

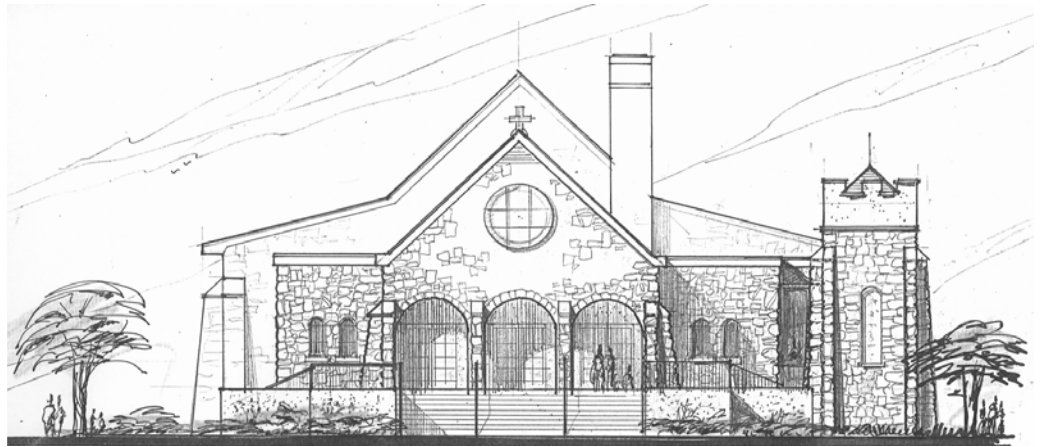
HIS WORD TODAY
by Rev. William J. Reilly

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 9, 2017**

“At that time Jesus exclaimed: ‘I give praise to you Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the little ones. Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will... Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon your shoulders for I am meek and humble of heart and you will find rest for yourselves.’”

Recently while watching a film clip with youth in a bible study, it was clear that they had a greater understanding of the message than I. They saw things, images, heard music, which revealed a deeper meaning and understanding of the lesson at hand. Yes, God does reveal to the childlike things which often pass us by.

The message for all of us is to place our trust and confidence in the Lord and in responding to His call, learn from Him and the little ones. He reveals Himself as meek and humble, two of the beatitudes which we are called to live. As the minister translated the beatitudes at the inauguration ‘God blesses the poor in Spirit, God blesses the meek, God blesses the humble... He surely does.’



CHURCH OF ST. DENIS

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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, July 8, 2017**

- 8:30 pm Tom Gormanly by Patricia Healey
 8:30 pm Marie Bernice Kile by her Family
 4:30 pm Delores Degroat by Susan Schenker
 4:30 pm Edward Windas by his Family

Sunday, July 9, 2017

- 8:00 am For the People of the Parish
 9:30 am Joseph Pstrak by Rita Badaracco
 9:30 am Joseph B. Kerrigan by his Family
 10:00 am For the Deceased of the Sullivan Family
 by the Sullivan Family
 10:00 am Rhodes/Kearns Families by Fran & Kevin Kearns
 11:00 am Michael Smith by Deacon Gary
 11:00 am A. Richard Cluley by the Janeczek Family

Monday, July 10, 2017

- 7:30 am The Holy Souls in Purgatory
 by the Furlong Family
 7:30 am Ann Hughes by Tom & Gerri Bleach

Tuesday, July 11, 2017

- 7:30 am A. John & Louisa McCabe by the Family
 7:30 am Tim Geiger by his Family

Wednesday, July 12, 2017

- 7:30 am Mary Ellen McBarron Boxer by her Mom
 7:30 am Nicholas Pizzone by Joe & Pat Feely

Thursday, July 13, 2017

- 7:30 am Sarullo, Burke & Schellar Families
 by the Bugliaro Family
 7:30 am William Misko by Walt & Karen Meslar

Friday, July 14, 2017

- 7:30 am Hank & Sophie Szemborski by Their Children
 7:30 am Elise Bastardo by Joann Corrigan

Saturday, July 15, 2017

- 8:30 am Aislinn Bleck by the Kerrigan Family
 8:30 am Genevieve Wieczorek
 by Michelle & Steve Schneider
 4:30 pm Russell Hilbert by his Wife
 4:30 pm Robert Morsell by his Sisters

Sunday, July 16, 2017

- 8:00 am Intentions of the St. Denis Altar Rosary Society
 & Catholic Daughters by Kevin & Frances Kearns
 8:00 am Dr. Joseph Bogdan by the Sy Family
 9:30 am Lorraine Kohrmann by Richard
 9:30 am Harry Patz, Sr. by the Prince Family
 10:00 am John Tafilowski by the Bartholomew Family
 10:00 am Robert Minuitti by Kevin & Fran Kearns
 11:00 am For the People of the Parish



especially Mary Moran, Steve Ford, Elizabeth Ann Linden, Peggy Andriach, Mary Damico, Eileen Byrne, Amanda Castro, Dolores Palmisano, Holly Boyd, Mary Conlon, Jillian Zito, Jennifer Zito, Albert Wood, Maiya Andrews, Velma Andrews, Marie Gallagher, 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, Allaire Papac, Angeline Hart, Joan Tumbas, Cathleen Brenner, Florence McManus, Nick Ljuljana, Jim Hodgkiss, Patricia Blumenstock, William Struyf, Sue O'Connor, Baby Cayden Joseph, Thomas Fahey, Walter Bronikowski, Philip Valse, 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, Jeanne Dorian, Joan Samperi, Phillip Graceffa, Christian Russo, Margaret Mary Nielsen, Matthew Wernoch, Rose DeMarco, Dee Vulgaris, Michael McGonigle, Baby Evelyn Mizer, Patricia O'Leary, Herbert "Butch" Wolfe, Leanna Rawson, Karen Kelling, Nannette Forkan, Nicole Giambrone, Lisa Dunfee, Kathryn Abel, Albert J. Cifelli, Linda Smith, Brian Alberse, Maryann Ierley, Ray Misch, Stanley Bevan, Kimberly Scarpulla, Windell Rainey, Sadie Svenson, Barbara Magda, Paul Tuyp, Nancy Murphy, Anthony DeMarco, Jr., Bernadette Bevan, George Leonard, Frank Bonavita, Joel Rivera, Teresa Hayes, Jeanne Hayes, Irene Hayes, Rita Badaracco, Ronnie Micciulla, Cindy Tomkins, Joseph Fiamingo, Baby Colton Gardella, Audrey Green, Ernie Donnelly, Baby Colt Derks, Anita McCudden, the Pilots, the Nesbitts and the Campbells.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED especially Lenore Miller.



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.



especially Navy Lt. JG Rachael M. 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, Navy HM3 Kevin John Kircher, Army Captain Sean Fessenden, Navy Captain Colin S. Walsh, Army Captain Dr. Justin Eisenman, Army 2nd Lt. Brian Quinn, Navy E4 Patrick Moynihan, Private David J. Dunfee, Captain Michael Potoczniak, United States Army, U.S. Air Force 2nd Lt. Dominic Celiano, Cadet Slade Kelling, U.S. Air Force Academy, FN Joseph Beattie, U.S. Coast Guard, Taylor Nesbitt, E3 U.S. Navy and Airman Devon Webster.



WEEK OF JULY 9, 2017
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
DANIEL & CATHERINE MURPHY
REQUESTED BY KAY KOLON

YOUTH GROUP INTEREST MEETING- Calling all who will be in 8th grade and in High School this coming fall! We are starting up a Youth Group and want you to be part of the planning and make things happen! Come to the 11:00 am Mass on July 9th and then head downstairs for donuts and juice and meet Mr. John Ringo, our Youth Group Coordinator, and Fr. Bill for a quick meeting to talk about what a Youth Group is all about. Then give us your ideas so we can start planning for a great start in September.

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART-ON-LINE RETREAT OF CHURCH WINDOW- Come share in a spiritual reflection about the Sacred Heart apparition depicted in our **stained glass window** at St. Denis Church... The devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a long standing practice in the tradition of our faith. An act of consecration is made by a family or individual to intentionally emphasize a special, loving relationship with Jesus. It is a solemn act whereby we make a perpetual offering of ourselves to Him.

THE ST. DENIS CHILDREN'S CHOIR practices on Wednesdays, 6:30-7:15 pm, in the church. New members are welcome to join.

RESERVATIONS FOR 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. Unfortunately 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 regular business hours.



For the Love of God... Praise & Sing

Come, Praise our Lord
with Contemporary Christian Music
All are welcome!
30 minutes of prerecorded music
with lyric sheets provided.
Every First Friday at 7:00 pm
For info call Allison Penkethman
732.528.4976

Message from Fr. Bill

Firstly, I would like to explain why the rectory office will be closed on Friday afternoons until September. We will be using this time for in-service work. We have several projects that need to happen and we just can't get to them during regular office hours, due to the needs of parishioners as they come to the door or call to the parish. With this in mind, I have decided to intentionally set aside 1-4:30 p.m. for this purpose. I am hoping that with the summer in full swing, this office closing on Friday afternoon will have a minimal impact to parishioners but have maximum impact on our intra-office efficiency and our planning ahead for the events of the fall.

Secondly, I would like to introduce to you the theme of this year's Natural Family Planning week. **2017 National NFP Awareness Week** is celebrated on **July 23-29**. This year's slogan is: **It's time! Say "Yes" to God's plan for Marriage! Natural Family Planning.** The slogan focuses on God's gift of the nature of marriage to husband and wife. Natural Family Planning is a support for married couples to honor God's plan for a joyful, natural marriage understanding that marriage is an original gift from God to humanity. Although sin entered the world damaging the marital relationship, this gift was not lost but redeemed by Christ and raised to a sacrament (see Eph. 5:28-32; see also Mtt. 19:4-6). Sacred Scripture proclaims that God created humanity in "His image" as "male and female" (see Gen. 1:27). So unique is this relationship that the marital union makes of the husband and wife "one flesh" (Gen. 2:24). Procreation, Scripture teaches, is a gift from God (Gen. 1:28). When spouses conceive new life, they participate in the Lord God's creative power. This is an awesome privilege and sacred responsibility! It should be the understanding of each person old enough to understand God's plan and intention of procreation and not accept the world's teachings as *gospel*, but rather the Gospel itself. To learn more about NFP and the Church's teachings visit www.usccb.org, look for our next newsletter, and read more about it in the bulletin during the next few weeks. It is always time to say "Yes" to God's plan.

Join the **ST. DENIS** email list!
It's easy!

Receive our newsletter and
event notifications!

Text

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to **22828** to get started.



Message and data rates may apply.



The Rectory Office will be closing at noon on Fridays until September for in-service work. The office will be open to parishioners: Monday-Thursday, 8:30am-12:00 noon & 1:00-4:30pm Friday, 8:30am-12:00 noon

BRING YOUR BIBLE- Building on the great success and spirit of our Lutheran/Catholic get-togethers last fall, people from Holy Trinity, St. Denis, and St. Mark Churches want to keep our momentum going with a joint Bible sharing. Our get-togethers will be Tuesdays; choose from 11:00 am-noon or 7:00-8:00 pm: July 11 - Holy Trinity - Matthew 13:1-23 (led by Msgr. Sean Flynn) July 18 - St. Denis - Matthew 13:36-43 (led by Pastor Mary) RSVP is not necessary but encouraged. Please call or email the office.

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 (Monsignor O'Connor Hall) before the first reading and return during the offertory.

COMMUNITY GARDEN- Our ecumenical community garden has gotten off to a great start. If you would be interested in helping please email Fr. Bill to be on the email list. wlago@dioceseoftrenton.org



ANNOUNCING THE 2017 CHAMPION FOR LIFE!! SAVE THE DATE- Sunday, October 22, 2017- The annual Champion for Life Award Dinner at Doolan's Shore Club. We are happy to announce that *Deacon Ed Jennings of St. Catharine/St. Margaret Parish* in Spring Lake is the new 2017 "Champion for Life"! We are also very excited to announce that *St. Denis' very own George Taylor* will be receiving a Lifetime Achievement Award for all of his incredible pro-life efforts and hours and hours of pro-life prayer at Planned Parenthood in Shrewsbury. Mark your calendars now so that you can come out to honor the dedication of these two wonderful defenders of **LIFE!**



SAINT DENIS ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY
Msgr. O'Connor Hall (lower level of church)
HOURS
EVERY TUESDAY: 1:00 – 3:30 PM
and
EVERY 3RD & 4TH SATURDAY:
10:00 AM-12:00 NOON
Items needed at this time:

Ladies shampoo, men's and women's deodorant, razors, tissues, toilet paper, dish detergent, cookies, crackers, bottles of fruit juice (apple, grape, cranberry), oil, snacks, canned beef stew, jars of pasta sauce, regular ground coffee, regular tea, and spam. 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 now also be brought to the Beach Chapel.** Please check the expiration dates of your donations, as we cannot use expired items. Thank you!

Recovery Corner



St. Denis Recovery Ministry hosts 12-step Christian Recovery Retreats, bible study classes and weeknight programs to support anyone affected by any kind of addiction. We are a confidential resource so that you get the support necessary to live amidst the insanity that accompanies addiction. Join us any Thursday at 10:00 am or 7:00 pm at St. Denis for a one hour Life Recovery Bible Study. Refreshments and confidential support. 848-333-7085.

ISN'T NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING JUST LIKE CONTRACEPTION FOR CATHOLICS? — NO!!

There is a **BIG** difference between Natural Family Planning (NFP) and contraception!! Contraception actively employs a drug, device or surgical procedure to inhibit or block the natural effects of the sexual act. It **always** strives to separate the bodily union of the man and woman from any possible procreative effects of that union. NFP teaches mutual respect of the spouses, always drawing them closer together in every way. NFP allows spouses to avoid conception by identifying the naturally occurring infertile times of the woman's cycle when they have a serious reason to avoid conception...NFP can also help spouses achieve pregnancy, even, in some cases, when there are significant fertility issues...now that's **REAL** family planning! Either way, Natural Family Planning **always** values fertility as a gift, never as a problem, works with the body, not against it, and respects God's design for married love...On top of all that, it's free, "organic", and good for the environment! *Be on the lookout for more information about NFP in the bulletin over the next few weeks leading up to Natural Family Planning Awareness Week, July 23-29. For more information about NFP education in our area, contact Peg Hensler 609-403-7156 or phensler@dioceseoftrenton.org.*

ST. DENIS CHURCH- THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DEPAUL



In the Gospel today we hear Jesus say: "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings peace to those who are overwhelmed with life's burdens.

Not only will we find rest and refreshment in Christ as we move along the road of life, but He would have us learn from Him meekness and humility of heart. Gentleness and humility of heart contribute much to our peace and rest on our journey to heaven. St. Vincent would wish us to be sacraments of the gentleness of Christ. Not only must we bring strength and help to the poor, but we must put them in contact with the meekness of Jesus. That is why it is important that we should not be angry people. If there is anger in our hearts, it will be difficult for us to help the poor effectively because we will not bring to them the gentleness of Jesus.

Our next general meeting will be Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at 7:00 pm in Msgr. O'Connor Hall. The St. Denis Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul has its general meetings at 7:00 pm, the first and third Tuesdays of every month. All are welcome to attend.



Fridays 12:00-1:00 pm. Come join us in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction in Saint Denis Church on Fridays. All are welcome to spend a few minutes praising, thanking and just being with Jesus. Take some time to be with Him!

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.

SENIOR SPIRITUALITY AND "SO MUCH MORE" DAY Please join the fun, fellowship, food and friends at St. Leo the Great Parish in Lincroft for a Senior Spirituality Day on July 12th 10:00 am-3:00 pm. Mass will be celebrated at 11:30 am. Then, enjoy inspiring talks by Msgr. Walter Nolan, long-time host of *Catholic Corner*, and beloved priest of the Diocese of Trenton. Entertainment will be provided by Irish singer, Bobby Byrne. Show your USA spirit by wearing red, white and blue! Registration is \$15 and includes lunch and beverages. For registration info, visit the website: www.dioceseoftrenton.org/pastoral-care, or call the Department of Pastoral Care at 609-403-7175.

HEALING THE WOUNDS OF ABORTION - Rachel's Vineyard Post-Abortive Retreat -The psychological and spiritual wounds of abortion can be sharp, deep and crippling. You may feel a deep numbness and may not be able to name the pain or recognize any of the symptoms. It can also have a devastating impact on the father or grandparents of the aborted child and friends of the mother. You do not have to continue to hide in shame and fear. Rachel's Vineyard's Retreat is a chance to focus on this painful time in your life through a supportive non-judgmental process, in an atmosphere of confidentiality, understanding, and compassion. It is designed to help both women and men experience the mercy and compassion of God. If you have suffered through an abortion and have isolated yourself from healing and forgiveness, you might consider attending one our retreat weekends. For more information, contact Judy Warenkiewicz @ 732-536-6871. All inquiries are strictly confidential. 2017 Weekend Retreat: August 25th – 27th, 2017

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 in our world.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION– Next weekend we will have a special second collection. Proceeds from the collection will go to our St. Vincent de Paul Society to help the less fortunate in our area. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

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.

BISHOP'S ANNIVERSARY BLESSING- Couples who are celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50+ wedding anniversary during the 2017 calendar year are invited to gather with family and friends to share the Eucharist, renew their sacred wedding vows, and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing. Anniversary Couples from Ocean and Monmouth Counties may register through the parish to attend the Sunday, October 8, 2017 Mass and Blessing at 3:00 pm at St. Aloysius Parish in Jackson. The registration deadline for all anniversary couples is September 10, 2017.



MASS INTENTIONS for the weekend, as well as the coming week, can be found on our parish website. The bulletin is posted on the website on Friday mornings. To see the list of intentions visit www.churchofstdenis.org and click on the "weekly bulletin" link.

Religious Ed office summer hours:
Mon ~ Wed. 11 am - 3 pm OR
Call: 732-223-1161 for an appointment
Mail in registration form also available at
www.churchofstdenis.org **Religious Ed link**



Vacation Bible School

THANK YOU

A very heartfelt thank you goes out to **ALL** of our "Angels" whose thoughtful generosity helped to provide our needed supplies for snacks, games & FUN experiments! You're kindness is appreciated! ☺

We'd also like to thank **ALL** of our **WONDERFUL TEACHERS** who gave of their **time** & shared their **talents** to make this an **INCREDIBLE SUCCESS** to help the children know how much God loves them & created each of us for a purpose: **Nicole Duarte, Stephanie Hilarczyk, Nancy Hochschild, Donna Kuchinski, Barbara Strout, & our resident seminarian, Kevin Ludwig!** They all jumped right in & did an **AWE-SOME** job!

Hats off to **ALL** our **STUDENT VOLUNTEERS** who were simply **AMAZING** with the children enrolled in our VBS program! They were so caring & attentive to their needs. They also were excellent in engaging the children's participation in the activities. We were all on the lookout for "*God Sightings*" during the week & one couldn't help to see **Him in ALL the volunteers** each & every day! Their enthusiasm & gentle love with the children was truly a sight to behold.

And a special mention for our own remarkable Allison Penkethman & Katie Bodnar from the Religious Ed office! This was not an easy task -- you're both **PHENOMENAL!!**

From the bottom of our hearts, God Bless you! You're ALL pretty amazing for helping us to sustain this valuable summer program. We are indeed a blessed church to have so many enthusiastic, fun loving & faith filled souls in our midst! Many blessings for helping us share the JOY of the Gospel with the next generation!

Community News

SUMMER BOOK STUDY-Sacred Heart Church in Bay Head invites you to a summer study of a true story about why we sabotage ourselves, feel overwhelmed, set aside our dreams, and lack the courage to simply be true selves and how to start choosing happiness again! Mondays, 7:00-8:30 pm, July 10th-August 14th. For more information or to find out how to get a free copy of the book *Resisting Happiness* by Matthew Kelly, contact DawnRusinko@yahoo.com or Sacred Heart's Parish Office at 732-899-1398.

WEEKLY CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP- St. Rose weekly meditation group meets Mondays (since 1982) at First Presbyterian Church of Belmar from 7:00-7:45 pm. Introduction is given and new members are always welcome. For more information call Gregory Ryan 732-681-6238 or email gjryan@wccm.org

VINCENT'S LEGACY is a newly formed Diocesan-wide furniture ministry wherein we help move in families in need w/ furniture and home decor. There are many opportunities to become involved - it's not just about moving furniture. Are you a frustrated interior decorator and enjoy making a home come together? We need you! Email furniture@svdptrenton.org or call 609-557-SVDP (7837) for more information.

NEW FACEBOOK PAGE: "Like us" on Facebook and follow our goodwill stories at: <https://www.facebook.com/FurnitureMinistry/>

HOSPITAL PATIENTS NEED YOU! Jersey Shore Medical Center in Neptune is growing, and the patients need ministry now more than ever. Have you ever considered serving the Lord as a Eucharistic Minister? Our volunteer ministers serve for about an hour on one morning per week during week days or one Saturday or Sunday per month. Will you visit patients, bring them the Eucharist, and share the healing love of Christ? Please call the Pastoral Care Office during regular business hours at 732-776-4165 or 732-776-4991 to inquire about ministry opportunities or to set up an appointment to come talk with Father Evarist Kabagambe, Catholic Chaplain.

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 more information on how you can take action to protect religious liberty.



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... Contact the Caregiver office 732-876-3900 or www.caregivervolunteers.org for information.

HEALING HEARTS SUPPORT GROUP is a seminar support group for adults affected by the pain of separation and divorce. Meetings are Thursday, 7:30-9:30 pm, at St. Veronica's Church, ACTS Office (rectory basement) located at 4215 Rt. 9 in Howell. For more information or directions contact Maria at 732-363-5698 or email stveronicare4u@gmail.com.

ALATEEN- Alateen is a fellowship of young people, ages 11-18, whose lives have been affected by the family disease of alcoholism. The only requirement for membership in Alateen is a problem of alcoholism in a relative or friend. Time: 6:00-7:00 pm Day: Tuesdays Place: The Samaritan Center, 36 South Street in Manasquan Contact the Samaritan Center for more information at 732-223-4673.

NJ ADDICTION SERVICES HOTLINE- Need help with a drug or alcohol problem? For assistance and a referral to treatment please call toll-free 1-844-276-2777. Phone calls are answered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This is a service of Rutgers Behavioral Health Care.

PARISH COUNSELING SERVICES- Through a joint effort of the Diocese of Trenton and Catholic Charities, licensed professional counselors are available to help parishioners with difficult issues that interfere with day-to-day functioning. The service can be accessed by contacting your pastor or parish priest who will provide additional information and a referral. The fee is \$75 per session. If needed, financial assistance for short term counseling (up to 6 sessions) is available through the Diocese of Trenton Parish Counseling Services.

BE A CHAMPION OF CHILDREN THIS SUMMER- For forty years, the Sisters of the Good Shepherd have provided disadvantaged Monmouth County children with a safe and fun summer at Kateri Day Camp in Marlboro, NJ. They can not do it without your help. Camp Kateri is a full-day camp for 7 weeks that allows parents to work and know their child is safe. Transportation is provided as well as breakfast, lunch, a snack, swimming lessons, and take home books to read. \$70=one day of camp, \$350=one week of camp, \$2,500=seven weeks of camp. Please mail your contribution to: *Collier Youth Services Campership Appeal P.O. Box 300 Wickatunk, NJ 07765* or visit www.collieryouthservices.org to donate online.

OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse Hotline:

1-888-296-2965 or email

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~ Serving Saint Denis Parish ~

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