

HIS WORD TODAY
by Rev. William J. Reilly

**Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time
January 23, 2022**

“Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee and his reputation spread throughout the region... He came to Nazareth where he had been raised and on entering the synagogue on the Sabbath, as he was in the habit of doing, he stood up to do the reading... ‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me... Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.’”

It is easy for us to picture the visiting rabbi assuming His teaching role. Surely people wondered what His statement meant as they paid close attention to His words. In our own parish church, as the lector proclaims the word, and the priest or deacon, the gospel, I remind myself that it is God’s word. He is speaking to me, and I too give my full attention to the message. As I sit to hear the word, I listen. As I stand for the gospel, I ask that the word may be in my head, on my lips and in my heart.

The word takes root in my heart to direct my life. As Jesus read from the prophet Isaiah, He spoke of Himself, but also of we who have been touched by the Holy Spirit and like Him we are sent.



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MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekday Masses: 7:30 AM (Mon.-Tues.-Wed.-Fri.) – St. Denis Church
Saturday: 8:30 AM – St. Denis Church
Saturday Evening: 4:30 PM (fulfills Sunday obligation) - St. Denis Church
Sunday: 8:00 AM & 9:30 AM - St. Denis Church
Mass is shown on the Parish Facebook Page each weekend.
Sunday: 10:00 AM - Our Lady Star of the Sea Chapel
Holy Days: See bulletin or website for schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays, 3:30-4:15 pm & by appointment.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL DEVOTIONS: Tuesday morning after the 7:30 AM Mass-St. Denis Church

BAPTISM: The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Parents must complete the required preparation with the Pastoral Associate and obtain godparent eligibility letters before a date for Baptism will be given. Please call the rectory for further details.

MARRIAGE: Please contact the rectory office for more information about weddings. All couples contemplating marriage are asked to give the priests one year prior notice in order that all the requirements for marriage can be satisfied. Do not reserve the reception hall before contacting the church; your requested date may not be available.

CARE OF THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND: We will gladly bring Holy Communion to anyone who is ill or otherwise unable to get to Mass. Please call the rectory to make arrangements. The priests and deacon make regular visits to the local hospitals. Please call the rectory if any loved one is hospitalized.

RIEF OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL: At such times of deep pain and loss, we seek to offer our bereaved families comfort and hope as they commend their loved ones to God. Please note that, in accordance with Church regulations, eulogies are not permitted during Funeral Masses.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday 8:30 AM-12:00 noon & 1:00 PM- 4:30 PM, Friday 8:30 AM- 12:00 noon only. There are no office hours on Saturday & Sunday. Evenings are by appointment only.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! We encourage new families moving into the area to stop in or call the rectory to arrange for registration.

CELIAC SPRUE PARISHIONERS – Saint Denis provides a low gluten (<0.01% gluten content) host. Parishioners who are gluten-intolerant should see a deacon or priest prior to the start of Mass in order to be included in the reception of the Eucharist.

VISIT US ON FACEBOOK- Saint Denis Parish Facebook page: www.facebook.com/churchofstdenis. You don't need to have a Facebook account to read parish news and updates, but would need one to leave comments and feedback.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 22, 2022

8:30 am William V. Kelly by his wife, Eileen Kelly
 8:30 am Marie Woodrow by Saint Denis Parish
 8:30 am Margaret Wright by Gerard Manning
 4:30 pm Brian Subers by the Brickowski Family
 4:30 pm Gerald Werdann by his Family
 4:30 pm Lucy Ross by Susan Schenker

Sunday, January 23, 2022

8:00 am Debra Mahoney by Tom & Kerry O'Connor
 8:00 am Tan Bor "Victor" Yee by the Finkenauer Family
 8:00 am Robert Galantucci by Tara & Harold
 9:30 am Gregory Oliver by Christine & Peter Levitan
 9:30 am Andrew Critelli by Rita Badaracco & Family
 9:30 am Joseph Davidson by Evelyn & Dean Tuttle
 10:00 am For the People of the Parish

Monday, January 24, 2022

7:30 am Josip & Marija Justinic by John & Ellie Fox
 7:30 am Brian FitzPatrick by Bob & Nancy Morgenstern
 7:30 am Mary Ann Schachter by Kay Kolon

Tuesday, January 25, 2022

7:30 am Michael Bialas by his Family
 7:30 am Richard O'Donnell by Kevin & Lynn Reynolds
 7:30 am Paul Weeks by Jackie Lyons

Wednesday, January 26, 2022

7:30 am Regina LoSardo by Dennis & Reene O'Neill
 7:30 am Mary Varygiannes by Michele & Jim Bond

Thursday, January 27, 2022

No Mass

Friday, January 28, 2022

7:30 am Michael Bialas by Betsy & Jim Rice
 7:30 am Paul Weeks by Gloria Smith

Saturday, January 29, 2022

8:30 am Diane Ringo by the Lago Family
 8:30 am Susan Curley Maher by Peter & Sharon Wilson
 4:30 pm Walter Bronikowski by his Family
 4:30 pm Rose & John Cafone, Sr. by their Children
 4:30 pm Tom Trezza by Theresa Winard

Sunday, January 30, 2022

8:00 am For the People of the Parish
 9:30 am Bill Wolfe by his Wife
 9:30 am Betty, Frank & Alan Ernst by Scott & Cindy Ernst
 9:30 am Jimmy Gioia by Donald & Yvonne Gioia
 10:00 am Patricia Walsh by Carol Rizzi
 10:00 am Manuela Gutierrez Soto by the Schneider Family
 10:00 am Susan Thompson by the Langan Family

MOVING? Please inform the rectory office if you are moving out of the area or if you have a change of address, so the envelope company can be notified. Thank you!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

especially Charlotte Newbury, Virginia Larkin, and Rev. Peter C. Weiss.



HOME DEVOTION—Please visit AscensionPress.com for special resources and events to help Catholics with home devotions throughout the coming weeks.

MASS INTENTIONS for the weekend, as well as the coming week, can be found on our parish website on Friday mornings www.churchofstdenis.org



**Pray For
The Sick**

especially Mary Moran, Steve Ford, Elizabeth Ann Linden, Peggy Andrich, Mary Damico, Eileen Byrne, Amanda Castro, Dolores Palmisano, Holly Boyd, Mary Conlon, Albert Wood, Maiya Andrews, Velma Andrews, Katie Holbrook, Claire Meachum, Mike Pierce, Thomas Hayes, Jr., Thomas Evans, Catherine O'Connor, Edith Bean, Phyllis Van Salders, Joanne Panzarella, Taryn Rotondi, Kathy Wicks, Michael McNulty, Mary Jane Schaaf, Lisa Pirrello, Joseph Bick, Mary Collins, Robert Kelleher, Stephen Byrne, Denise Frank, Marie Tashjian, Angeline Hart, Cathleen Brenner, Nick Ljuljana, Sue O'Connor, Baby Cayden Joseph, Thomas Fahey, Baby Kelly Grace, Nair Messias, Jennifer Noble, Scarlet Slotnick, Belle & Ashton, Karen Brown, Elizabeth Morgan, Frank Lopez, Christina Roundtree, Eugene Karpinski, Charlotte Pentek, Phillip Graceffa, Christian Russo, Rose DeMarco, Dee Vulgaris, Michael McGonigle, Baby Evelyn Mizer, Herbert "Butch" Wolfe, Leanna Rawson, Nannette Forkan, Nicole Giambrone, Lisa Dunfee, Albert J. Cifelli, Brian Alberse, Stanley Bevan, Windell Rainey, Sadie Svenson, Barbara Magda, Paul Tuyp, Nancy Murphy, Bernadette Bevan, George Leonard, Teresa Hayes, Jeanne Hayes, Irene Hayes, Ronnie Micciulla, Cindy Tomkins, Joseph Fiamingo, Baby Colton Gardella, Anita McCudden, Catherine Kelleher, Baby Siena Grace Pizzillo, Samara Pirrong, Donna Schwear, Helen McGowan, Karen Williams, Timothy Michal Przywara, Christopher Kurtanick, Wes Pal, Neil O'Callaghan, Siobhan Vuono, Linda Lowery, Tanner Koch, Linda Custode, Marty Pirrong, Bridget Korn, Vincent Azzollini, Scott Burdett, Joan Lipscomb, Baby Lucy, Stephen Whyte, Christine Fields, Chris Faraca, Gordon Justin, Jim Kazenmayer, Frank Meidenbauer, Sean Campbell, Joel Rivera, Jimi Hood, Al Ricciardi, Eileen Beesley, Beverly Heinz, Pauline Naturile, Haley Keating, Donna Morgan, Bill Koch, Doris Abruzzo, Sandy Heitner, Randy Farmer, Joseph Pastore, Christine Coburn, Julianna Grusso, Frank Dugan, Lori Hurd, John Gondek, Lois Borton, William Liao, Marylee Monsell, Norma Friel, Tony Picinich, the Borgias, Patricia Wolfe, Marian Keefe, Elizabeth Clos, Reverend Joseph Miele, Gail Fallon, William Pavincich, Patsy Pindar, Lois Brookes, Andrew Chermak, Mark Clarkin, Duane Danish, Hank Przybylowski, Werner Ziesmer, Cathy Hodgkiss, Thomas P. Coyle, Constance & Hugh Doherty, Jim Trischitta, Regina Kiesche, Rob & Katie Spawn, Jack Noble, the Stoute Family, the Nesbitt Family and the Campbell Family.



Ladies, Join us! Walking with Purpose (WWP) is more than a women's Bible study. It is a faith community that supports, encourages, and challenges one another. It is a safe place where you

will discover authentic friendships and meaningful discussions as your heart is transformed by the Word of God. **We gather on (most) Tuesday evenings, 7:30 pm and/or (most) Wednesday afternoons, 12:30 pm. St. Denis (School) Parish Center.** To find out more details and register, go to www.wwpnjshore.com

ST. DENIS ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY members will meet in the cafeteria of the school building on Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at noon. Please bring your lunch and dessert will be provided. We will also meet on Sunday, February 6, 2022 in the church at 9:00 am for recitation of the rosary and the 9:30 am Mass. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

MEN'S GROUP- *Pursue the Way, the Truth, the Life* is a faith study group for Catholic men at the Jersey Shore, coordinated from St. Denis Parish. The group meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month in the school building, from 6-7 pm. For more info contact the St Denis rectory at 732-223-0287.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – The Knights of Columbus is dedicated to the mission of our Holy Mother Church starting here, in our parish and our community. We are a fraternity of Catholic men united in charity and patriotism. If you miss fraternity life and want to get out and join with others in charity and Catholic brotherhood, join us. To learn more please call the rectory office.

THE CHOSEN –THE DISCUSSION CONTINUES -We will once again partner with Holy Trinity Lutheran Church to continue our discussion of the second half of Season One of the blockbuster series “The Chosen”. Participants are asked to watch the episode first (on The Chosen App or on YouTube). Meetings will take place on Wednesdays: from 11am -12 noon at Holy Trinity Fellowship Hall and in the St. Denis School Building Cafeteria from 7-8 pm.

Feb. 2: episode 5
Feb. 9: episode 6
Feb. 16: episode 7
Feb. 23: episode 8



especially Navy Lt. Rachael M. Honrath, Navy E3 Nora N. Honrath, Army Major Matthew Cauda, Navy LL. Edward P. Windas, Marine Lance Corporal Laura Licata, Contractor Benjamin Ostrow, Air Force Major David Smith, Army Major Sean Fessenden,

Army Lt. Nikkole Crosson, Navy Captain Colin S. Walsh, Army Captain Dr. Justin Eisenman, Army Lt. Brian Quinn, Navy E4 Patrick Moynihan, Air Force 1st Lt. Dominic Celiano, Air Force Academy Cadet 2nd Class Slade Kelling, Air Force Academy, Coast Guard Petty Officer Joseph Beattie, Navy CM Taylor Nesbitt, Airman Devon Webster, Army Private 1st Class Cody Svenson, Lt. Jg. Mary T. Herman, Matthew Van Pelt, Army, USMC 2nd Lt. Philip Cahill, USMC 2nd Lt. Joanna Smith-Cahill, Navy MIDN Michael Zimmerman U.S. Naval Academy, Air Force 2nd Lt. Jason Trischitta, Allison M. Ingraham at West Point Academy, Lt. Col. Ivan Ingraham USMC, PFC Joseph J. Foley, Jr. USMC, Airman Andrew Halmi, Robert Halmi, U.S. Army, Corporal Jordan Basile USMC, PFC Neil Horenburg USMC.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT takes place First Fridays, from noon to 1:00 pm in the church. We look forward to the beautiful prayer of presence with our Lord.



SAINT DENIS PRAYER GROUP-The Prayer Group meets at 12:00 noon each Monday in St. Denis Church. There are no meetings on holidays. All are welcome.

FOR THE LOVE OF GOD...PRAISE AND SING-Come, praise our Lord with contemporary Christian music. 30 minutes of prerecorded music with lyric sheets provided, every First Friday at 7:00 pm in St. Denis Church. For more information call the rectory office.

LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS – Those in need of these specially approved Communion hosts at Mass are invited to receive from the deacon (if present at Mass) or the priest. Look for the small cup attached to the minister's ciborium, in order to receive the sacramental Body of Christ with a low-gluten host.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER– Why not give your spouse the gift of a Marriage Encounter Weekend? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held February 4–6, 2022. Please apply ASAP as space is limited. For more information visit online at: www.wwme.org.

RETROUVAILLE- Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille is a lifeline to help couples heal and renew their marriages. The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. Upcoming weekend: February 23-25, 2022. To register email 3024@helpourmarriage.org

CURSILLO is all about building long-term Christ-centered relationships with God and others through prayer and a focus on authentic Christian living. For info contact trentoncursillo@gmail.com or 609-396-8447 x14.



January 2, 2022

Weekly Collection-- \$8,517.00

January 9, 2022

Weekly Collection-- \$8,136.00

2nd Collection (Building Repairs)- \$4,437.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !



OFFERINGS AT FRANCIS HOUSE OF PRAYER, a Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House 84 Wainford Road in Allentown, NJ:

CLAIM YOUR LIGHT/FIND YOUR VOICE

Thursday, 2/3/22 9:30 AM – Noon

Ever feel as though you are running on empty? You are not alone! Come join in a mid-morning retreat and fill your spiritual gas tank with the energy hidden in the back-to-back feasts of the Presentation of Jesus and St. Blaise. Renewed by God's presence, go forth and be God's light and God's voice in our world. Donation: \$20.

PERSONAL RETREAT DAY IN-PERSON ONLY Wednesday, 2/9/22 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM Take a day away from the busyness of your life. Come to Francis House for silence, personal prayer and optional spiritual direction. The day begins and ends with a brief prayer together. Please bring your lunch. Donation: \$10; \$40 with spiritual direction.

VALENTINE'S CELEBRATION FOR COUPLES IN PERSON ONLY Sunday, 2/13/22 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM Liturgy at 11:00 AM This year our Valentine celebration takes a different shape. We begin with Mass at 11:00 AM which will include the renewal of marriage vows. We follow with a delicious lunch. Donation: Love Offering.

Please check www.FHOP.org for registration, directions and for other offerings.

THE UPPER ROOM DIOCESAN SPIRITUAL CENTER IN NEPTUNE offers the following programs in person or via Zoom. Registration with full payment is due one week before each program:

CONTEMPLATIVE CENTERING PRAYER (ZOOM)-Within a loving community, this prayer practice provides a simple and gentle method to quiet our minds and hearts, so that we create a space within us for God. We sit for 30 minutes of prayer, followed by reflection. Presenter: Sun-Hwan Spriggs

Date: Tuesday, February 1 & 15, 2022 Time: 10:00am – 11:30am Fee: \$15 - \$30 each program

WOMEN'S GATHERING- An opportunity for women to pray, share, and support each other. Each program includes prayer on a particular theme and brunch. Facilitators: The Women's Gathering Core Group Date: Saturday, February 5, 2022 Time: 10:00am – 12:00 noon Fee: \$25 - \$35

To register for a program please email office@theupperroom.org at least one week in advance.



St. Vincent De Paul Society's Food Pantry at St. Denis Church Phone: 732-223-1383

Location: Msgr. O'Connor Hall (lower level of church)

There is curbside pick-up of prepackaged food with social distancing.

Questions or special food needs?

Please call our hotline number at 732-223-1383

Pantry hours:

Tuesdays: 1PM – 3PM and 3rd and 4th Saturdays from 10AM – 12 noon

This weeks list of needed items :

Pasta sauce, flour, chili, and boxed sugar (no bags please).

Thank you.



St. Denis Bereavement Support Group

The St. Denis Bereavement Group will be gathering for winter sessions. If you would like to join us and share insights and challenges of mourning a loved one, you are very welcome!

Thursday mornings 10:00 am- 11:00 am St. Denis School building

Contact Eileen Ziesmer at 732-223-0287 or eileenziesmer@gmail.com to let us know you will be joining us!

ALTAR FLOWERS— Parishioners may reserve the flower arrangement near the altar, for a week at a time, in “memory of” or “honor of” someone or some occasion. Weekend flowers are billed to the parish at \$150 per arrangement so the suggested donation for flowers is \$150. Due to liturgical and church calendar requirements, donations toward floral arrangements do not permit the donor to choose the color, style or flower type. Reservations will be taken by the rectory staff during business hours.

ST. JOSEPH BY THE SEA RETREAT HOUSE,

400 Rt. 35N in South Mantoloking invites you to:

COME TO THE QUIET – A SILENT RETREAT- Feb. 18

-20, 2022 - Come and experience the shore in all its winter beauty! This weekend has been set aside for those desiring time alone with God. This retreat offers time for reflection; Eucharistic Liturgy and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be included. Massage therapy will be available. Arrival: 6:00-7:00 pm / Departure: 1:00 pm (Presenters: Staff and Visiting Directors) Cost: \$300.

HONORING SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER - March

19, 2022 In honor of our patron St. Joseph, the staff cordially invites you to join us at Liturgy as we celebrate this special day. We will pray for peace and healing for ourselves and for our world. Please call to register by March 16. **SPACE WILL BE LIMITED TO 40 PEOPLE.** Refreshments and blessed bread will be available after the program. Arrival: 10:30 am - (Mass: 11:00 am) - Departure: 1:00 pm (Presenters: Sr. Brunilda Ramos, MPF and Sr. Dolores Bianchi, MPF) Donation

Please call St. Joseph By the Sea at 732-892-8494 to register or for additional information.

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



The Gospels often ask us to have faith in God and that He will help us to know the right path to take. In choosing a path to help, He does not ask us about ability but only our *availability*; and, if we prove our dependability, He will increase our *capability* to do good. God often doesn't call the “most qualified”, He qualifies the “called”.

The volunteers of St. Vincent de Paul, who come from many diverse backgrounds, know only so well how true this is.

If you have an interest in learning more about helping those in need, come to the Society's meeting next month (watch for date and time) in the school building.

If you need assistance, please call the St. Vincent de Paul hotline at 732-223-1383.

Message from Father Bill:

Today we celebrate “Word of God Sunday” and also “Ecumenical Sunday”.

Inaugurated in 2020 by Pope Francis, “Word of God Sunday” (the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time) is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God. “He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures” (Lk 24:45). The pope tells us “this was one of the final acts of the risen Lord before his Ascension.” The pope proposed setting aside “a Sunday given over entirely to the word of God, so as to appreciate the inexhaustible riches contained in that constant dialogue between the Lord and his people” to deepen our awareness of how God reveals himself to us in Sacred Scripture and to learn how God invites us to know him and to enter more deeply into a relationship with him. We are invited to call to mind the famous quote from the Letter to the Hebrews, “Indeed, the word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even between soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and able to discern the reflections and thoughts of the heart.”(4:12). God’s Word is “living and effective” because we welcome it “not as a human word, ‘but as what it really is, the word of God.’” There are many ways to celebrate God’s word. I subscribe to a University of Notre Dame daily reflection on the Gospel of the day (faith.nd.edu). There are also resources from FORMED (accessed through our parish website link on the right column and the code PDZVN8), and also USCCB has daily Scripture readings/podcasts. We give thanks to God for the Bible and take seriously our call as disciples to read God’s Word. There are many ways to meditate and reflect on God’s word. I would be happy to teach you a method that would best suite you to bear much fruit.

We also celebrate “Ecumenical Sunday” within this week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18-25 January. Our theme for 2022 is “We Saw the Star in the East, and We Came To Worship Him.” The Middle East Council of Churches developed the theme this year. Like the Magi who braved the perils of a long and dangerous journey to find the Christ child, our Christian brothers and sisters in the Middle East face many hardships as they strive to live out their faith in Christ. Our prayer in solidarity with their suffering is a light of hope and communion. Today, more than ever, the Middle East needs a heavenly light to accompany its people. The star of Bethlehem is a sign that God walks with his people, feels their pain, hears their cries, and shows them compassion. It reassures us that though circumstances change and terrible disasters may happen, God’s faithfulness is unailing. For this Week of Prayer, the Christians of the Middle East chose the theme of the star that rose in the east for a number of reasons. While many Western Christians celebrate Christmas, the more ancient feast, and still the principal feast of many Eastern Christians, is the Epiphany when God’s salvation is revealed to the nations in Bethlehem and at the Jordan. This focus on the theophany (the manifestation) is, in a sense, a treasure which Christians of the Middle East can offer to their brothers and sisters around the world.

I am thankful for our Ecumenical relationships in our Manasquan Ministerium. We ministers continue to support each other and we are planning to continue our many spiritual and corporal works of mercy for this year. With the theme of this year in mind, let us pray: “O Lord, you have illumined the star of hope in our lives. Help us to be united in our commitment to bring about your Reign of love, justice and peace and so to be the light of hope to all those living in the darkness of despair and disillusionment. Shine your light upon us and set our hearts on fire so that your love surrounds us with warmth. Lift us up to you, you who have emptied yourself for our sake, so that our lives may glorify you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.” (excerpts from atonementfriars.org)

WONDERFULLY MADE MOTHER-DAUGHTER TEA that was scheduled to take place at our parish on Sunday, January 23, 2022 has been postponed until May. Please watch future bulletins for more information.

DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE- (DYC) is a yearly gathering for ALL teens 8-12th grades of the Diocese of Trenton. It is an opportunity to connect with other young Catholics beyond your parish or school and to encounter Jesus through dynamic presentations, music, workshops and more! Don't miss it!! Due to high COVID numbers in our Diocese, the Youth Conference will be livestreamed on January 29th from 11 am-12 noon. It is FREE but registration is required. Please visit www.dotyouth.org/dyc to register.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE– Join the Diocese of Trenton on a 10-day Pilgrimage to Poland and Prague, June 5-14, 2022. We will visit Czestochowa, Krakow, Auschwitz, Wadowice, the Shrine of the Divine Mercy, Prague and much more! Pilgrimage price is \$4,330 double occupancy, single supplement +\$1,050. Space is limited so register today at: www.The-Catholic-Journey.com/0622Trenton. For more information call 609-406-7446 or email Pilgrimages@DioceseofTrenton.org

HELP WANTED- The First Baptist Church in Manasquan is looking for a Food Pantry Manager, 4 days a week, 3.5 hours each day. Computer knowledge is a must, as is the ability to lift cases of food. Please call 732-223-4649 or email fbc-manasquan@juno.com if interested.

2021 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you wish to receive a statement of your 2021 contributions, please complete and return this form to the rectory by way of the collection basket or by mail (attention: Betsy). You may also email your request to st.denis@verizon.net or call 732-223-0287.

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone number _____

Email address _____

(if you would like to receive your statement via email)

Do you also need a statement from our St. Vincent de Paul Society? Yes _____ No _____



**WEEK OF JANUARY 23, 2022
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
WALTER BRONIKOWSKI
REQUESTED BY HIS FAMILY**

HEALING MASS, FOLLOWED BY HEALING PRAYERS, AT EPIPHANY PARISH IN BRICK- All are welcome to join us every third Friday of the month (from September to May) for a Healing Mass. We will begin at 6:45 pm in the worship area with Prayer and Reflection. Mass will commence at 7:00 pm, followed by Prayers of Healing and Adoration.

WORD OF LIFE

“Many people know someone personally who is suffering because of an abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? ... Even a woman who doesn't go to church or think of herself as religious can be afraid that God will never forgive her for having an abortion. She should know that God loves and forgives those who are sorrowful. He wants to comfort them and give them his peace. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion”

THE MISSION OF MARY'S CHILD MINISTRY is to defend the truth of Jesus Christ. Each human being is a gift from God, made in His image and likeness, worthy of dignity, respect, and protection from conception until natural death. We raise our prayers, concerns, and funds in support of this Truth, and we support organizations that consistently live and value the Gospel of Life. If interested in this ministry, contact the rectory for our parish Pro-Life representative.

FACING UNPLANNED PREGNANCY? Need Help? Contact Birthright @ 800-550-4900 or locally @ 732 747-7600 for assistance with testing, doctors, food, housing, counseling, and other services at little or no charge.

ACTION CENTER -- Please continue to pray for the Supreme Court to thoughtfully reach a favorable decision in the Dobbs Case in support of God's gift of life. Science has confirmed what God has always taught us. The baby in the womb is fully human and fully alive. *“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you.” Jeremiah 1:5*

9 DAYS FOR LIFE is a novena for the protection of human life being held nationally January 19 – 27. Join today at www.9daysforlife.com. Help build a culture of life in our country with a short reflection and prayer each day.

VISIT OUR WEBSITES: dioceseoftrenton.org/respect-life-ministry USCCB: respectlife.org

CRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

Christmas flower donations were made in memory of: Jean Sullivan, Lucy & Gaspere Salamone, and Paul & Lillian Foley. Today's bulletin contains only some of the names of those loved ones who were remembered with Christmas flower donations. Other names appeared in the two previous bulletins. Thank you to all who donated to this collection. We appreciate your generosity.



THANK YOU NOTES:

Dear Father Bill & Saint Denis Parish Family, On behalf of the Henry B. King Medical Brigade, thank you for the Giving Tree gifts. We received 267 pairs of socks for men, 113 pairs for women, 166 pairs for children and 17 hats. The people we visit in Honduras will benefit from your generous gifts. Thank you. Sincerely, Cathy Abercrombie

Dear Saint Denis Parishioners, Our St. Vincent de Paul Society has been very blessed this past year with your wonderful generosity. Your thoughtfulness has enabled us to touch the lives of many who were in need of food or financial help. SVdP was overwhelmed and appreciative of the many gift cards taken off the parish Giving Tree. Thank you. Many blessings and good health in the new year! “For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” Ephesians 2:10

ARE YOU A WOMAN RETURNING TO COLLEGE?

Scholarships are available from the Woman's Club of Spring Lake. Eligibility for scholarship consideration by The Woman's Club of Spring Lake is open to female residents of Monmouth County who have had an interruption in their education; who are now seeking an associate's or a bachelor's degree and who are currently enrolled or newly registered at an accredited two or four year institution. Applications are due April 1, 2022. Information and applications are available online at: www.womansclubofspringlake.org

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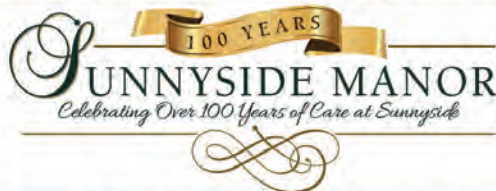
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