

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

**Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
January 28, 2024**

“A prophet like me will the Lord God raise up for you, from among your own kin, to him you shall listen... I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their kin, and will put my words into their mouth, he shall tell them all that I command him. Whoever will not listen to my words which he speaks in my name, I myself will make him answer for it.”

The first pages of scripture tell us of a promised redeemer. The prophets, the spokespersons for God constantly reminded the people of their covenant with God. John the Baptist pointed out Jesus as the one. Jesus being present made a new covenant, and today that covenant is renewed in His church.

Promise, prophets, presence, preaching, the story of salvation for us all. Today we are called to listen to the voice of God found in the teaching and preaching of our church leaders, chosen ones, who are calling us to awaken and respond to the covenant God made with us. We hear the word proclaimed at mass, we open the bible at home to reflect upon it. We have so many resources on YouTube or Relevant Radio to continue to form and reform our lives. May this help us answer for His call.



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.

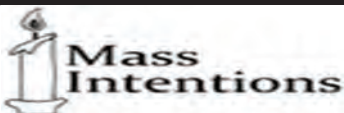
RITE OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL: At such times of deep pain and loss, we seek to offer our bereaved families comfort and hope as they commend their loved ones to God. Please note that, in accordance with Church regulations, eulogies are not permitted during Funeral Masses.

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, January 27, 2024**

8:30 am Rose & John Cafone by their Children
 8:30 am Sr. Helen Francis Coakley by Betsy Rice
 8:30 am Phyllis MacKinney by Sheila Ruckert
 4:30 pm Richard Gearing by his Family
 4:30 pm Peter N. Rudy by Donna & Jimmy Gahm
 4:30 pm Joan Mary Dziemian by her Family

Sunday, January 28, 2024

8:00 am Edward Francis Bennett
 by Eileen & Mike Mahoney
 8:00 am Maria Isabel O'Brien by Eileen & Mike Mahoney
 8:00 am Gregory Fischer by Barby Menna
 9:30 am Maura Philips by Margaret & Ted Rice
 9:30 am Linda Wynd by Cathy Wolfe
 9:30 am Gloria Smith by Claire & Ray Moynihan
 10:00 am For the People of the Parish

Monday, January 29, 2024

7:30 am Peggy Matthews by Patrick Lewis
 7:30 am Tom Walsh by John & LuAnn Quigley & Family
 7:30 am Fr. Joseph Radomski by St. Denis Parish

Tuesday, January 30, 2024

7:30 am MaryAnn Lynch by Terry McCormick
 7:30 am The Mellody and Lennon Families
 by Harry Mellody
 7:30 am Richard Keenan by the DeGenova Family

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

7:30 am James H. Crowe by Maryann Crowe
 7:30 am Dominick DeStefano by His Family
 7:30 am Alice Boyle by Michael and Pam Budalich

Thursday, February 1, 2024

No Mass

Friday, February 2, 2024

7:30 am Gloria Brunco by Patrick Lewis
 7:30 am Gabe Bevilacqua by Michele & Ruben Yarnus
 7:30 am Michael Capriotti by Barby Menna

Saturday, February 3, 2024

8:30 am Bonnie Tobiassen by John & Cheri
 8:30 am Joseph Burro by Barby Menna
 8:30 am Christine Crowe by Patti Siquieros
 4:30 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, February 4, 2024

8:00 am Dr. Joseph T. Farrell by Eileen & Mike Mahoney
 8:00 am Mathilda Farrell by Tom & Kerry O'Connor
 8:00 am Norman Deacy by Phil Brunner
 9:30 am Christopher Halowach
 by Dawn, Ally, Jenna & Julia
 9:30 am Jeanne Wellinghorst by Rich Angelicola
 9:30 am Bill Wolfe by his Wife
 10:00 am Glenn Miller by Peter & Sharon Wilson
 10:00 am Joan Sprangel by Dennis & Renee O'Neill
 10:00 am Daniel LaRose by Donna & Jennifer Jordan

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 Deborah DiArchangel and Nancy Sweeney.



especially Doris Abruzzo, Maiya Andrews, Velma Andrews, Peggy Andrich, 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, Chris Faraca, Joseph Fiamingo, Christine Fields Nannette Forkan, Denise Frank, Norma Friel, Barbara Gearing, Mary Anne Gearing, Katherine Geiger, Nicole Giambro, Sharon Goettle, Johnny Gondek, Baby Kelly Grace, Phillip Graceffa, Julianna Grusso, James Hackett, 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, Haley Keating, Marian Keefe, Catherine Kelleher, Robert Kelleher, Kathleen Kelly, Bill Koch, Celina Koch, Bridget Korn, Christopher Kurtanick, William Liao, Barbara Liggett, Elizabeth Ann Linden, Joan Lipscomb, Nick Ljuljana, Frank Lopez, Linda Lowery, Madison Marmo, Barbara Magda, Linda Matthews, 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, Tina O'Donnell, Patricia O'Leary, 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, Kidron Procyson, Timothy Michal Przywara, Irene Pstrak, Vera Raffetto, Windell Rainey, Leanna Rawson, Al Ricciardi, Marybeth Richards, Joel Rivera, Patricia Rodgers, Taryn Rotondi, Christina Roundtree, Christian Russo, Donna Schwear, Slotnick Family, Katie Spawn, Susan Suagee, Danny Suskevich, Sadie Svenson, Laurie Syby, Marie Tashjian, Cindy Tomkins, Jim Trischitta, Paul Tuyp, Phyllis Van Salders, Riley Veazey, Dee Vulgaris, Siobhan Vuono, Christopher Waters, Erin Waters, Stephen Whyte, Kathy Wicks, Karen Williams, Marilyn Woerner, Patricia Wolfe, Albert Wood, Butch Wright, Eileen Zemo, and Werner Ziesmer.




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!

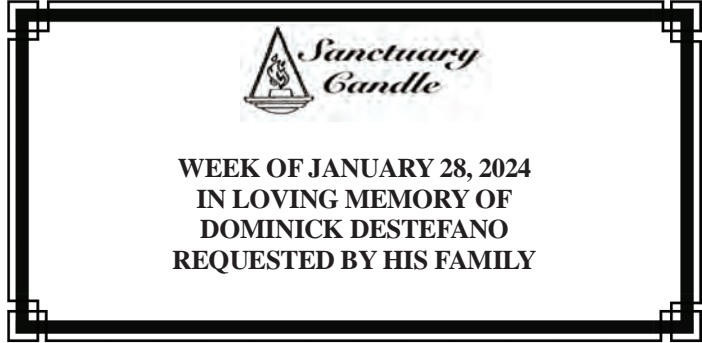
LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS – Those in need of these specially approved Communion hosts at Mass are invited to receive from the priest. Look for the small cup attached to the priest’s ciborium, in order to receive the sacramental Body of Christ with a low gluten host.

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

BLESSED ST. GERARD MEDALS AND PRAYER CARDS AVAILABLE-Do you know someone who is expecting a child, hoping to conceive, or thinking about adoption? Blessed St. Gerard medals and prayer cards are available for anyone who wishes to take them for themselves or to give to family and friends. To receive one, please stop by the rectory office during business hours.

HEALING MASS- All are welcome at The Church of Epiphany, 615 Thiele Road in Brick every third Friday of the month (from September to May) for a Healing Mass. We will begin at 6:45pm in the worship area with Prayer and Reflection. Mass will commence at 7:00 pm, followed by Prayers of Healing and Adoration.

 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, USMC Private Robert E. Mullin IV, and Army PFC Ryan Costello.



GOD AND GOGGINS – PART 2! SAVE THE DATE!- Men of the parish who attended the first talk were so invigorated by the discussion, we are back for a second discussion! Save the Date – Wednesday, 28 February, 7:00pm in the Parish Center cafeteria. Make it your New Year’s Resolution to make a fresh start to make the most of the gift of your life and get to the next level; with God with you, and inspired by David Goggins, you won’t be the same. This time we will bring in more elements of Mr. Goggins’ second book, “Never Finished” and bring in more elements of inspiration from Scripture and the Tradition of the Church.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY- When: Thursdays Feb. 15, 22, 29, March 7,14, & 21 Time: 9:30-11 am Where: St. Pio Church Hall in Lavallette 103 Washington Ave Who: All are welcome What: Discovering who you are in Christ- We are all called to holiness, but what does that mean? It’s not what you think. This book offers you a weapon of truth so that you can stand in your identity as a child of God. It gives personal examples and practical suggestions that motivate and inspire, while convinces attainable transformation. Cost: \$12 To Register: send a check made payable to St. Pio’s Church to Dawn Rusinko 103 Washington Ave Lavallette NJ 08735 For more information please contact the rectory office at 732-223-0287.

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.

ATTENTION ENVELOPE USERS–A printing error occurred on the January collection envelopes for the Church in Latin America and Black and Native American Missions. Both envelopes are dated January 28. Please know that those two envelopes will be accepted on the weekends of January 21st and January 28th. We are sorry for any inconvenience.





Walking with Purpose (WWP) is more than a women's Bible study. WWP is a faith community that laughs, learns, grows, and loves one another as we walk on our faith journeys together. WWP is a safe place where you will discover authentic friendships and meaningful discussions, as your heart is transformed by the Word of God. **We gather on Tuesday evenings, 7:30 pm or Wednesday afternoons, 12:30 pm at the St. Denis Parish Center.** For more information and to register, go to www.wwpnjshore.com

ST. DENIS ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY members will meet in Church at 9:00 am on Sunday, February 4, 2024 for recitation of the Rosary and the 9:30 am Mass. Our business meeting is on February 6, 2024 at 12:00 noon in the Parish Center. Bring your lunch and a friend.

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.

HENRY B. KING MEDICAL BRIGADE will be holding its annual Bon Voyage Party on Saturday, February 24th, 2024 from Noon to 4pm at the CHAPTER HOUSE, 1454 Route 9 South, Howell Township, NJ. Our party includes a full buffet lunch, wine, beer or soda, coffee and tea and a gift auction. Come party with us and celebrate our 31st Mission Trip to Honduras which is scheduled from April 13th-20th. We plan to provide medical and dental care to about 2,000 Hondurans during that week. We go to remote villages. Pre-sale cost is \$60 per person, kids are \$10. At the door price is \$65. You can purchase tickets or make a donation by texting or contacting Scott at 732- 245-3332 or emailing him at scottyabercrombie@gmail.com. Net proceeds offset our shipping costs of medical supplies. If you want to know more, check us out at: [Facebook.com/henrybkingmedicalbrigade](https://www.facebook.com/henrybkingmedicalbrigade)

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



NO DONATED ITEMS CAN BE ACCEPTED FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS DUE TO RENOVATIONS IN THE CHURCH BASEMENT NEAR THE PANTRY.

Monetary donations are always welcome! Please make checks payable to: SVDP/St. Denis Conference.

On the memo line please write: "Food Pantry". Thank you!

VINCENT'S LEGACY-The Furniture Outreach Conference of St. Vincent de Paul works with the local SVdP Conferences to serve neighbors in need of furniture and household items. Vincent's Legacy accepts donated furniture and household items that are in good condition to redistribute to your neighbors in need. The Furniture Outreach Conference offers many opportunities for you to share your time, talent, and/or treasure, whether you have furniture to donate, 2-5 hours a month to volunteer, or financial support to offer that will help cover warehouse and truck expenses. Visit our website: <https://vincentslegacy.wixsite.com/furniture> or Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/FurnitureMinistry.com>. If questions contact us at: Furniture@svdptrenton.org or <https://vincentslegacy.wixsite.com/furniture>. If you would like to make a financial contribution, please send a check made out to Vincent's Legacy Furniture Outreach Conference, P.O. Box 526, Manasquan, NJ 08736, or use the DONATE button on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/FurnitureMinistry>.

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!

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, February 15, 2024 at 7 pm in the Parish Center.

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



St. Denis is privileged to have the Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit visit our parish. Please join us in taking advantage of this wonderful experience during the Year of the Eucharist. What is this exhibit? This traveling exhibit has been created by the Diocese of Trenton to assist those who will experience it to affirm belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. It is based upon the website created by Blessed Carlo Acutis to catalogue all of the Eucharistic miracles that have taken place worldwide (<http://www.miracolieucaaristici.org/>).

SAINT DENIS CHURCH EXHIBIT HOURS:

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27 AFTER 4:30 PM MASS TO 7PM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 9:30 AM-12:00 PM

MONDAY, JANUARY 29 CLOSED

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30 AFTER 7:30 AM MASS TO 1 PM
ADORATION IN ST. DENIS YOUTH CHAPEL
CLOSING CEREMONY 6-7 PM

2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you wish to receive a statement of your 2023 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 _____

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER BILL

A great big “thank you” to all who worked on making the Communion Breakfast such a great success. Thank you Eileen Ziesmer and her team for arranging the Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit to be with us and well as setting up for the event. Thank you Knights of Columbus for the great breakfast. And, a special thanks to our guest speaker Fr. Doug Freer.

The second phase of the church basement project is underway. To refresh your memory, we received a grant from the USCCB (U.S. Bishop’s Conference) for mitigating water damage in the basement of the church. Phase one was an overhaul of our sump pump system. All of the pumps were switched out for a dual-pump industrial grade type of pump. Our pumps run a lot and this upgrade will be more long lasting and less labor intensive than what we have been doing for the past many years. Also, there was a drainage system put in on the exterior of the church outside the restrooms to draw water away from the basement wall. The outer bathroom has had water weeping through the wall every time there was a rain, until now! Even with these past heavy rain events, there has been no water through the walls! Also, we switched out our dehumidifiers for a much more effective industrial grade dehumidifier as well, which has made a marked difference in the environment in the basement.

Now, in the second phase, all of the linoleum tile has been removed and the floors cleaned. Next, the floor will receive a coating of a polyurethane-type vapor barrier. After that treatment has cured, the floor will be painted. The vapor barrier, along with the other modifications of equipment, will eliminate humidity and reduce the conditions for mold growth. We also hope that the removal of the water-stained tiles and the painting of the floors and walls and replacement of rusted metal door jams will make the basement a much more aesthetically pleasing place for our food pantry and other activities that can subsequently take place.

Since my last update of this sort, the fluorescent lighting on the side-aisles of the beach chapel have been replaced with cost/energy efficient lighting as the conclusion of the air-conditioning/lighting project we began months ago. As we look forward, our Building and Maintenance collections will be going to the updating of the bathrooms in the parish center as well as the gym. We pray God gives success to our endeavors and plans for our buildings that we may glorify God by the works of faith and mercy that we conduct in these buildings, which are our patrimony.

RELIC OF ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE – St. Jude is known as the *Apostle of the Impossible* and is revered for his unwavering dedication and steadfast faith. Millions have experienced his intercession in times of adversity and need. His relic will at St. Dominic Parish, 250 Old Squan Road in Brick on Tuesday, January 30th. Veneration of the Relic begins at 1 pm. A special Mass in honor of St. Jude will be celebrated at 7 pm. Veneration ends at 10 pm. All are welcome.

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.



THE DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE, Feb. 3, 2024, 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! Please visit www.dotyouth.org/dyc for more information.

CATHOLIC WOMEN OF ZION INVITE YOU TO CWOZCHAPTER 1 35th YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION-*"THE WAY the TRUTH and the LIFE"* John 14:1-31

Terry A. Ginther is currently the Chancellor of the Diocese of Trenton in NJ and serves on the Bishop's Curia as Executive Director for Pastoral Life and Mission. She holds degrees in both Pastoral Ministry and Business Administration. Terry has worked on the national, diocesan and parish levels during the past 30 years leading efforts in Pastoral Planning, Leadership Development, and Faith Formation. She is content to practice the "little way" of St. Therese doing small things with great love and the inspiration of Mother Frances Cabrini who hoped "that Jesus Christ would be known" in the work that she does. Terry and her husband Adam have two grown children, live in the Allenwood section of Wall Township, and are parishioners of St. Denis Parish, Manasquan. These days her favorite role is that of "Nonni" to her two grandchildren. Come, bring a friend and join Terry as she shares: **"DO NOT LET YOUR HEARTS BE TROUBLED"** (John 14:1)

Marylene D'Jamoos, formerly from Paris, France, now residing in Woodcliff Lake, NJ, moved to the United States where she happily married her husband Tony, from Brooklyn, NY. Marylene and Tony were married for 58 years and blessed with 3 children and 10 grandchildren. She became a Lay Carmelite 42 years ago and served as their New Jersey Regional Coordinator for 12 years, continuing to grow in love with Jesus, Mary, and Carmelite spirituality. For 18 years Marylene used her early French training to open and direct a successful and much sought after Catholic Montessori School in her parish. Marylene has always overflowed with an enthusiastic response to her Catholic faith, sharing it powerfully and joyfully with others as a conference speaker. So, they also come to discover the unfathomable love that Jesus and Mary have for each and every one of us. Marylene invites us to join her as she shares: **"SEEKING OUR BLESSED MOTHER IN DIFFICULT TIMES"**
Date: Saturday, February 10, 2024, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Mass: 9:00 a.m. in the Church, Fr. Thomas Maher will celebrate
Place: St. William the Abbot R.C. Church 2740 Lakewood-Allenwood Road, Howell NJ. Admission: \$25 payable at the door, includes lunch / selection is on website. Come and bring a friend. Reservations are necessary. Register Online at cwoz.org for Saturday, February 10, 2024 or call 732-475-7113 no later than Tuesday, February 6, 2024 to register. Leave your phone number and spell your last name.

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 information. Life Recovery Bible Weekly Podcasts by City of Angels Recovery Radio-<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=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.

FRANCIS HOUSE OF PRAYER is a Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House located at 84 Walnford Road, Allentown, NJ. 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. Upcoming offering: **GROWING IN RADIANCE-**February 9 - 11 7 PM Friday-1 PM Sunday One of the most important capacities for those of us who wish to live a truly mystical life is the ability to see. Openness to the many sensations in our immediate surroundings deepens our ability to access the radiance of God in all things. As we engage passages from Teilhard's mystical writings, we come to know the Cosmic Christ as the source of all Radiance drawing the human family toward the light and stirring up passionate desire to join in the work of creation. Donation: \$200/\$75 non-refundable deposit. Commuters welcome.

NORWAY TRIP- Come join us October 29-Nov. 13, 2024 as we travel to London, Salisbury, Oxford and take the Queen Mary Ocean Liner Cruise to Norway and the Northern Lights. For more info call the Rectory Office at 732-223-0287.

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