

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2024

“The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers... ‘If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you.’”

Am I able to recognize the description of the early church reflected in our life today? We struggle to be a viable presence of the Lord in our world, yet it is the same Holy Spirit calling and motivating us to make the gospel real.

The mission and mandate of Jesus is the task of all who claim discipleship. As we draw our life from the vine, God’s grace, we ask the power to bring the peace, joy and love of Christ to others. As the warmth of spring allows the buds to sprout, so may we waken ourselves and live our calling.



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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.



MASS INTENTIONS

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

Monday, April 29, 2024

7:30 am Tessie Kit-Lucas by Alana Mustakas
7:30 am Anthony Gervasio by His Family
7:30 am Frank Varra by his Family

Tuesday April 30, 2024

7:30 am Vincent Intintola by His Family
7:30 am John Knight by Sharon and Family
7:30 am Linda Zadzielski-VanWagner by Alana Mustakas

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

7:30 am Nada Justinic by Ellie and John Fox
7:30 am Jim Kazenmayer by Gene Bialas
7:30 am Stanley Prus by The Owens Family

Thursday, May 2, 2024

No Mass

Friday, May 3, 2024

7:30 am Marilyn Bialas by Gene
7:30 am Maryann Kelly by Tom and Pat Coyle
7:30 am Martin Freeman by his Wife Joanne

Saturday, May 4, 2024

8:30 am Kayla Bruton by Grandmother Mona Kirk
8:30 am Jimmy Pendleton
by John and Luann Quigley and Family
8:30 am Ann Hutkowski by Fran and Bruce Latourette
4:30 pm Leo Cunningham by His Family
4:30 pm Anthony Majewski
by Barbara Roche and Lou Nieves
4:30 pm Beverly Levy by Barbara Roche and Lou Nieves

Sunday, April May 5, 2024

8:00 am Eleanor Stankuras Smith by Deacon Gary
9:30 am For the People
10:00 am Ruth and Jack Young by Their Family
10:00 am Elaine and William McIntosh by Their Family
10:00 am Elizabeth "Betty" Murphy by The Kile Family

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 Jessica Ferreira and Patricia Zanetti



**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, Ann Brown, 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, Linda Custode, Mary Damico, Christine Danish, Duane Danish,

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We welcome into our parish family
the following children who were brought to the Lord
through the Sacrament of Baptism
May the grace of the sacrament remain with them always

Ryleigh Hayden Dengel
Evelyn Iris Baile
Tyler James Kapuscinski

BLESSING BAG BRIGADE

Thank you so much to all who donated to the Blessing Bag Brigade and to the volunteers who helped to sort and pack the bags this past weekend. Due to your kindness, generosity and hard work, we were able to pack 325 bags which will be a wonderful help to so many! God Bless You and Thank you again!

LOURDES VIRTUAL PILGRIMAGE EXPERIENCE

SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST AT 9:30 AM

Our Lady of Lourdes North American Volunteers will present a 2 hours Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage Experience at St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church. As part of this spiritual opportunity to draw nearer to God with Our Lady and St Bernadette you will:

- Immerse yourself in the Message of Lourdes as given by Our Lady to St Bernadette
- Receive a Eucharistic blessing and pray a candlelit Rosary
- Receive a bottle of Lourdes water
- Prepare a petition to be placed in the Grotto in Lourdes France

Come and encounter the healing grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ through his Immaculate Mother. Invite your family and friends. Our Lady extends her invitation to all! The next best thing to visiting Lourdes itself is a Pilgrimage journey without the travel. A Plenary indulgence is granted to all the faithful, under the usual conditions, who attends this Experience. Admission is free, donations are welcome. For more information contact the Parish office (732) 349-0018 ext. 2223



Can a Donor make an IRA Charitable Gift?

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**WEEK OF APRIL 28, 2024
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
MARGARET AND JOHN BISHOP
REQUESTED BY THEIR DAUGHTER**

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.



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 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 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.coan> 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.

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

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

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

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

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****

Peanut Butter, Mayonnaise, Pasta, Jelly, Ketchup, Pasta Sauce, Cereal, Pancake Mix, Boxed Milk, Oatmeal, Pancake Syrup, Canned Chicken, Coffee, Canned Tuna, Small laundry detergent (approx. 30-50-ounce size).

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.

ST DENIS ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY



Members of St. Denis Altar Rosary will Meet on Sunday May 5, 2024 at 9:00 AM In Church for recitation of the rosary and the 9:30 AM Mass. We will also meet on Wednesday May 8, 2024 at the Off Shore Restaurant in Point Pleasant Beach for dinner at 4:00. Donation is \$40.00. If you haven't made your Reservation yet please call Betty or Claire.

TO ALL OF OUR PARISH FAMILIES

Registration has started for our 2024-25 Religious Education Program. All Children grades 1-8 are invited and Encouraged to attend.. For more information please call the Religious Education office at 732-223-1161 or visit the St Denis website and look under the religious Education tab. Looking forward to seeing you next year!



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



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. If you have an interest in seeing how "qualified" you can become in helping those in need, come to one of the Society's meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. 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."

The Society's next meeting is 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**

MOTHER’S DAY SPIRITUAL BOUQUETS

May 12th is Mother’s Day. Beginning on Mother’s Day weekend and continuing for the next two days, we will have special Masses in honor of all our mothers, both living and deceased. You will find special Mother’s Day cards and intention envelopes in the gathering space of the church and the vestibule of the chapel. We ask that if you do not have a need for the card, only take the intention envelope in the basket marked “Intention Envelopes.” You may list multiple names on your intention envelope. All envelopes should be returned to the rectory by Friday, May 10th They will be placed on the altar and the intentions will be remembered at the Mother’s Day Masses.



MOTHERS MEMORIAL MASS

A special mass will be celebrated for all mothers and their families who have suffered the loss of a child at any age (miscarriage/before birth, stillbirth, infancy, childhood, or adult children) on **Tuesday May 14, 2024 at 7:00 PM at Saint Dominic Church in Brick.** Come to honor and remember these children through a special celebration of the Eucharist. The names of the children being honored and remembered will be collected when families arrive and will be read aloud during this special mass. A gathering with refreshments will follow mass. **No RSVP is necessary... All are welcome!** This is sponsored by The Elizabeth Ministries of the churches of St. Dominic and St Denis. Any questions please contact Rachel Hendricks at the hendricks7@gmail.com



A MESSAGE FROM FATHER BILL

In the joy of the Easter Season, our parish will celebrate First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 4th at 10 am and 12pm. We will also celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday, May 15th at 5 pm and 7 pm. Let us pray for the students and their families as they prepare for these eternally significant events! May God bless them.

As we prepare to enter the final weeks of the Easter Season, I once again invite you to participate in the “Thy Kingdom Come” prayer event. Thy Kingdom Come is a movement which unites more than a million Christians in prayer, in nearly 90% of countries worldwide, across 85 different denominations and traditions—so that friends and family, neighbors and colleagues might come to faith in Jesus Christ. Specifically, each and every Christian across the globe is invited to pray that God’s Spirit might work in the lives of 5 people who have not responded with their ‘Yes’ to God’s call. Or for those whose “Yes” has faded. The prayer event takes place from Ascension of the Lord (starting Thursday, although our diocese moved the feast to Sunday) until Pentecost: May 9-19.

There are so many resources available for your use (prayer journals and reflections, at work resources) and inspirational videos are posted each day. Links are on our Facebook and Website. You can also go directly to **thykingdomcome.global**. On the website you can “sign up” and a “light” is added to the global map. What a great visual for you and for your children to see the power of praying in solidarity with other Christians. We are hosting a prayer service for our Manasquan Ministerium on Monday, May 13 at 11am and 7pm. is a special offering for teens this year – a world-wide Zoom event ½ hour prayer service on Pentecost with a world-wide praying of the Our Father! Let us “light up the world” by joining in prayer to the Holy Spirit. “Come Holy Spirit!”

Also, I hope the parents of the parish encourage their children to take part in the “pop-up choir” for Mother’s Day. Info is in this bulletin!!! It will be fun and a great way to celebrate Mother’s Day.

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 every other week, and would love to learn more about the opportunity, call Fr. Bill at St. Denis, 732-223-0287 ext. 308



What Participants are Saying about Walking with Purpose:

“I feel blessed to be part of WWP. I believe it’s a wonderful bible study program. It not only has help me in understanding and learning more about the message from the bible, but it also has given me the opportunity to meet wonderful women and create new friendships.”

Walking with Purpose will have **ONE** more gathering before this current season comes to an end—so come and give WWP a try! Join us on April 30 at 7:30pm or May 1 at 12:15pm at the St. Denis Parish Center for our “Connect Coffee Talk” to hear stories from women who have experienced God’s hand in their lives through WWP. 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 732-223-0287.

Retreat Day For Caregivers: Are you a person who is always taking care of others: Grandchildren, sick relatives, elderly parents, neighbors in need? You are invited to a Retreat Day for Caregivers on May 1, 2024 from 9am to 3:30pm at San Alfonso Retreat Center. Come away for a day of rest and renewal using a variety of creative prayer forms and reflection led by Catholic Chaplain, Terry Galvin Anderson. Cost \$50 includes all materials and lunch. See the website at: www.dioceseoftrenton.org/pastoral-care to register before April 19th.

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.



April 14, 2024

Weekly Collection 10,262.00

Second Collection Building Repair & Maintenance—4,456.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !

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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