

**UPCOMING MASS SCHEDULES**

**St. Mary's Church, Barnegat**

**February 24 & 25, 2018**

**Saturday, February 24**

**5:30pm** Hank Ariens: Linda & Tony Perna  
Cordiano Pellegrino: The O'Neill Family

**Sunday, February 25**

**8:00am** Paul Joseph Schell: Dr. Paul Schell & Family  
Jean Krauss: Marie Molendyk

**10:00am** Robert Corbliss: Jackie Byrne  
Dick Johnston: Jack & Barbara Tyler  
James Cassidy: Dana & Richard Rivera  
Patrick DeRosa: Toni Soldano  
Catherine Higgins: Kate & Karl Stolte  
Barbara Battaglia: John & Cynthia Battaglia  
Joan Grab: Barbara & Jack Tyler  
Gordon Marzano: Carol Jennings  
Ellen Wuebber: Joe & Denise Vincent  
Maryann Palmieri: Cookie & Kevin Kearney  
Barbara Frattura: Jack & Barbara Kiebach

**12:00n** Domencia DeSena: Frank & Sheila DeSena  
Mark James LaPrete: Frank & Sheila DeSena

**5:00pm** Anna Santamaria: Buonincontri Family  
Gerard Nolan: wife, Darlene & Family

**Weekdays**

**Monday, February 26**

**8:00am** Richard Saporito: Marty & Florence Lisella  
Santa Lucifora: Annamaria & Louis  
Frattaroli

**Tuesday, February 27**

**8:00am** Robert Fiorillo: Jacqueline & Robert Skantze  
John Kmicinski: Betty Martinelle & Family

**Wednesday, February 28**

**8:00am** Carol Raimo: Louis & Carol Marino  
Wendell Hodges: Danny & Maryann Kaplan

**Thursday, March 1**

**8:00am** Klaus Prinz: Joseph & Antoinette Krankowski  
Joanne Ribitzki: Aldo & Marian Cerbo

**Friday, March 2**

**8:00am** Special Intention for Teresa & Maurice  
Reynolds: Mary & Tom Reynolds  
Dunning Family: Bill Larkin & Family  
Souls in Purgatory: Joseph Eorio  
Rose Cavallieri: Danny & Maryann Kaplan  
Joyce Valente: Helen & Ted Makarewicz  
Charles Parchinski: Phil & Karen Daly  
James Eckert: Rose Marie Ruggieri  
Patrick Nihill: Mary & Tom Reynolds  
Marian Saray: sister, Ann  
Charles Connell: McGoldrick Family  
Theresa & George Brereton: Terri &  
Joe Siano

**Saturday, February 24**

**8:00am** Anthony Gili: Mary Gili & Anthony  
Post  
Joseph Milora: wife, Anna Mae &  
Children

**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**St. Mary of the Pines, Manahawkin**

**February 24 & 25, 2018**

**Saturday, February 24**

**4:00pm** Dorothy Stack: Claire Toris  
Margaret Caruso: Terri & Jim Menture  
Arthur Cerere: Ann & Family  
William Egan: Jane Hall  
Mary Frances Ryan: Tobin Family  
Rudy Manz: McGoldrick Family  
Louis Tirelli: Doreen & Sal DeTurriss  
Josie Bales: Marge & Joe Caruana  
Harold Thompson: Michael Flanagan  
Frank Garrity: Dottie Fichner  
William Keane: wife, Peggy  
Bridget Fiore: Gayle Clementi  
Patricia Bodnar: husband, Joseph

**Sunday, February 25**

**7:30am** Margaret & Nicholas DeCarlo: Family  
Joseph Camerlengo: wife, Susan

**9:00am** Stephen Ferringo: Bargiel Family  
Joseph Giacalone: Rob & Barbara Vidal &  
Family

**11:30am** People of the Parish

**3:00pm** Doris Dodds: Bob Dodds  
Special Intentions: Bob Dodds  
Santo Bongiorno: Antonella Coppola  
Andrea & Italia Albano: Antonella Coppola  
Josephine Iandoli: Ro Sevean  
Ron Sevean: Ro Sevean

**Weekdays**

**Monday, February 26**

**9:00am** Marie & John Corrigan: daughter, Jeanne  
Eugene Dolan: wife, Hope  
Lorraine Killen: husband, Robert

**Tuesday, February 27**

**9:00am** Anna Orroeo: Geza & Irene Monek  
Kitty Lenihan: Rose & Tom

**Wednesday, February 28**

**9:00am** Sue Wuebber: Deacon Phil & Maryann Fiore  
Frank Doran: Maryann & Danny Kaplan

**Thursday, March 1**

**9:00am** Edward Barr: Judy Ridgeway  
Anna Orroso: Kay & Fred Voelbel

**Friday, March 2**

**9:00am** Anthony T. DeSanto: Dan & Cindy DeGregorio  
Helen Pie: Norma & Leo Llave  
Errol Apun: Family



**Memorials – St. Mary’s, Barnegat**

**Bread and Wine** are donated this week in loving memory of Paul Joseph Schell requested by Dr. & Mrs. Paul Schell.

**Sanctuary Lamp in the Chapel** burns this week in loving memory of Rose Competiello requested by Ann & Richard Lauria.

**Altar Candles** burn this week in loving memory of Richard V. Caruso requested by wife, June.

**Memorials – St. Mary of the Pines**

**Sanctuary Lamp** in the Church burns this week in loving memory of Jerry Nolan requested by Sullivan Family.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Every Friday in Lent after the morning 8:00am and 9:00am Masses and 7:30pm in St. Mary’s Church.

**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.

**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 us 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: March 2 and 9 in the Parish Center from 7:30-9:00pm.** Register now: (609) 698-5531.

**PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DEPARTED**

*Barbara Altomare, Vincent Asciolla, Virginia Calib, Brigid Egan, Gary Kostura, Joan Lynch, Susanne Perdue, Mary Sansevere*

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL IN ACTION!!**

*Clergy and Religious Administration*

The Ministry of Clergy Personnel assists the Bishop every day in the assignment of priests and deacons in the diocese, handles all personnel matters pertaining to active and retired priests, and works with priests from outside the diocese who seek to minister in the diocese.

Ministry of Clergy Personnel keeps priests and deacons informed of events in the diocese specifically for its clergy, assists in the continuing education of clergy, the annual convocation of priests and in working throughout the diocese. Your gift supports the Bishop, priests and deacons in serving all parishioners in the Diocese of Trenton.

***We are in need of volunteers to help clean the purificators at St. Mary of the Pines. If interested, please call the rectory.***

**UPCOMING MASS SCHEDULES**

**St. Mary’s Church, Barnegat**

**March 3 & 4, 2018**

**Saturday, March 3**

**5:30pm** People of the Parish

**Sunday, March 4**

**8:00am** Thomas A. Furka: Delikat Family  
Josephine Frattaroli: Debbie Delucia & Phil Sprofera

**10:00am** Richard Dyer: Maria Westfall  
Peggy Chirumbolo: Betty Eckert  
Robert Corbliss: Roy & Peg Bateman

**12:00n** Steven Gull: Nacion Family  
Robert Doherty: Helen & Tom Hill  
Robert Corbliss: Cary & Sandie Belitz

Frank Pagliante: Carmela Pagliante  
Martin Presti: Vivian Presti  
Elizabeth Duffy: Joseph J. Quagliero

Barbara Battaglia: Jim Battaglia  
Gary Sellarole: Dot & Tony Baldassano  
Mary Koenig: Peter & Maryann Galvano

Robert Harth: John Stoddard  
Joe Milora: wife, Anna Mae  
**5:00pm** Deceased Members of the Garcia & Bracety

Families: Miraim & Joe  
Eileen Schmacher: Barbara & Ken Laratro

**St. Mary of the Pines**

**Saturday, March 3**

**4:00pm** Happy Birthday John Wong: Mom

William Keane: Keane Family  
Jane Cunningham: Roberta & Donna Rissmeyer

**Sunday, March 4**

**7:30am** Regina Boekell: John & Johanna Boekell

Ernest Uriarte: Uriarte Family

Joseph Lupa: wife, Marie

Lucille & Matthew Phelan: Kathleen

Tomolonis

Winifred Reiff: John & Johanna Boekell

Souls in Purgatory

Helen Varga & Patricia Bodnar: Richard &

Luellen Pace

**9:00am** Charles Carcione: Anthony & AnnMarie

Valinoti

Michael Supple: Family

**11:30am** Carol Sneyers: husband, Mickey

Nicholas Bono: Mates Family

Frank A. Pannone: Frank & Catherine

Pannone

**LENTEN CONFESSIONS**

During Lent we will have additional confessions each Wednesday, 6:30-7:30pm in St. Mary of the Pines.

**WE WELCOME THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED**

*Niko Gerena, Lillyana Groeblichhoff*

## TITHING REPORT

St. Mary's parishioners tithed \$27,741.00 in the collection for last weekend, \$1,933.00 in the second envelope for the Black and Indian Mission and an additional \$823.00 in on-line giving. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SACRIFICE OF TITHING! "I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living." Abraham's obedience to God challenges us in our Stewardship.

TODAY THERE IS A SECOND ENVELOPE TOWARDS OUR DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT.

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

**TODAY: SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT.** Genesis 22:1-2, 9, 10-13, 15-18; Romans 8:31-34; Mark 9:2-10

**NEXT SUNDAY: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT.** Exodus 20:1-17; 1 Corinthians 1:22-25; John 2: 13-25

## BANNS OF MARRIAGE

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Banns

Charles Ercol & Erika Gross  
Christopher Jarin & Courtney Hortshorn

## SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Saturday: St. Katherine Drexel

## BIBLE TRIVIA

**LAST WEEK:** One of the important Biblical themes is first mentioned in the story of Noah. Do you know what that is? The Biblical theme of the **covenant** first appears in the story of Noah. The word covenant appears 289 times in the Bible.

**TODAY'S QUESTION:** This week's question is difficult. Can you find the place in the New Testament that refers to the story of Abraham and Isaac from today's First Reading?

## Annulment Information Session

For many people, the process of marriage annulment is very mysterious, often accompanied by considerable misinformation. In order to dispel misconceptions, the diocese sponsors Annual Information Sessions annually in parishes within each county of the diocese. The Ocean County information session is scheduled for **Thursday, March 8 at St. Mary's Parish Center from 7:30 – 9:00 pm.** For more information, please call 609-406-7411 or email [rmoores@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:rmoores@dioceseoftrenton.org). Please note there will also be sessions available in Spanish, please contact the diocese for these additional dates and locations.

## CHRISTMAS BOOK

We are collecting stories for our annual Christmas Book, "When I was in school." We are asking for stories, humorous, inspirational or challenging, from when you were in school. Any submissions should be sent to the rectory office. We will continue to collect them through the summer. Thank you.

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

## **Sunday, February 25**

**10:00am** Religious Education Classes (Parish Center)  
**10:30am** RCIA (Rectory)  
**1:30pm** Baptisms (St. Mary's Church)  
**3:00pm** Betania Mass (Pines)  
**7:00pm** Bingo (Parish Center)  
**7:00pm** NA (MRH)

## **Monday, February 26**

**9:00am** AARP Taxes (Parish Center)  
**1:00pm** Crafty Ladies (MRH)  
**4:30pm** Divine Mercy Library (Pines)  
**6:00pm** Scripture Sisters (Pines)  
**7:00pm** Light of the World (Rectory)  
**7:00pm** CYO Basketball (Parish Center)  
**7:30pm** Healing Mass (St. Mary's church)  
**7:45pm** Spanish Bible Study (Pines)

## **Tuesday, February 27**

**8:45am** Monica's Daughters (Rectory)  
**10:00am** Scripture Sharing (Rectory)  
**4:00pm** Religious Education Classes (Parish Center)  
**6:00pm** Light of the World (Rectory)  
**7:00pm** ENOUGH Meeting (MRH)  
**7:00pm** CYO Basketball (Parish Center)

## **Wednesday, February 28**

**10:30am** Divine Mercy Library (Pines)  
**4:30pm** CCD Reconciliation Service (St. Mary's)  
**6:30pm** Rosary for Betania (Pines) **All Welcome**  
**6:30pm** Confessions (Pines)  
**6:30pm** Scripture Sharing (Rectory)  
**7:00pm** Divorced & Separated (Rectory)  
**7:00pm** Volleyball (Parish Center)  
**7:30pm** Baptism Prep. Class (St. Mary's)  
**7:30pm** Light of the World (Rectory)

## **Thursday, March 1**

**9:00am** Ken's Kitchen (Parish Center)  
**9:00am** AARP Tax Preparation (Parish Center)  
**7:00pm** Living Waters (Pines)  
**7:00pm** CYO Basketball (Parish Center)

## **Friday, March 2**

**8:30am** Stations of the Cross (St. Mary's Church)  
**9:30am** Stations of the Cross (Pines)  
**10:00am** Divine Mercy Library (Pines)  
**3:00pm** Divine Mercy Service (Pines)  
**4:30pm** Fish Fry (Parish Center)  
**7:00pm** Stations of the Cross (St. Mary's)  
**7:00pm** Beloved (Parish Center)  
**7:00pm** Emmaus (Rectory)  
**7:00pm** Spanish Ministry (Pines)

## **Saturday, March 3**

**6:30am** That Man is You (Parish Center)  
**8:30am** Bagels & Bibles for Men (MRH)  
**10:00am** Respect Life Meeting (Rectory)  
**4:00pm** AOH Irish Mass & Dinner (Pines)  
**7:00pm** AA (MRH)

## RESPECT LIFE NEWS

Every Friday during Lent we will meet at St. Mary of the Pines at 2:30pm to say a rosary and special prayers in thanksgiving for the closing of the abortion clinic in Toms River. We will also stay for the 3:00pm Divine Mercy Service. **Our next Respect Life meeting is Saturday, March 3. For more information, please call Tom Radwanski at (609) 607-8849.**

## LETTER FROM MONSIGNOR KEN

H. G. Wells' classic, *War of the Worlds*, was adapted into an award winning film in 1953 of the same title. In its day that movie set a new standard for special effects but certainly can't compare with contemporary techniques. The difference can be seen in the more recent version released in 2005. Besides special effects, there are also great differences in the manner in which the story line is told. In both the world is invaded by Martians, but in the 1953 version faith plays an important part that is missing in the 2005 release.

One of the characters in 1953 was a minister, Pastor Matthew Collins, who tries to make peace with the Martians and is killed. He is treated as a martyr, but there is no religious leader in the newer one. At the end of the first, many people gather in church and are praying for a miracle. There is no reference to such in the newer. In both, it is ultimately germs (1953), or microbes (2005), that defeats the Martians. However, at the end of the 1953 version, the narrator states, "after all that man could do had failed, the Martians were destroyed and humanity saved by the littlest things which God in His wisdom, had put upon this earth." Any such acknowledgement of Divine intervention is completely missing in the 2005 version and instead we hear that humanity had "earned" the right to the planet.

I have always believed that movies serve as a mirror to culture. What is "going on" in society is reflected in the themes and story lines of the cinema. At the end of the Declaration of Independence we read, "...with a firm reliance on the Protection of Divine Providence..." As revealed in the more recent version of *War of the Worlds* that eliminated that theme of faith, I believe our culture has a reluctance, even an aversion, to expressing dependence on Divine Providence. In the wake of 9/11, churches were filled—for a short time. Before long the tide receded and returned to more usual levels, and in many places has even continued to decline.

Everyone is seeking answers to the latest shooting at the Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida. There are no easy solutions, but I do have a suggestion: Pray. There's a lot of wisdom in that 1953 presentation of the *War of the Worlds*. We have not been invaded by Martians, but we have been invaded. We have been invaded by violence, killings, overdoses, family erosion, division and plain unrest. Is it such a bad idea to once again fill our churches? In the science fiction thriller, mankind had no solution. People turned to Divine Providence and an answer came. To those who might suggest that this is unrealistic or overly simplistic I would ask in reply, "How is your approach working?" Many in the public eye are anti-religion and many people pride themselves on being so. Well, what do we see in the wake of that approach? Are we more peaceful? Less violent? Are families stronger?

Of course, "going to Church" is more than just being in the building. We must also walk the talk. We must live the faith we profess in Church. I can't believe that if all people of faith filled our churches and those same people brought that faith back to their homes and communities that things would not be better. On Ash Wednesday, we had streams of people all day long dutifully and with devotion seeking to "get their ashes." That's great, but imagine if we had those crowds all the time?

9/11 is still a painful memory, but in the wake of that tragedy there was a special spirit in our nation. At the

center of that were faith and prayer. To be blunt, we do not have that today, and I wish we did. Yes, there are no easy solutions to Parkland, Florida, but I say, fill our churches, each week, and see what happens.

*"It is my wish, then, that in every place the men should pray, lifting up holy hands, without anger or argument" (1 Timothy 2:8).*

### **KNOW YOUR SAINTS**

*St. Victorinus (d. 284), February 25.*

He, Claudian, Dioscorus, Nicephorus, Papias, Serapion and Victor were Christian citizens of Corinth who were haled before the proconsul, Tertius, in 249 and tortured at the outbreak of the persecution of Christians under Emperor Decian. They were banished (or perhaps went of their own volition) to Egypt and were arrested at Diospolis in the Thebaid. Brought before the governor, Sabinus, during the reign of Numerian, they were all tortured and executed there on February 25 for their faith.

### **LENTEN RETREAT**

We will have a Parish Lenten Retreat, reflections on The Beatitudes, Sunday, March 11 and Monday, March 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.

### **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.

### **WATER ONLY WEDNESDAYS**

With Lent beginning our Uganda Ministry is renewing our Water Only Wednesday Lenten sacrifice. Last year, students in our Religious Education program and all Saints Catholic School donated enough money to purchase a water tank in Uganda. This year's donations shall be dedicated to the water tank for St. Mary's High School in Uganda.

We encourage our parishioners to join us in this Lenten sacrifice. Simply set aside the cost of coffee, soda, drinks, on each Wednesday and Eater weekend. Please donate these savings to Holy Trinity. We thank you for your continues support.

### **PILGRIMAGE TO EWTN**

St. Mary's is planning a trip to visit the EWTN studios October 28 – November 3. More information will follow.

### **INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP DINNER**

Our annual International Night will take place on **May 19**. We are collecting names for those willing to represent and prepare food for different countries. We are also in need of a chairperson. If you are interested, please call the rectory office.

### **REALITY CHECK/BASIC TRUTH**

*(Continued from last week – How did the Stations of the Cross Begin?)*

“When the Moslem Turks blocked the access to the Holy Land, reproductions of the stations were erected at popular spiritual centers. By 1587, Zuallardo reported that the Moslems forbade anyone ‘to make any halt, nor to pay veneration to [the stations] with uncovered head, nor to make any other demonstration,’ basically suppressing this devotion in the Holy Land. Nevertheless, the devotion continued to grow in popularity in Europe.

“At this time, the number of stations varied. William Wey’s account has 14 stations, but only five correspond to our own. Some versions included the house of Dives (the rich man in the Lazarus story), the city gate through which Christ passed, and the houses of Herod and Simon the Pharisee. In 1584 a book written by Adrichomius entitled, Jerusalem ‘sicut Christi Tempore Floruit,’ gives 12 stations which match those in our present version. This book was translated into several languages and circulated widely. In the 16<sup>th</sup> century, devotional books appeared especially in the Low Countries, which had 14 stations with prayers for each one.

“At the end of the 17<sup>th</sup> century, the erection of stations in churches became more popular. In 1686, Pope Innocent XI, realizing that few people could travel to the Holy Land due to the Moslem oppression, granted the right to erect stations in all of their churches and that the same indulgences would be given to the Franciscans and those affiliated with them for practicing the devotion as if on an actual pilgrimage. Pope Benedict XIII extended these indulgences to all of the faithful in 1726.”

(Excerpts from an article, *HOW DID THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS BEGIN?*, by Fr. William Saunders which appeared in the March 10, 1994 issue of the Arlington Catholic Herald, and reproduced on the EWTN website) CONCLUSION NEXT WEEK

### **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. 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](http://www.stmarysugandaministry.com)

### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

May the three pillars of Lent – prayer, fasting and almsgiving – help us to return to God and increase our love for each other.

The pantry needs: tea bags, pancake mix & syrup, peanut butter, boxed pasta (except spaghetti), and canned corn.

### **FAITH IN OUR FUTURE**

### **UPDATE #10**

Now that the Holidays are once again behind us, more activity can take place with each Parish Implementation Team and within the Cohort itself. Our Pastors have met and each has chosen a ministry to lead in additional collaboration efforts. This is the beginning of the Leadership of the Church (This is the second part of our mission in the effort to have collaboration within the Cohort), doing their part. This effort will allow each Ministry to follow “Best Practices”, allow joint functions and get to know other parish groups in an activity similar to our interests. Father (Stosh) Lukaszewski of St. Barnabas and Father (Richard) Basznianin of St. Pius will be leading Youth Ministry. Msgr. (Ken) Tuzeneu of St. Mary’s will head up the Music Ministry, while Father (Mick) Lambeth of St. Theresa will be in charge of Children’s Religious Education. Father (Jim) Scullion of St. Francis will lead the Parish Staff. There are many people involved in these Ministries and we are sure of a positive impact in our Collaboration efforts.

Work has also been continuing to support the choice of St. Mary’s as the Southern Ocean County Hispanic Center. Very shortly there will be a committee of Hispanic people from St. Francis, St. Theresa and from St. Mary’s to be representative of the Spanish speaking peoples in this area. Spanish speaking members of St. Barnabas will also join this group and they have some experience in their being the Northern Ocean County Spanish Center. They will help convey the needs and traditions they have, among other duties. If you are asked to participate, please say yes. Your input can be invaluable.

More information will be forthcoming on some new and innovative ideas. Please pray all these endeavors help Faith in Our Future.

### **PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary’s takes place in the chapel on church grounds in Barnegat. If you would like to become a weekly Adorer for the open hour listed below, or add your name to our Substitute List, call Joann Kaczala @ 609-698-6168. Hour presently in need of a weekly Adorer:

***Wednesday 6:00pm – 7:00pm***

### **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: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month at 6:30 pm.
- St. Mary’s Church, Barnegat: 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 fulfills the Sunday obligation) will be celebrated February 25.**

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

## 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.

### **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](http://www.DivineMercyLibrary.org) or send an email to [DivineMercyLibrary@gmail.com](mailto:DivineMercyLibrary@gmail.com)  
*Tenemos libros y dvds en Español*

### 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*

### SCRIPTURE SISTERS: A WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Our next study will be **February 26, 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!

### 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 like-minded. 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!

### 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.**

## 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.**

## JOURNEY THROUGH SCRIPTURE

Our Journey Through Scripture will meet **February 28, 6:30pm in the rectory. All are welcome.**

## OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined by 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 Line at (800) 296-2965 or via e-mail at [abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org).

The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

## 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 on March 4.**

## CELEBRATE IRISH ARTS

Amergaeil will present its 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebrate Irish Arts on **Saturday, March 3, 11:00am – 3:00pm, in the Ocean Acres Community Center**. The theme this year is "Women of Ireland." There will be historical programs, Irish dancing and singing as well as local vendors. All proceeds will benefit St. Vincent de Paul and St. Francis food pantry. **For more information, please call Jim at 609-994-7280.**

## LENTEN MOVIE

We will be showing the movie "Passion of the Christ", **Thursday, March 1, 6:30pm, in the Parish Center**. The movie is a historically accurate interpretation of Jesus' passion. Take a little retreat and join us in this witness. This event is open to all but anyone under the age of 16 needs adult supervision due to some graphic scenes. Some light refreshments will be available but you are welcome to bring your own. **For more information, please call (609) 597-1071.** Tissues will be provided.

### 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

**March 1- Dan with his classical guitar**

**March 8 – Lady Di**

**March 15 – Joe B**

**March 22 – Jack Mac**

### 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.**

### 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 and older. **If you are interested, please call the rectory office at (609) 698-5531.**

### 22<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL IRISH HERTIAGE DINNER DANCE

Fr. Duffy Division #2 Ancient Order of Hibernians is hosting their annual dinner dance, honoring the Stafford Volunteer Fire Company, **Saturday, March 3.** The night will begin with 4:00pm Mass, followed by dinner at the Parish Center. Cost of \$35.00 includes corned beef, cabbage and all the trimmings. Entertainment will be provided by DJ John Welch and the Connelly Clan Pipers. BYOB. **For more information or for tickets, please call Gary Montgomery at (609) 971-6112, Tom Richards at (609) 978-1019 or Joe Serembus at (609) 978-7140. No tickets will be sold at the door.**

### WOMEN'S LENTEN DAY OF PRAYER

*"Father forgive them, for they know not what they do"*

*Luke 23:34*

These compassionate and loving words of Jesus should inspire us to prepare for Holy Week and to celebrate the Resurrection.

To do just that St. Mary's Women Ministry would like to invite all women to attend our Lenten Day of Prayer **Saturday, March 24, 9:00am – 4:00pm in the Parish Center.** We are privileged to have the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal. The day will consist of praying singing and sharing concluded with Mass. Registration is \$20.00 which includes a hot lunch. **Seating is unlimited but the deadline is Monday, March 19.** Make checks payable to St. Mary's Church and send to Peggy Kinahan, 33 Fifth St. Barnegat, NJ 08005. For more information, please call Peggy at 908-418-5496.

### ENOUGH

We had a tremendous response to the invitation to address the crisis of addiction in our community. A second meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, February 27, 7:00pm in St. Mary's Church, Barnegat.** All are welcome.

At the first meeting we decided to form subcommittees to address this issue: Prayer and intercession; Public education; Advocacy and legislation; Resources and networking. At this second meeting we will follow up on any additional suggestions and these subcommittees will meet to discuss the next steps. Let us continue to pray for all who struggle with addictions and their families and for an end to this plague.

### NOBODY TOLD ME

*A Chastity Event for Parents and Teens*

The Diocese of Trenton Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries are hosting a chastity workshop **Saturday, March 10, 9:00am – 12:00noon, at St. John Vianney High School, Holmdel.** Guest speakers will be Pam Stenzel with Bell & Jen Maher. There is no cost. **For more information, please contact Cristina Imperato at 609-406-7410.**

### CATHOLIC WOMEN OF ZION

You are cordially invited to a mini day retreat for women on **Saturday, March 10, 9:00am to 12:00noon, at the Church of St. Pius the Tenth Parish Hall, Forked River.** Our day consists of prayer, music, speaker, sharing, and lunch. This month's speaker is Deacon Anthony "Tony" Martucci. Deacon Tony is a retired history teacher and has been a deacon in the Trenton Diocese for 30 years. Please come, bring a friend, and listen as Deacon Tony shares:

"Saint Joseph"

Admission is \$20.00, payable on the day of the luncheon. Registration is necessary by the Tuesday before the luncheon. Please call 609-693-5107, and leave your phone number and spell your last name or you may register on line by visiting [www.cwoz.org](http://www.cwoz.org). Since the luncheon is catered, if you need to cancel your reservation, please call as soon as possible. Thank you in advance.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

St. Mary's Catholic Youth Alliance youth group meets most Thursdays at the Parish Center in Manahawkin. We have 2 groups, a Junior group for 6th-8th grades and High School group from 9th-12th. Registration is free and you can join by coming to any of our scheduled dates. Any questions you can call the Youth office at 609-597-1071.

### Our upcoming dates:

**March 1:** We will have a showing of the movie, "The passion of the Christ, 6:30pm, in the Parish Center. All are welcome however if you are under 16, you must obtain parent's permission.

**March 8:** CNCOG, 6:30pm - 8:30pm, in the Parish Center.

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

### SAVE THE DATES

**March 25:** Easter Egg Hunt. More info to follow.

**March 30:** Live Stations of the Cross Performance

**June 23:** Blessing of the Waves

**August 13 - 17:** Vacation Bible School

### 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\*\*\*

**COME AND SEE OUR SLELCTION OF LENTEN PRODUCTS AND SACRAMENTAL GIFTS.**

**\*\*Volunteers are needed\*\***

**The Gift Shop will open on weekends only until April.**

## SPANISH MINISTRY

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

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

**La Comunidad Hijos de Maria Santisima te invita a celebrar la Santa Misa cada 1<sup>st</sup> y 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> lunes del mes.**

## ALL SAINTS SCHOOL

We have had a great response to our Statue Project and almost all the rooms have been adopted. There are six more rooms available.

For the large outdoor statues we are seeking ten donors of \$1,000 each. St. Mary's already received one, leaving us nine to go. There will be a plaque listing the memorial as requested by the donor(s). If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Msgr. Ken.

## FREE AARP TAX PREP

Free tax prep available beginning ever Monday and Thursday through April 12 at the Parish Center from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Any questions, please call 609-294-0730.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LENTEN FISH FRYDAYS

The Knights of Columbus are hosting Lenten Fish Frydays **March 2, 9, and 16 from 4:30pm - 7:30pm, in the Parish Center.** Cost of \$13.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children includes homemade soup, rolls and butter, beer battered cod (broiled upon request), beer battered shrimp, fries and other side dishes, coffee, soda and desserts. Macaroni and cheese and pizza will be available for children. Take out is available by calling (609) 597-1814.

## 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.**

## Knights of Columbus Trips

**April 9-10:** Trip to Dover Downs and Delaware Park Casino. Cost of \$189.00 per person, includes transportation, room, resort fee and baggage handling, buffet breakfast, and driver's gratuity.

**For information and reservations on any of these trips, please contact Charles Serwin at 609-978-0970.**

## SPAGHETTI DINNER

St. Pius X Church is sponsoring a spaghetti dinner **March 4, 5:00pm, in St. Pius X Parish Hall.** Cost of \$15.00 per person includes dinner, salad, rolls, butter, dessert, coffee, tea, and soda. All proceeds will benefit Dominic Frangella, a very active parishioner at St. Pius who just underwent a double lung transplant. **For more information, please call (609) 693-5107.**



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