

ST. VERONICA CHURCH

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Religious Education: 732-364-4137

Academy Office: 732-364-4130

Rectory Office Hours This Week: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:30AM-3:00PM

Podcast

There is a new Catholic podcast called "Returning to the Heart of Jesus" hosted by fulltime Catholic Lay Evangelist. Bill



WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 12 Noon

10:30AM and 4PM: Live Stream Mass in parking lot with Communion

Daily: Monday-Friday: 12 Noon

Holy Days: As Announced in the bulletin

Healing Mass: TBA

Miraculous Medal Novena— TBA

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 2-3:30PM

Sacrament of Baptism: Every 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month

Anointing of the Sick: Parishioners facing surgery or struggling with illness may request the Sacrament by calling the parish office.

Parish Census: Every family in the parish should be properly registered. You may do so at the rectory office during regular rectory office hours.

Envelopes: The use of parish envelopes enables us to maintain up-to-date records of those who are actively attending & supporting our church.

Pastor: Rev. Peter James Alindogan
Parochial Vicar: Rev. John Chang
Weekend Assistant: Rev. Bill O'Brien
Deacons:

Charles R. Daye, Jr.

John Franey

Gino (Louis) Esposito

Business Manager:

Linda Dickinson-Pancila

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Coordinator:

Sr. Ann Norton, C.R.

Pastoral Associate: Sr. Cecilia Berdar

Pastoral and Support Staff:

Cheryl Wegner



MAY 23, 2021
PENTECOST SUNDAY

4215 Route 9 North - Howell, New Jersey 07731

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Mass Intentions for this Week

May 23, 2021

SUNDAY (May 23rd).....Pentecost Sunday
 7:30 AM Hedy Brienza.....Violet & Robert Brienza
 9:00 AM Mary Conlon.....MaryJean & Jerry Johnson
 10:30 AM May Mullen.....Wittstruck Family
 12:00 PM Michael Brennan.....Brennan Family
 For the People of the Parish

MONDAY (May 24th)
 12:00 Michael Brennan.....Debra & Robert Ottaviano

TUESDAY (May 25th)
 12:00 Anna Safian.....Paul, Maria & Brian Gembara

WEDNESDAY (May 26th)
 12:00 Matthew Furrato.....Burke Family

THURSDAY (May 27th)
 12:00 Int. of Jessica Esposito.....Mom & Dad
 Int. of Fr. Chang.....Lagdameo Family

FRIDAY (May 28th)
 12:00 David Kasey.....Becky Franey

SATURDAY (May 29th)
 8:00 AM Punnen Manappuram.....Vadakara Family

4:00PM Connie & Emilio Rubio.....Lobel Family

SUNDAY (May 30th)
 7:30 AM For the People of the Parish
 9:00 AM Pedro Rucci.....D'Alessio Family
 10:30 AM Jeff Berking.....Lucille & Peter Graffeo
 12:00 PM Johanna & Julio Collazos.....Rivera Family

Sharing Our Treasure May 16, 2021-The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Weekly Sacrificial Stewardship	\$16,895.00
Envelope Contributions:	\$ 12,501.00
Electronic/Online Contributions	\$ 3,747.00
Loose Contributions	\$ 647.00

Expenses for week: \$11,371.97

Catholic Communications Campaign \$ 994.00

Mother's Day Novena Offering \$ 2,504.00

Readings for the Week of May 23, 2021
 Sunday: Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13, Jn 15:26-27, 16:12-15
 Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Jn 19:25-34
 Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31
 Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5, 10-17; Mk 10:32-45
 Thursday: Sir 42:15-25; Mk 10:46-52
 Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13; Mk 11:11-26
 Saturday: Sir 51:12-20; Mk 11:27-33
 Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

**Congratulations, Fr. Bill
 On Your 60th Anniversary to the priesthood!**

Ordination date: May 27, 1961



Anyone who wishes to send congratulatory greetings to Fr. Bill, may do so at this address.

Fr. Bill O'Brien
 St. Veronica Church
 4215 Rte. 9
 Howell, NJ 07731

2021 Easter Collection Total \$32,439.00

2021 Budgeted Amount: \$40,000.00

Dear Parishioners and friends,
 Thank you for your continued stewardship support and sacrificial sharing this Easter Season.

Patterns of Easter Giving		
Last year	2020	\$15,734.37
2 years ago	2019	\$39,817.90
5 years ago	2016	\$43,261.00

May God continue to bless you for your generosity!



Letter From Fr. PJ

Dear Friends in Christ,

Peace and Joy to you and your loved ones!

I know, I know. This is what some of us do when we arrive a little bit earlier in Church on weekends. With our masks still on (the other trifecta of the pandemic), we sanitize our hands coming in, then get a cleaning wipe or two as we find our way to our favorite pew (while also hoping that it was not cordoned, or unoccupied). Then, we either kneel or bow our heads in prayer.

And then, some, just a little some of us, open the bulletin for a quick perusal of what is happening or what Fr. PJ wrote. Just like today. See, I see you nodding your head. I also see your smile.

The Holy Spirit, the third Person of the Blessed Trinity, is our main Connector. Pentecost, which we celebrate this weekend, is a great reminder of our connection (also read: a different, out-of-this-world relationship). It gave us unity as a Church. From a symbolical diversity of language brought by the Tower of Babel, we become united. There is oneness as a Church family and part of one community. We became **A** church at Pentecost. It is our birthday.

Other than connection, the basic theme of Pentecost is communication. Language was the barrier that prevented us from understanding each other. But the Spirit, the Holy Spirit, our Advocate made us see and look at each other through our hearts, no longer through tongues, color, sex, status and race. They now call us Christians, because we are followers of the Christ. Catholics, they now call us, because we are all invited to be in one fold, to be universal, to be one.

So, here is a story while we are waiting for the Mass to begin.

Several years ago in a mountain village in Europe, a wealthy nobleman wondered what kind of legacy he should leave to his townspeople. He made a wise decision by building them a church. No one was permitted to see the plans of the inside of the church until it was finished. At its grand opening, the people gathered and marveled at the beauty of the new church. Everything had been thought of and included. It was a masterpiece.

But then someone said, "Wait a minute! Where are the lamps?" It is really quite dark in here. How will the church be lighted?" The nobleman then pointed to some brackets in the walls, and then he gave each family a lamp, which they were to bring with them each time they came to worship.

"Each time you are here," the nobleman said, "the place where you are seated will be lighted. Each time you are not here, that place will be dark. This is to remind you that whenever you fail to come to Church, some part of God's house will be dark."

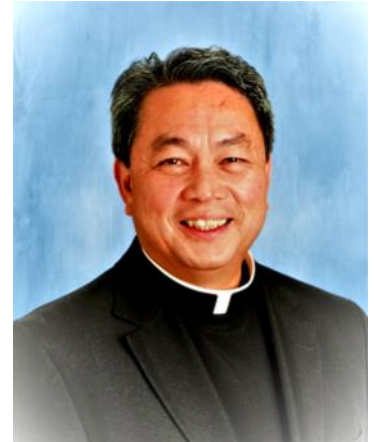
Dear friend, thank you for continually lighting up the Church of St. Veronica's. With your presence, our house of worship will never go dark. With God's presence, it will always be lit.

Ooops, one more fervorino. Today is the birthday of the Church. Our question now is: What if every member of our Church supported the church just as you do? What kind of church would we have? What if every single member served the church, attended the church, loved the church and gave to the church exactly as you do? What kind of church would we be?

Have a blessed and relaxing weekend!

With my humble prayers,

Fr. PJ



OUR SPIRITUAL LIFE

Please pray for the sick, the homebound and those who have requested us to remember them in prayer...

Tom Lovito	MaryAnne Karwowski	Baby Chloe Hornick
Mark Stoughton	Mia Castellan	Baby Dylan Gallego
Ed Kelly	Dennis Hayward	Judith Weaver
Irma Bennett	Ann Donovan	Robin Costa
Christine Clements	Louis D'Alessio	Amara Riccio
Thomas Rorke	Patti Suplee	Greg Mador
Baby George Capron	Robert O'Malley Sr.	Mary Henry
Karen D'Souza	Corinne Kerod	David Buckley
Jodi Fletcher	Shirley Wesley	Christopher Keith
Gary Lindquist	Cyndi Roemer	Ed Skok
Victoria Burke	Gavin Femiano	Ken Kin
Theresa O'Malley	Ralph DeMaio	Mary Alice Carey
John Fitzpatrick	Baby Harper Little	Baby Sarah Little
Raymond Sewing	John Butterfield	Dan Doolan
Nikolas Picchierri	Brian Cassidy	Michael McGantham
Charlotte Barnard	Melissa Couto	Erin Haber
Donald Raulinavich	Angelina Valko	Patrick Lang
Daniel Clare	Jessica Przybylski	Carol Ann Scott
Patricia Wallace		

Please Pray for Our Parishioners Serving Our Country:

Sgt. Sean T. Curran	Sgt. Brennan Six
PV2 William Wotton	GSMI Sandro Farduchi
Sgt. Krystyna Cechulski	Major Julio Collazos
SR Steven Brennan	Sgt. Gregory Hiller
PFC Zackary Burkey	LCDR Matthew W. Smith
Sgt. Luke Wlodkowski	Sgt. Matt Myers
1st Lt. Ash Young	Capt. Robert F. Farrell
Lt. Brian Michael Dublon, JAG	BU3 Matthew Gurrera
SN Brad D'Antuono	Sgt. Evan Myhren
PFC Sean Rice	SR Patrick McCloskey
PFC Raymond Posa	Capt. Brian Dublon
Capt. Jeremy Dublon, MD	PVT Raymond J. Posa

Baptism

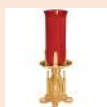


St. Veronica's Parish Family wishes to welcome those who have become members through the Sacrament of Baptism.

Thank you for the gift of life!

Sanctuary Candle- Week of May 23, 2021

For the People of the Parish



RELIGIOUS Education Registration

Religious Education Registration for the 2021/2022 School Year

Registration for Religious Education classes for the 2021-2022 school year will begin on Monday, May 17th. Please email Sr. Ann Elizabeth, CR at sr.ann@stveronica.com or call the Religious Education office at 732-364-4137 to obtain a registration package.

Please note that summer office hours are 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Thursday.

Pentecost Reflection

The gift of Pentecost - the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and the spiritual gifts and blessings of God - are made possible through the death, resurrection, and ascension of the Lord Jesus. After his resurrection Jesus "breathed" on his disciples and gave them the Holy Spirit. Just as God breathed life into Adam, so the gift of the Holy Spirit is an impartation of "new life" for his people. With the gift of the Holy Spirit a new creation begins. God recreates us for his glory. Jesus' gift of peace to his disciples was more than an absence of trouble. His peace included the forgiveness of sins and the fullness of everything good. Do you want power to live a faith-filled life as a disciple of Jesus? Ask the Father to fill you with the power of his Holy Spirit (Luke 11:13).

Basil the Great (329-379 AD), an early church father, explains the role of the Holy Spirit in our lives: "The Spirit restores paradise to us and the way to heaven and adoption as children of God; he instills confidence that we may call God truly Father and grants us the grace of Christ to be children of the light and to enjoy eternal glory. In a word, he bestows the fullness of blessings in this world and the next; for we may contemplate now in the mirror of faith the promised things we shall someday enjoy. If this is the foretaste, what must the reality be? If these are the first fruits, what must be the harvest?" (From the treatise by Basil on The Holy Spirit)

The Lord Jesus offers each one of us the gift and power of his Holy Spirit. He wants to make our faith strong, give us hope that endures, and a love that never grows cold. He never refuses to give his Spirit to those who ask with expectant faith. Jesus instructed his disciples to ask confidently for the gift of the Spirit: "If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!" (Luke 11:13). Do you thirst for God and for the abundant life he offers through the gift of his Spirit?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, I thank you for the gift of Pentecost and for the new life you offer in the Holy Spirit. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and set my heart ablaze with the fire of your love that I may serve you in joy and freedom

New Parish Email

Our new parish email address is office@stveronica.com

St. Leo the Great Religious Store

50 Hurleys Lane, Lincroft, NJ
908-770-1989

Experience His Journey from the Wood of the Stable to the Wood of the Cross

For the month of May, we are featuring Devotionals for Our Lady! Rosaries from Italy, Miraculous Medals, Wall Plaques, Holy Cards and many books to help you grow in prayer & faith.

We carry a diverse variety of gifts for friends, family & clergy. Baptism, Communion, Confirmation, Wedding & Bereavement.

Food Pantry Needs

Coffee, shelf stable milk, juice, shelf stable Hormel compleats microwaveable meals, tissues, paper towels.



Podcast

There is a new Catholic podcast called "Returning to the Heart of Jesus" hosted by fulltime Catholic Lay Evangelist, Bill Wegner. The podcast attempts to both encourage and challenge the viewers/listeners in their walk of faith. Bill uses different methods to convey the message that Jesus loves us and what that requires of us, if anything. He uses stories, humor, interviews and especially the scriptures and Church teachings to call us all to a deeper relationship with Jesus our Lord. If you are interested, please just email Bill at goodnews@cybercomm.net and tell him to put you on the links to hear or see the weekly podcast. You will be able to view the podcast on YouTube, Facebook, LinkedIn and/or Anchor

Flocknotes

Stay connected through our parish wide communication system. Join St, Veronica's Flocknote and receive occasional messages and important updates via email and text. To join go to <https://stveronicachurch1.flocknote.com>

Eucharistic Adoration

O Come Let Us Adore Him!

"This is the wonderful truth, my dear friends: the Word, which became flesh two thousand years ago is present today in the Eucharist." St. John Paul II



It is with great joy that we invite you to Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament weekdays in the CHURCH of St. Veronica. Registered adorers stand watch on each hour and all visitors are welcome. Come enjoy perfect peace with our Lord.

The church is open for private prayer and to adore Jesus in the tabernacle (no monstrance) Monday through Friday at 10:45AM. After the 12 noon mass is celebrated, the Monstrance with the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Eucharistic Adoration.

At 3PM, the chaplet of divine mercy and rosary are recited orally as a group followed by silent prayer ending at 4PM.

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT

Good News Media Ministry

Our parish "Good News Media Ministry" is looking for some volunteers to help with our Mass live streams. No experience necessary. All are welcomed! If interested please contact Mike Skrzenski at 908-770-9829 or MikeSkrzenski@gmail.com."

Rectory Office

Volunteers needed:

- Shredding
- Organizing and purging paper files
- Cleaning and organizing closets
- organize faith formation resources
- Planting
- Archiving
- Small projects
- small maintenance projects
- painting
- moving furniture and other heavy items
- inventory of art work
- hanging art work around facilities

Combined we have many gifts and talents. Please identify other ways you can give your time to help us in the future.

If you would like to help, please contact the parish office at 732-363-4200 or email Linda.Dickinson@stveronica.com