who is seeking God. Sister is a Blauvelt, NY Dominican Sister and President and Executive Director of Renew International and a nationally known retreat leader and speaker. Everyone is welcome.

SCHOLARSHIP OFFERED by Cranford Clergy Council & Interfaith Human Relations Committee (Application deadline: April 29). Recipient should be a graduating high school senior at a public or private school, or any graduating senior who is a member of a local Cranford House of Worship. He/she must be active in church or synagogue and must plan to continue education after high school. It is not based on scholastic aptitude, but judged solely on participation in Human Services either at your House of Worship or the community. Forms are available at the Parish Center, and need to be returned to Pastor Tom Rice, President, Cranford Clergy Council, 7 Cherry St., Cranford.

HEALING RETREATS…

…..are being offered by the Respect Life Office for anyone suffering from an abortion experience. Also, for those who have endured physical, emotional and/or spiritual abuse, find healing through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals. The 2018 dates are May 11-13 and September 7-9. More information, contact Respect Life Office 973-497-4350 or email rileyche@rcan.org.

LITURGY FOR PARENTS …

….who have suffered the death of a child will take place on Friday, May 11, 2018, at 7:30 p.m. at Notre Dame RC Church, 359 Central Avenue, North Caldwell. All parents who have suffered the death of a child of any age are invited to attend with their families and friends. The Mass includes a personal witness and the reading of each child’s name. Pre-registration is requested by contacting Lauren Egan 973-497-43327 or Lauren.Egan@rcan.org.

OPEN HOUSE will take place at Union Catholic High School on Wednesday, April 25, for 5th, 6th, 7th grade students and families at (7 p.m.) Martine Ave., Scotch Plains. More info: 908-889-1600X302.

F.Y.I. re: Sr. Citizens Council of Union County is providing information regarding Housing & Transportation “Your Community Connections” on Tuesday, May 8, (9:00-11:45 a.m.-doors open at 9 with a free continental breakfast) at The Westwood in Garwood. This event will provide information on: Home Modifications; Senior Housing; Assisted Living & Other Options; Travel Options; Paratransit; Uber & Lyft: RSVP or for more information: contact the Union County Senior Council at 908-964-7555 or go to www.njseniorcouncil.com or email info@njseniorcouncil.com.

BASKETBALL PROGRAM - for children to be run for 4-weeks during summer by Rutgers University-Newark: July 9-13; July 16-20; July 23-27 and July 30-August 3, 2018 from 8:30 - 4pm. Early drop-off and late pick-up Free of Charge. Cost for one week is $160; discount rates for more than one week. More information and brochure: call Joe Loughran at 973-353-1483 or email at loughran@rutgers.edu.
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