

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

St. Mary's Church, Barnegat

November 24 & 25, 2018

Saturday, November 24

5:30pm Bernadine Goepjert:Mary & George
Jeffrey Ditmar:Mary, Chris and Mark
Patrick Nihill:Celia Kreiter
Don Kreiter:Tom Ziemba
Rogers Family:Linda Lasko
Russell Dillow:Frank Masters & Family
Anthony Lopardo:Tifani & Chase Kievit
Mary Regina Fleming:Jane Wnuk
Bob Scherer:Wife, Maryanne
Herb Wiener:Ron & Joy Fronzak
Robert Selin:Janet & Wayne Dougherty

Sunday, November 25

8:00am Carol Marlow:Roy & Peg Bateman
Helen & Tony Palchanes:Leona & Bill Dolan
Happy Birthday remembrance Stephen Wong:Family
10:00am People of the Parish
12:00n Serafino Federico:Norma Quartello
Rosalia & Salvatore Anzalone:Fred & Emma
Ronald Flynn:Madeline Flynn & Family
5:00pm Gerard Nolan Happy Birthday:Wife, Darlene & Family
Joseph Pellegrinelli:Rose Marie

Weekdays

Monday, November 26

8:00am Patricia Scheidemann:Husband
Antonio Bera:Linda Giovahio
Dominique Esposito:Missy Gervasini

Tuesday, November 27

8:00am John & Matilda Kunka:Daughter, Jane
Frank Consentino:Joan Tatur
Frank Gerbasio:Diane Artuso

Wednesday, November 28

8:00am Kevin Scott Rohrer:John & Pat Vanderleeuw
Rosalie Pape:Bernadette Nihill
Larry Schenk:Jean Esposito

Thursday, November 29

8:00am Denise Tassinaro:Mom, Rosemary Dowd
Pauline Lombardo:Sal & Janice Lombardo
Deacon Bob Klein:Rita Marino

Friday, November 30

8:00am Souls in Purgatory
Timmy O'Sullivan:Danny & Maryann Kaplan
Horacio V. Miranda:Kelly & Steve Zuzic
Dan Jameson:Rick & Susan DePalma
Deacon Bob Klein:Light of the World
Lucille Young:James Miglorie
Domenico Saraniero:Art & Eleanor Mattei
Chuck Jones:Susan & Sean Devlin
Dorothy Kohler:Ceil & Chris Robinson
James Sullivan:Sullivan-Ackers Families
Philomena & Vincenzo
Luciano:Granddaughter, Janet
65th Wedding Anniversary Ray & Rosemary White

Saturday, December 1

8:00am Msgr. Ken Anniversary of Ordination
Maria Morin:Antonio & Marie Tarabacchia

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St. Mary of the Pines, Manahawkin

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Saturday, November 24

4:00pm James Stuart:Kate
Frank Martin:Family
Steve Kunka:Niece, Jane
Thomas Francis Murtha:John & Pat Vanderleeuw
Brandan Meade:Peg & John Killeen
The Patla Family:Daughter, Jackie
Jean DeSandes:Mark & Rachel Tolomeo
John Cowie:Moira Flynn
John Flynn:Hazel Sandquist
Angela Foti:Joseph Spada

Sunday, November 25

7:30am John Boekell:Geri Atzert
Rev John Basil:Ron & Rosann Dugas
9:00am Michael Supple:Family
Harold & Eleanor Lofstedt:Supple Family
Gloria DiPaolo:Joseph Morici
11:30am Mary & Frank LaFaso:Daughter, Barbara
Frank A. Pannone:Frank & Catherine Pannone
Deacon Bob Klein:Carol Hemberger
3:00pm Mary & Joseph Iapalucci: Linda & Scott Wallace
Jim White: Dia, Gia, & Gre
Deceased Members of the landoli & Seven Families: Ro
Doris Dodds: Bob

Weekdays

Monday, November 26

9:00am Frank A. Pannone:Mr. & Mrs. Frank Pannone
Kenneth Cavanaugh:Joe & Joann Marinello

Tuesday, November 27

9:00am Patricia P. King:Dick Mercadante & Rosann Dugar
Simmone Matkovich:Joan Filipek
Souls in Purgatory:Mark & Karen Sheppard

Wednesday, November 28

9:00am Kenneth Cavanaugh:Catherine Grieco
James Macomber:The Jarin Family
Richard Lenihan:Lenihan Family

Thursday, November 29

9:00am Rev. Frank Janos
Henry Anderson:Dennis & Peggy

Friday, November 30

9:00am Ernest Uriarte:Sylvia Family
Mass of Thanksgiving to Blessed Virgin
Mary:Margie & Joe



Memorials – St. Mary’s, Barnegat

Bread and Wine are donated this week in loving memory of Marie Morabito requested by her husband, Carmelo.
Sanctuary Lamp in the Chapel burns this week in loving memory of Arthur Moore requested by Lois Robert & Family.
Flowers are donated this week in loving memory of Jerry Nolan requested by the Sullivan Family.

Memorials – St. Mary of the Pines

Bread and Wine are donated this week in memory of George Weber requested by Sara Jane Doherty and Alice Bent.
Candles burn this week in loving memory of George Weber requested by Marie Licata & Marge Balbo.
Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of George Weber requested by Pat Gabriel & Dorian Fiore
Flowers are donated this week in loving memory of George Weber requested by Marilyn Gallagher & Ginny Draney.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

TODAY: SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE. Daniel 7:13-14; Revelation 1:5-8; John 18:33-37
NEXT SUNDAY: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT. Jeremiah 33:14-16; 1 Thessalonians 3:12 – 4:2; Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DEPARTED

*Catherine Edwards, Roger Wolford,
Hilda Walter*

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Friday: St. Andrew, apostle

WE WELCOME THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED

*Ella Boright, Logan Godfrey, Sofia Poling,
Logan Sinczuk, Brooklyn Wyckoff*

ALL SAINTS REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Exciting news. Students in grades 4-8 participated in the Cyber Robotics Coding Competition. This is a statewide competition and our students also competed against high school students. All Saints placed **FIRST** with an overall score of 84,090 points, which was 10,000 points above the second place winner! This competition teaches and reinforces the key elements of coding and critical problem solving as well as participating and cooperating as a team. Congratulations!

Annual Wreath & Grave Blanket Sale

St. Mary's Youth will be available after all Sunday Masses this weekend to purchase your Christmas greenery.

**Wreaths \$15.00, Grave Blankets \$20.00,
Poinsettias \$5.00**

Supplies are limited. To reserve call Youth Ministry office 609-597-1071.

UPCOMING MASS SCHEDULES

**St. Mary’s Church, Barnegat
November 24 & 25, 2018**

Saturday, December 1

5:30pm Mary Reina:Joan & Bill Hall
Isabella Bagnaturo:Masone Family
Carlyn Ryan:Joe & Winnie Greco
Marie Feitlin:Ann Ambrose

Sunday, December 2

8:00am Mary Lou Giacchi:Ginny & Pete Nese
Karen Maloney Clay:Mom & Dad
Margaret Willan:Sonya & Kevin Pitts
Jan Curran:Mary Anne Scherer
Carla Rogers:Gary & Judy Carline
Herbert Rodriguez:The Alessi Family
Marie Racciato:Bill & Leona Dolan
Nellie Dugan:Mrs. B. Nihill
Deacon Robert Klein:Gerri Corbliss
Deborah Jones:The Buchansky Family

10:00am

Frank Caso:John & Marilyn Genovese
James Iklan:Fred & Irene Kutner
Special Intention for Simon & Maureen Ellis:Ann & Brian

12:00n

People of the Parish

5:00pm

Deceased Members of the Garcia & Bracety Families:Miriam & Joe
Rey & Lulu DeCastro:Linda
Loretta Spada:The Coen Family

St. Mary of the Pines

Saturday, December 1

4:00pm Msgr. Ken’s Ordination Anniversary
Isabella Bagnaturo:Sue Costelli
Maria Ruta:Mr. & Mrs. Rao

Sunday, December 2

7:30am Martin & Loughlin Families
Joseph Caruana:Margie & Joe Caruana
Alejandro Yambao:Yambao Family
Richard Lenihan:Michael Ryan
Doris Dodds:Bob Dodds, husband
Souls in Purgatory
John Boekell:Nancy Swiat
Alice Bird:Marlene & Bob Longmore
Jim White:Wife, Clare
Betty Pearce:Angie Varina

9:00am

Tony Fazio:Family
Eskesen & Pearson Families:Janice & Dan
Christopher Garland:Agnes & Joe Kelly

11:30am

Carol Snyders:Husband
Deceased Members of the Bono & Mates Families:Mates Family
Pat Mancine:Margie & George Mazur

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

1st Banns

Anthony Favo & Marielle Dwyer

TITHING REPORT

Our bulletin was sent for print early. We will have updated totals next week. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SACRIFICE OF TITHING! *"The Lord is king; He is robed in majesty."* The beginning of a new liturgical year is a great time to evaluate and pray about our stewardship and tithing.

TODAY THERE IS A SECOND ENVELOPE TOWARDS OUR DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT.

+NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE A SECOND COLLECTION TO SUPPORT OUR NEWLY FORMED MINISTRY TO THE LATINO COMMUNITY OF SOUTHERN OCEAN COUNTY.

+ON THE WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 8/9 WE WILL TAKE UP A SECOND COLLECTION TO SUPPORT HOLY TRINITY IN UGANDA.

BIBLE TRIVIA

LAST WEEK: *Michael appears in today's First Reading from Daniel and also appears in the Book of Revelation. He appears in one other book of the Bible. Do you know which one?*

The archangel Michael also appears in the Letter of Jude (the last book of the Bible before Revelation) – Jude, (which has only one chapter), verse 9.

TODAY'S QUESTION: *Here's an easy one. Jesus Christ is called the "the Alpha and the Omega," in today's Second Reading. What does that mean?*

The Grace and Peace Prayer Ministry is in need of persons willing to pray for our deceased parishioners (attending funeral Masses/services at our churches). You go when you can, and in doing so, fulfill one of the Spiritual Works of Mercy – 'pray for the living and the dead'. *We are also asking if you are homebound and unable to attend masses but want to pray, we need you too! You can pray for the deceased and their families at home, and your prayers are greatly desired! *****

The Grace and Peace Ministry also is growing to include (for those who want to help in this way) to pray for the very ill and dying. Divine Mercy is needed, and we will either gather and pray for people we are told need the prayers, or we can even gather at bedside and pray for them, (whatever the suffering person/family members would like).

Discretion, time and a desire to pray for others are all that are needed. If interested, **please call Felicia Massari at (609) 994-6011** for further information.

ADVENT

The Season of Advent begins next Sunday, December 2 with the First Sunday of Advent. This season which begins a new liturgical year has a two-fold character. It is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God is remembered, and it is also a time to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. It is a time of expectation and hope. The color of the season is purple, the *Gloria* is not sung except for solemnities and the Advent Wreath is placed near the ambo as a reminder of the four weeks leading up to the celebration of the Lord's birth in Bethlehem.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, November 25

- 9:30am** Pageant Rehearsal
- 10:30am** RCIA (Rectory)
- 1:30pm** Baptisms (St. Mary's)
- 3:00pm** Betania Mass (Pines)
- 7:00pm** Bingo (Parish Center)
- 7:00pm** NA (MRH)

Monday, November 26

- 1:00pm** Crafty Ladies (MRH)
- 4:30pm** Divine Mercy Library (Pines)
- 4:30pm Religious Education Classes
- 6:00pm** Scripture Sisters (Pines)
- 7:00pm** Teaching Mass (Pines)
- 7:00pm** Light of the World (Rectory)
- 7:00pm** Healing Mass (St. Mary's)
- 7:45pm** Spanish Bible Study (Pines)

Tuesday, November 27

- 8:45am** Monica's Daughters (Rectory)
- 11:00am** Scripture Sharing (Rectory)
- 4:30pm** Religious Education Classes (Parish Center)

Wednesday, November 28

- 10:00am** Divine Mercy Library (Pines)
- 4:30pm** Religious Education Classes (Parish Center)
- 6:30pm** Rosary for Betania (St. Mary's)
- 7:00pm** Divorced & Separated Group (Rectory)
- 7:30pm** Light of the World (Rectory)
- 7:30pm** Baptism Preparation Class (St. Mary's)
- 8:00pm** NA (Parish Center)

Thursday, November 29

- 9:00am** Ken's Kitchen (Parish Center)
- 6:00pm** Jr. Youth Group (Parish Center)
- 7:00pm** Choir Practice (Pines)

Friday, November 30

- 10:00am** Divine Mercy Library (Pines)
- 3:00pm** Divine Mercy Service (Pines)
- 7:00pm** Torch of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Pines)
- 7:00pm** Family Movie Night (Parish Center)
- 7:00pm** Emmaus (Rectory)
- 7:00pm** Spanish Ministry (Pines)

Saturday, December 1

- 6:30am** That Man is You (Parish Center)
- 8:30am** Bagels & Bibles for Men (Rectory)
- 10:00am** Respect Life Meeting (Rectory)
- 12:00pm** Family Fun Day (Parish Center)
- 3:00pm** Confessions (Pines)
- 3:30pm** Confessions (St. Mary's)
- 7:00pm** A.A. (MRH)

Nativity Signs

We have beautiful new Nativity lawn signs for the upcoming Christmas Season.

They are available at the rectory. Suggested donation is \$5.00 per sign.

During the Advent season, flowers are not permitted in Church.

LETTER FROM MONSIGNOR KEN

Thanksgiving is a very beautiful and warm family and uniquely American holiday. While it's primary purpose is for us to gather with loved ones for a special meal and to take time to give thanks, in more recent years it has also taken on the role of officially introducing the Christmas holiday season, although stores have already been at it! Indeed, before you know it, Christmas will be here.

This is such a special time of the year and even those who have not been regular in the practice of the Faith become more open to the idea of Church. It is a perfect time to invite people to come back home!

In that spirit, I want to review some of the activities we have begun to do just that with the hope that you can share this information with family and friends. Let them know they are welcome. Invite them to consider returning regularly to Church.

We have been seeking to recruit our youth to serve at Mass as greeters, announcers and assistant ushers. We want them to know that there is a place for them and we want families coming to Mass to see all faces—young and not so young! To date with have had only a few takers, but we are not giving up. We want to involve our youth.

So many of our young and their families state that they don't get anything out of Mass (Of course we go to give, not just get.) They complain it's boring and the music is too formal. We have set aside the 9:00am Mass as child friendly with the Children's Liturgy of the Word and our new Praise Band with more contemporary and upbeat music. But, where are those kids and their families? Spread the word.

We have a dynamic and energetic Come to the Table Ministry that has been enthusiastically planning events for families. Our next big event is only a week away—Our Christmas Spectacular weekend, with a movie night, fun and games and our living nativity. Again, spread the word!

And, of course, our parish is not just youth and families. We are blessed with many senior citizens who have been the backbone of our parish. We would not be same without them. However, there are seniors who do not go to Church and they also need to be encouraged and invited. Next year we will begin having Senior Spirituality Days with topics of interest and refreshments. In addition we will launch our community gatherings, inviting parishioners from the various parts of our parish to come together in fellowship to meet their neighbors and feel closer to the parish.

And, as the saying goes, "But, wait there's more!" We are also blessed with a large and active Filipino and Latino community. Next month we will once again participate in the annual Simba Gabi, the traditional Filipino novena in preparation for Christmas. Please join us. Bishop O'Connell has also designated St. Mary's as the location for Spanish ministry for Southern Ocean County. To provide consistency and stability, we have begun celebrating Mass in Spanish every Sunday, 2:00pm in St. Mary of the Pines. Last week we received the Guadalupe Torch with special events each night. Finally, we are preparing for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12. There are many Spanish speaking Catholics in our area and more and more are coming, but there are still many we have not reached. They, too, are invited to come to the Church.

So, as we enter this special and holy time of the year, I invite each of you to throw out the welcome mat! We want our non-practicing Catholics of all ages and backgrounds to know that

they are invited and welcome. Finally, let us go out of our way at Mass to be especially welcoming.

In the end, it's not about programs, but people. It's about bringing souls to God and the fullness of His love in the Church. If we can bring more parishioners home, it will be "the most wonderful time of the year!"

"Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whoever you find. The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests" (Matthew 22:9-10).

KNOW YOUR SAINTS

St. Mercurius (d. c. 250), November 25.

That he was a real martyr is all that is really known of him. According to legend, he was the son of a Scythian officer in the Roman army, became a soldier himself, and led the army to a great victory with a sword an angel had given to him in a battle against the barbarians attacking Rome. When Emperor Decius asked him why he did not participate in sacrifices to the gods after the victory, Mercurius proclaimed his Christianity, whereupon Decius sent him to Caesarea in Cappadocia, where he was tortured and beheaded for his faith. He was venerated as a warrior saint and is reputed to have appeared at various times in history to lend his sword to worthy causes, notably, with St. George and St. Demetrius, at Antioch during the First Crusade.

FATHER NESTOR'S ANNIVERSARY

Please mark your calendars for **Friday, December 28**. We will honor Father Nestor for his Twenty-Fifth anniversary of ordination with Mass at 4:00pm in St. Mary of the Pines followed by a reception in his honor in the Parish Center.

ST. MARY'S CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

Spread the word. Here in St. Mary's we have a "spectacular" way to begin this holy season. Join us for three days of activities as we highlight the reason for the season!

Friday, November 30: The movie "**Star**," on a big screen in the Parish Center. Bring a chair, sleep bag or blanket! Show time, 7:00pm. Admission FREE!

Saturday, December 1: Something for the whole family, in the Parish Center from 12:00noon-3:45pm, after all are invited to attend the 4:00pm Mass in St. Mary of the Pines. Sign up to decorate one of the trees by the Blessed Mother; wear an ugly sweater for the festivities including **Candy Bar Bingo, Advent Wreath Making, Giant Jenga Game, and Relay Tic-Tac-Toe.**

Sunday, December 2. Join us for a **delicious breakfast** served by our Knights of Columbus from 8:00am until 12 noon along with a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus. Cost is \$3.00 for your choice of kid's meals and \$6.00 for your choice of select meals. From around 10:00 am until 2:00pm visit our own Bethlehem at the stable by the Knights' Tower with **Live nativity animals**. We will have costumes for those who wish to dress as the Holy Family for their own memorable pictures. At 7:00pm, join us as St. Mary's Choir presents their annual **Christmas Concert**, always with some special performances! 8:00pm the annual **lighting of the Bell Tower** for the Season. And it's all Free!

REALITY CHECK/BASIC TRUTH

Here are some facts to ponder as we celebrate the feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

How many countries are there in the world? That might seem like a simple question but there are actually several answers. The most direct is that there are 195 sovereign states according to the United Nations. There are 201 with at least partial recognition; 204-207 self-declared countries; and 206 countries eligible for the Olympics; but 211 countries eligible for the World Cup.

It is terrible to realize that about one-fourth of the world's countries are also listed as dictatorships, meaning they have a ruler over a land that is classified as "not free." According to one list there are 49 dictatorships; 19 in Sub-Sahara Africa; 12 in the Middle East and North Africa; 8 in Asia Pacific; 7 in Eurasia; 2 in the Americas; and 1 in Europe.

ADORATION CHAPEL

At the National Shrine of St. Maximilian Kobe in Marytown, Illinois, the very heart of Marytown is **Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel**, a sanctuary of perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and is considered one of the most beautiful pilgrimage sites in the nation. The Benedictine Sisters of Clyde, Missouri built the chapel modeled after the patriarchal Basilica of St. Paul Outside-the-Walls in Rome. When it opened in 1928, the chapel became a sanctuary of Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The sisters resided and prayed here for 50 years until 1978, when the Conventual Franciscan Friars began to minister there. (EWTN.com) Adoration at St. Mary's takes place in the Adoration Chapel on church grounds in Barnegat. To become an Adorer for one of the hours listed below, or to put your name on our substitute list, call Joann Kaczala at 609-698-6168.

MONDAY, 1:00am to 2:00am

MONDAY, 2:00pm to 3:00pm

TUESDAY, 5:00am to 6:00am (share)

TUESDAY, 7:00am to 8:00am

WEDNESDAY, 11:00pm to 12:00 Midnight

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.**

ST. MARY'S M.O.M.S. GROUP

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. Our next meeting is Tuesday, December 4. Can't make mornings? Join us for our monthly night meeting instead. All moms are welcome!

TWIN PARISH NEWS

11...visiting Holy Trinity.....The value of an American dollar in Uganda.

You have been most generous in your thoughtfulness and generosity to Holy Trinity and St. Mary's High School in Uganda. Monsignor and I have tried to give you a sense of the major differences in lifestyles between our two parishes and countries. At times, I shake my head in amazement at what we enjoy here in America and take for granted compared to how people live in Uganda. I often think it's all about where we live.....luckily in America.

Your donations have made a world of difference for our fellow parishioners in Holy Trinity. I doubt they will ever be made fully "whole" as we are here but you have made a striking difference in improving their lives. Each time Father Vincent comes to visit he brings with him a ledger of the recent donations he has received and shows us where every dollar has been spent. I often feel that he thinks we might not believe him but in reality it is his way of showing his gratitude for all we have helped to accomplish there. He is a "stickler" for overseeing that every cent is spent as wisely as possible. I thought you might like to see "**how far a dollar goes in Uganda**". **An American dollar (\$1) is worth approximately, 4,000 shillings. Five dollars (\$5) is worth approximately 20,000 shillings. One Hundred Dollars (\$100) is worth approximately 400,000 shillings!** I use approximately because these values fluctuate periodically from month to month.

<u>US dollars</u>	<u>Shillings</u>
\$5	20,000
\$20	75,000
\$50	200,000
\$100	400,000
\$270	1,000,000

I tipped our driver 4000 shillings. I thought that was a fair amount but when I found out it was only equivalent to \$1.00, I was kind of embarrassed.

Looking at costs estimates that Fr. Vincent brings with him for various purchases he needs to make can often be confusing for us. Fr. Vincent now shows these amounts in American dollars as well as shillings to help us understand these cost estimates better.

Hopefully, this will illustrate just how much we can accomplish for our Twin Parish with small offerings. Your generosity through donations, bead and craft sales, sponsorship and prayers are making a difference. **A HUGE DIFFERENCE.** It is our hope that we have helped you understand and perhaps, even experienced a little bit of what is like in Ziroobwre and Holy Trinity.

Father Vincent tries to explain to his parishioners how much different life is here in America. I simply marvel at what Father Vincent accomplishes with the help we provide for his people. It is hard for me to conceive how Father Vincent returns home to Uganda time and again after witnessing and experiencing the manner in which we live here in America.

God bless him.....and God Bless you for helping him have the courage to return and continue his mission.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions will be heard on the last Wednesday of the month, November 28, 6:30-7:30pm in St. Mary of the Pines.

MARTHA/ MARY MINISTRY

The Martha-Mary Ministry is looking for volunteers to help decorate the Churches for the liturgical seasons. If you are interested in helping, please call 609-698-5516 or email at Kawameehprincess@aol.com.

CURIOS 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 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.**

TUESDAY MORNING SCRIPTURE GROUP

This informal group meets in the rectory on Tuesday mornings at 11:00 to read and discuss the readings for the upcoming Mass. Everyone is welcome to join us.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

As Advent approaches and prepares our hearts and souls for Christmas, we will be collecting gift cards of every denomination from Kohl's, Marshall's, Five Below, and Target, for our Adopt a Family tradition. Thank you for sharing the journey with us—and for loving our neighbors. Have a blessed and happy Thanksgiving!

CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER

Do you know of anyone in need of a hot meal or fellowship on Christmas Day? We are once again having our Christmas Day Dinner from 12pm to 3pm on December 25th at the Parish Center. For more information, call Mike at: 606.713.7171 or Gail at: 609.713.1977.

If you wish to volunteer or donate, please contact us at: stmaryschristmasdaydinner@gmail.com.

Thank you and God Bless!

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 November 25.

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

WOMEN'S ADVENT OF PRAYER

For a Child in born to us, a son is given us. They name Him the Prince of Peace" (Is. 9:5)

St. Mary's Women Ministry invites you to come and prepare for the celebration of His birth. A day we can thank God for sending Jesus in the world and to thank Him for our many blessings. As you know, these days are very special and God speaks to us powerfully. The retreat will be **Saturday, December 1, 9:00am – 4:00pm, at Maris Stella Retreat House**. We are happy to have guest speaker, Anna Iatesta and her talk will be on "A New Day of Hope, Healing, and New Beginnings." Donation is \$20.00 per person. Bring brown bag lunch. Coffee, tea, water and dessert will be provided. To register, Please send your check Made out to St. Mary's to

**Peggy Kinahan
33 Fifth Street
Barnegat, NJ 08005**

Deadline for registration is November 26. For more information, please call (908) 418-5496.

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.**

THAT MAN IS YOU! MENS MINISTRY

That Man is You! is an interactive multimedia men's journey focused upon the development of authentic male leadership. It is a program that successively considers men in their relationship to God, their spouse, their children and to their community. Men have described TMIY as a program where they can find direction, real world answers, and a group of like-minded Catholic men who share the same struggles.

This year, the men of St. Mary's Parish are working on their 4th year of TMIY! They are among over 100,000 participants from over 650 parishes across the United States. In the words of TMIY Vice President Mark Hartfiel, "The fruits of this program are generational. Our children, grandchildren and their children will reap the blessings." It is never too late to join this free program. **We meet every Saturday from 6:30am - 8am in the Parish Center.** Breakfast, coffee & tea are served.

ANNUAL TEACHING MASS

On Monday, November 26, 7:00pm in St. Mary of the Pines, Msgr. Ken will present the annual "teaching" Mass to our seventh grade confirmation candidates. Mass will be celebrated but Msgr. Ken will take the time at different intervals to explain the different parts of the Mass and what we are doing and why. This Mass is open to all and all are invited.

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

JOB SEEKERS SUPPORT GROUP

St. Mary's Job Seeker Support Group (formerly the Employee Resource Committee) meets on the **second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm in St. Mary of the Pines all-purpose room**. The group offers assistance in preparing/updating a resume or cover letter, identifying job search internet links, preparing for a job interview, providing information on local job market conditions and wages, and other general support. **Please register for a meeting in advance by contacting Steve Muench at (513) 509-3654 or smnjav@gmail.com by 5:00pm on the second or fourth Monday of each month. Thank you.**

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.**

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.**

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Our annual Christmas Concert with the Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea, conducted by Fr. Alphonse Stephenson will be **Friday, December 14, 7:30pm, in St. Mary of the Pines. ALL SEATS ARE RESERVED BY ROW. Tickets are \$28.00 per person. For more information or for ticket sales, please call Dot Karabin at (609) 698-4242.** Please order your group tickets at one time. There will be no sign-up lists in the rectory and there are NO refunds. Seats are assigned when payment is received.

SIMBANG GABI

Simbang Gabi, Annual Filipino Advent Christmas Mass will be on **December 8 beginning with 6:00pm Rosary & 6:30 Mass in St. Mary of the Pines, followed by a reception in the Parish Center.** All are welcome. There will be a flower offering and crowning for the Blessed Mother.

SCRIPTURE SISTERS: A WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Our Study meets weekly on Monday evenings in the AP room at the Pines from 6-7:30pm. We will meet September thru mid June. Updates/information will be available through Flocknote as we move forward. If you miss a week never worry, just come when you can! The ministry is open to all women in our Parish, and the focus is to help women grow spiritually as we come to understand what the Church teaches through the Liturgy of the Word. Materials will be provided. Text or call Jackie Carlson (732)300-0950 if you have questions or concerns. **Come, let's learn together!**

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

"America needs no words from me to see how your decision in Roe v. Wade has deformed a great nation. The so-called right to abortion has pitted mothers against their children and women against men. It has sown violence and discord at the heart of the most intimate human relationships. It has aggravated the derogation of the father's role in an increasingly fatherless society. It has portrayed the greatest of gifts—a child— as a competitor, an intrusion, and an inconvenience. It has nominally accorded mothers unfettered dominion over the independent lives of their physically dependent sons and daughters. And in granting this unconscionable power, it has exposed many women to unjust and selfish demands from their husbands or other sexual partners. Human rights are not a privilege conferred by government. They are every human being's entitlement by virtue of his humanity. The right to life does not depend, and must not be declared to be contingent, on the pleasure of anyone else, not even a parent or a sovereign." (St. Teresa of Calcutta, "Notable and Quotable," Wall Street Journal, 2/25/94, p. A14)

CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT

All children interested in participating and a parent should attend. Ages from preschool through 11 are welcome.

Practices will be held each Sunday after the 9AM Mass. Parents must stay with their children.

For questions, please email Maryclaire Balko-balkomc@comcast.net

WE WANT YOUR STORIES

We are collecting stories about school days and also faith stories to be included in our annual Christmas Book. These stories can be about a funny or humorous incident related to school, or it could be an inspiring story of faith, even a miracle.

Several weeks ago we talked about having a **Catholic "elevator speech"** to share with others about what it means to be Catholic. If anyone has one they would like to share, let us know and they will also be included. Please submit all stories to the rectory office, Attention: Christmas Book. Ken. Thank you.
Deadline is December 1.

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.

November 24 & 25 - Annual Youth Group Wreath Sale

November 29 - Jr CnC

Would your family or group like to decorate one of the trees for the Advent/Christmas season? We have 20 trees outside the Parish Center by our statue of the Blessed Mother. If you are interested and would like to reserve one of the trees, please call Alicia Bruno at 609-597-1071. Some ornaments are provided BUT bring some for your own personal touch! Decorating will be on Saturday December 1st at 12noon.

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

From now until December we will be open Saturday and Sunday. In January we will resume our Winter hours, which will be Saturday and Sunday only.

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 Santa Misa en Espanol se celebra cada Domingo de cada mes a las 2:00pm en le Iglesia

Santa Maria de los Pinos. Todos los viernes tenemos Grupo de Oracion a las 7:00pm. Como pueblo de Dios te invitamos a encontrarte con El a travez del

Santo Rosario

Lectura y meditacion de la Palabra.

Alabanza

Platicas de bautismo cada 3rd lunes del mes.

ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

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

HAPPY FEET

The Kiwanis Club is doing a sock drive to help veterans, needy children, the homeless and victims of domestic violence. Please drop off any new socks you can donate to the rectory. Thank you.

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

February 3 – 17, 2019: 14 night Western Caribbean cruise on the Norwegian “Escape” from New York. Cost from \$1,810.25 per person includes two amenities and taxes.

February 26, 2019: Trip to Sands Casino. Cost of \$42.00 per person includes transportation, \$30.00 in casino credit, \$5.00 food coupon and driver's gratuity.

March 16, 2019: Trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse. Cost of \$115.00 per person includes transportation, tickets to a special St. Patrick Day celebration starring Andy Cooney, Chloe Agnew, Gary Wilson, the Guinness Irish Band and Irish dancers, and lunch.

April 24-25: Trip to Dover Downs Hotel and Casino and to Delaware Park Casino. Cost of \$195.00 includes transportation, hotel, room tax, resort fee, baggage handling, two buffets, \$50.00 free play from Dover Downs and \$30.00 free play from Delaware Park.

September 9 – 11, 2019: Trip to Fishkill, NY. Cost of \$479.00 includes transportation, hotel, 2 breakfasts, 2 dinners, West Point tour, 2 hour Pride of the Hudson boat tour, Brotherhood wine tasting tour, and much more.

For reservations, please call Charlie Serwin at (609) 978-0970.

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