



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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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday: 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
Closed 12:30 – 1:30 for Lunch

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 – Friday 7:30 (Daily Chapel)
Tues., Wed., Thur., Sat. - 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 an extended period. In an emergency call Parish office anytime.

Penance/Reconciliation

Saturday from 3:15 to 3:45 PM 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 are held 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

We now offer Low-Gluten Host for those suffering from celiac sprue disease
Elevator is located on the side of the Church near the Bell Tower

“BLESSED ARE THE POOR IN SPIRIT”



SATURDAY	JANUARY 28
4:00 PM	Francis “Skip” Dockery
SUNDAY	JANUARY 29
6:45 AM	People of the Parish
8:00 AM	Elsie Semirara
9:30 AM	Lucille Amato
11:00 AM	Alexander Banoff
12:30 PM	Chris Lane
MONDAY	JANUARY 30
7:30 AM	Joseph Gladitsch
TUESDAY	JANUARY 31
7:30 AM	Tom Srsick
8:15 AM	James Hegadorn
WEDNESDAY	FEBRUARY 1
7:30 AM	Mary Bulwicz
8:15 AM	John Wall
THURSDAY	FEBRUARY 2
7:30 AM	Jane Sprink
8:15 AM	Angela Iozzia
FRIDAY	FEBRUARY 3
7:30 AM	Joseph Serrada
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 4
8:15 AM	Christiane Butterlin
4:00 PM	Charles Buttiglieri
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 5
6:45 AM	Donna Fogler
8:00 AM	Living and RAS
9:30 AM	Walter Sitnik
11:00 AM	Anthony Bulwicz
12:30 PM	People of the Parish

SUNDAY	JANUARY 29	
<i>Masses</i>		Church
<i>Baptism</i>	1:45 PM	Church
MONDAY	JANUARY 30	
<i>Rosary for Life</i>	1:30 PM	Chapel
<i>CCD Classes</i>	4:30 PM	Rooms A, B, C
<i>Cub Scouts</i>	6:30 PM	Parish Hall
TUESDAY	JANUARY 31	
<i>Bingo</i>	11:00 AM	Parish Hall
<i>CCD Classes</i>	4:30 PM	Room C
<i>Children’s Choir</i>	6:00 PM	Church
<i>Alanon</i>	7:00 PM	Parish Hall
<i>Young Adult Group Meeting</i>	7:00 PM	Chapel
WEDNESDAY	FEBRUARY 1	
<i>Community Luncheon</i>	12:00 PM	Parish Hall
<i>CCD Classes</i>	4:30 PM	Rooms A & C
<i>Boy Scouts</i>	6:30 PM	Parish Hall
<i>Evening Bible Study</i>	6:45 PM	Chapel
<i>Youth Choir Practice</i>	7:00 PM	Church
THURSDAY	FEBRUARY 2	
<i>Bible Study</i>	9:45 AM	Parish Hall
<i>CCD Classes</i>	4:30 PM	Rooms A, B, & C
<i>Adult Choir</i>	7:15 PM	Church
<i>High School Confirmation Class</i>	7:15 PM	Room C
<i>AA</i>	7:30 PM	Parish Hall
FRIDAY	FEBRUARY 3	
<i>Holy Hour</i>	7:00 PM	Church
<i>Children of Light Prayer Group</i>	7:00PM	Parish Hall
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 4	
<i>Vigil Mass</i>	4:00 PM	Church
<i>RCIA</i>	5:00 PM	Parish Hall

Readings for the Week

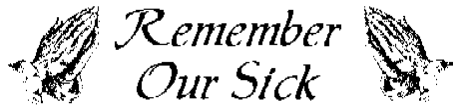
Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 (22-32)
Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

For the Week of January 29, 2017




Blessed Mother Candle is “In Loving Memory” of Margaret Tricarico
Sacred Heart Candle is “In Loving Memory” of Trinidad Calingo

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME




- I. Ann Marie Blumensteel
- III. Jacob Basilotto
- IV. Patricia Feeney

“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: Angelo Loffredo, Joseph Martinelli and Marjorie Shirley

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 January 22, 2017

Regular	\$ 9,459.60
On Line	1,322.00
Total	\$10,781.60

END OF YEAR TAX STATEMENT

If you would like an end of the year tax contribution statement, please call the rectory office at ext. 201 or e-mail your request to info@visitationRCchurch.org. If you have received a statement in the past you will automatically receive one this year in the mail.



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.

Reflections for The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Today's reading is the beginning of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, which is found in Matthew's Gospel. The form of the Beatitudes found here is not unique to Jesus. Beatitudes are found in the Old Testament, in the psalms, and in wisdom literature, for example. They are a way to teach about who will find favor with God.

We quickly note in this reading that the people whom Jesus calls “blessed” and “happy” are not people we think of as blessed or happy . . . the poor in spirit, the meek, the persecuted. This Gospel is one of reversals. Jesus' blueprint for happiness reflects little of what the world might call happiness.

“Blessed” is sometimes translated as *happy*, *fortunate*, or *favored*. In other words, Jesus is saying that divine favor is upon those who are poor, those who mourn, those who are persecuted. This news might have been welcome—and surprising—to the crowds who heard Jesus that day.

The Beatitudes can be understood as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. By referring to the good things that the faithful will experience, Matthew reminds us that those who act in the manner described in the Beatitudes will find their reward with God.

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NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE TWO COLLECTIONS. PLEASE PLACE YOUR REGULAR WEEKLY DONATION ENVELOPE IN THE FIRST BASKET AND THE ENVELOPE FOR THE EASTERN EUROPE IN THE SECOND BASKET.



This week is **Catholic Schools Week 2017** with the theme *Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service*. Parishes with schools celebrate Catholic Schools Week with Masses, open houses, and other activities for students, families, parishioners, and the community at large. Through these events, schools focus on the value Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to our Church, our communities and our nation. On the 43rd anniversary of this celebration for this most vital link in forming Catholics who joyfully embrace and integrate their faith, it is important for us to reflect on the value that Catholic schools offer, not only to our Church but to society as a whole.

Brother Robert Bimonte FSC, president of the National Catholic Education Association, has summed it up well: “the heart of a Catholic education is a strong Catholic school community and the foundation of this community is our faith. A vibrant academic program and a commitment to service also are hallmarks of a Catholic education.”

As one who has been the beneficiary of a Catholic school education, I would ask you to pray this week for our Catholic schools. Please keep in your prayers the students who attend, the parents who make the sacrifice to make that experience possible, and for the faculty and staff who work hard to provide the meaningful educational experience to form our young well in the faith as well as in intellectual, athletic and social skills.

Fr. Ed



Saint Dominic School
Open House & Registration
For Preschool through Grade 8

January 29th, 10:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
January 31st & February 1st
9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. & 1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.

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HIGH SCHOOL IS A CHOICE - CHOOSE DONOVAN CATHOLIC
IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE



All prospective students are welcome to "Shadow A Student" for a day. Contact Admissions 732-349-8801 x2426.

*Registration for Accepted Students is March 11th.

WINTER OPEN HOUSE
February 16, 2017
7 to 9 PM



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Donovan Catholic is proud to celebrate Catholic Schools Week. All prospective students are welcome to "Shadow a Student" for a day. Contact Admissions [732-349-8801 X2426](tel:732-349-8801). Join us for our WINTER OPEN HOUSE February 16, 2017 from 7-9:00PM. Registration for Accepted students is March 11th. High School is a Choice~Choose Donovan Catholic....It Makes A Difference.



ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adults 18 and older who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, sessions are now forming. There are 10 instruction weeks, 1 Retreat, 1 practice session and Confirmation Day. We begin on

Saturday, January 28, 2017. Confirmation will be on Saturday, April 16, 2017 at the Easter Vigil Mass at 8:00 pm. The sessions are conducted at the Saturday, 4:00 pm Liturgy of the Word and continue in the Parish Hall until 6:30. Registration forms are available on the website at visitationrcchurch.org, or call Dale Zanetti, in the Adult Faith Formation Office at 732-477-7059 ext. 214 or email at dzanetti@visitationRCchurch.org



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The Children's Choir has resumed practice on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 PM in the church. Contact Natalya for more information. 732-477-7059 x 217 or [Natalya at nbencivenga@visitationRCchurch.org](mailto:Natalya@nbencivenga@visitationRCchurch.org)

YOUNG ADULT GROUP

All between the ages of 18 to 39 looking to grow and deepen their faith in Catholicism are welcome to join our local Catholic young adult community. Meetings are every other Tuesday. The next meeting is January 31st at 7:00 pm in the Daily Chapel.

For any further information please contact our Youth and Young Adult Minister Christie Winters at 723-477-7059 ext. 105 or email cwinters@visitationRCchurch.org.

ROSARY ALTAR BUS TRIP

The Rosary Altar Society is running a bus trip to Caesars Atlantic City. Please join us on Wednesday, April 5. The bus will leave Visitation parking lot at 12:30 pm and return at 9:30 pm. There is an \$105 per person (non-refundable) fee which includes the cost of the bus, a play, dinner buffet and bonus \$25.00 slot. For additional information or to make reservations, please call Terry 732-903-7527 or Rosemarie 732-551-4691.



HOLY HOUR

Join us in Church for Holy Hour and Benediction.

FIRST FRIDAY NIGHT

February 3, 2017

7:00 – 8:00 PM

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE



The feast of St. Blaise is February 3, 2017. Throats will be blessed at all weekend masses next weekend (February 4 & 5) as well as the Mass on Friday, February 3, 2017. Saint Blaise's protection of those with throat troubles apparently comes from a legend that a boy was brought to him who had a fishbone stuck in his throat. The boy was about to die when Saint Blaise healed him.

BIBLE STUDY



A six week Bible Study program studying the Universal Letters is underway – James, 1 and 2 Peter, 1, 2 and 3 John and Jude will be presented at two different times to allow more opportunities to attend. Lectio Divinia will be included in the live presentations. The **evening** sessions run from Wednesday, January 18 to February 22, 2017 from 6:45 pm to 8:15 pm in the Daily Chapel. **Morning** sessions started Thursday, January 26, 2017 and run until March 2, 2017 from 9:45 am to 11:00 am in the Parish Hall.

Pre-registration would be appreciated. Please call Dale Zanetti, Adult Faith Formation Minister, at 732-477-7059 Ext. 214 or email dzanetti@visitationRCchurch.org. I look forward to welcoming any newcomers and sharing with all our regulars. "Draw near to God and he will draw near to us."

FAITH TO MOVE MOUNTAINS

If you have not already done so, please prayerfully consider participating in the Faith to Move Mountains Campaign. Your participation will benefit Visitation parish and the Diocese to help ensure the future our faith.

JANUARY 29, 2017

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Well ... it's that time of year ... time to tell you about the fruits of your donations in 2016.

The best way to tell you about the year is to share a little about the hundreds of calls that were received. Some people are given information, others are given referrals, and the rest get scheduled for a visit. At that visit, Vincentians listen to a story, hear a plea for help (sometimes silent ones), wipe some tears, and pray.

We all have needs and responsibilities to ourselves and families: utilities, rents, insurance, transportation, medical, food, and safety. But when we experience the loss of a loved one, the loss of a job, an unexpected illness, or multiple car repairs it can turn our world upside down.

YOU are the ones through your kindness and generosity who turn the lights back on, restore heat to a home, put a meal on the table, or purchase a needed medical device for a child.

Those living with disabilities, domestic violence, or homeless are given a source of hope. That jacket, meal or warm bed comes from YOU. Vincentians are a conduit of your giving hearts.

Students (and family members) from the religious education program gave us service hours. They participated in the Walk for the Poor, stuffed backpacks with school supplies, did a wonderful job with the Thanksgiving Baskets, and wrote beautiful prayer notes.

Our Thrift Shop is thriving thanks to your donations (and shopping)! If you have not visited, please do so. You will be surprised. For your convenience, there is now a donation bin right outside the back door of the old church (which is the entrance to the thrift shop).

Some of our Conference members served on a homeless committee with the Ocean County District SVdP. Homelessness in Ocean County is a critical issue. Military veterans, senior citizens, disabled, and families who *have* lost a source of income get caught in this quagmire. Again, it is YOUR prayers and kindness that enable us to assist them.

And, finally, new for 2017 is our Food Pantry. It is now fully stocked and operating out of the old church building. If you know of anyone in need, help is a phone call away. Our volunteers will assist you.

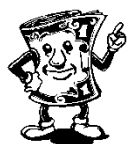
We have been very busy. YOU are the source of all that we do. We humbly thank you.

Profound humility is needed in order not to be complacent about progress and public applause (V:635)

PARISH eCOMMUNITY

Have you joined our electronic community yet? Members received notice of events and cancellations with plenty of time to plan as well as great information about our faith! You can choose how you want to receive the information (text or e-mail) and what topics you wish to follow. Simply text VisitationBrick to 84576 or visit our parish website www.visitationRCchurch.org to join and receive great information about our faith!

RAFFLE WINNER



Congratulations to the winner of our first monthly 50/50 raffle for 2017. Thomas Lusko, an annual subscriber, won \$500. You can still purchase subscriptions for 2017. Just fill out the attached form and

let us know how you would like the 12 tickets assigned to the months of your choice.

EXPERIENCE THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL!



Tune into Catholic Radio 89.3FM, 1260AM, download the WFJS smart phone app, or listen live online at

www.DomesticChurchMedia.org

LITURGY NEWS

Is an upcoming Sunday Mass being offered for your departed loved one? If so, it would be especially meaningful for your family to present the gifts during the Offertory Procession of that Mass. Arrive early for Mass on that date; please identify yourself to the Greeters and tell them you would like to bring up the gifts. They will assist you with the necessary instructions.

RETROUVAILLE

Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage!

Is your marriage going down the right road ... or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage.

Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? *Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship.* Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. **The next program begins on the weekend of February 10 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. Additional weekends will be held in April and August.** For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP

For Heaven Sake, a religious gift shop located at Rt. 71 and 608 Brighton, Spring Lake Heights is open Monday-Friday from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Saturday from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Come see a wide assortment of religious items, jewelry, wreaths, music, books, cards, statues, and much more. For each sale they will donate \$1.00 to Visitation when you mention our name as your church. Call 732-449-7253 for details.

SUPPER WITH ALL SAINTS

For those who are hungry or
in need of friendship

EVERY Last Tuesday, January 31, 2017

Serving from 4-6 pm

500 Lake Avenue

Bay Head, NJ 0842

732-892-5198



PEACE BE WITH YOU



It has been a practice for many of us to shake hands with our neighbors in church during the sign of the peace. For those who feel uncomfortable with the shaking of hands, an alternative form for the sign of peace

maybe instituted; instead of a hand shake, a smile and a bow of the head with the words, "***Peace of Christ be with you***" is acceptable.

PROMISE TO PROTECT



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 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.

PARISH COUNSELING SERVICES

Through a joint effort of the Diocese of Trenton and Catholic Charities, licensed professional counselors are available to help parishioners with difficult issues that interfere with day-to-day functioning. This service can be accessed by contacting your pastor or parish priest who will provide additional information and a referral. The fee is \$75 per session. If needed, financial assistance for short term counseling (up to 6 sessions) is available through the Diocese of Trenton Parish Counseling Services

JANUARY 29, 2017



**It's not too late to get your
Monthly 50/50 Annual Subscriptions for 2017**

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 and church carpeting. A **\$20** annual subscription gives you **12 tickets** for monthly drawings of your choice throughout 2016.

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.

Number of subscriptions for Purchaser (self) _____ x \$20.00 = \$ _____
Number of Gift subscriptions _____ x \$20.00 = \$ _____
Total amount enclosed \$ _____

Purchaser:

Name: _____ Phone _____

Street: _____ City/St/Zip _____

Each subscription has **12 chances to win** – you select how the 12 tickets are to be distributed. Use a separate piece of paper for additional gifts. **All ticket holders must be 18 years of age or over.**

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FEBRUARY DINE TO DONATE

When: Every Wednesday in February (1, 8, 15, 22)
Lunch and Dinner - 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Where: **Famous Dave's Legendary Pit Bar-B-Que**
950 Cedar bridge Avenue
732-262-7485

What: Award-Winning Ribs! Plus, a full menu of Soups and Salads, Bar-B-Que Classics, Sandwiches, Burgers, and a Famous Dave's kids menu.
Every Wednesday is Slowdown Lowdown. Enjoy your choice of Sizzlin Deals, Smokin Deals or Famous Deals (3 course Meal Deals include side salad, or cup of soup, entrée and side, and mini dessert). For a limited Time Specialty Drink Menu is being offered.



Present this coupon to Famous Dave's

Every Wednesday in February (1, 8, 15, 22)
and 10% of your total food purchase will be donated
to the Church of the Visitation Covering Fund
(parking lot and carpet replacement)
Excludes tax and gratuity

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STAFF E-MAIL ADDRESSES, MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

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Liturgical Ministries

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 vcottrell@visitationrcchurch.org*

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 vcottrell@visitationrcchurch.org*

LITURGY TEAM meets monthly to plan liturgical and worship services that are meaningful and spiritual. 732-477-9672 ext. 217 *Natalya Bencivenga or nbencivenga@visitationRCchurch.org*

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. 732-477-9672, ext. 217 - *Natalya Bencivenga or nbencivenga@visitationrcchurch.org*

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 dzanetti@visitationrcchurch.org*

Education and Evangelization Ministries

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

BIBLE SHARING offers day and evening sessions to all who wish to deepen their understanding of Scripture. 732-477-9672 ext. 214 - *Dale Zanetti or dzanetti@visitationrcchurch.org*

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 dzanetti@visitationrcchurch.org*

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 ngrodberg@visitationrcchurch.org*

Prayer Groups

CHILDREN OF LIGHT CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP meets weekly to pray and work for spiritual renewal. 732-255-2728 - *Paul Rollis or paulr63@juno.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 is in the process of reforming. Contact Fr. Ed at the rectory or info@visitationRCchurch.org.

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*

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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 – *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-vcottrell@visitationRCchurch.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 732-477-7059 ext. 218 – *Deacon Salvatore Vicari*
732-477-7059 ext. 103 *Arnold Vicidomini*

Social Concerns

COMMUNITY LUNCH 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 weekly 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 less fortunate in our parish and the surrounding community. Donations of nonperishable food are accepted at the doors of the Church to assist the hungry of the community. 732-477-9672, ext. 160

Youth Ministries/Activities

CHILDREN'S CHOIR welcomes all from 3 to 12 years of age to share their love for Jesus through music. No tryouts are required. 732-477-9672 ext. 217 – *Natalya Bencivenga or nbencivenga@visitationrcchurch.org*

CYO BASKETBALL TEAM practices at Lake Riviera Middle School. They were the 2007 Ocean County CYO champs. *Artie* [732-965-4802](tel:732-965-4802) or ahhvacr@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 YOUTH 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 cwinters@visitationrcchurch.org*

VISITATION YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY provides an opportunity for all between the ages of 18 to 39 looking to grow and deepen their faith in Catholicism to join our local Catholic young adults community. For additional information please contact 732-477-7059 ext. 105 – *Christie or cwinters@visitationrcchurch.org*

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*

Organizations

AA MEETINGS are held on Thursdays at 7:30 PM in the parish hall.

ALANON MEETINGS are held on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in the parish hall.

CUB SCOUT PACK #38 is sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society, *Kim Gorman or kimmyg627@aol.com*

BOY SCOUT TROOP #38 is sponsored by the Holy Name Society. 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 and meet monthly 732-239-2449 – *Deacon Nick Stranieri or deaconnick@visitationrcchurch.org*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #836 work with the local parish and contribute many hours of volunteer work to our community annually.

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 and meet monthly. 732-232-7132 – *Dee DeTuro or ddeturo@visitationrcchurch.org*

Consult the Parish Events Calendar on our parish website (www.visitationRCchurch.org) for the most current schedule of meeting dates, times, and locations. Information in the Calendar of Events section of the bulletin is current as of bulletin publication.