

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024

“I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep... I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father and I will lay down my life for the sheep... This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.”

The beautiful image of the role of the shepherd: giving life, protecting life, feeding and leading the flock. Jesus described Himself, but His work continues in the church today. As He speaks of knowing the Father, He also knows us and our needs as part of the flock. May we come to know the shepherd, appreciate His role, and follow Him as we walk our journey. He left ninety-nine in search of the one, and I may be that one.



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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, April 20, 2024**

8:30 am Anthony DeCrose by Victor and Teri Rotonda and Family
 8:30 am Marion Mullarkey by Kay O'Keefe
 8:30 am Charles Nuzzo, Jr. by Rita Badaracco
 4:30 pm Diane Trybus-Keller by Joanne Parker
 4:30 pm Gloria Smith by Kay Kolon
 4:30 pm Marion Corcoran by Phyllis Finnerty and Family

Sunday, April 21, 2024

8:00 am Kay and Dave Morton by their Family
 8:00 am Jillian Ludwig by Pamela Varzak
 8:00 am Nada Justinic by Gordon Justin
 9:30 am Cliff Syby by His Family
 9:30 am Guy and Palmina Lingenfelter by their Family
 9:30 am Regina Kiesche by Beth and PJ Parker
 10:00 am For The People of the Parish

Monday, April 22, 2024

7:30 am Monsignor Ronald Bacovin by Tom and Kerry O'Connor
 7:30 am Thomas E. Welch III by His Loving Family
 7:30 am Theresa Sweeney by Tom and Kerry O'Connor

Tuesday April 23, 2024

7:30 am Karen Olear by Mark and Denise Olear
 7:30 am Robert O'Brien by John and Eileen Knier
 7:30 am Catherine Harrigan by MCW

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

7:30 am Michael Marinaro by His Family
 7:30 am Cosmo Scranich by His Wife Betty Scranich
 7:30 am Dorothy Dingsor by Elio and Heather Diaz

Thursday, April 25, 2024

No Mass

Friday, April 26, 2024

7:30 am Carmine Freda by Andi and Mike Parkhill
 7:30 am Robert Mullin by Joe and Kathy Martone
 7:30 am Sandra Stallone by Jerry and Cynthia Donnelly

Saturday, April 27, 2024

8:30 am Elizabeth "Betty" M. Casey by Jim and Donna Gahm
 8:30 am William F. Ritter by Neil and Leslie Scully
 8:30 am Nancy Kelly by Dan and Karen Lynch
 4:30 pm Leo Cunningham by His Family
 4:30 pm Bernice and Frederick Kile by The Kile Family
 4:30 pm Russell Hilbert by His Wife

Sunday, April 28, 2024

8:00 am For The People of The Parish
 9:30 am Billy Eckert by John and Luann Quigley and Family
 9:30 am Regina Kiesche by Marlene and Michael Martin
 9:30 am Mary Lee by Marlene and Michael Martin
 10:00 am For Unborn Children by The Lingenfelter Family
 10:00 am Sr. Helen Francis Coakley by Kathleen Derella
 10:00 am Gloria Vencenza Cancellieri by Patricia and Neil Rothman

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.

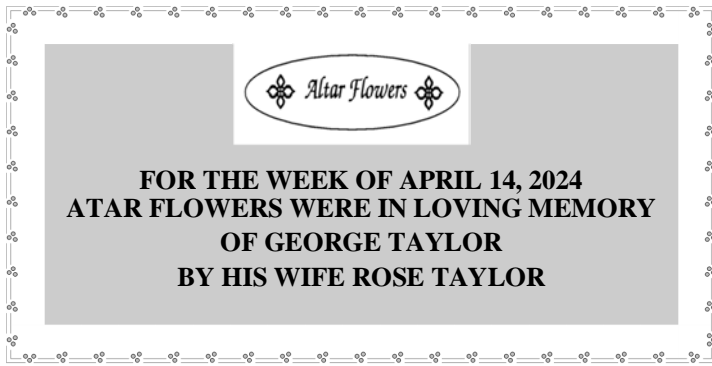
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED especially Peter Gilmore, James O'Brien, Margaret Crennan and John Lane



Pray For The Sick

especially Doris Abruzzo, Maiya Andrews, Velma Andrews, Peggy Andrich, Baby Lucy, Bobbie Banks-Grove, Joseph Bartol, Edith Bean, Belle & Ashton, Bernadette Bevan, Stanley Bevan, Joseph Bick, 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, Thomas P. Coyle, Margaret Crennan, Linda Custode, Mary Damico, Christine Danish, Duane

Danish, Lauren Davis, Rose DeMarco, Michael Desider, Constance & Hugh Doherty, Lisa Dunfee, Thomas Evans, Thomas Fahey, Chris Faraca, Joseph Fiamingo, Christine Fields Nannette Forkan, Denise Frank, Norma Friel, 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, 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, Nancy Murphy, Pauline Naturile, Nesbitt Family, Jack Noble, Jennifer Noble, Bob O'Brien, Catherine O'Connor, Sue O'Connor, Patricia O'Leary, Gerald O'Keefe, Diane Padluck, Wes Pal, Dolores Palmisano, Joanne Panzarella, Joseph Pastore, Charlotte Pentek, Tony Picinich, Mike Pierce, Peter Merz, Mickey Pindar, Lisa Pirrello, Marty Pirrong, Samara Pirrong, Kidron Procyon, 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, Ronald Weinbel, 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!

THE JERSEY SHORE CHORALE A diverse chorale of men and women singers, many with professional music backgrounds, will be accompanied by a piano, flute, string and woodwinds, kicks off the Spring season on Sat May 4 at 7 pm at Greenbriar 1, 1 Darley Circle Brick OR Sunday May 5 at 4pm at United Methodist Church, 23 Church Street, Manasquan. Hear exquisite harmonies in a wide variety of songs, from Spiritual to Broadway show tunes (Guys & Dolls, Funny Girl, Music Man) and so much more. Adults: \$15, Seniors: \$10 Students are free. For more information call 732-513-0178



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If your gift is eligible, simply print out or request a matching gift form from your employer, and send it, completed and signed, along with your gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal Office at:

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HOLY INNOCENTS SOCIETY SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

Are you passionate about including persons with special needs fully into our parish communities? If yes, then we are looking for you! We are the Holy Innocents Society Diocese of Trenton. You may know our work in catechesis, but did you know our mission as a nonprofit organization is so much more? Please explore how you can participate with us in our mission. Call 609-403-7139, leave your name, telephone number and parish's name. We will contact you as soon as possible. Visit www.dioceseoftrenton.org/holy-innocents-society if you would like more information.

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.

Message from Grandparents' Guild


In addition to our commitment, of "passing on our faith to our grandchildren", the Grandparents Guild, is also committed to bringing about an awareness of the grandparents of Jesus, St Anne and St Joachim. We honor their role as the grandparents of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Following their example, we model devotion to our vocation as grandparents.

It is most important that we continue this awareness of the grandparents of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We will celebrate their Feast Day from July 7 - 28, 2024. We look forward to your grandchildren sharing their insights regarding their grandparents, as we did last year. Our month-long celebration will be reflective of our gratitude for modeling their (Saints Anne and Joachim) untiring love and devotion to Jesus and each of us.

We are in need of 4- 8 students to volunteer their love for their grandparents by coming forward and speaking about what makes them special.

Keep checking the Bulletin for more information. or call the Rectory.

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.

 **Pray for the 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.

RECOVERY CORNER

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



and rent concepts through

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=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.

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.

MEALS ON WHEELS- MONMOUTH COUNTY-

Volunteers are needed for the Meals on Wheels program. If interested, please contact Nancy at nancyk@interfaithneighbors.org. We deliver over 1,100 meals daily, Monday- Friday with several starting points across Monmouth County. Depending on the route, meals are generally picked up and delivered between 10-10:30 am. Routes consist of approximately 6-10 stops and take one to one and a half hours to complete. We also have a "standby" volunteer list if you are not able to commit on a daily or weekly basis, but can assist on an "as needed" basis, filling in for vacations and illnesses. Thank you!

HELP NEEDED AT MANASQUAN FOOD PANTRY- FOOD PANTRY MANAGER, 4 days, 3.5 hours each. Must have computer knowledge and the ability to lift cases of food if needed. For more info or to apply please email Fbcmanasquan@juno.com



St. Vincent De Paul Society's Food Pantry at St. Denis Church Phone: 732-223-1383

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Questions or special food needs?

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Pantry hours: Tuesdays: 1PM-3PM

For the re-opening of *The St. Denis Food Pantry* after the basement renovation, food items need to be re-stocked. Donations of the following items would be greatly appreciated. Cash and check donations are welcome and can be left in the envelopes with the donated food. Please include "Food Pantry" in the memo section of checks.

PLEASE DONATE ONLY THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

****Please Check Expiration Dates****

Laundry Detergent (56oz or smaller) Dish Detergent, Boxed Milk, Tea, Juice, Canned Beef Stew, Canned Chili, Tissue Boxes, Cooking Oil, Ramen Noodles

Items may be left in the shopping cart in the Gathering Space in the Main Church, or in the plastic box at the Beach Chapel.



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

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Vincent de Paul was canonized by Pope Clement XII in 1737 but Pope Leo honored him as patron saint of all charitable societies in 1885. It was the deathbed confession of a dying servant which opened Vincent's eyes to the crying spiritual needs of the peasantry of France. This was a crucial moment in the life of a man from a small farm in France, who originally became a priest with little more purpose than to have a comfortable life, The Countess de Gondi-whose servant he had helped-persuaded her husband to endow and support a group of missionaries who would work among the poor tenant farmers and county folk. After working for some time in Paris among imprisoned galley slaves, Vincent returned to be the leader of that group-now known as the Congregation of the Mission, or the Vincentians. These priests with vows of poverty, chastity, obedience and stability, were to devote themselves entirely to the people in small towns and villages. Later, Vincent established confraternities of charity for the spiritual and physical relief of the poor and sick of each parish. From these, with the help of Louise de Marillac, came the Daughters of Charity to help the sick in the city. He organized the rich women of Paris to collect funds for his missionary projects, founded several hospitals, collected relief funds for the victims of war, and ransomed over 1200 galley slaves from North Africa. He was also zealous in conducting retreats for clergy at a time when there was great laxity, abuse and ignorance among them. Remarkably, Vincent was by temperament a quick tempered and testy person-even his friends said so. He said later in life that except for the Grace of God he would have been "hard and repulsive, rough and cross". But he became a tender and affectionate man, very sensitive to the needs of others, and would become the patron saint of our society which bears his name.

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 18, 2024 at 7 pm in the Parish Center.

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



CHILDREN’S CHOIR

RECRUITMENT!

St Denis Church is looking to inspire our parish children who love and worship God by making a joyful noise. By singing in a newly formed parish children’s choir in the fall of 2024.

The Children’s choir is open to any in grades 2 through 8. The Children’s choir will sing at mass (but up to two times) a month at either the 9:30 am mass in the main church or the 10:00 am mass in the Beach Chapel.

We are looking to have rehearsals with CCD sessions on Monday or Tuesday afternoons.

We would like to have a special ”pop up” children's choir to sing at Mother’s Day Mass on Sunday May 12 , 2024 at 10am at Our Lady Star of the Sea Chapel. The rehearsal for this mass will be on Monday May 6, 2024 5:40 to 6:20 pm in the Parish Center.

Additionally, a special “pop up” Children’s choir will be on Father’s Day Sunday June 16, at 9:30 am at St Denis Church. The rehearsal for this mass will be Sunday, June 10 from 8:30 to 9:15 in the Parish Center. If you are interested please contact **Casey Fabyanski (cfab1983@gmail.com)** or the Parish office at **732-223-0287** or **stdenis@verizon.net**

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 trentonkursillo@gmail.com or 609-396-8447 x14.

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS– Today’s bulletin contains the names of those loved ones who were remembered or honored with Easter Flower donations. Thank you to all who donated to this special collection.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES GUARDIAN ANGEL DINNER DANCE (9/25/24)– Are you looking for an opportunity to have fun and make a difference? We are currently seeking volunteers to join the Guardian Angel Dinner Dance Committee. Members meet monthly to assist in promoting the event and soliciting: sponsorships, journal ads, silent auction items and sales of 50/50 tickets. Together, we can make an impact on the lives of those who rely on Catholic Charities. To learn more, please email Leslie Alpaugh at Lalpaugh@cctrenton.org

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER BILL

We are planning for our summer revitalization projects for the parish center. Our Building and Repairs collections for the next few times will be going to that project. The bathrooms on the first floor will be renewed and will take into consideration the adults who gather in the former grammar school. The cafeteria has been a multipurpose room for quite some time, and our renovations will help it be more useful and more appealing for all the functions we host there. We also will complete the first phase of updating the security system. There is a lot to take care of in taking care of the several buildings that comprise our parish, I want to thank one of our parishioners, William, who lives near the beach chapel and asked if he could work on power-washing Our Lady’s Chapel! He also donated the funds for it to happen, and did so just in time for our Easter celebrations. I am so thankful for his initiative and generosity!

On a different note, there was an article in the Wall Street Journal about studies done regarding the effects of regular religious practice. Clare Ansberry wrote: Active religious practice, such as going to churches, synagogues and mosques, is linked to mental well-being, according to a growing body of research. One possible explanation for the link, researchers and clergy say, is that places of worship can provide community and belonging, which are big drivers in mental well-being, and help counter isolation and loneliness. The findings come at a time of declining regular attendance at services across nearly all faith denominations and rising rates of depression and anxiety. Young people in particular have low rates of church attendance and report often feeling lonely and anxious. “There is a mounting body of empirical evidence suggesting that people who are active in their faith tend to be the recipients of a number of important physical and mental-health benefits,” says Byron Johnson, professor of social sciences at Baylor University.

As the number of teens and college students at church decrease and their experience of life becomes more and more negative, please invite the young people in your life, or anyone that you think can benefit from it, to read the article is titled “The Mental-Health Benefits Linked to Going to Church.”

ECUMENICAL GIVING GARDEN

We are looking forward to a great growing season to help our neighbors in need! Our ecumenical giving garden (at St. Denis) is being redesigned for the future and we are looking for volunteers to take part of the fun and rewarding outreach program. We grow vegetables and our ecumenical community at the same time. We will have different days/times for groups to get together and garden, so it will fit your schedule. If you can give an hour a week, even everyother week, and would love to learn more about the opportunity, call Fr. Bill at St. Denis, 732-223-0287 ext. 308



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What participants are saying about Walking with Purpose:

"Walking with Purpose is gently changing my life. Through strong, beautiful women, I am beginning to see and enjoy that I can have a very intimate, personal relationship with my God the father, his son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. I so look forward to every week - I usually enter with a certain degree of life's worries and always leave in peace! I am so grateful."



WWP will have 3 more gatherings before this current season comes to an end, so come and give WWP a try! Come to one or all gatherings at the St. Denis Parish Center: Tuesday evenings, 7pm or Wednesdays, 12:15pm. Our last gathering(s) is April 30/May1. For more information, visit our local website www.wwpnjshore.com

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

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.

Though our Parish Mission has come to a close we are reminded that our mission to go forth has not. With that in mind we thought we would share the closing Blessing from the Parish Mission Mass to stay with us along our journey.

REDEMPTORIST BLESSING

(An adaptation for the works of St. Alphonsus Liguori 1782)

IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST I BLESS YOU, SOUL AND BODY.

I BLESS YOU EYES - THAT YOU MAY SEE THE BEAUTY OF GOD IN THE WORLD;
YOUR EARS - THAT YOU MAY HEAR THE WORD OF GOD'
YOUR TONGUES - THAT YOU MAY PROCLAIM GOD'S KINGDOM IN THE WORLD;
YOUR HANDS AND FEET - THAT YOU MAY DO THE WORK OF GOD IN ALL THINGS.

I BLESS THE MEMBERS OF YOUR FAMILY WHO COULD NOT BE PRESENT TODAY (TONIGHT).
MAY YOU ALL BE TOGETHER IN PARADISE.
I BLESS THE WORK OF YOUR LIFE.
BEHAVE AS YOU SHOULD TOWARDS GOD AND GOD WILL GIVE YOU EVERY GRACE AND BLESSING.
I BLESS THE AIR THAT YOU BREATHE, THE GROUND THAT YOU WALK ON, THE FOOD THAT YOU EAT.
EVERYTHING THAT CONCERNS YOU.

ABOVE ALL, I BLESS YOUR IMMORTAL SOULS,
BOUGHT BY THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST.
I BLESS YOUR MINDS AND YOUR WILL POWER
THAT YOU MAY ALWAYS CHOOSE CHRIST AND THE THINGS OF CHRIST.
I BLESS YOUR STEPS TO THIS CHURCH, ALL YOUR PAST CONFESSIONS AND COMMUNIONS,
YOUR TEARS OF SORROW AND YOUR SMILES OF JOY.

AND, AS I BLESS YOU HERE ON EARTH, MAY YOU BE BLESSED IN HEAVEN,
IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.
AMEN.

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