ST. NICHOLAS RC CHURCH

Served by the Vocationist Fathers
Fr. Christogonus (Chris) Iwunze, S.D.V., Pastor
Fr. Firmin Htwe, S.D.V., D.R.E.

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Office Hours
Mon, Wed, Thu & Fri — 12:00 PM Noon to 6:00 PM
Tuesdays — 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM
(Mornings by appointment only)

4th Sunday of Lent

March 27th, 2022

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation:
the old things have passed away;
behold, new things have come. (2 Corinthians 5:17)

ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Baptisms: On any available Sunday during the 11:00 AM (Italian), 9:30 AM or 12:30 PM (English) & 6:00 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 October to May at 11:00 AM, with attendance at the 12:30 PM Mass.

MASS SCHEDULE

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

Sunday: **7:30 AM, 9:30 AM (English)**
11:00 AM (Italian)
12:30 PM (English)
6:00 PM (Portuguese)

Weekdays: 7:00 & 8:00 AM
Holy Days: 6:30 and 8:00 AM & 7:30 PM*
*Check bulletin—Holy day schedule is subject to change

Other Weekly Services & Activities:

Mon to Sat	7:35 AM - Morning Prayer
	8:30 AM - Holy Rosary (Eng)
Tuesday	7:30 PM - St. Padre Pio Mass (4/19)
	8:00 PM - Holy Rosary (Port)
Wednesday	2:00 PM - Holy Rosary (It)
Thursday	6:15 to 7:15 PM - Holy Hour Adoration
Friday	8:00 PM - Brazilian Prayer Group
1st Friday	8:30 to 10:00 AM - Blessed Sacrament Adoration
Saturday	6:00 PM - Respect Life Ministry (2nd)
Sunday	7:00 PM - Youth Group (1st)
	7:00 PM - Rosary by Men in Port. (2nd)

ST. NICHOLAS R.C. CHURCH

Parish Trustees: Giovanni Simone & Michael Massaro
Parish Secretary: Débora Moreira
Music Ministry: Giovanni & Karen Simone, Kelly Oliveira, Angela Costantini and Josephine Maresca

Vocationist Sisters Community
Sr. Benedita Carvalho, S.D.V., Superior & Pre-K Director;
Sr. Joicy Palatty, S.D.V. and Sr. Emilia Din, S.D.V.
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, March 26
7:00AM Eugenio Pate by Vincenzina Pate & sons
8:00AM Asuncion & Guillermo Quibilan
5:00PM Frank Kida by his son Ron and family

SUNDAY, March 27
7:30AM Nancy Pallotta by Frank Lettera
9:30AM Nikola Lucin by Diana & Vinko Dunatov
11:00AM Solidalba & Angelo Cecere by Cecere family
12:30PM Josephine Daniele by Daniele family
6:00PM Living and deceased members of this parish

MONDAY, March 28
7:00AM Mercurio Guglielmo by Maria Suriano
8:00AM Armando Arreola

TUESDAY, March 29
7:00AM Marie Mattessich by Sandra Mattessich
8:00AM Dina Mirkovich by Joseph & Maria Hroncich

WEDNESDAY, March 30
7:00AM John R. De Sheplo by Pappalardo family
8:00AM Joseph Giannini by his family

THURSDAY, March 31
7:00AM Nancy Picinic by M/M Derek Borkowski
8:00AM Joseph Nicoletti by Frank Lettera

FRIDAY, April 1
7:00AM Marie Mattessich by M/M Zdenko Mirkovic
8:00AM Nicola Picinic by his wife Antonia

SATURDAY, April 2
7:00AM Robert Reddington by niece Margaret
8:00AM Simona and Quentin Arreola
5:00PM Nikola Lucin by Diana & Vinko Dunatov

SUNDAY, April 3
7:30AM For Pope Francis April prayer intentions
9:30AM Thomas DeMichele by Elio & Branka Monaco
11:00AM Antonia Tursi by Simone family
12:30PM Emilia DeBenedetto by Tommolillo family
6:00PM Living and deceased members of this parish

News of the Parish

BLESSED SACRAMENT ADORATION - This first Friday, April 1 from 8:30 to 10:00 AM.

PARISH RETREAT FOR LENT - It will prepare our spirits for the Holy Week and Easter. The retreat will be held at the Vocationist Fathers Religious House in Florham Park, NJ, next Saturday, April 2nd from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. We will carpool from the church's parking lot at 9:00 AM. Help us organize the event by confirming your presence no later than this Wednesday. All are welcome.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Please join us every Friday of Lent at 7:00 PM.

ARCHDIOCESE ANNUAL APPEAL
Our stretch goal for 2022 is $13,611.00 — As of 03/25/22, we have received $10,315.00 from 40 donors. Any donation amount is a blessing for those who need our help — 100% of the donations made after we reach our goal will return to St. Nicholas. God rewards a generous heart.

YOUTH GROUP will meet next Sunday, April 3rd at 7:00 PM, right after the Brazilian Mass in the Church Hall. The meeting is open to teens and young adults from 16 to 36, single or without children. Please add this ministry to your daily prayers.

In Memoriam

ALTAR CANDLES
donated this week in memory of
Giovanni Ferraioli by family

BREAD AND WINE
donated this week in memory of
Giovanni Ferraioli by family

SANCTUARY LAMP
donated this week in memory of
Giovanni Ferraioli by family

Events of the Week

Tuesday, March 29
8:00PM - Rosary by Brazilian families
Wednesday, March 30
2:00PM - Rosary in Italian in church
Friday, April 1
8:30 to 10:00AM - Blessed Sacrament Adoration
7:00PM - Stations of the Cross
8:00PM - Brazilian Prayer meeting

Join us for Lent

Ministers' Schedule for April 3

5:00 PM:	**Lector** - Carmela and Silvio **E.M.** - Claudia
7:30 AM:	**Lectors** - John and Michael **E. M.** - Sr. Bene
9:30 AM:	**Lectors** - Diana and Suzanne **E.M.** - Sr. Bene
11:00 AM:	**Lectors** - Italia and Giuseppe **E.M.** - Antonia
12:30 PM:	**Lector** - Lisa and Paul **E.M.** - Sister Emilia
6:00 PM:	**Lector -** Viviane and Patricia **E.M.** - Candido

Pastoral Care

Pray for our sick:

Angela Tina, Josephine Dolberry, Eileen Murphy, Sara Modafferi, James Malatesta, Paul Albanese, John Albanese, Giulia Picinich, Anne Mulieri, Anna Teresi, Mary Marino, Stephany Posada, Lisa Hagopian, Enzo Veltri, Lucia Sforza, Filomena Palamaro, Ricky Renzi, Joseph Roscitt, Angela Pisani, Mela Molnar, Felice DeCandia, Nicole Angulo and all those suffering from COVID-19 Pandemic.

Be diligent in serving the poor. Love the poor, honor them as you would Christ himself. —St. Louise de Marillac

2022 CHRISTIAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASSES

will be celebrated by Archbishop Joseph W. Tobin in the Cathedral Basilica of Sacred Heart in Newark on
Golden Anniversaries (50th) on Sunday, May 15
5th and Silver Anniversaries (25th) on Sunday, April 24
at 3:00 PM.

Sponsored by the Office of Family Life Ministries.
Please call the office to register
Reservations deadline is April 15.

~ LENTEN PARISH RETREAT ~

Saturday, April 2
at the Vocationist Fathers Vocationary in Florham Park, NJ

PREPARE YOUR SOUL FOR THE HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

The Vocationist Fathers' US Quasi Province Headquarters is a 39-acre refuge with beautifully manicured lawns and gardens which is perfect for a spiritual day of recollection, or a place to run away with the Blessed Trinity, the Holy Family, and Angels and Saints and Our Lady of Divine Vocations.

The facility is also a seminary and a discernment house for fostering religious vocations.

The retreat will be from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM — Bring your own lunch. We will have a delicious picnic together.

We will leave the church's parking lot at 9:00 AM. We will car pool — let us know in advance if you will need a ride, or if you can give someone a ride.

The BLESSED FATHER JUSTIN VOCATIONARY is located at 90 Brooklake Rd in Florham Park, NJ. It's about 30 minutes from Palisades Park.

Registration deadline: Wednesday, March 30

Go to **Catholic Relief Services**
or **www.rcan.org/where-give-help-ukraine**
for a list of places to donate.

~ TRICKY TRAY ~

Saturday, October 15

We are collecting items to be auctioned
NOT USED, UNOPENED gifts, toys, games, electronics, kitchen appliances, home decoration, paintings, books, jewelry, etc.

All donations are tax deductible

Please call the rectory's office for more information
201-944-1154

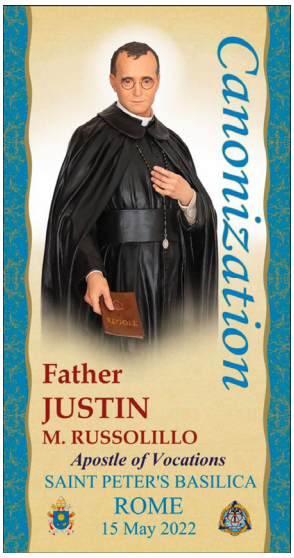
For safety reasons we cannot accept used clothes, shoes, opened toys or objects of decoration

St. Nicholas Parish Raffle has been postponed to Saturday, August 13 at the 60's 70's and 80's Dance Night Fundraiser Event

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



CANONIZATION OF BLESSED FR. JUSTIN M. RUSSOLILLO

Founder of
The Vocationist
Fathers & Sisters

Canonization
May 15th, 2022
St. Peter's Basilica in
Rome, Italy

Join us for a Thanksgiving Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Sacred Heart

Sunday, May 29th, 2022 at 3:00 PM
89 Ridge Street — Newark, NJ 07104
For more information,
please call 973-966-6262

POPE'S PRAYER FOR MARY DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of Salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

**Under your protection, we seek refuge,
Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the
entreaties of we who are in trial,
but deliver us from every danger,
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.**

Vocationist Corner

The Vocationist Fathers and Sisters invite all to rejoice with them as it has been confirmed the
CANONIZATION OF BLESSED FATHER JUSTIN M. RUSSOLILLO
in Rome, Italy on May 15th, 2022.

O my God and my All, I really like to see in each brother, now through the vision of Faith, what I will later see in the vision of Glory, what the Angel, the Blessed Mother and You see in him.
And this, do that I may have for everyone the particular respect, the particular love, the particular action that You have for him,
O Lord, and I intend to have it and to unite myself to You in this.

Fr. Justin Russolillo, SDV, *Spirit of Prayer*, page 180

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR PARISH BY CONSIDERING ONE OF OUR SPONSORS:

We are looking for businesses to sponsor ads in our weekly bulletin.
We have 8 spaces of approximately 3/4"h x 2"w each.

Cost of 1 space: 56 weeks x $8.00 per week = $448.00
26 weeks x $10.00 per week = $260.00
13 weeks x $12.00 per week = $156.00
This will help us with the printing costs of the bulletin.
Please call the rectory office for more information 201-944-1154

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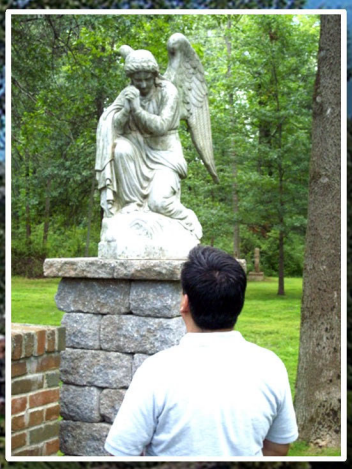
Annual Parish Lenten Retreat



Blessed Fr. Justin Vocationary

Vocationist Fathers Religious House
in Florham Park, New Jersey

Saturday
April 2

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

A spiritual retreat that will prepare us to celebrate the Holy Week and the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ

(Bring your own lunch—We will have a picnic)

We will carpool from the Church's parking lot at 9:00 AM

Florham Park is about 30 minutes from Palisades Park. If you need a ride or can give someone a ride, please let us know.

Reserve your place today by calling the rectory office at 201-944-1154 or by email stnicholas07650@live.com

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Attention!

Something new is coming at St. Nicholas Church

YOUTH GROUP

For Teens & Young Adults

They will meet every

First Sunday @ 7:00 PM

in the church hall

Welcome all 16 to 36 years old
single or married without children

NEXT MEETING:
SUNDAY, APRIL 3
@ 7:00 PM

The **YOUTH GROUP**'s meetings will be a safe, accessible gathering of young people who choose to meet and socialize.

It will be a place where young people spend an hour of relaxing fun while they grow in the Catholic faith and develop a sense of community and participation.

There will be discussions, activities, games, music and more!

Spiritual Director: Fr. Roberto da Silva, SDV
Coordinators: Kelly Oliveira, Barbara Evans, Laine Moura and Rachael Carvalho

Come Join Us! Bring your friends!

JESUS
because everybody needs a hero

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