

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
January 29, 2023

“Consider your own calling, brothers and sisters. Not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. Rather, God chose the foolish of this world to shame the wise, and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong, and God chose the lowly and despised of the world, those who count for nothing, to reduce to nothing those who are something, so that no human being might boast before God.”

Imagine opening a letter, or as the Corinthians, listening to the reading of a letter, offering such ideas. Would we not rather hear something positive? But as we reread this message, we find Paul reflecting the teaching of the beatitudes of the Sermon on the Mount - probably before Matthew's gospel was written.

It is due to him that we are in Christ Jesus, offering us His wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption. That is what really matters. Take no offence in Paul's description and in your prayer, thank God that He chose you.



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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: Saturdays, 3:30-4:15 pm & by appointment.

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. 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, January 28, 2023**

8:30 am Oscar Sumanga, Sr. by St. Denis Parish
 8:30 am Phillip Bersch by the Cafone Family
 8:30 am Lucia Duddy by the Cinelli Family
 4:30 pm Rose & John Cafone, Sr. by their Children
 4:30 pm Alice Brady & Mary Hanley
 by Elaine & Marcelo Parra
 4:30 pm Bobby Patterson by Chris & Ed Mutch

Sunday, January 29, 2023

8:00 am For the People of the Parish
 9:30 am Bill Wolfe by his Wife
 9:30 am Mary Dolan
 by Thomas & Maureen Hughes & Family
 9:30 am Ray Lewandowski
 by Thomas & Maureen Hughes & Family
 10:00 am Philip Farmer by Barbara Moschetto
 10:00 am Peter Casazza by Brian & Kyle Morse
 10:00 am Joseph Farina by the Remy Family

Monday, January 30, 2023

7:30 am Michael Gabler by JoAnn Korb
 7:30 am Dennis Walker by Maryann Crowe
 7:30 am John Spilman by Lois McKeon

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

7:30 am James M. Crowe by Maryann
 7:30 am Dominick DeStefano by his Family
 7:30 am Cecilia Calisin by St. Denis Parish

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

7:30 am Maria Neves by Linda & Brian Lowery
 7:30 am Joseph A. Furmari by Torill Mikalsen O'Brien
 7:30 am Martin Holmes by Patty & Greg Kile

Thursday, February 2, 2023

No Mass

Friday, February 3, 2023

7:30 am Alan Ernst by Cindy & Scott Ernst
 7:30 am James McConnell by Janet Kenny
 7:30 am Louis Calantoni by St. Denis Parish

Saturday, February 4, 2023

8:30 am Timothy O'Connor
 by the Weinbel/LoSchiavo Family
 8:30 am Bill Griffith by the Kile Family
 8:30 am Patricia Brunner by Michael Brunner
 4:30 pm Robert White by Philip & Maureen White
 4:30 pm Nicoletta Messina by Eileen Wade
 4:30 pm George Leonard by Sean & Mary Ellen Boyle

Sunday, February 5, 2023

8:00 am For the People of the Parish
 9:30 am Ann Lingle by her Sister
 9:30 am Irene Cauda by Gloria Smith
 9:30 am William Pavincich by Mary Kellenberger
 10:00 am Joe Lyttle by Barbara Lyttle
 10:00 am Peter Casazza by Mary Gleason
 10:00 am Diane Flood by Carol Rizzi

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT takes place every First Friday, 12-1 pm in the church. We look forward to the beautiful prayer of presence with our Lord.

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 Andrich, 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, 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, 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, Leanna Rawson, Nannette Forkan, Nicole Giambrone, Lisa Dunfee, Albert J. Cifelli, Stanley Bevan, Windell Rainey, Sadie Svenson, Barbara Magda, Paul Tuyp, Nancy Murphy, Bernadette Bevan, Teresa Hayes, Jeanne Hayes, Irene Hayes, Ronnie Micciulla, Cindy Tomkins, Joseph Fiamingo, Baby Colton Gardella, Catherine Kelleher, 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, Joan Lipscomb, Baby Lucy, Stephen Whyte, Christine Fields, Chris Faraca, Gordon Justin, Jim Kazenmayer, Frank Meidenbauer, Sean Campbell, Joel Rivera, Jimi Hood, Al Ricciardi, Eileen Beesley, Beverly Heinz, Pauline Naturile, Haley Keating, Bill Koch, Doris Abruzzo, Sandy Heitner, Joseph Pastore, Christine Coburn, Julianna Grusso, Frank Dugan, Lori Hurd, Lois Borton, William Liao, Marylee Monsell, Norma Friel, Tony Picinich, the Borgias, Patricia Wolfe, Marian Keefe, Elizabeth Clos, Gail Fallon, Lois Brookes, Andrew Chermak, Mark Clarkin, Duane Danish, Werner Ziesmer, Thomas P. Coyle, Constance & Hugh Doherty, Jim Trischitta, Regina Kiesche, Colleen Nielsen, Mary Carstens-Lockenmeyer, Rob & Katie Spawn, Jack Noble, Jim Racioppi, Sondra Thompson, Barbara Liggett, Gerald O'Keefe, Jimmy Conrey, Norma Summers, Vera Raffetto, Bobbie Banks-Grove, Margaret Mullin, Johnny Gondek, Celina Koch, Marilyn Woerner, Diane Padluck, Theresa Sergel, Joan Harriman, Sharon Goettle, Rick Constrisciano, Barbara Cabrera, Linda Wynd, Katherine Geiger, Christopher Schwartz, Paul Gearing, Butch Wright, Carmine Basile, the Nesbitt Family, the Slotnick Family, and the Campbell Family.



**WEEK OF JANUARY 29, 2023
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
EDWARD LYONS
REQUESTED BY HIS WIFE**

MASS INTENTIONS for the weekend, as well as the coming week, can be found on our parish website on Friday mornings www.churchofstdenis.org

SAINT DENIS ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY members will meet in the church on Sunday, February 5, 2023 at 9:00 am for recitation of the Rosary and the 9:30 a Mass. We will also meet on Tuesday, February 7, 2023 in the Parish Center at 12:00 pm for a business meeting. Please bring your lunch and dessert will be supplied. All are welcome.

ST. DENIS MEN'S GROUP is a faith study group for Catholic men at the Jersey Shore, coordinated from St. Denis Parish. The group meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month in the Parish Center, from 6-7 pm. For more information contact the St. Denis rectory at 732-223-0287.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – The Knights of Columbus is dedicated to the mission of our Holy Mother Church starting here, in our parish and our community. We are a fraternity of Catholic men united in charity and patriotism. If you miss fraternity life and want to get out and join with others in charity and Catholic brotherhood, join us. To learn more please call the rectory office.

ST. MARK'S YOUTH GROUP – AN INVITATION–Teens are invited to join a high school youth group at our neighboring parish of St. Mark, Sea Girt. They meet on Sunday nights at 7:30 pm. There are always lots of games, service opportunities, food, and friendly high school students from our local area.



especially Navy Lt. Rachael M. Honrath, Navy LS3 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

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Please join the women of Walking with Purpose for Adoration, Opportunity for Reconciliation and Discussion, "How Can I Conquer My Fears?" Tuesday, January 31, 6:30 pm-9 pm, St. Denis Parish Center (School Cafeteria). For more information about Walking with Purpose, go to: www.wwpnjshore.com

CURSILLO is all about building long-term Christ-centered relationships with God and others through prayer and a focus on authentic Christian living. For information contact trentoncursillo@gmail.com or 609-396-8447 x14.

LET US PRAY TO END COVID AND VIOLENCE IN THE WORLD with the Holy Innocents Rosary Group, Monday through Friday at 10:00 am online or by phone. Please contact Kathy Lynch at kathy.lynych65@gmail.com for more details. It is easy to join by phone or she can assist you to access the group via video teleconference.

THE BELMAR/LAKE COMO ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE– The Parade Committee is holding a dinner dance celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the parade at Spring Lake Manor, Spring Lake Heights, on February 11, 2023. Reservations are required by February 1. For ticket info call the rectory office at 732-223-0287. The Parade Committee will hold its Investiture Mass on Saturday, March 4th, at 10:00 am at St. Rose Church, Belmar. Bishop David O'Connell will be officiating. Chip Cavanagh, Parade Chairman, will be invested as the Grand Marshal of the 50th Anniversary of the Parade. The Mass will also be remembering the parade's founders. A luncheon will be held following the Mass at Taylor Pavilion, Belmar. Reservations are required. Please join us on this great day! The 50th Anniversary Parade will be kicking off on March 5, 2023, beginning on Main Street in Lake Como and will continue through Belmar. All are welcome!

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.

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**



CALLING ALL ADULTS IN NEED OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Along with Baptism and Holy Communion, the Sacrament of Confirmation is part of the three Sacraments of Initiation into the Church. There are many reasons that people might not have had the chance to be confirmed, but that does not mean they should not be confirmed.

Any Roman Catholic adult who has been baptized and received Holy Communion but is still in need of the Sacrament of Confirmation should contact Fr. Bill at the rectory by February 6th so that we can begin preparations for the Sacrament at this year's celebration of the Easter Vigil (8 April).

LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS – Those in need of these specially approved Communion hosts at Mass are invited to receive from the priest. Look for the small cup attached to the priest's ciborium, in order to receive the sacramental Body of Christ with a low-gluten host.

HELP AT MASS: PROJECTIONISTS- We have a need for volunteers to help with the projection of lyrics and prayers at Mass. This is a great service opportunity for students and a chance for parents and children to work together. You can choose your Mass and the frequency of volunteering. Contact the office for training with Deacon Gary.

THE MONITOR MAGAZINE– HAVE YOU SUBSCRIBED YET? The Monitor Magazine and TrentonMonitor.com offer food for your faith journey throughout the year. Subscriptions options start at \$15 for a year of full digital access...Or, for \$25, get full digital access and home delivery of the magazine. Order your subscription via a convenient and secure web page... dioceseoftrenton.org/monitor-subscriptions.

COASTAL HABITAT FOR HUMANITY runs on volunteer power. We offer a variety of opportunities and a flexible schedule. We would love to have you join our team. To learn more call 732-898-4094. Coastal Habitat for Humanity is located at 1105 Memorial Drive in Asbury Park. Please shop, donate or volunteer.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES –YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE- Are you interested in helping your neighbors in need in Monmouth County? At Catholic Charities, we rely on the time, talent, energy and passion of volunteers to keep our mission moving forward. To make a difference in the lives of children, adults, and families in our county, contact us for information at Hollis Painting: hpainting@cctrenton.org



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
3rd & 4th Saturdays of the month: 10AM–12 noon

This week's needed items :

Laundry detergent, dish detergent, toilet paper

Thank you.



BLESSING OF THE THROATS- On February 3rd we celebrate the Feast of St. Blasé. This year, as it falls on a Friday, there will be the traditional blessing of the throats after the 7:30 am Mass. We will have a general blessing at the end of all Masses next weekend and then people are invited to stay after for individual blessings with the holy candles.

RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND, February 3–5, 2023

Stress in your marriage? Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking about it only make it worse? RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is February 3 – 5, 2023. All inquiries are confidential. Please email 3024@helpourmarriage.org for information.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO ENSURE THE PROTECTION OF RELIGIOUS LIBERTY AT HOME AND ABROAD?

Text the word "freedom" to 377377 for updates from the bishops on current threats to religious liberty. Please visit www.usccb.org/freedom for info on religious liberty.

"In every change, in every falling leaf there is some pain, some beauty. And that's the way new leaves grow."



ST. DENIS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

If you are experiencing the loss of someone in your life we welcome you to join with others who are bereaved to share in your loss. Through mutual sharing with guidance this series will offer support, prayer and work on answering questions about loss, grief, coping and potential for renewal of self and hope.

Join us on: Thursdays

Morning Sessions: 10-11 am at the Rectory Office

Contact Eileen Ziesmer at (732) 223-0287 or

eileenziesmer@gmail.com to let us know you plan to attend or with any questions! All are welcome!

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



The Gospels often ask us to have faith in God and that He will help us to know the right path to take. In choosing a path to help, He does not ask us about ability but only our *availability*; and, if we prove our dependability, He will increase our *capability* to do good. God often doesn't call the "most qualified", He qualifies the "called".

The volunteers of St. Vincent de Paul, who come from many diverse backgrounds, know only so well how true this is.

To learn more about helping those in need, come to the Society's next meeting on Thursday, February 16th at 7 pm in the Parish Center.

If you need assistance, please call the hotline at 732-223-1383.

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER BILL

Every priest has a Masters of Divinity Degree, which is a general degree covering all facets of the Catholic Faith; namely, Sacred Scripture, Systematic Theology (all about the Creed), Moral Theology, and Pastoral Theology (liturgy, canon law, and spirituality). I try to cover all these areas, but know that I concentrate on some more than others. This week, I wish to share a teaching on Catholic Social Teaching. I write this so that we can live up to our call and responsibility as faithful citizens. Our voice, as Catholics who live in the United States of America, regarding issues for the common good, must be a strong voice rooted in truth and guided by the principles of Catholic Social Teaching. (We must resist 'opinion-as-truth.')

The Church teaches: Catholic social teaching is a central and essential element of our faith. Catholic social teaching emerges from the truth of what God has revealed to us about God. We believe in the triune God whose very nature is communal and social. ... God reveals God's self to us as one who is not alone, but rather as one who is relational, one who is Trinity. Therefore, we who are made in God's image share this communal, social nature. We are called to reach out and to build relationships of love and justice.

Catholic social teaching is based on and inseparable from our understanding of human life and human dignity. Every human being is created in the image of God and redeemed by Jesus Christ and therefore is invaluable and worthy of respect as a member of the human family. Every person, from the moment of conception to natural death, has inherent dignity and a right to life consistent with that dignity. Human dignity comes from God, not from any human quality or accomplishment. Our commitment to the Catholic social mission must be rooted in and strengthened by our spiritual lives. In our relationship with God, we experience the conversion of heart that is necessary to truly love one another as God has loved us.

There are several key themes that are at the heart of our Catholic Social Tradition and I have added an insert to this bulletin with a list of these themes. I ask you to take some time to read them and see their importance. Remind yourself of these principles as you encounter your everyday life and the news and what people are saying and look to employ them in your decision making. In this way we are being faithful disciples and faithful citizens.

I ask you to go to the United States Catholic Bishops website (uscbb.org) and also sign up for the news alerts for all things Social Justice that are being decided upon by our elected officials. And, as always, I ask you to visit Humanlifeaction.org to learn specifically about pro-life issues and click on "Take Action" to sign up for news alerts and to contact our elected officials with our Catholic voices. We have the responsibility to educate ourselves on issues and recall the importance of *Natural Human Law* – the ability of humans to discern right from wrong using reason (not emotion) – the law on which our country was founded. We have the responsibility to look to the moral teachings of the Church, not as opinions, but as rationale applications of our faith based on the fundamental revelation of God as our Father, who cares for us and wants what is best for us at every moment of our lives.

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. Call 732-359-8434 for more information.

EVENING BIBLE STUDY–The Church of Epiphany will be hosting an Evening Bible Study, *The Prophets*, part of the Great Adventure Bible Series from Ascension Press. The study consists of written commentary, a workbook, discussion questions and DVD teachings. It will begin Monday, February 13th in the All Purpose Room (which is attached to the church) and then continue for 9 weeks until May 1st. The group meets Monday evenings from 7:15-8:45 pm. Registration forms are available in the Epiphany parish office or by emailing bytheshore1947@gmail.com. There is a \$30 fee which covers the cost of your workbook.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: February 24-26, 2023 Looking for the perfect gift for your spouse? Why not give yourselves a Marriage Encounter Weekend. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held February 24 – 26, 2023. Please apply ASAP as space is limited. Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco). Visit us at: www.wvme.org for more information.

ONLINE GIVING– To help support our parish more easily we offer online giving! For information or to sign up, go to our parish Website www.churchofstdenis.org and click on "Online Giving".

NEXT WEEK'S 2ND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS. This collection will give helpful grants to dioceses across the country to operate schools, parishes, and other missionary services that build the Body of Christ in Native American, Alaska Native, and Black Catholic communities. Your prayers and generosity are appreciated. **PLEASE NOTE: The envelope you received for this collection is mistakenly marked February 26. Please use this envelope. We are sorry for the confusion!**



January 15, 2023

Weekly Collection- \$8,732.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !

2022 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you wish to receive a statement of your 2022 contributions, please complete and return this form to the rectory by way of the collection basket or by mail (attention: Betsy). You may also email your request to st.denis@verizon.net or call 732-223-0287.

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone number _____

Email address _____

(if you would like to receive your statement via email)

Do you also need a statement from our St. Vincent de Paul Society?

Yes _____ No _____

ST. CATHARINE SCHOOL, SPRING LAKE-Mrs. White, principal of St. Catharine School, would like to cordially invite anyone interested in having their children attend St. Catharine School for September 2023 enrollment to join us for the following events. **Sunday, January 29th** ~ Coffee and tours of St. Catharine School at 11:20 am and 11:40 am. **Wednesday, February 1st** ~ Open House for current and prospective families from 8:30 am to 11:00 am. **Thursday, February 2nd** ~ Showcase of Student Work and Information Session for new parents from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. **Friday, February 3rd** ~ First Friday Mass beginning at 9:00 am. Please visit our website: <https://stcatharineschool.net> for detailed information on our admission procedure. Applications for all grades, Pre-Kindergarten 3 Program to 8th, will be accepted through Wednesday, February 15th.

SAINT PETER SCHOOL, POINT PLEASANT is hosting an Open House on Sunday January 29, 2023! No registration is necessary. Can't make it to Sunday's Open House? We are offering tours the following Monday, January 30 from 9 AM to 10 AM. Visit our website to learn more about Saint Peter School: <https://www.stpschool.org/>

ARE YOU A WOMAN RETURNING TO COLLEGE? Scholarships are available from the Woman's Club of Spring Lake. Eligibility for scholarship consideration by the Woman's Club of Spring Lake is open to female residents of Monmouth County who have had an interruption in their education, who are now seeking an initial associate's or bachelor's degree and who are currently enrolled or newly registered at an accredited two or four year institution. Applications and information are available on the scholarship page: www.womansclubofspringlake.org. Applications are due by April 1, 2023.

BON VOYAGE FUNDRAISER FOR THE HENRY B. KING MEDICAL BRIGADE

The Henry B. King Medical Brigade serves the poor and sick of Honduras. There will be fundraiser to aid their mission on Saturday, February 11, 2023 at River Rock Restaurant & Marina from 12-4 pm. The cost: pre-sale-\$60, at the door- \$65, and children at the door-\$10. Donations of vitamins, hats and toys are also greatly appreciated. For more information please contact Scot-tyabercrombie@gmail.com. To make a monetary donation please go to <https://www.gofundme.com/f/Henry-B-King-Brigade-2022>.



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL SCHOOL 50/50 RAFFLE

This is a 50/50 cash raffle and the winner will receive 50% of the amount received for all tickets. Drawing: February 3, 2023 at 7:30 PM at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Center in Asbury Park. Proceeds will be devoted to the support of OLMC PTA. No substitution of the offered prize may be made. Price \$100- \$5,000 Cash Prize- \$100 per ticket. Only 100 tickets will be sold. For more information on purchasing tickets, please call the school office at 732-775-8989.

THE DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE is a gathering for ALL teens in the 8-12th grades of the Diocese of Trenton. It is an exciting day filled with great music, powerful talks, fun service projects and more! Most importantly it is a chance to connect with other Catholics teens beyond your parish or school and grow in your faith! Registration is open to all teens in 8th-12th grade, along with adult chaperones. Please arrive between 9:30 and 10am for check in/ pre-conference fun! See below for more information.

DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE

Connected

"then your light shall break forth like the dawn."
Isaiah 58:8-12

SATURDAY
02.04.23

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