

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

**Twenty-fifth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
September 19, 2021**

“Where jealousy and self ambition exist, there is disorder and every foul practice. But the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconstancy and insincerity. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.”

Is the reading from St. James reflecting today’s headlines, or does it date from the first century? The events of our time certainly reflect disorder, chaos, making the gospel seem so distant.

The encouragement of the writer though, offers the opportunity to examine our own lives as we seek to live by the virtues he enunciates – peace, gentleness, mercy. James uses the fruits of the spirit of which St. Paul wrote in Galatians.

If we chose just one and worked on it each day for a week or a month, our lives would be quite different as we ‘cultivate peace’ in our hearts and offer it to others.



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### MASS SCHEDULE:

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

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** 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](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, September 18, 2021**

8:30 am Frank Fiorelli by the Lynch Family  
 8:30 am Myung Ja Ginzel by the Rotonda Family  
 8:30 am Frances Koch by the Koch & Rice Families  
 4:30 pm Bill Wolfe by his Wife  
 4:30 pm Geraldine Maywalt by her Husband  
 4:30 pm Antoinette Cafone Conigliari  
 by Catherine Cafone

**Sunday, September 19, 2021**

8:00 am Phyllis Heinle by Maureen Stanley  
 8:00 am Ryan DeNichols by Bill & Jeanne Buble  
 8:00 am Bill Truex by his Family  
 9:30 am For the People of the Parish  
 10:00 am Rose & Jack Feeney by the Family  
 10:00 am Michael Martin McDonnell  
 by the McAndrew Family  
 10:00 am Daniel Gallagher by the McAndrew Family

**Monday, September 20, 2021**

7:30 am John & Isabelle Dunne by Virginia Dunne  
 7:30 am Nancy & John Charlesworth by Catherine Campen  
 7:30 am Edward Blair, Sr. by Saint Denis Parish

**Tuesday, September 21, 2021**

7:30 am Rose Kelsey by Jeanne & Bill Buble  
 7:30 am Patrick Kelly (2nd Anniversary) by his Family  
 7:30 am Intentions of Mary Salerno by Keith Henderson

**Wednesday, September 22, 2021**

7:30 am Rose Baccarella by Tom & Gerri Bleach  
 7:30 am Joseph Walsh by the Liggett Family  
 7:30 am Bernard C. Reilly by Opening Your Heart

**Thursday, September 23, 2021**

No Mass

**Friday, September 24, 2021**

7:30 am Richard Avena by his Family  
 7:30 am Ann Helfrich by Roger Brandell  
 7:30 am Paul A. Lawrence, Sr. by Brian & Gail Lawrence

**Saturday, September 25, 2021**

8:30 am Helen McDermott by the Lago Family  
 8:30 am Dennis Michael Lafferty by Kenn Yee  
 8:30 am Janet Mangan by the Wynd Family  
 4:30 pm Patrick Campbell by his Family  
 4:30 pm Cheryl L. Eichmann by the Bernholz Family  
 4:30 pm Sisters Maureen Loughlin & Xavier Casey,  
 & Frances Pilot  
 by Christine & Duane Danish

**Sunday, September 26, 2021**

8:00 am Marilyn Drennan by Jason & Linda Stanco  
 8:00 am Rosemary Bergin  
 by Circle of Friends of Jersey City  
 8:00 am Kriste Morin by Betty Scrivanich  
 9:30 am Thomas Tracey by Thomas & Alice Brady  
 9:30 am Marguerite Bossone by her Husband, Dominic  
 9:30 am James Patrick Barry by Cathy Holsey  
 10:00 am For the People of the Parish

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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED**  
 especially Joseph Daley, William R. Walsh III  
 and Charles Capone.



**Pray For  
The Sick**

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



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

&

Ella Patricia Law

May the grace of the sacrament remain with them always.

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

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**— The feast day of St. Francis of Assisi is October 4th. Because of his love of animals, we will have the annual Blessing of the Animals Saturday, October 2nd at 12:30 pm on the front steps of the church. Parishioners and friends are invited to attend with their pets.

**THANK YOU**— The Knights of Columbus thank all who donated to their Handicap Citizens Drive on the weekend of August 14th & 15th. Due to your generosity, \$2,300 was collected. The majority of the donations will be used to help the local Holy Innocents Society.

**HEALING THE WOUNDS OF ABORTION**— 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 friend/s 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 at 732-536-6871. All inquiries are strictly confidential. 2021 Weekend Retreat: November 12-14, 2021



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.



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**Take part in 40 Days for Life in Monmouth County**

**Vigil Location:** Planned Parenthood at 69 E. Newman Springs Road, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702.

**Vigil Hours:** Monday through Friday 8 am to 6 pm. Saturday / Sunday - at will.

**Local Contact:** [monmouth4life@hotmail.com](mailto:monmouth4life@hotmail.com)

**Learn More...** [40daysforlife.com/shrewsbury](http://40daysforlife.com/shrewsbury)

Check our Resources for Educational Information, Prayer and Pregnancy Resources.

**Come and Bring a Friend... or 2... or 3!**

*40 Days For Life/Shrewsbury is a peaceful, prayerful witness. There is no shouting, foul language or graphic signs. As always, stay on the sidewalk or public right of way. Do not go on private property, block driveway or park in Planned Parenthood lot.*

**Please follow current COVID 19 protocols.**

#### WORD OF LIFE

*“Throughout salvation history, God has welcomed repentant sinners with special joy. Jesus concludes the parable of the lost sheep with these words: ‘There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance’ (Lk 15:7).”*

**Rachel's Vineyard** is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer you a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing. Visit [rachelvineyard.org](http://rachelvineyard.org)

**Activities:** 40 Days for Life Sept 24 – Oct 31. To learn more, visit [40daysforlife.com/Shrewsbury](http://40daysforlife.com/Shrewsbury). To participate, contact [Monmouth4Life@hotmail.com](mailto:Monmouth4Life@hotmail.com). If you are unable to attend, please commit to 40 days of prayer/rosary for the unborn

**Visit our Websites:** [dioceseoftrenton.org/respect-life-ministry](http://dioceseoftrenton.org/respect-life-ministry) USCCB: [respectlife.org](http://respectlife.org)





**WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2021  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
MICHAEL & MARY KOLON  
REQUESTED BY KAY KOLON**

**CAREGIVERS NEED CARE TOO!**

**Join us Wednesday, September 22, 2021 for a  
Caregiver Support group Meet and Greet  
Where: St. Denis School Building  
When: 10 am or 7pm**

The Caregivers Support Group is a group of parish members who have experienced caregiving through every stage and for many illnesses. The group supports individuals who are caregiving through illness of a spouse, parent, child or another loved one. You will be able to share your caregiver story if you'd like, or if you're not ready to talk, you can simply listen to what others have to say. You will soon realize that there are other people going through the same situation. You will receive from this group useful tips and resources as helpful professionals present topics to assist you in caring for your loved one. This group is perfect for individuals who don't have family and friends nearby for support and are looking for connections. The group offers friendship and fellowship. The Caregivers Support Group will meet once a month. When we allow others to support us, we will find we can do much more in supporting and encouraging those who are in our care. Please consider joining us to find out more and let us help! Please contact Eileen Ziesmer (732) 223-0287 [eileenziezmer@gmail.com](mailto:eileenziezmer@gmail.com)

**Group to be run by : Kat Verdi MAT, CADDCT, CDP, HTM  
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**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.



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

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

There is curbside pick-up of  
prepackaged food with social distancing.  
Questions or special food needs?

Please call our hotline number at 732-223-1383

Pantry hours:

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

Items needed at this time:

Dish detergent, laundry detergent,  
juice, mayonnaise, and canned peas.

Thank you for your donations, they are appreciated!



**WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2021  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF BILL TRUEX  
(3RD ANNIVERSARY)  
REQUESTED BY HIS FAMILY**



**Are you willing to help our children  
be all they can be?**

**We are still in need of a 7th Grade teacher  
on Mondays, 6:30-7:45 pm,  
program volunteers for the office  
and hall monitors.**

Is the Holy Spirit calling you? Please take some time to discern God's call to minister to our parish children and help build their faith and encounter Jesus! Religious Education (CCD) classes are held on Mondays and Tuesdays, also on Sunday mornings, 2X a month. Contact the Religious Ed Office 732-223-1161 or [office@stdeniscdd.com](mailto:office@stdeniscdd.com). You will grow in your own faith, learn the teachings of the Church, and deepen your relationship 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.

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



St. Vincent de Paul, the patron saint of our Society, never wrote a book about his spiritual teachings. We find the living voice of the saint in his letters and conferences-conferences like ours at St. Denis-in which he trained his followers for the mission of service to the poor. The two fundamental sources of his teachings were the Gospel and life. He wanted his followers to put the whole of the Gospel into the whole of their lives, and he never tired of deepening both with the faith that God had put into his heart. This is why all that Vincent says, as he speaks to us from almost 400 years ago, has the simplicity of our everyday life as well as the penetrating Word of God.

The reflections in our weekly bulletin are therefore offered to all who may strive to serve the poor in the spirit of St. Vincent de Paul. They may encourage us to "have ears to hear the cry of the poor", to "have eyes to seek and find the forgotten and deprived", and to "have hearts that bring God's love to the poor" through generosity and love. The Holy Spirit wants to make us advocates of God's presence to bring new life to others-especially those who do not know the love of God in their lives.

If you have an interest in learning more about helping those in need, **come to the Society's next meeting on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at 7:00 pm in the cafeteria of the school building.**

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

## MESSAGE FROM FATHER BILL

I am excited to share with you the plans for our next series in our Lutheran/Catholic Dialogue. This fall and spring we will be having discussions based on the video series "The Chosen". So many people have approached Pastor Mary and myself about the series. People have shared how the show has had effect on them and has also raised some interesting questions and led to some good discussions. We thought it would be a great opportunity for members of both our communities to come together and continue our dialogue of Faith using "The Chosen" as our basis for discussion. This fall, we will be focusing on the first four episodes of Season 1, and for Advent we will talk about the Christmas special. Then in the spring, we will discuss the remaining 4 episodes of Season 1. The videos are available from "The Chosen" app and you can also view them on YouTube. We are asking everyone who is interested to view the videos before they come to the discussion. We are also asking that as you are watching the videos you have notebook and pen by your side to jot down your notes about impressions and questions that arise. Especially, we ask you to note: What drew your attention in that episode and why? What was something new you encountered in this drama? What "rang true" and what did not from your experience of reading/hearing of the Gospels? Also note anything else that might spring to mind (I love to talk cinematography and techniques in filming, myself). On the days we will gather, we will meet at 11am and again at 7 pm, so you can pick which time works best for you. All of the morning meetings, at 11am, will be held at Holy Trinity Church Hall. All of the evening meetings, at 7 pm, will be held in the St. Denis cafeteria. Pastor Mary and myself will take lead on alternating weeks and "co-host" the discussion. So, mark your calendars! All of our meetings will happen on Wednesdays. We will meet on Wednesday Oct. 6, Oct. 20, Nov 3, and Nov 17. So, watch the videos and get ready to have a great conversation that will inspire us as *the chosen* disciples of Christ in our day and age as we reflect on those chosen by Christ, as seen in this intriguing series.

Also, this week I invite you to read the following *View From the Pew* from one of the participants in *Walking With Purpose*, our Women's Bible Study Group (see more information about WWP on pg. 5 of this bulletin) -

### ***The perfect blend of spirituality, friendship, confidentiality, self-discovery...a view from the pew by Teresa B.***

We are all in a different place when it comes to our spiritual journeys. Some of us are just starting out. Others are further along. No matter where we are, there's always something more to discover. I would consider myself to be pretty far along in my journey with room to grow. For years I told myself, this would be the year I would read the Bible to deepen my faith and my love for the Lord. But, of course, life took over every time and I was never quite sure where to start, and another year went by without doing so. 'Walking with Purpose' had a nice ring to it, and, since I've always been very purpose-driven, I decided to give it a try despite concerns about being able to find the time to participate in a weekly meeting AND do homework! In fact, I almost talked myself out of it because of the thought of doing homework. I'm so glad I stayed with it! I immediately came to appreciate the diverse group of women in my group and each of their wonderful perspectives. And, I quickly discovered that the homework, when done in small pieces over a few days, really wasn't that big a time commitment. Plus, it was the perfect way to get on the path of reading, embracing and acting on scripture. Walking with Purpose is the perfect blend of spirituality, friendship, confidentiality, and self-discovery. I am so grateful I took the first step by signing up. And, even more grateful, that, through this journey, my relationship with the Lord is stronger than ever. I've learned so much about the faith, made some unexpected self-discoveries and met some absolutely wonderful women along the way!

**YOU'RE INVITED! "MONEY SMART FOR OLDER ADULTS"—10 AM, WEDESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2021 IN HOLY TRINITY'S FELLOWSHIP HALL-** Join Cheryl L. and Jodi Q. from Manasquan Bank as they present topics ranging from scams and identity theft, to selecting and understanding the responsibilities of a financial caregiver. This no cost, hour-long, in-person presentation begins at 10 am in Fellowship Hall of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (6 Osborn Ave., Manasquan). To sign up, call the church office at 732-223-0533 to register. We hope you will join us for this timely program!

**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!

**MEN'S GROUP-** St. Denis Parish is coordinating a Faith study group for Catholic Men at the Jersey Shore. A purpose of our Men's Group is to enrich the lives of men by providing opportunities to enjoy a sense of brotherhood and spiritual growth. Although we may have been raised in the Catholic Faith, many of us do not have a full understanding of our faith and are searching for more. The programs we undertake dive deeper into our faith, leading each of us to a personal level of spiritual growth. This growth should help us see our faith in a new way and provide additional guidance to help us live our Christian values in these challenging times. Our goal is to ***Pursue the Way, the Truth, the Life***, based upon John 14:6, "*Jesus said to him, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'*" Our study focuses on Jesus' words and example in the Gospel, as well as trusting in the gifts of the Holy Spirit to help us through our journey in this life, pursuing the "way" to our Father in Heaven. No experience in bible study is necessary, as our programs involve a short video or reading at home, plus our group meeting twice a month. All of us have busy schedules, so it's not a big deal if you miss some meetings; just join us for the next one. We invite you to join us for a meeting or two to hear what we're all about; it may help with your search for more. For more information, contact the St Denis rectory at 732 223-0287.

Weekly Collection 

**August 29, 2021**

Weekly Collection- \$ 9,853.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !**



walking with purpose

***“I came that you might have life and have it abundantly.” John 10:10***

If you had to describe life in the past year, *abundant* is probably not the word you would choose. Alone, weary, and coping is probably more like it. Why? Because we thrive in relationships. Our souls thirst for connection. We were made for community and it’s time to come back.

Walking with Purpose (WWP) is more than a women’s Bible study. It is a faith community that supports, encourages, and challenges one another. It is a safe place where you will discover authentic friendships and meaningful discussions as your heart is transformed by the Word of God. It is everything you need to get back to living a life that you love, and the life God has designed for you.

Are you ready to start WWP or to come back to WWP? God is ready and waiting for you to show up just as you are. He wants to see you discovering your purpose while connecting with a life-giving community. And God is not the only One waiting. We are too! The abundant life awaits us, and we’ve got an open chair with your name on it.

**It’s time to come back to community. We can’t wait to see you!**

To find out details and register go to [www.wwpnjshore.com](http://www.wwpnjshore.com) We offer two study options: Tuesday evenings, starting October 5 at 7:30 pm or Wednesday afternoons, starting October 6 at 12:30 pm.





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