

**HIS WORD TODAY**  
by Rev. William J. Reilly

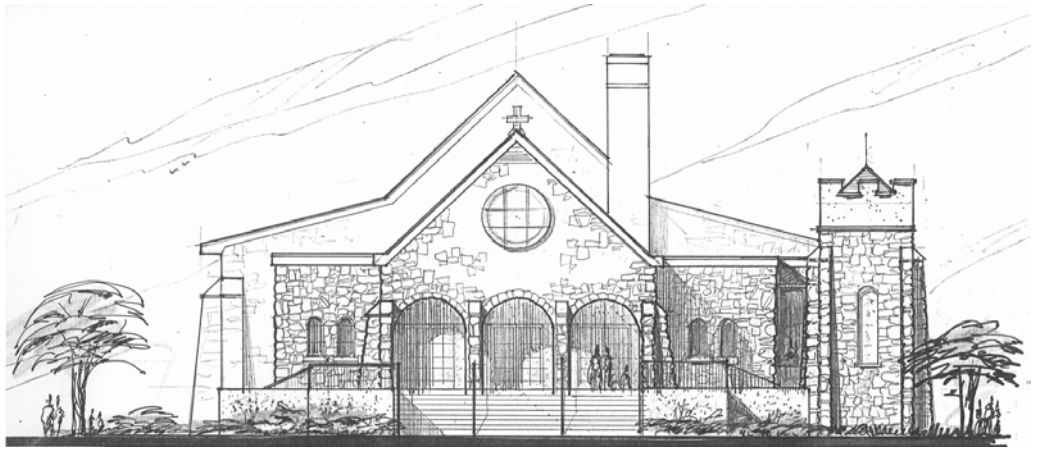
**Sixteenth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
July 19, 2020**

“The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groaning... But though you are master of might you judge with clemency and with much lenience you govern us... and you taught your people by these deeds that those who are just must be kind.”

When we pause to pray, we are responding to the Spirit at work in us. Our bottom line should be to ask for the Spirit in our lives. How do I know that the Spirit resides in me? St. Paul tells us to look for the fruits of the Spirit.

Clemency or mercy is the instrument that the Lord uses as He judges us. How fortunate we are that this is His tool. On our part, we manifest the presence of the Spirit, by kindness. No one is incapable of being unkind. It is a fruit by which to live and a gift we can always give.

Consider one person to whom you can show kindness today. Then the word that is sown is at work in you.




# CHURCH OF ST. DENIS

MANASQUAN, NEW JERSEY

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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 & 11:00 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](http://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 18, 2020**

8:30 am Theresa Schmidt by the Bayberry Garden Club  
 8:30 am Sophie Shallis by Nancy & Pablo Gonzalez  
 8:30 am Jesse DeLuca by Weslee & Ray Sernitsky  
 4:30 pm Sister Maureen Loughlin & Sister Xavier Casey  
 by Fran & Amanda Pilot  
 4:30 pm Pauline Earl by Kay Kolon  
 4:30 pm Jack & Jeanne O'Donnell by John & Tina O'Donnell

**Sunday, July 19, 2020**

8:00 am Richard Dulski by Ed & Chris Mutch  
 8:00 am Stephen Matthew Nulty by Ed & Judy Blaha  
 8:00 am Cosmo Scivanich by Mr. & Mrs. Dom Piccini  
 9:30 am Esther Berardesco by Carolyn & Sal Berardesco  
 9:30 am Marie Corcoran by the Kudlick Family  
 9:30 am Richard R. Dulski by the Kerrigan Family  
 10:00 am Diego Perusi-Melara by Carol Rizzi  
 10:00 am Frances Pilot by Carol Rizzi  
 10:00 am Mark E. Wall by the Wall Family  
 11:00 am For the People of the Parish

**Monday, July 20, 2020**

7:30 am Buddy Donohue by his Sister, Kay Kolon  
 7:30 am Wanda Ziobro by MCW  
 7:30 am Al Essner by Gene Bialas

**Tuesday, July 21, 2020**

7:30 am Josip Justinic by Ellie & John Fox  
 7:30 am Al Essner by Gene Bialas  
 7:30 am Mr. & Mrs. Strigliabotti by the Family

**Wednesday, July 22, 2020**

7:30 am William Rottino by Mary Rottino  
 7:30 am Donald Dickson by the Family  
 7:30 am Emil & Anna Taborelli by the Family

**Thursday, July 23, 2020**

No Mass

**Friday, July 24, 2020**

7:30 am John J. Fox by the Family  
 7:30 am Catherine Morton by the Family  
 7:30 am Virginia & Angelo Taborelli by the Family

**Saturday, July 25, 2020**

8:30 am Mr. & Mrs. Strigliabotti by the Family  
 8:30 am Emil & Anna Taborelli by the Family  
 8:30 am Virginia & Angelo Taborelli by the Family  
 4:30 pm For the People of the Parish

**Sunday, July 26, 2020**

8:00 am Vincenza J. Ferraro by the DiPalma Family  
 8:00 am Cosmo Scivanich by Mr. & Mrs. Dom Piccini  
 8:00 am Mr. & Mrs. Strigliabotti by the Family  
 9:30 am Emil & Anna Taborelli by the Family  
 9:30 am Mr. & Mrs. Strigliabotti by the Family  
 9:30 am Virginia & Angelo Taborelli by the Family  
 10:00 am Antoinette & Carmina Chiovitti by the Family  
 10:00 am Vincenza Ferraro by Paul Garvey  
 10:00 am Karl Johanson by Ellen Brown  
 11:00 am Diego Perusi-Melara by Catholic Daughters, Ct. St. Denis  
 11:00 am Peter Morrocco by Dave & Gloria Smith  
 11:00 am Jonathan Miller by Toni & John Kovak

**Please note:**

**The Sunday, 11:00 am Mass intentions  
 will be prayed for at the 11:30 am Facebook Mass.**

**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.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED** especially Renee Clayton, Lucy Falco, Leslie Eslinger and Bridget Gowen.



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, Ken Kleinlein, Robert Kelleher, Stephen Byrne, Denise Frank, Lucy Falco, Marie Tashjian, Angeline Hart, Joan Tumbas, 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 Najjar, 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, Wendell 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, Victoria Margadonna, 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, Mary Daidone, 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, Ann Tamaro, Norma Friel, the Borgias, 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:  
James Thomas Coolahan  
&  
Daniel Robert Shemanski  
May the grace of the sacrament remain with them always.

### **USCCB Chairmen Welcome Supreme Court Decision Preserving the Religious Liberty of Little Sisters**

July 8, 2020

WASHINGTON – The Little Sisters of the Poor recently went to the Supreme Court of the United States again to defend their community against attempts to force Catholic religious to cooperate with immoral activities, and again, the Supreme Court has recognized their right to religious freedom. By a vote of 7-2, the Court ruled in favor of the Little Sisters.

Archbishop Thomas G. Wenski of Miami, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee for Religious Liberty, and Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann of Kansas City in Kansas, chairman of the Committee on Pro-Life Activities, have issued a statement addressing the case:

“This is a saga that did not need to occur. Contraception is not health care, and the government should never have mandated that employers provide it in the first place. Yet even after it had, there were multiple opportunities for government officials to do the right thing and exempt conscientious objectors. Time after time, administrators and attorneys refused to respect the rights of the Little Sisters of the Poor, and the Catholic faith they exemplify, to operate in accordance with the truth about sex and the human person. Even after the federal government expanded religious exemptions to the HHS contraceptive mandate, Pennsylvania and other states chose to continue this attack on conscience.

“The Little Sisters of the Poor is an international congregation that is committed to building a culture of life. They care for the elderly poor. They uphold human dignity. They follow the teachings of Jesus Christ and his Church. The government has no right to force a religious order to cooperate with evil. We welcome the Supreme Court’s decision. We hope it brings a close to this episode of government discrimination against people of faith. Yet, considering the efforts we have seen to force compliance with this mandate, we must continue to be vigilant for religious freedom.”

**HEALING AFTER ABORTION**-Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime. A “Day of Prayer and Healing” offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion. For upcoming dates, locations, and confidential registration, or just to talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at (866)-575-0075 (toll free) or reach them by email at [hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org](mailto:hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org).

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

### **A Message from Father Bill**

Today, I share with you the following information from the USCCB and ask that you “learn more about it” by going to the USCCB.org website, where there is a superabundance of information and real-life stories available. You can also reach out to me and the Elizabeth Ministry here at St. Denis Church for a more local connection and chance to discuss how great NFP is:

Today begins Natural Family Planning Awareness Week. The theme of this year, of this annual event promoted by the US Bishops, is “Live the truth and beauty of God’s plan for married love!”

The Church teaches that the sacrament of marriage symbolizes Christ's relationship with His Church. What is this relationship but one of total, faithful, permanent, and fruitful love! When couples live their vocation according to Church teachings, especially with regard to the transmission of life, many benefits can be reaped. Indeed, married couples who use Natural Family Planning (NFP) report that among these benefits is their mutual growth in holiness and consequent deepening of their respect and awe of God's gifts of human sexuality, marriage and family.

Natural Family Planning (NFP) is the general title for the scientific, natural and moral methods of family planning that can help married couples either **achieve or postpone pregnancies**. NFP methods are based on the observation of the naturally occurring signs and symptoms of the fertile and infertile phases of a woman's **menstrual cycle**. No drugs, devices, or surgical procedures are used to avoid pregnancy. Since the methods of NFP respect the **love-giving** (unitive) and **life-giving** (procreative) nature of the conjugal act, they support God's design for married love!

**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](http://www.usccb.org/freedom) for more information on how you can take action to protect religious liberty.

**DOWNEY SIDE**- Do you want to make a difference in the life of a foster care child? If so, apply to adopt through Downey Side and give foster care children a permanent home. The children are school-age and up. For information contact Sister Elizabeth Engel at 732-359-8434 or email [sister.engel@gmail.com](mailto:sister.engel@gmail.com).

**PARISH COUNSELING SERVICES**- A joint effort of the Diocese of Trenton and Catholic Charities provides licensed professionals for short term counseling (up to 6 sessions) to parishioners dealing with difficult issues, for example, job-stress, family concerns and bereavement. Contact your pastor for additional information and referral. The fee is \$90 per session, but, if needed, financial assistance is available through the Diocese of Trenton Parish Counseling Services.

### **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: **888-296-2965**



### **RECOVERY CORNER-**

**LIFE RECOVERY BIBLE WEEKLY PODCASTS-** Check out "City of Angels Recovery Radio" <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=st.shoutca.sh.coan>

Download the above app to listen to Life Recovery Bible podcasts. 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.

**PROJECT CHILD FIND** is a free referral service to use if you have concerns about your child's development (ages birth-2 years). For more information about Special Education in NJ visit [www.nj.gov/education/specialed](http://www.nj.gov/education/specialed). Call 1-800-322-8174. All calls are confidential and toll-free.

**GOOD COUNSEL HOMES** is asking for prayers and support for the mothers who are preparing to give birth during this difficult time. Unfortunately, the needs of the mothers and babies served by Good Counsel Homes have not slowed down for the coronavirus, but donations have. Fundraisers and speaking engagements at parishes have been canceled. For more information about Good Counsel Homes or to donate please visit the website at [www.goodcounselhomes.org](http://www.goodcounselhomes.org).

**FOR YOUR MARRIAGE-** Check out this great resource for you and your family during this time: [www.foryourmarriage.org](http://www.foryourmarriage.org) and there is a specific blogpost at <https://www.foryourmarriage.org/blogs/family-life-in-a-pandemic/>

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL VINCENT'S LEGACY-** Launched by the Diocese in late 2016, Vincent's Legacy collects quality gently used furniture and household items to provide to those in need. Legacy volunteers arrange to view, pickup, clean and deliver donated items. Originally focused on Monmouth and Ocean Counties, Vincent's Legacy has expanded throughout the Trenton Diocese. If you have furniture or household goods to donate, please contact Vincent's Legacy volunteers at [furniture@svdptrenton.org](mailto:furniture@svdptrenton.org). If you are able to help, visit the website or call 609-557-7837.



### **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  
3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays from 10AM – 12noon

At this time, donations may be dropped off curbside by the pantry during regular pantry hours or on the rectory front porch, under the overhang. Over the last few weeks we have had many neighbors visit the pantry. We are low on many items, in particular those items listed below:

**Salt, mayonnaise, canned fruit & apple juice.**

Please know that your donations are being received with sincere gratitude. Thank you!



especially Navy Lt. 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, 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.

**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.

**HOME DEVOTION-** Please visit [AscensionPress.com](http://AscensionPress.com) for special resources and events to help Catholics with home devotions throughout the coming weeks.

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



Admission into heaven is something money cannot buy. The only currency that has any value to secure our entrance is that of love. In a world where so many things can be bought with money, our minds often center more on money than love. What Jesus is trying to tell us is that money is a good servant-but a bad master. When money is employed as a servant, it can bring joy and comfort to millions and especially to those who have little or none of it.

Our goal as members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, is to enable money to be a servant of the poor, but also to demonstrate the love of Christ to those we help. But, let money become our master, let it take first place in our lives and it can become a tyrant. It can harden our hearts and blind our vision of the supreme realities of our existence.

Millions of "dollars" passed through the hands of St. Vincent and he made every cent a good servant. Vincent regarded the money which he received or possessed as the "patrimony of the poor" and so it was always to be used for the benefit of the poor. The parishioners of St. Denis, in their generosity, continue to make it possible for us to make every dollar a "good servant" for the poor.

If you have an interest in learning more about our ministry, please come to one of the Society's general meetings (when they resume). Meetings are held the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 pm in Msgr. O'Connor Hall (lower level of the church).

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



walking with purpose

THE MODERN WOMAN'S GUIDE TO THE BIBLE

Ladies, life, as we know it, has certainly changed. As we experience a gradual emergence from sheltering in place, we may feel discontent, worry and anxiety about the present and the future.

Rest assured, you're not the only one feeling this—and God, in His Divine Providence, has given us the solutions needed to ease our uncertainties.

For some, life before COVID-19 was often frazzled and out of control—work, school demands, family obligations, and extra-curricular activities kept us always on-the-go. And now we are hoping not to go back to that hectic lifestyle.

So, where does that leave us? Starting in October 2020, St. Denis Church is offering 2 bible study opportunities from Walking with Purpose (WWP). Our WWP community is comprised of women, just like you. We strive to learn more about our faith and understand how the teachings of Jesus Christ can strengthen us to be the women, wives, friends, mothers, grandmothers, we are meant to be. Together we create an authentic community that laughs, learns, grows, and loves one another.

*Opening Your Heart (OYH)*, our foundational study, is designed for women new to Walking with Purpose. Whether or not you have any Bible study experience, we welcome you to learn how the Scriptures apply to our everyday lives.

For those women who have completed *OYH*, our next study is *Keeping in Balance (KIB)*. This Bible study will take us on a journey throughout Scripture to discover the relevance of Old and New Testament wisdom in relation to our current life challenges. God wants to support and help us so that we can be our best in every season of our life.

**We don't actually exercise—we "walk" on a faith journey together. Walking with Purpose leads hearts to Christ. For more info, visit [www.wwpnjshore.com](http://www.wwpnjshore.com)**

**HANDBAGS TO HELP-** Vincent's Legacy, the St. Vincent de Paul/Trenton Council furniture ministry which gives away donated quality furniture and household items, is launching its new fundraising initiative, "Handbags to Help." Since 2010, the furniture ministry has served 500+ families, providing \$600,000+ worth of furniture and household goods, and accumulating \$250,000+ in value of volunteer hours. Additionally, this ministry was a 2017 recipient of the New Jersey State Governor's JEFFERSON AWARDS for public service. Please consider donating your gently used designer handbags to help us continue to help others. Contact [handbags.to.help@svdptrenton.org](mailto:handbags.to.help@svdptrenton.org) for more information.

### SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19**

This passage from the Book of Wisdom addresses itself to God, giving praise and thanksgiving for his mercy.

**Second Reading: Romans 8:26-27**

Paul indicates that since people are, in general, unaccustomed to the manner of praying, of speaking directly to God, the Holy Spirit will intercede for them.

**Gospel: Matthew 13:24-43**

According to Matthew, Jesus speaks of the "reign of God" in three parables: the man who soweth good seed, the mustard seed, and the yeast. In each parable, Jesus demonstrates that once the "reign of God" had been established, it grew and spread.

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**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 invoked 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 enjoyment 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*

**CATHOLIC RADIO-** Tune into **89.3 FM** to hear the Gospel message, live call-in shows, devotions, speakers, inspirational music and more. WFJS 89.3 FM Catholic Radio is an EWTN affiliate reaching Monmouth and parts of Ocean Counties. Listen on-line at [www.DomesticChurchMedia.org](http://www.DomesticChurchMedia.org). Free apps are on your iPhone and Blackberry. Call or write for your FREE Program Guide: WFJS PO Box 7509 Trenton 08628.

**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.

**DON'T FORGET ST. DENIS PARISH WHILE SHOPPING ONLINE -** AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice. **Instructions to support St. Denis: Go to smile.amazon.com Choose your charity: Church of St. Denis, Manasquan Click on the box marked "yes". You must start at smile.amazon.com so that the charity gets donations. Then click on the "start shopping" button. It's that simple!**

**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](http://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.



**July 5, 2020**

Regular Collection- \$8,619.00

Online Giving (3/31/20-7/10/20) - \$34,704.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !**



**The Rectory Office**  
will be closing at noon on Fridays  
for in-service work  
during the months of July & August.  
The office will be open to parishioners:  
**Monday-Thursday,**  
**8:30 am-noon & 1:00-4:30 pm**  
**Friday, 8:30 am-noon**

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES NEWS-** During the Covid 19 pandemic, in addition to on site services, Catholic Charities has established Tele Health and Tele Mental Health services. Call 800-360-7711. In the event of a medical or mental health emergency, please call 911. Food pantries are experiencing a 50% client increase. Pantries distribute prepackaged food bags mornings in Burlington (9:30-11:30) Mercer and Ocean Counties (9-12) Go to [www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org](http://www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org) for directions and information on additional services. The 20<sup>th</sup> annual Providence House Domestic Violence Services event, that was scheduled for June 12<sup>th</sup>, will be combined with the Catholic Charities virtual gala on September 26.

**THE GUILD OF OCEAN MEDICAL CENTER** is a 501 (C3) organization that raises money to benefit the needs of our community and our community's hospital. 100% of the net proceeds go towards these causes. Donations are being accepted for their current mission "Project Paul" to provide masks for the protection of the community and civil service workers. Donations can be made through the following methods:  
\*PayPal-Contributions can be made at [paypal.me/guildofomc](https://paypal.me/guildofomc)  
\*Checks- made payable to The Guild of Ocean Medical Center c/o Sharon Dymnioski 53 Church St. Manasquan 08736 Please note in the memo section-"Project Protection"  
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**CAREGIVER VOLUNTEERS OF CENTRAL JERSEY INTERFAITH COALITION** helping older members of our community and congregation. There are many older people living in our parish and 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. For information contact the Caregiver Office at [www.caregivervolunteers.org](http://www.caregivervolunteers.org) or 732-876-3900.

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*Blessed are You, Eternal our God, Sovereign of the world, who has sanctified us with commandments and commanded us to protect life.*

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#### **CATECHISTS/TEACHERS NEEDED AT MOST GRADE LEVELS FOR FALL RELIGIOUS ED**

**Also program volunteers for the office.**  
**Are you willing to help our children be all they can be?**

It's time for us to plan for Religious Education and begin recruiting catechists for September classes. Please take some time to discern God's call to minister to our parish children and build their faith!

**Religious Education (CCD) classes**  
**are on Monday and Tuesday or**  
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**We will be opening in September with a Religious learning program that meets with all social distance recommendations.**

**But some of our long time teachers will be unable to teach this year.**  
**Are you able to help?**

**You will grow in your own faith, learn the teachings of the Church, and deepen your relationships with Jesus. Children, in today's world, more than ever, need to hear the Good News of Jesus and encounter role models of the faith.**

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