

WEEKLY 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: Harvey & Laura Turner
Noreen Way: Deborah Novitske-DeLuca
Palma Pesic: Prestera Family
Mike Baryla: William Breese

Weekdays

Monday, March 12

8:00am Patricia Vill: St. Mary's Adult Group
Marie A. Venturini: Kathy Collins

Tuesday, March 13

8:00am Connie Carey: Mary Gifford
John Kmicinski: Philip & Jennifer Celmer

Wednesday, March 14

8:00am Julia Rabold: Roseann & Gene
Chris Peterson: Uncle Peter, Aunt Diane P.J. and Anthony

Thursday, March 15

8:00am Mark Dowd: mom, Rosemary Dowd
Marie & Anthony Marino: Marino Family

Friday, March 16

8:00am Souls in Purgatory: Joseph Eorio
Alice Henry Coopey: mother, Alice Henry
Robert Harth: Barbara McCann
Joyce Valente: Lorraine & Bob Denbleyker
Elsie Morrison: Joe & Rosemary Lynch
Annemarie & Steven: Margaret Hansen
Laura Barbato: Mom & Family
Wilfred Pina: Diane & Ralph Dawes
Kathleen Monaghan: Molloy & Zatkos Family
Patrick Nihill: Mike & Una Griffin
Barbara Marie & Whitey D'Amico
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Saturday, March 17

8:00am Mary Ann Palmieri: Joan Tatur
Robert Chiappone: RoseMary & Joseph Megna

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

St. Mary of the Pines, Manahawkin

March 10 & 11, 2018

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 Marc 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

Weekdays

Monday, March 12

9:00am Christian Jaekle: Deacon Joe & Betty
Joseph Meehan: Manigold & Tuzeneu Families

Tuesday, March 13

9:00am Deceased Members of the Ferriter Family: Family
Eileen Phillips: Family
John Valeriani, Sr.: wife, Dolores Valeriani

Wednesday, March 14

9:00am Peg McNamara: Kate
Louise Byrne: Family

Thursday, March 15

9:00am Deceased Members of the Healy Family: Family
Bessie Woodcock: George C. Zuttowski

Friday, March 16

9:00am Josephine Fetelski: daughter, Wanda
Frances Carol Penn: Jane Bailey Hall



Memorials – St. Mary's, Barnegat

Bread and Wine are donated this week in loving memory of John Dragon requested by Deacon Pat & Pat Martin.

Altar Candles burn this week in loving memory of John Dragon requested by Deacon Pat & Pat Martin

Sanctuary Lamp in the Chapel burns this week in loving memory of James Ferro requested by Ann & Richard Lauria.

Sanctuary Lamp in the Church burn this week in loving memory of John Dragon requested by Deacon Pat & Pat Martin.

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.

PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DEPARTED

*Ernest Grabick, Eleanor Graff, Connie Servedio,
Giovanna Tomasello*

BISHOPS ANNUAL APPEAL – IN ACTION

Evangelization - Pastoral Care

Rooted in the Gospel invitation to share in the healing mission of Jesus Christ, we advance the compassionate and competent spiritual, pastoral and sacramental care of God's suffering people by resourcing the clergy, pastoral ministers, healthcare professionals and caregivers who serve them. Those who offer pastoral care communicate God's love and compassion 'person-to-person' by offering spiritual and sacramental support, including the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick offered by a priest. We connect with healthcare institutions, medical professionals, chaplains and clergy by providing extensive consultation and resources for the holistic health and well-being of Catholic patients. Your gift helps you to live and spread the Gospel.

WE WELCOME THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED

*Lorelei Baffuto, Jack Dineen,
Ashley Ferrer, Osmar Ferrer*

UPCOMING MASS SCHEDULES

St. Mary's Church, Barnegat

March 17 & 18, 2018

Saturday, March 17

5:30pm Catherine Perry: Rudy, Kay & Family
Dick Dyer: Marie O'Hara
Jeffrey Gebhardt: Arlene & Jake Navaro
Tony Mizdal: Celia Kreiter
Edward Kelly: Lueders Family
Eric Courtney: Joe & Tina Eorio
Jane Latronica: Jack & Peggy Pongracz
Florence Cheslock: Jennifer, Amanda and Christy
Anelle McGowan: Paul & Bernadette Turi
Marge Bunevich: Jane & Stephen Trofimyuk
Mary Halleck: Walter Meyer & Marge Rebette

Sunday, March 18

8:00am Louis Truppa: Truppa Family
Samuel Rivera: Barbara & Larry Larsen
10:00am People of the Parish
12:00n Sam Quartello: wife, Norma
Aristo Martin: Joy & Bob Houser
5:00pm Christopher Peterson: Uncle Peter,
Aunt Diane, P.J. and Anthony
Robert Keough: Prestera Family
John Kenna: sister, Rae Juliano

St. Mary of the Pines

Saturday, March 17

4:00pm Happy Birthday Stefan Wong Wagner:
grandma, Wong
Margaret Caruso: Terri & Jim Menture
Madeline Wood: husband, David
Peter Togher: wife, Ann

Sunday, March 18

7:30am Richard Lenihan: Patricia McConaghy
Edmund Kaboski: daughter, Nancy Moglia
9:00am Frank Quartello: Rayeann Quartello
Schug Family: Glenn & Madelyn Tooth
11:30am Happy 100th Birthday Mary Javorsky:
Claire Rjfkjn
Edward Williams, Sr.: wife, Mary Ann
Angelina LaCorte: Frank & Catherine Pannone
Marcus Reed: Phyllis Genz
Alfred Persichetty: Linda & John Roberts
Elizabeth Hundley: William Meade
Marilyn O'Connor: Frank & Catherine Pannone
Connie Burke: Kay & Fred Voelbel
Julie Genz: Phyllis Genz
Robert Richard Nay: Gary & Anna Franklin
Herbert Sheldon: MOMS Group

LENTEN CONFESSIONS

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

TITHING REPORT

St. Mary's parishioners tithed \$29,295.00 in the collection for last weekend and an additional \$463.00 in on-line giving. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SACRIFICE OF TITHING!** *"Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget You!"* During Lent we reflect on the three pillars of the spiritual life: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. In Stewardship we reflect on our use of Time, Talent and Treasure. **TODAY THERE IS A SECOND ENVELOPE TOWARDS OUR DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

NEXT SUNDAY: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT. Jeremiah 31: 31-34; Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Saturday: St. Patrick

BIBLE TRIVIA

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

This refers to using God's Name for no good purpose, such as swearing falsely in a legal proceeding. More generally it means to refrain from using God's Name without proper reverence.

TODAY'S QUESTION: *This week's question is not an academic one but personal. Today's Gospel contains the famous passage that is often quoted: John 3:16, "For God so loved the world..." Do you have a favorite Bible chapter and verse that you know by heart? Your homework is to get one if you don't! Next week, Msgr. Ken will share his.*

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.

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.

PILGRIMAGE TO EWTN

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

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

We received our building permit to proceed with work on the front steps of St. Mary's, Barnegat! The work will not be done until after Easter. When the date of the work is finalized we will announce it and give you all the necessary information and options during the time of remodeling. There will be a temporary inconvenience but there will be NO interruption to the celebration of Mass.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, March 11

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

Monday, March 12

All Day Monthly Day of Prayer (both Churches)
9:00am AARP Taxes (Parish Center)
1:00pm Crafty Ladies (MRH)
4:30pm Divine Mercy Library (Pines)
6:00pm Scripture Sisters (Pines)
7:00pm Parish Mission (Pines)
7:00pm Evening Prayer (St. Mary's)
7:00pm Light of the World (Rectory)
7:00pm CYO Basketball (Parish Center)
7:45pm Spanish Bible Study (Pines)

Tuesday, March 13

8:45am Monica's Daughters (Rectory)
10:00am Scripture Sharing (Rectory)
4:30pm Religious Education Classes (Parish Center)
6:00pm Light of the World (Rectory)
7:00pm Altar Server Meeting (Pines)
7:00pm CYO Basketball (Parish Center)

Wednesday, March 14

10:30am Divine Mercy Library (Pines)
12:45pm St. Gerard Healing Service (St. Mar)
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 Parish Council (MRH)
7:00pm Divorced & Separated (Rectory)
7:00pm Volleyball (Parish Center)
7:30pm Light of the World (Rectory)

Thursday, March 15

9:00am Ken's Kitchen (Parish Center)
9:00am AARP Tax Preparation (Parish Center)
6:30pm Stations of the Cross Practice (Parish Center)
7:00pm Choir Practice (Pines)
7:00pm Living Waters (Pines)

Friday, March 16

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 Emmaus (Rectory)
7:00pm Spanish Ministry (Pines)

Saturday, March 17

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.**

LETTER FROM MONSIGNOR KEN

The history of the Church is filled with dramatic stories of conversion. One immediately thinks of great saints like St. Paul and St. Augustine. In our own times many are familiar with the powerful witness of Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, who went from a criminal atheist to being a Catholic priest of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception or the journey of Scott Hahn from evangelical Christianity into the Catholic Church. These stories inspire us and give us hope. Ironically, these same stories that have helped change many lives can discourage others. Sometimes there's that little voice inside that asks, "What's wrong with me?" The truth is that most Catholics don't have a dramatic conversion story. Most would say something like, "I have always been Catholic," or, "I grew up Catholic and will die a Catholic."

For the record, there is nothing bad about *only* growing up Catholic and experiencing a gradual growth in faith. It is not necessary to have a dramatic conversion story or mountain top experience. Regardless of the path one takes, however, there is something that all should have in common. There is a well-known passage from the Book of Revelation that sheds light on the subject--*To the angel of the church in Laodicea, write this: The Amen, the faithful and true witness, the source of God's creation, says this: "I know your works; I know that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either cold or hot. So, because you are lukewarm, neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth."* (Revelation 3:14-16)

What is so powerful about the witness of those who have newly discovered the Faith, or re-discovered their Faith, is their *passion*. Because they never had it, or even lost it, they have a deep appreciation for what they now have. That is what is sometimes lacking in cradle Catholics. It is a good thing that they did not stray into a life of sin, but, in some cases, there is a lack of appreciation for what they have. Because someone has always been Catholic there is a temptation to indifference and falling into a routineness about their Faith. One can appear to go through the motions and project an attitude that the living of the Faith is like brushing their teeth. It's just something they do.

That's the key. Whether one was knocked off a horse like St. Paul or went to Church every Sunday, both should share and exhibit the same passion. Whether I have known the Truths of my Faith all my life or have just newly discovered their beauty, all should be excited about them. It is wonderful that I am loved by God; that Jesus was born for us; the teachings of Jesus; His Suffering and Death on the Cross; the Resurrection; the gift of the Holy Spirit—to name only some.

I suggest that this might be your project for Lent. You may be able to claim that you don't do anything that bad or that you have always been Catholic, but if when Holy Week comes, you are not filled with passion at the Passion of Jesus and His Resurrection, something is missing!

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My Voice and opens the door, [then] I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with Me. I will give the victor the right to sit with Me on My Throne, as I Myself first won the victory and sit with My Father on His Throne."

"Whoever has ears ought to hear what the Spirit says to the churches" (Revelation 3:20-22).

KNOW YOUR SAINTS

St. Constantine (6th century), March 11.

King of Cornwall, unreliable tradition has him married to the daughter of the King of Brittany who on her death ceded his throne to his son and became a monk at St. Mochuda Monastery at Rahan, Ireland. He performed menial tasks at the monastery, then studied for the priesthood and was ordained. He went as a missionary to Scotland under St. Columba and then St. Kentigern, preached in Galloway, and became abbot of a monastery at Govan. In old age, on his way to Kintryre, he was attacked by pirates who cut off his right arm, and he bled to death. He is regarded as Scotland's first martyr.

REALTY CHECK/BASIC TRUTH

The Sixth Station of the Cross is: *Veronica Wipes the Face of Jesus*. This incident does not occur in the Bible and some have questioned its historicity based on the meaning of the name. Veronica is a combination of Latin and Greek words meaning "true image." Nevertheless, the apocryphal "Acts of Pilate" gives this name to the woman with a blood flow who was cured by touching the hem of Jesus' cloak. The story of Veronica's veil has been popular for centuries and was even included in a scene from Zeffereilli's "Jesus of Nazareth."

In 1999, a German Jesuit priest, Father Heinrich Pfeiffer, claimed to have rediscovered the legendary veil of Veronica in the abbey of Monoppello, Italy. Stories of the relic date back to the fourth century. From the twelfth century until 1608 it was kept in the Vatican Basilica. Legend says that it was sold to ransom a soldier from jail. A nobleman of Monoppello then donated it to the Capuchins that same year. In 1618 it was placed in a walnut frame adorned in silver and gold between two sheets of glass.

The image on the cloth becomes invisible depending on the angle from which it is viewed. Tests have determined that it is not made of paint. Enlarged digital photographs of the veil reveal that the image is identical on both sides of the cloth. When compared with the face on the Shroud of Turin, which many accept as the burial cloth of Jesus, there are many similarities.

As with the Shroud of Turin, skeptics remain. However, there are miraculous features of the veil that have no other explanation other than it being the Veil of Veronica. You decide.

ENOUGH

The meeting for our addiction ministry will be **Wednesday, April 4, 7:00pm in Monsignor Reinbold Hall**. All are 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.

HOLY WEEK – SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES

MONDAY, MARCH 26: **CHRISM MASS**, 7:30PM in St. Robert Bellarmine Co-Cathedral, Freehold.

TUESDAY, MARCH 27: **SEVEN LAST WORDS**, 7:00pm in St. Mary's Church, presented by the Deacons of St. Mary's and St. Pius.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28: **CONFESSIONS**, 6:30-7:30pm in St. Mary of the Pines

HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 29: No 8:00am or 9:00am Masses.

4:00pm **Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper** in St. Mary of the Pines followed by simple adoration until 11:00pm.

7:30pm, Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper in St. Mary's followed by simple adoration until 12 Midnight.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CEASES AFTER THE EVENING MASS AND WILL RESUME AFTER THE EASTER VIGIL. THE ADORATION CHAPEL WILL BE CLOSED UNTIL THEN.

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 30: No 8:00am or 9:00am Masses.

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion in BOTH churches, 3:00pm.

Live Stations of the Cross presented by Youth Ministry, 7:30pm in St. Mary of the Pines.

Traditional Stations of the Cross, 7:30pm in St. Mary's, followed by Confessions.

HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 31: No 8:00am Mass.

12:00 Noon **Blessing of Food** in St. Mary's Church.

EASTER VIGIL, 8:00pm with Blessing of Fire, Paschal Candle and Special Readings in BOTH CHURCHES. The Sacraments of Initiation will be celebrated during the Vigil in St. Mary of the Pines.

There is NO 4:00pm or 5:30pm Mass on Saturday, March 31. The First Mass for Easter must be after dark.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 1:

St. Mary's Church, Barnegat: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12 Noon

St. Mary of the Pines: 7:30am, 9:00am, **10:15am**, 11:30am

There is NO 5:00pm Mass on Easter Sunday.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 24: Continuous confessions available from after the 8:00am Mass until 4:00pm in St. Mary's Church.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday of Holy Week: After the 8:00am and 9:00am Masses; Wednesday, 6:30pm to 7:30pm in St. Mary of the Pines.

Good Friday, after the 7:30pm Stations in St. Mary's, Barnegat.

Holy Saturday, from 11:00am until 12 Noon; 3:00pm to 4:00pm in St. Mary's, Barnegat.

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.

The St. Padre Pio Prayer Group will meet Saturday, April 10 at St. Mary's Church 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

One myth concerning Perpetual Adoration is you may discover it is not the right hour for you and will have to drop out. Often Adorers have had many different hours until they settle on the right time and we will work with you to find the right hour. Nothing is forever as far as the hour. 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 one of the open hours listed below or to add your name to our Substitute List, call Joann Kaczala @ 609-698-6168.

SUNDAY, 9:00pm to 10:00pm

(temporary until May)

WEDNESDAY, 6:00pm to 7:00pm

THURSDAY, 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.

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 14, 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.

FATHER & SON COMMUNION BREAKFAST

St. Mary's Men's group presents "Legacy of Virtue: father and son Communion breakfast Saturday, April 22. Guest speaker will be Dan Duddy. For more information, please go to www.LegacyofVirtue.org.

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 Easter 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 15 – Joe B

March 22 – Jack Mac

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

LAZARUS MASS WITH STATIONS OF THE CROSS

All who grieve the loss of a loved one are welcomed to pray the Stations of the Cross followed immediately by our monthly Lazarus Memorial Mass on **Wednesday, March 21 at 7:00pm, in St. Mary's Church.** We place pictures of our lost loved ones at the altar, write their names in the book on intentions and lift each name up in prayer.

"Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrow"
Isaiah 53:4

JOB SEEKER SUPPORT GROUP

(Formally called Employment Resource Committee)

The Job Seeker Support Group needs volunteers with a background in hiring, resume preparation, or personnel management; and/or knowledge of the local job market; and/or computer word processing skills. In addition to bi-weekly meetings, committee members may provide follow up support by phone or e-mail job seekers. If interested, please contact Steve Muench at (513) 509-3654 or at smnjav@gmail.com.

PALM FOLDING CLASS

Deacon Joe Vivona will hold a Palm Folding Class on **Friday, February 23 at 7:00pm in the Parish Center.** It's an opportunity to learn this craft that you remember as a child. Something that you will be able to share with your family. **Bring your scissors.**

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.

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:

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 & 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.

VIETNAM MEMORIAL MONUMENT DEDICATION

On the first nationally recognized Vietnam Veterans Day, March 29, there will be a dedication ceremony for the newly constructed Vietnam Veterans' Memorial at 12 Noon at the Barnegat Gazebo Park, Rte. 9 and West Bay Ave.

All Saints School will celebrate its 20th Anniversary at a Spring dinner on Saturday, May 5 in their All Purpose Room. More information will follow.

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 two, leaving us eight 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 **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.