

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

**Eighteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
August 4, 2024**

“Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. So they said to him ‘What can we do to accomplish the works of God?’ Jesus answered and said to them, ‘this is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent.’... ‘So Moses said ‘this is the bread God has given you to eat.’”

Remembering that John’s gospel does not report the last supper, his sixth chapter teaches us about the Eucharist. We are engaged in a ‘Eucharistic Revival’ with our eyes fixed on a national gathering, a Eucharistic Congress.

In our time greater emphasis has been given to Eucharistic adoration, reminding us that the Eucharist is not a thing, but a Person. Before liturgy, or following mass, spend a few minutes acknowledging your belief that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharistic, and seeks our faith in His Real Presence. In this way we can ‘accomplish the works of God.’



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.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 3, 2024

8:30 am Pauline Cataline by Susan Schenker
 8:30 am Ibrahim Tellado by Kim & James Hanley
 8:30 am Elizabeth Iskenderian-DeLuca
 by the DeGenova Family
 4:30 pm Robert F. Wade by Greg Boyle
 4:30 pm Deceased of the Brennan-Healey Families
 by Marilyn & Bob Healey
 4:30 pm Jim Kazenmayer by Marilyn & Bob Healey

Sunday, August 4, 2024

8:00 am Alice Stankunas by Deacon Gary
 8:00 am Joan S. Micioni by the Easton Family
 8:00 am Jacki Roth by Eileen & Mike Mahoney
 9:30 am John Nielsen by his Sister
 9:30 am Jo & Patricia Mongiardini
 by Joan & Anthony Ciccotto
 9:30 am William Bertscha by his Family
 10:00 am For the People of the Parish

Monday, August 5, 2024

7:30 am Peg McHugh by Brenda & Roland Hagan
 7:30 am Dr. Donald & Mrs. Mary Lintner by their Family
 7:30 am Helen Mayer Blaine
 by the Kouvel & deBrigard Families

Tuesday, August 6, 2024

7:30 am Caroline & Howard Kachlee by Carolyn McCreesh
 7:30 am Tommy Quigley by his Family
 7:30 am Joan Clarkin-Heary
 by St. Denis St. Vincent de Paul Society

Wednesday, August 7, 2024

7:30 am Nathan J. Belger by Grandma & Grandpa Hagan
 7:30 am Josephine DeStefano by her Family
 7:30 am Robert Bleach by Tom & Gerri Bleach

Thursday, August 8, 2024

No Mass

Friday, August 9, 2024

7:30 am Patricia & Michael Brunner by Phil Brunner
 7:30 am Charles Nuzzo, Jr. by Mary Ann Nuzzo
 7:30 am Joan Clarkin-Heary by Adelaide Avena

Saturday, August 10, 2024

8:30 am The Powell Family by Weslee & Ray
 8:30 am Ibrahim Tellado by Barbara
 & Dan McWhorter
 8:30 am Matthew Piccini by Betty Scrivanich
 4:30 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, August 11, 2024

8:00 am John McNamara by his Wife
 8:00 am Hugh Doherty by his Family
 8:00 am Barbara J. Callahan by her Loving Family
 9:30 am Harry Moore by Jerry & Grace Gabriele
 9:30 am Robert Mullin by the Syby Family
 9:30 am Catherine Agnes Lamb by Cathy Wolfe
 10:00 am Thomas McClosky by Theresa & Andrew Graw
 10:00 am Thea Lewis by Tara Fosbre
 10:00 am Robert J. Butler by Bill & Jeanne Buble

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.



Pray For
The Sick

especially Doris Abruzzo, Maiya Andrews, Velma Andrews, Peggy Andrich, Baby Lucy, Bobbie Banks-Grove, Joseph Bartol, Edith Bean, Belle & Ashton, Bernadette Bevan, Stanley Bevan, Joseph Bick, Holly Boyd, Cathleen Brenner, Borgias Family, Lois Brookes, Ann Brown, Karen Brown, Eileen Byrne, 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, 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.



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. Contact Katie Bodnar 732-223-1161 / office@stdeniscd.com for details.

BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE- We are once again 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 be collecting donations 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.

THE CHOSEN- We have begun discussions on "The Chosen" Season 4!!! Co-hosted by St. Denis and Holy Trinity Churches, we meet on Wednesdays at 11 am at Holy Trinity Church and at 7 pm at St. Denis Church. We will 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!

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.



our military, 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, USMC Lance Corporal Hunter Fancher, USAF Airman 1st Class Tristan Fancher, Army Major Sean Fessenden, USMC PFC Joseph J. Foley Jr, Airman Andrew Halmi, USMC Captain Diego Heizerling, 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.



Ladies, join us October 2024 as we start our next Walking With Purpose (WWP) season! If you are new to WWP, you will love our foundational study, Opening Your Heart (OYH). OYH, is designed for women who are new to WWP as well as those with more Bible study experience. Join us as we examine the core questions that we wrestle with if we want to experience all that God has for us. For those who have completed, OYH, we are excited to begin the first of our two-part study season with Reclaiming Friendship. With this study we will discover God's plan for friendship and learn how to cultivate true, deep relationships that last. Go to www.wwpnjshore.com for more information and to register.

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.

"THE RELICS OF SAINT PIO OF PIETRELCINA" will be venerated at the Parish of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Holy Family Church, 1139 East County Line Rd. in Lakewood on Saturday and Sunday, August 10th and 11th, 2024. The schedule is as follows: *9:00 am Veneration of the Relics begins in Holy Family Church, *4:00 pm Mass in English in Holy Family Church with the Relics present, *7:00 pm Mass in honor of St. Pio in Spanish in Holy Family Church with the Relics present, *11:59 pm Veneration ends for the day. *7:00 am Veneration of the Relics begins in Holy Family Church, *8:00 am Mass in English in Holy Family Church with the Relics present, *9:30 am Mass in Polish in Holy Family Church with the Relics present, *12:30 pm Mass in Spanish in Holy Family Church with the Relics present. All are welcome.

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

MANASQUAN ELKS SUNDAY BREAKFAST- The Elks invite you to breakfast on Sunday, 8/11/24, 8:30-11:30 am at the Manasquan Elks Lodge located at 17 Stockton Lake Blvd. Breakfast offerings will be: custom omelets, custom egg sandwiches with cheese, pork roll, bacon or sausage, eggs any style with choice of toast, side of pork roll, bacon or sausage, French toast, pancakes, and coffee. Cost is \$10 for adults; \$5 for children.

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.



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

ASSUMPTION OF MARY – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION-

On August 15th Masses will be at 7:30 am and noon at the church and a special Mass at 6:30 pm at the beach chapel followed by a walk to the ocean for a blessing of the waters. At each Mass, people are also invited to take part in the blessing of flowers and herbs. Both blessings are part of the tradition of the Church in different parts of the world. As we celebrate this holy day in a special way, since Mary is celebrated by all Catholics in the Diocese of Trenton as our patroness on this Solemnity, you are all urged to take part in the blessings. As we have in the past, for those who cannot go down to the water's edge at the beach, Fr. Bill will bring back blessed ocean water for those who are at the boardwalk.

YOU ARE INVITED TO CWOZ CHAPTER 1: The day consists of Mass, music by: *Joyful Praise*, Living Rosary, speaker, sharing, networking and prayers for healing. This month's speaker is Kathy Nowak. She is a cradle-Catholic and has been a member of the Church of Epiphany in Brick for many years. In 1975 she had a deeper conversion experience through the power of the Holy Spirit at which time she experienced Jesus asking her to follow Him. She is passionate about faith, family and the Right to Life movement and volunteered at a crisis pregnancy center for eight years. She is currently a member of Light of Life Prayer Group at St. Joseph's Church in Toms River. Kathy invites us to join her as she shares: "*Spiritual Works of Mercy—Counsel the Doubtful*" Date: Saturday, August 10, 2024 Time: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Mass: 9:00 am Place: Church of St. William the Abbot 2740 Lakewood-Allenwood Rd. Howell Admission: \$25.00 includes box lunch - pay at the door Come and bring a friend! Reservations: are necessary-must select a box lunch from selections listed on CWOZ Website www.cwoz.org You can also register by phone-please leave your phone number, spell your last name and selection of box lunch at 732-475-7113 no later than Tuesday, August 6, 2024.

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



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.


ALL DONATIONS ARE APPRECIATED.
MOST NEEDED ITEMS AT THIS TIME:
Mayonnaise, boxed milk, jelly, sugar, ketchup, juice, cereal, canned beans, & dry pasta. ****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.



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
FRED WEEKS
REQUESTED BY FRAN WEEKS

REVIVED BY THE EUCHARIST-The National Eucharistic Revival culminated in the 10th National Eucharistic Congress, where so many great Catholics from the U.S. spoke on various aspects of the Blessed Sacrament. You can learn more about this event by attending a series of discussions that we will be having over the course of the next several months, right here, at St. Denis. Eileen Ziesmer and Fr. Bill will be showing videos of talks that were given at the Eucharistic Congress and then lead a discussion. The first talks in the series will be on Wednesday the 21st and 28th at 11am and again at 7pm in the church.

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 one of the Society's meeting.. 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 box.

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.



CONCERT AT THE GARDEN-We will have our annual "Concert at the Garden" on August 6th at 6:30 pm 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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DISABLED CITIZENS DRIVE – At all Masses on August 10th and 11th, the Knights of Columbus will be collecting money for Holy Innocents Society of Southern Monmouth County including St Mark's Parish, Special Olympics and ARC of Monmouth County. Last year we collected almost \$4,600 for these charities. Thank you in advance for your support.

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 visit: <https://www.mylifechangecoach.com/divorceministry>

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



July 21, 2024

Weekly Collection

\$11,942.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER BILL

The National Eucharistic Revival culminated in the 10th National Eucharistic Congress. This profound event drew 60,000 Catholics from around the country. You can learn more about this event by visiting eucharisticcongress.org AND you can attend a series of discussions, right here at St. Denis, that we will be having over the course of the next several months. Eileen Ziesmer and I will be showing videos of talks that were given at the Eucharistic Congress and then lead a discussion. The first talks in the series will be on Wednesday the 21st and 28th of August at 11am and again at 7pm in the church.

As we move forward from the years of the Eucharistic Revival, there is a call for each Catholic in the U.S. to participate in "Walk with One" – an initiative where each person will discern one person in their life to ask to come to Mass with them. Our parish will have several opportunities over the course of the next year when we will ask you to participate in "Walk with One" but we will first focus on the weekend of Sept. 14/15 – "Walk With One Weekend". Many things will be occurring that weekend to highlight the life of our parish as we invite these special people to come back to worship with us. (stay tuned for details during the month of August).

The website has a great short document describing "Walk with One". As it states: You might be asking yourself: ... How might I invite them forward in their faith? Here's a simple four-stage process of accompaniment that focusses on a "heart-to-heart" approach: 1. Identify someone in a spirit of humility. 2. Intercede for that person in communion with the Holy Spirit. 3. Connect in Eucharistic friendship. 4. Invite that person on a path most suitable for him or her.

I will be sharing more about this over this month. We don't want to rush into this, but pray and utilize God's grace. As one parishioner shared with me, I paraphrase: We want the person to know that we miss them, and we think that deep down they may miss us too. The world cannot offer them what God wants to offer them. I ask you to start "getting comfortable with being uncomfortable", as one author put it, and first pray for the zeal to ask someone to come to Mass, knowing what is at stake – the peace and Communion that Jesus offers that we experience from Mass and all our life as Catholics.

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

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.

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 in the church.

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 are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 pm and 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.

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 info contact the Rectory Office.

WALL KNIGHTS FAMILY FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER- Founded in 2020, WKFF’s sole mission is to help student athletes of Wall Twp., by means of fundraising and partnering with local businesses to provide the best athletic experiences and opportunities the community deserves. On August 12, 2024, WKFF welcomes you to enjoy full access to all the amenities and features of Eagle Oaks Golf and Country Club to raise funds for the youth athletes of Wall Twp. The schedule of events include: 10 am- Golf & Pool Registration & Check-in, 10 am- Welcome BBQ for all, 10 am- Pool, Cabana, Pickleball & Tennis Open, 12 pm- Shotgun Start, 5:30 pm- Cocktail Hour (Open Bar) & 6:30 pm- Dinner. To sign up or for more information please visit: my.onecause.com

PART-TIME ADMIN POSITION- ST. PIO PARISH IN LAVALLETTE- We are looking for a Part-time Admin to join our staff of 3 other admins sharing the duties and responsibilities of the Parish Secretary. The person must be willing to work in a fast paced, team environment, welcoming to parishioners and ready to provide support to our two linked parishes of St. Pio and Sacred Heart, working out of our Administrative Office in Lavallette, 3 days per week. Responsibilities include: primary responsibility to complete the weekly parish bulletin by deadline, phones, mail, fill out Mass cards, sacramentary records, donor acknowledgement letters, routine banking, pay approved invoices, maintain database, and update website. Proven proficiency in Microsoft Publisher, Word, and Outlook is needed. Please submit a letter of interest and resume to: office@stpioparish.com

PROJECT CHILD FIND (1-800-322-8174) is a free referral service to use if you have concerns about your child’s development. All calls are confidential and toll-free. For children ages birth-2 years contact the New Jersey Early Intervention System at 888-653-4463. Project Child Find was established by the New Jersey Department of Education through I.D.E.A., Part B funds from the U.S. Department of Education.

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.

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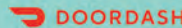


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