

ST. NICHOLAS RC CHURCH

Served by the Vocationist Fathers & Sisters

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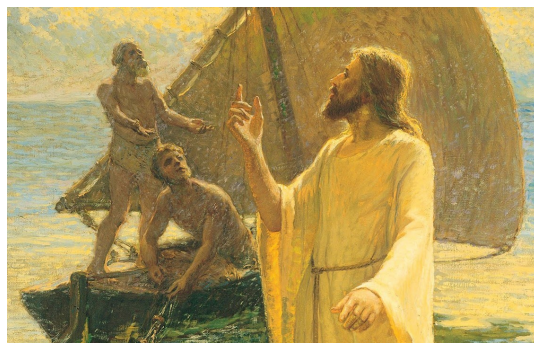
Office Hours

Mon, Wed, Thu & Fri — 12:00 PM Noon to 6:00 PM

Tuesdays — 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM

(Saturdays and mornings by appointment only)

Church Opening Hours 6:30 AM to 7:00 PM



3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 21, 2024

*Jesus said to them,
"Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."
Then they abandoned their nets and followed him.*

— Matthew 4:19

ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Baptisms: On any available Sunday during Mass at 9:30 AM or 12:30 PM (English), 11:00 AM (Italian), & 6:00 PM (Portuguese). 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 only.

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 office to add your name to Fr. Firmin's visitation schedule.

Religious Education Program (CCD): For children 1st to 8th grades who are not attending Catholic School. Classes are held at 11:00 AM on Sundays from September to May, with attendance at the 12:30 PM Mass. Sr. Joicy Palatty, D.R.E. — Come to the office on Wednesdays from 3:00 to 5:00 PM for registration.

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:

Sunday	10:30 AM - Holy Rosary (It) 7:00 PM - Rosary by Men (Port)(2 nd)
Mon to Sat	7:35 AM - Morning Prayer 8:30 AM - Holy Rosary (Eng)
Mon	7:00 PM - Holy Rosary (Eng)
Tuesday	7:00 PM - St. Padre Pio Mass (2/13) 8:00 PM - Holy Rosary (Port)
Thursday	6:15 - 7:15 PM - Holy Hour Adoration
Friday	8:00 PM - Brazilian Prayer Group
1 st Friday	8:30 - 10:00 AM - Adoration (2/2)
Saturday	2:00 PM - Healing Service (2/10)

St. Nicholas R.C. Church

Parish Trustees - Giovanni Simone and Michael Massaro

Parish Secretary - Débora Moreira

Music Ministry - Giovanni & Karen Simone, Kelly Oliveira and Sr. Emilia Din, S.D.V.

Director of Religious Education - Sr. Joicy Palatty, S.D.V.

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.

Saint Justin Learning Center — Pre-K Tel. 201-944-1376

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY - Principal: Eric Reid

312 First St—Palisades Park, NJ - Tel. 201-947-5262

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, January 20

7:00AM John Bussanich by M/M Zdenko Mirkovic

8:00AM Robert Hroncich by his family

5:00PM Steven Klein by Joann Moronese & family

SUNDAY, January 21

7:30AM Armando and Ariel

9:30AM Margaret Monte by Daniel Murphy

11:00AM Domenica Suriano by Salvatore & Antonia Molinaro

12:30PM Martino Matesic by his wife & family

6:00PM Living and deceased members of our parish

MONDAY, January 22

7:00AM Anna Marchetta by Daniel Murphy

8:00AM Martino Matesic by Jacomina Matesic

TUESDAY, January 23

7:00AM Joanne Suttora by Anthony Picinich

8:00AM Giuseppe Mattessich by daughter Maria

WEDNESDAY, January 24

7:00AM Anna Mirkovic by Tony Picinich

8:00AM Maria Mattessich y M/M Marty Picinic

THURSDAY, January 25

7:00AM Rosario Cundari by Salvatore & Antonia Molinaro

8:00AM Josephine Bussanich by brother John & fam

FRIDAY, January 26

7:00AM Gino Morin by Vincenzina Pate

8:00AM Lucio Picinic by Nick & Fides Hroncich

SATURDAY, January 27

7:00AM Nora Nasif by Cooney family

8:00AM John Bussanich by Natasha & Dino Picinich

5:00PM Steven Klein by Claudia Oliveira & family

SUNDAY, January 28

7:30AM Benito and Rodolfo

9:30AM Eleonor Barbieri by Antonio Vene

11:00AM Domenica Picinich by Anna Hroncich

12:30PM Misael Sanchez by son Misael & Yusselys

6:00PM Living and deceased members of our parish

News of the Parish



PAINT NIGHT — A fun and exciting fundraiser evening where you will learn to paint while making new friends. It will be held on **Saturday, January 27 from 6:30 to 9:30 PM**. Tickets are \$35.00 each — Included: All art supplies and light refreshments (Must buy in advance — no tickets will be sold at the door) Tickets on sale at the rectory's office.

10th ANNIVERSARY OF ST. PADRE PIO'S GROUP

— Come and celebrate with us with delicious food and dance. It will be held on **Sunday, February 4 from 2:00 to 6:00 PM** at the Villa Amalfi Restaurant in Cliffside Park, NJ. Tickets are \$120.00 — make your reservation today by calling the rectory office.

ANNUAL ²⁰²⁴ APPEAL

The 2024 Annual Appeal has begun! You should have received an invitation in the mail from Cardinal Tobin to consider making a financial sacrifice to support this year's Annual Appeal. We are grateful for your generosity and we rely on it because it helps support essential ministries and programs in our Archdiocese, which are also centric to our faith. Your support helps us accomplish across the Archdiocese what we would not be able to do alone. Please pray for the success of the Annual Appeal.

In Memoriam

ALTAR CANDLES

donated this week in loving memory of **Albino Matesic** by Leonello & Maria Matesic

BREAD AND WINE

donated this week in memory of memory of **Albino Matesic** by Leonello & Maria Matesic

SANCTUARY LAMP

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Events of the Week

Monday, January 22

7:00PM – Holy Rosary in English

Thursday, January 25

6:15 to 7:15 PM – Holy Hour of Adoration

Saturday, January 27

6:30 to 9:30 PM – Paint Night

Lectors & Ministers' Schedule for January 28

5:00 PM: **Lector** – Linda
E.M. – Claudia

7:30 AM: **Lectors** – Michael and John
E. M. – Sr. Bene

9:30 AM: **Lectors** – Diana and Matthew
E.M. – Sr. Bene

11:00 AM: **Lectors** – Alyda and Italia
E.M. – Antonia

12:30 PM: **Lectors** – Mirian and Lisa
E.M. – Suzanne

6:00 PM: **Lectors** – Klebia and Leny
E.M. – Candido

Pastoral Care

Pray for our sick:

Sara Modafferi,
 James Malatesta,
 Paul Albanese,
 Paul Albanese,
 John Albanese,
 Joseph & Anne Mulieri, Anna Teresi, Stephany Posada, Ana Sofia Farinas, Lisa Hagopian, Maria Estrada, Enzo Veltri, Victor Columbini, Filomena Palamaro, Carmelo Luvera, Norman & Mercedes Schindler, John Mattessich, Fr. Louis Caputo, Wayne Mosley, Marilyn, Natalie and Francis Brenes, Robert Lehrman, Anthony Mastice, Rosemary Iuliano, Kenny Cundari, and all those suffering from physical, mental and spiritual afflictions.



*With God our Father
 all things are possible.*

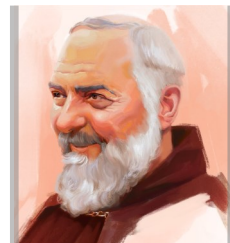
Our Sunday bulletins return tri-folded and in color every weekend

Since COVID 19 Pandemic, we have been printing our own bulletin which is hard work, time consuming and costly. Thanks to our sponsors (local area businesses) we are now back to having our free bulletins printed in color weekly by John Patrick Publishing Co, Inc.

Please patronized our sponsors on page 6

Come and celebrate the
 10th Anniversary of
 St. Padre Pio's Group

*An incredible event
 with lots of dancing
 and delicious food!*



Sunday, February 4, 2024

2:00 PM to 6:00 PM
 at the **VILLA AMALFI**
 793 Palisade Avenue — Cliffside Park, NJ

Tickets: \$120.00 per person

For information, sales and reservation
 please call Angela Cundari at 201-945-3197



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 January 27**

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Church Hal

Paint Night

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STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT

*We are grateful to the Vocationist Fathers and
 Sisters, and all parish volunteers who
 prepared the church hall for the Vocationist
 Day of Spirituality last Monday.*

9 DAYS FOR LIFE is a
 novena for the
 protection of human
 life. Each day's
 intention is
 accompanied by a
 short reflection and
 suggested actions to help build a culture of life.
 You can join the **9 Days for Life Novena** by
 visiting 9daysforlife.com to sign up
 and receive daily reflections.



Parish Giving

simple. secure. convenient.

Parish Giving is a way to donate to St. Nicholas through **Electronic Funds Transfer**, which is free of charge, uses no postage and makes donating quick and convenient. With Parish Giving, St. Nicholas will benefit from a reliable, more efficient and more convenient means of processing contributions which will help to support its mission.

HELP WANTED

- We are looking for **volunteers to help us with small jobs** like painting, moving tables and chairs, and some small repairs needed in our church. If you have handyman talents, are retired and/or have free time to donate to the church, just a couple of hours a week, please contact the rectory office.
- We welcome **High School students** who need to complete community service hours to help us with odd jobs.
- **Singer/Organist** — We are looking for an organist for the 5:00 PM Saturday Vigil, the 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 12:30 PM Masses.
- **Gardener** — We need someone who enjoys working with plants and flowers to help us in our gardens at both sides of the church. If you can donate 1 hour a week to make our church prettier, let us know.



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

HOW MUCH IS 5% ?

Weekly Income	\$150.00	\$200.00	\$300.00	\$400.00
Offering	\$7.50	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$20.00

Shoprite Cards are available after each Sunday Mass or during the week at the office. Use the cards to pay for your groceries and St. Nicholas Church will get 5% of what you spend.



ATTENTION: Please be aware that in case of **INCLEMENT WEATHER**, the 7:00 AM weekday Mass will be canceled. You may attend the 8:00 AM Mass if the weather permits. In doubt, please call the rectory before leaving your home.



If you wish to receive the **Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima** into your home for a week during the year 2024, please fill in your name and phone number for the week of your choice on the calendar at the bulletin board the entrance of the church.

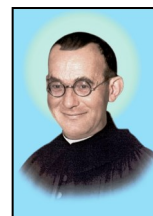
*We extend a warm welcome to our new parishioners. We hope that you will always feel welcomed here at our **St. Nicholas Parish**. We ask all our new parishioners to please come to the rectory to register.*



If you are already registered and wish to receive envelopes, please contact the rectory office. Envelope offerings are recorded. We will issue a certificate of your offerings at the end of the year for your income tax deduction.

If you or someone you know is sick, home-bound, and desire to receive the visit of a Priest or Eucharistic Minister to bring Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick, please let us know by calling the rectory office 201-944-1154 to schedule a visit.

Vocationist Corner



St. Justin

Oh my God and my All,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit!
You want it, and I want it for You, with
You, in You and from You;
may every action of mine be
perfect in Your Presence.

May each and every act of mine be in itself
supernatural, in conformity to the power of
Your Sanctifying Grace and all Your other Graces.

O my God and my All...

St. Justin Russolillo

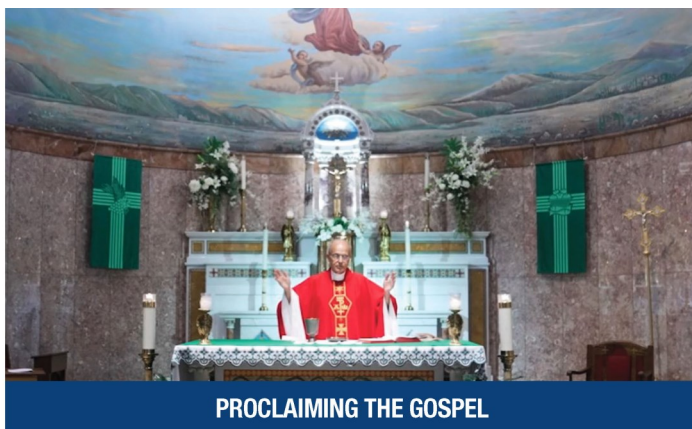
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If you wish to know more about St. Justin Russolillo's spirituality, please contact Fr. Firmin or Fr. Louis. You can also call 973-966-6262 or visit the Vocationist website at www.vocationistfathers.org



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2024 ANNUAL APPEAL



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