

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

**Twenty-eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
October 15, 2023**

“I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me...My God will fully supply whatever you need....Go out, therefore into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.”

We live as a truly blessed people. Whatever we have is a gift from God. As Paul speaks to us today, it is a special moment to ask what do I really need, but also what do I have that I can do without. In our area many storage facilities have opened to provide space for the many possession we do not readily use. For some there is need for temporary storage, but for so many, the storage will go on permanently.

Besides observing these facilities, please note there are so many struggling and in need. It allows us to consider what do I have that I can share with someone else? We are assured that God will supply with necessities. What shall I do with my excess? The gospel tells us to go out and invite someone else to the feast. There are countless opportunities to provide clothing, furniture, and groceries to less fortunate who are our neighbors.

Why not use as a mantra this week the words of St. Paul, ‘I can do all things in Him who strengthens me.’



CHURCH OF ST. DENIS

MANASQUAN, NEW JERSEY

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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.

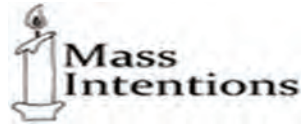
RITE OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL: At such times of deep pain and loss, we seek to offer our bereaved families comfort and hope as they commend their loved ones to God. Please note that, in accordance with Church regulations, eulogies are not permitted during Funeral Masses.

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, October 14, 2023**

- 8:30 am Maria Mattessich by Betty Scrivanich
 8:30 am Edmund & Irene Zinser by their Daughter, Jane
 8:30 am Christine Mutch by CDA, Ct. St. Denis
 4:30 pm Marilyn Bialas by her Family
 4:30 pm Charles McCauley
 by Barbara Roche & Lou Nieves
 4:30 pm James Drumgoole by Janet Verga

Sunday, October 15, 2023

- 8:00 am For the People of the Parish
 9:30 am Christine Mutch by CDA, Ct. St. Denis
 9:30 am Michael Gabler by Bob & MaryLynn Morris
 9:30 am Theresa M. Shwahia by the Prince Family
 9:30 am Christopher Schwartz
 by Cathy, Mary & Joyce
 10:00 am Kevin Walsh by Carol Rizzi
 10:00 am Roberta Neary by Carol Rizzi
 10:00 am Richie Budkal by Tom & Gerri Bleach

Monday, October 16, 2023

- 7:30 am Mark Weiner by Debbi & Bill Kovash
 7:30 am JoAnn Olimpio by Nancy & Paul Sutor
 7:30 am Erin Rubas by Mr. & Mrs. John Ringo

Tuesday, October 17, 2023

- 7:30 am Michael Gabler by the Gabriel Family
 7:30 am Arthur Lynch by Walking With Purpose
 7:30 am Richard Kohrmann by Mr. & Mrs. John Hogan

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

- 7:30 am Mary Louise Donohue by Frank Cafone & Family
 7:30 am Marilouise "Mary" Mongillo by Raymond Glowacki
 7:30 am Stephen Kelleher by Saint Denis Parish

Thursday, October 19, 2023

No Mass

Friday, October 20, 2023

- 7:30 am Paul Weeks (60th Wedding Anniversary)
 by Fran Weeks
 7:30 am Herbert Schwarz by Reene & Dennis O'Neill
 7:30 am A Special Intention by Betsy & Jim Rice

Saturday, October 21, 2023

- 8:30 am Christopher "CJ" Holowach
 by Richard & Joyce Tipaldi
 8:30 am Paul Waltsak by his Family
 8:30 am Madison Gerhard by Mary Lou & Mike Pych
 4:30 pm Irene Cauda by Bonnie Smith
 4:30 pm Suzanne D. Jenkins by Philip & Maureen White
 4:30 pm Christine Mutch, by her Friend, JoAnn Korb

Sunday, October 22, 2023

- 8:00 am Paul Waltsak by his Family
 8:00 am Sal Zocchi, Jr. by his Mom & Dad
 8:00 am Lois Bearisto by Eileen & Mike Mahoney
 9:30 am For the People of the Parish
 10:00 am Barbara McNally by Eileen & Jim Rochford
 10:00 am Joan Harriman by the Reilly Family
 10:00 am Edward Rogers by Owen & Maura McCarthy

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED especially Martin Cummins, Jr. and Margaret Bocker.



especially Doris Abruzzo, Maiya Andrews, Velma Andrews, Peggy Andrich, Vincent Azzollini, Baby Lucy, Bobbie Banks-Grove, Edith Bean, 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, Dule Campbell, Sean Campbell, Mary Carstens-Lockenmeyer, Amanda Castro, Albert J. Cifelli, Mark Clarkin, Elizabeth Clos, Baby Aubrey Rose Cirinia, Christine Coburn, Mary Collins, Mary Conlon, Jimmy Conrey, Rick Constrisciano, Marge Covey, Thomas P. Coyle, Linda Custode, Mary Damico, Christine Danish, Duane Danish, Lauren Davis, Rose DeMarco, Constance & Hugh Doherty, Lisa Dunfee, Thomas Evans, Thomas Fahey, Gail Fallon, Chris Faraca, Joseph Fiamingo, Christine Fields Nannette Forkan, Denise Frank, Norma Friel, Barbara Gearing, Mary Anne Gearing, Katherine Geiger, Nicole Giambro, Sharon Goettel, Johnny Gondek, Baby Kelly Grace, Phillip Graceffa, Julianna Grusso, Angeline Hart, Irene Hayes, Jeanne Hayes, Teresa Hayes, Thomas Hayes Jr, Beverly Heinz, Shawn Herenburg, 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, Celina Koch, Bridget Korn, Christopher Kurtanick, William Liao, Barbara Liggett, Elizabeth Ann Linden, Joan Lipscomb, Nick Ljuljana, Frank Lopez, Linda Lowery, Barbara Magda, Douglas McCartney, Ed McCullough, Michael McGonigle, Helen McGowan, Michael McNulty, Claire Meachum, Frank Meidenbauer, Nair Messias, Ronnie Micciulla, Marylee Monsell, Gloria Moore, Mary Moran, Elizabeth Morgan, Margaret Mullin, Robert Mullin, Nancy Murphy, Pauline Naturile, Nesbitt Family, Jack Noble, Jennifer Noble, Bob O'Brien, Neil O'Callaghan, Catherine O'Connor, Sue O'Connor, Gerald O'Keefe, Diane Padluck, Wes Pal, Dolores Palmisano, Joanne Panzarella, Joseph Pastore, Charlotte Pentek, Tony Picinich, Mike Pierce, Mickey Pindar, Lisa Pirrello, Marty Pirrong, Samara Pirrong, Timothy Michal Przywara, Vera Raffetto, Windell Rainey, Leanna Rawson, Al Ricciardi, Marybeth Richards, Joel Rivera, Patricia Rodgers, Taryn Rotondi, Christina Roundtree, Christian Russo, Donna Schwear, Slotnick Family, Rob & Katie Spawn, Susan Suagee, Danny Suskevich, Sadie Svenson, Marie Tashjian, 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, Eileen Zemo, and Werner Ziesmer.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED– Our Religious Education Program is in need of a catechist for a 7th grade class on Mondays, 6:30 pm-7:45 pm. Please call the Religious Education Office at 732-223-1161 if you can be of help.

JOIN US FOR RCIA-Do you or someone you know have an interest in becoming Catholic? Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist and wants to change that? We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our Catholic faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of becoming a full member of the Church. For information about becoming Catholic please contact Eileen Ziesmer at (732) 223-0287 or eileenziesmer@gmail.com

TUTWILER CLINIC, WHERE CHRISTMAS COMES EARLY–The Catholic Daughters, Court St. Denis is supporting a precursor to “The Giving Tree” for the needy children assisted by the Tutwiler Clinic in Tutwiler, Mississippi, where Santa comes early, so to speak. The first week in December there is a great celebration where children from 70+ families receive gifts, all donated by those who can. During the month of October we will be collecting the following gifts: dolls, board games, basketballs, soccer balls, footballs, infant and preschool toys, children and infant clothing: lightweight jackets, hoodies, for adults: gently used clothing in large sizes. We will collect through Sunday, October 30th. Look for collection boxes in the gathering space of the church and also at the chapel. For more information about this worthwhile endeavor visit <http://www.tutwilerclinic.org/>

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.

SSJ ANNUAL CHANCE DRIVE TO BENEFIT SAINT JOSEPH VILLA– Please help us make this year’s Chance Drive especially successful by getting your ticket online. Turn \$5 in \$10,000-6 ways to win. Grand prize- \$10,000 also 5 prizes of \$500 each. Donation-\$5.00 each or \$20.00 for a book of 5 chances. Visit the Chance Drive page on the Sisters of Saint Joseph website at www.ssjpghila.org Winners will be drawn on December 7, 2023. For additional information, contact any Sister of Saint Joseph or the Development Office at 800-482-6510 and Developmentofssjpghila.org



our military, especially Navy Lt. Rachael M. Honrath, Navy LS2 Nora N. Honrath, Army Major Matthew Cauda, Navy LL. Edward P. Windas, USMC Lance Corporal Laura Licata, Contractor Benjamin Ostrow, Air Force Major David Smith, Army Major Sean Fessenden, Army Lt. Nikkole Crosson, Navy Captain Colin S. Walsh, Army Captain Dr. Justin Eisenman, Army Lt. Brian Quinn, Navy E4 Patrick Moynihan, Air Force 1st Lt. Dominic Celiano, Air Force Academy Cadet 2nd Class Slade Kelling, 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, USN LTJG Michael Zimmerman, Air Force 2nd Lt. Jason Trischitta, US Army 2nd Lt. Allison M. Ingraham, PFC Joseph J. Foley, Jr. USMC, Airman Andrew Halmi, Sgt. Jordan Basile USMC, US Army Airborne Private Zachary Hoyle, Army 2nd Lieutenant Brendan Ertle, USMC Corporal Patrick Bednarski, USMC 1st Lt. Diego Heinzerling, and USMC Private Robert E. Mullin IV.

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 for more info. 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.

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.

PIANO RECITAL- The St. Cecilia Society at St. Anthony of Padua presents Mary Klein in Recital performing piano works by Bach, Schubert, & Liszt, Sunday, October 29, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 27 Oratory Way, Red Bank (Use main entrance on Chestnut St.) Admission is a free will offering. Church is handicapped accessible. For further information call (732) 739-0813.

WE CELEBRATE WORLD MISSION SUNDAY NEXT WEEK! Next week, we join Catholics around the world for the celebration of World Mission Sunday. We are called to offer our prayers and financial help for the Church’s missionary work in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands and parts of Latin America and Europe. Your support of next week’s second collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for the Missions will be greatly appreciated.

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.churchofstedenis.org and click on “Online Giving”.



October 1, 2023

Weekly Collection- \$10,900.00

2nd collection (Bldg. Repairs)- \$4,058.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION takes place First Fridays, from noon to 1 pm, in the church. We look forward to the beautiful prayer of presence with our Lord. All are welcome!

10TH ANNUAL "WHITE MASS" FOR ALL HEALTHCARE WORKERS will be celebrated at St. Luke Church, 1674 Old Freehold Road in Toms River on Sunday, 10/15/23 at 2 pm. Join us as we praise and honor St. Luke, the Patron Saint of Physicians. This celebration is for healthcare workers of all faiths, their family, and friends. Feel free to wear your white lab coat or other work attire as you wish. There will be a blessing of the hands. A reception will follow immediately after Mass. The "White Mass" is named for the traditional white coats and uniforms worn by medical personnel and is a special way to recognize all healthcare staff.

TWO-DAY RETREAT- IMMACULEE ILIBAGIZA, RWANDAN GENOCIDE SURVIVOR BRINGS MESSAGE OF FORGIVENESS, HEALING, AND HOPE. She will share her witness to the life-saving power of faith and the Rosary, as she huddled with seven other women in a cramped bathroom for 91 days while killers lurked outside. The retreat will be held at Holy Innocents Church, 3544 West Bangs Ave. in Neptune, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 20-21, 2023. Fri.: Retreat 5-9 pm, Sat: Mass at 9 am, Retreat: 10 am-1:30 pm. Tickets: Individual-\$57, one plus a guest- \$76. Register directly at www.Immaculee.com or email bibleholyninnoents@gmail.com.

CURSILLO is all about building long-term Christ-centered relationships with God and others through prayer and a focus on authentic Christian living. There will be a Cursillo Women's Weekend that will take place Thursday, Nov. 9-Sunday, Nov. 12, 2023. For more information or to register for the weekend visit trentoncursillo.org or email any questions to trentoncursillo@gmail.com. For more information please call the rectory office at 732-223-0287.

THE SACRAMENTS AND THE STEPS OF RECOVERY FOR AA WOMEN- Join us at St. Joseph by the Sea Retreat House in Mantoloking on November 10-12, 2023 - This weekend will show how the steps of recovery are supported by our Catholic faith through the Sacraments of Initiation and the Sacrament of Healing. The Grace of God got us sober. God's mercy and a personal encounter with Christ lie ahead, the reward is priceless as sober women. Eucharistic Liturgy included. No supper on Friday. Arrival: 5:00-6:00 p.m./Departure: 1:00 p.m. (Presenter: Kim Lorentzen, BA, MA, DRE) Cost: \$400 Please visit the website <https://www.sjbsea.org> for full details.



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

This week's needed items:

Small vegetable oil, boxed milk,

instant rice (boxed), baked beans, & women's deodorant.

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!



WEEK OF OCTOBER 15, 2023

IN LOVING MEMORY OF DECEASED MEMBERS OF CDA, COURT ST. DENIS

REQUESTED BY CDA, COURT ST. DENIS

ST. JOSEPH BY THE SEA RETREAT HOUSE, 400 Rt. 35N in South Mantoloking invites you to:

October 27-29, 2023 – BEREAVEMENT: A JOURNEY FROM GRIEF TO HEALING - Using the New Day Journal, we will explore what to expect in bereavement, and how to work through it from mere survival to healing and new excitement about life. Eucharistic Liturgy included. No Supper on Friday. \$15 book fee to be paid to presenter. Arrival: 5:00-6:00 p.m./Departure: 1:00 p.m. (Presenter: Janice Santanello, M.Th., CLEM, CSG, CPC) Cost: \$400

November 3-5, 2023 – COME TO THE QUIET – A SILENT RETREAT - Come and experience the shore in all its fall beauty! This weekend has been set aside for those desiring time alone with God. This retreat offers time for reflection; Eucharistic Liturgy and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be included. Massage therapy will be available. No Supper on Friday. Arrival: 5:00-6:00 p.m./Departure: 1:00 p.m. (Presenter: Sr. Brunilda Ramos, MPF, CSAC, NCAPS-II) Cost: \$400

Please call St. Joseph By the Sea at 732-892-8494 to register or for additional information.

BLOOD DRIVE-The Woman's Club of Manasquan will sponsor a Red Cross Blood Drive in the St. Denis gym on October 21st from 9AM—2PM. Registration is now open at www.redcrossblood.org.

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 October 19th, at 7pm in the Parish Center.

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



CATHOLIC-LUTHERAN DIALOGUE – REFLECTIONS ON THE SUNDAY READINGS-

Join Pastor Mary Farnham and Father Bill for the next “edition” of the Lutheran-Catholic Dialogue which will be a reflection on the Sunday Readings from our respective traditions, almost all of which are the same. We will meet on the following Wednesdays from 11 am-12 noon at Holy Trinity Hall and from 7-8 pm at St. Denis Parish Center. Each week we'll study the Scripture for the upcoming weekend. Please mark your calendars: Oct. 18, 25 and Nov. 8, 15. It is a great time for reflection on the Gospels and sharing faith and fellowship and a little food with the “food for thought.”



walking with purpose
SO MUCH MORE THAN A BIBLE STUDY

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 strengthen us to be the women we are called to be. Together we create an authentic community that laughs, learns, grows, and loves one another. *We are so much more than a Bible study!* It's never too late to join us. Offered at St. Denis Parish Center on Tuesdays, 7:30-9pm or Wednesdays, 12:15-2pm (virtual options too!). We don't actually exercise—we “walk” on a faith journey together. For more info and to register visit www.wwpnjshore.com

MEN'S GROUP AT ST. DENIS- We kicked off our Fall Program for the Men's Group at St Denis “**Who Am I To Judge**”, with Dr. Sri. We hope you will consider joining us! Bring a friend or family member. Remember if you miss a meeting, no big deal, just join us for the next one. You can always watch the video on your own to catch up what you missed.

OVERVIEW OF THE MEN'S GROUP AT ST DENIS

Purpose: To enrich the lives of Men by providing opportunities for men to enjoy a sense of brotherhood and spiritual growth.

Fall Agenda: “Who Am I To Judge”-Responding to Relativism with Logic and Love-with Dr. Edward Sri available on Formed.org

Expectations:

1. Watch a 30 minute video (at your convenience) prior to attending our meeting, as we will discuss the video during the meeting.
2. There is a Study Guide for Who Am I To Judge, with several pages for each session. You should bring your Study Guide to the meeting.

MEETING DATES: The 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. Again, no worries if you miss a Meeting, you can still watch the videos and join us for the next meeting.

TIME: 6PM TO 7PM

LOCATION: St. Denis Parish Center Multipurpose Room (formerly the School Cafeteria)

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

Much to share about the St. Denis Parish Outreach Program for the rest of this year. I am pragmatic, as you know, so some of this (see the chart below) will be about our calendar for planning purposes. But first and foremost is the spiritual reality of our lives as Catholics, that I wish to encourage as your pastor. This parish is truly magnanimous in responding to Jesus' call – “Love your neighbor as you love yourself” – “whatsoever you do to the least of my sisters and brothers, that you do to me”. I am thankful for the generosity we show to our neighbors in need - neighbors near and far. We are called to put our faith, hope and love into concrete action. As St. Teresa of Avilla wrote: Christ has no body but yours, no hands, no feet on earth but yours, yours are the eyes with which he looks with compassion on this world, yours are the feet with which he walks to do good, yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world. This week we celebrate “Catholic Daughters of the Americas” Sunday – one of the many groups of our parish who respond with faith, hope and love to people in need and are currently helping children through the Tutwiler Clinic Toy Drive.

Please continue to pray for the people we are hoping to help and be the hands and feet and eyes of Christ as we answer the call of Christ to love our neighbor.

We continue the toy drive for Tutwiler Clinic, a clinic in Mississippi. We conclude this drive at the end of October. For Thanksgiving we will help families through our St. Vincent de Paul Society as well as helping children and families in Monmouth County assisted through the Division of Child Protection and Permanency (\$25 gift cards for Wawa, Shoprite, and Walmart). In December, we will also participate in “Wreaths Across America” and the Giving Tree including the Faith and Blue Toy Drive (with the awesome drop-off event too), along with the Knights of Columbus outreach to Madonna House in Neptune. The following are the weeks we will be collecting for these events (you can also drop off at the parish office):

- Tutwiler Clinic Toy Drive – Oct. 14/15; 21/22; 28/28
- DCPP Thanksgiving Gift Card Drive – Oct. 28/29; Nov. 4/5; 11/12
- SVDP Wreaths Across America – Nov. 11/12
- Christmas Giving Tree – Nov. 18/19; 25/26; Dec. 2/3; 9/10
- Faith and Blue Toy Drive – Nov. 18/19; 25/26; Dec. 2/3; Dec. 9th Drop-off Event!!!



If you or someone in your family is in need of food, rental assistance, mental health/addiction services, or domestic violence services, we are here to help.

800-360-7711



BEHOLD HIM! EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL - NJ CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE-

The 2023 New Jersey Catholic Charismatic Conference is excited to celebrate the National Eucharistic Revival with the BEHOLD HIM Conference. The BEHOLD HIM Conference will be held on the weekend, October 27th and 28th at Saint Mary, Mother of God Church in Middletown. With the vision of the National Eucharistic Revival that looks to aspire to inspire “a movement of Catholics across the United States, healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist—and sent out on mission ‘for the life of the world.’” Keynote speaker will be Bishop Joseph A. Espallat II an auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of New York., Bishop Joe is the youngest Catholic bishop in the United States. He is known for rapping to young people in his community to help them connect with God. He also hosts a podcast called “*Sainthood in the City*.” Fr. John Gordon is Secretary for Evangelization of the Archdiocese of Newark. He is a dynamic preacher, teacher and evangelist and formation director of the Pre-Theologate program at Franciscan University of Steubenville. Gilbert Rodriguez is Associate Director of Adult Faith Formation in the Archdiocese of New York with over 20 years of experience in evangelization with a heart for young adult ministry, which fueled his passion for equipping people in revival culture and Holy Spirit empowerment. The Conference will also include Holy Mass, anointed worship led by the Malachi Mission Band, Healing Service and a Eucharistic Procession. People of all ages are invited to encounter our Eucharistic Lord and enjoy fellowship with people from all over New Jersey and beyond. For more information and to register for the Conference visit www.DOTCCR.org, or call the Conference office at 732-671-0071, ext. 221

OFFERINGS AT FRANCIS HOUSE OF PRAYER, a Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House, 84 Walnford Road, Allentown, NJ or FHOP@verizon.net:

Please check www.FHOP.org for dates, registration, directions and for our other offerings! All programs will be offered online and in-person unless otherwise indicated.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION- Spiritual Direction is a monthly one on one conversation about your life with God. With the accompaniment of a spiritual director, you learn to deepen and enjoy your relationship with God, and to be more aware of God’s presence and action in all the events of your life. Call (609) 877-0509 to make an appointment. Donation: Love Offering.

MASS IS BORING (Thank God!!!!!!)

Tuesday, October 17 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Using Timothy O’Malley’s book: *Bored Again Catholic, How the Mass Could Save Your Life*, S. Kathy will offer reflections on every part of the Mass, discovering how we can learn to pray the liturgy better as well as offering a sketch of what Eucharistic life looks like. Led by S. Kathy Burton.

Donation: \$25, includes materials and lunch. Zoom: \$20

DREAMS- ALL YOUR DREAMS ARE TRUE!

Wednesday, November 1 9:30 AM – 2:00 PM

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