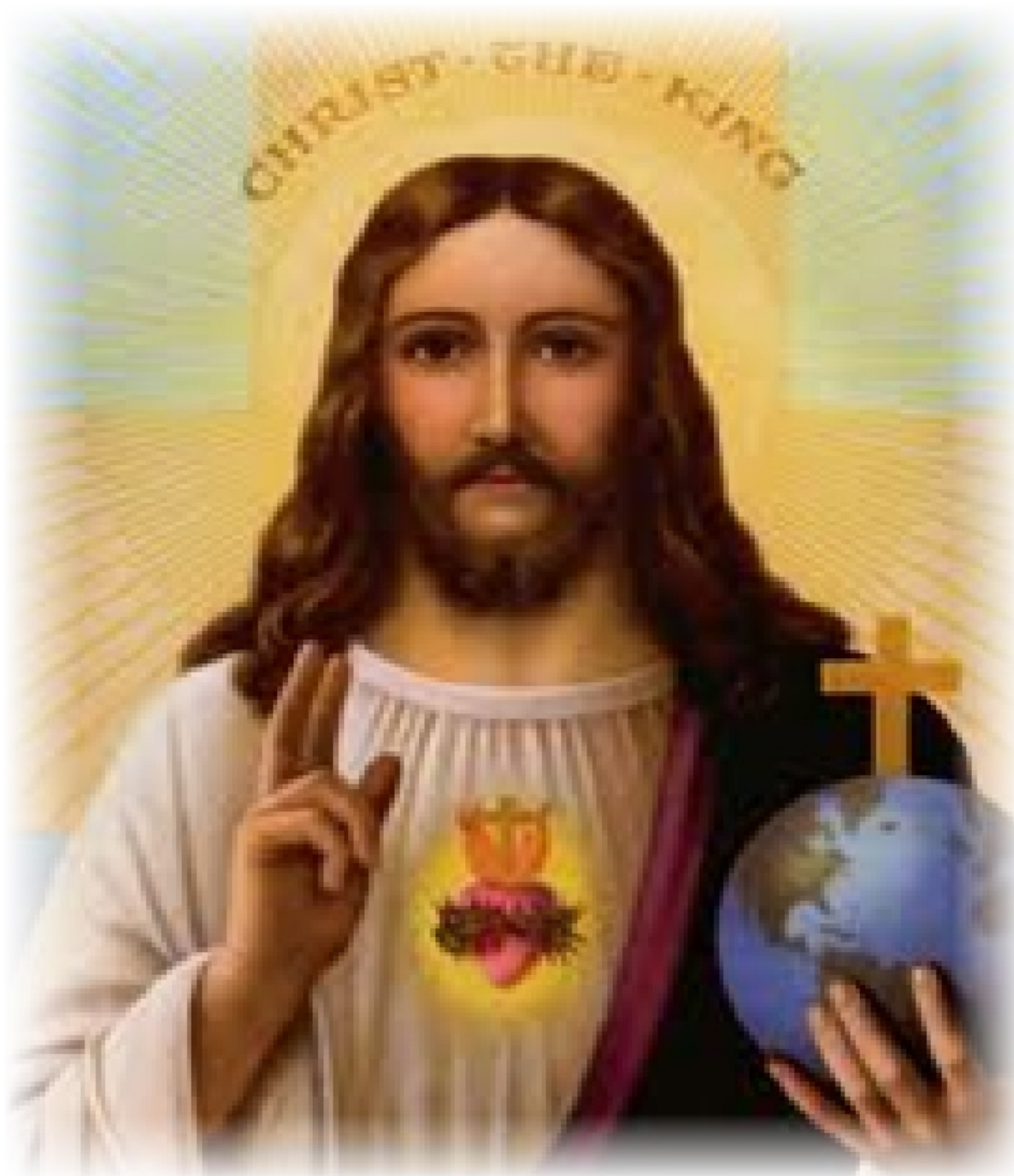


And the King will say to them in reply, "Amen , I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me."

Matthew 25:40



Church of the Visitation

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Welcome!

The entire parish community extends a warm welcome to all visitors and new parishioners

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday: 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
Saturday and Sunday: 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM

Parish Registration

The Church of the Visitation is obliged to serve and minister to all baptized Catholics living in our local area. **PLEASE REGISTER** – it assists the staff in knowing you as a parishioner, providing for your needs, informing you of parish programs and activities, and utilizing your gifts and talents in service of the Church and one another. Envelopes for weekly contributions are available to you once you are registered. Please contact Deacon Sal Vicari at ext. 218 to register.

Sacramental Sponsor Certificates

The following is required by Cannon Law to be a Catholic Godparent/Sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. 1. Be at least 16 years of age. 2. Have completed the Sacraments of the Initiation. (Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation) 3. Be a registered and active parishioner living a life of faith. If married, have a marriage that is canonically valid and recognized by the Catholic Church.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Weekend: Saturday 4:00 and 5:30 PM
Sunday: 6:45, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM
Daily: Monday-Saturday 7:30 and 8:15 AM (Daily Chapel)
Monday Evenings: 7:30 PM
Holy Days: See Current Bulletin
Holy Hour: First Fri. of the month 7:00 to 8:00 PM (Church)

Baptism

Parents or legal guardians are encouraged to register 2 months in advance to schedule a baptism. Parents and Guardians are required and sponsors are encouraged to attend the Baptismal Formation Session prior to the Baptism. Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays following the 12:30 Mass at 1:45 PM. Please contact Deacon Sal Vicari at ext. 218 to make arrangements.

Marriages

The Sacrament of Marriage requires a time of spiritual preparation. According to the Common Policy adopted by the Bishops of New Jersey, this preparation requires sessions with a priest or deacon, Focus review and attendance at a Marriage Preparation Programs such as Pre Cana. Therefore couples should make arrangements with the Church at least 1 year before the planned wedding date and finalizing any social plans. Couples must also verify freedom to marry before dates and arrangements can be made. Please contact Deacon Sal Vicari at ext. 218 to make arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick

Please notify the Parish Office when serious illness occurs and when the sick, aged, or incapacitated are confined to home for extended period. In an emergency call Parish office anytime.

Penance/Reconciliation

Saturday from 3:15 to 3:45PM in the Church or anytime by appointment. A Penance Service is held during Advent and Lent.

Religious Education (CCD)

Our Religious Education and sacramental preparation for our children meets on Sunday from 9:15~10:30 AM in Lake Riviera Middle School, weekday classes in the Church Rectory. Pre-registration is required. Please call Nancy Grodberg at 732-477-5217.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

This is the process by which adults become full, active, participating members of the Catholic Church. Please call Dale Zanetti at ext. 214 for more information.

Elevator is located on the side of the Church near the Bell Tower

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 22
4:00 PM	William Russell/req. Wife, Rosemary
5:30 PM	John Paul/req. Linda Lutkiewicz
SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 23
6:45 AM	Josephine "Josie" Gelesky/req. Dee De Turo
8:00 AM	Thomas Rygiel/req. Wife, Toni
9:30 AM	People of the Parish
11:00 AM	Jeanne Kahn/req. The Kahn Family
12:30 PM	Marion Teresavage/req. Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Naden
MONDAY	NOVEMBER 24
7:30 AM	Jack Deegan/req. Wife, Terry
8:15 AM	Margaret Viviani/req. Daughter Dee De Turo
7:30 PM	Richard Murtague/req. Frank & Kathleen Bottazzi
TUESDAY	NOVEMBER 25
7:30 AM	Anthony Bulwicz/req. Ray Bulwicz
8:15 AM	Joseph Luongo/req. Marion Dellanno
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 26
7:30 AM	Andrew Kovatch/req. Wife, Mary
8:15 AM	Florence & James Williams/req. Sister
THURSDAY	NOVEMBER 27
7:30 AM	Donald Mc Guire/req. Mr. & Mrs. Mc Coy
8:15 AM	God's Blessings on Frank Buttacavoli/req. Wife, Ellen
9:30 AM	People of the Parish
FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 28
7:30 AM	Ruth Kutzner/req. Mr. & Mrs. John Brennan & Family
8:15 AM	Michael Paris/req. Jill De Michele
SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 29
7:30 AM	Kerwin Ynaya/req. Parents
8:15 AM	Grace Marie Walsh/req. James J. Walsh
4:00 PM	Frank Ammerata/req. Family
5:30 PM	Helen & Edward Price/req. Granddaughter, Linda
SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 30
6:45 AM	People of the Parish
8:00 AM	James Kilkenny/req. Wife & Family
9:30 AM	Marie Amato/req. Son, John
11:00 AM	Leslie Pucci/req. Family
12:30 PM	Angela & Nat Licandro/req. Joe & Camille Licandro

SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 23	LOCATION
<i>High School Confirmation</i>	11:00 AM	Parish Room C
MONDAY	NOVEMBER 24	
<i>M M & Saint Jude Novena</i>	8:15 AM	Daily Chapel
<i>Rosary For Life</i>	1:30 PM	Daily Chapel
<i>Children's Choir</i>	6:15 PM	Church
<i>Cub Scouts</i>	6:30 PM	Auditorium
<i>M M & Saint Jude Novena</i>	7:30 PM	Daily Chapel
TUESDAY	NOVEMBER 25	
NO BINGO		
<i>Boy Scouts</i>	6:30 PM	Old Church
<i>Children of the Light Meeting</i>	7:15 PM	Parish Room B
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 26	
<i>Community Lunch</i>	12:00 PM	Auditorium
THURSDAY	NOVEMBER 27	
HAPPY THANKSGIVING		
<i>Mass</i>	7:00, 8:15 & 9:30 AM	Church
<i>AA</i>	7:30 PM	Auditorium
FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 28	
<i>DRP Meeting</i>	1:00 PM	Parish Room B
<i>Children of the Light Prayer</i>	7:00 PM	Parish Room A
<i>Parents Baptismal Session</i>	7:00 PM	Daily Chapel
NO BINGO		
SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 29	
<i>R.C.I.A. Teaching</i>	4:30 PM	Auditorium

NO CCD CLASSES THIS WEEK

Readings for the Week

NOV. 23 SUN. Christ The King
 Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17 First Corinthians 15:20-26, 28
 Matthew 25:31-46

NOV. 24 MON. Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, priest and martyr, and companions, martyrs -
 Revelation 14:1-3, 4-5 Luke 21:1-4

NOV. 25 TUES. Weekday
 Revelation 14:14-19 Luke 21:5-11

NOV 26 WED. Weekday
 Revelation 15:1-4 Luke 21:12-19

NOV. 27 THUR. Thanksgiving
 Deuteronomy 8:7-18 Colossians 3:12-17 Luke 17:11-19

NOV. 28 FRI. Weekday
 Revelation 20:1-4, 11--21:2 Luke 21:29-33

NOV. 29 SAT. Weekday
 Revelation 22:1-7 Luke 21:34-36

For the Week of November 23, 2014



Church Sanctuary Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Andrew Kovatch/req. Wife, Mary

Chapel Sanctuary Candle is "In Thanksgiving"/req. Fr. Al & Staff

Sacred Heart Candle is "God's Blessing" on the people of Visitation/req. Fr. Al & Staff

Blessed Mother Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Thomas Rygiel/req. Wife, Toni

"THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD; THERE IS NOTHING I SHALL WANT"

Welcome into God's Family

Peyton Stenig



I. Teresa Knight, James Walsh, Al & Joan Fraraccio

"REMEMBERING OUR SICK" LIST IS FOR THOSE PARISHIONERS WHO ARE IN NEED OF SPECIAL PRAYERS. THEY WILL REMAIN ON THE LIST FOR FOUR WEEKS. IF EXTENDED PRAYERS ARE NEEDED, PLEASE CONTACT VISITATIONS PRAYER CHAIN AT 848-373-4239.



In Your Charity please pray for the happy repose of the souls of deceased members of the Parish, your friends, relatives and benefactors.

HOW WILL YOU BE REMEMBERED?



Please consider "Creating a Legacy" that will last for generations to come. When you remember Church of the Visitation in your will, you will help to provide for the many organizations and ministries after you are gone. For more information, please contact the Parish office at 732-477-7059 ext. 216.



When driving to Church, please do not drive up → Driver Avenue coming in off Downey Avenue as this is a one way street. Also do not park cars facing the wrong direction on residential streets. Passenger side of vehicle must be curb side or vehicle is subject to a ticket.

BINGO



THERE WILL BE NO BINGO ON TUESDAY NOVEMBER 25, OR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28. BINGO WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2 AT 11:00 A.M.

*Reflections for
Our Lord Jesus Christ, the King*



Today's Gospel passage is the conclusion of Jesus' discourse with his disciples. It is about the end of time, the coming of the Son of Man, and the final judgment. We hear this description of the final judgment at the conclusion of our liturgical year, the Solemnity of Our

Lord Jesus Christ the King. In the context of Matthew's Gospel, this passage might also be read as a conclusion of Matthew's report on Jesus' life and ministry; the remaining chapters report the events of Jesus' Passion and Resurrection.

In today's Gospel, Jesus describes to his disciples the scene of the judgment of the Son of Man. All the nations will be assembled before him, and he will separate them as a shepherd separates sheep and goats upon their return from the pasture. The judgments made by the Son of Man will be based upon the acts of mercy shown to the least ones—the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the ill, and the imprisoned. Indeed, Jesus, who suffered on the Cross, identifies himself with the least ones.

Recall that last week's parable of the talents taught us that the gifts that we have been given are intended to be used for the service of others, especially the least among us. Our judgment before God will be based not only on how we have used these gifts and talents, but also on how we have extended ourselves in service to these least ones. Indeed, Jesus tells us that whenever we have served these least ones, we have served Christ himself.

When we read today's Gospel in the context of the chapters that follow in Matthew's Gospel, we learn the extent to which Jesus identifies with the least ones. In accepting death on the cross, Jesus shows himself to be one of the hungry, the naked, the ill, and the imprisoned. To accept Jesus is to accept him who suffered and died on the Cross as one of the least ones. *Loyola Press*

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**Tickets ordered after that December 14th can be picked up at the rectory for Christmas delivery.
A full year's annual subscription can be purchased thru January 23, 2015**

NOVEMBER 23, 2014

THANKSGIVING DAY MASSES

On Thursday, November 27, 2014, we will celebrate Thanksgiving Day. The schedule for masses will be **7:00, 8:15 and 9:30 AM.** Small loaves of bread will be distributed at each of the

masses with a special blessing to say at your meal. We hope that you will join us at one of the Masses to give thanks and celebrate.

**“Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;
His love is everlasting”**

ALL MASSES HELD IN THE CHURCH



**FR. AL AND STAFF WOULD
LIKE TO WISH ALL
OUR PARISHIONERS A
VERY HAPPY AND HEALTHY
THANKSGIVING**

***“Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;
His love is everlasting”***

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



Complimentary Thanksgiving Dinner, Thursday, November 27, 2014 1:00 at Church of the Epiphany, Located at 615 Thiele Road, Brick. For additional information and reservation call 732-458-0220.

CHRIST THE KING

On Sunday, November 23, 2014, we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. The 12:30 Mass will end in silence as a sign of respect for the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration will be held until 2:30 PM closing with benediction. Please sign the list in the vestibule of the Church for the time you choose to spend your prayerful visitation with the LORD.

***“For where two or three are gathered together in
my name, there am I in the midst of them”***

Matthew 18:20



The rectory office will be closed for regular business Thursday, November 27, Friday, November 28 and Sunday, November 30, for the Thanksgiving Holiday. **We will be open Saturday, November 29 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30p.m.**

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE



The VRC will once again be selling Christmas Trees this year. All trees will be sold by pre order **ONLY**. If interested, please call 732-746-3456.

Proceeds will help the families of Superstorm Sandy. Don't wait too long!!! Get your order in!!

THE JESSE GIVING TREE

THE JESSE TREE represents the human ancestors of Jesus. Jesse of Bethlehem had 7 sons, one whom was later to be known as King David. Each ornament depicts one of those ancestors. Adam, Eve, Mary, Joseph, Abraham, Sarah, Jacob, Isaac, John, Elizabeth, Ruth, Zachary, Solomon, Moses and Noah

The Jesse Giving Tree has been placed in our Church Narthex. Each "Gold Star" will represent a gift for some needy child in a family that the St. Vincent de Paul Society serves throughout the year. When you take a "Gold Star" from our tree, the front will tell you if the child is a boy or girl and their age. The back of the star might give you a suggestion regarding something special that girl or boy would like for Christmas.

The "Gold Star" needs to be attached to the wrapped gift and placed under our Jesse Tree by December 19th or earlier. (Our elves need a few days to deliver the gifts to our needy families).

THRIFT STORE CLOSED

St. Vincent de Paul thrift store will be closed Thursday, November 27 and Friday November 28 for Thanksgiving. They will reopen on Saturday, November 29. The members of St. Vincent wish everyone a very Happy & Healthy Thanksgiving!



RCIA CORNER

PRAYER

Prayer is being present to and talking to God – praising, worshipping, thanking, asking, and listening. It is not just one sided – prayer is engaging God in our lives. When we are having a conversation with someone, we are speaking but also listening to them. It is the same way when we pray. We offer our praise and petitions verbally and then sit silently for a response from God. Sometimes the response is not verbal, but sometimes it is.

Are we listening after we pray...I mean really listening. God wants to have a relationship with us and in a relationship both parties have a part to play. God, our creator is longing to interact with us, his creatures. Prayer is simply – speak and listen, speak and listen...sometimes more speak, sometimes more listen. But God wants to communicate with us and a good place to start is at Father I praise you and need you....!

Have you prayed today? How many times have you prayed? Yes, did you know you could pray more than once a day. The most beautiful part of prayer is that we are talking directly to God. Even if you sometimes don't have the words to say, just speak from the heart and he will listen. The result is that God answers all of our prayer. Add some more prayer to your life and there will be more of a lively life added to you.

“The LORD is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.” Ps 145:8

CHRISTMAS CARDS



When mailing or giving out Christmas cards, as Catholic Christians we should use Religious cards. Christmas is the birth of Christ (i.e.) Emmanuel – God with us. It really is not a celebration of snowmen or reindeer or a winter scene. Christmas should be the rejoicing on the Birth of the Christ Child. This is what this Season of Christmas is all about.

JESUS IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

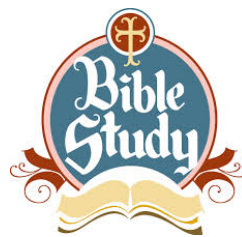


Our past Music Ministry Christmas Concerts performed by the members of our Music Ministry under the direction of Natalie Bencivenga have been a great success. The concert will be held on Sunday, December 21, 2014 at 3:00 PM at Church of the Visitation. Admission is free for everyone. There will be a free will offering. All proceeds will benefit and enhance our Music Ministry. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to enjoy beautiful music and to surround yourself with a joyful Christmas Spirit. For more information call 732-477-7059 Ext. 217.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT



Our Children's Christmas Pageant will be held Sunday, December 14, at 2:00 PM in the Church. Please join us in the beautiful and inspiring Holiday Celebration. Jesus said, “Let the children come to Me”. This experience will be happily received by Him.



Please join us.

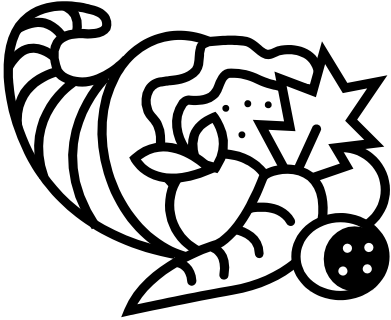
Our Thursday morning Bible Study will be taking a 2 week break for Thanksgiving. We will not be meeting November 27, or December 4, 2014. We will resume on December 11, at 9:45. We are studying the Sunday readings each week.



***THERE WILL BE NOT
HOLY HOUR OR
BENEDICTION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT
DECEMBER 5, 2014 OR
JANUARY 2, 2015. HOLY
HOUR WILL RESUME
FEBRUARY 6 AT 7:00 PM.***

NOVEMBER 23, 2014

AUTUMN GIFT AUCTION



Our annual gift auction, which was held on November 8, continued its string of social and financial successes. It is the primary social fund raiser for the year, bringing in over \$16,000. The primary use of the funds from this event will be to help pay for repairs to a chimney that has become unsafe on the main church building and pay for roofing materials for the leaky roof on our original church building. This building houses many activities, including our St. Vincent DePaul Society Thrift Shop which helps the poor of the community regardless of religious affiliation. Labor for the roofing project was donated by Weaverland Disaster Services – a Mennonite group from Pennsylvania.

This event would not have been possible without the tireless efforts of Cindy Maguire who handled the many day to day details of this event and Terry DeCarlo for heading up the solicitation. Thanks to all of the people – especially the women who showed up on a regular basis for over a month – who shared their time, talent and treasure by preparing for the auction, donating a gift or lending a hand and helping to make the evening a success. The women of the Rosary Altar Society and the parents of Cub Scout Den 38 ensured that food, coffee and dessert were available throughout the event.

***PLEASE PATRONIZE AND THANK THE FOLLOWING MERCHANTS
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Mike's Pizza
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Montclair Art Museum
Morris Museum/ Family
Fun Park
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Popcorn Park Zoo
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College Planetarium
Riverside Market
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Rutgers Scarlet Knights
Mens Basketball

Salon Hombre
Salon Rumors
Shawnee Mountain
Shore Catering Inc.
Silverton Memorial Funeral
Home
Somerset Patriots
Spanish Potato Grill
Sue's Jewelry
Terrone Jewelers
The Historic Strand
The Sterling Hill Mining
Museum
The Sub Shack
Union County Performing Arts
Center
Walmart
Weatherhead & Young Funeral
Home
Wishing Well Cards & Gifts
Yellow Brick Road

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MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Liturgical Ministries

CHILDREN'S CHOIR see Youth Ministry

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION distributes Holy Communion at Masses, as well as to the homebound, hospitalized, nursing home, and Senior Housing residents. 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Vicki Cottrell or Vicki@visitationchurch.com*

LECTORS enhance the community's celebration of the Mass by meaningful reading of God's Word and by providing direction and overviews during the Liturgy. 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Vicki Cottrell or vicki@visitationchurch.com*

LITURGY TEAM meets monthly to plan liturgical and worship services that are meaningful and spiritual.

ART AND ENVIRONMENT TEAM visually enhances the celebration of the Mass by providing decorations that highlight the liturgical seasons. 732-477-9672, ext. 201 – *Fr. Al or fral@visitationchurch.com*

MUSIC MINISTRY spiritually enhances the celebration of the Liturgy. We are always seeking individuals who would like to share their gift of music through songs and prayers. 732-477-9672, ext. 217 - *Natalya Bencivenga or natalie@visitationchurch.com*

USHERS promote hospitality by assisting parishioners, taking up collections and preparing Offertory gifts for presentation at Mass. 732-262-4186 – *Kathy Cifelli*

VISITATION ALTAR SERVERS TEAM see Youth Ministry

Sacrament Preparation

BAPTISMAL TEAM assists the Priests and Deacons with Baptismal Formation Sessions, as well as the actual ceremony. 732-477-9028 - *Donna Stawicki or SewSimple@aol.com*

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is the process used to welcome those who wish to complete some or all of the sacraments of initiation in the Church. 732-477-9672, ext. 214 - *Dale Zanetti or dale@visitationchurch.com*

Education and Evangelization Ministries

ADULT FAITH FORMATION provides educational and growth opportunities for parish adults. 732-477-9672, ext. 214 - *Dale Zanetti or dale@visitationchurch.com*

BIBLE SHARING offers day sessions to all who wish to deepen their understanding of Scripture. Meetings are held on Thursdays at 9:45 AM in the Church Auditorium. No meeting during July & August. 732-477-9672 ext. 214 - *Dale Zanetti or dale@visitationchurch.com*

EVANGELIZATION TEAM promotes and fosters evangelization in all ministries by reaching out and encouraging all to live life as active Catholics. 732-477-9672, ext. 218 - *Deacon Salvatore Vicari or ext. 214 - Dale Zanetti or dale@visitationchurch.com*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD) meets on Sunday from 9:15 to 10:30 AM in the Lake Riviera Middle School and weekdays in the church rectory during the school year. Pre-registration is required. 732-477-5217- *Nancy Grodberg or nancy@visitationchurch.com*

Prayer Groups

CHILDREN OF LIGHT CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP meets every Friday at 7:00 PM in Parish Room C to pray and work for spiritual renewal. 732-255-2728 - *Paul Rollis or paulr63@juno.com*

ROYAL HEART OF JESUS & MARY CATHOLIC PRAYER GROUP meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM in the Parish Room A. All are welcome. 732-742-2600 – *Joellen Arrabito – 732-262-3938 – Mary Casella or mnick123@aol.com*

PRAYER CHAIN is for anyone who feels the need for prayer or would like to join the group. 732-604-1499.

Pastoral Care Ministries

BEREAVEMENT TEAM provides support and meets Spring and Fall. 732-477-9672, ext. 221- *Deacon Richard Johnston.*

On-going support to grieving families is available- *Linda Conroy 908-902-2741 or lconroy58@verizon.net*

FUNERAL LITURGY MINISTRY helps plan liturgy for funeral masses. 732-367-5329 – *Rosemary Russell.*

VISITATION CAREGIVERS provide supportive services to the frail elderly and homebound in our community such as friendly visits, food shopping, transportation to medical appointments and respite care for families. 732-505-2273 ext. 211- *Mary Malagiere or marym@caregivervolunteers.org*

Services

ANNULMENT TEAMS are available to assist a parishioner in rectifying his/her marital status in accordance with the law of the Catholic Church and enable parish members to participate in a full Christian life. 848-333-2671- *Eleanor Troiano ~ 732-477-7059* ext. 218 – *Deacon Salvatore Vicari*

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION is offered to anyone in the community who yearns to deepen their relationship with God. 732-477-9672, ext.221 *Deacon Richard Johnston*

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Social Ministries/Activities

BINGO is held in the church auditorium on Tuesdays at 11:00 AM and Fridays at 7:30 PM 732-477-9672 ext. 201 – Tuesday *Cindy Maguire*; Friday - *Anna Tortoriello*

EVENT DEVELOPMENT TEAM meets as needed to develop and implement social activities (such as the Gift Auction and Wine Tasting/Art Auction) for the purpose of raising money for the building fund. 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Vicki Cottrell-vicki@visitationchurch.com*

Social Concerns

COMMUNITY LUNCH (SOUP KITCHEN) provides lunch Wednesdays each week to members of the parish and community. 732-255-2835 - *Isabel Kronicz or fkronicz@comcast.net*

RESPECT LIFE focuses on pro-life issues and needs through education and support of other organizations in support of pro-life issues. The group gathers every Monday in the church at 1:30 PM to recite the Rosary. 732-262-2047 – *Charles Pocher*

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL operates the Thrift Shop in the old church and manages the funds from the poor boxes to assist the needy in our parish and the surrounding area. 732-477-9672, ext. 160. Thrift Shop hours of operation are Monday thru Saturday. 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM.

VISITATION FOOD BANK accepts donations of nonperishable food at the VRC location. These donations assist the hungry of our community. 732-746-3456 - *Visitation Relief Center*

Youth Ministries/Activities

CHILDREN'S CHOIR welcomes all from 3 to 12 years of age to share their love for Jesus through music. The choir sings monthly at the 12:30 PM Mass and performs at various community events. No tryouts are required. 732-477-9672 ext. 217 - *Jim Daniels*

CYO BASKETBALL TEAM practices at Lake Riviera Middle School. They were the 2007 Ocean County CYO champs. 732-581-0987 – *Coach Mike Fattibene or fattibene@kean.edu*

VISITATION ALTAR SERVERS TEAM provides assistance to the Priest in celebration of the Mass and other liturgical celebrations Open to all boys and girls third grade and higher who have received their Holy Communion. 732-458-1492 - *Sue Stranieri or stranieri.sue@gmail.com*

VISITATION TEEN MINISTRY provides a safe place for high school teenagers to come together, meet new people, and have fun while serving God and the community. For additional information please contact 732-477-7059 ext. 105 – *Marie Bottazzi or youthministry@visitationchurch.com*

Temporal Welfare

BUILDING AND GROUNDS TEAM works to improve and enhance the appearance and safety of the existing church, former church, rectory building, and the associated grounds. The goal of this team is to adhere to all current safety and building codes and ensure that the house of God is maintained in an appropriate manner. 732-477-0028 – *Fr. Al or fral@visitationchurch.com*

FINANCE COUNCIL oversees the financial aspects of the parish 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Karen Smith*

FUTURES TEAM assesses and implements the needs of the parish to ensure that we are prepared for the future. The various teams coordinate all activities pertaining to the development of the Faith Formation Center. 732-477-9672, ext. 216 - *Vicki Cottrell-vicki@visitationchurch.com*

Organizations

AA MEETINGS are held on Thursdays at 7:30 PM in the church auditorium.

CUB SCOUT PACK #38, sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society, meets on Mondays at 6:30 PM in the Auditorium & Old Church & Tuesdays at 6:30 in the Old Church. No meeting during July & August. 732-451-0252 *Kim Gorman or kimmyg627@aol.com*

BOY SCOUT TROOP #38, sponsored by the Holy Name Society, meets Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in the old church. 732-262-8977 - *Matt Powell or matthewapowell@verizon.net*

HOLY NAME OF JESUS SOCIETY promotes respect for the Holy Name of Jesus and His Holy Catholic Church. Society members attend the 8:00 AM Mass the second Sunday of the month and meet the Tuesday following the second Sunday at 7:15 pm in the Auditorium. There are no meeting July & August, however members still attend mass. 732-477-8456 – *Paul Hegadorn or paulhegadorn@verizon.net*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #836 work with the local parish and contribute many hours of volunteer work to our community annually. They meet the first and third Wednesdays of each month at the Council Home on the corner of Cedarbridge Avenue and Route 70 East.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY honors the Blessed Virgin Mary to secure her patronage through the daily recitation of the Rosary for the spiritual benefit of the parish community. Members attend the 8:00 AM Mass on the first Sunday of the month. The Monday following the first Sunday of the month they meet at 11:30 AM in the Church Worship for the Rosary. The meeting will follow at 12:00 noon in the Church Auditorium. There are no meeting July & August, however members still attend mass. 732-232-7132 – *Dee DeTuro or deed@visitationchurch.com*

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