ST. NICHOLAS RC CHURCH

Served by the Vocationist Fathers

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Office Hours

Mon, Wed, Thu & Fri 11:30 AM - 6:00 PM
Tuesdays 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM
(Mornings by appointment only)

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 21st, 2019

Jesus converses with Martha and Mary about service and contemplation (Luke 10:38-42).

ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Baptisms: On any available Sunday during the 11:00 AM (Italian), 9:30 AM or 12:30 PM (English) & 7:00 PM (Portuguese) Masses. Please contact the rectory at least one month prior to desired date.

Confessions: Saturdays 4:00 to 4:45 PM, or during the week by appointment.

Marriages: Please contact the rectory at least six months prior to desired wedding date.

Sacrament of the Sick: If you are hospitalized or unable to come to Church for health reasons and would like to be visited by a priest for Confession, Communion, or Anointing of the Sick, please call the rectory.

Religious Education Program (CCD): For children 1st to 8th grades who are not attending Catholic School. Classes are held on Sundays from September to May at 11:30 AM, with attendance at the 12:30 PM Family Mass.

Confirmation: Teens will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at 8th grade. They will attend classes at 11:30 AM from September to December; and from January to April classes will start at 11:00 AM in the church hall, with attendance at the 12:30 PM Family Mass.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: **7:00 & 8:00 AM**
5:00 PM - Vigil Mass

Sunday: **7:30 AM, 9:30 AM**
11:00 AM (Italian)
12:30 PM Family Mass
7:00 PM (Portuguese)

Weekdays: 7:00 & 8:00 AM
Holy Days: 6:30, 8:00, 10:00 AM & 7:30 PM

Other Weekly Services & Activities:

Mon to Sat	7:35 AM - Morning Prayer
	8:30 AM - Holy Rosary (English)
Tuesdays	9:00 AM - Legion of Mary
	7:30 PM - St. Padre Pio Mass
	7:30 PM - St. Anthony's Group
	7:30 PM - Holy Rosary Society (9/28)
	8:00 PM - Holy Rosary (Portuguese)
Wednesdays	2:00 PM - Holy Rosary (Italian)
Thursday	6:15 to 7:15 PM - Holy Hour Adoration for Vocations (July 25, Aug 1, 8, 15)
Friday	8:30 PM - Brazilian Prayer Group
1st Friday	8:30 AM to 7:30 PM - Blessed Sacrament Adoration (9/6)
Sunday	6:00 PM - Holy Rosary by Brazilian Men (8/11)

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Parish Trustee: Giovanni Simone & Michael Massaro
Parish Secretary: Débora Moreira
Music Ministry: Addie Luers, Giovanni & Karen Simone, and Kelly Oliveira

Vocationist Sisters Community
Sr. Benedita Carvalho, S.D.V., Superior & Pre-K Director;
Sr. Jancy Thomas, S.D.V. and Sr. Emilia Din, S.D.V.
223 14th Street - Palisades Park, NJ Tel. 201-947-2413
Parish Pre-K "Fr. Justin Learning Center" Tel. 201-944-1376

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY
312 First St—Palisades Park, NJ
Principal: Mark Valvano Tel. 201-947-5262

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, July 20
7:00AM *Jakominca Mirkovich by Agnes & Dusko Govic*
8:00AM *Robert Hroncich by his family*
5:00PM *Francis M. Pollio-Searfoss by Pat Searfoss*
SUNDAY, July 21
7:30AM *Linda Roman by Lena Roman & family*
9:30AM *Susan Gasperino by Ronald & Carmela Kida*
11:00AM *Nikolina Mirkovich by Julia & Anton Piccinich*
12:30PM *Susan Gasperino by Angela Caruso*
7:00PM For all people of this parish
MONDAY, July 22
7:00AM *Martino Matesic by his wife Victoria*
8:00AM *Dolorata Tarabokija by M/M Albino Matesic*
TUESDAY, July 23
7:00AM *Peggy Flatley-Collins by her daughter Margaret*
8:00AM *Stella and Antonio Tarabocchia by M/M Antonio Piccinich*
WEDNESDAY, July 24
7:00AM *Steven Eiler by Rosemary & Steven Bialick*
8:00AM *Marco Tarabocchia by Maria Mattessich*
THURSDAY, July 25
7:00AM *Mario Lisica by his mother Regina*
8:00AM *Giovanna Piccinich by M/M Antonio Piccinich*
FRIDAY, July 26
7:00AM *Francis M. Pollio-Searfoss by Pat Searfoss*
8:00AM *In honor of St. Anne by parishioners and friends*
SATURDAY, July 27
7:00AM *Steven Eiler by Marty & Annette Mattessich*
8:00AM *Matthew Mattessich by Maria & Joseph Hroncich*
5:00PM *Frank DeMaio by Lina & Vincent DeMaio*
SUNDAY, July 28
7:30AM *Tom Porto Jr. & Michael Germaine by family*
9:30AM *Susan Gasperino by Anna Peticca*
11:00AM *Margherita Lo Biondo by George Ko*
12:30PM *Patricia Armstrong by Hogan family*
7:00PM For all people of this parish

News of the Parish

Through the **ARCHDIOCESAN MISSIONARY COOPERATION PLAN** the people of our Archdiocese reach out in prayer and sacrifice to the Church in missions lands. For this year the **DE LA SALLE BROTHERS OF THE CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS** has been invited by the Archbishop and assigned to our Parish. Brother Dennis Lee will be at our Masses next weekend speaking about their work and needs. Please donate generously. See page 5 for more information.

OUR ANNUAL MASS IN HONOR OF ST. ANNE will be celebrated this Friday, July 26 at 8:00 AM. A holy relic of the saint will be venerated immediately after the mass.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT Bring your family to a BIG SCREEN OUTDOOR movie this Wed, July 24 at sundown in the church parking lot. Free admission—free popcorn, cupcakes and soft drinks. We'll be showing: "Paddington 2" (If it's too hot/humid/ raining we will show movie in the church hall – Please call Rosie 201-376-3337 to confirm location)

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION will be held every Thursday from 6:15 to 7:15 PM. During summer, more than ever, we should take advantage of our free time to have private hours of adoration in church. Our church will continue to stay open from 6:30 AM to 7:30 PM.

DINNER DANCE & RAFFLE - Our Dinner Dance will be held on Saturday, October 19 in the church hall. Tickets are $75.00 per person—on sale soon. **Raffle tickets are also on sale**: 1 for $10, 4 for $30 and 14 for $100. They are available at the entrance of the church. **We will not mail raffle tickets this year, please offer them to your family and friends.**

In Memoriam

ALTAR CANDLES donated this week in loving memory of **Jack Coonan** by his family

BREAD & WINE donated this week in loving memory of **Jack Coonan** by his family

SANCTUARY LAMP donated this week in loving memory of **Jack Coonan** by his family

Events of the Week

Tuesday, July 23
9:00AM - Legion of Mary meeting in Bl. Mother's room
8:00PM - Holy Rosary by Brazilian families
Wednesday, July 24
Sundown - Family Movie Night in parking lot
Thursday, July 25
6:15PM to 7:00PM - Holy Hour of Adoration for Vocations
Friday, July 26
8:00AM - Mass in honor of St. Anne
8:30PM - Brazilian Prayer Group in the church hall

Ministers' Schedule for July 28

5:00 PM **Lectors** - Carmela and Silvio
E. M. - Claudia and Adriana
7:30 AM: **Lectors** - John and Michael
E. M. - Sr. Jancy and Sr. Emilia
9:30 AM: **Lectors** - Lynn and Gina
E.M. - Carol and Sr. Bene
11:00 AM: **Lectors** - Antonia and Margherita
E.M. - Carmela A., Francesca and Frank
12:30 PM: **Lector** - Kyle Katjomuise and Sr. Bene
E.M. - Suzanne
7:00 PM: **Lector** - Katia, Patricia and Viviane
E.M. - Evaneide and Adriana

Pastoral Care

Baptism: Serafina DiMartino (7/21)

Holy Communion was brought this month to: Victor Columbini, Frances Ceria, Cynthia Cornell, Francesco DeCandia, Eileen Murphy, Arthur Mazzarella, Joan Driscoll and Dominick Rotundo.

Pray for our sick: Mateus Ribeiro, Angela Tina, Domenica Dinaro, Josephine Dolberry, Eileen Murphy, Sara Modafferi, John Hroncich (John Hroncich's nephew), James Malatesta, Arthur Mazzarella, Dolly Marie Caiazzo, Francesco DeCandia, Rosetta Lo Faro, Paul Albanese, Paul Albanese, Stefano Sgambellone, Fr. Steve Conner, Giulia Picinich, Anne Mulieri and Eudineia Aniceto.

This summer we say goodbye to our dear **Sr. Jancy**. She will be transferred at the beginning of the school year to the Vocationist Sisters Community of Martinsville. Sr. Jancy was a teacher at the Fr. Justin Learning Center—Pre-K for the past 4 years. She also taught CCD for our 6th grade children. We were blessed by her kind, sweet, loving presence among us, always smiling and willing to serve. We will gather to thank and say goodbye to Sr. Jancy on **Saturday, September 7 after the 5:00 PM Mass** in the church hall. All are invited.

16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A MINDSET OF SERVICE

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There's a lot of traveling, delivering, and visiting going on in our readings today. In Genesis Abraham cares for the needs of three mysterious travelers. The psalm responds, celebrating the kind of righteousness that Abraham practices. Then, in his letter to the Colossians, Saint Paul describes his own ministry as almost like a delivery service: he, God's steward, brings the word of God to their community. Finally, Luke's Gospel shares the well-known story of Mary and Martha, and the different ways they welcome Jesus into their home. Amid all this coming and going, we are invited to pay attention to the ways we tend to the needs of others. Each of us can ask, How am I present to God and others in my life?

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ATTENTION: We are renovating our bathrooms. During this time, only the ladies' bathroom downstairs will be available. As it becomes a UNISEX area, we ask you to please respectfully knock at the door before entering. No children should be downstairs unaccompanied as there are some areas with tools and construction material. We apologize for the inconvenience.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

July 7 collection: $ 1,604.00

July 14 collection:

5:00 PM Mass	$ 396.00	
7:30 AM Mass	$ 380.00	
9:30 AM Mass	$ 384.00	
11:00 AM Mass	$ 228.00	
12:30 PM Mass	$ 227.00	
7:00 PM Mass	$ 349.00	
Online offerings	$ 10.00	**$ 1,974.00**

Would you consider giving 5% of your weekly income to support St. Nicholas?

HOW MUCH IS 5%

Weekly Income	$150	$200	$300	$400	$500
Offering	$7.50	$10	$15	$20	$25

Shoprite Cards are available after each Sunday Mass or during the week at the office. Our church will get 5% of what you spend.

2019 DINNER DANCE & JOURNAL

Celebrating the 90th Anniversary of the Rebuilding of the Church

SAVE THE DATE:

Our Dinner Dance will be held on **Saturday, October 19th** in the Church Hall

Support St. Nicholas Church by sponsoring a page in this year's journal

- ~~Outside back cover—$ 600.00~~
- ~~Inside front cover—$400.00~~
- ~~Inside back cover—$400.00~~
- Gold page—$350.00
- Silver page—$300.00
- Full color page —$ 220.00
- Full black & white page—$120.00
- Half page —$70.00
- Quarter page—$40.00
- Booster —$20.00

Please use Journal Contracts available at the entrance of the church

Are you being called?

St. Nicholas Religious Education Program is blessed with some very dedicated volunteers who help to pass on our faith to the children and young adults of our parish, but we need more help.

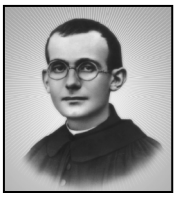
As our students grow and leave our program, sometimes our catechists need to go too. We need to replace the catechists who are leaving. **Please consider joining this ministry.**

We are looking for catechists, substitute catechists, and classroom aides to help on our Sunday program. If you are interested in helping please contact our D.R.E., Fr. Thomas at the rectory office or by email at stnicholas07650@live.com

Registration for Religious Education Program

We will begin enrolling students for our religious education program. All students in grades 1 to 8 who are not enrolled in a Catholic school would be enrolled in our program. Registration forms have been mailed to all returning families. If you are the parent of a first grader or you are new to the program please contact the rectory and a form will be sent to you.

Vocationist Corner



Grant that I may die to self and to the world, and that Jesus may live in me, in turn, I may live for You alone,
O Divine Trinity, indwelling in my soul!
Grant that all my thoughts may be directed toward You, as are those of the Cherubim, and that all my affections may become flames of love for You, as are the Seraphim.
May all my senses be engaged in serving You like so many Angels. Grant that every action of mine may truly be acts of the purest and most intense love for You.

Blessed Fr. Justin Russolillo, SDV, *Spirit of Prayer*, page 113

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Who are the De La Salle Brothers of the Christian Schools?

A mission began with John Baptist de La Salle in the poverty and war-stricken land of France in the late 1600s. Today, that mission continues with Brothers and Lasallian educators worldwide focused on educating the poor in hopes of one day breaking the cycle of poverty.

John Baptist de La Salle was born into a world very different from our own. He was the first son of wealthy parents living in France over 300 years ago. Born at Reims, John Baptist de La Salle received the tonsure at age eleven and was named Canon of the Reims Cathedral at sixteen. Though he had to assume the administration of family affairs after his parents died, he completed his theological studies and was ordained a priest on April 9, 1678. Two years later he received a doctorate in theology. Meanwhile he became tentatively involved with a group of rough and barely literate young men in order to establish schools for poor boys.

Attentive to God's voice, a voice calling him to place all his trust in Him, John Baptist stripped himself of everything: first of his title as canon, then of his patrimony which he distributed to the poor during a famine that desolated France in 1683 and 1684, thereby becoming completely poor himself just as the young people who came to his schools, and just like the teachers whom he encouraged to place their faith in God.

The Mwangaza College is administered under the Diocese of Nakuru by the De La Salle Christian Brothers. The goal of setting up the Centre was to provide a technical post-secondary education to mainly but not exclusively young women of the Nakuru area. In this society the needs of women have previously not been given the same priority as that of men.

The Brothers considered this an important issue and addressed it with the establishment of Mwangaza Centre (Currently Mwangaza College Nakuru). The institution is rich with history of academic performance and excellence throughout its existence since its inception in 1993.

The Brothers took up the challenge and through funding from MISEREOR, the LA SALLIAN WORLD FUND and contributions from friends, were able to build a quadrangle of classrooms and an administrative building. Much appreciation is due to Brothers John Moriarity, Chuck Gregor and Paul Ackerman from various Districts in the United States for providing an oasis in an otherwise neglected area of the town. The De La Salle Christian Brothers have been administering a number of educational projects in Kenya since before independence in 1963.

As time went on, the focus and type of their educational efforts changed according to how they perceived the needs of the country. Before and shortly after independence, there was a need for an educated civil servant work force. Since the number of schools was still very small in the country, the Brothers academic-style schools fulfilled a very real need for a newly independent country. As time went on, however, and the number of schools in the country multiplied significantly, the Brothers initiated more career-opportunity oriented schools. Accordingly, a more technical and agricultural sill's program was introduced into its existing schools and newer educational projects focused exclusively on this type of curriculum.