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ST. MARY'S

BARNEGAT | MANAHAWKIN

A Perpetual Adoration Parish

*We strive to be a welcoming, loving and faithful Catholic Parish
that serves the community.*

REV. MSGR. KEN TUZENEU, PASTOR
REV. NESTOR CHAVENIA, PAROCHIAL VICAR
REV. WALTER QUICENO, PAROCHIAL VICAR

Deacon Phillip Fiore

Deacon Joseph Fiorillo

Retired Deacon Frank Campione

Deacon James Petrauskas

Deacon Robert Vidal

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Deacon Steven Wagner

Deacon Anthony Fierro

Retired Deacon Joseph Vivona

Retired Deacon Ron Haunss

Weekend Assistants:

Father Dennis Cohan

MASSSES

ST. MARY'S CHURCH - BARNEGAT

Saturday Night Vigil Mass: 5:30 PM

Sunday Morning Masses: 8:00 AM, 10 AM, 12:00 noon
and 5:00 PM

ST. MARY OF THE PINES - MANAHAWKIN

Saturday Night Mass: 4:00 PM

Sunday Morning Masses: 7:30, 9:00 and 11:30 AM

Spanish Mass: Sundays 2:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES

St. Mary's, Barnegat: Monday - Saturday: 8:00 AM

St. Mary of the Pines: Monday - Friday: 9:00am.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday Afternoon: 3:30 to 4:00 PM in the Church. The First Saturday of each month
from 3:00 - 3:30 PM at St. Mary of the Pines.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Saturday: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM.
Closed Holidays. Evenings and Sundays by appointment only. Sick calls any time.

BAPTISMS

Baptisms will ordinarily take place every Sunday at 1:30 PM in the parish church in
Barnegat. Baptism is reserved for the children of registered parishioners. Participation
in a Baptismal Preparation Session is required for both parents. Godparents are to
be Catholics in good standing. If the Godparents are not registered members of St.
Mary's Parish, they will need a sponsorship letter from the parish where they are
registered.

WEDDINGS

Weddings are reserved for registered members of St. Mary's Parish. According
to diocesan policy arrangements should be made one year prior to the marriage.
Participation in the Pre-Cana Program is required.

REGISTRATION

In order to register as a parishioner of St. Mary's Parish, please come to the rectory
Monday through Saturday during regular office hours.

March 10th, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE
St. Mary's Church, Barnegat
March 9 & 10, 2024

Saturday, March 9

5:30pm People of the Parish

Sunday, March 10

8:00am Marie Isoldi: husband, Jerome
Carmine Armenti: Roe & Joe Centinaro

10:00am Josephine Swan: Elaine Flynn

Robert Miele: Tom & Lorraine Lewis
12:00n Ralph Montana: Doreen & Tom Kelty
Charles White: wife, Cathy

5:00pm Ronnie Fitzgerald: Marion E. Clark
John Clark: wife, Marion
Laura Clark: Mom
Kevin & Jean Hume: Friend
Charles Haberman: Ellen & Frank Giaccio
Joseph Jacangelo: Marianne & Frank
Robert J. Patella: Kathy & Chet Klutkowski
John Donnelly: Fred & Kathie Fagan
Andrew Woodhull: Kenneth & Cheryl
Thomas
Geraldine Wardzel: Lucy & Tom Hambly
John Sinnicki: wife, Marian

Weekdays

Monday, March 11

8:00am Special Intentions for Ann Cherella:
Johnson Family
Linda Bilgeshouse: Ralph & Maryann
Connie McGinniss: McGinniss Family

Tuesday, March 12

8:00am In Thanksgiving to St. Jude
Marge Todara: Bob & Pat Voelker

Wednesday, March 13

8:00am Nathan Daniel Scelfo: Grandparents
Nicole Schandall: Sokol Family
Rosemarie O'Leary Fonacaro: Jack

Thursday, March 14

8:00am Althea, Frank & Franklin Phillips: Marino
Family
Daniel Bacsik: Toni Soldano

Friday, March 15

8:00am Special Intentions for Toni Parsler: Danny &
Maryann Kaplan
Special Intentions for Dorothy Bacsik: Rose &
Tom
Souls in Purgatory
Linda Lewis: Michael Sicilia & Family
Rev. John Morley: John & Cathy Chaballa
Daniel Morley: John & Cathy Chaballa
Daniel Bacsik: Rose & Tom
Charles A. Danko: Jeanette & Steve Svacak
Robert Bradshaw: Tom & Susan Endl
Evelyn Baumley: Kathi & David Basile
George Katsianis: Carol Kaczmariski

Saturday, March 16

8:00am Healing of Victims and Families of Abortion:
Respect Life Ministry
Alan Nicol: Jim & Linda Saladino

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE
St. Mary of the Pines, Manahawkin
March 9 & 10, 2024

Saturday, March 9

4:00pm Elizabeth Raylman: Family
Vincent Saverio Bruno: Mom & Dad

Sunday, March 10

7:30am Dedication of St. Mary of the Pines
Lina Bonica: Carlene & Joe Bonica

9:00am Special Intentions for Joanne Wachman:
Teresa & David Davis
Charles Minervino: Dina & Vincent Ortizio
Merlita Cano: Louis & Mary Ferrara
Barbara Reilly: Eileen Sysyn
Joseph Lefande: Robert & Anna Beyea
Thomas Murtagh: Sue Clymer
William Quartuccio: Kathy Labetti & Family
Virginia Todd Robinson: Gracie Kochowski
& Rick Ramentol
Sharon A. Baguchinsky: Pauline & Ron
Reininger
Frederick Reitemeyer: A.& D. Jacobs and
A.& B. Zyla
Jane & Leo Huebner: Matt, Cindy, Matthew
& Kyra Huebner
11:30am Rose Marie Sorce: Family
Poisler & Kalinowski Families: Mr. & Mrs.
Poisler

Weekdays

Monday, March 11

9:00am Marge Crocco: John, Diann and Eileen
Joseph P. Lefande: Donna & Frank
Koepfer

Tuesday, March 12

9:00am Joe Jacangelo: Karen Tunnera
Phillip Sabella: Jeanne & Tom Visich

Wednesday, March 13

9:00am Joseph Lefande: Debbie & Bob Keeler
Dick Lenihan: wife, Joan & Family

Thursday, March 14

9:00am Richard Lenihan: Family
Walter Varina: Angie & Dave Varina

Friday, March 15

9:00am Margaret Caruso: Children
Greg Zahradnick: Joann Z.

PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DEPARTED

*James Carr, Susan Flynn, Christine Hencoski,
Cathleen McCoy, Rose Nolan, Christine Phillips,
Linda Washburn, Christopher Wollerman*

WEEKLY MEMORIALS

St. Mary's Church, Barnegat

Bread and Wine are donated this week in loving memory of Thomas Pinto requested by Alexis Pinto.

WEEKLY MEMORIALS

St. Mary of the Pines, Manahawkin

Sanctuary Lamp in the Church burns this week in loving memory of Jonathan Moresco requested by Townsley Family.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

THIS WEEK: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT. 2 Chronicles 36: 14-16; 19-23; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21

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

KNOW YOUR SAINTS

St. Codratus of Corinth (d. c. 258), March 10.

Of Greek Christian parents, he was orphaned when a child (tradition says his mother died in the wilds near Corinth while trying to escape Decius' persecution of the Christians), and grew up in the wilderness where he was born. He studied medicine and then led a life of great asceticism with a group of disciples. During Valerian's persecution, he was haled before Jason, prefect of Greece, with four followers, Dionysius, Anectus, Crescens, and Paul, and when Codratus refused to sacrifice to the gods, all were tortured, thrown to the wild beasts, and when unharmed, were beheaded.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday in Lent after the 8:00am and 9:00am Masses and at 7:30pm in St. Mary's, Barnegat.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING –

Wednesday, March 13 at 7:00 p.m. in Monsignor

Reinbold Hall

All parishioners are welcome to attend and help realize the mission of our parish.

Agenda topics are expected to include:

- Recap and assessment of recent parish events, including our Lenten outreach, Many Ministries, One Mission (MMOM) meeting, and other events
- Committee reports (Communications, Evangelization, Welcome Center, Hospitality, Respect Life)
- Planning of upcoming Spring 2024 parish events and initiatives
 - Parish Ministry Fair
 - Divine Mercy Sunday
- Finalize Parish Mission statement – Short Form
- Evangelizing our youth
- Ministry Roundtable (including Spanish, Filipino)
- Prayer Requests

Coffee/tea and beverages will be provided.

Following the Parish Council meeting, the Evangelization Core Team will meet at approximately 8:30 p.m. Council members and guests are welcome to stay for this meeting.

UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

St. Mary's Church, Barnegat

March 16 & 17, 2024

Saturday, March 16

5:30pm Pauline & Frank Regula: O'Neill Family
Joan Rivers: husband, John
Anthony Gerard Rienzi: Kevin & Michelle O'Neill
Jayla Ortiz: Allison Garry-Moore
Olivia Marie Hoffman: Allison Garry-Moore
Jeanne Rhode: Bev & Tom Celentano
Rae Morris: Lor & Bob DenBleyker
Joanne Schoning: Bernadette Stoebling
Carlos C. Toscano: Danny & Maryann Kaplan
Antoinette Passaro: Robin & Anthony Conte and Family
Souls in Purgatory: Barbara Federico

Sunday, March 17

8:00am Frank Flynn: Herlihy Family
Ronald Bruno: Jack & Eileen LoMonaco
10:00am Diane Lueders: Family
Nicholas Tocci: Rectory Staff
12:00n Happy Birthday Stefan Wong Wagner: Grandma
Michael Quinby: Wife
5:00pm Margaret O'Connell: Chris & Maryann Craddock and Family
Charles Haberman: Mary & Austin Thornton

St. Mary of the Pines, Manahawkin

Saturday, March 16

4:00pm People of the Parish

Sunday, March 17

7:30am JoAnna & Peter Schug, Sr.: Glenn & Madeline Tooth
Angie Owen: Bob & Pat Voelker
9:00am Len Tambone: wife, Maureen
McNamara Family: Peggy
11:30am Souls in Purgatory
Edward Williams, Sr.: wife, Mary Ann
Margaret Vill: D'Andrea Family
Mildred Castoria: Frank Castoria & Family
Vincent Spiezio: Family
Deceased Members of the McNamara Family: Peggy
William Papenberg: Lillian Arbascio
Joseph Jacangelo: Val & Lee Clark
Raymond Olski: Helen Suwalski
Alice Morris: Triebenbacher Family
Barbara Reilly: Catherine & John Van Sickle

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Our Annual Catholic Appeal is now under way. Please prayerfully consider donating to this most worthy cause and help us reach our goal. A portion of monies donated will come back to St. Mary's. Thank you!

TITHING REPORT

St. Mary's parishioners tithed \$31,092.72 in the collection for last week, \$2,512.00 in the second envelope towards our Diocesan Assessment and \$4,060.00 in on-line giving. THANK YOU!

YOUR GENEROSITY IS GREATLY APPRECIATED! Particularly in the winter months, attendance at Mass fluctuates and so does the collection. We are EXTREMELY grateful for those who send in their offerings or donate on-line. That is a huge help!

"Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget You!"

TODAY THERE IS A SECOND ENVELOPE FOR CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES.

BIBLE TRIVIA

LAST WEEK: *This also should be easy, but there's actually more to it—what does the seventh commandment mean: You shall not steal?*

The Commandments offer regulation of interpersonal relationships. The seventh commandment condemns firstly the abducting of persons in order to sell them into slavery (see Deuteronomy 24:7). It, of course, also refers to the unjust taking of another's goods. This commandment is important in light of the current moral issue of human and sex trafficking.

TODAY'S QUESTION: *What special title did Cyrus have because of his actions in today's First Reading?*

St. Mary Academy Clothing Drive

We are collecting clean, used or new, men's, women's, and children's clothing, footwear, outerwear, sleepwear, swimwear, hosiery, undergarments, belts, ties, scarves, hats, gloves, handbags, wallets, towels, linens, blankets, comforters, bicycles, and stuffed animals for distribution to local thrift shops & areas in need.

Kindly bag all items and drop them off at the church at the times listed below. Clothing will **NOT** be shredded.

Saturday, May 18

Parish Center (Manahawkin): 10:00am-5:30pm

Msgr. Reinbold Hall (Barnegat): 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Sunday, May 19

Parish Center (Manahawkin): 8:30am - 12:30pm

Msgr. Reinbold Hall (Barnegat): 8:00am - 1:00pm

Tax receipts available upon request. If you have any questions, please call Chris McCann at 609-488-5432.

LENTEN FISH FRYDAYS

The Knights of Columbus are once again holding their annual Fish Frydays beginning at 4:30pm, in the Parish Center. Cost of \$20.00 for an adult meal includes your choice of 2 pieces of battered fish, 10 breaded shrimp or 1 piece of fish and 5 shrimp. It also includes macaroni and cheese, french fries, tossed salad, homemade soups, coffee, soda and dessert. Children's meals cost \$8.00 and includes macaroni and cheese, pizza and french fries. Take out is also available. Please call (609) 597-1814 after 4:30pm.

FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY

The Betania III and St. Padre Pio Prayer Groups invite you to join us for the First Saturday Rosary **on Saturday, April 6, 12:00noon at St. Mary's Church, Barnegat.** All are welcome.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, March 10

10:00am Religious Education Classes (Parish Center)

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

2:00pm Spanish Mass (Pines)

3:00pm Betania Mass (St. Mary's)

6:00pm RCIA (Rectory)

7:00pm Bingo (Parish Center)

7:00pm NA (MRH)

Monday, March 11

10:00am Monica's Daughters (Rectory)

1:00pm Crafty Ladies (MRH)

4:30pm Religious Education Classes (Parish Center)

5:00pm Scripture Sisters (Pines)

Tuesday, March 12

9:00am MOMS Group (Parish Center)

10:00am Scripture Sharing (Rectory)

11:00am Uganda Ministry (MRH)

1:00pm Living Waters Prayer Group (MRH)

4:30pm Religious Education Classes (Parish Center)

7:30pm Knights of Columbus (MRH)

Wednesday, March 13

1:00pm Spirituality Day (St. Mary's)

2:00pm Betania Rosary (St. Mary's)

4:30pm Religious Education Classes (Parish Center)

6:30pm Confessions (Pines)

7:00pm Parish Council (MRH)

7:00pm Divorced & Separated Ministry (Rectory)

7:00pm Light of the World (Rectory)

7:00pm Spanish Ministry (Pines)

8:00pm AA (Parish Center)

Thursday, March 14

9:00am AARP Tax Preparation (Parish Center)

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

11:30am Rosary Makers (MRH)

1:00pm Bridge Club (MRH)

6:00pm Light of the World (Rectory)

6:00pm Choir Practice (Pines)

7:00pm Spanish Ministry (Pines)

Friday, March 15

9:00am AARP Tax Preparation (Parish Center)

4:30pm Fish Frydays (Parish Center)

7:00pm Emmaus (Rectory)

7:30pm Stations of the Cross (St. Mary's)

Saturday, March 16

6:30am That Man is You (Parish Center)

8:00am Lay Carmelites (Rectory)

3:30pm Confessions (St. Mary's)

7:30pm AA (MRH)

CRAFTY LADIES

The Crafty Ladies meet **every Monday, 1:00pm – 3:00pm, in Monsignor Reinbold Hall.** We knit and crochet for charitable causes. **For more information, please call (609) 607-9568.** Come join us!

LETTER FROM MONSIGNOR KEN

I can't wait until Spring! Do you feel the same way? Now, I know there are people who like Winter, but I definitely look forward to warmer weather. However, the other day when I was thinking about the coming of Spring, I heard a voice inside of me saying, "So, then what are you going to do?" I immediately thought, well, "I'll just enjoy the better weather," but then I thought, "then what?" Will I complain if it's too hot? Will I complain this weekend when the clocks go ahead an hour and we lose that sleep?

That "voice" was a humbling reminder to live in the moment. There will never be that perfect time, or moment or weather. It is too easy to put off living until everything falls into place. When we fall into that trap, then we spend our lives waiting. We tread water until...But, guess what? There's always another "until" waiting for us.

We began Lent with the reminder that life is transient, temporary. We are merely dust, and one day we will return to dust. What does that mean? It means that life is precious, every day. When we spent all our time waiting, putting life on hold, until, we stop living. We are existing. While it is true that we are all waiting for Heaven, the way to get to there is to live, well, now.

We are at the half-way point of Lent. We call this Fourth Sunday of Lent, Laetare Sunday and we wear rose colored vestments. They represent a hint of light as we near the great feast of Easter, announcing Jesus through His resurrection as the Light of the World. It gives us hope and does invite us to look forward to better things. However, it is not an invitation to focus only on the future. Believing in the Resurrection does not mean that we must wait for New Life. It means that we carry our cross today, and every day, knowing that one day we will lay it down.

Sometimes we lose our focus in Lent. We begin with great devotion and enthusiasm, but then get side-tracked and distracted. This half-way point is the perfect opportunity to re-focus ourselves and re-dedicate ourselves to Lenten devotion. Think about it. If we spent our whole Lent only thinking that we can't wait until Easter comes, what will we do when it gets here? If we are not connected with God today, what makes us think that it will magically happen when some special day arrives? Easter is not about celebrating a special day only, but about preparing ourselves to fully recommit our lives to Jesus, again.

There's the story of a retreat master who challenges the retreatants with the question: *What would you do if you were told that you had only twenty-four hours to live?* That's a frightening and depressing thought, but it's intended to promote thought. In response, many people stated that they would go to Confession, others they would make amends to people they offended, others they would be sure to say goodbye to those they love. All good things. However, the best answer that was given was: *I would just keep doing what I'm doing!* Wouldn't it be great to be able to answer that way? That's the point. We can always put things off until the perfect time or when we can fit it in, or when we want to. It is great to have things to which we look forward, but in the meantime, we have to live today, now, even if you're waiting for warmer weather!

"But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides. Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself. Sufficient for a day is its own evil." (Matthew 6:33-34)

PARISH RENEWAL

You are invited for a two-day Parish Renewal, **Monday, March 18, and Tuesday, March 19, 7:00pm in St. Mary of the Pines**. We are requesting the presence of ALL Liturgical Ministers-- Readers, Extraordinary Ministers, Ushers, Martha/Mary Design Ministry as well as participation from members of our many ministries. This special two-day experience is in preparation for our Many Ministries/One Mission event in the spring.

All parishioners are invited and welcome. The theme of this retreat is From Darkness to Light, and the focus will be on *experiencing* our Faith and *renewing* our commitment.

THANK YOU FROM FR. MARCIN

I wish to thank all of the parishioners that helped my Mom in her time of need. It is truly appreciated. Please know you are all in my prayers.

ETERNAL REST

By popular demand, St. Mary's will be re-presenting a 4-week study put forth by the Augustine Institute, and Formed, **"Eternal Rest: The Art of Dying Well"**. This study explores death and dying from the Catholic perspective. It delves into questions we all may have, such as *'What happens after the moment of our death?'*, *'Where did death come from?'* and *'What is left for the living to do after someone dies?'* This study is for anyone who has grieved the loss of a loved one, or has not, and just wants to learn more. The study occurs at Monsignor Reinbold Hall, St. Mary Church, Barnegat, four Wednesday afternoons (**April 17, April 24, May 1, and May 8**) from 2:00 pm- 4:00 pm. To sign up, please call or stop by the rectory, giving your name and phone number. *****PLEASE, NO WALK-INS; it isn't fair for those on Waitlist*****. There will be a study guide available for purchase for \$15.95 in the coming weeks, and those who have signed up will be notified when the books arrive. Please make the checks payable to "St. Mary's". **If you have any further questions, please call Felicia at 609-994-6011**. Limit: 40. 'Death is an end, but it's not *the* end.'

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS NEEDED

We are in need of Extraordinary Ministers for the Nursing Homes in the area, especially at the Manahawkin Nursing Home, Genesis and The Residence of Stafford. If you are interested, please contact the rectory.

ATTENTION EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS TO THE HOMEBOUND

If anyone of your homebound communicants wish a visit from a priest for the fourth and five weeks of Lent, please call the rectory office. Tuesdays are not available.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions will be heard every Wednesday during the Lenten Season from 6:30 to 7:30pm in St. Mary of the Pines.

There will be CONTINUOUS CONFESSIONS AVAILABLE, Saturday, March 23, from after the 8:00am Mass until 4:00pm in St. Mary's, Barnegat.

ADORATION CHAPEL

After 27 years of Perpetual Adoration, many faithful Adorers are getting on in years and find it difficult to keep their Holy Hour. We need new people. Perpetual Adoration brings spiritual benefits to both Adorers and the parish as a whole, therefore we cannot let this beautiful ministry go by the wayside. The hours listed below are presently without an assigned Adorer. However, if there is a particular hour you would like to sign up for, we can list you as a second Adorer.

Sunday: 1am, 2am, 4am, 10am, 12noon* 11pm

Monday: 1am, 2am

Tuesday: 1am, 2am, 3am, 4am, 11pm

Wednesday: 3am, 4am, 5am (until May), 8pm, 9pm

Thursday: 2am, 3am, 7pm

Friday: 1am, 2am, 3am, 4am, 11pm

Saturday: 12 Midnight, 1am, 2am, 3am, 4am, 9am, 10am, 1pm

*First Sunday of month is covered

Call Joann at 609-622-6598, Spanish call 609-879-1835

Promise to Protect

Pledge to Heal

If you have been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church, please believe in the possibility for hope, help and healing. We encourage you to come forward and speak out. Every diocese, archdiocese/eparchy in the United States now has a Victim Assistance Coordinator who is available to obtain support for your needs, to help you make a formal complaint of abuse to the arch/diocese/eparchy, and to arrange a personal meeting with the bishop or his representative, if you desire. Please call the DIOCESAN ABUSE

HOTLINE: 1-866-296-2965 or email us at

abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org

LAZARUS MASS

We offer a monthly Lazarus Mass for those who are suffering the loss of a loved one. The Mass is held on the **third Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm in St. Mary's Church in Barnegat. Our next Mass will be Wednesday, March 20.**

MOMS GROUP

MOMS is an acronym for "Ministry of Mothers Sharing." It is a spiritual support and fellowship group of Catholic mothers with children of all ages. We 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 women. Our meetings are held in the Parish Center. FREE childcare is provided! **For more information, please contact Maria at (609) 549-5915.**

DUSTING ANGELS

Volunteers are needed to help keep our Church clean and welcoming. We meet at St. Mary of the Pines every Monday after the 9:00am Mass. **If you are interested in this rewarding ministry, please call the rectory office at (609) 698-5531.**

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, 9:00am – 11:30am, in the Parish Center,** 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 Ro S. at (609) 618-9381. Our entertainment for March is:**

March 14: Dakota & Elle

March 21: Paul DeNoia

****If you know someone who is in need of a hot meal, please call (609) 618-9381.**

We are also in need of substitute drivers on Thursdays for a couple of hours. If interested, please call the above number.

BETANIA III

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

Please join us for our weekly Wednesday Rosary –

- **March 13 – 2:00pm (Pines)**
- **March 20 – 2:00pm (St. Mary's)**
- **March 27 – 2:00pm (St. Mary's)**

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

The next Mass (which fulfills the Sunday obligation) will be celebrated Sunday, April 28 at 3:00pm in St. Mary's Church, Barnegat. Any questions, please call Bob Dodds at 609-464-6773.

***The "Cabrini" movie is at the Regal theater in Manahawkin. This movie on St. Mother Francesca Cabrini is currently being run until Thursday March 14. Please try to watch and bring your families. Hopefully, it will be extended. ***

BELOW IS A POSITIVE MESSAGE FROM JULIAN YOUNG

I'm excited to share another major milestone:

I ran for the first time in two years since my CRPS diagnosis!

This progress is another testament to your prayers, support, hard work in therapy, and God's grace!

Thank you all for being part of this journey!"

This is great news! Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support.

Through the kindness of Monsignor Ken, our great rectory staff will continue accepting donations. Kindly, make checks payable to Julian Young. In addition, you may put any checks in an envelope with his name on it and place it in the offertory basket.

The Eucharistic Miracle of Moncada, Spain, 1392

The election of Pope Urban VI (April 18, 1378) was strongly opposed by the French Cardinals who wanted a French Pope in the hopes that he would transfer the Holy See back to Avignon. On September 20, 1378, they elected the anti-pope Clement VII. The schismatics immediately tried to seize Rome by force of arms, but their attempts failed. Therefore, they retreated to Avignon, where Clement VII continued to act as if he were the legitimate pontiff.

During this period of great uncertainty, Fr. Mosen Jaime Carros, a priest in Moncada, was living in anguish, thinking his ordination was invalid since a Bishop appointed by the anti-pope Clement VII had ordained him. Every time he celebrated Mass, he greatly feared he was deceiving the faithful by distributing unconsecrated hosts. He was also terrified that none of the other Sacraments he was performing were valid. The priest ardently prayed for the Lord to give him some sign of confirmation. He received an answer on Christmas day 1392.

That day, a woman named Angela Apicat attended Mass with her five-year-old daughter, Ines (the future St Ines of de Moncada). At the end of Mass, the little girl refused to leave the church, imploring her mother to let her remain there to play with the beautiful child the pastor had held in his arms during the Consecration.

On December 26, Lady Angela went to Mass again, and when the priest lifted the Host, the little girl again saw the little child in the hands of the priest. At the end of Mass, Lady Angela told the priest about her daughter's visions. Fr. Carros immediately examined the little girl. Little Ines answered all the priest's questions with no difficulty. The priest wanted to test her further and invited her to attend Mass on the following day. That day he took two hosts, but consecrated only one of them. Taking the consecrated Host, the priest asked the little girl what she could see in his hands. She answered, "I see Baby Jesus." Then he lifted the unconsecrated host and asked the same question. "I see a little white disk," Ines answered. The priest was overwhelmed with joy and the whole congregation exulted in seeing the validity of their pastor's ordination confirmed. (*The Eucharistic Miracles of the World*, p. 263, Vatican Int'l. Ed.)

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Looking at the generosity of our supporters, last year, SVDP served 1517 families, consisting of 5686 individuals.

We received 65,819 pounds of donated food and purchased 18,348 pounds of food and other essential items. Our pantry is open 235 days a year. Bless you all—we could not have done it without you.

Pantry needs: **bottled juices, individual and large, pancake mix, and chicken noodle soup.**

MOMS GROUP

MOMS is an acronym for "Ministry of Mothers Sharing." It is a spiritual support and fellowship group of Catholic mothers with children of all ages. We 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 women. Our meetings are held in the Parish Center. FREE childcare is provided! **For more information, please contact Maria at (609) 549-5915.**

W.O.W. MEETINGS

The WOW (Widows or Widowers) group will be meeting **March 19, 6:00pm, in Monsignor Reinbold Hall.** We hope to see you there. **If you have any questions, please call Judy at (908) 568-3661.**

St. Michael the Archangel Pregnancy Help Center

Fundraiser Dinner: Tickets now available!

Thursday, April 11, 2024, 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

**The Waterfront Restaurant,
361 East Lacey Road, Forked River,
NJ.**

\$100.00 per person.

Guest Speakers: *Monsignor Ken Tuzeneu, Deacon Robert Cunningham, Rachel Hendricks.*

Tickets: Please purchase your ticket early as seating is limited. To purchase tickets, contact Cecelia at cgfowler413@gmail.com, or mail your check payable to: St. Michael Help Center
PO Box 2127

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Goal of newly formed center: This center was newly formed in 2023, with the goal of assisting pregnant women and young children who find themselves in challenging and sometimes desperate situations. Website: stmichaelhelp.org.

To volunteer or for further

information: If you would like to volunteer, or for further

information, please contact Deacon Robert Cunningham at 609-709-9549, email: rcunningham@stfrancisbi.org.

Scenic Fall Foliage Pilgrimage October 14 through October 17 2024

Come and join Msgr. Ken and Deacon Joe for a spiritual journey to the Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, along with shrines in New York State, including Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine, St. Kateri Tekakwitha Shrine, and the New Skete Monasteries. The bus will depart from St. Mary of the Pines Church parking lot in Manahawkin, NJ at 6:45am, Monday October 14, and return to New Jersey on the evening of Thursday October 17. There will be rest stops and lunch, and will reach the Divine Mercy Shrine in time to participate in Adoration, Confession, Mass, and Divine Mercy Chaplet there. Tuesday and Wednesday we will be visiting the shrines in New York, and then depart for home, after mass and visit once more at the Divine Mercy Shrine. Cost includes: transportation, 3 days of breakfast at hotel, 4 lunches, and 3 nights stay at hotel.

**SINGLE OCCUPANCY IS \$750.00 Per Person, and
DOUBLE OCCUPANCY IS \$525.00 Per Person.** (Total for double occupancy is \$1050.00).

There will be a meeting **Thursday, April 25, 7:00pm in Msgr. Reinbold Hall.** A fifty percent deposit will be required that evening by check payable to St. Mary's Church. Cut off date for payment in full is August 31. **NOTE: THESE PRICES ARE BASED UPON 40 PEOPLE. IF LESS THAN 40 PEOPLE PRICES WILL CHANGE. ALL DINNERS ARE ON YOUR OWN; BREAKFASTS AND LUNCHEAS ARE INCLUDED IN THE PRICE. If interested in signing up, please call by the rectory.**

Itineraries are in the Rectory and Welcome Centers.

SECOND ANNUAL PIEROGI SALE

We are now taking orders for our annual pierogi sale. This year, it will include our potato/cheese and/or sauerkraut pierogis. We will also have 2lbs. kielbasa rings, cheese babka, as well as, nut, poppy seed and cheese rolls. Order forms are available at the rectory or the welcoming centers at both Churches. **PRE-ORDERS ONLY.** Orders with your payment can be dropped off at the rectory. Pick up dates are March 22 and 24. **For more information, please call Hedy at (609) 815-6969 or Fran at (973) 647-0716.**

WOMEN'S LENTEN DAY OF PRAYER

"God loved the world that He gave His only Son who died on a cross so we would live forever in heaven with Him."

John 3:16

St. Mary's Women's Ministry would like to invite you to attend our Lenten Day of Prayer **Saturday, March 23, 9:00am – 3:30pm, in the Parish Center.**

Let us show Him how much we love and thank Him for what he did for us by attending this day and to spend some time in meditation and prayer.

By popular demand, our guest speaker will be Keaton Douglas. She is a professor at Seton Hall and leads a ministry called, "I Thirst for People Addicted to Drugs".

The day will consist of praying, singing and sharing with one another.

A hot lunch will be served along with coffee, tea, water and refreshments. Cost is \$25.00. Please make checks payable to St. Mary's Church and mail to:

**Jean Esposito
9 Kettle Creek Ct.
Barnegat, NJ 08005**

For more information, please call Jean Esposito at (609) 607-1731. Deadline to register is March 18.

Lent is the ideal time to add something to your spiritual battle plan

Our Catholic men's formation program called **That Man Is You** would love to have new men join us during the Lenten season and beyond. Join like-minded men for hot bagels, coffee, a video presentation and a fruitful group discussion on **Saturdays at 6:30am at the Parish Center.** Visit our website for details and registration.
www.stmarybarnegat.com/tmty

SPIRITUALITY DAY

Our next Spirituality Day will be **Wednesday, March 13, 1:00pm in St. Mary's Church, Barnegat.** Our guest speaker is Father Steve Sansevere and his talk is on Food for the Soul. Our next dates will be **April 10, May 8, June 12, October 9, and November 13.** We begin with exposition of The Blessed Sacrament, one decade of rosary, readings, guest speaker, a healing service and end with benediction. The spirituality day is open to all who wish to participate. Thank you and God Bless!

MONICA'S DAUGHTERS

We are an intercessory prayer group and we invite the women of the parish to join us. **We meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month, 10:00am, in the rectory.** We come together to pray for our children, families, loved ones, our Church, our country and whatever else the Holy Spirit places on our hearts. **For more information, please call Jean Esposito at (609) 607-1731.**

BAGELS & BIBLES FOR MEN

Bagels and Bibles is a group of Catholic men who meet the **first Saturday after the 8:00am Mass in Monsignor Reinbold Hall.** The group provides an opportunity to have fellowship with those who wish to grow in their Catholic faith. A key feature of the group is the monthly speaker. The speaker can be a priest, deacon, ministry head, Catholic psychologist, or a person giving testimony on how they became Catholic or returned to the faith. The meetings also include prayer and a song or two. Coffee and bagels will be provided.

April 6: Fr. Carl Arico

OUR LADY ROSARY MAKERS

Our group of Rosary Makers will be meeting **Thursday, March 14, 11:00am, in Monsignor Reinbold Hall,** to return their completed Rosary Beads and pick up new supplies to do at home.

We welcome anyone wishing to join us as we show you the way to create Rosary Beads that St. Mary's will donated to missions around the United States and around the world. **For more information, please call Fran Karol at (609) 597-6211.**

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 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.

Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain and France

Come join Fr. Walter for a trip of a lifetime. He will be hosting a 10 day bi-lingual pilgrimage **August 26 – September 4, 2024.** Cost of \$4,599.99 includes round trip airfare, first class hotels, breakfast and dinner, sightseeing and admission fees per itinerary, transfers, professional tour guide and gratuities. **For more information on Fr. Walter's trip, please call (346) 538-5655.**

A WOMEN'S GATHERING

St. Mary's Women's Ministry invites the women of the parish for a special gathering with Fr. Carl Arico Saturday, **April 6, 1:00pm – 3:00pm, in Monsignor Reinbold Hall.**

He has been involved in many ministries, including Curcio and Marriage Encounter. He has spoken many times at the MOMS Group and they have received many blessings for their marriage as a result.

So come and meet Fr. Arico and listen to what inspiring things he will say to us. There is no charge and refreshments will be served. **For more information or if you wish to attend, please call Jean Esposito at (609) 607-1731.**

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS

For those who wish to memorialize our beautiful flowers for the Easter season, forms are available at the Welcoming Center.

MARTHA/MARY DESIGN MINISTRY

The Martha/Mary Ministry is looking for volunteers to help decorate both churches for Easter & Christmas. If you liked the way the churches looked at Christmas, please consider volunteering. Call Anne Kelleher at 609-698-5516. Please leave a message. Many blessings to all.

LIVING WATERS PRAYER GROUP

We are filled with His power and gifts, just like the Apostles were. "Come & see!" The Living Waters Prayer group is a ministry of St. Mary's. We meet **every Tuesday, 1:00pm – 2:30pm, in Monsignor Reinbold Hall.** Come and join us!

DESIGNER BAG BINGO

Family Promise of the Jersey Shore will be hosting their annual Pocketbook Bingo **Saturday, April 6 at the Parish Center. Doors open at 6:00pm and Bingo begins at 7:00pm.** Presale cost is \$40.00 per ticket, \$50.00 day of event. Tickets include 10 games with four boards each and are available at the rectory. **For more information on this event, please call Family Promise at (609) 994-3317.**

JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF

Journey Through Grief is a bereavement support group sponsored by St. Pius X in Forked River. Team members are experienced, certified bereavement facilitators who emotionally and spiritually support those who are grieving the death of a loved one. Registration is now open for our Spring session. **We will meet for eight consecutive Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm in the St. Pius X Meeting Room. The first session begins on April 3. Participation is free of charge and is limited to adults who have suffered their loss prior to January, 2024.** Registration forms, brochures and information sheets are available at the rectory office. **Please mail completed forms directly to Paul Little at the following address by March 28,** after which time one of our facilitators will contact you. For further information, please call St. Pius X at (609) 693-5107.

**Paul Little
24 Cedar Street
Barnegat, NJ 08005**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus meet the **2nd Tuesday of every month, 7:30pm in Monsignor Reinbold Hall. For more information, please call Grand Knight Pete Galvano at (609) 913-7022**

SCRIPTURE SISTERS

Scripture Sisters will be held on MONDAYS at 6:00pm in the DIVINE MERCY LIBRARY at St. Mary of the Pines.

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ENOUGH! ADDICTION RECOVERY AND SUPPORT MINISTRY

DID YOU KNOW????

March is Problem Gambling Awareness Month. Gambling is known as the hidden addiction because, unlike Substance Use Disorder, it has no outward signs. An undetected gambling problem can destroy an individual's life and devastate their families. With the rise in online casino and sports betting apps, **calls to the 800-GAMBLER helpline have increased 189% in the last 5 years.** Indications of a gambling disorder include:

- * Lying about one's gambling
- * Using gambling as an escape
- * Inability to control one's gambling
- * Chasing losses
- * Risking relationships or opportunities
- * Failure to stop or control betting

March 12 is GAMBLING DISORDER SCREENING DAY. The Council urges anyone who may be experiencing a gambling problem to take a screening to determine if they have entered a betting danger zone. A self administered screening questionnaire is available on their website at:

www.800gambler.org/20-questions/

St Mary's ENOUGH! Addiction Recovery and Support Ministry is here to help. We offer prayer, information, and resources to both those experiencing a problem as well as their family and friends. We meet the first Wednesday of each month in MRH at 7:00 pm. ALL ARE WELCOME. "There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus." Romans 8:1

LADIES IN STITCHES

Our sewing group to benefit the Yamba Uganda ministry and our Church Family in Uganda, will have their next meeting Thursday, March 21, 11:30am, in Monsignor Reinbold Hall.

If you love to sew and provide new items for the children of our Holy Trinity twin parish in Uganda, please join us in the 21st.

For more information, please call Fran at (609) 597-6211 or Linda at (609) 577-4146.

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