

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 27, 2025

“Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of the disciples said to him, ‘Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples.’ He said to them, ‘When you pray say:...Our Father...’”

How frequently we spy Jesus alone, in a deserted place praying, in communion with His Father. The disciple asked that He teach them, already familiar with the call of John to repentance. Jesus offered what He also teaches us, a prayer of praise, of gratitude, of repentance and petition. This formula we report constantly.

There are prayers too, which go beyond words, known as mental prayer, contemplation, or a very common prayer practice taken from the scripture where a biblical passage becomes the source of meditation. Perhaps the easiest way to pray as a disciple is to remember, our prayer is our intimate conversation with the closest friend I have. I speak; I listen!



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 26, 2025**

8:30 am Veronica Garrett by the St. Denis Grandparents Guild
 8:30 am Ermidio Busanic by Betty Scrivanich
 8:30 am James Sharpe by the Herman Family
 4:30 pm Erin Bronwen Doherty by Tom & Kerry O'Connor
 4:30 pm John & Catherine Gallagher by Theresa Driscoll
 4:30 pm Mary Michele Egan by the Sheehan Family

Sunday, July 27, 2025

8:00 am Leonard & Betty Stankunas by Deacon Gary
 8:00 am The Monaghan Family by Ellen Easton
 8:00 am Eileen Marcus by Jim & Donna Gahm
 9:30 am Adam Salsano by Ron & Arlene Meyn
 9:30 am Paula Moore by Grace & Jerry Gabriele
 9:30 am Allen Bessemer by the Skroski Family
 10:00 am For the People of the Parish

Monday, July 28, 2025

7:30 am John James Lukaszewski by St. Denis Parish
 7:30 am Gloria & David Smith by the Smith Family
 7:30 am James Ploskonka by MCW

Tuesday, July 29, 2025

7:30 am For the Parishioners of Saint Martha Parish

Wednesday, July 30, 2025

7:30 am Betty Kessler by the Burke Family
 7:30 am Bernard & Agnes Gowen by the Gowen Family
 7:30 am Sandra Kelleher by Lisa & Rich Hagerty

Thursday, July 31, 2025

No Mass

Friday, August 1, 2025

7:30 am Joan Clarkin Heary by KofC Council 3231
 7:30 am Joseph A. Accurso by Peg & Ray Thorn
 7:30 am Anthony Mattessich by Betty Scrivanich

Saturday, August 2, 2025

8:30 am Brian Keith Benbrook by his Family
 8:30 am Louis Bresnick by Kelly & Bill Wenzel
 8:30 am Jean O. Thomson by the Thomson Family
 4:30 pm The Taylor Family by Rose Taylor
 4:30 pm Alice Stankunas by Deacon Gary
 4:30 pm Peter McGuigan by June & Larry Cunningham

Sunday, August 3, 2025

8:00 am For the People of the Parish
 9:30 am Julia Nordheim by Larry Nolan
 9:30 am Joan S. Micioni by the Easton Family
 9:30 am Chris Mutch by her Family
 10:00 am Kenneth Rastall by Christine Vay
 10:00 am Mary Michele Egan by Carol & Joe Hill
 10:00 am Mario Gentile by Helen & Bob Young



SAINT DENIS PRAYER GROUP-The Prayer Group meets at 12:00 noon each Monday in St. Denis Church. There are no meetings on holidays. All are welcome.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, especially Dean Tuttle and Kathleen Reola.



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, Borgias Family, Holly Boyd, Cathleen Brenner, 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 Daidone, Mary Damico, Christine Danish, Duane Danish, Rose DeMarco, Michael Desider, Constance & Hugh Doherty, Lisa Dunfee, Thomas Evans, Thomas Fahey, Chris Faraca, Joseph Fiamingo, Christine Fields, Nannette Forkan, Denise Frank, Norma Friel, Madeline Fuccile, John Gallo, Katherine Geiger, Nicole Giambrone, Johnny Gondek, Amanda Gonzalez, Baby Kelly Grace, Phillip Graceffa, Julianna Grusso, Angeline Hart, Irene Hayes, Jeanne Hayes, Teresa Hayes, Thomas Hayes Jr, Beverly Heinz, Shawn Herenburg, Bill Hering, Katie Holbrook, Jimi Hood, Lori Hurd, Baby Cayden Joseph, Gordon Justin, Baby Hunter Edward Kahl, Eugene Karpinski, Haley Keating, Marian Keefe, Catherine Kelleher, Robert Kelleher, Katherine Kelly, Bill Koch, Bridget Korn, Christopher Kurtanick, Patrick Lewis, William Liao, Barbara Liggett, Elizabeth Ann Linden, Joan Lipscomb, Nick Ljuljana, Frank Lopez, Linda Lowery, Barbara Magda, Julia Mahady, Linda Matthews, Ronnie Micciulla, Michael McGonigle, Helen McGowan, Michael McNulty, Claire Meachum, Andrea Meade, Frank Meidenbauer, Peter Merz, Nair Messias, Marylee Monsell, Gloria Moore, Mary Moran, Elizabeth Morgan, Margaret Mullin, Nancy Murphy, Pauline Naturile, Nesbitt Family, Jack Noble, Jennifer Noble, Catherine O'Connor, Sue O'Connor, Mark Olear, Gerald O'Keefe, Diane Padluck, Wes Pal, Dolores Palmisano, Joanne Panzarella, Joseph Pastore, Danny L. Payne, Charlotte Pentek, Tony Picinich, Mike Pierce, Lisa Pirrello, Marty Pirrong, Samara Pirrong, Kidron Procyson, Timothy Michal Przywara, Irene Pstrak, Vera Raffetto, Windell Rainey, Leanna Rawson, Joan Regan, 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, Stephen Whyte, Kathy Wicks, Karen Williams, Marilyn Woerner, Patricia Wolfe, Albert Wood, Butch Wright, Eileen Zemo, and Werner Ziesmer.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ST. DENIS RELIGIOUS ED PROGRAM

**WE ARE IN NEED OF
TEACHERS FOR:**

Monday & Tuesday afternoon sessions
and Sunday morning sessions.

Also, substitutes - All days and grades

Thank you to those who have already contacted us!

For more information please contact the
Religious Ed Office

(732) 223-1161 or office@stdeniscdd.com



BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE- Beginning this week through August 17th, we will be conducting our annual Back to School Drive for the children of Monmouth County assisted through the dedicated resource social workers of DCPD. If we all work together (a book bag here, lunch box there, notebooks here, pens/crayons/pencils there) we

can send kids off to school in September with dignity through our support and prayer (we must always remember to include the persons we help in our prayers) in addition to our material support. Prayer is even more important for these children in their lives. Collection bins for your donations are in the gathering space of the church and also at the beach chapel. Donations may also be brought to the rectory office during regular business hours. Thank you for your support!

CAR RAFFLE- Saint Peter School PTA is excited to bring their annual car raffle to St. Denis! St. Peter volunteers will visit St. Denis to sell raffle tickets for a new 2025 Ford Bronco Sport! Raffle tickets are \$10 each and are being sold at St. Denis Church this weekend, July 26 & 27, and also next weekend, August 2nd & 3rd. Tickets will also be sold at Our Lady Star of the Sea Beach Chapel those same days. For more information+ or to get tickets visit spspta.org/car or email saintpeterpta@gmail.com !



especially USMC Sgt. Jordan Basile, US Coast Guard Petty Officer Joseph Beattie, USMC Capt. Philip Cahill, US Army Major Matthew Cauda, US Army PFC Ryan Costello, US Air Force 1st Lt. Dominic Celiano, US Army Captain Nikkole Cros-son, US Army Captain Dr. Justin Eisenman, US

Army 2nd Lieutenant Brendan Ertle, USMC Corporal Hunter Fancher, USAF Airman 1st Class Tristan Fancher, US Army Major Sean Fessenden, USMC PFC Joseph J. Foley Jr, US Army 2nd Lt. Valerie Goodwin, US Army 2nd Lt. Christopher Halmi, US Army 2nd Lt. Mia Halmi, USAF Cadet Thomas Halmi, USMC Captain Diego Heinzerling, Lt. Jg. Mary T. Herman, US Navy LS2 Nora N. Honrath, US Navy Lt. Commander Rachael M. Honrath, US Army Airborne Private Zachary Hoyle, US Army 2nd Lt. Allison M. Ingraham, US Air Force Academy Cadet 2nd Class Slade Kelling, USMC Pvt. Kevin Koch, Jr., USMC Lance Corporal Laura Licata, US Navy E4 Patrick Moynihan, USMC Private Robert E. Mullin IV, US Navy CM Taylor Nesbitt, Contractor Benjamin Ostrow, US Army Lt. Brian Quinn, US Coast Guard Seaman Anthony Scala, US Army Col. Brian J. Slotnick, US Air Force Major David Smith, US Army Private 1st Class Cody Svenson, US Air Force Captain Jason Trischitta, US Army Matthew Van Pelt, US Navy Captain Colin S. Walsh, US Navy LT. Edward P. Windas, and USN LT Michael Zimmerman.

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.

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=st.shoutca.sh.coan>

Life Recovery Bible Weekly Podcasts by City of Angels Recovery Radio. 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- Come and enjoy a summer evening with music and parish community! We will gather by the ecumenical giving garden at 6pm on August 12th for some fun and snacks and a "showcase" of musical talent. We are looking for some parishioners who would like to share their musical talent with a song or two (contact Fr. Bill). All are asked to bring their own lawn chairs and a snack or beverage to share (pot luck style). It is always an enjoyable low-key night to sit back and relax!



BIBLE TO BROADWAY! (August 18th-21st 4pm-6pm) -This Christian musical theatre workshop, taught by St. Denis cantor Lauryn Boyle, is open to children ages 7-13. The focus will be: singing technique, movements, music theory, Broadway musicals with Biblical influence, and a new musical each day of the class! At 6pm following the last session there will be a performance for parents and family. The class is \$50 per student ,or for siblings, \$50 for the first and \$40 for each additional sibling. Reach out to the St. Denis office to register by Wednesday, August 13th Email laurynboylemusic@gmail.com with any questions.

THE FIFTH WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY-

The theme of the Fifth World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly, to be held this year on Sunday, July 27, is "Blessed are those who have not lost hope" (cf. Sir 14:2). These words, taken from the Book of Sirach, express the blessedness of the elderly and indicate hope placed in the Lord as the way to a Christian and reconciled old age. In the Jubilee year, the day, established by Pope Francis in 2021, is intended to be an opportunity to reflect on how the presence of grandparents and the elderly can become a sign of hope in every family and church community. The Dicastery for the Laity, Family and Life renews to everyone Pope Francis' invitation to celebrate the day in every diocese, and to dedicate the celebrations of Sunday, July 27th to the elderly, promoting visits and opportunities for encounters between the generations.





IN LOVING MEMORY OF
LOUISE & CHARLIE FRANZETTI
REQUESTED BY THE FRANZETTI FAMILY

MISSION SHARING – Last weekend we welcomed Sister Eileen Egan, IHM, to speak with us about the charitable work of the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart Of Mary of Scranton, PA. Our support is critical to their outreach to the underserved people of Peru. IHM sisters minister to thousands of people each year through their work in 16 states, the District of Columbia, and Peru. The sisters have been serving the needs of the marginalized poor in Peru through educational, health care, and pastoral outreach. IHM sisters have ministered to the people of Peru through difficult periods of political instability, food shortages, COVID pandemic, and natural disasters. The IHM's expanded the IHM presence to include outreach in the mountain region of Sicuani. The sisters established and now run a boarding house for girls from remote villages so that these young women can attend high school in Sicuani, the only educational opportunity available to them. Sisters often travel great distances to outlying communities in order to provide religious education, sacrament preparation, and pastoral outreach, as well as to distribute food, materials, and supplies so that families can meet their basic needs. If you did not donate last week and would like to do so, checks may be made payable to: Sisters of IHM (please include a note "For Sicuani Mission") and mail to: Sisters of IHM Development Office IHM Center 2300 Adams Ave. Scranton, PA 18509 Thank you!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – The Knights of Columbus is dedicated to the mission of our Holy Mother Church starting here, in our parish and our community. We are a fraternity of Catholic men united in charity and patriotism. If you miss fraternity life and want to get out and join with others in charity and Catholic brotherhood, join us. Visit our website at www.kofc3231.org or follow the KofC link on our parish website for news and updates about the Knights of Columbus.



St. Vincent De Paul Society's Food Pantry at St. Denis Church

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

ITEMS MOST NEEDED AT THIS TIME:

rice, canned beef stew, bar soap and toilet paper

*****Please do not to purchase items in glass containers*****

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Please check expiration dates

Cash and check donations are welcome and can be left in the envelopes with the donated food.

Checks may be made payable to:

St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Denis Conference

Items may be left in the shopping cart in the Gathering Space in the Main Church, in the plastic box at the Beach Chapel, or on the front porch of the rectory. **THANK YOU!**



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ANNE PIETRUCHA
REQUESTED BY HER FAMILY

The Rectory Office will be closed
Wednesday, July 30, 2025
so the staff may attend a diocesan event.

The office will reopen
Thursday, July 31, 2025 at 8:30 am.



THE CHOSEN- Join us for discussions on "The Chosen" Season 5! 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 Parish Center. This season begins with Palm Sunday and takes us through Holy Week. We will continue straight through and including August 13th. 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!
Please note... You can watch each week's episode of the Chosen on Tuesdays at 11 am in the St. Denis Parish Center.



Participating children, ages 4-10, will be seated with their families for the Introductory Rites of the Mass. The group will be dismissed to their gathering space downstairs to share an age-appropriate reflection on the Sunday readings. Everyone will rejoin their families prior to the Liturgy of the Eucharist. We will celebrate at the 9:30 am Mass every other week, resuming in September. We hope your children will join us!! For more information please contact the rectory.

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Our ministry of lay volunteers is inspired by the values of the gospels and the work of Frederic Ozanam, the founder of the St. Vincent de Paul Society in Paris in 1833. The first U.S. conference was formed in St. Louis in 1845 and it remains to this day the national headquarters. There are over 800,000 members worldwide in 140 countries. SVdP offers members the chance to grow spiritually, to cultivate friendships and to provide person to person help to those who ask us for assistance. The volunteers of St. Vincent de Paul, who come from many diverse backgrounds, invite you to join their efforts, and they also thank all who donate so generously to the society.

If you have a desire to help those in need, come to our society's next meeting. We will meet in the Parish Center at 7 pm on Thursday, August 21, 2025.

If assistance is needed, encourage the person to call our direct hotline and leave a message (732-223-1383). If you would like to donate, checks can be made payable to: SVDP Society, St. Denis Conference.



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.



walking with purpose
SO MUCH MORE THAN A BIBLE STUDY

Our WWP community is comprised of women, just like you. We strive to learn more about our faith and understand how the teachings of Jesus Christ can strengthen us to be the women we are called to be. Together we create an authentic community that laughs, learns, grows, and loves one another. We are so much more than a Bible study! Join us for our next WWP Season starting 10/7/25 or 10/8/25. Offered at St. Denis Parish Center on Tuesdays, 7:30-9pm or Wednesdays, 12:15-2pm (virtual options too!). We don't actually exercise—we "walk" on a faith journey together. For more info and to register visit www.wwpnjshore.com

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.

WORD OF LIFE

provided by **Mary's Child Pro-Life Ministry**

"Because of our belief and hope in the Resurrection, we can face death not with fear, but with preparation.... We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God now, in our daily lives and decisions." Read more at www.respectlife.org/end-of-life-considerations. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing"

ACTION CENTER—

QUESTIONS ON PRO-LIFE ISSUES? The Catholic Church maintains that *LIFE* is the pre-eminent social justice issue while the media instead tells a story of women's healthcare and reproductive rights. What is the truth? Take a copy of the pamphlet in the back of the church titled "*Why We're Pro-life by Trent Horn*" for a concise summary from a Catholic viewpoint on many questions surrounding abortion.

WALKING WITH MOM'S IN NEED If you are a Mom in a crisis pregnancy or in need of help for you and your children, please contact the rectory or see the poster in the Gathering Space of the church for a list of resources available to you in our area.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS & ADORATION It was the special desire of our Lord Jesus Christ, revealed to Blessed Margaret Mary, that the first Friday of each month be consecrated to the devotion and adoration of His Most Sacred Heart. Join us after 7:30AM Mass to pray the rosary for the unborn, the protection of our country, peace throughout the world, and the special intentions of our parishioners. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament @ noon at St. Denis.

THE MISSION OF MARY'S CHILD MINISTRY is to defend the truth of Jesus Christ. Each human being is a gift from God, made in His image and likeness, worthy of dignity, respect, and protection from conception until natural death. We raise our prayers, concerns, and funds in support of this truth, and we support organizations that consistently live and value the Gospel of Life. This ministry has representation of 6 parishes in our local deanery and we meet monthly. If interested in this ministry, contact the rectory for our parish Pro-Life representative.

VISIT OUR WEBSITES: dioceseoftrenton.org/respect-life-ministry USCCB: usccb.org/prolife OR respectlife.org

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER BILL

The World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly is celebrated for the fifth time today - the Sunday closest to the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, Grandparents of Jesus. The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's celebration is: "Blessed are those who have not lost hope" (cf. *Sir* 14:2)

In his message, the Holy Father writes, "The Jubilee we are now celebrating helps us to realize that hope is a constant source of joy, whatever our age. When that hope has also been tempered by fire over the course of a long life, it proves a source of deep happiness." He also wrote: "The life of the Church and the world can only be understood in light of the passage of generations. Embracing the elderly helps us to understand that life is more than just the present moment, and should not be wasted in superficial encounters and fleeting relationships. Instead, life is constantly pointing us toward the future. ... If it is true that the weakness of the elderly needs the strength of the young, it is equally true that the inexperience of the young needs the witness of the elderly in order to build the future with wisdom. How often our grandparents have been for us examples of faith and devotion, civic virtue and social commitment, memory and perseverance amid trials! The precious legacy that they have handed down to us with hope and love will always be a source of gratitude and a summons to perseverance."

What wise words indeed. We look to the example of the grandparents and seniors in our life. Look at Sr. Eileen, the missionary who spoke to us. She is a great example of still making a difference for others as a senior, as do so many grandparents and seniors from our parish.

We need to look out for the seniors in our lives. As the pope wrote: "Looking at the elderly in the spirit of this Jubilee, we are called to help them experience liberation, especially from loneliness and abandonment."

The Catholic Grandparents Association, and our own Grandparents Guild, have been at the forefront in campaigning for a greater recognition of grandparents for their role and vocation in passing on their faith to the next generation. We thank them for their work and invite grandparents to join the Guild and get involved. Remember the great resources that our Guild and the Association have for you at the ready (catholicgrandparentsassociation.org) to support you in your vocation.

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.



"Blessed are those who mourn,
they shall be comforted."

ST. DENIS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP-

If you are experiencing the loss of someone in your life we welcome you to join with others who are bereaved to share in your loss. Through mutual sharing with guidance, this series will offer support, prayer and work on answering questions about loss, grief, coping and potential for renewal of self and hope. **Join us on: Thursdays Starting: August 21, 2025 and continuing weekly Morning Sessions: 10-11 am at the St. Denis Parish Office Conference Room.** Contact Eileen Ziesmer at (732) 223-0287 or eileenziezmer@gmail.com to let us know you plan to attend or with any questions! 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.

CURSILLO is all about building long-term Christ-centered relationships with God and others through prayer and a focus on authentic Christian living. For more information contact trentoncursillo@gmail.com



FRANCIS HOUSE OF PRAYER
is a Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center
and Retreat House
located at 84 Walnford Road, Allentown, NJ.
FHOP@verizon.net

**FRANCIS HOUSE OFFERS 4 WAYS
TO MAKE THE FULL
"SPIRITUAL EXERCISES."**

SEE www.FHOP.org/the-spiritual-exercises

PRAY & PLAY WITH "THE POTTER'S WHEEL"

Tuesday, August 5 9:30 AM - Noon

Join us for a time of contemplation with the scripture passage of "The Potter's Wheel." We will use the story for prayer and reflection as well as some time for real play with clay. Donation: \$25, includes clay.

OUR LADY, UNDOER OF KNOTS

Tuesday, August 12 9:30 AM - Noon

Blessed Mother is Our Lady, Undoer of Knots! We will spend this morning reflecting on the grace of being loved so deeply and asking for help in an "undoing of the knots" of our lives. Time will be given for personal reflection and prayer. Donation: \$25

PERSONAL RETREAT DAY (IN-PERSON ONLY)

Wednesday, August 27 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Come to Francis House for silence, personal prayer and optional spiritual direction. The day begins and ends with a brief prayer together. Please bring a bag lunch. Donation: \$10; \$40 with spiritual direction.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION INTERN PROGRAM

Francis House offers an intense 3-year Intern Formation Program for those desiring to become Spiritual Directors. This program has four critical aspects: The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola; Ignatian Discernment; Study of the Spiritual Masters and Practicum in the Art and Discipline of giving Spiritual Direction. Time commitment: 2 Thursdays each month, 3 weekends a year, and a 5-day directed retreat. Please contact Sister Marcy (609) 877-0509 before August 1 for further information. Begins in September.

JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE

PEREGRINACIÓN JUBILAR DE ESPERANZA

National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa

**9:30AM
ARRIVAL**

**10:30AM
MASS WITH
BISHOP O'CONNELL**

**12:00PM - 1:45PM
ADORATION,
PILGRIM PASSPORTS
& PRESENTATIONS**
Frs. Javier Diaz & Zack Swantek

**2:00 PM
MULTI-LINGUAL ROSARY**

**SATURDAY
September 13, 2025
sábado 13 de septiembre**

CONTACT: Carolyn Norbut,
Director of Diocesan Pilgrimages
609-406-7446
Pilgrimages@Dioceseoftrenton.org

More information will follow.
Más información por venir.

Preparations have begun for this year's *Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope* to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA, held on Saturday, September 13, 2025. This year, the focus will be Pilgrims of Hope, in celebration of our Jubilee Year. The schedule for the day will include Mass with Bishop O'Connell, CM, Presentation by Fr. Javier Diaz and Fr. Zack Swantek, Adoration, Confession, and our well-loved Pilgrims Passport. The day will conclude with a multi-lingual Rosary. For more information, please visit our website at www.DioceseofTrenton.org/Pilgrimage or contact Carolyn Norbut at CNorbu@DioceseofTrenton.org

BUILDING REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE COLLECTION- Next weekend our second collection will be for repairs and maintenance of our parish buildings. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



July 13, 2025

Weekly Collection- \$11,040.00

2nd Collection (Building Repairs)- \$5,878.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Every Veteran has earned help and support.

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