WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS St. Mary's Church, Barnegat February 3 & 4, 2018

Saturday, February 3

5:30pm Tony Mizdal: Celia Kreiter

Peter Konopka: Rizzo Family

Sunday, February 4

8:00am Anna McClellan: Mike Dimino

Patrick Derosa: Debbie Deluca & Phil Sprofera

10:00am Donna Toth: Tom & Joanne Vosseler

Kathryn Mason: Barbara Fasolo

12:00n Deceased Members of the Garcia & Bracety

Families: Miriam & Joe

Donna Marie Incoravia:Barbara & Carl Johnson

5:00pm Joan M. Rhinesmith: Jim & Linda Lenox

William Kobar: Anelle Kobar Carol Iasparro: Barbara & Ken Laratro Jack Cummings:The Gouldey Family Christopher & Kevin Morgan: Mom, Dad &

Brothers

John M. Murphy: Ed & Eleanor Cullen James & Marian Pimonte: Sharon Good &

Family

Isabella Bagnaturo: Mr. & Mrs. Anthony

DeMarzo

Peter P. Togher: Alan Ferber Helen Craig: Jean & Arthur Micallef

Weekdays

Monday, February 5

8:00am Happy Birthday Anita Bowlby: Carol

DeMarco

Joan Oughton: Dot Bacsik

Pauline Horishney: Natalie Onufrow

Tuesday, February 6

8:00am Souls in Purgatory: Janice Larkin & Family

Anthony & Grace Funicello: Louis & Mary Ann

Wein

Louise & Alfred Marino: Aldo & Marian Cerbo

Wednesday, February 7

8:00am Donna Incoravia: Mr. & Mrs. Mike Passarelli

John Comiskey: Terese & Rob Waterson &

Family

Thursday, February 8

8:00am Janice Wiedmont: Rita Marino

James Cassidy: Aldo & Marian Cerbo

Friday, February 9

8:00am Special Intentions for Thomas Flynn: Karyn Bell

and Tom Parsons

Souls in Purgatory: Joseph Eorio Gordon Marzano: Pat Lawless

Edward Herrmann: John & Midge Murrin Patricia C. Horvath: Rosemary & Joe Lynch Robert Harth: Joe & Rosemary Lynch Robert Corbliss: Deacon Pat & Pat Martin Rocco Westpy: Deacon Pat & Pat Martin

Isabella Bagnaturo: Toni Soldano Anelle McGowan: Gail & Phil King Jackie Cranmer: Maryann & Ralph

Saturday, February 10

8:00am Ann Marie Short: Ronald Gillespie

Sam Tomarchio: Jim & Linda Saladino

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS St. Mary of the Pines, Manahawkin February 3 & 4, 2018

Saturday, February 3

4:00pm People of the Parish

Sunday, February 4

7:30am Evelyn Kempf: Husband,& Family

Joseph Rizzo: Fred Duffy Richard Lenihan: wife, Joan Moira Hamilton: Renee Deo

Peter Prachthauser: Unshers at the 7:30am

Mass

9:00am Austin & Anne Corrado: Suzy & Kurt Seiter

Anne Finley: Donna Popovich

11:30am Carol Sneyers: Husband

Fr. Francis Blum, O. Carm. &

Fr. Joseph Moynihan, O. Carm.: Frank &

Catherine Pannone

Weekdays

Monday, February 5

9:00am Paul J. Ward: Marie Cleary

Benny Landas: Pines Rosary Group

Tuesday, February 6

9:00am Charles E. Edwards Sr.: wife, Catherine

Sue Wuebber: Bockin Family

Wednesday, February 7

9:00am Charles Pinnix: Kathy Collins

Marilyn Winterberg: Eileen & George Feldner

Thursday, February 8

9:00am John Draney: Draney Family

Connie Burke: Eileen Sysyn

Friday, February 9

9:00am Connie Burke: Catherine & John VanSickle

Sue Wuebber: John & Rose Donato



Memorials - St. Mary's, Barnegat

Bread and Wine are donated this week in loving memory of Isabella Bagnaturo requested by the Masone Family.

Altar Candles burn this week in loving memory of Kunka & Szczepanik Families requested by Jane Kunka

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

The entrance of the rectory office has a new look. The carpeting was removed and tile was installed.

<u>THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – IN ACTION!</u> Catholic Education Administration

Catholic schools in Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth and Ocean counties welcome over 16,000 Catholic and non-Catholic students from many different cultural backgrounds. Parents, as the primary educators of their children, work in partnership with teachers to develop their children's potential in becoming life-long learners. Donations to the ACA help to ensure that curriculum and performance standards and development of educators continue at high levels within our 31 Catholic elementary schools and 7 high schools. Last year your gift helped with reaching out to more than 78,000 alumni who have been given the opportunity to give back so that other students can succeed in our schools.

THANK YOU

Ruthie and I and the Wagner family want to convey our sincerest appreciation and thanks to the Parishioners and Clergy of St Mary's for their prayers, support, cards and Mass Intentions at our Mom, Virginia Wagner's passing. We are thankful and blessed to be a part of this church community; please know your support and thoughtfulness is truly appreciated.

Thank You and God Bless, Deacon Steve and Family

ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

The St. Padre Pio Prayer Group will meet *Saturday, February 17, in St. Mary's Church after the 8:00am Mass* as we pray the Rosary, Divine Mercy and St. Pio Novena. Blessings with relics from various saints and speakers will follow prayers. Fellowship will follow in Monsignor Reinbold Hall.

ASH WEDNESDAY, February 14

Ashes will be distributed during Mass in St. Mary's: 8:00am, 10:00am and 7:00pm; in St. Mary of the Pines: 9:00am, 1:15pm (All Saints Mass) and 5:00pm. Ashes will also be distributed at a Liturgy of the Word (no Mass), 3:00pm in both Churches. After those services ashes will continue to be distributed until 5:00pm.

<u>UPCOMING MASS SCHEDULES</u> <u>St. Mary's Church, Barnegat</u> February 10 & 11, 2018

Saturday, February 10

5:30pm Helen Kozak: Francis Dudak & Family

John E. Turcotte Sr.: Terry Amorelli Gertrude Monaco: V.W. Family Darius Ghahary: Victoria Chasmar Eric Courtney: Jack & Peggy Pongracz

Frank Rizzo: Wife & Family James Cassidy: Rizzo Family

Maryann Palmieri: Richard & Sharon Addonizio

Jane Latronica: Betty Dirzulaitis Florence Cheslock: Lori & Cheryl Isabella Bagnaturo: Mary Ann & Charles

Freeling & Family

Sunday, February 11

8:00am Patricia O'Brien: Joseph & Catherine Cornetto

Renee Mary Macri: Rocky & Barbara Macri

10:00*am* Catherine C. Perseghin: Jean & John Braden

Robert Corbliss: Barbara & Rocky Macri

12:00n Robert Doherty: Helen & Tim Hill Agnes M. Poshefko: Marie Cardone

Charles Aimone: Josephine Aimone

5:00pm Connie Carey: Carmela Miele

Raymond Ascolese: James & Barbara Pandolfo

St. Mary of the Pines

Saturday, February 10

4:00pm Special Intentions for Kathy & Jerry's Family

Raymond R. Masulli: Scott MacDonald

Sunday, February 11

7:30am People of the Parish **9:00am** Richard Ward: Family

Joseph Giacolone: Balko Family Mark Salinas: Ganon Family

Kenneth Cavanaugh: Judy & Tom Rapoza John Hough: William & Lorraine Sapanaro Patrick DeRosa: Anthony & Marjorie Bibbo Vincent Sarubbi: Christine Hurtig & Family Raymond Sheppard: Antonella Coppola

John Hough: MaryEllen & Jerry

Ellen "Sue" Wuebber: 9am Extraordinary

Ministers

11:30am Fr. Francis Blum, O. Carm: Mr. & Mrs. Frank

Pannone

Fr. Joseph Moynihan, O. Carm: Mr. & Mrs.

Frank Pannone



Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary's takes place in the chapel on church grounds in Barnegat. Presently there are no hours without an assigned Adorer; however having two or even three Adorers for an hour is an ideal situation. Therefore, if you would like to become a weekly Adorer or to add your name to our Substitute List, call Joann Kaczala @ 609-698-6168.

TITHING REPORT

St. Mary's parishioners tithed \$24,643.00 in the collection for last weekend, \$1,942.00 in the second envelope to support the Church in Latin America and an additional \$428.00 in on-line giving. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SACRIFICE OF TITHING! "Praise the Lord, Who heals the brokenhearted." When athletes compete, they strive to do their best for their team. In Stewardship we strive to do our best for God and for the Church. TODAY OUR YOUTH MINISTRY WILL COLLECT MONEY FOR THE "SUPER BOWL OF CARING."

SCRIPTURE READINGS

TODAY: FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME. Job 7:1-

4, 6-7; 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23; Mark 1:29-39

NEXT SUNDAY: SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31 – 11:1; Mark 1: 40-45

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday: St. Agatha Tuesday: St. Paul Miki and Companions Thursday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita Saturday: St. Scholastica

WE WELCOME THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED

Mya Gobelak, Sophia Guidice

BIBLE TRIVIA

LAST WEEK: What importance did Capernaum have in the ministry of Jesus?

Jesus often stayed in Capernaum, where Peter and Andrew lived, so it served as a kind of headquarters for his Galilean ministry.

TODAY'S QUESTION: In today's Gospel we read that Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law. How many of the apostles were married?

PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DEPARTED

Brandon Blair, Patricia Bodnar, Cyril Brown, Anne Nardone, Eleanor Peins, Patricia Slavkovsky, Margaret Willan

Beloved – Finding Happiness in Marriage

Your marriage is designed to be a powerful and vital part of God's work in the world. Beloved explores the true meaning of marriage. Join in discovering the deepest spiritual, emotional, and practical realities of what your marriage can and should be. Come and rediscover the wonder, mystery, and joy behind that first "I do".

Beloved: February 16, 23, March 2, and 9 in the St.

Mary's Parish Center from: 7:30 - 9:00 pm.

Register now: (609) 698-5531

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, February 4

9:00am Knights of Columbus Breakfast (P/C)

10:30am RCIA (Rectory)

1:30pm Baptisms (St. Mary's Church

2:00pm Spanish Mass (Pines)

7:00pm Bingo (Parish Center)

7:00pm N.A. (MRH) Monday, February 5

9:00am AARP Tax Preparation (Parish Center)

4:00pm Religious Education Classes (Parish Center)

4:30pm Tour of Church (Pines)

4:30pm Divine Mercy Library Pines)

6:30pm Scripture Sisters (Pines)

7:00pm Light of the World (Rectory)

7:00pm CYO Basketball (Parish Center)

Tuesday, February 6

9:00am MOMS Group (Parish Center)

10:00am Scripture Sharing (Rectory)

4:00pm Religious Education Classes (Parish Center)

4:30pm Tour of Church (Pines)

7:00pm CYO Basketball (Parish Center)

Wednesday, February 7

5:30pm Spanish Choir Practice (Pines)

6:30pm Rosary for Betania (Pines) All Welcome

6:30pm Journey Through Sharing (Rectory)

7:00pm Divorced & Separated Ministry (Rectory)

7:00pm Volleyball (Parish Center)

7:30pm Light of the World (Rectory)

Thursday, February 8

9:00am AARP Tax Preparation (Parish Center)

9:00am Ken's Kitchen (Parish Center)

1:00pm Bridge Club (MRH)

6:00pm Youth Group (Parish Center)

7:00pm Choir Practice (Pines)

7:00pm Living Waters (Pines)

Friday, February 9

3:00pm Divine Mercy Service (Pines)

7:00pm Emmaus (Rectory)

7:00pm Spanish Ministry (Pines)

7:00pm MOMS Group (Parish Center)

Saturday, February 10

9:00am AED Training (MRH)

7:30pm A.A. (MRH)

The St. Padre Pio Prayer Group as well as Betania III ministry invites you to join us on the first Saturday of every month at 12:00noon at St. Mary's Barnegat to pray the Rosary for our country, political leaders around the world and peace on earth. We hope to see you there.

LETTER FROM MONSIGNOR KEN

A person's IQ is supposed to be an assessment of their intelligence, but not necessarily of the extent of their knowledge. In theory it is also possible to assess a person's "faith quotient." This would evaluate not the extent of the person's religious knowledge but the strength of their faith. I do not know of such a test but I want to challenge you to make a self-reflection on the extent of your faith. The goal of this examination is not to test your religious knowledge, but rather the depth of your grasp of faith, your relationship with God and the Church.

I believe that many people have little faith or do not practice their faith because they have failed to grasp these basic principles. One could very easily add to this list but I have just five truths for you to consider. With Lent just around the corner this could be used for an examination of conscience.

- 1. **God loves me.** This is so basic that most would assume that everyone knows this, however that is not the case. I believe that most people do not know this. To know this is not to get the correct answer to the question, but to have an awareness in the depths of your soul that you are loved by God, unconditionally. One could argue that this core principle underlies everything we do as Catholics-go to Mass, pray, confess, help others, and so on. Many people are not motivated to do these things we do as Catholics because they still don't understand or believe in a very personal way that they are loved by God.
- 2. **Sin hurts people.** We live in a culture that often dismisses sin. An aversion to feelings of guilt encourages overlooking sin as negative. We even have promoted the myth of "victimless sin." Sin ALWAYS hurts someone, either myself or someone else. There is never a time when sin does not have a negative impact on somebody. Just look around you. Virtually all of the difficulties you have in life can be traced to sin. The dismissal of sin hurts, not helps people.
- 3. **God forgives sins and offers a remedy.** The primary work of the Church is offering forgiveness of sin and opportunities of Grace to overcome sin. Because people avoid the topic of sin, they also avoid the solution and thus stay away from active participation. The other side is that someone may believe in sin, but they have yet to see the Church as the solution. That sometimes happens because of bad experiences, but also because of an inadequate understanding of the Church.
- 4. God wants me to be the best "me" that I can be. Too many people fear God and the Church. They have erroneous ideas that God and the Church are limiting their potential. They believe that God and the Church will take away their happiness. God made us and knows what we are. He also desires the best for us, which means He wants us to be the best that we can be.
- 5. I cannot be the best "me" I can be, without God. Not only does God want me to be my best, He helps me to accomplish that. In fact, it is impossible to be my best without God. I am created by God and for God. A failure to believe this, to accept that I am more

than just a material being, will mean that I can never reach my full potential as a human being.

At the last Healing Mass I talked about these principles and said that a failure to grasp them represents spiritual "stinking thinking." An acceptance of these sheds a new light on our Catholic Faith. I believe that someone who is not a practicing Catholic does not grasp at least some if not all of these. However, even active Catholics can forget these or be weak in grasping them. Take some time to reflect on them and evaluate your own faith quotient.

"Then some of the scribes and Pharisees said to Him, 'Teacher, we wish to see a sign from You.' He said to them in reply, 'An evil and unfaithful generation seeks a sign, but no sign will be give it except the sign of Jonah the prophet. Just as Jonah was in the belly of the whale three days and three nights, so will the Son of Man be in the heart of the earth three days and three nights. At the judgment, the men of Nineveh will arise with this generation and condemn it, because they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and there is Something Greater than Jonah here" (Matthew 12:38-41).

KNOW YOUR SAINTS

St. Andrew Corsini (1302-73), February 4.

Born in Florence, Italy, on November 30, he spent his youth in riotous living, was converted by his mother, decided to pursue a religious life, joined the Carmelites, and was ordained in 1328. After pastoral work in Florence, he went to Paris and then Avignon for further study, and in 1332 became prior at Florence. He was named Bishop of Fiesole in 1349 over his vigorous objections, became known for his gifts of prophecy and miracles, his devotion to the sick and destitute, his austerities, and his abilities as a peacemaker. Pope Urban V sent him to Bologna to settle disputes between the nobles and the populace, a mission he performed successfully. He died on January 6 at Fiesole, and was canonized by Pope Urban VII IN 1629.

LENTEN RETREAT

We will have a Parish Lenten Retreat, reflections on The Beatitudes, *March 11 and 12, 7:00pm in St. Mary of the Pines,* presented by the clergy of St. Mary's. Each night we will have Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

FLU SEASON

During the flu season, while we will still offer the Precious Blood and have the Sign of Peace, please use common sense. If you have a cold or do not feel well, refrain from drinking the Precious Blood and offering the Sign of Peace. Remember, it is not a sin to miss Mass if you are ill. It is better to stay home and get well and also prevent the spread of illness. Thank you.

HEALING MASS

The next Healing Mass will be **Monday**, **February 26**, **7:30pm in St. Mary's**. The theme for this month will be praying for families.

LETTER FROM BISHOP O'CONNELL FOR LENT

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

During the days and weeks of penance that lie ahead—from Ash Wednesday, February 14 until Holy Thursday, March 29—the Catholic Church throughout the world commemorates the penitential season of Lent. The model Jesus gave us for "these forty days" was His own experience in the desert and the temptations that followed Him there where He encountered satan face to face. And yet, Jesus, there in the desert—alone, fasting and in intense prayer—beat back the devil and triumphed over temptation, as strong and as unrelenting as it was throughout those forty days.

We enter the desert of Lent like Jesus, led by the Holy Spirit, to face our devils, our temptations head on. But we are not alone. The Lord Jesus Christ is with us. And so, too, is the Church, the entire community of faith observing Lent. Here is what the Catholic Church in the United States requires of us as baptized Catholics:

1. The days of FAST (only one full meal) and ABSTINENCE (no meat) are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. No dispensations are granted on these solemn days except for reason of sickness or those provided in canon law below.

Valentine's Day falls on Ash Wednesday, February 14, this year. Since Ash Wednesday is one of only two solemn penitential days, no dispensations will be granted.

St. Patrick's Day, March 17, falls on a Saturday this year.

2. All other Friday's of Lent are days of ABSTINENCE (no meat).

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to FAST (only one full meal) as above. From the age of 14, people are also obliged to ABSTAIN (no meat: this obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products or condiments of any kind, even though made from animal fat).

The obligation to observe the laws of fast and abstinence is a serious one for Catholics. Failure to observe one penitential day in itself is not considered a serious sin. It is the failure to observe any penitential days at all, or a substantial number of penitential days, that must be considered serious.

The obligation, the privilege really, of receiving the Eucharist at least once a year—often called "Easter Duty"—for those in the state of grace should still be fulfilled during the period from the First Sunday of Lent, February 17/18 to Trinity Sunday, May 26/27. However, the Church's law does permit this precept to be fulfilled at another time during the year when there is a just cause.

I want to encourage Catholics to go to Confession and to make use of the sacrifices and traditions that have always been part of our Lenten practices in Church.

We do, indeed, fast and pray with the Lord Jesus and with our fellow Catholics. May this Lent be a time of penance leading to grace and joy for us all at Easter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M.

TUESDAY MORNING SCRIPTURE GROUP

Meeting every *Tuesday morning from 10:00am to 11:00am in the rectory in Barnegat* and using the book At Home with the Word, we read and discuss the Readings for the upcoming weekend masses. No registration is necessary, so why not come and join us any Tuesday morning at 10:00? Everyone is welcome.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Sure, there will be stats about today's Super Bowl game between the Patriots and the Eagles, but you can't beat the stats of kindness and love of neighbor at St. Mary's.

In December, 2017, 788 families--including 318 children, totaling 1106 individuals-- were fed from the pantry in Msgr. Reinbold Hall...plus..so many of you donated food which totaled 9140 pounds. That is a lot of living the Gospel. Thank you for all you do for the needy. You make a big difference in the lives of many families.

Pantry needs: toilet tissue, bath soap, plastic bags (saved and reused from the supermarket), personal hygiene products (soap, shampoo, deodorant, tissues), canned soup. pancake mixes and syrup

BINGO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Bingo is offered every Sunday from 7:00pm – 10:00pm in the Parish Center. Volunteers are needed to assist in running the games. We are not looking for a life-long commitment. If you can volunteer for one Sunday per month, it will help tremendously. Whether you have experience in playing or helping run bingo games in the past is not a requirement. Any help you can offer will be greatly appreciated. Please contact either Ray Polese at 660-0334 or Vito LaCorte at 709-7331.

Go Get the A.E.D!

What is an A.E.D? Where do I find It? Why should I get it Fast? Did you know that there is an Automated External Defibrillator in each Church and Parish Center? This is great news! Please join us for a brief overview of the A.E.D, CPR and relief of chocking. Everyone is welcome. No registration or fee required. Each session is an hour with opportunities to stay and practice with manikins. (Note: This is not a certificate Program). All Sessions are in Msgr. Reinbold Hall, Barnegat

Saturday, February 10, 2018 (900 AM, 11:30 AM, 2:30 PM)

BETANIA III

Cause for the Beatification & Canonization of Maria Esperanza who passed away on LBI in 2004.

Please join us for our weekly Wednesday Rosary – **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

- St. Mary of the Pines: 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th Wednesdays of the month at 6:30 pm.
- St. Mary's Church, Barnegat: 3rd Wednesday of each month at 3:00 pm.
- Mass is celebrated on the last Sunday of each month at 3:00 pm in St. Mary of the Pines.

The next Mass (which fulfulls the Sunday obligation) will be celebrated January 28.

Any questions, please call Bob Dodds at 609-464-6773.

DIVINE MERCY PARISH LIBRARY

Good Catholic books and videos are available to borrow from our parish library. Located in the All-Purpose Room in St. Mary of the Pines, the hours are:

Monday, 4:30 – 6:00pm Wednesday & Friday, 10:00 – 11:30am

Can't make these hours? Explore the library's contents online at www.DivineMercyLibrary.org or send an email to DivineMercyLibrary@gmail.com

Tenemos libros y dvds en Espaňol

BIRTHRIGHT

Birthright needs volunteers. If you have a free day once a week and would like to help, please call Lynne at 609-660-0485 on Mondays between the hours of 10:00 and 12:00 noon.

MONICA'S DAUGHTERS

We meet the second and fourth Tuesday of every month 8:45am, in the rectory. For more information, please call Irene Kutner at 693-5029 or Jean Esposito at 607-1731

St. Mary's W.O.W. Group (Widows or Widowers)

The W.O.W. (Widows or Widowers) meetings for 2018 will be on the third Tuesday of the month from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm in Monsignor Reinbold Hall. We hope to see you there. Our next meeting will be February 20.** If you have any questions, please call Cookie at (609) 971-2609.

SCRIPTURE SISTERS: A WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Our next study will be *February 5, 6:00-7:30pm.* We can be found in the all purpose room at St Mary's of the Pines. Materials will be provided. *Any questions call/text Jackie Carlson at (732) 300-0950.* Come, let's learn together!

DIVORCED OR SEPARATED?

Please come – you are not alone. Support meetings with facilitators who have experienced the pain, are there to listen to yours. Meetings are held every Wednesday at 7:00pm in the rectory office in Barnegat. For more information, please call Deacon Ron at 607-9447 or Lois Roberts at 290-8929.

ST. MARY'S M.O.M.S. GROUP Ministry of Mother's Sharing

We are a Catholic Moms Group who meet to discuss relevant topics on being a Christian woman in today's world, grow more in our faith through speakers and in sharing, and create meaningful relationships with other likeminded. Our meetings are usually every other Tuesday from 9:00am — 11:00am in the Parish Center. Free childcare will be provided. Can't make mornings? Join us for our monthly night meeting instead. All moms are welcome!

ST. MARY'S UGANDA MINISTRY

St. Mary's Uganda Ministry now has an online store where you can purchase handmade items made by parishioners of Holy Trinity Parish in Uganda. All proceeds go to Holy Trinity Parish for food, medical, and various life necessities. To view the online store, please visit www.stmarysugandaministry.com

HELP FOR JOB-SEEKERS

St. Mary's Employment Resource Committee meets on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month, 7:00pm in St. Mary of the Pines All-Purpose room. The Committee will assist a job applicant in resume presentation and other skills needed to find employment. Our mission is to support and guide job seekers through the challenges of finding new employment. Please contact Rob DiBenedetto at 609-548-0716 or rcdibenedetto@gmail.com to register or for more information. Please register before attending.

CURIOUS ABOUT THE BIBLE?

If you are the least bit interested in something about the Bible, if you have questions or wonder what some things mean, or if you want to get more familiar with the ancient texts of Christianity, and you are 18-39 years old, this brand-new Bible study is for you. Come to Emmaus – weekly study on Friday evenings at 7:00 pm in the Charlie Kiger Conference Room (upstairs in the rectory office). No long-term commitment is necessary.

Call Mary or Felicia for more information, (609) 698-8619.

JOURNEY THROUGH SCRIPTURE

Our Journey Through Scripture will meet *February 7, at* 6:30pm in the *Rectory*. All are welcome.

INTERFAITH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Interfaith Health and Support Services of Southern Ocean County which supports seniors and caregivers in their homes are in need of office volunteers as well as volunteers to provide a few hours of respite care for the caregivers of Dementia and Alzheimer's care receivers. Training is provided. *For more information or questions, please call 609-978-3839.*

CRAFTY LADIES

The Crafty Ladies will resume meeting on Monday, February 5. We meet in Monsignor Reinbold Hall from 1:00pm – 3:00pm. We crochet, knit and socialize. Our finished products are donated to nursing homes, the VA hospital, Birthright and other charities. For information, please call (609) 607-9568.

MONTHLY SUNDAY BREAKFAST

On the first Sunday of each month the Knights of Columbus will host a parish breakfast in the Parish Center from 8:00am until 12:00pm. The cost is family friendly and you will order from a menu – individually and freshly prepared! We hope to see you there! *Please join us this Sunday, February 4.*

KEN'S KITCHEN

Ken's Kitchen is a free social lunch program sponsored by St. Mary's Church, which welcomes people of all faiths from ours and the surrounding communities. Join us each Thursday in the Parish Center, 9:00am – 11:30am for coffee, followed by informative speakers and entertainment. Soup and lunch will be served from 10:30am-11:30am. Meals are available for take-out after 11:30am. Free bread and baked goods are distributed as well. Parish Nurses are available each week for blood pressure screenings and more. For more information, please call John Donato at 660-9386.

Upcoming Entertainment

February 8: Joe B. singing all your favorites; Genesis Health Care to perform free blood pressure and blood sugar screenings February 22: Jack Mac sings Gospel & Country

LIVING WATERS PRAYER GROUP

Living Waters Prayer Group meets every Thursday, 7:00pm, in St. Mary of the Pines All-Purpose Room to give thanks and praise to our Lord, Jesus Christ. We invite the Holy Spirit to inspire our songs and prayers of praise, talks and sharing. In today's world of declining religious participation, we encourage each other to practice and evangelize our faith in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We have the blessings of our Pope, our Bishop and our Pastor. For more information, please call Dot at (609) 488-1708.

FREE AARP TAX PREP

Free tax prep available Mondays and Thursdays beginning on February 5 through April 12 at the Parish Center from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Any questions, please call 609-294-0730.

CEAD MILE FAILTE (ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND WELCOMES!)

Our Lady of Knock Division 2 of the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians would like to extend to you an invitation to join our organization. For further information please call Denise McInerney at 609-290-5054.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS

If you want a deeper relationship with God and desire guidance on your spiritual journey, *contact Patricia Addas at 607-8486 or (973) 479-6264, or Pat Stephens at (732) 728-0221.*

St. Mary's Contemporary Praise Band

St. Mary's is forming a contemporary praise band. We are looking for musicians and singers 18 years of age and older. *If you're interested, pleased call the rectory office at (609) 698-5531.*

ST. MARY'S ADULT CHOIR

St. Mary's Adult Choir is looking for additional members. The choir is open to anyone 18 years of age or older. We practice every Thursday (except holy days and holidays) at 7:00pm in St. Mary of the Pines and we sing at the 9:00am Mass every Sunday in St. Mary of the Pines. We'd love to have you join us. No auditions required. For more information, contact Judy Penland at japenland@comcast.net or 609-698-2542.

ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

Fr. Duffy Division # 2 Ancient Order of Hibernians is a Irish Catholic Men's Organization we gather on the 4th Tuesday of the month at the American Legion Hall on Route # 9 in Barnegat, starting at 7:30pm. Please join us to celebrate your Irish Heritage, as well as promoting friendship, Unity and Christian Charity. *CONTACT: BOB GOODWIN 609-978-0635 for more details.*

OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined by the in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the protection of children and young people in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors.

If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone in the Catholic Church, or if you know someone who was, you can report that abuse through the Diocesan Abuse Hotline at (800) 296-2965 or via e-mail at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org. The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is alsoencouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

MEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT!

This could be the year for you to take a break from your busy schedule and reconnect to what really matters.DO YOU HAVE 26 HOURS?

Friday, March 2 - 6:00pm - 10:00pm Saturday , March 3 - 8:00am - 7:00pm MARIS STELLA RETREAT CENTER - Harvey Cedars Conducted by St. Francis Men's Cornerstone. Brochures are available at Church entrances. Please contact Jim Brady with questions or for more information at 908-216-3757 or sabrady@hotmail.com

YOUTH MINISTRY

February 3-4: Souper Bowl of Caring fundraiser after all Masses

February 8: HS CnC meeting 6:30-8:30pm

February 10: 8th-12th grade Diocesan Youth Conference trip. Must register through Youth Office.
February 14: Ash Wednesday - Remember to get your ashes!

February 15: Youth Office closed. February 22: Jr. CnC meeting.

Any high school students interested in participating in our Live Stations of the Cross, sign-ups have begun. Call the Youth Office 597-1071

YOUTH MINISTRY

We are seeking to expand our youth ministry program to encourage more of our young people to be involved. We want to form a team of volunteers to assist in order to make this happen. If you are interested in helping with our youth outreach, please contact the rectory office.



PEACEFUL DOVE GIFT SHOP Wednesday – Friday

9:00am – 1:00pm Saturday & Sunday: 9:00am – 2:00pm (609) 660-2400

Gifts for all occasions!

100% of proceeds go to the poor.

***Gifts for all Occasions are available

PLEASE COME AND SEE OUR BEAUTIFUL ITEMS!!

SPANISH MINISTRY

"Vengan a mi; los cansados y agobiados y sus almas encontraran Descanso" (Mt. 11:28)

"Sepan que el seňor es Dios, el nos hizo y nosotros somos su pueblo y su rebaňo" salmo 100:3

La Comunidad Hijos de Maria Santisima te invita a celebrar la Santa Misa cada 1st y 3rd Domingo de cada mes alas 2:00pm in le Iglesia.

Santa Maria de los pinos: y Todos los Viernes a las 7:00pm a la Asamblea de Oracion. Como pueblo de Dios te invitamos a encontrarte con él. Atravez del

> Santo Rosario Espiritu Santo

Lectura y meditacion de la palabra Alabanzas y veras la Gloria de Dios Platicas de bautismo cada 3rd lunes del mes.



We have had a great response to our Statue Project and almost all the rooms have been adopted, although we still have more available. To date, we have not had any interest in the large outdoor statues that will be placed in a garden at the entrance of the school. Certainly the donation of \$10,000.00 is a lot. We are proposing another plan. We are asking for ten sponsors for each statue of the patron saint from the sending parishes. The donation to be such a sponsor is \$1,000.00. There will be a plaque listing the memorial as requested by the donor(s). The only difference is that now we will have ten memorial names on the plaque instead of only one. Since we are St. Mary's Parish, we are seeking ten sponsors for this large outdoor and original statue of the Blessed Mother for All Saints School. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Msgr. Ken.

Volunteers Needed

St. Bernard's Food for Pets is looking for volunteers to help us distribute food to pet owners in need of assistance. We are open Monday through Friday from 9:00am until 12:00. If you are interested in helping us, please call Judy at (609) 489-0772 or Louise at (609) 618-1093.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month, 7:30pm in Monsignor Reinbold Hall. New members are welcome always. For more information, please call Grand Knight Ed Massari at 609-994-6001.

COLUMBIAN SQUIRES

We have a Squires Circle for boys ages 10-18. For more information, please call Chief Counselor Tom Davies at 347-728-2654.

SQUIRE ROSE CIRCLE

We have a Squire Rose Circle for girls ages 10-18. *If interested, please contact our head counselor is Janine Davies at 347-728-2655.*

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