

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time June 16, 2024

“...We walk by faith, not by sight. Yet we are courageous and we would rather leave the body and go home to the Lord. Therefore, we aspire to please him, whether we are at home or away. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil.”

Saint Paul tells us like it is. There is a lot of talk today about transparency and accountability. One day, sooner or later, the Lord will call us for our personal accounting. As we ask God's grace to help us get to heaven we know that our book of life is to be put on the table. Some pages we might want to delete, and others to magnify to assure the promised reward.

When we attend a wake or funeral, our thoughts and prayers should be directed to asking the Lord's mercy and forgiveness for the deceased, not just to speak about their character and accomplishments. It is our faith in a merciful loving God that allows us to approach Him with confidence. As we pray for others and their salvation, we ask that they intercede for us.



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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, June 15, 2024**

8:30 am Eileen Dunne by Virginia Dunne
 8:30 am Linda Wynd by Aunt Joan Fahmie
 8:30 am Matthew Frystock by Michael & Pam Budalich
 4:30 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, June 16, 2024– FATHER’S DAY

8:00 am Father’s Day Intentions
 9:30 am Father’s Day Intentions
 10:00am Father’s Day Intentions

Monday, June 17, 2024

7:30 am Father’s Day Intentions

Tuesday June 18, 2024

7:30 am Father’s Day Intentions

Wednesday, June 19, 2024

7:30 am John McNamara by his Wife
 7:30 am Rosemary Donahue (5th Anniversary)
 by her Sister-in-law, Kay Kolon
 7:30 am Marjorie Asiel by Lynn Bertscha

Thursday, June 20, 2024

No Mass

Friday, June 21, 2024

7:30 am Patricia & Michael Brunner by Phil Brunner
 7:30 am Andriy Sokolyk by Nadia Jaworiw
 7:30 am Father Dan Gowen by Gene Bialas

Saturday, June 22, 2024

8:30 am Donald Dickson by his Family
 8:30 am Bridget Gowen by the Syby Family
 8:30 am Reverend Daniel Gowen by the Syby Family
 4:30 pm The Taylor Family by R. Taylor
 4:30 pm Catherine & Clinton Broadhurst
 by June Cunningham
 4:30 pm Dolly Hood by her Friend, June

Sunday, June 23, 2024

8:00 am For the People of the Parish
 9:30 am Joseph Pstrak by Deacon Gary
 9:30 am Allen Bessemer, Sr. by his Wife, Jane & Family
 9:30 am Mary Rita Clarkin by Claire Majeski
 9:30 am CJ Holowach by his Mom & Julia
 10:00 am Mary Alice Coghlan by the Rose Family
 10:00 am Viola & Thomas O’Reilly by their Family
 10:00 am Claire M. Codey by Jennifer DelSalto
 10:00 am Robert Tilton by his Family

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



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, Louise Franzetti, Norma Friel, Katherine Geiger, Nicole Giambrone, 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’Keeffe, 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.

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.

EUCHARISTIC 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!



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 to donate online or mail your contribution to: Collier Youth Services/Campership Appeal P.O. Box 300 Wickatunk, NJ 07765-0300

MEN'S DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP- Are you seeking support from other men going through the life change of separation and divorce, but no one in your immediate circle of friends seems to understand the challenges you are facing? This Men's Group is being offered to help men discuss the problems of separation and divorce. It is being run by men who are divorced who have stepped forward and seen the need for this program. It doesn't matter if you are contemplating divorce, newly separated, going through the divorce process, recently divorced or divorced many years. The support group is held monthly (days to be announced as they change monthly) 7:00 pm-8:30 pm at St. Leo The Great Church, Parish Center Meeting Room, 50 Hurleys Lane in Lincroft. To register, or if you have any questions or need more information, email Michele Coppola Wilson at: healfromdivorcetoday@gmail.com



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

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 email Leslie Alpaugh at Lalpaugh@cctrenton.org

THEOLOGY ON TAP are events created for young adults (21-39) and take place in restaurants and breweries around the diocese. In partnership with The Parish of Saint Mary's Young Adult Ministry... our next TOT is June 18, 2024, 7pm at Twin Lights Brewing 4057 Asbury Ave, Tinton Falls, located in Tinton Falls Centre Plaza. \$20 per person includes light food options, soft drinks and other light refreshments. There will be a cash bar. Join us for a relaxed atmosphere with drinks, food and friends. Hear a casual talk on a topic related to our faith, followed by Q&A. Connect with other young adults from around our diocese! Please register at www.dioceseoftrenton.com/theology-on-tap.

ST. MARK'S YOUTH GROUP – AN INVITATION-Teens are invited to join a high school youth group at our neighboring parish of St. Mark, Sea Girt. They meet on Sunday nights at 7:30 pm. There are always lots of games, service opportunities, food, and friendly high school students from our local area.

4 SERVICE DAYS:
 JULY 10TH
 JULY 16TH
 JULY 22ND
 AUGUST 6TH

SAVE THE DATE

MISSION:

Jersey

MISSION:

ALL TEENS IN THE 8-12 GRADE INVITED FOR A DAY TO SERVE GOD BY SERVING OTHERS!

MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON
WWW.DOTYOUTH.ORG/MISSIONJERSEY



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. If interested please contact Casey Fabyanski (cfab1983@gmail.com) or the Parish Office at 732-223-0287 or st.denis@verizon.net

THE 2025 MASS BOOK AND SANCTUARY LAMP CALENDAR are now open. Intentions are being taken at the rectory office during regular business hours. 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.

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 next session is on 19 June and we will conclude 26 June. Then get ready for The Chosen discussions!!!

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> 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>. For more information or to donate items, please call 609-557-7837.



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:

Laundry detergent, dish detergent, mustard, coffee, tissues

****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.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS, COURT ST. DENIS

will have the last meeting of the season on Thursday, June 20, 2024 at 6 pm in the Parish Center. At the meeting members will celebrate "Priest Appreciation Day" with a dinner with our Parish priests as our special guests. We are thankful to our priests, deacons, and parish family for their continued support!

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



In the Gospel Jesus once asked "Who are you looking for?" Perhaps it could be asked "What are you looking for?" Perhaps it is happiness we seek, but sometimes we are looking for happiness in selfish ways. However, we also find that when we look for ways to make others happy or a bit more secure, it is then that we become truly happy and witness God's love. The Vincentian Society witnesses God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice. The Society collaborates with other people of good will in relieving need and addressing its causes. As you give your gift or your time to the Society of St Vincent de Paul, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering and you give them reason to believe and trust.

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.

If you are in need of assistance, please call the hotline at 732-223-1383.



We welcome into our parish family the following children who were brought to the Lord through the Sacrament of Baptism:

- Grady Ed Barrett
- Owen Clayton Groves
- Rhett Edward Manson
- Capri Ava Moore
- Cecilia Leigh Taylor

May the grace of the sacrament remain with them always



BURNOUT- Resting in God's Fairness- Tuesday, June 18th 9:30am @ The Parish Center, 11:00am @ St. Denis Church, 7:00pm @ St Denis Church. Burnout occurs when the things that once gave us life and energy become discouraging and draining instead, sacrificing all we do to the continual onslaught of "next". It eventually makes us choose cynical numbness over "caring exhaustion" **HOW DO WE AVOID THIS PITFALL????** Join us as we discuss the root cause and how to make heart cures- resting in Christ and STOP living beyond our means with the time God has provided.

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.

THE TENTH NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONFERENCE is being held July 17-21, 2024 in Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, IN. Over 80,000 people are expected to attend to enter into a deeper intimacy with the Eucharistic Lord allowing our eyes to be opened and our hearts to be set on fire with His Love. The Eucharist is God dwelling among us. By sharing this Eucharistic way with others, we will help prepare our hearts for Jesus to enter and transform our lives. St Catharine/ St Margaret Parish in Spring Lake is offering a five week consecration to help us carry and share the joy that we have in our Encounter with Jesus. We will be meeting on Mondays: June 17, 24, July 1, 8, 15, 22 from 10:00 AM to noon. Please email Ruthie Wagner at ruthier2@comcast.net for more information or to register.

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".



June 2, 2024

Weekly Collection	\$11,445.00
2nd Collection (Building Repairs)	\$4,326.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER BILL

Happy Father's Day. We first and foremost think of God, our Father, the source of all fatherhood. The special vocation of father is found in men of faith who are not only fathers but also foster-fathers, stepfathers, godfathers/sponsors, grandfathers, uncles, male mentors of all kinds, and even priests (as spiritual fathers to people both younger and older than he). The virtue of "Christian fatherhood" includes so many things – faith, hope and love, patience, perseverance, the "loyal perception of duty" (as Cardinal Newman wrote), zeal for the just/prudent choice, and selfless leadership and sacrifice.

In the late part of August (20th to be exact) I will be hosting a conversation for men of the parish on aspects of Christian Leadership, based on the example of Jesus and aspects of leadership discussed in the book, "Extreme Ownership: How U.S. Navy SEALs Lead and Win" by Jocko Willink and Leif Babin. Perhaps you would like to get this book for the men in your life, or borrow it from the library, so that they can read the book and take part in the conversation. This is part of a series of talks we have had for Catholic men in the parish. I ask the men of the parish (High School on up) to "save the date" – Tuesday 20 Aug at 7pm.

May St. Joseph, who was a father to our Lord, intercede for all Christian fathers and father-figures as we strive to be accountable to our calling from God the Father to share in His Divine Fatherhood.

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.

BISHOP'S ANNIVERSARY BLESSING- All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50+ wedding anniversary during 2024 calendar year are invited to share the Eucharist, reaffirm your sacred wedding vows, and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing. Anniversary Couples from Ocean and Monmouth Counties may attend the Mass and reception at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold on Sunday, October 6, 2024 at 3 pm. For more information and to register for this event online visit us at www.dioceseoftrenton.org/bishops-anniversary-blessing, or call your local parish office. The registration deadline for all anniversary couples is September 15, 2024.



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.



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: eileenziesmer@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 interested in helping.**

SAVE THE DATE... Monday, September 9, 2024 at 9:00 am- Knights of Columbus Charity Golf Outing at Pebble Creek Golf Course in Colts Neck, NJ. The outing is sponsored by K of C Council 3231, St. Denis and St. Mark’s Parishes. For more information contact the Rectory Office at 732-223-0287.

THE RELICS OF PADRE PIO will be on display at St. Joseph’s Church in Toms River on Thursday, June 20th. Veneration will take place between 12:00 pm and 6:00 pm. “Encountering Saint Pio” by Julia Calandra at 6:00 pm will be followed by Mass. This exhibit is free and all are welcome.

GRAND CHORAL GALA NIGHT- Join us for the Glorious Choir Convention on June 21, 2024 at 7 pm at St. Mary, Mother of God Church in Middletown, NJ. Admission is free. Goodwill offerings for the Music Ministry will be accepted. Be sure to stay for a reception afterwards.

GRAND CHORAL MASS- You are also invited to the Grand Choral Mass, as part of the Glorious Choir Convention, on June 22, 2024 at 5 pm in St. Mary, Mother of God Church. A reception will follow the Mass.

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

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 #brewingkindnessdaily

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!



LADIES, CURIOUS ABOUT WALKING WITH PURPOSE?

Walking with Purpose (WWP) is comprised of women striving for a greater understanding of the Bible and the Catholic faith. At WWP, we meet you where you are on your faith journey;

whether you have never opened the Bible or are well-versed, come as you are to a community of women who work together to grow in our faith. At the WWP *Summer Sample* you will gain an understanding of the Walking with Purpose Ministry, have an opportunity to try two study lessons, and meet other women seeking to grow in their faith.

JOIN US FOR A WWP SUMMER SAMPLE. Join us for some or all gatherings: **July 9, 16, 23 7pm-8pm, St. Denis Parish Center (School Building, upstairs, room 20) Books provided. No cost, simply Open Your Heart. Please email to allison-penkethman@gmail.com to RSVP.**

(Full WWP Study starts in Oct-- go to www.wwpnjshore.com for more info.)

THE MEN’S GROUP AT ST. DENIS AND KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INVITE YOU TO “INTO THE BREACH”- The Men’s Group at St. Denis and our Knights of Columbus Council 3231 are co-sponsoring this program over the summer. **All men are invited, whether or not a member of St. Denis Parish or the Knights.** Join us as we watch and discuss *Into the Breach*. Through short videos and inspiring speakers and group discussions, we’ll learn how to be stronger fathers, better husbands and men, fit for the breach. The purpose of our Men’s Group is to enrich the lives of men by providing opportunities for men to enjoy a sense of brotherhood and spiritual growth. Our Men’s Group programs generally have 30-40 men participate. **Meetings will be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 pm and will last an hour.** Meetings are held at the St. Denis Parish Center (formerly St. Denis School.) Join us for this series. No problem if you miss a meeting or two, just join us for the next meeting. The lessons of *Into the Breach* are powerful and should help each of us become better men and help strengthen us as Catholic men, leading a fuller, more purposeful life. If you have any questions, please contact the St. Denis Rectory Office at 732-223-0287.



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