

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

**Fifteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
July 14, 2024**

“Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits...’ Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them.’ So they went off and preached repentance. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.”

We can picture Jesus calling then sending His chosen ones to begin their mission. They listened to His instruction and then acted upon it, preaching, healing, continuing the work and mission of Jesus. They responded to His call and accepted their responsibility.

The Synod is similar to this scene. Delegates called to listening sessions, invoking the Holy Spirit, leading the church where the Lord wants us to go. Are we willing today to welcome this work of the Lord and listen to what the Spirit is calling us to do? The role of the prophet Amos or as Paul describes we who have been chosen ‘so that we might exist for the praise of his glory, we who have hoped in Christ.’



CHURCH OF ST. DENIS

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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, July 13, 2024**

8:30 am Maria Mircovich by Betty Scrivanich
 8:30 am Candace Tice by the O'Donnell Family
 8:30 am Anne & Babe Freda by Sally Balioni
 4:30 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, July 14, 2024

8:00 am Bridget Gowen by the Gowen Family
 8:00 am Theresa King by Kathleen Fromholz
 8:00 am Charles Nuzzo Jr. by CDA, Court St. Denis
 9:30 am Lorraine Kohrmann by the Family
 9:30 am Michael C. McIntyre by Joan & Mario Valeriani
 9:30 am Robert J. Butler by Eileen Wade
 10:00 am Tracy Griffin by Jane Wehner
 10:00 am The Chiovitti & Gentile Families by their Family
 10:00 am Steven Ringo by Michael & Karen Long

Monday, July 15, 2024

7:30 am John F. Donahue by his Daughter, Kay Kolon
 7:30 am Joan Clarkin-Heary by Claire & Ray Moynihan
 7:30 am Randy Farmer by Mary Farmer

Tuesday July 16, 2024

7:30 am Joan Clarkin- Heary by Jim & Kathy Lavan
 7:30 am John Hardimen by Mark & Denise Olear
 7:30 am Maureen Walsh by Gene Bialas

Wednesday, July 17, 2024

7:30 am Marie Steven by Mike Steven
 7:30 am Erin Rubas by Barby Menna
 7:30 am Tina O'Donnell by Gene Bialas

Thursday, July 18, 2024

No Mass

Friday, July 19, 2024

7:30 am Joan Clarkin-Heary by Betty Thatch
 7:30 am George Fanning by Betty Thatch
 7:30 am Maureen Walsh by Chris & Chrissy Rice

Saturday, July 20, 2024

8:30 am Pat Zanetti by Maria Viaggio
 8:30 am Joan Clarkin-Heary by James & Michele Conrey
 8:30 am Helen Mayer-Blaine by Mark & Denise Olear
 4:30 pm Walter (Whitey)Wojton by his Daughter, JoAnn
 4:30 pm Robert McCourt by JoAnn Korb
 4:30 pm Rachelle Krug by the Lewis Family

Sunday, July 21, 2024

8:00 am For the People of the Parish
 9:30 am John "Buddy" Donahue (5th Anniversary)
 by his Sister-in-law, Kay Kolon
 9:30 am Richard & Lorraine Kohrmann by their Family
 9:30 am Nancy Sweeney by the Cappuzzo Family
 10:00 am Timothy Downing by Eileen & Greg Helfrich
 10:00 am Ann DeMaria
 by Sue & Tim McCorkell & Thomas Campbell
 10:00 am Christine Mutch by Betsy & Jim Rice

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.

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 Conrisciano, 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, Veronica Garrett, 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'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, 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.



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ELLEN BROWN
 REQUESTED BY
LINDA PETROWSKI & JUDY WHALEN



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

Jackson Thomas Heeney
 and

Summer Maris Heeney

May the grace of the sacrament remain with them always



BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE- We will once again be collecting backpacks, lunchboxes, and school supplies for children in Monmouth County who are helped through the NJ Division of Child Protection and Permanency. We will begin our collection the weekend of July 20/21 and go thru August 10/11 in order to have

enough time for the workers to meet with the students before school starts in early September. Our parish has been so generous in helping the children in this way. The stories of how excited the children are in being able to have the opportunity to pick their own backpack or lunchbox would make your heart so grateful and happy. Thank you in advance for your support.

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 info contact us at: kindnesscafeonmain@gmail.com #brewingkindnessdaily

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



especially USMC Sgt. Jordan Basile, Coast Guard Petty Officer Joseph Beattie, USMC Corporal Patrick Bednarski, USMC Capt. Philip Cahill, Army Major Matthew Cauda, Army PFC Ryan Costello, Air Force 1st Lt. Dominic Celiano, Army Lt. Nikkole Crosson, Army Captain Dr. Justin Eisenman, Army 2nd Lieutenant Brendan Ertle, Army Major Sean Fessenden, USMC PFC Joseph J. Foley Jr, Airman Andrew Halmi, USMC Captain Diego Heinzerling, Lt. Jg. Mary T. Herman, Navy LS2 Nora N. Honrath, Navy Lt. Rachael M. Honrath, US Army Airborne Private Zachary Hoyle, US Army 2nd Lt. Allison M. Ingraham, Air Force Academy Cadet 2nd Class Slade Kelling, USMC Lance Corporal Laura Licata, Navy E4 Patrick Moynihan, USMC Private Robert E. Mullin IV, Navy CM Taylor Nesbitt, Contractor Benjamin Ostrow, Army Lt. Brian Quinn, Air Force Major David Smith, Army Private 1st Class Cody Svenson, Air Force 2nd Lt. Jason Trischitta, Army Matthew Van Pelt, Navy Captain Colin S. Walsh, Airman Devon Webster, Navy LL. Edward P. Windas, and USN LTJG Michael Zimmerman.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION takes place First Fridays, from noon to 1 pm, in the church. We look forward to the beautiful prayer of presence with our Lord. All are welcome!

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

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

AN EVENING WITH FR. PIO MANDATO, HMFJ- St. Pio of Pietrelcina Church welcomes you for a special evening with "Fr. Pio Mandato, HMFJ When: Thursday, August 1st, Where: 1100 Grand Central Ave in Lavallette, 5:30-7 pm: Fr. Pio will be joined by fellow priests to hear Confession during the Holy Rosary & testimonies of healing! 7pm: Father Pio's teaching on the Love of Jesus! Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, healing prayer w/ Fr. Pio, blessing with St. Pio's Relic Stigmatic Glove & Benediction! For further information please contact: Dawnrusinko@yahoo.com Fr. Pio Mandato FMHJ is a Franciscan priest living as a missionary hermit. Fr. Pio was born in Italy and along with his brother Vincenzo, received his First Holy Communion from Saint Pio before coming to the USA. He grew up in NJ and entered the Capuchin Franciscans at the age of 17. He was ordained in 1985. In 1998 he was accepted into the Diocese of Scranton, PA., and now lives a life of solitude, prayer and intercession.

"REBUILD MY CHURCH" WITH THE SECULAR FRANCISCANS - St. Francis of Assisi heard the voice of Jesus – asking for his help to "Rebuild My Church..." The Lord is still calling people to help follow in the footsteps of St. Francis and rebuild His Church through prayer, community, service, and living the Gospel life. Members of the Secular Franciscan Order of the St. Maximilian Kolbe Fraternity located at St. Peter's Church, Pt. Pleasant Beach invite you to contact them. Find out why millions of people have wanted to follow the spirit of St. Francis for more than 800 years. Is He calling you? Please email Minister Dorothy O'Reilly, OFS at bernardineofs@gmail.com for more information.



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



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

WHY BECOME A HOSPICE VOLUNTEER? The simplest gifts are often the most profound. If you've got time, empathy, and compassion, you have the ability to support those nearing end of life. If you have been searching for meaningful ways to spend your time, we invite you to explore the role of hospice volunteer with VNA Health Group. Companionship visits in patient's homes or facilities in Monmouth or Middlesex Counties, administrative projects, or comforting phone calls from the Neptune office, are just some of the ways in which volunteers support patients and their families. A training will be provided by members of the VNA Hospice Team on 3 consecutive Mondays: August 5th, 12th & 19th 2024 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. Advanced registration is required. *Volunteers must attend all 3 sessions* at 3600 Route 66, FL 4 Neptune NJ. For registration information please call the Rectory Office at 732-223-0287.

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 you have any 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:
Toothbrushes, shampoo, deodorant and vegetable oil (16oz.)**

****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.



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.dioceseofrenton.org/bishops-anniversary-blessing, or call your local parish office. The registration deadline for all anniversary couples is September 15, 2024.

BLESSED SAINT 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 SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



In the Gospel, Jesus once asked "who 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 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, July 18th at 7pm in the Parish Center.

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.



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 info. 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.

DIVORCED AND SEPARATED MINISTRY INFORMATION NIGHT- St. Leo's Parish in Lincroft is pleased to announce its continuing ministry entitled, "Surviving Divorce: Hope and Healing for the Catholic Family", a healing program being offered for divorced and/or separated Catholics. We are having an Information Night on Thursday, August 15th, 2024 from 7-8:30 pm at St. Leo The Great in the Parish Center Meeting Room, located at 50 Hurleys Lane in Lincroft. If interested, please email: healingheartsfromdivorce@gmail.com with your name and contact information and one of the facilitators will get back in touch with you regarding all the details and will answer any questions you may have. For more information about the program visit: <https://www.mylifechangecoach.com/divorceministry> Thank you for taking the first step towards healing!

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.

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 30, 2024

Weekly Collection	\$9,956.00
2nd Collection-Holy Father	\$2,928.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER BILL

We get ready to begin our discussions for "The Chosen" Season 4 next week. We have been having this great discussion since the beginning of the series, co-hosted by St. Denis and Holy Trinity Churches. We will meet on Wednesdays at 11 A.M. at Holy Trinity Church and at 7 P.M. at St. Denis Church beginning 24 July and going for four weeks until 14 August and then starting up again on 4 September and going four weeks until 25 September. We always have such an amazing time. We have a "viewer response" discussion with cinematographic nuances (have we enticed you to attend)? Background information is provided by Fr. Bill and Pastor Mary for a "bible behind the scenes" enrichment of the episode. Just a great conversation regarding a thought-provoking show.

CONCERT AT THE GARDEN-We will have our annual "Concert at the Garden" on August 6th at 6:30pm by the Ecumenical Giving Garden. Join us for a fun and relaxed evening of music and community. Please bring your own chair and a snack to share! Iced tea and water will be provided. If you would like to play a song on your instrument or sing a song, let Fr. Bill know.



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.

FAMILIES NEEDED- Did you know there are close to 500,000 children in the United States of America in the foster care system whose parents have lost all legal rights to them? They live every day, dreaming of having what other kids have, a forever family, a permanent school, and a house to call home. Sadly, most of them age out of the system and become a statistic, because not enough families consider adoption. What better way to make a difference in the world than to adopt a homeless child? If there is room in your heart, there is room in your home. Downey Side is a nonprofit that allows us to make adoption affordable. To learn more, contact Dawn Rusinko at drusinko@downeyside.org

NEWS FROM ASCENSION PRESS- HOME DEVOTION Visit AscensionPress.com for special resources and events to help Catholics with home devotions. **PRAY THE ROSARY-** Join over 50,000 fellow Catholics and pray the rosary LIVE on Ascension's Facebook page daily at 4pm.

RETRouvaille, HOPE FOR A BETTER MARRIAGE-The Retrouvaille Marriage Program has been helping marriages heal and grow. Over 100,000 couples have been helped. Upcoming weekend programs offered in Malvern, PA include August 9-11, 2024 and October 4-6, 2024. Visit HelpOurMarriage.org to learn more.



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!

PART-TIME RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ASSISTANT- Help spread the faith to our wonderful religious education students! We are seeking an assistant during class days (Sunday morning, Monday afternoon/evening, and Tuesday afternoon). Approximately 12-15 hours per week. For details, please contact Katie Bodnar 732-223-1161 / office@stdeniscgd.com.

THE CHOSEN- Get ready for discussions on "The Chosen" Season 4!!! Co-hosted by St. Denis and Holy Trinity Churches, we will meet on Wednesdays at 11 am at Holy Trinity Church and at 7 pm at St. Denis Church. We will start 24 July and go until 14 August and then start up again on 4 September and go until 25 September. We always have such an amazing time. We have a "viewer response" discussion with cinematographic nuances and background information. Just a great conversation regarding a thought-provoking show. Join in the discussion!

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

DEMENTIA & ALZHEIMER SUPPORT GROUP- Manasquan United Methodist Church is having a Dementia/Alzheimer Support Group for families and caregivers every 3rd Monday of each month at 5 pm. If you or someone you know is in need of support, please have them join.

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 with the subject line "ALS". Include your name and telephone number.

PARISH COUNSELING SERVICES (PCS)-A joint effort of the Diocese of Trenton and Catholic Charities provides licensed professionals for short term counseling (up to 6 sessions) to parishioners dealing with difficult issues, for example, job-stress, family concerns and bereavement. The fee is \$95 per session if privately paying, \$25 per session if receiving PCS financial assistance, or health insurance if it is applicable and you choose. Contact Father Bill for additional information and referral.

SACRED HEART ENTHRONEMENT NETWORK- Do you want more peace in your family, blessings on your undertakings, and a more perfect faith life? Jesus is standing at the door and knocking. Open the door for Him! Join our nationwide campaign to invite the Sacred Heart of Jesus into your home, or business. Visit www.SacredHeartRevival.com for more information on the graces of the Sacred Heart and sign up today.



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 one or both gatherings: July 16, 23 7pm-8pm, St. Denis Parish Center (School Building) Books provided. No cost, simply Open Your Heart. Please email to allisonpenkethman@gmail.com to RSVP.** (Full WWP Study starts in Oct-- go to www.wwpnjshore.com for more information)

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 Rectory Office at 732-223-0287.

EXTREME OWNERSHIP!!! "Jesus and Jocko Book Discussion"- Men of the parish are invited to a discussion on the virtues/qualities necessary for an "Extreme Ownership" style of leadership, as discussed by Jocko Willink and Leif Babin in their book of that name, and also lived in the life of our Lord, Jesus Christ. You will be inspired to "get after it" with faith and zeal after a discussion with other men of faith from the parish who don't take the God-given gift of their life for granted. We will meet Tuesday, 20 August at 7 pm.

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.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO ENSURE THE PROTECTION OF RELIGIOUS LIBERTY AT HOME AND ABROAD? Text the word "freedom" to 377377 for updates from the bishops on current threats to religious liberty. Please visit www.usccb.org/freedom for information on religious liberty.

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.

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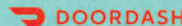


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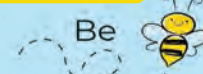
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