

HIS WORD TODAY
by Rev. William J. Reilly

**Fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
February 7, 2021**

“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went to a deserted place, where he prayed. Simon and those who were with him pursued him and on finding him said: ‘Everyone is looking for you.’ He told them, ‘Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose I have come.’”

Once again we find Jesus at prayer. Everything He did from the beginning of ministry at the Jordan to the tear filled agony at Gethsemane, prayer is the beginning and end to fortify, direct and strengthen Him. He was aware of His mission and strove to complete it.

We too begin each day in prayer seeking the help we need. Each evening, we pause and thank the Lord for the blessings of the day and ask pardon for shortcomings.

May we also pray for our priests and all church ministries, that we meet, hear and learn what it is the Lord asks of us, our own particular mission which He places in our hands.



CHURCH OF ST. DENIS

MANASQUAN, NEW JERSEY

STAFF

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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 & 11:30 AM Facebook Mass - St. Denis Church
Sunday: 10:00 AM - Our Lady Star of the Sea Chapel
Holy Days: See bulletin or website for schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: *By appointment only.*

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.

RITE 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.


Saturday, February 6, 2021

- 8:30 am Anne Gilmartin by Susan Meehan
 8:30 am Charles V. Whalen, Jr. by Chris & Ed Mutch
 8:30 am Robert J. Dougherty
 by Kathleen & John Hendricks
 4:30 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, February 7, 2021

- 8:00 am Patricia & August Herrmann
 by Lonnie & Bobby Aronson
 8:00 am Nancy & John Charlesworth by Catherine Campen
 8:00 am Bartolomeo Viola
 by Thomas & Maureen Hughes & Family
 9:30 am George Kaftan by Richard Kohrman
 9:30 am Rosemary Hofer by Art & Peggy Geiger
 9:30 am Michael Strada by Ronnie & Jim Garrett
 10:00 am Clay Warnick by his Family
 10:00 am Marguerite Bossone by Eileen & Jim Rochford
 10:00 am Tracey Day Rogers by Peter Ponariello

Monday, February 8, 2021

- 7:30 am The Sarullo, Burke, Bugliaro & Scheller Families
 by the Bugliaro Family
 7:30 am Shirley Traum by David Winters
 7:30 am Ann Zito by Adelaide & Michele

Tuesday, February 9, 2021

- 7:30 am Macee Katherine Freeman
 by Nona & Pop Pop Freeman
 7:30 am Hanna Weir by Mrs. Hickey

Wednesday, February 10, 2021

- 7:30 am Robert Shafer by Tom & Gail Campbell
 7:30 am Deceased Priests of the Diocese of Trenton
 by St. Denis Parish

Thursday, February 11, 2021

No Mass

Friday, February 12, 2021

- 7:30 am George A. Kohrman by Richard Kohrman
 7:30 am Leo Breda by David Winters
 7:30 am Intentions of William Pavincich by his Family

Saturday, February 13, 2021

- 8:30 am Peter Maher by Peter & Sharon Wilson
 8:30 am Mr. Dender by Peter & Sharon Wilson
 8:30 am Jacqueline Varygiannes by Deacon Gary
 4:30 pm Dominick & Morris by Richard Kohrman
 4:30 pm Kati Cesareo by Frank & Meghan Belott
 4:30 pm Anthony Buchko by the Gallo Family

Sunday, February 14, 2021

- 8:00 am Lillian & Theodore Prospero by their Son
 8:00 am Eileen Mahoney by Eileen & Mike Mahoney
 8:00 am Raymond Shaffery by Frank & Pat Bachman
 9:30 am For the People of the Parish
 10:00 am Jimmy & Josephine Quilter
 by Cindy & Scott Ernst
 10:00 am Jane Sexton by Carol Rizzi
 10:00 am Dolores Randazzo by Carol Rizzi

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

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



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, Stella Thompson, 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, Patricia Blumenstock, Sue O'Connor, Baby Cayden

Joseph, Thomas Fahey, Baby Kelly Grace, Nair Messias, Jennifer Noble, Scarlet Slotnick, Belle & Ashton, John Najar, 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 Giambone, Lisa Dunfee, Albert J. Cifelli, Brian Alberse, Stanley Bevan, Windell Rainey, Sadie Svenson, Barbara Magda, Paul Tuyt, 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, Kathy Larkin, Gordon Justin, John Jonason, Estelle Jonason, Jim Kazenmayer, Frank Meidenbauer, Sean Campbell, Joel Rivera, Jimi Hood, Al Ricciardi, Eileen Beesley, Beverly Heinz, Pauline Naturile, Haley Keating, John Fossani, Paul Borden, Donna Morgan, Dennis Datillo, Bill Koch, Doris Abruzzo, Sandy Heitner, Randy Farmer, Joseph Pastore, Christine Coburn, Julianna Grusso, Frank Dugan, Lori Hurd, John Gondek, Lois Borton, Roddy Pilot, William Liao, Marylee Monsell, Norma Friel, Tony Picinich, the Borgias, Patricia Wolfe, Marian Keefe, David Smith, Marie Woodrow, Elizabeth Clos, Rev. Joseph Miele, Gail Fallon, William Pavincich, the Nesbitts and the Campbells.

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.

MESSAGE FROM FATHER BILL

Three things to share with you this week:

From the USCCB: The Catholic Church held its annual celebration of the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life on February 2, 2021 and also holds this celebration in parishes over this weekend of February 6-7. This event is a special time for individual parishes and the greater Church to celebrate the gift of consecrated life and pray for men and women discerning a consecrated vocation. We are thankful for the vocations of all the Sisters of St. Joseph who have served at St. Denis Parish and we are very thankful for Sisters Mary and Sandra for their being here with us and volunteering at the parish in their retirement. God bless you Sister Mary and Sister Sandra! We ask all young people to bring to prayer/reflection before God the question, "Are You calling me, God, to joyfully serve You and Your people in the Church and the world in a religious vocation?" Please see me if you would like to talk more about it.

From our Bishop: This year, the Catholic Church in our country celebrates the annual "National Marriage Week" February 7 through 14, sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops with the theme "To Have, to Hold, to Honor." These familiar words remind all married couples of the beautiful vows husbands and wives make to one another in the presence of God and their families and friends on their wedding day and the many ways they live out those vows every day. The covenant of marriage is a promise of spouses to be faithful to each other "for better, for worse; for richer, for poorer; in sickness, in health" but it is also a sign of God's faithfulness to and never-ending love for every married couple and their families. God is always with us. In observance of National Marriage Week and World Marriage Day on February 14, the Church honors husbands and wives for their sacrificial love as they work to build God's Kingdom on earth. Each time a married couple reaches out beyond themselves to serve others, they are living their vocational call in marriage. We take this opportunity as a Diocese to thank our married couples for the witness of their loving service to God and to others. Our parishes remain strong because of married couples and families who live their Catholic faith and rely on God's help. In return our parishes pledge their love and support for all married couples and their families. Please join me in prayer: O God, who in creating the human race willed that man and wife should be one, keep, we pray, in a bond of inseparable love those who are united in the covenant of Marriage, so that, as you make their love fruitful, they may become, by your grace, witnesses to charity itself. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

From me: Next weekend is Pledge Sunday for the Annual Catholic Appeal throughout the Diocese of Trenton. Each year the Bishop seeks the support of all the members of the diocese to further the work of our ministries. Each of us has a vital part in all we do in Christ's name, and each of us can share in all we do with a gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal. The Annual Catholic Appeal is integral to the mission and services of the Diocese of Trenton. Providing day to day assistance to those among us with the greatest needs, training for seminarians, for youth in our Catholic schools and religious education programs, the Annual Appeal ensures the funding necessary so that these programs may continue to serve thousands throughout our Diocese. As in the past, this year's efforts will create new opportunities and hopefully expand services for those living and working within the counties of Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth and Ocean. You make that happen with a generous gift to the ACA. As the people of the Diocese of Trenton, we have an opportunity to help others see Christ working in our midst. I ask you to take a moment and truly reflect on any help you can give. We truly need everyone to participate, even just a little during this difficult year. I am always grateful and moved by the level of support you give to our parish. I thank you for this support, and may God continue to bless you and your family. I will share more about the Annual Catholic Appeal over the next few weeks.

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – IN ACTION!

Evangelization - Ministry to Families, Youth and Young Adults-Every person belongs to a family. Families are the foundation of the Catholic parish. In the midst of the family and the parish community, people encounter Christ and learn to be his disciples. Family and Parish are the primary environments in which evangelization takes place. Together in Mission is a tool to support these evangelization efforts. Your gift promotes individuals and family life. Youth events and service opportunities, young adult gatherings, Marriage prep, Baptismal prep, Ministry to separated and divorced persons are just a few of the services offered.

DIOCESAN RESPECT LIFE WEBSITE- Please visit the Respect Life website of the Diocese of Trenton at respectlifetoday.org. You will obtain important information concerning respect life issues in our diocese and our world.

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

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO ENSURE THE PROTECTION OF RELIGIOUS LIBERTY AT HOME AND ABROAD? Text the word "freedom" to 377377 for updates from the bishops on current threats to religious liberty. Please visit www.usccb.org/freedom for info on religious liberty.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR A HUMAN LIFE AMENDMENT, INC.,- Since our founding in 1974 we have: Enabled the grassroots to advocate at the federal level for pro-life legislation; Educated citizens about the need for a Human Life Amendment to the U.S. Constitution; Created pro-life legislative networks to assist dioceses, state Catholic Conferences, and Catholic lay groups; Worked closely with the Secretariat for Pro-Life Activities of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in support of their pro-life legislative agenda. Go to: www.humanlifeaction.org and click on "Take Action" on the right end of the options on the top of the screen. Choose "Action Alerts", for current pending legislations that we need to take action on to preserve the sanctity of human life. Explore the sight and learn more about these important issues and inform your conscience in a manner that we are meant to as Disciples of Christ.



**RECOVERY CORNER-
LIFE RECOVERY BIBLE WEEKLY POD-
CASTS-** Check out "City of Angels Recovery Ra-
dio" [https://play.google.com/store/apps/
details?id=st.shoutca.sh.coanj](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=st.shoutca.sh.coanj)

Download the above app to listen to Life Recovery Bible pod-
casts. New ones can be heard each Sunday at 10am and 10pm.
There is a library of older podcasts. Please share with friends in
recovery or anyone who may want to listen.

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

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

HARBOR HOUSE, A SAFE HAVEN FOR YOUTH- If you
know of any youth between the ages of 10-21 who is homeless
and/or in crisis, call the Hotline at 732-929-0660.

CORONAVIRUS DISPENSATION INFORMATION-The
Bishop has written to all the Faithful of the Diocese of Trenton
as follows: *Given all current public health and safety reports, I
am extending the dispensation from Sunday obligation to attend
Mass beyond the aforementioned September 7 date listed in our
Diocesan Directives "until further notice." The faithful are
certainly encouraged but not required to attend Sunday Mass in
their parishes whenever possible or to participate in outdoor or
live-streamed parish Masses offered online until the dispensa-
tion ceases "to keep holy, the Lord's Day."* With this in mind,
we will be suspending our 11 am Mass at the Church and will
continue our "Facebook Mass" which is at 11:30 am.

INVOCATION OF THE HOLY HELPERS- As we are St.
Denis Parish, we have the honor and privilege of having St.
Denis as our patron saint and intercessor. St. Denis was in-
voked along with thirteen other saints during the period of the
Black Death that devastated Europe from 1346-1349 they later
would be known as the Fourteen Holy Helpers.

Let us pray, asking the Holy Helpers to intercede for all people
at this time: **FOURTEEN HOLY HELPERS**, who served God
in humility and confidence on earth and are now in the enjoy-
ment of His beatific vision in Heaven; because thou persevered
till death thou gained the crown of eternal life. Remember the
dangers that surround us in this vale of tears, and intercede for
us in all our needs and adversities. *Amen*



**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)

Until further notice:

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

Questions or special food needs?

Please call our hotline number at 732-223-1383

Please note adjusted pantry hours:

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

Thank you for your generous donations.

FRANCIS HOUSE OF PRAYER is a
Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center located
in Allentown, NJ. As Lent approaches, we
invite you to attend some of our retreats by
Zoom:



THE CALL OF MATTHEW- Friday, February 19 9:30
am – noon We will use Caravaggio's famous painting
"The Call of St. Matthew" to lead our reflection and open
us to prayer on Jesus' call to each of us, individually and
uniquely to "Come follow me." A wonderful Lenten re-
treat! Materials provided. Donation: \$20.

THE SCREWTAP LETTERS- Friday, February 19 1:00 –
4:00 pm C.S. Lewis gifts us with a very cleverly written
treatment of discernment of spirits. His insightfulness and
wit are remarkable. Come and enjoy this classic! Dona-
tion: \$20

DELVE INTO THE DEPTHS OF GOD'S MERCY-
Tuesday, March 9 9:30 am – 1:00 pm We cannot fathom
the infinite mercy of God. Mercy is God's greatest gift. It is
ours to depend on and receive, particularly in this Lenten
Season. Jesus tells stories about God's mercy, dies giving
mercy, and promises mercy to each of us. Come and drink
deeply of God's infinite mercy on you! Donation: \$20.

To register, please email FHOP@verizon.net. Please check
out our website for photos and other details
www.FHOP.org

INTERFAITH NEIGHBORS...MEALS ON WHEELS

MONMOUTH COUNTY- During this public health crisis,
Interfaith Neighbors continues to deliver meals to seniors in
need across Monmouth County. How can you help? You
can make a gift today. Gifts of any size are gratefully accept-
ed. Gifts at the \$250, \$500 or \$1,000 levels will receive a
plaque to proudly display your support of Monmouth Coun-
ty seniors. Also, you can volunteer. Frequent in-home visits
provide opportunities to meet nutritional needs, combat so-
cial isolation, address safety hazards and provide holistic
care for seniors. To volunteer, email
bethp@interfaithneighbors.org. Thank you!

**THE SOCIETY OF
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**



In the Gospel, Jesus once asked,
"Who are you looking for?" It could be
asked, "What are you looking for?" Per-
haps it is happiness we seek, but sometimes we are
looking for happiness in selfish ways. However, we
also find that when we look for ways to make others
happy or a bit more secure, it is then that we become
truly happy and witness God's love. The Vincentian
Society witnesses God's love by embracing all works of
charity and justice. The Society collaborates with other
people of good will in relieving need and addressing its
causes. As you give your gift or your time to the Soci-
ety of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are a sign of
God's love to those who are suffering, and you give
them reason to believe and trust.

If you have an interest in learning more about
helping those in need, come to one of the Society's
meetings when they resume. Meetings are postponed at
this time due to the pandemic.

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

2020 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you wish to receive a statement of your 2020 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 _____

ONLINE GIVING- To help support our parish more easily we offer online giving! For additional information or to sign up, go to our parish Website www.churchofstdenis.org and click on "Online Giving". For those who wish to use the online giving service but do not have internet access, please contact the Parish Office at 732-223-0287 for assistance.

Please note— We are only able to accept EFT (electronic funds transfer), MasterCard and Visa payments. We are not able to accept American Express. Thank you.

THANK YOU! Sincere thanks to all of you for your generous Christmas offerings to our Church. Our 2020 Christmas collection amounted to \$94,231.00. Your spirit of generosity to our parish is greatly appreciated.

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE- Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that still struggle to recover from former communist rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the Collection next week. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/ccee.



January 24, 2021

Weekly Collection - \$8,391.00

2nd Collection— Church in Latin America- \$1,227.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !

WALKING WITH PURPOSE

(WWP) is a Catholic Faith study for women that aims to bring women to a deeper personal relationship with Jesus Christ by offering personal study and small group discussion that link our everyday challenges with the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church. Join us at any time! **We don't actually exercise—we "walk" on a faith journey together. Walking with Purpose leads hearts to Christ.** Please visit www.wwpnjshore.com for specific study descriptions, details and to register.



walking with purpose
THE MODERN WOMAN'S GUIDE TO THE BIBLE

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.



"In every change, in every falling leaf there is some pain, some beauty. And that's the way new leaves grow."

St. Denis Bereavement Support Group

If you are experiencing the loss of someone in your life we welcome you to join

with others who are bereaved to share in your loss. Through mutual sharing with guidance, this series will offer support, prayer, and work on answering questions about loss, grief, coping and potential for renewal of self and hope.

Join us on: **Thursdays**

Morning Sessions: 10 am-11 am at the St. Denis School Multi Purpose room

Contact Eileen Ziesmer at (732) 223-0287 /

eileenziesmer@gmail.com to let us know you plan to attend or with any questions! We will be gathering with all social distancing safety precautions.



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.



Upcoming Events

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY/NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK RESOURCES- The Department of Evangelization and Family Life is pleased to provide a full set of resources for a very special celebration of **National Marriage Week** (February 7-14, 2021) and **World Marriage Day** (Sunday, February 14, 2021). The Cana Rosary for Marriage is a livestreamed nightly reflection and recitation of the Rosary for Married Couples that will take place February 7-13. Also offered is a host of activities to show appreciation for married couples and a full range of resources for married couples to celebrate World Marriage Day in three ways: 1) Reconnecting with their Spouse; 2) Making their Marriage Even Better; or 3) Serving Others in their Marriage. All resources can be found on these web pages:

www.dioceseoftrenton.org/world-marriage-day

www.dioceseoftrenton.org/world-marriage-day-for-parishes

www.dioceseoftrenton.org/world-marriage-day-for-couples

FREE APPLICATION ASSISTANCE—Did you know households can qualify for up to \$677 in monthly benefits (estimated for SNAP & Energy Assistance for a family of 4)? Fulfill, 3300 Route 66 in Neptune, offers FREE, confidential application assistance for the following: Affordable Healthcare, SNAP Enrollment, Tax Refund, Energy Assistance, and Affordable Housing. Please call 732-643-5888 for more information.

FEEDING HOPE 2021— Fulfill, located at 3300 Route 66 in Neptune, is sponsoring a Pop-the-Trunk drive thru food distribution. This event takes place every Friday, 1:00-3:00 pm. Anyone in need of food is welcome.

LASAGNA LOVE— What started as a mother and daughter feeding families in their community has grown into a national movement with over 5,000 volunteers across the country, all making and delivering home-cooked meals. The mission is not only to help address the incredible rise in food insecurity among families, but also to provide a simple act of love and kindness during a time full of uncertainty and stress. To request a free lasagna delivery: 1. Visit lasagnalove.org 2. Get matched to a local lasagna mama or papa 3. Coordinate a delivery day & time 4. Get a safe contactless delivery 5. Sign up again the next month.

MCA CHRISTMAS ARTWORK CONTEST—The Missionary Childhood Association is seeking submissions for its annual Christmas artwork contest! All children in kindergarten through 8th grade are encouraged to participate. All they have to do is use their creativity to draw or paint a beautiful Christmas scene. Possible subjects include the Nativity, wise men and Angel Gabriel. Then, this December, MCA will select 22 winners from across the United States. Two grand-prize winners will also be chosen, having their artwork featured on the national Christmas card of the Pontifical Mission Societies. All winners will receive a commemorative plaque and be invited to a special celebration in December 2021. Entries must be postmarked or received by your local mission office or via our **online** webform at: <http://MCAArtContest.missio.org> no later than 1/31/21.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES— DIOCESE OF TRENTON— GUARDIAN ANGEL BENEFIT OF HOPE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY— Do you want to make a difference in your community? Do you want to help people in need of trauma counseling, addiction treatment, domestic violence services or basic needs? Catholic Charities is looking for volunteers to serve on the planning committee for its signature annual fundraiser, the 2021 Guardian Angel Benefit of Hope. To learn more about volunteering and how you can change lives, please contact Barbara Yuson at 609-394-5181 X1159 or byuson@cctrenton.org.

VOCATION AWARENESS – FOLLOWING CHRIST AS A PRIEST—Men aged 16-35 have a great opportunity to meet other priests, learn how to pray the breviary, and also discern in a small group setting their potential vocation to the priesthood. We will also be using the book “Priests for the third millennium” by Cardinal Dolan as the focus for these gatherings to be held at Villa Saint Dominick in Pt. Pleasant. Did you know: 36 priests will be retiring over the next ten years, and as of now we will only have around 15 guys ordained in that same period. If you or you know of a young man aged 16-35 that you think may have a vocation to the priesthood, call Fr. Bill to register for the “Come-and-See” meetings, to be held **2nd Tuesday of Every Month @ Villa Saint Dominick (Point Pleasant)** February 9th, March 9th, April 13th, May 11th

COASTAL HABITAT FOR HUMANITY RESTORE is open once again. New store hours are Wednesday-Saturday, 10am-4 pm & Sunday, 12 pm-4 pm. While closed the Restore was cleaned and sanitized thoroughly. There have also been changes made to the layout of the store to facilitate social distancing. Please note that masks are required of shoppers and staff. There will be a limit to the number of shoppers permitted in the store to ensure social distancing. All donations are cleaned and sanitized. Upholstered furniture is further treated with Steri-Fab, an EPA registered non-residual spray that deodorizes and disinfects. The ReStore is located at 1105 Memorial Drive in Asbury Park.

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