

## HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord April 2, 2023

“And if anyone should say anything to you, reply, ‘the Master has need of them.’... Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not deem equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.”

Interesting the statement ‘the Master has need of them.’ There is a reversal of roles, for God does not need us, but we have a never ending need of Him. That is why we begin the solemn week, not for His sake, but for ours.

We embark on a week we call holy, but through our prayer, sacrifice and action, we make these days truly holy. As I reflect upon the words of Paul, a hymn of the early church, I am forced to consider how great was the Father’s love in sending Jesus as our needed Savior and as He poured out His blood for us, He gave it all, because we needed it. He became one of us, except for sin, to rescue us and bring us back to the Father, who was and is waiting for us to respond. The reversal of roles also includes the fact the ‘Master has need of us’ to continue His mission. Are you ready?



# CHURCH OF ST. DENIS

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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](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, April 1, 2023

8:30 am Frances Manning by Susan Schenker  
 8:30 am Ruth Connolly by MCW  
 8:30 am Louis Accaria by Angela & Rick Testa  
 4:30 pm Theodore & Lillian Prospero by their Son  
 4:30 pm Shirley Ann Anderson by the Voelksen Family  
 4:30 pm Ellen Visone by Chris & Ed Mutch

### Sunday, April 2, 2023-Palm Sunday

8:00 am For the People of the Parish  
 9:30 am George Taylor by Rose Taylor  
 9:30 am John DeGenova by his Family  
 9:30 am Michael Gabler by Carol Rizzi  
 10:00 am James Schneider by Mr. & Mrs. Carl Casazza  
 10:00 am Veronica Lehman by Eileen & Jim Rochford  
 10:00 am The Sorrentino Family by Bernice Arena

### Monday, April 3, 2023

7:30 am Michael Gabler by the DeGenova Family  
 7:30 am Al Lederie by Tom & Gerri Bleach  
 7:30 am Sara Coughlin by Carolyn McCreesh

### Tuesday, April 4, 2023

7:30 am Leon Madden by the Jacobus Family  
 7:30 am Patricia Brunner by Phil Brunner  
 7:30 am Jesus Nahmias by Tom Reid

### Wednesday, April 5, 2023

7:30 am Jerry Ward by Patrick Lewis  
 7:30 am Mae Parcaro by Mona Kirk  
 7:30 am Martin Freeman by his Wife, Joanne Freeman

### Thursday, April 6, 2023- Holy Thursday

7:00 pm William Pavincich by Betsy & Jim Rice  
 7:00 pm Michael Gabler by Phil & Denise Cahill  
 7:00 pm Dennis Fitzgerald

### Friday, April 7, 2023- Good Friday

No Mass- 3 pm Service

### Saturday, April 8, 2023- Holy Saturday

7:30 pm For the People of the Parish

### Sunday, April 9, 2023- Easter Sunday

8:00 am Marie R. Crowe by Maryann  
 8:00 am Teresa Brennan by Marilyn & Bob Healey  
 8:00 am Intentions of MCW  
 9:30 am William Bresnahan by his Family  
 9:30 am Michael Gabler by Eileen & Werner Ziesmer  
 9:30 am David Smith by Gloria Smith  
 10:00 am Nicholas Sciarappa by his Family  
 10:00 am Peggy Matthews by the Lewis Family  
 10:00 am Matthew Trengrove by his Family  
 11:00 am John & Jack Kolon by Kay Kolon  
 11:00 am Jacqueline Varygiannes by her Family  
 11:00 am George Thomas Brown, Sr. by the Grassi Family

**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.

**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.

**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!



especially Doris Abruzzo, Maiya Andrews, Velma Andrews, Peggy Andrich, Vincent Azzollini, Baby Lucy, Bobbie Banks-Grove, Edith Bean, Eileen Beesley, Belle & Ashton, Bernadette Bevan, Stanley Bevan, Joseph Bick, Lois Borton, Holly Boyd, Cathleen Brenner, Borgias Family, Lois Brookes, Karen Brown, Eileen Byrne, Stephen Byrne, Barbara Cabrera, Campbell Family, Sean Campbell, Mary Carstens-Lockenmeyer, Amanda Castro, Andrew Chermak, Albert J. Cifelli, Mark Clarkin, Elizabeth Clos, Christine Coburn, Mary Collins, Mary Conlon, Jimmy Conrey, Rick Constrisciano, Thomas P. Coyle, Linda Custode, Mary Damico, Duane Danish, Lauren Davis, Rose DeMarco, Constance & Hugh Doherty, Frank Dugan, Lisa Dunfee, Thomas Evans, Thomas Fahey, Gail Fallon, Chris Faraca, Joseph Fiamingo, Christine Fields, Steve Ford, Nannette Forkan, Denise Frank, Norma Friel, Baby Colton Gardella, Paul Gearing, Katherine Geiger, Nicole Giambrone, Sharon Goettle, Johnny Gondek, Baby Kelly Grace, Phillip Graceffa, Julianna Grusso, Angeline Hart, Irene Hayes, Jeanne Hayes, Teresa Hayes, Thomas Hayes Jr, Beverly Heinz, Sandy Heitner, Katie Holbrook, Jimi Hood, Lori Hurd, Baby Cayden Joseph, Gordon Justin, Eugene Karpinski, Jim Kazenmayer, Haley Keating, Marian Keefe, Catherine Kelleher, Robert Kelleher, Regina Kiesche, Bill Koch, Tanner Koch, Bridget Korn, Christopher Kurtanick, William Liao, Barbara Liggett, Elizabeth Ann Linden, Joan Lipscomb, Nick Ljuljana, Frank Lopez, Linda Lowery, Barbara Magda, Ed McCullough, Michael McGonigle, Helen McGowan, Michael McNulty, Claire Meachum, Frank Meidenbauer, Nair Messias, Ronnie Micciulla, Baby Evelyn Mizer, Marylee Monsell, Mary Moran, Elizabeth Morgan, Margaret Mullin, Nancy Murphy, Christine Mutch, Pauline Naturile, Nesbitt Family, Jack Noble, Jennifer Noble, Neil O'Callaghan, Catherine O'Connor, Sue O'Connor, Gerald O'Keeffe, Diane Padluck, Wes Pal, Dolores Palmisano, Joanne Panzarella, Joseph Pastore, Charlotte Pentek, Tony Picinich, Mike Pierce, Lisa Pirrello, Marty Pirrong, Samara Pirrong, Timothy Michal Przywara, Vera Raffetto, Windell Rainey, Leanna Rawson, Al Ricciardi, Joel Rivera, Taryn Rotondi, Christina Roundtree, Christian Russo, Donna Schwear, Theresa Sergel, Slotnick Family, Rob & Katie Spawn, Susan Suagee, Norma Summers, Sadie Svenson, Marie Tashjian, Sondra Thompson, Cindy Tomkins, Jim Trischitta, Paul Tuyp, Phyllis Van Salders, Riley Veazey, Dee Vulgaris, Siobhan Vuono, Stephen Whyte, Kathy Wicks, Karen Williams, Marilyn Woerner, Patricia Wolfe, Albert Wood, Butch Wright, Linda Wynd, and Werner Ziesmer.





**Ladies, you can join us at any time!**

Our WWP community is comprised of women, just like you. We strive to learn more about our faith and understand how the teachings of Jesus Christ can be relative to our everyday lives.

Together we create an authentic community that laughs, learns, grows, and loves one another.

We offer two day/time options for our gatherings:  
Tuesday evenings, 7:30-9pm or Wednesdays, 12:15-2pm.  
We meet at the St. Denis Parish Center (school building).

**ST. DENIS ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY** members will meet in the church on Sunday, April 2, 2023 for recitation of the rosary and the 9:30 am Mass. We will meet on Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at noon for a business meeting. Bring your lunch and dessert will be provided. All women of the Parish 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.



Our Parish Seafood and Chips Dinner that was held on Friday, March 24th was a tremendous success thanks to many helpers. Everyone enjoyed the delicious food that was prepared by Jimmy's Cucina in Brielle. We are grateful to the parishioners who brought desserts to share.

Thanks to the many volunteers who made sure that all in attendance had a nice time. A special thank you goes to our Pastoral Associate, Eileen Ziesmer for coordinating this fun event.



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. Nik-

kole 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 Capt. Philip Cahill, Navy ENS Michael Zimmerman, Air Force 2nd Lt. Jason Trischitta, US Army 2nd Lt. Allison M. Ingraham, PFC Joseph J. Foley, Jr. USMC, Airman Andrew Halimi, Sgt. Jordan Basile USMC, PFC Neil Horenburg USMC, US Army Airborne Private Zachary Hayle, and USMC Private Robert E. Mullin IV.



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

Anthony Patrick Acciani  
Aubriella Dorothy Esposito  
Natalina Elizabeth Esposito

May the grace of the sacrament remain with them always.

**CAREGIVERS NEED CARE TOO!**

**Join Us for a Caregiver Support Group**

**When: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 @ 6:00pm**

**Where: St. Denis Parish Center (school building)**

The Caregivers Support Group is a group supporting individuals who are caregiving through illness of a loved one. The group offers friendship and fellowship. It will meet once a month on the third Tuesday of the 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!

**Group to be run by : Kat Verdi MAT, CADDCT, CDP, HTM Caregiver Coach & Dementia Consultant Certified Alzheimer's & Dementia Disease Care Trainer**

Contact Eileen Ziesmer about attending  
732-223-0287/ eileenziesmer@gmail.com

**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.

**ST. PETER SCHOOL IN PT. PLEASANT BEACH OFFERS ENHANCED WORKING FAMILY FRIENDLY PRE-K PROGRAM-**

St. Peter School's high quality, well-rounded Pre-K programs focus on early learning skills in a Christ-centered, loving, nurturing environment. \*Pre-K and Pre-K 4: 5 full-day options and part-time options depending on family needs \*Family affordable (compare and you'll see!) \* Focused on Kindergarten readiness \* Integrated with award winning K-8 St. Peter School Academics (Blue Ribbon School of Excellence 2016 & New Jersey School of Character 2020) \*STREAM Pilot School \*Little Saints Athletic Program \*Same convenient drop off and pick up times as St. Peter School. For more information visit stpschool.org

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**HIRING** Teachers and Staff **IN-PERSON JOB FAIRS**

Registration is encouraged but not required

**30 DIFFERENT SCHOOLS REPRESENTED!**

**MAY 9**  
4-7 PM  
SAINT JOHN VIANNEY  
HIGH SCHOOL  
Holmdel, NJ

**MAY 11**  
4-7 PM  
NOTRE DAME  
HIGH SCHOOL  
Lawrenceville, NJ

SCAN HERE TO REGISTER



## LENT AND EASTER SCHEDULE

### CONFESSIONS

by Appointment until April 5, 2023

#### **HOLY THURSDAY**-April 6, 2023

8:00 am Recitation of Morning Prayer  
7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  
Adoration until 10:00 pm  
**(NO MORNING MASS)**

#### **GOOD FRIDAY**- April 7, 2023

Day of Fast and Abstinence

8:00 am Recitation of Morning Prayer  
1:00 pm Ecumenical Service at  
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
3:00 pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion and Death  
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross  
**(NO MASS ON THIS DAY)**

#### **HOLY SATURDAY**- April 8, 2023

8:00 am Recitation of Morning Prayer  
12:00 noon Blessing of Easter Food  
7:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass  
**(NO 4:30 PM MASS)**

#### **EASTER SUNDAY**- April 9, 2023

Masses:

8:00 am, 9:30 am & 11:00 am Church  
&  
10:00 am Our Lady Star of the Sea Chapel

**EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS**—Today's bulletin contains only a partial listing of names of those loved ones who were remembered or honored with Easter Flower donations. More names will appear in next week's bulletin. Thank you to all who donated to this special collection.

**THANK YOU** for your donations to the Blessing Bag Brigade! Your generosity helped contribute to the packing of 275 bags to be given out. Your kindness is so truly appreciated! Thank you again! Kathi Jordan



### **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> & 4th Saturdays of the month: 10AM-12 noon

#### This week's needed items:

Toilet paper, laundry detergent, dish detergent,  
cereal, toothpaste, tooth brushes, and bar soap.

Please, no soup or canned vegetables.

Donations can be dropped off at the shopping cart in the gathering space of the church. For monetary donations please make checks payable to: SVDP/St. Denis Conference. On the memo line please write: "Food Pantry". Thank you!

*THE RECTORY OFFICE  
WILL BE CLOSED  
HOLY THURSDAY,  
GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER MONDAY.  
THE OFFICE WILL REOPEN  
TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2023 AT 8:30 AM*



**GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND**- Pope Francis has asked us to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land. Your generosity to this collection on Good Friday will be greatly appreciated.

**"THE CHOSEN" SEASON THREE DISCUSSION**-Get ready fans!!! We begin our discussion on Season Three of "The Chosen" on the following Wednesdays: April 19 and 26; May 3, 10, 17, 31; June 7, 14 and 21. (one week break May 24). We will meet at 11 am in the Holy Trinity meeting room and we will also meet at 7 pm in the St. Denis Cafeteria. So choose the time that is best for you and watch the episode before you attend for the best time of discussing the show and its impact on us. (We will start with a discussion on Season 3, Episode 1 on April 19<sup>th</sup>).

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



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

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

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

If you would like to donate to our ministry, checks can be made payable to "SVDP/St. Denis Conference" and placed in the shopping cart in the gathering space of the church (envelopes available). At the Beach Chapel, please drop them in the collection basket."

To learn more about helping those in need, come to the Society's next meeting on Thursday, April 20, 2023 at 7 pm in the Parish Center.

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





### RECOVERY CORNER

Monday 7PM “SMART Recovery for Family and Friends”...Education and support using current concepts and a workbook, continuously cycling through the year. Right things, not wrong things. Presently just virtual on Zoom.

Thursday 7PM “Life Recovery Bible Study”...The 12 steps of Anonymous Recovery framed in their origin in holy scripture along with corollary readings. An education and support program featuring scripture and workbook assistance to enlighten and empower those seeking recovery from substance or behaviors. Presently just virtual on Zoom. Call the rectory office for more information.

Thursday 10AM “Life Recovery Bible Study”...Same as above but specializing in corollary readings from the 12 Gifts, the 12 Laws, the 12 Missteps of recovery and other corollary readings. Presently just virtual on Zoom. Call the rectory office at 732-223-0287 for more information.

Life Recovery Bible Weekly Podcasts by City of Angels Recovery Radio

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=st.shoutca.sh.coanj>  
Download this app to listen to Life Recovery Bible podcasts. New ones can be heard each Sunday at 10AM and 10PM. There is a library of older podcasts. Please share with friends in recovery or anyone who may want to listen.

**DIOCESE OF TRENTON’S 21ST ANNUAL BLUE MASS AND LUNCHEON** will take place on Thursday, April 13, 2023, 10:30 am, at St. Robert Bellarmine Co-Cathedral, 61 Georgia Road in Freehold. Bishop O’Connell and the Diocese of Trenton invite law enforcement personnel of all faiths who live or serve in Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth and Ocean Counties to this celebration. The luncheon donation is \$20 per person with no charge for immediate families. For information and to order tickets online go to [bluemass.org](http://bluemass.org). Please email questions to [dotcomm@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:dotcomm@dioceseoftrenton.org).

**LENTEN RETREAT-** St. Catharine’s Classics invite all to their 12th annual retreat “Prayer-God’s Gift To Us” on Tuesday, May 2, 2023, 9 am-3 pm, at San Alfonso Retreat House, 755 Ocean Ave. in Long Branch. The cost is \$60 per person and includes continental breakfast and lunch. For registration info please call St. Denis Rectory Office at 732-223-0287.

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL LUNCHEON/GIFT AUCTION-** Our Lady of Mount Carmel School in Asbury Park is having a fundraiser on Sunday, April 23, 2023 from 1:00pm-4:30pm. It is a luncheon/auction with entertainment by the Singing Florist, John Newman. The cost is \$60 per person. It will be held at the Renaissance (Route 35S in Ocean Township), near Wegman’s. Tickets are available by calling the school at 732-775-8989.

### 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**

### A MESSAGE FROM FATHER BILL

Happy Palm Sunday! Our Lord is King of the Universe precisely because he rode on a donkey and selflessly gave himself in loving service, loving all the way to the grave and continuing into the resurrection. With our Lenten theme in mind, embrace the uniqueness of Lent. There is nothing more unique in the whole year than Holy Week: Chrism Mass, Holy Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil-Easter Sunday), Blessing of Easter Baskets/Food, and all the other traditions of the Domestic Church (the Church in your homes). I encourage you to get involved in as much as possible in the coming week. Please take a look at our parish calendar and also share the schedule with others, that they too may both embrace and celebrate the uniqueness of Holy Week. God bless you this Holy Week.

As we come to the close of Lent, I also want share with you that the Diocesan-wide “Faith to Move Mountains” campaign will be coming to an official close on April 30, 2023. As of today, the total raised for the campaign is over \$70M with over \$59M collected over the past 6 years. Over \$19.5M has been rebated back to parishes, and the remaining funds have been invested in 5 trusts. Faith to Move Mountains was a historical campaign for the Diocese of Trenton and its parishes. The time to close out this fundraiser is near. If you have not yet made your final pledge, I ask you to please send any final donations to the diocese by April 30, 2023. This is the final day of this fund drive. I thank all who have taken part in this 5-year-long initiative.

If you did not take part in the Faith to Move Mountains campaign, but still want to help in the mission of the Diocese of Trenton, I ask you to please consider a pledge or one-time donation to the Annual Catholic Appeal, which goes directly to funding the budget for the work of the Church at the diocesan level for the following year. Moneys will go to programing directly and you can select which programs you want to fund. Please take a brochure at the church entrance and consider a donation this Lent to help the Diocese continue the mission of spreading the Good News. As of today, we are at 78% of our goal pledged with only 220 total donors. Please add to this success so that we can do our parish’s part and reach our goal.



March 19, 2023

Weekly Collection- \$13,295.00

2nd Collection (Catholic Relief Services)- \$2,002.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !**



Easter Flowers Were Donated in Memory/Honor of:

Richard Avena  
Kathy O'Hara  
June Walling  
Janet Mangan  
Robert Leete  
Reba Bright  
Cinelli Family  
Benevento Family  
Carrie Mace Forsythe  
Berardesco & Walsh Families  
Annabelle Lanza  
John Lanza  
Fred & Theresa Stellato  
Cliff Syby  
Rita & Angelo Addeo  
Eva & Peter Syby  
Anna Sutphen  
Kathi & Al Booth  
Ron Langell  
Mary & Joseph Kaufmann  
Hilda & Art Ryan  
Kathleen Ryan  
Martin & Donovan Families  
Pietra & Cabrera Families  
Bessemer Family  
Eleanor & Edward Soriano  
Dave Miller  
Jonathan Miller  
Pauline Mauriello  
Angelina DeFusco  
Dunn & Winterfield Families  
Betty & Ed Kessler  
Jimmie Girard  
Cecilia Burke  
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Greg Niemysyk  
Henry Wernoch  
Grace Kelly Wernoch  
Aunt Catherine  
Adelina Lingenfelter  
Martin J. Freeman  
Brautigam Family  
Jean Orlando  
Rose Goya  
Gordon Schaaf  
Marilyn Bialas  
Mike Bialas  
Jim & Tim Geiger  
Tilton Family  
Walling Family  
Family of MCW  
Paul Weeks  
Joseph & Rose Abitante  
Brian Subers  
Frank Conticchio  
Ginny Quigley  
Barbara Speranza  
June & Louis Walz  
Helen & George Thibeault

Ralph & Anne Marie DelNegro  
Walter & Marie Terzano  
Nada & Joseph Justinic  
Florence & Jack Fox  
Nancy Fox & Ron Kyser  
Crvic Family  
Denis Fox  
Justinic Family  
Pauly Family  
Fox Family  
Gerard Becker  
Jack Enerson  
Conry & Enerson Families  
Heinzerling Family  
Fahey Family  
Robert & Patricia Holcombe  
Steven Dudley Holcombe  
Aunt Dottie & Uncle Rossie Terrett  
Uncle "Owl"  
Johnny & Luke Greco  
McManus & Rosato Families  
Gaye, Marjorie & Jerry Iannelli  
Edna & Harry Abercrombie  
Frasco, Tobia & D'Anton Families  
Joseph Papariello  
Carmela Papariello  
Antoinette DiChiaro  
Fox Family  
Brian Subers  
Frank Conticchio  
William J. Bloetjes  
Serafina & Dominic Forzano  
William & Esther Bloetjes  
Richard Forzano  
Dorothy & Case Haasnoot  
Joan & Robert Bloetjes  
John Bloetjes  
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