

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

**Thirty-second Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
November 12, 2017**

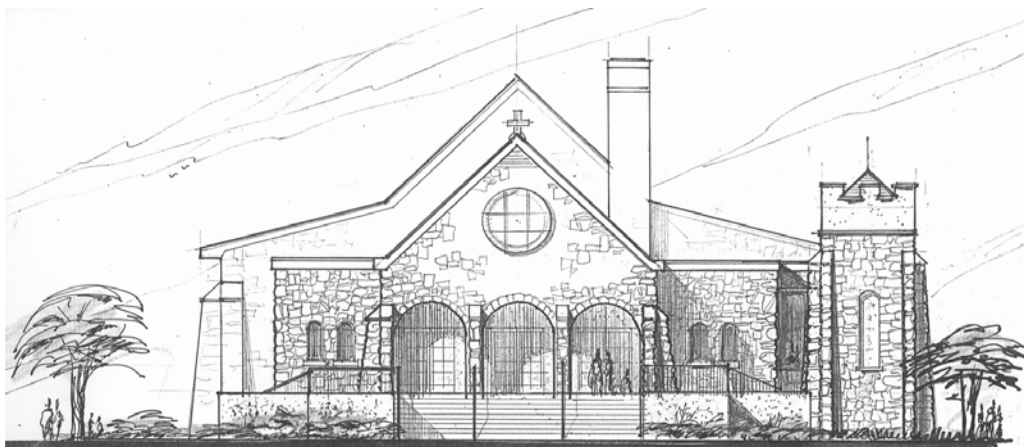
“Go instead to the merchants and buy some oil for yourselves.’ While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the doors were locked. Afterwards the others came and said, ‘Lord, Lord, open the door for us.’ But he said in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.’ Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

How often we hear the expression ‘this is a wakeup call.’ It might call us to study harder, begin a healthier life style, or even to express gratitude for escaping an accident or tragedy.

The parable of Jesus, who many have read this year, is directed to me today. How ready and prepared am I to accompany the Lord, who is walking with me today. The lamp oil is God’s grace. Is it burning in me, at this moment? If the battery is low, where can I have it recharged? God’s grace we find in the sacraments.

How often we have been offered the example of a door, as opening the door of our hearts to the Lord, or He Himself knocking at the door wanting to enter. He is the gatekeeper. A door allows entrance to another place.

Don’t put off applying the parallel to your own spiritual life. It is my wakeup call.



# CHURCH OF ST. DENIS

MANASQUAN, NEW JERSEY

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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](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.



## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, November 11, 2017

- 8:30 pm Zachary Herman by the Reilly Family  
 8:30 am Walter & Virginia Broderick  
 by the Furlong Family  
 4:30 pm For the People of the Parish

### Sunday, November 12, 2017

- 8:00 am Pedro Octavio Rodriguez by Denise & Kenn Yee  
 8:00 am James Kenneth Anderson by Maureen Birch  
 9:30 am Ruth LaVecchia by Patrick Levan  
 9:30 am Charles Lorenzo, Sr. by Lorraine & Richard Faas  
 10:00 am Francis Garrity by Eileen & Jim Rochford  
 10:00 am Josephine Triggiano by Eileen & Jim Rochford  
 11:00 am Dolores Knight by Bridget Friel  
 11:00 am Emil DeJacomio by his Mother & Sister

### Monday, November 13, 2017

- 7:30 am Claire E. Cox by Robert & Linda Cox  
 7:30 am Viola Ziella by Michele Conrey

### Tuesday, November 14, 2017

- 7:30 am Marry Curran by her Family  
 7:30 am Albert F. Weierman, Jr. by the Furlong Family

### Wednesday, November 15, 2017

- 7:30 am Charles Nielsen by his Daughter  
 7:30 am Pat O'Keeffe by her Family

### Thursday, November 16, 2017

- 7:30 am Marie Hessinger by Winifred Dineen  
 7:30 am Agnes Murko by Cass Gaska

### Friday, November 17, 2017

- 7:30 am Frank Firman by Margaret & Mel Price  
 7:30 am Anna Mary Hoblitzell by the Hoblitzell Family

### Saturday, November 18, 2017

- 8:30 am William & Mary Flynn by the Dunne Family  
 8:30 am John Lewis by the Gearing Family  
 4:30 pm Joseph Ziella by Michele & Jim Conrey  
 4:30 pm Living & Deceased Members of  
 the McNichol & Allan Families  
 by Joyce McNichol

### Sunday, November 19, 2017

- 8:00 am For the People of the Parish  
 9:30 am Barbara Lund by Mr. & Mrs. Ted Tata  
 9:30 am John Bishop (12th Anniversary) by his Daughter  
 10:00 am Sheila Crawford by her Family  
 10:00 am Alexander Moskov by his Family  
 11:00 am Rose Louisinian by Terri Welle  
 11:00 am Terrence Fay by Marlene & Michael Martin



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, Angeline Hart, Joan Tumbas, Cathleen Brenner, Florence McManus, Nick Ljuljana, Jim Hodgkiss, Patricia Blumenstock, Sue O'Connor, Baby Cayden Joseph, Thomas Fahey, Walter Bronikowski, Baby Kelly Grace, Donna Gaham, Nair Messias, Jennifer Noble, Scarlet Slotnick, Belle & Ashton, John Najjar, Patrick Lewis, Tina Pilot, Karen Brown, Elizabeth Morgan, Frank Lopez, Christina Roundtree, Eugene Karpinski, Charlotte Pentek, Jeanne Dorian, Joan Samperi, Phillip Graceffa, Christian Russo, Matthew Wernoch, Rose DeMarco, Dee Vulgaris, Michael McGonigle, Baby Evelyn Mizer, Patricia O'Leary, Herbert "Butch" Wolfe, Leanna Rawson, Nannette Forkan, Nicole Giambone, Lisa Dunfee, Albert J. Cifelli, Linda Smith, Brian Alberse, Maryann Ierley, Ray Misch, Stanley Bevan, 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, 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, Dorothy Myers, Claire Kessler, Siobhan Vuono, Linda Lowery, Kathy Perusi, Alan Singer, John Danczuk, Linda Custode, Marty Pirrong, the Pilots, the Nesbitts and the Campbells.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED** especially Edward P. Carey, Jr. and Dolores Evangelista.



**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.



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, 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, Army Captain Michael Potoczniak, Air Force 2nd Lt. Dominic Celiano, Air Force Academy Cadet 3rd Class Slade Kelling, Air Force Academy, FN Joseph Beattie, Coast Guard, Taylor Nesbitt, E3 Navy Airman Devon Webster, Navy Chief Petty Officer James DeLuise, Army Private 1st Class Cody Svenson, Army, Navy Ensign Mary T. Herman and Matthew Van Pelt, Army.



**WITH BENEDICTION- Fridays 12:00-1:00 pm.**

Come join us in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction in Saint Denis Church on Fridays. Spend a few minutes praising, thanking and just being with Jesus.

**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. Volunteers are needed for this ministry. If interested, please call Debbie at 732-223-9823.

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

**ST. DENIS SENIORS-** The next meeting for seniors will take place Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at 12:00 noon in Msgr. O'Connor Hall. After prayer and a short meeting we will celebrate together sharing a turkey dinner and dessert. To make reservations call Michele at 732-223-1710. Invite a friend to celebrate and have fun with us.

**YOUTH GROUP NEWS-** Our next meeting for Youth Group (this weekend is our community outreach project) is Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will meet in the School Cafeteria from 6:00 – 7:30 pm for an Advent Meeting and fun and games as we get ready to go Christmas caroling and a visit to Sunnyside Manor later in December.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RAFFLE AND CHRISTMAS MAGNET SALE-** The Knights of Columbus will be selling 50/50 raffle tickets for \$10 each and "Keep Christ in Christmas" car magnets for \$5 each after all Masses next weekend, Nov. 18th & 19th. Net proceeds will be for its local charity account. Over many years, the local Council has supported the good works of the churches of St. Denis and St. Mark, as well as many charities in our area. Please support the Knights' mission next weekend. Thank you.

**THANK YOU FOR THE BEAUTIFUL BULB DONATIONS!** Thanks to so many of our St. Denis parishioners for donating all sorts of beautiful Spring blooming bulbs for our Memorial to the Unborn Prayer Garden. Many of you made donations in the memory of a particular child who died before birth or in infancy. We hope that the burst of color that emerges from these bulbs in the Spring will be a reminder of God's love for these little ones. We know that each of these little ones was fearfully and wonderfully made by God. We hope that this prayer garden will be a place of prayer and reflection, and that all who visit it will grow in appreciation for the dignity of all human life.



**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 info call Allison Penkethman 732.528.4976

**MESSAGE FROM FR. BILL**

Next Sunday is the Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service. We will be hosting it at St. Denis Church at 7:00 p.m. Come and welcome our fellow Christian Sisters and Brothers from the area churches of the Ministerium (churches in the area of Brielle, Manasquan, Sea Girt, Spring Lake). We will pray together, giving thanks to God, "from whom all good things come." After the service we will have a time for fellowship, immediately following in the gathering space. It will be a great sign of our unity in Christ, as fellow disciples.

The Catholic Church in the United States celebrates National Vocations Awareness Week. This annual event is a special time for parishes in the United States to actively foster and pray for a culture of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life. Cardinal Joseph Tobin, the Chair of the US Bishops' Committee on Clergy, Consecrated Life, and Vocations, reminds us that each of us in the Church has a key role to play in the witness of our vocation in ordinary circumstances, "As we go about our everyday life and most especially this week, we must keep vocations in our prayers, while, at the same time, being a mindful witness with our own vocation. We may never know how our lives may have an impact on someone else's story. Simply living out our call as disciples of Jesus Christ fully and joyfully in the world bears witness to the love of Christ as He generously bestows on each of us our own personal call."

Join me in praying a prayer for vocations. And if anyone has a question about vocations, please contact me at the rectory. I'd be happy to talk with you and help you in understanding more about vocations in our Church.

*A Prayer for Vocations: O God, Father of all Mercies, Provider of a bountiful Harvest, send Your Graces upon those You have called to gather the fruits of Your labor; preserve and strengthen them in their lifelong service of You. Open the hearts of Your children that they may discern Your Holy Will; inspire in them a love and desire to surrender themselves to serving others in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Teach all Your faithful to follow their respective paths in life guided by Your Divine Word and Truth. Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, all the Angels, and Saints, humbly hear our prayers and grant Your Church's needs, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

**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!

**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 [abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org).





**SAINT DENIS  
THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE**

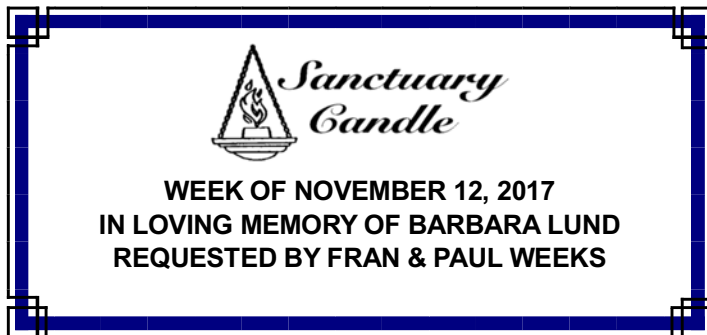
There will be one Mass only on  
Thanksgiving, celebrated at 8:30 am.

There will be no Mass on Friday, November 24th  
and no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Saint Denis Rectory Office will be closed  
Wednesday, November 22, Thursday, November 23  
& Friday, November 24.

The office will reopen Monday, November 27th

*Happy Thanksgiving!*



**WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12, 2017  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF BARBARA LUND  
REQUESTED BY FRAN & PAUL WEEKS**

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](http://www.churchofstdenis.org) and click on the "weekly bulletin" link.

**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.

**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](http://www.caregivervolunteers.org) for information.

**LIGHT A LIFE WALK OF REMEMBRANCE** to benefit Common Ground Grief Center, in collaboration with the Manasquan Chamber of Commerce, will take place Saturday, Nov. 25th (rain date-Dec. 2nd) in downtown Manasquan, 4-8 pm. Purchase a luminary for \$10 in memory of a special person and the name of that person will be written on the luminary. Luminaries will be lit and displayed along the streets of downtown Manasquan. Stroll the town between 4 & 8 pm to view the luminaries. Order forms can be found on the table in the Gathering Space of the church.

**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.



**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 – 3:30 PM

and

EVERY 3RD & 4TH SATURDAY:

10:00 AM-12:00 NOON

**Items needed at this time: chicken & beef broth, canned chicken, canned stews, vinegar, dry milk, canned potatoes and razors.** We are currently overstocked on canned beans, dry pasta, canned vegetables and soup (thank you). 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 still be brought to the Beach Chapel.** Please check the expiration dates of your donations, as we cannot use expired items. Thank you for your generosity!

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR LATE AFTER-NOON FOOD PANTRY HOURS. PLEASE CALL THE HOTLINE (732-223-1383) IF YOU CAN BE OF HELP.**

**ST. DENIS CHURCH  
SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**



For St. Vincent de Paul, true holiness meant that all of his decisions, plans, struggles and actions had to revolve around Jesus Christ. His own relationship with Jesus Christ developed in 3 stages. During his boyhood, his parents passed on their convictions about Jesus. Vincent believed, but not enough to move mountains. The second stage occurred in his 20's. A string of personal defeats and some sound spiritual direction caused Vincent to look deeply into himself. This encounter with Jesus moved him to rearrange the map of his life. Finally, as he became more involved in ministering to the poor, Vincent's life then revolved around the person of Jesus, whom he encountered in the poor, sick and homeless people.

In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges us—as He did St. Vincent to "stay awake" by taking time to seriously look at ourselves, the priorities of our lives and how we might look for opportunities to encounter Jesus through the poor.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society holds its meetings the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 7:00 pm in Msgr. O'Connor Hall. However, the first meeting in November will be Tuesday, November 14th. New members are always welcome!

**THE BIBLE TIMELINE SEMINAR WITH JEFF CAVINS-** Hundreds of thousands of people from all over the world have had their lives transformed by learning how to read and understand the Bible from a Catholic perspective with *The Bible Timeline Seminar*. Now, this popular Catholic Bible Seminar, part of *The Great Adventure Catholic Bible Study Series*, is coming to the Diocese of Trenton in a **LIVE presentation by Jeff Cavins HIMSELF!! The live "Bible Timeline Seminar" will be held on November 17th and 18th at Co-Cathedral of St. Robert, Bellarmine in Freehold.** You will discover how knowing the Bible Timeline can help you understand your story, the story of Scripture. Your faith will grow deeper from this experience because all of our faith springs from this amazing story! This will be a life changing event for you, for your family and friends. For more information and to register please contact Maria at (609) 403-7154 or email her at [mguzma@DioceseofTrenton.org](mailto:mguzma@DioceseofTrenton.org)

**CINDERELLA CHEESECAKE ORDERS** will be available for pick-up on Monday, Nov. 20th, 3:00-6:00 pm, in Msgr. O'Connor Hall. The Catholic Daughters thank all those who supported the sale.

**SAVE THE DATE:** December 2nd & 3rd -Annual CDA Christmas Flower & Wreath Sale after all Masses!

**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.

**THANK YOU** for your generous support on World Mission Sunday (10/22/17). Our parish raised \$3,784.00. While only some are called to go to the Missions to serve, all of us are called, by our Baptism, to support the Church's missionary work by our prayers and financial help. To continue answering the call visit [MISSIO.org](http://MISSIO.org).

**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT-** Next week, our second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over 46 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to lift themselves out of poverty. By supporting this collection you give people a hand up, not a hand out. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at [www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection).



**October 29, 2017**

Weekend Collection -	\$12,441.00
Average Envelope Donation -	\$24.06
Online Giving (10/5/17-11/8/17) -	\$8,999.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !**

**Recovery Corner**



Are You in AA or NA? If so, you may like our one-hour meeting at St. Denis where we study a 12-step Recovery Bible. It's the best-selling Recovery Bible out there and people in recovery LOVE IT because we know our higher power is Christ and we can grow closer to Him by reading His Word! Meetings are at 10:00 am in the school building AND 7:00 pm in Msgr. O'Connor Hall (St. Denis basement) on Thursdays. Call 848-333-7085 for more info.

**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.

**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.**

**VINCENT'S LEGACY HELPNG HANDS-** The Trenton Diocesan Council of the St. Vincent de Paul Society has launched an exciting initiative to provide gently used furniture and household goods to our neighbors in need called Vincent's Legacy. Its mission is to ensure every family has a comfortable, functioning home. Please visit its Crowd Source funding site, <https://youcaring.com/svdpVincentlegacy> to learn more about this important ministry and prayerfully consider a \$5 donation.

**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.



**CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR-** St. Dominic Church in Brick presents the renowned Orchestra by the Sea, conducted by Father Alphonse Stephenson on Friday, December 8, 2017 at 7:30 pm. Welcome the holiday season with the elegance and grace of Fr. Alphonse as he provides humorous and personal anecdotes perfectly tuned to the occasion. His 42-piece orchestra skillfully performs holiday classics with passion and precision that make this spectacular evening one not to be missed. For tickets (\$30 in advance, \$35 at the door) call 732-840-1410, Monday-Friday, 9:00 am-4:00 pm. Checks or cash only will be accepted.

**WORLD-RENOWNED PHILADELPHIA BOYS CHOIR & CHORALE IN CONCERT** will take place at Saint Rose Church in Belmar on Sunday, January 7, 2018 at 3:00 pm. Tickets will be available the weekend of Nov. 18 & 19 after all Masses at St. Rose as well as at the St. Rose Parish Office. Tickets are \$25/General Admission. \$50 VIP tickets include a pre-concert reception at the St. Rose Parish Rectory and VIP concert seating. Tickets would make the perfect Christmas gift! For more information call the St. Rose Parish Office at 732-681-0512.

**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, or call 609-882-9357.

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to **22828** to get started.



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**THE CENTER'S THANKSGIVING "BUILD A BASKET" EVENT-** Join us Saturday, Nov. 18th, 10:00 am-12:00 noon, to prepare Thanksgiving baskets for the folks at The Center in Asbury Park. The Center is a volunteer based New Jersey not-for-profit service organization, providing support services for people living with HIV/AIDS and their caregivers, located at 806 Third Ave. in Asbury Park. Please bring with you any items that might fill the basket for a Thanksgiving dinner. And of course a frozen turkey or canned ham will be appreciated. Donations can be dropped off before Nov. 18th. We need to build baskets for 300 clients who will depend upon us for a wonderful holiday. Please come for as much time as you can. If you need more information please call Patsy at 732-774-3416 (115) It's a great time to get into the holiday season together!

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