

HIS WORD TODAY
by Rev. William J. Reilly

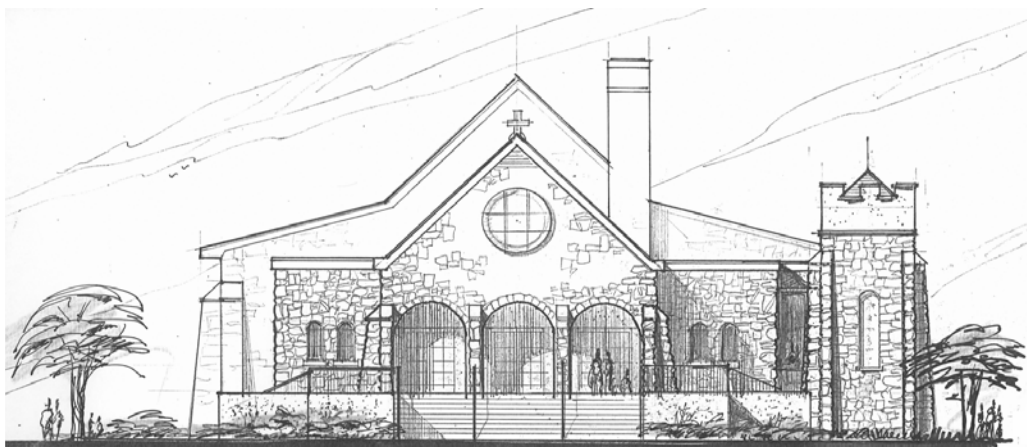
Second Sunday of Advent
December 10, 2017

“The Lord does not delay in keeping His promises, though some consider it ‘delay.’ Rather He shows you generous patience since He wants no one to perish but all to come to repentance... I send my messenger before you to prepare your way, a herald voice in the desert crying, ‘Make ready the way of the Lord clear him a straight path.’”

The letter of Peter and Isaiah’s message in the gospel of Mark, provide a wonderful opportunity to begin this second week of advent. Somehow it is easy, or convenient, to forget or presume why Jesus came two thousand years ago. A lost people needed a savior, to bring them back to union with their creator. He came, revealed the Father’s love for us and still invites us to respond to that love. Do I see my need today, and the needs of my family and our world?

Let’s face it, our messed up world needs a savior, not a political leader or powerful military strength, but someone to free us from sin and all that divides us, the barriers which keep us from growing in holiness, in grace, or love of God and neighbor. Advent invites us to focus on our need from the Lord today. Advent, the great time of hope and expectation calls us to make ready, the way of the Lord, to have Him into our hearts and the hearts of others.

‘Come Lord Jesus.’



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, December 9, 2017**

- 8:30 am Irene DeGenova by the DeGenova Family
 8:30 am Thomas Dinyovszky by Cass Gaska
 4:30 pm Jeff Raley by Maureen Birch
 4:30 pm Phyllis Misch by Cathy Wolfe

Sunday, December 10, 2017

- 8:00 am Joseph Justinic by Gordon Justin & Eleanor Fox
 8:00 am Nada Justinic by Gordon Justin & Eleanor Fox
 9:30 am Adrienne Kupselaitis by Dawn Burke & Family
 9:30 am Alfred Koepe by John & Eileen Gamberg
 10:00 am Bill Driscoll by his Family
 10:00 am Sister Anne Maureen by Sister Mary Elizabeth
 11:00 am For the People of the Parish

Monday, December 11, 2017

- 7:30 am Frank Prieth by his Daughter
 7:30 am Alice Brownlee by Daniel & Meghan McCarthy

Tuesday, December 12, 2017

- 7:30 am Lena Rhodes by Michele Blackwell
 7:30 am Emil & Anna Taborelli by the Family

Wednesday, December 13, 2017

- 7:30 am Joseph L. Fruscione
 by his Children & Grandchildren
 7:30 am Alan Harrington by his Family

Thursday, December 14, 2017

- 7:30 am Jacob Czajkowski by Eileen & Mike Mahoney
 7:30 am Joan Barrows by Victor & Bill Fleck

Friday, December 15, 2017

- 7:30 am Anthony & Catherine Rotonda by the Family
 7:30 am Joy Triggiano by the Byrne Family

Saturday, December 16, 2017

- 8:30 am Phyllis Misch by Erna O'Malley
 8:30 am Anita Matyas by her Family
 4:30 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, December 17, 2017

- 8:00 am Deceased of the Madio & Manzi Families
 8:00 am Edwin T. O'Connell by Edmund Boylan
 9:30 am George Perk, Jr. by his Family
 9:30 am Bernard Danese by his Wife, Lois
 10:00 am Sister Anne Maureen Lyons
 by the Sisters of Saint Joseph at Saint Rose Parish
 10:00 am Mary Coccozza by Mr. & Mrs. Louis Coccozza
 11:00 am Phyllis Misch by Sister Josephine Wade
 11:00 am Aurea Allen by the DeGenova Family

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 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, Claire Kessler, Siobhan Vuono, Linda Lowery, Kathy Perusi, Alan Singer, John Danczuk, Linda Custode, Marty Pirrong, Edward Romanko, Harold Hoppe, the Pilots, the Nesbitts and the Campbells.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED especially Michaeline Poland.



our military, especially Navy Lt. JG Rachael M. Honrath, Navy MIDN Nora N. Honrath, Army Captain Christopher Cauda, Army Captain Matthew Cauda, Navy LL. Edward P. Windas, Marine Lance Corporal Laura Licata, Contractor Benjamin Ostrow, Air Force Captain David Smith, Senior Airman John J. Kosequat, 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, Coast Guard FN Joseph Beattie, Navy CM 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.



Advent Happenings

Visit FORMED throughout Advent. Access is through our parish website.

- Dec. 9 St. Nicholas Festival in school building 5:30 pm
- Dec. 10 Christmas Carol Festival in St. Denis Church 3:00-4:00 pm
- Dec. 12 Advent Reflection in St. Denis Church 11:00 am and 7:00 pm *The Twelve Days of Christmas*
- Dec. 15 Advent Mommy & Me Get Together in school building 11:00 am
- Dec. 16 Advent Mommy & Me Get Together in school building 10:00 am
- Dec. 16 Youth Group Caroling at Sunnyside Manor 2:00 pm
- Dec. 19 Youth Group Christmas Movie Night 6:00-8:00 pm
- Dec. 19 Confessions with Adoration and Quiet Prayer in St. Denis Church 6:30-8:00 pm
- Dec. 20 Area Penance Services- St. Elizabeth Church in Avon at 3:00 pm and Holy Innocents Church in Neptune 7:00 pm

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE



Christmas Eve Masses

Sunday, December 24, 2017

St. Denis Church- 4:30 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm

Our Lady Star of the Sea Chapel- 5:00 pm

Christmas Day Masses

Monday, December 25, 2017

St. Denis Church- 9:30 am & 11:00 am

(No Masses at Our Lady Star of the Sea Chapel)

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Monday, January 1, 2018

St. Denis Church- 9:00 am

Please Note: On Sunday morning ,
December 24, 2017 (Fourth Sunday of Advent)
there will be no 11:00 am Mass,
only 8:00 am & 9:30 am in the Church
and 10:00 am in the Beach Chapel



OUR CHRISTMAS FLOWER COLLECTION

will be the second collection next weekend, December 16th & 17th. Envelopes have been provided in the monthly packets and are also available at the exits of the church and chapel. This is a wonderful way to honor our loved ones, both living and deceased. Your generosity will help us to beautifully decorate our church and chapel for the Christmas season.

A Message from Father Bill

As we move through our second half of the Advent Season, you will have seen on the calendar that the 4th Sunday of Advent falls on the 24th. This is a unique phenomenon. The Fourth Week of Advent is the shortest it can be – from Saturday evening to Sunday morning. So the 24th in the morning concludes Advent, and the afternoon begins Christmas Eve. This begs the question: How many times can we receive Holy Communion in a day? The answer is twice on a calendar day. So, you can go to Mass Sunday morning and then again Sunday evening, if that is how you wish to schedule your Sunday Worship and Holy Day of Christmas obligation. Just be aware that **the Sunday morning schedule on the 24th does not have the 11 am Mass**. So, to lay it out basically, you choose one Mass from “Column A” and one Mass from “Column B” to fulfill your responsibility to keep the celebrations of this time of year:

“Column A” – 4th Sunday of Advent

Sat. (23rd) 4:30pm (church)

Sun. (24th) 8 am (church)/ 9:30 am (church)/ 10 am (chapel)

“Column B” – Christmas

Sun. (24th) 4:30 pm (church)/ 5 pm (chapel)/

7pm (church)/10pm (church)

Mon. (25th) 9:30 am or 11 am (church)

Also, as you put up your Christmas Tree, I offer the prayer for blessing that you can do at home:

Lord our God, we praise You for the light of creation: the sun, the moon, and the stars of the night. We praise you for the light of Israel: the law, the prophets, and the wisdom of the Scriptures. We praise you for Jesus Christ, your Son: He is Emmanuel, God-with-us, the Prince of Peace, who fills us with the wonder of Your love. Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we illumine this tree. May the light and cheer it gives be a sign of the joy that fills our hearts. May all who delight in this tree come to the knowledge and joy of salvation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. R/. Amen. (The lights of the tree are then illuminated.)

The leader concludes the rite by signing himself or herself with the sign of the cross and saying: *May the God of glory fill our hearts with peace and joy, now and forever. R/. Amen.*

OPLATEK, the Christmas wafer, is available once again this year. If you wish to share in this Christmas tradition with your family, please stop by the rectory office during regular business hours. We once again thank Mileto Polish and Italian Gourmet from Point Pleasant for donating the Oplatek for our parishioners.

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.



ATTENTION PARISHIONERS—Please note that the Rectory Office will be closing at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, December 13, 2017. The office will reopen on Thursday, December 14, 2017 at 8:30 am.

A HOLIDAY REMEMBRANCE PROGRAM for those grieving this Christmas season, is sponsored by O'Brien Funeral Home, 2028 Highway 35 in Wall. It will take place on Saturday, December 16, 2017 at 1:00 pm at the funeral home. This special program includes the dedication of our tree and a candle lighting service. There is no fee, however, please bring a new and unwrapped toy to be donated in memory of your loved one. Seating is limited. Call 732-449-6900 for additional information and to reserve a seat for this special event.

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.

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.



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: pasta sauce, canned pasta meals, canned evaporated milk, small vegetable oil, tissues, mayonnaise, regular coffee, bar soap, sugar, male/female deodorant, shampoo, and body lotion. We are currently overstocked on dry pasta (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.

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



WEEK OF DECEMBER 10, 2017

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JOSEPHINE & JULIUS BOGDZIEWICZ
REQUESTED BY THEIR DAUGHTER

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT 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.

HEALING MASS—The Healing Shepherd Prayer Group of Holy Cross Church invites all to a special Healing Mass on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at Holy Cross Church, Ward Ave. and Rumson Road in Rumson at 8:00 pm. Rev. Alex Enriquez will be the celebrant. The next Healing Mass will be on January 22, 2018. For information call 732-345-8400.

CLOTHED WITH THE SUN... THE MYSTERIOUS IMAGE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE will be presented by Sharon Santos, MA at St. Martha Church in Point Pleasant on Sunday, December 10, 2017 at 6:00 pm. Come spend some time this Advent with the Mother of Our Lord.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Vincent's Legacy, the Trenton Diocese's SVdP Furniture Ministry, based in Wall, NJ is in need of able-bodied people to help pick up and deliver furniture and housewares in Monmouth and Ocean Counties, on the following Saturdays, 8:00 am– 12:00 noon: December 16, January 6, 13, & 20. If you have any questions, please call 609-557-7837. If interested, please go to www.volunteersignup.org/KMHMJ.

ST. DENIS CHURCH
SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



In today's Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to “Prepare the way of the Lord.” In this busy-sometimes frantic– time of year we are urged to stop and reflect on what it's all about. We are called again to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts and for our families, and by reaching out to those in need. Is there a family or a person you know who needs assistance? If so, have him or her call the St. Vincent de Paul hotline so that together we might help those in need to celebrate Christmas.

If you have an interest in joining or learning more about the SVdP Society, our meetings are the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm in Msgr. O'Connor Hall. New members are welcome.



ST. DENIS GIVING TREE— It is that time of the year again when we will engage in the spirit of giving. Our Giving Trees are displayed in the gathering space of the church and at the Beach Chapel. If you wish and are able to do so, please take an ornament and purchase the suggested gift. The offering is then to be returned with the ornament taped onto it.

Please do not wrap gifts. If you want to include a female veteran in your choice from the Giving Tree, some gift ideas are: house coats (zipper fronts)-sizes medium or large, long sleeve knit shirts-sizes medium or large, pastel color cardigans-sizes medium or large, fleece tops-sizes medium or large, and perfume. If you have any questions please call Sister Josephine at 732-292-0772. All gifts are to be returned on the weekend of December 16 & 17, with the exception of the VNA gifts, which should be returned this weekend, December 9 & 10. Gifts can be returned to the church or the chapel. Thank you.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS, COURT ST. DENIS members will conduct our December meeting while enjoying a Christmas luncheon at Due Amici Restaurant in Brielle on Thursday, December 14, 2017 at 12:00 noon. CDA, Court St. Denis thanks all our parishioners and friends who supported the Christmas Wreath & Flower sale last weekend. We are very grateful to Fr. Bill, Deacon Gary and the students who helped with the sale. Merry Christmas!

YOUTH GROUP NEWS- Our next meeting for Youth Group is Christmas Caroling at Sunnyside Manor on Saturday, December 16 from 2:00-3:00 pm. Join the fun. Please be dropped off and picked up at Sunnyside Manor. When you arrive at the huge place, go to the right side entrance and look for Father Bill: 2500 Ridgewood Road, Wall Pre-Christmas fun next on Tuesday, the 19th from 6:00-8:00 pm... Christmas Movie Night with hot cocoa and popcorn! Come comfy and bring your sleeping bag as we “Camp-In” and enjoy this “night before Christmas”...get it?!

St. Denis Elizabeth Ministry MOMMY & ME GROUP- Parents/grandparents, are invited to help us create a playgroup at St Denis for children 4-years-old and younger. Please join us in the St. Denis School Building for **Mommy & Me Advent get-togethers on Friday, December 15th at 11:00 am or Saturday, December 16th at 10:00 am.** While the children play and work on an Advent activity, we will discuss ideas for the future of the playgroup including frequency of get-togethers, starting a Facebook group, potential activities or any other thoughts you may have for getting together. SEE YOU THERE!!!!!! **For more information, please contact Eileen at (732) 223-0287**

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.

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.

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

ROCKIN’ AT RAFTS HOLIDAY DANCE—Join us on Saturday, December 30, 2017, 7:00-10:00 pm for a sober social. There will be food, a DJ, and dancing. The dance will take place at the RAFTS headquarters, 67 Atlantic Ave. in Manasquan No smoking is allowed on the property. Sponsored by RAFTS (Recovery Advocates for the Shore)

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.**

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



St. Denis Parish Junior Choir News
All youth from 2nd grade through high school are welcome to join the St. Denis Junior Choir. All music and materials will be provided. Come to a practice and have fun singing with us!
Upcoming practice dates:
(Wednesday evenings, in St. Denis church)
December 13, 2017 6:30-7:15pm
December 20, 2017 6:30-7:15pm
For more information, please contact: Caroline Woodrow at (732) 513-0108 or by email: carolinenj@aol.com
New members are always welcome!

THE CENTER IN ASBURY PARK 2017 HOLIDAY ORNAMENT- Once again The Center in Asbury Park is offering its holiday ornament. It is a great gift for your family and friends and your purchase will help support The Center. The ornament is a beautiful ceramic 3 1/4' X 2 1/4" oval, proclaiming Hope, Faith, Courage & Strength. The red ribbon in the center of the ornament is internationally recognized as a symbol of the struggle around HIV/AIDS. It is a symbol of solidarity and a commitment to the fight against HIV/AIDS. Each ornament sells for \$20, which includes shipping and handling. To order, stop by The Center in Asbury Park or shop its website thecenterinap.org. For questions email cshanon@thecenterinap.com or phone 732-774-3416 X121.

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 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 CHARITIES, MONMOUTH COUNTY, REACHES OUT! Our Outreach Services support local families, children, and singles in need. We make holiday gifts and baskets, distribute back-to-school supplies, and organize coat and food drives. Learn more about what we do and how you can help. Your time and talent, great or small, can make a difference. For more information call Mary Lee at 732-241-5841 or email Mary at mlee502@gmail.com.

CAREGIVER VOLUNTEERS OF CENTRAL JERSEY INTERFAITH COALITION- HELPING OLDER MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND CONGREGATION There are many older people living in our parish...in our neighborhood...who are in need of a little help to continue living with dignity and independence at home. **If you can spare just a few hours a week**, you can be involved in this ministry. **Call and find out more... For info contact the Caregiver office at 732-876-3900 or www.caregivervolunteers.org.**

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. 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.

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.

THE UPPER ROOM SPIRITUAL CENTER IN NEPTUNE PRESENTS:

Advent Taize Prayer- Come for a refreshing evening of communal contemplative prayer using the beautiful chants of the Taize community. This Advent evening of prayer will include... psalm singing, Scripture readings, silence, and prayer at the crèche. Presenters: Faithful Love Music Group
Date: Monday, 12/11/17 Time: 7:30 pm-9:00 pm Fee: Free will offering

Centering Prayer- Come to learn and pray with Fr. Thomas Keating (DVD) as he leads us deeper into our center and transformation in Christ. Facilitator: Sun Sprigs Date: Tuesday, 12/12/17 Time: 10:00 am-2:00 pm Fee: \$35-\$50 sliding scale (continental breakfast & light lunch included)

Men's Spirituality Discussion Group- Our desire is to grow in spirit and move closer to God by generating loving, supportive discussions on all things spiritual. The meeting will begin with a brief prayer, a passage from Scripture, spiritual books, an article, or a song lyric that will initiate the discussion. Facilitator: Jack Hudak Date: Wednesday, 12/13/17 Time: 7:30 pm-9:00 pm Fee: \$10

To register for an event or for more information, please call the Upper Room at 732-922-0550.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED-Volunteer with "The Barn for the Poorest of the Poor". Deliver food to Mother Teresa's soup kitchens and the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal's shelters as well as local charities in Monmouth County:
*Drive to NYC once a month on Tuesday to deliver to 4 stops. Leave at 5:00 pm and return by 11:00 pm. A passenger is also needed. *A backup driver is needed for a Plainfield/Newark run once a month on Wednesday. Leave at 5:00 pm, return by 9:00 pm. A passenger is also needed. *Be a backup for supermarket pickups at 10:00 am once a month. *Other opportunities are also available. Reply to BARNFORTHEPOOR@GMAIL.COM

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Receive our newsletter and event notifications!

Text

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to **22828** to get started.



Message and data rates may apply.

NEARY-QUINN FUNERAL HOME

~ Serving Saint Denis Parish ~

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