

# Church of the Visitation

755 Mantoloking Road, Brick, N. J. 08723



*Welcome!*

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

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### Assisting Priests

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Director of Visitation Relief Center

### **RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday thru Friday:** 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM  
Closed for Lunch 12:30 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 Canon 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  
**Sunday:** 6:45, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM  
**Daily:** Monday-Saturday 7:30 and 8:15 AM (Daily Chapel)  
**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 to 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*

# THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 9</b>
4:00 PM	Mary Cordova/req. Linda & Ed Kelly
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 10</b>
6:45 AM	People of the Parish
8:00 AM	Living & Dec'd. Members of the Holy Name Society
9:30 AM	William J. Mack/req. Sharon, Erin & Stephanie
11:00 AM	Anne Smith/req. Terri & Toni
12:30 PM	Frank Zickar/req. Fr. Al
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 11</b>
7:30 AM	Barbara Batto/req. Larry & Evelyn Kosisto & Mary Ellen Coursen
8:15 AM	Mary Marciano/req. Heather Kladzan & Frank Caruso
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 12</b>
7:30 AM	Michael Aymar/req. The Aymar Family
8:15 AM	Alan Hauptman/req. Elizabeth Manger
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 13</b>
7:30 AM	Jerome Bradigan/req. The Whitley Family
8:15 AM	God's Blessing on Maureen Greco/req. Carmella
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 14</b>
7:30 AM	Jerome F. Bradigan, Jr./req. The Heller Family
8:15 AM	Bernie Fitzsimmons/req. Carmella Barry
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 15</b>
7:30 AM	Geraldine Streckfuss/req. John & Dolores
8:15 AM	Joe Ilaria/req. Carmella Barry
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 16</b>
7:30 AM	God's Blessing on Eileen Travis/req. Denise Esposito
8:15 AM	Umberto Dilauro/req. Art & Joanne Krozser
4:00 PM	Victoria Fazio/req. The Hayes Family
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 17</b>
6:45 AM	Michael Zarecki/req. Betty & Kwaider
8:00 AM	Carol Fetterman/req. Irenee Connor
9:30 AM	Salvatore Spinelli/req. Emma Lambusta
11:00 AM	Alexander Banoff/req. Family
12:30 PM	People of the Parish

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 10</b>
<i>Masses</i>	Church
<i>Baptism</i>	1:45 PM Church
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 11</b>
<i>M M &amp; Saint Jude Novena</i>	8:15 AM Daily Chapel
<i>Rosary For Life</i>	1:30 PM Daily Chapel
<i>CCD</i>	4:30 PM Rooms A, B & C
<i>Cub Scouts.</i>	6:30 PM Old Church & Parish Hall
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 12</b>
<i>Bereavement</i>	10:30 AM Daily Chapel
<i>Bingo</i>	11:00 AM Parish Hall
<i>CCD</i>	6:00 PM Rooms A & C
<i>Boy Scouts</i>	6:30 PM Old Church
<i>Alanon</i>	7:00 PM Parish Hall
<i>Holy Name Society.</i>	7:15 PM Room A
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 13</b>
<i>Community Lunch</i>	12:00 PM Parish Hall
<i>CCD</i>	4:00 PM Room A & C
<i>Youth Choir Practice</i>	7:30 PM Parish Room C
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 14</b>
<i>Bible Study</i>	9:45 AM Parish Hall
<i>St. Vincent de Paul</i>	1:00 PM Parish Hall
<i>CCD</i>	6:00 PM Room A & C
<i>Adult Choir Practice</i>	7:15 PM Church
<i>AA</i>	7:30 PM Parish Hall
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 15</b>
<i>Children of Light Prayer</i>	7:00 PM Parish Room C
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 16</b>
<i>Vigil Mass</i>	4:00 PM Church
<i>RCIA Teaching</i>	5:00 PM Parish Hall

## For the Week of April 10, 2016



- Church Sanctuary Candle** is No Intentions
- Chapel Sanctuary Candle** is No Intentions
- Blessed Mother Candle** is is No Intentions

**Sacred Heart Candle** is "In Loving Memory" of Steven Vitale/req. Sister & Brother-in-law

## Readings for the Week


- Monday:** Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
- Tuesday:** Acts 7:51 -8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
- Wednesday:** Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
- Thursday:** Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
- Friday:** Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
- Saturday:** Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
- Sunday:** Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-3, 5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

# ***“I WILL PRAISE YOU, LORD, FOR YOU HAVE RESCUED ME”***



- I. Anna Marie Blumensteel, Richard Rebar
- II. Jason Basilotto

“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 especially; *Alfred Fraraccio, George Asprocolas, Lillian Fronczak, Imelda Sariego, Theresa DeAngelo*



## **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.

## **SACRIFICIAL GIVING**


### **Offering for the Week of April 3, 2016**

<b>Regular</b>	\$9,735.04
<b>On Line</b>	\$886.00
<b>Total</b>	\$10,621.04

### ***Some of the expenses for March included:***

Electric	1,324.41
Natural Gas	\$2,773.69
Heating Oil	\$347.23
Communications Services	\$737.31
Liturgical supplies	\$5,650.97

## **ONLINE GIVING**

 Eliminate the hassle of writing checks and getting your donation envelope ready before rushing to church! Sign up now and have complete control over your On-line Giving by visiting us on the World Wide Web at [www.visitationrcchurch.org](http://www.visitationrcchurch.org).

## ***Reflections for The Third Sunday of Easter***

Last week we heard that Jesus appeared to the gathered disciples in a locked room, probably in Jerusalem. In today's Gospel, the disciples are no longer in Jerusalem; they are in Galilee, returning to their work of fishing. Simon Peter is still presented in the role of leader: when he announces that he is going fishing, the other disciples follow. They spend the night fishing but are unsuccessful.

Jesus calls to them from the shore, but just as when Jesus first appeared to Mary of Magdala, the disciples do not recognize him immediately. Still, they follow the stranger's instructions and bring in a large haul of fish. It is at this point that one of the disciples (the “disciple whom Jesus loved”) realizes that Jesus is appearing to them. Upon hearing this news, Simon Peter leads the way again, jumping from the boat and swimming to shore. The other disciples follow in the boat, dragging the fish.

The disciples have brought to shore a tremendous catch of fish that Jesus has directed them to find. But once on the shore, they see that Jesus has already prepared fish and bread on a charcoal fire. Jesus directs the disciples to bring their catch of fish as well. Jesus is host at the meal that follows, feeding the disciples the bread and fish. In this detail we see allusions to the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and the fishes told in John 6.

There are also allusions in the Gospel to our gathering for the celebration of the Mass. In the Eucharist, we too are fed by Jesus in the bread and wine that have become his very Body and Blood. We also find in this story insight about the Presentation of the Gifts at Mass. The gifts we bring to the altar, bread and wine, are made from gifts that God gave first to us: grain and grapes, the fruit of the earth. God has no need of anything further. Yet God accepts the offering we bring—bread and wine, “the work of human hands”—and transforms our offering into the gift of his very presence.

After the meal, Jesus directs himself to Simon Peter. The community of John's Gospel probably looked down on Peter because of his denial of Jesus. This dialogue with Simon Peter is a reversal of Peter's three denials. Peter is forgiven. Having been restored to friendship with Jesus, Simon Peter is sent on a mission. “Feed my lambs . . . Tend my sheep . . . Feed my sheep.” These commands indicate that Peter is to be as Jesus, even unto sacrificing for the flock. As Jesus has fed Peter in this meal and as Jesus feeds us in the Eucharist, so he also sends us to follow him, asking that we offer our lives in service and sacrifice. *Loyola Press*

**NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE TWO COLLECTIONS. PLEASE PLACE YOUR REGULAR WEEKLY ENVELOPE IN THE FIRST BASKET AND THE ENVELOPE FOR REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE IN THE SECOND BASKET**

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# ***“I WILL PRAISE YOU, LORD, FOR YOU HAVE RESCUED ME”***



I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to the many people who worked so hard to make our Holy Week and Easter liturgies so beautiful: our music and decorating ministries, the Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, Ushers and RCIA Catechists who put many hours and went that “extra mile” to make our worship a fitting praise to God.

Looking out from the altar this past weekend I realized that, despite the negative portrayal it often receives in the press, the Catholic Church has been and always will be an institution with the capacity to make a real and beneficial difference in the world. The people are definitely out there; what is needed is the spark to ignite hearts, to rekindle faith and to re-awaken the truth that our Catholic Christianity is something that should be seen in all aspects of our lives, not only when we come together in communal worship. Why is that spark currently missing; what will provide it? Would it be celebrating more dynamic and relevant liturgies, employing more modern methods to get the message out there, using a more direct approach from our parish community to encourage those who feel that it’s enough to attend church only on the “expected” days (Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Palm and/or Easter Sunday, baptisms, weddings and funerals), each of us reaching out to someone who has fallen away and inviting them to come back? If you’ve said “yes” to any of these questions, there’s one more question each of needs to ask ourselves: what can I do to bring these changes about and how can my church help? As the supermarket tabloid use to say, “Inquiring minds want to know!” The tomb is empty; Jesus has risen and now is among us – how do we *really* get that Great Good News to the sleeping multitudes?

A quick note: as is mentioned elsewhere in this bulletin, starting the weekend of April 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> we will be offering low-gluten hosts as approved by the Catholic Church to those who need them at Communion. Simply go to the priest, who will have a special ciborium attachment with the hosts. When you approach, wait for him to say “The Body of Christ”. When you respond “Amen”, reach into the ciborium attachment and take one host; the priest cannot touch these hosts, as he might otherwise contaminate the low-gluten ones. I don’t yet know how many people would need these hosts and, since these hosts are substantially pricier than the regular hosts, we have started with a “pilot” amount of 30. Please take one only if you suffer from celiac sprue disease and don’t hesitate to contact the Rectory if you have any questions.

*Fr. Ed*

## **It’s not too late to get your Monthly 50/50 Annual Subscriptions for 2016**



Annual subscriptions make great, Birthday, Anniversary or thank you gifts. The proceeds from this major fundraiser are used for a wide variety of maintenance and renovation projects including upgrades to the parking lot. A \$20 annual subscription gives you 12 tickets for monthly drawings of your choice throughout 2016. **All ticket holders must be 18 years of age or over.**

Simply mail back, bring to the rectory or place in the collection basket. **A certificate with your raffle number (for yourself and/or gift recipients) will be mailed to you.** For questions or more information, call 732-477-7059 ext. 216 or e-mail [vcottrell@visitationRCchurch.org](mailto:vcottrell@visitationRCchurch.org).

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The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the US Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People and to its own policies and guidelines 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 the abuse through the diocesan **ABUSE HOTLINE: 1-888-296-2965** or via e-mail at **abuseline@diocesoftrenton.org**. The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to the local enforcement authorities.

### **DINE TO DONATE**

To help raise funds to replace the carpeting in the church worship space, the Event Development Team is working with local eateries in a "Dine to Donate" program. Each month will feature a different establishment that has agreed to donate a portion of sales during a specific time period. You can have fun with friends and family trying new venues or enjoying known favorites while enjoying a great meal. Together we can make a positive impact helping to keep our community working and playing together.

Our April partner is **Buffalo Wild Wings**, located at 2770 Hooper Avenue in Brick. They will donate 15% of your purchase, on Wednesday April 13 & Wednesday, April 27 from 11:00 am to 1:00 am. Just let them know that you are from Visitation.



### **WHY WE SIT TOGETHER**

When we come to church it is so good to greet those we know and to worship freely with them. Our RCIA Candidates and our Adult Confirmandi feel the same. This is why they sit together.

We are people of faith and we act on our faith. We act well on that faith when we reach out to those around us; when we acknowledge and welcome each other; when we realize we are not alone but surrounded by the Family of God.

We all want to feel connected, and to feel really connected it helps to bond with others. We sit together so that they will all get used to each other and feel comfortable before we enter them fully into the parish family. This will assist them in eventually being comfortable with all of us. Our responsibility as Christians is to bear witness to the good news of Jesus Christ, to give worship to the Father, to form a strong bond in the Holy Spirit, and to welcome and serve others. They are on the path but not quite there yet.

We need to be less like the world out there; wanting what it wants. We need to be who Jesus has called us to be; welcoming the stranger. Those strangers who visit us will only remain strangers until they have been caught up in the warmth of our community. Then we will call them friends.

The next time you see us sitting together, stop by and say "hello". This is how we welcome strangers and make them friends. We should always be exploring new ways of nurturing and building a genuine and hospitable community here at Visitation. When we respond to the grace of a unifying God; he makes us better than what we are and forms us as the people of God – loving, caring, sharing.

At Pentecost we will welcome our Catholics into full initiation and then we will acclimate them into the community. Thank you for being so welcoming, courteous and understanding with God's people and a special thank you too all those who gave up their seat for such a short time.

### **RETRouvaille**

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting or do you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking only make it worse? Retrouvaille may be the LIFELINE that you need! It is *not* just a social gathering or series of seminars, but rather a way to rediscover and rekindle the loving relationship in your marriage. Tens of thousands of couples have successfully saved their marriages by attending a Retrouvaille weekend and the six post sessions that follow it. The next program begins on the weekend of April 15 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, P A. Another weekend will also be held beginning August 12. For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at: [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com) or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

***APRIL 10, 2016***

## **LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS**

We are extremely pleased to announce that, starting the weekend of April 16 & 17, we will be offering low-gluten hosts to those suffering from celiac sprue disease. These will be provided through a special, distinctive-looking ciborium attachment which keeps them separate from the regular hosts. If you are in need of this type of host **please go to the priest's station** at Communion and indicate that you would like to receive a low-gluten host. If you have questions, please contact the Rectory office.



## **BIBLE STUDY**

Thursday Morning Bible Study will resume on April 14, 2016 at 9:45 am to 11:00 am. Psalm 119 tells us "Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path." So dust off your bibles and let the light in. Join us for coffee and donuts with a live presentation and group discussion as we continue our study on the book of Romans. We have an elevator for easy access. If you have any questions, please contact Dale Zanetti in the Adult Faith Formation Office at 732-477-7059 Ext. 214, or email [dale@visitationchurch.com](mailto:dale@visitationchurch.com).



If you have already received an appeal mailing from the diocese, you may choose to either send in a pledge now, send in a donation, drop a pledge or donation in a separately marked envelope in any of our regular collections or pledges may be sent directly to:

The Annual Catholic Appeal  
Diocese of Trenton  
PO Box 4887  
Trenton, NJ 08650

Thank-you to those who've already pledged.

As of April 4, 2016  
Goal ~\$92,000.00  
Pledge ~ \$38,583  
Cash Recd ~ \$27,705.50  
Total Donors ~ 258  
Participation Rate ~ 6%  
% of Goal ~ 42%

## **OPEN HOUSE**

Saint Dominic School, 250 Old Squan Road, Brick, will host an Open House on Wednesday, April 13th from 9:00-11:00 A.M. and 1:00-2:00 P.M. Applications for the 2016-2017 school year for PreK - Grade 8 will be accepted during Open House times. Visit [www.stdomschool.org](http://www.stdomschool.org).

## **PARISH MISSION**

The final countdown is on! It's just a matter of days. Our parish mission, "God's Mercy, Our Mercy", presented by Bill Wegner of Good News International, begins next Sunday April 17, 2016 through Wednesday, April 20, 2016 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. We have been planning, preparing and praying that God would bless these four days in a mighty way. Come with expectant faith....expecting God to bring you into a new place with Him. There is no doubt that it will be a special time for everyone in our community....a time of inner healing and outer transformation. See you there! And remember to bring a friend!

## **MISSION PRAYER**

*God our Father,  
We offer you praise and thanksgiving for all the many gifts you have given us.  
We thank you especially for the gift of our parish mission.  
Quiet our minds and open our hearts to receive the gift of your truth.  
Grant that our coming mission will be a time of Grace for all.*

*A time of growth for our young.  
A time of refreshment for our old.  
A time of renewal for our families.  
A time of healing for the broken.  
A time of joy for the sorrowing.  
A time of challenge for the complacent.  
A time of Grace for the sinner.  
A time of strength for the holy.  
A time of homecoming for those who have been away.*

*Grant most loving Father, that the Mission may bring down your richest blessings on one and all.*

*We ask this thorough the intercession of Mary, our Mother, and all our Patron Saints and in the name of Jesus Christ who is Lord forever. Amen*

***"God's Mercy! Our Mercy!"***

***Sunday April 17 through Wednesday April 20***

***APRIL 10, 2016***

**THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO MADE A DONATION FOR THE EASTER FLOWER/DECORATIONS**

*In Loving Memory of Family Loved Ones*

**Vincent & Beverly DiPaolo**

*In Loving Memory of George Fetish*

**Wife, Angie**

*In Loving Memory of Emily & Teresa Ann Juarez*

**Ben Juarez**

*In Loving Memory of Bulzoni & DiBello Families*

**Estelle & Bob DiBello**

*In Loving Memory of The Bulwicz Family*

**Son, Ray Bulwicz**

*In Loving Memory of Arcuri & Perri Families*

**Connie Perri**

*In Loving Memory of Donna Martone*

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*In Loving Memory of Lech, Vitale & Pecora Families*

**Dennis & Veronica Lech**

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**Eleanor Mayer**

*In Loving Memory of Michael Perna*

**Hedy Perna & Family**

*In Loving Memory of Leopold Niziolek & Gerald Niziolek*

**Stephanie Niziolek**

*In Loving Memory of Frank Flake*

**Mom & Dad**

*In Loving Memory of Frederick D'Ambola*

**Wife, Angela**

*In Loving Memory Eugene Capozzi*

**Carmela Capozzi**

*In Honor of Dee Lusko*

*In Loving Memory of Stephanie Lusko*

**Tom Lusko**

*In Loving Memory of Nancy Spinelli*

**Tom & Karen**

*In Loving Memory of Joseph Jacob Hammell, Carmel & Mary G. Phelan, John V. & Geraldine Hinchliffe,*

**Mary Phelan-Hamel**

*In Loving Memory of Anton Juric, Harold & Lora Cotton*

**Lily & Ronnie**

*In Loving Memory of Our Deceased Family Members*

**James & Eileen Cox**

*In Loving Memory of Raymond G. Mullady*

**Dorothy Mullady**

*In Loving Memory of Rose Gregorio & Gregory Ciambrone*

**Virgina Tice**

*In Loving Memory of Stephen & Helen Janosik*

**Helen Clark**

*In Loving Memory of Gladys, Bruno & Bruce Bacchetti*

**Bruna & Family**

*In Loving Memory of Sullivan & Mills Families*

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*In Loving Memory of Francis & Evelyn Doyle & William Trainor*

**Barbara Doyle & Family**

*In Thanksgiving for Daughter Doreen*

**Geraldine Midwinter**

*In Loving Memory of William J. Petryk &*

*Sophie & Leonard Fanelli*

**Virginia V. Petryk**

*In Loving Memory of Lucy Rynkiewicz, Alexander W. & Alexander C. Banoff*

**Chris Banoff**

*In Loving Memory of Mazzara, Barrett & Michels Families*

**Carol Mazzara**

*In Loving Memory of Family & Friends*

**Laverne Creange**

*In Loving Memory of, Andrew Kovatch, & Christopher Kuser*

**Mary Kovatch**

*In Loving Memory of Thomas Rygiel, Anne Smith*

*Mario Altomare & Angela Giglio*

**Terri & Toni**

*In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received*

**Thomas & Elizabeth Hussennetter**

*In Loving Memory of Howard Rothweiler & Helen DeBot*

**Dianne Rothweiler**

*In Loving Memory of Sal & Frances Garafano*

**Rob Garafano**

*In Loving Memory of Thomas Scarpulla & Jeffrey Burdsall*

**Thomas & Barbara Merrill**

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*In Loving Memory of Diane Chiappinelli*

**Laura & Don Jacquin**

*In Loving Memory of Malachi & Lucille Towey Family*

*In Loving Memory of Eleanor Villani*

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*In Loving Memory of Edward Zack & Fred & Kathrine Geyer*

**Catherine Zack**

*In Loving Memory of Eugene & Bernice Looram & Edward & Mary Cooke*

**Family**

*In Loving Memory of Charles & Mary Cwierko & Adelaide & Earl Porper*

**June & Charles Cwierko**

*In Loving Memory of Edward Hoban, In Thanksgiving for Our Life Together*

**Joan**

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**FLOWER DONATIONS CONTINUED**

*In Loving Memory of Rocco & Marie Pippa*

**Gary & Cheryl Pippa**

*In Loving Memory of Irene Petillo-Backstrom & Monsignor Joseph C. Ansaldi*

**Patricia Whyte**

*In Loving Memory of Genieve & Bernard Maloney*

**The Manzo Family**

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**Teresa & Gary Goble**

*In Loving Memory of Stephen E. Zaleski*

**Barbara & Steve Zaleski**

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**Noemi Asencio**

*In Loving Memory of Edwrad Foy & Russell Family*

**Elizabeth Foy**

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**Eileen Senior**

*In Loving Memory of Joseph & Lucy Russotto*

**Daughter Carolyn**

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**Lucille Gerardi**

*In Loving Memory of Louise Woodroffe*

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*In Loving Memory of Connie & Frederick Hurler*

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**Carol & Angelo Statuto**

*In Loving Memory of Uncle Mario*

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*In Loving Memory of Robert J. Udet, II & Frank & Judy Zoldak*

**Marilyn McSweeney**

*In Loving Memory of James Mankowski*

**The Mankowski Family**

*In Loving Memory of Our Loved Ones*

**Tyler, Kiersten & Lucas Plath**

*In Loving Memory, In Thanksgiving for, In Honor of Faust, Elsie, Marge, Pat & Sam*

**Anna Mazzarella**

*In Loving Memory of Our Loved Ones*

**Frank & Kathy Gray**

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**Cindy Maguire & Edward Tapping**

*In Honor of Joyce Caci*

**Kelly Ann Obrzut**

*In Loving Memory of Joanne M. Hogan*

**James W. Hogan**

*In Loving Memory of Judy Bencivenga*

**Bencivenga Family**

*In Loving Memory of Pinkos & Lodato Families*

**Carolyn Lodato**

*In Loving Memory of Charles & Clara Donaruma & Virginia Reid*

**Andrea, Daughter & Sister**

*In Loving Memory of Margaret & Harold Woods*

**Barbara Woods**

*In Loving Memory of Charles Corby*

*In Thanksgiving for The Blessed Mother*

**June Formate & Eileen Corby**

*In Loving Memory Josephine & Joseph Rotundo & Jean & George Powell*

**Gary & Terree**

*In Loving Memory of Walton & Clancy Families*

**Sue & Charlie Walton**

*In Loving Memory of Julian Calamari*

**Florence Calamari**

*In Loving Memory of Mom, Dad & Brother*

**Daughter/Sister Antoinette**

*In Loving Memory of Gaspare & Anna Grutta*

**Willie Grutta**

*In Loving Memory of Salvatore & Sadie Picataggio*

**Vita Grutta**

*In Loving Memory of Anita & Anthony Karpowich*

**Family**

*In Loving Memory of Joseph V. Disano*

**Linda, Vincent & Dondi Disano**

*In Loving Memory of Hasse & Sztatmary Families*

**Ed & Arlene Hasse**

*In Loving Memory of Frank & Eleanor Barlowski*

**Children**

*In Loving Memory of, in honor of Anthony & Clara Carofola, & in thanksgiving for Anthony Carofola*

**Irene Carofola**

*In Loving Memory of Laura, Paul & Paula Pepe*

**Michael Pepe**

*In Thanksgiving for Mozart & Jewers families both living & deceased*

**Bev. & John Mozart**



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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. – *Fr. Ed* 732-477-9672, ext. 201

**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. **Adult Choir** assists and encourages the congregation in singing. Practice is on Thursday evenings at 7:15 PM in the Church. Adult choir sings on Sundays at 9:30 am Mass. **Youth Choir** welcomes all from ages 13 – 18 years of age to share their gift of music through songs and prayers. The Youth Groups sings on Sundays at 11:00 AM Mass.

**Bell Choir** is open to all ages. 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. 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. 848-373-4239.

**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. 732-477-9672 ext. 201 – Tuesday *Cindy Maguire*;  
**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 community. Hours of operation are Monday – Saturday 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM. 732-477-9672, ext. 160

**VISITATION FOOD BANK** accepts donations of nonperishable food at the VRC location and in Church. 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. 201-522-3679 – *Coach or doug\_roman4@yahoo.com*

**VISITATION ALTAR SERVERS TEAM** provides assistance to the Priest in celebration of the Mass and other liturgical celebrations Open to all adults and boys and girls third grade and higher who have received their Holy Communion. 732-458-1492 - *Sue Straneri 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 – *Christie 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. - *Fr. Ed* 732-477-9672, ext. 201

**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.

**AL-ANON MEETINGS** are held on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in the Church Auditorium. Call Ann at 732-861-9051 or email *annern508@comcast.net*.

**CUB SCOUT PACK #38**, sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society, meets on Mondays at 6:30 PM in the Auditorium. 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 Rectory Room B. There are no meeting July & August, however members still attend mass. 732-239-2449 – *Deacon Nick Stranieri or deaconnick@visitationchurch.com*

**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*

### ***Bulletin Deadline***

***Bulletin & Announcement Deadline: Ten days prior to publication weekend as space allows.***