

WEEKLY 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 & Tim Hill
Robert Corbliss: Cary & Sandie Belitz
Frank Paglianite: Carmela Paglianite
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

Weekdays

Monday, March 5

- 8:00am** Special Intentions for Joe Manhart: Bob & Pat Voelker
Joe Esposito: wife, Jean
Richard Dyer: Elizabeth Eckert

Tuesday, March 6

- 8:00am** Anthony Juliano: Juliano Family
Souls in Purgatory: Janice Larkin & Family

Wednesday, March 7

- 8:00am** Ercole Beltrami: Erica & Jennifer Flory
Paul S. Bach: Karen Keogh & Family

Thursday, March 8

- 8:00am** Jola Ztulc: Jean Manigold
Margery Carroll: Jean Manigold

Friday, March 9

- 8:00am** Charles White: wife, Cathy
Ann Germain: husband, Jack
Souls in Purgatory: Joseph Eorio
Vincent Saverio Bruno: Mom, Dad, Brother and Sister
John Dragon: Deacon Pat & Pat Martin
Beverly Konieczny: husband, John
Eleanor Ferguson: Donald DiMichele
Joan Kantounis: Mary and Pete Harth
Frances E. May: Diane & Ralph Dawes
John Scapicchio: Dot & Tony Baldassano
Eddie Rivera: Liz McEntee

Saturday, March 10

- 8:00am** Christopher Raupp: Mom & Dad
Al Gervasini: Joe Morici & Family

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

St. Mary of the Pines, Manahawkin

March 3 & 4, 2018

Saturday, March 3

- 4:00pm** Happy Birthday John Wong: Mom
William Keane: Keane Family
Jane Cunningham: Roberta & Donna Rissmeyer

Sunday, March 4

- 7:30am** Special Intentions for Marc Castellano: Mom
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

Weekdays

Monday, March 5

- 9:00am** Carl Feliciti: wife, JoAnn
Carly Family: Family

Tuesday, March 6

- 9:00am** Edward Golembieski: Ralph & Maryann
Mamudoski Family: Family

Wednesday, March 7

- 9:00am** Shan Mallard: Lisa Minnich
Charlie & Kitty DiDonato: Bissey Family

Thursday, March 8

- 9:00am** George Czurlanis: Ann Czurlanis & Children
Alfred Tutolo: Parlow Family

Friday, March 9

- 9:00am** Elizabeth Raylman: Mom, Dad & Brothers
Ellen M. Marino: Rivas Family



Memorials – St. Mary’s, Barnegat

Bread and Wine are donated this week in loving memory of Anthony Juliano requested by Casper & Marie Sabatino.

Altar Candles burn this week in loving memory of Vivian Cordero requested by Mom & Dad.

Sanctuary Lamp in the Chapel burns this week for Special Intentions for Beverly Klinger requested by Neil & Arlene Vandenberg.

Sanctuary Lamp in the Church burn this week for Special Intentions for Beverly Klinger requested by Neil & Arlene Vandenberg.

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

PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DEPARTED

*Marge Fossa, Jack & Dorothy Germain,
William Pylilo, Viola Madden*

BISHOPS ANNUAL 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 10 & 11, 2018

Saturday, March 10

5:30pm Richard Dyer: Paul & Elaine Brogowski
Jeanne Moccia: Steve & Terry Smith

Sunday, March 11

8:00am People of the Parish
10:00am Anne & John Sokol: Sokol Family
Richard Dyer: Rose & Joe Centinaro
12:00n Donna Incorivia: Martin & Barbara Hake
Christopher Peterson: Michael & Michele Filippone
5:00pm Special Intentions for Anelle Kobar: daughter, Janice Henderson
Loretta Hagerman: Helen Schoenebaum
James Valentino: Mr. & Mrs. Ed Buckley
Louis Tirelli: Susan Ferestien
Barbara Battaglia: Ralph & Bonnie Battaglia
Elizabeth Mazzella: John Rogati and Lisa Clay
Robert Keough: Harney & Laura Turner
Noreen Way: Deborah Novitske-DeLuca
Palma Pesic: Prestera Family
Mike Baryla: William Breese

St. Mary of the Pines

Saturday, March 10

4:00pm Dedication of St. Mary of the Pines
Frank Garrity: Philip & Peggy Fahy

Sunday, March 11

7:30am Connie McGinniss: Children
Janet Bruns: Dennis & Peggy
9:00am Special Intentions for Marie Castellano: Mom
Joseph Giacalone: Carmela Cresti
Mark Salinas: Samson Family
Ellen Wuebber: Michele Reichert and Simone Abenante
Jonathan Roccia: Susan Rose
Joseph Sacco: Wohl Family
Armand Stolte: Hal & Loretta Finley
Hilda Brady: Fitzsimmons Family
Gerardo Pallotta: David & Loretta Flynn
Darlene Cavillier: Noreen and Kate
William Rickards: Staiger Family
11:30am Gagliano Family: Sally & Joe Sanfilippo
Frank A. Pannone: Frank & Catherine Pannone
Luis Reyes: Joe & Lucy Cappello

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

*Edward Cammarata, Sofia Castaldo,
Maverick Simmons*

TITHING REPORT

St. Mary's parishioners tithed \$26,649.00 in the collection for last weekend, \$2,239.00 in the second envelope towards our Diocesan Assessment and an additional \$633.00 in on-line giving. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SACRIFICE OF TITHING!** *"Lord, You have the words of everlasting life."* In today's Gospel we recall the moment when Jesus threw the money changers out of the temple. We are reminded that, of itself, money is not evil. It is how we use it. **NEXT WEEKEND THERE IS A SECOND ENVELOPE TOWARDS OUR DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

NEXT SUNDAY: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT. 2 Chronicles 26: 14-16; Ephesians 2: 4-10; John 3: 14-21

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Wednesday: Sts. Perpetua and Felicity

Thursday: St. John of God

Friday: St. Francis of Rome

BIBLE TRIVIA

LAST WEEK: *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?*

In Hebrews 11:17-19 we read: "By faith Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was ready to offer his only son, of whom it was said, 'Through Isaac descendants shall bear your name.' He reasoned that God was able to raise even from the dead, and he received Isaac back as a symbol."

TODAY'S QUESTION: *What is meant by the prohibition in today's First Reading, 'You shall not take the name of the Lord, your God, in vain?'*

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.** 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, March 4

- 9:00am** Knights of Columbus Breakfast (Parish Center)
- 10:00am** Religious Education Classes (Parish Center)
- 10:30am** RCIA (Rectory)
- 1:30pm** Baptisms (St. Mary's Church)
- 3:00pm** Spanish Mass (Pines)
- 7:00pm** Bingo (Parish Center)
- 7:00pm** NA (MRH)

Monday, March 5

- 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)
- 7:45pm** Spanish Bible Study (Pines)

Tuesday, March 6

- 8:45am** Monica's Daughters (Rectory)
- 10:00am** Scripture Sharing (Rectory)
- 2:00pm** Confirmation (Pines)
- 4:00pm** Confirmation (Pines)
- 6:00pm** Light of the World (Rectory)

Wednesday, March 7

- 10:30am** Divine Mercy Library (Pines)
- 4:00pm** Religious Education Classes (Parish Center)
- 6:30pm** Rosary for Betania (Pines) **All Welcome**
- 6:30pm** Confessions (Pines)
- 6:30pm** Scripture Sharing (Rectory)
- 7:00pm** Divorced & Separated (Rectory)
- 7:30pm** Light of the World (Rectory)

Thursday, March 8

- 9:00am** Ken's Kitchen (Parish Center)
- 9:00am** AARP Tax Preparation (Parish Center)
- 6:30pm** CNCOG (Parish Center)
- 7:00pm** Living Waters (Pines)

Friday, March 9

- 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 10

- 6:30am** That Man is You (Parish Center)
- 8:30pm** Padre Pio Ministry (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. **For more information, please call Tom Radwanski at (609) 607-8849.**

PILGRIMAGE TO EWTN

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

LETTER FROM MONSIGNOR KEN

One of the best spiritual practices we should do for Lent is to go to Confession. Some Catholics are nervous about Penance and some simply avoid it convincing themselves that it is not necessary to go. Besides ignoring Divine Law, they are missing out on a wonderful opportunity of Grace. While some do not like Confession, there is One who does. God loves it when we go to Confession! As we learned in the beautiful and well-known parable of the Prodigal Son, the Father, who is God, is not only waiting for us but even runs to meet us. After all, He sent His Son in order to take away our sins. In His infinite wisdom He has also given us the Sacrament of Holy Orders so that there would be priests to represent Him to share His mercy in our own time. It is a beautiful Sacrament. I encourage you, especially if it has been a long time, to take advantage of this opportunity. Do not be afraid. I promise you that you will be happy that you did.

One of the challenges for some in going to Confession is saying the *Act of Contrition*. Especially today, there are so many versions that many become confused and even forget. And, if you're nervous, it's even more difficult! Remember, going to Confession is not taking a test. The purpose of the prayer is to express sorrow for sin and a desire to change. One can read the prayer, make up one, or ask for help.

There is a very beautiful prayer that is easy to remember and expresses the key elements in making a good Confession—humility, dependence on God for mercy and an acknowledgment of personal responsibility for sin. It is inspired by the parable that Jesus told of the two men who went to the Temple to pray. The Pharisee prayed in an arrogant and self-serving manner while the tax collector didn't even dare to raise his eyes. He beat his breast and prayed, "O God, be merciful to me a sinner" (Luke 18:13b). This prayer has been adopted especially by Eastern Christians, both Catholic and Orthodox and is known as the Jesus Prayer: "O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner." Because it is short it can be easily memorized and recited throughout the day. Many Eastern Christians do so using prayer ropes similar to the rosary. Taking advantage of otherwise wasted moments, they lift their minds and hearts, calling on the Holy Name of Jesus. Too often Lent comes and goes and we regret that we didn't do much. Here is a simple solution. Adopt the Jesus Prayer and use it often—and go to Confession. Doing so will assist you not only to have a beautiful Lent, but you will grow in your love of God and in holiness. Isn't that what Lent should be?

"But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted" (Luke 18:13-14).

KNOW YOUR SAINTS

St. Casimir of Poland (1458-84), March 4.

Third of the thirteen children of King Casimir of Poland and Elizabeth of Austria, daughter of Emperor II of Germany, he was born at the royal place in Cracow on October 3, was taught by Fr. John Dlugosz, and from childhood was attracted to a life of holiness, austerity, and charity. Convinced the cause was unjust, he refused to lead an army against King Matthias Corvinus of Hungary in 1471 to seize the Hungarian throne, as his father and the Hungarian nobility demanded. Though confined to the castle of Dobzki, Casimir resisted all efforts to make him change his mind. He also resisted his father's efforts to have him marry and devoted himself to study and prayer. He served as viceroy while his father was out of Poland, 1479-83, and died on March 4 at the court of Grodino while on a visit to Lithuania. Many miracles were reported at his tomb at Vilna, and he was canonized by Pope Adrian VI in 1522. He is the patron saint of Poland and Lithuania.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

We have submitted the sealed drawings for redoing the front steps of St. Mary's, Barnegat to the township and are waiting to receive the necessary permits. **The current front steps and handicapped ramps will be completely demolished and they will be rebuilt with a new design.** The work will take about two weeks and will mean that we will not have access through the front of the church during that time. We will still have Mass during construction and parishioners can either go through the side entrances or use the TV screen in Monsignor Reinbold Hall. If one prefers, they could attend Mass during that time at St. Mary of the Pines.

The work will not be done until after Easter and you will know well in advance exactly when. In the meantime, we may be able to do some preliminary work by clearing the shrubs and moving statues in the front of the church. There will be some temporary inconvenience but it is extremely exciting that we will finally be able to complete this project!

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 SERVICE

There will be a Healing Service the second Wednesday of each month at St. Mary's Church in Barnegat beginning March 14 and every second Sunday thereafter. We will begin with the rosary at 12:30pm and end with benediction. There will be individual pray for those who desired to be prayed over. Service will end at approximately 2:00pm. God Bless. Deacon Joseph Fiorillo.

REALITY CHECK/BASIC TRUTH

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

“Five years later, Pope Cement XII permitted stations to be created in all churches and fixed the number at 14. In 1742, Pope Benedict XIV exhorted all priests to enrich their churches with the Way of the Cross, which must include 14 crosses and are usually accompanied with pictures or images of each particular station. The popularity of the devotion was also encouraged by preachers like St. Leonard Casanova (1676-1751) of Porto Maurizio, Italy, who reportedly erected over 600 sets of stations throughout Italy.

“To date, there are 14 traditional stations: Pilate condemns Christ to death; Jesus carries the cross; the first fall; Jesus meets His Blessed Mother; Simon of Cyrene helps to carry the cross; Veronica wipes the face of Jesus; the second fall; Jesus speaks to the women of Jerusalem; the third fall; Jesus is stripped of His garments; Jesus is nailed to the cross; Jesus dies on the cross; Jesus is taken down from the cross; and Jesus is laid in the tomb.

“Because of the intrinsic relationship between the passion and death of our Lord with His resurrection, several of the devotional booklets now include a 15th station, which commemorates the Resurrection. A plenary indulgence is granted for those who piously exercise the Way of the Cross, actually moving from station to station where they are legitimately erected and while meditating on the passion and death of our Lord (*Enchiridion of Indulgences*, No. 63).

“Those who are impeded from visiting a church may gain the same indulgence by piously reading and meditating on the passion and death of our Lord for one-half hour. The continued importance of the statins in the devotional life of Catholics is attested by both Pope Paul VI, who approved a Gospel-based version of the stations in 1975, and Pope St. John Paul II, who also wrote his own version.”

(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) Here in St. Mary's we use, *The Way of the Cross, with text from the Scriptures*.

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.

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.

HEALING MASS

We will NOT have a Healing Mass in March since the last Monday falls during Holy Week. The next one will be in April.

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

ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

The St. Padre Pio Prayer Group will meet Saturday, March 10, in St. Mary's Church in Barnegat after the 8:00am Mass as we pray the rosary, Divine Mercy, and St. Pio Novena. Blessings with relics of various saints and speakers will follow prayers. Fellowship will follow in Monsignor Reinbold Hall.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Faithful Catholics devote at least an hour a week to Mass, but devoting just one more hour to enter into a personal relationship with Jesus can open up another world of spirituality during Lent. (*The Arkansas Catholic*) 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. Hours presently in need of a weekly Adorer:

SUNDAY, 9:00pm to 10:00pm
(temporary now to May)

WEDNESDAY, 6:00pm to 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: 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 fulfills the Sunday obligation) will be celebrated March 25.

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

Life In The Spirit

“Remember that the Church was born on Pentecost”
– Pope Francis

How can the Life in the Spirit seminar help you prepare for Pentecost, and the rest of your life?

It can bring the scriptures alive for you. Teach you how to love and forgive others as Jesus does, and help you possess the grace and courage to share the Good News. You can learn how to be more open to the Holy Spirit through a **Life in the Spirit Seminar**. It will take place each Thursday evening from 7-9 in the Media room of **St. Mary of the Pines Parish Center**. **Beginning April 19 through May 31**. Call Dotty Cronan at **609-488-1708** to register or for more information. We wish to **“share with everyone in the Church the grace of baptism in the Holy Spirit”** as Pope Francis directs.

COME TO THE TABLE

After several meetings to brainstorm on ways to increase outreach to and involvement of our parish children and their families we have decided to begin an exciting new program. We are calling it, "Come to the Table," and it will involve a meeting once a month in which children and their families will engage in activities to grow in their faith with one another. This program will not replace our current religious formation program and will be voluntary. We have already discussed several entertaining and engaging events. At this point we are seeking parishioners who are willing to be a part of this pilot program. If you have any questions or have an interest, please contact either the office of youth ministry or the parish 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 or send an email to 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 **March 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!

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 **March 7, 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.

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!

JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF

"Journey Through Grief" is a bereavement support group sponsored by St. Pius X Church in Forked River. Team members are experienced, certified bereavement facilitators who emotionally and spiritually support those who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Registration is now open for the Spring session. We meet for eight consecutive Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm in the St. Pius X Meeting Room. The first session begins **on April 4. Participation is free of charge and is limited to adults who have suffered the loss of a loved one prior to January 2018.**

Registration forms, brochures and information sheets are available at the rectory. Please mail completed forms directly to: Paula Little 24 Cedar St. Barnegat, NJ 08005 by **March 28. For further information, please contact St. Pius X at 693-5107.**

"Instill in me Jesus, the spirit of humility to recognize my need for others at this time of grieving, and instill in me common sense to see that I shouldn't try to make this journey alone." Maureen O'Boyle

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.

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 8 – Lady Di

March 15 – Joe B

March 22 – Jack Mac

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– Pope Francis

How can the Life in the Spirit seminar help you prepare for Pentecost, and the rest of your life?

It can bring the scriptures alive for you. Teach you how to love and forgive others as Jesus does, and help you possess the grace and courage to share the Good News. You can learn how to be more open to the Holy Spirit through a **Life in the Spirit Seminar**. It will take place each Thursday evening from 7-9 in the Media room of **St. Mary of the Pines** Parish Center. **Beginning April 19 through May 31.** Call Dotty Cronan at **609-488-1708** to register or for more information. We wish to **“share with everyone in the Church the grace of baptism in the Holy Spirit”** as Pope Francis directs.

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.**

PROVIDENCE HOUSE 50/50 RAFFLE

Catholic Charities is sponsoring a 50/50 raffle to benefit Providence House on June 8, at their annual gift auction. First prize is 25%; second prize is 15%; third prize is 10%. Cost of tickets are \$2.00 each and are available at the rectory.

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 founded by Fr. Benedict Groeschel. Sister Cecilia will talk on prayer and Sr. Elizabeth will talk on “How to meet Christ in the spiritual corporal works of mercy.”

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. Barneget, NJ 08005. For more information, please call Peggy at 908-418-5496.

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 Imparato 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**. 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 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 SELECTION 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 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.

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). **A groundbreaking ceremony for this outdoor statue garden will be scheduled in the spring.** 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 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.

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