

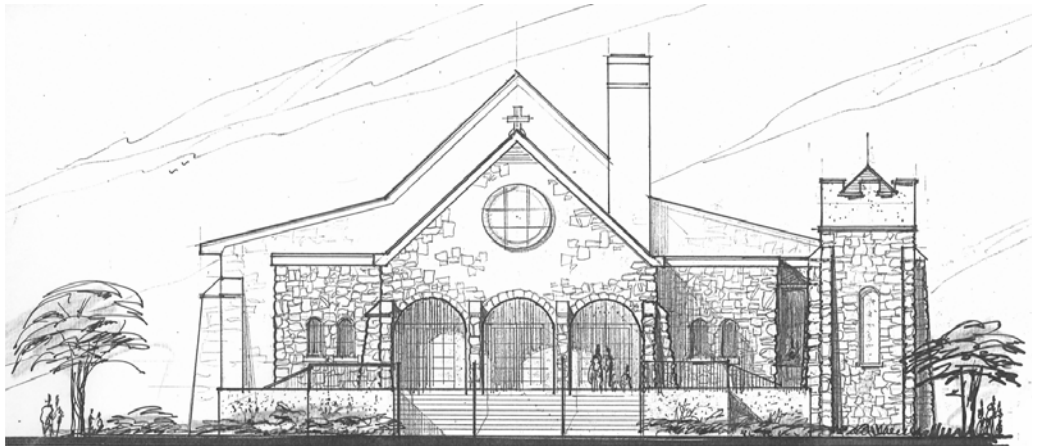
HIS WORD TODAY
by Rev. William J. Reilly

**The Most Holy Body
& Blood of Christ**
June 03, 2018

“While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, ‘Take it; this is My body.’ Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, ‘This is My blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.’ Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.”

Although we may remember many moments in the life of Jesus, His words, His teaching, His miracles, His compassion for the needy and the poor, they have greater meaning when we consider what occurred in the upper room. We know the details of the supper recalling the Passover of the people of Israel. But all this changed as the meal drew to a close. Did those gathered understand the significance of taking, blessing, thanking and giving, not just the contents on the plate or in the cup, but the one who was giving Himself?

We who share in the gift of the Eucharist, reflect on His desire to stay with us in such a special way. We are privileged to take the gift as we say ‘Amen’. We approach the gift with reverence, we receive communion with deep faith, offer our own Eucharist, our thanks, and then bring Him with us. When I pass the tabernacle where the sacrament is reserved, I pause and thank Jesus that what He did was for me and all today.



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MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekday Masses: 7:30 AM– 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 & 11:00 AM- St. Denis Church
Sunday: 10:00 AM - Our Lady Star of the Sea Chapel
Holy Days: Evening before: 7:00 PM & day of: 7:30 AM & 7:00 PM-St. Denis Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Every Saturday from 3:30 until 4:15 PM - St. Denis Church. Also by appointment.

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

BAPTISM: The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the second and fourth Sundays of the month at 12:15 pm at St. Denis Church. Parents must complete the required preparation with the priest or deacon 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 through Friday, 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM. 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, June 2, 2018**

8:30 am Rose Bugliaro by the Bugliaro Family
 8:30 am Lori Hennessy by Danny & Meghan McCarthy
 8:30 am Sally Dispenza by Colleen & Jerry Manganiello
 4:30 pm Sharon Grasberger by Eileen Wade
 4:30 pm Marion Hadley by the Danish Family
 4:30 pm William Madden by Michael & Caren Bauer

Sunday, June 3, 2018

8:00 am Sharon A. Grasberger by Bill & Jeanne Buble
 8:00 am James Gillmartin by Lois Beairsto
 8:00 am John Candiano by Marge Heinrich
 9:30 am Terry Schroeder by Melanie Sollas
 9:30 am Robert W. Rademacher by Nicole & Bryan Bolt
 9:30 am Ada E. McNichol by Joyce McNichol
 10:00 am Kathleen Candela by Ann & Mark Ryan
 10:00 am Jeanne Dorian by Gloria Smith
 10:00 am Sister Anne Maureen by Patrick & Eileen Comunale
 11:00 am For the People of the Parish

Monday, June 4, 2018

7:30 am Fran Fisher by Maureen Caesar
 7:30 am Larry Nalducci by Lois & Denis Campbell
 7:30 am Joe Stefanski by John & Toni Kovak

Tuesday, June 5, 2018

7:30 am Rose Abitante by Paul & Fran Weeks
 7:30 am Phyllis Burns by Barbara Kenny
 7:30 am Barbara Kane by the Rice Family

Wednesday, June 6, 2018

7:30 am Cliff Syby and Rita & Angelo Addeo by the Family
 7:30 am Brad Liggett by his Wife
 7:30 am Robert Riordan by the Rogers Family

Thursday, June 7, 2018

7:30 am The Avena/Barone Families by Adelaide Avena
 7:30 am Thomas Salsman by Anita & Shawn Maloney
 7:30 am Emil & Anna Taborelli by the Family

Friday, June 8, 2018

7:30 am Intentions of Jay & Debbie Curry by Susan Cox
 7:30 am Michael Jaspan by the Jaspan & Fallen Families
 7:30 am Raymond Maroon by his Wife, Mary Maroon

Saturday, June 9, 2018

8:30 am Julie & Bob Moynahan by Florence Maclerie & Family
 8:30 am Eileen Loftus by Ralph & Carol Cabrera
 8:30 am Reverend John McSpirtit, ST
 by the Catholic Daughters, Court St. Denis #1497
 4:30 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, June 10, 2018

8:00 am Theresa Rodin by Dolores Popick
 8:00 am Father John Hamrouge by Eileen & Mike Mahoney
 8:00 am Jake Honig by LuAnn & John Quigley
 9:30 am Robert Simons by Mary & Tom Cantillo
 9:30 am Ann Zito by the Acciavatti Family
 9:30 am Nicholas DeBello by Susan & Charlie Higgins
 10:00 am E. David DuPre by Ruth Connolly
 10:00 am John Kobes (3rd Anniversary) by Carol Kobes
 10:00 am Edwin Lynch
 by the Catholic Daughters, Court St. Denis #1497
 11:00 am Katherine Lavin by Pat & Tom Coyle
 11:00 am John & Theresa Gabler by the Mozer Family
 11:00 am John & Mary Walters and Aunt Laura Hopf
 by Shirley Collis & 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!

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.



**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, Jillian Zito, Jennifer Zito, 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, Joseph Siple, Kathy Wicks, Michael McNulty, Colleen Grady, Richard Koch, Mary Jane Schaaf, Edna Moore, Lisa Pirrello, Joseph Bick, Mary Collins, Ken Kleinlein, Robert Kelleher, Lisa Olivera, Stephen Byrne, Denise Frank,

Lucy Falco, Marie Tashjian, Angeline Hart, Joan Tumbas, Cathleen Brenner, Florence McManus, Nick Ljuljana, Jim Hodgkiss, Patricia Blumenstock, Sue O'Connor, Baby Cayden Joseph, Thomas Fahey, Baby Kelly Grace, Donna Gaham, Nair Messias, Jennifer Noble, Scarlet Slotnick, Belle & Ashton, John Najar, Patrick Lewis, Tina Pilot, Karen Brown, Elizabeth Morgan, Frank Lopez, Christina Roundtree, Eugene Karpinski, Charlotte Pentek, Joan Samperi, Phillip Graceffa, Christian Russo, Rose DeMarco, Dee Vulgaris, Michael McGonigle, Baby Evelyn Mizer, Patricia O'Leary, Herbert "Butch" Wolfe, Leanna Rawson, Nannette Forkan, Nicole Giambrone, Lisa Dunfee, Albert J. Cifelli, Linda Smith, Brian Alberse, Stanley Bevan, Windell Rainey, Sadie Svenson, Barbara Magda, Paul Tuyp, Nancy Murphy, Bernadette Bevan, George Leonard, Frank Bonavita, Joel Rivera, Teresa Hayes, Jeanne Hayes, Irene Hayes, Ronnie Micciulla, Cindy Tomkins, Joseph Fiamingo, Baby Colton Gardella, Ernie Donnelly, Anita McCudden, Baby Siena Grace Pizzillo, Samara Pirrong, Donna Schwear, Helen McGowan, Patricia Lannon, Karen Williams, Timothy Michal Przywara, Christopher Kurtanick, Wes Pal, Neil O'Callaghan, Claire Kessler, Siobhan Vuono, Linda Lowery, Kathy Perusi, Alan Singer, John Danczuk, Linda Custode, Marty Pirrong, Edward Romanko, Bridget Korn, Vincent Azzollini, Scott Burdett, Joan Lipscomb, Kathy Kleinlein, Baby Lucy, Edmund Dunne, the Pilots, the Nesbitts and the Campbells.



We welcome into our parish family the following children who were brought to the Lord through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Brielle Lee Phillips

&

Hadley Jane Woodard

May the grace of the sacrament remain with them always.

21ST ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY REGIONAL MASS AND LUNCHEON will take place on Wednesday, October 3, 2018. Recitation of the rosary will be at 10:15 am, followed by Mass at 11:00 am at the Church of Saint Barnabas in Bayville, NJ. A luncheon will follow at the Ramada Inn in Toms River. The donation is \$40. Dinner choices are chicken, steak, or sole. **RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY 7/6/18.** Call 732-528-9265 for tickets and information.

ST. DENIS ELIZABETH MINISTRY: AN INVITATION TO WOMEN- We are looking to restart The Elizabeth Ministry at St. Denis Parish. The Elizabeth Ministry is a group of women who affirm, encourage, assist and pray in response to the needs of women during the child-bearing years and beyond. We are looking to begin a Mommy and Me group, reach out to the families of newly baptized, and get together once a month for fellowship and support. To get involved in this wonderful ministry or to ask any questions, please contact **Eileen Ziesmer** at eileenziesmer@gmail.com or **732-223-0287**.

THE DANIEL PLAN- GOD'S PRESCRIPTION FOR YOUR HEALTH- JOIN US... and CHANGE YOUR LIFE TODAY! The Daniel Plan is a groundbreaking healthy lifestyle program founded on biblical principles and focused on The Five Essentials: **Faith, Food, Fitness, Focus and Friends**. The program is an innovative approach to optimizing your health in each of these life areas, setting goals, and providing support and encouragement. **WHO:** Anyone looking to improve his/her health **WHEN: Wednesdays, at 7:00 pm** **WHERE:** St. Denis School Building **LEADER:** Monica Butler **Contact Eileen in the parish office with any questions (732)-223-0287.**



our military, especially Navy Lt. JG Rachael M. Honrath, Navy MIDN Nora N. Honrath, Army Captain Christopher Cauda, Army Captain Matthew Cauda, Navy LL. Edward P. Windas, Marine Lance Corporal Laura Licata, Contractor Benjamin Ostrow, Air Force Captain David Smith, Senior Airman John J. Kosequat, Army Captain Sean Fessenden, Navy Captain Colin S. Walsh, Army Captain Dr. Justin Eisenman, Army 2nd Lt. Brian Quinn, Navy E4 Patrick Moynihan, Army Captain Michael Potoczniak, Air Force 2nd Lt. Dominic Celiano, Air Force Academy Cadet 3rd Class Slade Kelling, Air Force Academy, Coast Guard FN Joseph Beattie, Navy CM Taylor Nesbitt, Airman Devon Webster, Navy Chief Petty Officer James DeLuise, Army Private 1st Class Cody Svenson, Navy Ensign Mary T. Herman, Matthew Van Pelt, Army, USMC 2nd Lt. Philip Cahill, USMC 2nd Lt. Joanna Smith, and Airman Andrew Halmi.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY- All children (ages 4-7) are invited to participate in the Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 11:00 Mass on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Children will proceed to the church basement before the first reading and return during the offertory. Volunteers are needed for this ministry. If interested, call Debbie at 732-223-9823.



Share the **JOY** of our Faith
& lead children's hearts to Jesus!

JUNE 25 thru 29 2:00-5:00pm

We're in need of **3 more ADULTS**
To help us provide a Bible Camp for ages 4-11
With **LOTS of TEENS** ready to help you!



Perhaps you wanted to help teach Religious Ed this year, but couldn't commit for the whole year?

NOW'S YOUR CHANCE!

It's just **ONE WEEK**, but it'll *warm your heart & the kids' for the entire summer!*

Need Leaders for the following areas:

MUSIC – (from videos) / **GAMES** / **BIBLE STORIES** / **SNACKS** / **FUN GIZMOS** / **DECORATING** (before vbs starts) **PHOTOGRAPHY** (taking photos during the program)

Help us turn the ordinary into the

Extraordinary!!

With your help, **WE CAN!**

Please call the Religious Ed office at 732-223-1161.

FOR THE LOVE OF GOD... PRAISE & 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 Allison Penkethman 732-528-4976.

MEDIA COVERAGE OF THE ORDINATION OF PRIESTS- LIVESTREAM OF ORDINATION MASS –

Parishioners and well-wishers can witness the ordination of the Diocese’s four new priests – Rev. Messrs. Christopher Dayton, Michael DeSaye and James Smith, and Rev. Brother Nicholas Dolan – via live video stream beginning at 10:00 am on June 2 on the home pages of DioceseofTrenton.org and TrentonMonitor.com. An archive of the video stream will be available shortly after the Mass. **NEWS COVERAGE AND PHOTOS** – The Monitor will post written coverage and photos beginning the afternoon of June 2 at TrentonMonitor.com and will produce a full color, magazine-style keepsake booklet commemorating the Ordination and introducing the new priests to the Diocese in in-depth, personal interviews.

GOOD COUNSEL HOMES BIG 50-50 RAFFLE– GOOD COUNSEL HOMES is holding a first time BIG 50-50 RAFFLE. (Goal: \$50,000 pot) This major fundraiser will enable us to continue our blessed work of saving babies and helping women at our Riverside Home. We intend to sell just 1,000 tickets so the winners will receive: #1 **\$15,000 or 30%** #2 **\$7,500 or 15%** #3 **\$2,500 or 5%**. If we go a little over or under, the percentages will apply. In a time when so many have so little, your giving spirit to help those less fortunate, inspires us as we continue to do God’s work on earth. Thank you for your continued support. Tickets are available at the St. Denis Rectory Office during normal business hours.

GIVE BLOOD



SAVE LIFE

The Father John F. Welsh Council 3231 Knights of Columbus of St. Denis & St. Mark Churches will sponsor a Blood Drive next Sunday, 6/10/18, 8:30 am-1:30 pm in the St. Denis School building cafeteria. Please eat and drink plenty of fluids before donating blood. Donors must be healthy, at least 17 years of age and weigh at least 120 pounds. All donors must present a signature or photo ID. For questions or to schedule an appointment, call Joe Tully at 732-223-6656.



**SAINT DENIS
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY
732-223-1383**

Msgr. O’Connor Hall (lower level of church)

HOURS

EVERY TUESDAY: 1:00 PM – 6:00 PM

3RD & 4TH SATURDAY: 10:00 AM-12:00 NOON

Items needed at this time: non-refrigerated boxed milk (like Parmalat), powdered milk, instant potatoes, canned fruit, canned potatoes, canned beef stew, canned chili, baked beans, large bottles of juice, cookies, crackers, mustard, individual chips/snacks for lunchbox snacks, regular coffee, paper towels, female deodorant, tissues, and razors. Parishioners are asked to place their non-perishable donations in the shopping cart that is located in the gathering space near the stairwell to Msgr. O’Connor Hall. **Non-perishable food may also be brought to the Beach Chapel.** Please check the expiration dates.

Recovery Corner



Addiction is not a moral failing. There is help. Anyone affected by addiction is welcome each Thursday at 10:00 am & 7:00 pm as we support one another by applying what scripture says about recovery. Call 848-333-7085 for information.

FAMILY EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOP ON ADDICTION SERIES- Available Mondays, 7:00 pm, at 67 Atlantic Ave. in Manasquan Recreation Annex.

RAFTS- “Recovery Advocates For The Shore” located in Manasquan, is a non-clinical, non-profit, peer-based community organization serving the recovery needs of individuals and their families struggling with behavioral or substance addiction. It is free of charge. 1-833—2BSOBER www.raftsnj.org

JOURNEYING TOGETHER WITH SACRED SCRIPTURE

Our Lutheran-Catholic journey continues... Last summer was our first-ever super-successful combined Scripture Study with people from Holy Trinity, St. Mark, and St. Denis. Each week we had about 30 people gather at a different church with a different presenter reflecting on the same Readings we would all be using at our upcoming weekend worship services. We were inspired by Scripture and inspired by each other. Join us this year for this awesome opportunity. Our three part series will meet on the following Tuesdays with two meeting times to choose from: 11:00 am or 7:00 pm. June 12 - Meet at St. Mark's Catholic Church, 215 Crescent Pkwy, Sea Girt: Reverend Mary Farnham presenter June 19 - Meet at Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6 Osborn Ave., Manasquan: Monsignor Sean Flynn presenter June 26 - Meet at St. Denis Church, Msgr. O’Connor Hall: Reverend William Lago presenter

CAREGIVER VOLUNTEERS OF CENTRAL JERSEY INTERFAITH COALITION HELPING OLDER MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND CONGREGATION



There are many older people living in our parish...in our neighborhood... who are in need of a little help to continue living with dignity and independence at home. If you can spare just a few hours a week, you can be involved in this ministry. Call and find out more... For information contact the Caregiver office at www.caregivervolunteers.org or 732-876-3900.

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



The St. Denis Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul serves everyone living in the parish neighborhood, whether they are parishioners or not, since all are joined together through the realities of creation and redemption. Our conference recognizes our responsibility toward all of our neighbors as brothers and sisters in Christ.

If you would like to find out more about our ministry, come to a general meeting, held on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 7:00 pm in Msgr. O’Connor Hall (church basement). Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 5, 2018. If you need assistance, please call our hotline at 732-223-1383.

FATHER'S DAY SPIRITUAL BOUQUETS– Sunday, June 17th is Father's Day. Beginning on Father's Day and continuing for the next two days, we will have special Mass intentions for our fathers, both living and deceased. This weekend, in the church and chapel, there are intention envelopes and Father's Day cards. The cards are provided for fathers that are living. If you do not need a card, please just take an intention envelope. We ask you to fill out the intention envelope (you may put more than one name on the envelope) and return it to the rectory no later than Thursday, June 14th. These envelopes will then be placed on the altar and the intentions will be remembered at our Masses.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT WITH BENEDICTION- **Fridays 12:00-1:00 pm** Come join us in adoring Jesus in the Holy Eucharist in Saint Denis Church on Fridays.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS, COURT ST. DENIS will have a final meeting of the 2017-2018 season on Thursday, **June 7, 2018 at 5:30 pm** in Msgr. O'Connor Hall. In celebration of Priest Appreciation Day, a dinner will be enjoyed at the meeting with our parish priests. Thank you to the officers, members of the Court, and Father Bill for a very successful year.

DOVES CAR WASH, JUNE 9TH- The DOVES teen service group will hold a car wash on Saturday, June 9th from 9:00 am-noon at Firehouse 2 on Parker Ave. in Manasquan. Tickets will be sold after all Masses this weekend and can be purchased at the rectory office during regular business hours. The cost is \$5. Proceeds support the DOVES June mission trip to Dover, Delaware, where they will spend a week rehabilitating homes and assisting local social service agencies. This is the 11th annual mission trip for the DOVES. The 50 youth and adult volunteers greatly appreciate your prayers and support. For more information call Ellen or Jessica Easton at 732-528-8038.



HANDS-ON PARISH: POWERED BY YOU! Fellowship and Work for the Good of the Parish–We are calling on parishioners to volunteer for some needed work about the parish. Powered by parishioners, we can get much done. On Saturday, June 16, right after the 8:30 am Mass, we will be working on the side doors of the Church. This will involve things like sanding/caulking/painting. Please RSVP to Bob Olson at 732-223-0948 or rthardware@aol.com.



May 20, 2018

Weekend Collection-	\$12,549.00
Average Envelope Donation-	\$25.27
2nd Collection- SVdP-	to be announced at a later date

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !

Message from Fr. Bill

Happy Solemnity of Corpus Christi. We celebrate the gift of the Most Holy Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We are thankful to God for the miracle of the presence of Jesus with us in the Eucharist and the power that comes from our receiving Holy Communion. Fed by the Eucharist, we are all strengthened to serve God and God's people.

Yesterday, the Diocese of Trenton celebrated the ordination of four men to the priesthood. Let us pray for these new priests, including Fr. Christopher Dayton whose family members are parishioners of St. Denis. We pray for the joy and success of their ministry in our diocese, "to the greater glory of God."

For the success of any parish, priests and laity work together – all are strengthened by the Body and Blood of Christ to use our God-given gifts and talents. We are all called to a "hands-on approach" – firstly, hands together in prayer; secondly, hands together working for the common good of the parish. At different moments in our parish life, we are ministered to; and at other moments, we do the ministering.

I am thankful for the many ways people step forward for the good of the parish: taking part in different Liturgical roles, bringing Communion to the homebound, teaching Religious Education, and many other volunteering roles needed. We need "all hands on deck." Especially with the knowledge that in ten years the diocese will have ½ the number of priests we have today and that each year less and less lay people attend Mass.

Last year we started the "Holy Helpers" as a way to mobilize help for anything from setting up for the fish-fry to selling 50/50's to hospitality/greeters at various events. (Recall "Holy Helpers" is in reference to St. Denis and 14 other saints whose intercession were asked during the Middle Ages.) Many people tell me they would like to help from time to time, so if you give us your contact information, then we will contact you with an up-coming need and you can see if you can lend a hand. Please consider being a "Holy Helper"; any questions, give a call.

This year, the Committee for Buildings and Grounds is starting the- "Hands-On Parish Initiative". This group will be involved with more DIY-type projects. We already did some landscaping around the Church and Chapel and we have more projects in store. Much like the Holy Helpers, once on the "Hands-On Parish" list, you'll be contacted about up-coming projects and then see if the date/time/activity would fit your talents and schedule. The Building and Grounds committee members strongly feel that this initiative will get more people involved in the well-being of the parish, stretch our parish funds and create some great camaradery too. Please consider signing up for this new initiative: RSVP to Bob Olson at 732-223-0948 or rthardware@aol.com

HELP SUPPORT HARBOR HOUSE, A SAFE HAVEN FOR YOUTH– Harbor House, an agency that helps homeless and run-away youth, is supported largely by the Ride for New Beginnings, a 400-mile bike ride taking place July 11-15. Representatives of this ride will be at Saint Denis on June 9 & 10 to accept your donations in support of Harbor House. See <http://www.oceansharborhouse.org>

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

✠ CONFIRMATION BLESSINGS ✠



Luke **Paul** Aldi
Christopher **John** Aloupis
Michael **Vitus** Antonucci
Bryce **Peter** Arlauckas
Cheyne **Peter** Arlauckas
Joseph **Vincent** Bellusci
Ryan **Genesisius** Bilello
Brent **Michael** Bocchino
Andrew **Thomas** Brennan
Bridget **Ursula** Brennan
Cole **Daniel** Brennan
Connor **John** Carton
Sean **Patrick** Carton
Chloë **Philomena** Casale
Meghan **Catherine** Cattani
Ava **Teresa** Chiarella
James **Michael** Cosgrove
Olivia **Clare** Cupo
Luke **Francis** Damen
Elizabeth **Therese** Dayton
Mackenzie **Francis** DeFalco
Nicholas **Joseph** DePaul
Matthew **Sebastian** Dettlinger
Ryan **Wolfgang** Dettlinger
Marissa **Lucy** DeVita
Niland **Damien** DiLuchio
Jordan **Catherine** Doles
Conall **James** Dougherty

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Erin **Faith** Driscoll
Ryan **James** Esdaile
Jonathan **Francis** Fonseca
Joseph **William** Franklin, III
Angelina **Alena** Gabuzda
Matthew **John** Galos
Michelle **Joan** Gargiulo
William **Michael** Geiger
Kyle **Matthew** Gerber
Kevin **Blaise** Grasso
Carter **Peter** Groezinger
Gavin **Sebastian** Guagenty
Amanda **Gianna** Guzzo
John **Andrew** Herbert, IV
Josephine **Elena** Herrmann
Lorelai **Theresa** Hilarczyk
Jaxon **Stephen** Hook
Daniel **Sebastian** Hyde, Jr.
Shay **Sebastian** Keating
Madeline **Alexis** Kline
Kelly **Marie** Knier
Dylan **Sebastian** LeBlanc
David **Martin** Lisk
Megan **Catherine** Lovasz
Machaela **Lillian** Lynch
Quinn **Catherine** McCarthy
Mikayla **Catherine** Mead

Gavin **Christopher** Meseroll
Natalie **Noelle** Mulvaney
Angelo **John** Narvaez
Samantha **Grace** Nemergut
Kieran **Peter** Pastelak
Michael **Nicholas** Presbrey
Andrew **Adrian** Ptaszek
Owen **Finbar** Roberts
Matthew Michael Rose
Benjamin **Elmo** Sawitsky
Carolyn **Brigid** Scenna
Teagan **Cecilia** Schwier
Cassandra **Faith** Seeley
James **Brendan** Sharpe
Peyton **Veronica** Sorino
Daniel **Sebastian** Speicher
Katherine **Elizabeth Rose** Stake
Steven **Francis** Stansfield
Abigail **Cecilia** Stevens
Ella **Elizabeth** Stiso
Natalie **Teresa** Symonowicz
Sydney **Faith** Taft
Erika **Rose** Tilton
Cara **Ann** Tinacci
Molly **Alexandra** Turnbach
Kyle **John** Verriest
Kara **Elizabeth** Wanamaker
John **Brendan** Witkowski
Caden **Francis** Wood

Our heartfelt thanks to their Catechists, Aides and parents for helping to guide and prepare them for this very Holy and Sacred Sacrament.

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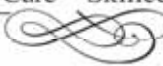
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