

## HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

### The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) June 2, 2024

“While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, ‘Take it, this is my body.’ Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, ‘this is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine, until the day I drink it new in the kingdom of God.’”

With these words Saint Mark concludes the last supper and they left for Gethsemane. At every mass, as the priest, in the person of Christ, takes, breaks, blesses and tells me that Christ becomes present in his hands and on the altar. What does this gesture and these words do to me?

I look upon the sacred species and cup of blessing, and acknowledge my belief that Jesus is now present in the sacrament of His Body and Blood. The succeeding prayers are leading me to the moment when I can eat and drink the gift of Holy Communion. A miracle has taken place. In my prayer I ask the Lord to help me not to take this special moment casually or routinely. The Lord wants to come to me. I need Him, and who am I that He should pick me out for this gift? I echo the question of Elizabeth ‘How is it that He comes to me?’ I am His beloved and He wants to be with 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](http://www.facebook.com/churchofstdenis). You don't need to have a Facebook account to read parish news and updates, but would need one to leave comments and feedback.



**Saturday, June 1, 2024**

8:30 am Marion & James Langan by Mary & Larry Langan  
 8:30 am Rev. Daniel Gowen by the Walling Family .  
 8:30 am Tina O'Donnell by Joe and Mary Stine  
 4:30 pm Walter Brickowski by his Family  
 4:30 pm Joseph C. D'Angiolillo by Debbie D'Agostaro  
 4:30 pm Robert Wade by Jackie Lyons

**Sunday, June 2, 2024**

8:00 am Sandy Ratz by Gordon Justin  
 8:00 am John Bartalini by Michael & Tina Schwartz  
 8:00 am Robert J. Butler by the Feuster Family  
 9:30 am Annamarie Rega by Mary & Tom Cantillo  
 9:30 am Alice & Josephine Crawford  
 by Nancy & Paul Sector  
 9:30 am Mary Lee by Beth & BJ Barker  
 10:00am For The People of the Parish

**Monday, June 3, 2024**

7:30 am Tina O'Donnell by Liz & Dave Smith  
 7:30 am Maureen Walsh by Dianne Talbot  
 7:30 am Father Daniel Gowen by Gene Bialas

**Tuesday June 4, 2024**

7:30 am Dominick & Joseph DeStefano by their Family  
 7:30 am Mary Kukulski by Mark & Denise Olear  
 7:30 am Joseph Runk by Michael & Pam Budalich

**Wednesday, June 5, 2024**

7:30 am Maureen Lago by the St. Denis Staff  
 7:30 am Rose Abitante by Fran Weeks  
 7:30 am Reverend Daniel Gowen by Jackie Lyons

**Thursday, June 6, 2024**

No Mass

**Friday, June 7, 2024**

7:30 am Paul Weeks by Fran Weeks  
 7:30 am Gabriel Bevilacqua by Patricia & Erwin O'Grady  
 7:30 am Rita & Angelo Addeo by their Daughter

**Saturday, June 8, 2024**

8:30 am John A. Kirk (2nd Anniv.) by his wife, Mona  
 8:30 am Carol Muller by the Kernan Family .  
 8:30 am Tina O'Donnell by Cindy and Keith Funsch  
 4:30 pm Joseph B. Esposito by Rosemary Esposito  
 4:30 pm Bill Driscoll by Theresa Driscoll  
 4:30 pm Ken O'Donnell by the O'Donnell Family

**Sunday, June 9, 2024**


8:00 am Carmen & Ann Freda  
 by Robert & Rosemarie Kiernan  
 8:00 am Marion A. Mullarkey by Diane & Roy Churchman  
 8:00 am Anthony Majeski by Joan & Mark Clarkin  
 9:30 am For The People of The Parish  
 10:00am Edwina Burke by Lynn Neiberlien  
 10:00am Linda Wynd by Aunt Joan Fahmie  
 10:00am Patrick Cleary by Eileen & Jim Rochford  
 10:00am James Cali by Peter Yannotta

**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 Mary Lou Lytle, Rita Windas, Dorothy Voorhees and Charles Messenger.



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, 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, 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 Giambone, 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, Mark Olear, 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 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, Ronald Weinbel, Stephen Whyte, Kathy Wicks, Karen Williams, Marilyn Woerner, Patricia Wolfe, Albert Wood, Butch Wright, Eileen Zemo, and Werner Ziesmer.

  
**WEEK OF JUNE 2, 2024  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
JOSEPHINE & DOMINICK DESTEFANO  
BY THEIR FAMILY**

  
**WEEK OF JUNE 2, 2024  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
MAUREEN LAGO**



**FATHER'S DAY SPIRITUAL BOUQUETS-** Sunday, June 16th is Father's Day. On Father's Day and continuing for the next two days, we will have special Mass intentions for our fathers, both living and deceased. This weekend in the church and chapel, you will find intention envelopes and Father's Day cards. The cards are provided for fathers that are living. If you do not need a card, please just take an intention envelope. We ask you to fill out the intention envelope (you may put more than one name on the envelope) and return it to the rectory no later than Friday, June 14th. These envelopes will then be placed on the altar and the intentions will be remembered at our Masses.



**TO ALL OF OUR PARISH FAMILIES-** Registration has started for our 2024-2025 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. We are looking forward to seeing you next year!

**BLESSED. 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.

**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.




**ROSES FOR LIFE -- THANK YOU!!** The Mary's Child Pro-Life Ministry wishes to thank the many generous parishioners of St. Denis who supported our Mothers Day Rose sale to help charities that assist pregnant moms in need. The net proceeds from our fundraising event raised \$1,170 which will be split between **Good Counsel Homes** and **Several Sources Shelter** which are both located in NJ and help NJ women. Thank you All!!

**MAKE THIS SUMMER A WHOLE LOT BRIGHTER FOR A DISADVANTAGED CHILD-** For over 46 years, The Sisters of the Good Shepherd have provided low income Monmouth County children with a safe enriching summer at Kateri Day Camp. You can help a child this summer! Key components that make our camp valuable are:  
\* Full Day camp for weeks allows parents to work and know their child is safe  
\* We provide transportation, breakfast, lunch and a snack to each child  
\* Each child receives daily swimming lessons and literacy  
\* Each child can take home as many books as they enjoy  
**YOUR DONATION WILL HAVE IMPACT ON A CHILDS LIFE! \$80= One day of camp , \$400=one week of camp and \$2800=Full seven weeks of camp**

Get some friends together and sponsor a local kid at camp! Visit [www.collieryouthservices.org/camp](http://www.collieryouthservices.org/camp) to donate online or mail your contribution to:  
Collier Youth Services/Campership Appeal P.O. Box 300  
Wickatunk, NJ 07765-0300



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.

  
**May 26, 2024**

<b>Weekly Collection</b>	<b>\$ \$11,063.00</b>
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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !**



**THE 2025 MASS BOOK AND SANCTUARY LAMP CALENDAR** will open Thursday, June 6, 2025 at 9:00 am. Intentions will be taken at the rectory office. Please be aware that there is a limit of 4 Masses and 4 Sanctuary Lamps per person. There are still 2024 Masses (daily & Saturday morning) and Sanctuary Lamps available.



**CHILDREN’S CHOIR RECRUITMENT!**

St. Denis Church is looking to inspire our parish children who love and worship God by making a joyful noise and singing in a newly formed parish Children’s Choir in the fall of 2024. The Children’s Choir is open to any student in grades 2 through 8. They will sing at Mass (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. A special “pop up” Children’s Choir will sing on Father’s Day, Sunday, June 16 at the 9:30 am Mass at St. Denis Church. The rehearsal for this Mass will be Sunday, June 10 from 8:30-9:15 am in the Parish Center. If interested please contact Casey Fabyanski (cfab1983@gmail.com) or the Parish Office at 732-223-0287 or st.denis@verizon.net



**FAURE REQUIEM HERE AT ST. DENIS WEDNESDAY JUNE 5, 2024, 7PM-**

Featuring the combined choirs of: Manasquan High School-Madison Schille, Director, Point Pleasant Borough High School-Felicia Villa, Director, and Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran

Church, Deacon Ned Perwo-Director, accompanied by Chamber Orchestra and Organist Andrew Macirowski. Singers spanning the generations come together to perform one of the most beloved choral compositions in the repertory: “Requiem” by Gabriel Faure. This beautiful masterwork with timeless text will move your spirit and fill your soul.

**SUMMER GOSPEL REFLECTION/STUDY-** We join together with members of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church to discuss the upcoming Sunday Gospel. This informal presentation and discussion is a great way to learn more about the Gospel and share a relaxing “summer reading” experience with some great people. We meet on Wednesdays at 11am at the Holy Trinity Church and again at 7pm at the St. Denis Parish Center. Our three-week session will start 12 June and conclude 26 June. Then get ready for The Chosen discussions!!!



**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)

Questions or special food needs?

Please call our hotline number at 732-223-1383

Pantry hours: Tuesdays: 1PM–3PM

There is a menu of food options available at curbside for pick up!. 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:**

*Flour, Sugar, Crackers, Fruit Juice, Toilet Paper, Tea, Cookies, Cooking Oil and Shaving Cream*

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

*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.*

**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.coa.nj> 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 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.

To learn more about helping those in need, come to the Society’s next meeting on Thursday, June 20th at 7pm in the Parish Center. If you need assistance please call the hotline at 732-223-1383.

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.

## A MESSAGE FROM FATHER BILL

We celebrate Corpus Christi – the great Feast of the Eucharist. And we are celebrating this Feast during the National Eucharistic Revival. With this in mind I share a “view from the pew” from Debbie D’Agostaro. Following that, I also share with you a “view from the pew” from Allison Penkethman, one of the coordinators of Walking With Purpose. I am thankful to these two women for sharing the following:

### A view from the Pew – Debbie D’Agostaro

In addition to being an active member of St. Denis Parish, I have the privilege of working at the Diocesan Office in Trenton in the Office of Catechesis. I work with some amazing people and have had some unique experiences over the past five years. Right now, my office is preparing for year three of the Eucharistic Revival. Throughout the past two years of the National Eucharistic Revival, our parish and others across the country have been raising awareness of the awesome gift of Jesus in the Eucharist, body, blood, soul, and divinity through times of Adoration, teaching and preaching. Now pilgrims are processing with the Blessed Sacrament from the 4 corners of the US toward Indianapolis for the Eucharistic Conference in July 2024. You can find out more about the pilgrimage here: [www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org](http://www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org). I’m excited to be a part of this and look forward to seeing you at one of these events. For more details on the locations and schedule, go to [www.dioceseoftrenton.org/eucharistic-revival](http://www.dioceseoftrenton.org/eucharistic-revival).

### View From the Pew-Allison Penkethman

Walking with Purpose (WWP) recently completed our 6<sup>th</sup> season at St. Denis Parish. As one of the coordinators of this program I am always amazed to watch as over 150 women gather on either Tuesday evenings or Wednesday afternoons to grow in deeper understandings of our Catholic faith. Together, participants “put the faith pieces together,” while creating authentic friendships with each other.

Walking with Purpose at St. Denis offered two studies this past season. For our seasoned participants, we dove deep into the Gospel of John as we studied, *Touching the Divine*. For those women who were new to WWP, we studied *Opening Your Heart, the Starting Point*. This introductory study was a profound journey that guided us closer to the heart of God, helped us to form a personal relationship with Christ, while finding answers to life’s biggest questions through the context of the Catholic faith.

At WWP a community is formed as women study, learn and walk on their faith journeys together. Women of all ages come together in small groups, each striving for the same understandings; thus, creating beautifully genuine friendships. These intergenerational friendships are among some of the most incredible ones to witness - the young mom who gains wisdom from the friend more experienced than she; or the senior participant who finds the companionship she longs for. The insights and perspectives gained in these relationships are some examples of the wonderful blessings that flow at WWP.

Ladies, we would love for you to join us at WWP to grow in your faith, form a personal relationship with Jesus, and create authentic friendships. Our WWP season will start October 1 at 7:30 pm or October 2 at 12:15pm. For those new to WWP, we offer a beginner study and for the seasoned participant, a secondary study. For more information about our local Walking with Purpose studies and to register, please check us out at: [wvpnjshore.com](http://wvpnjshore.com).

Peace be with you,  
Allison Penkethman



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**

### 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.



Once again I would like to thank all the wonderful parishioners and friends who sent me cards, text messages, and called me during my recent recovery from surgery. The well wishes were greatly appreciated and meant so much to me. I am truly grateful to Eileen, Donna, Kerry and Marguerite who covered my duties in the office while I was away. My heartfelt thanks also to Father Bill for his many phone calls that always cheered me up and brightened my day. I am truly blessed to be a part of such a wonderful parish!

Sincerely,  
Betsy Rice  
Office Manager

**CALLING FOR ST DENIS HOLY HELPERS**-Holy Helpers is a parish group that takes stewardship for the events and activities that require some "helping hands". It is so deemed Holy Helpers in honor of St Denis who was one of the Fourteen **Holy Helpers**. They are a group of saints invoked with special confidence because they have proven themselves efficacious helpers in adversity and difficulties, known and venerated under the name Fourteen Holy Helpers. Do you feel you can be a part of St. Denis Parish Holy Helpers? Stewardship and assistance in many, many ways is what really helps maintain the vibrancy of our parish and makes things happen. This ministry is open to all. We appreciate whatever talents you can offer as our events come along during the year! Participate as your schedule and ability dictate. This is a "no commitment" committee! Help when you want and as you feel you can. **If you would like to join please contact the parish office (732) 223-0287 or contact Eileen at email: [eileenziemer@gmail.com](mailto:eileenziemer@gmail.com). Our first activity will be helping sell 50/50 tickets at all the Masses through the summer...call or email if you are**

**KINDNESS CAFE**- Please stop in for a cup of kindness after Mass! The Kindness Café is open every Sunday from 8:30 am –11:30 am at 140 Main Street in downtown Manasquan. Our mission is to bring meaningful employment to young adults with developmental disabilities, one cup of coffee at a time. For more information please contact us at: [kindnesscafeonmain@gmail.com](mailto:kindnesscafeonmain@gmail.com) #brewingkindnessdaily

**ALS PRAYER GROUP**- For those impacted by Lou Gehrig's Disease (ALS) The Holy Innocent's Society of the Diocese of Trenton is sponsoring a weekly virtual prayer group. The group will meet via Zoom every Monday at 10:00 am. For more information or to register email: [holyinnocentsociety@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:holyinnocentsociety@dioceseoftrenton.org) with the subject line "ALS". Include your name and telephone number.

**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](mailto:Fbcmanasquan@juno.com)

**GARDEN CLUB OF SPRING LAKE SEASIDE GARDEN TOUR**- Wednesday, June 26, 2024 10 am–3 pm. Advance tickets \$40/Day of tour \$45 You can purchase tickets in Spring Lake at: \*Clayton Limousine, \*Coral Cove, \*Frederick Galleries, \*J. McLaughlin and \*Kate & Co. On the day of the tour purchase tickets at the Potter Park Gazebo, Spring Lake at Warren and Fifth Avenues. For information or advance tickets visit our website: [gardenclubofspringlake.org](http://gardenclubofspringlake.org)

**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.

**HEALING MASS**– When: Thursday, 6/13/24 at 7 pm Where: St. Pio of Pietrelcina Church, 1100 Grand Cenral Ave. (Rt. 35N) in Lavallette Who: Celebrant Fr. Joe Hublick prayer teams and music (Mark J.L. Mattheiss) from NJ Campus Graduates/Students of Encounter School of Ministry. Come join us for a Mass with healing prayers. All are welcome! For more information please contact [DawnRusinko@yahoo.com](mailto:DawnRusinko@yahoo.com)

**The ARCADIAN CHORALE** invites you to a performance of "Wonders of Nature: Songs of Land, Sea, and Sky!" - This performance will take place on Saturday, June 8, 2024 at 8:00 pm at the Henderson Theatre, Christian Brothers Academy, 850 Newman Springs Road in Lincroft. The Chorale will explore various natural phenomena depicted in music by both classical and contemporary composers. Beethoven's rollicking "Calm Sea and Prosperous Voyage" will be contrasted with Andrew Steffen's exotic "O Sea, O Sky." The beauty of peaks and valleys will be heard in Elaine Hagenberg's "The Blue Ridge," while their power is depicted in Stephen Chatman's "Mountains!" The program will also offer songs on the moon, sun, rain, fire, volcanoes, rainbows, mosquitoes, and lightning! The concert will be highlighted by poetry and prose on these topics recited by representatives of various local environmental, parks, and educational organizations. Virtuoso accompaniments will be provided by Ruslan Odintsov at the keyboard, plus a local string quartet. Tickets: General Admission \$25. Seniors \$22. Students \$10. Credit cards accepted. Group rates available. Tickets can be purchased at: [www.arcadianchorale.org](http://www.arcadianchorale.org)

**BUILDING A CULTURE OF LIFE IN NJ SEMINAR**- Come to "Building a Culture of Life in NJ" seminar on Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at St. Mary's Elementary School ~ 538 Church St., Middletown, NJ ~ in Euphemia Hall. Hear NJ pro-life leaders cover topics including: N. J. after Roe; Post-abortion healing; How to graciously answer pro-abortion rhetoric, legislative updates and more! Refreshments & networking. Space is limited; pre-registration is required: Event is free. Love offering taken. Visit: [lifeneducation.org/life](http://lifeneducation.org/life) for more information.

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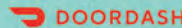


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