

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 for Lunch 12:30 to 1:30 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 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

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 7
4:00 PM	Russell Cook/req. Irene Triebe
5:30 PM	Margaret & Angelo Narciso/req. James & Helen McTernan
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 8
6:45 AM	“God’s Blessing” on Dee Lusko/req. Husband, Tom
8:00 AM	Living & Dec’d. members of the Holy Name Society
9:30 AM	Walter Sitnik/req. Bencivenga Family
11:00 AM	People of the Parish
12:30 PM	Dennis CuvIELLO/req. Abby Zito
MONDAY	FEBRUARY 9
7:30 AM	Donald Smith/req. Jim Capozio & Kurt
8:15 AM	Antonio DeGennaro/req. Family
7:30 PM	Kathleen Lynch/req. Irene Tribe
TUESDAY	FEBRUARY 10
7:30 AM	Kathleen Madden/req. McDonnell Family
8:15 AM	Colin Maher/req. Grace Maher
WEDNESDAY	FEBRUARY 11
7:30 AM	Paul Green/req. Jim, Kevin & Friends
8:15 AM	Douglas Huff/req. Maureen O’Keefe
THURSDAY	FEBRUARY 12
7:30 AM	John Dryburgh/req. Mary Jane Malone
8:15 AM	Josephine Crai/req. Daughter, Linda
FRIDAY	FEBRUARY 13
7:30 AM	Wilfredo Cedeno/req. The Ryan Family
8:15 AM	Douglas Huff/req. Jerry Lardieri & Ruth Dunscombe
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 14
7:30 AM	John Dryburgh/req. Carmella Barry
8:15 AM	Walter Swity/req. Daughters
4:00 PM	Tony Citro/req. M/M Peter Netti.
5:30 PM	Thomas Rygiel/req. Wife, Toni
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 15
6:45 AM	People of the Parish
8:00 AM	Patricia Veni/req. Husband, Joe
9:30 AM	Romoli Lechic/req. Wife Maria
11:00 AM	Paul Thomas Manganelli/req. Bev & John Mozart
12:30 PM	Donald Doyle/req. Ed & Linda Kelly

SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 8	LOCATION
CCD Classes	9:15 AM	Lake Rivera M.S.
H. S. Confirmation Class	11:00 AM	Parish Room C
MONDAY	FEBRUARY 9	
M M & Saint Jude Novena	8:15 AM	Daily Chapel
AARP	8:30 AM	Parish Room A
Rosary For Life	1:30 PM	Daily Chapel
CCD Classes	4:30 & 6:30 PM	Parish Rooms A, B & C
Cub Scouts	6:30 PM	Auditorium
M M & Saint Jude Novena	7:30 PM	Daily Chapel
TUESDAY	FEBRUARY 10	
Bingo	11:00 AM	Auditorium
CCD Classes	4:30 & 6:30 PM	Parish Rooms A, B & C
Boy Scouts	6:30 PM	Auditorium
Holy Name of Jesus Society	7:15 PM	Auditorium
WEDNESDAY	FEBRUARY 11	
Community Lunch	12:00 PM	Auditorium
CCD Classes	4:30 & 6:30 PM	Parish Rooms A, B & C
Ocean Mental Health Services	7:30 PM	Parish Room A
THURSDAY	FEBRUARY 12	
Bible Study	9:45 AM	Auditorium
CCD Classes	4:30 & 6:30 PM	Parish Rooms A, B & C
Youth	5:00 PM	Church
Adult Choir	7:15 PM	Church
AA	7:30 PM	Auditorium
FRIDAY	FEBRUARY 13	
Children of the Light Prayer	7:00 PM	Parish Room C
Bingo	7:30 PM	Auditorium
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 14	
R.C.I.A. Teaching	4:00 PM	Auditorium

For the Week of February 8, 2015



Church Sanctuary Candle is “In Loving Memory” of Stephanie Lusko/req. Tom Lusko

Chapel Sanctuary Candle is “God’s Blessing” on the Priests and the Deacons of Visitation Parish

Blessed Mother Candle is “God’s Blessing” on Living Members of Visitation Parish

Sacred Heart Candle is “In Loving Memory” of Deceased Member of Visitation Parish

Readings for the Week

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

"PRAISE THE LORD, WHO HEALS THE BROKEN HEARTED"



- I. Rosemary Russell
- II. Bernadette Galgon

"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.

Reflections for the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



On the morning after this busy day, Jesus retreated in prayer, but was pursued by Simon and others who brought news that many people were looking for him. At this point in Mark's Gospel, we begin to see a distinct role for the inner circle of Jesus' disciples—they act as intermediaries

between Jesus and the people. Jesus reports to his disciples that they need to leave Capernaum to preach in other places.

Today's Gospel completes a picture of Jesus' ministry: preaching, curing the sick, driving out demons, and then moving on to continue this work in another place. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus did this throughout Galilee.

Jesus' compassion and healing of the sick is a sign of the Kingdom of God. The Church continues to extend Christ's healing presence to others in its ministry to the sick. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church prays for spiritual and physical healing, forgiveness of sins, and comfort for those who are suffering from illness.

In today's Gospel we also notice the importance of prayer in Jesus' daily life. Jesus rose early in the morning, removed himself from the crowds, and went to a deserted place to pray. When the disciples found him, he told them that it was time to move on. We believe that in his prayers Jesus found guidance and direction from God. We also bring our decision-making to God in prayer, asking for his guidance and direction in our lives.

Loyola Press

In Your Charity please pray for the happy repose of the souls of deceased members of the Parish, your friends, relatives and benefactors especially; *Ted Schultz*



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.



The Community Luncheon is open every Wednesday 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. The third Wednesday of the month we will serve our hot luncheon; on the remaining Wednesdays of the month we will serve soup, salads or sandwiches.

BINGO

Smokeless bingo is held here in the Visitation Auditorium on Tuesday mornings at 11:00 am and Friday evenings at 7:30 pm.

DINE TO DONATE



Every Thursday in the month of February, Quaker Steak & Lube in Brick will donate 10% of the bill (excluding tax and gratuity) to the Visitation Relief Center. Head on over this week and enjoy some delicious wings.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS. THEY MAKE OUR BULLETIN POSSIBLE.

**ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK
CRAB SHACK**

For bulletin advertising information, please call John Patrick Publishing Company 800-333-3166

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

FEBRUARY 8, 2015

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

The Christmas collection is an important component of our budget. The collection for Christmas 2014 was \$43,282.85. On a month to month basis, our income does not cover our expenses. We are dependent on the generosity of our parishioners throughout the year and especially Christmas and Easter to end the year with a balanced budget. The money from the Christmas collection has been allocated as follows:

Snow Plowing & Ice melt	\$3,150.00
Property/Liability Ins. (qtr.)	\$11,127.75
Electric (month)	\$2,393.91
BTMUA (quarter)	\$1,131.24
Natural Gas (month)	\$1,802.00
Phone/Cable (month)	\$834.61
Diocesan Assessment	\$22,843.34
(Towards shortfall against collections)	

Expenses are for the Church and Rectory buildings.

The Visitation Relief Center operates on grants and donations to the center.

AARP TAX AIDE PROGRAMS

Beginning on February 2 and ending April 13, 2015, IRS certified AARP volunteers will prepare and e-file Federal & State Tax returns here at Visitation Church by appointment only, Mondays mornings from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM. They will also assist with Homestead Rebates and Property Tax Rebate applications. This free service is available to all residential (non-business) taxpayers with low to moderate incomes. You must supply a copy of last year's tax forms along with a Photo ID. For an appointment please call 732-477-7059 ext. 156. **Please do not call the rectory office to schedule an appointment. Thank you!**

NOT HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE



RCIA CORNER

SAN DAMIANO CROSS

The cross of St. Francis is an "icon" cross. Icons are used to teach the event they depict and strengthen the faith of the people. It artistically features images of people who bring special meaning to the cross itself.

It has, among other things a painted figure of Jesus, larger than any of the other figures dying on the cross. About him are angels holding his body up. On the left side are the Blessed Mother and John the Evangelist; on the right side are Mary Magdalene, Mary the Mother of James, and the centurion who asked Jesus to heal his servant, all of whom are eye-witnesses to this event. On the lower left is the Roman soldier who pierced the side of Jesus with a lance. In the lower right is the soldier who offered Jesus the sponge soaked in vinegar wine. Over the left shoulder of the centurion are a small face and the tops of the heads of three others beside him. This represents the centurion's son who was healed by Jesus and the rest of his family to show that he and his whole household believed. At the foot of the cross is a picture of six figures, two of whom are represented with halos. These six are the patrons of Umbria: St. Damian, St. Michael, St. Rufino, St. John the Baptist, St. Peter and St. Paul. Above his head can be seen the saints and above them God the father who stretches out his hand in blessing upon his son. When we look at this cross it reminds us of Jesus redemptive suffering and death.

We can use this image to meditate on Jesus and all he has done for us, just as those so long ago honored his death we too can honor him. This cross is a true sacramental that can enable us to enter into the mystery of Christ's passion. A beautiful image to immerse ourselves in - angels, patron saints, apostles, those who delighted in the salvation brought to us by Jesus.

The original San Damiano cross hangs in the Santa Chiara (St. Claire) Church in Assisi, Italy.

THE VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE



The Thrift Store is located on the lower level of the Old Church next to the Rectory and is open 6 days a week from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. For the month of February, we will be having a sale; coats \$10 and jackets are \$5. With each purchase, you can choose a windbreaker, blazer, or hooded sweatshirt for free. A limited number of brand new jackets for children are part of this sale. Please remember, every day there is a paper bag sale of clothing for \$8.

Special thanks to many who contribute the goods that are sold from our store. Monies received from these sales help to fund the services that our Society provides to families in need, in our area.

HELP NEEDED!!

V.A.S.T. - Visitation Altar Server Team – is in need of servers, especially at the 4:00 Saturday evening mass and the 12:30 Sunday mass. Adults or children who have received First Holy Communion and are in third grade or older are welcome to join the team. Being an altar server is a wonderful way to serve God and worship him through the Liturgy. If you would like to become an altar server, please contact Mrs. Stranieri at (732)458-1492. Meetings are held 3-4 times a year.

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.

BULLETIN ARTICLES ARE DUE 10 DAY PRIOR TO THE WEEKEND OF PUBLICATION. IF AN ARTICLE IS TO BE IN THE FEBRUARY 22ND BULLETIN, IT NEEDS TO BE RECEIVED BY THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH.

CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED



Our Choir is extending an invitation for new members to join us. The youth choir practices on Thursday at 5:00 pm in the church and sings at 11:00 am Mass on Sunday. The adult choir practices on Thursday at 7:15 pm in the church and sings on Sundays at 9:30 am Mass. For more information please contact our Music Director Natalya at 732-477-7059 ext. 217.



The Rosary Altar Society is running a bus trip to The Hunterdon Hills Playhouse to see the hilarious comedy classic "Abies Irish Rose". Please join us on Monday, April 20. The bus will leave Visitation parking lot at 9:00 am and return 5:15 pm. There is an \$80.00 (non-refundable) fee which includes the cost of the bus, the show and a full course dinner. For additional information or to make reservations, please call Terri Deegan 732-903-7527 or Marilyn Emery 732-920-9763

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

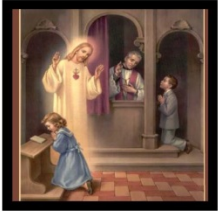
The deadline for articles from your organization will be Monday, February 23, 2015. Please e-mail your article to newsletter@visitationchurch.com. You may contact Denise Patetta at 732-477-0028 ext. 201 for additional information or with any questions you may have.

FOR HEAVEN SAKE



For Heaven Sake is a religious gift shop located at 608 Brighton Ave., in Spring Lake Heights. When a parishioner makes a purchase in their store and designates "Church of the Visitation", we will receive a \$1 donation from the store. Please visit For Heaven Sake when you want to purchase a religious gift. For additional information call 732-449-7253.

FEBRUARY 8, 2015



*Congratulations to the following Students of
Visitation Religious Education
who celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation,
January 31, 2015*

AVA ALBANESE

JESUS CADENAS

MASON CAMPBELL

WYATT CAMPBELL

GRACE CANTAGALLO

SOPHIA CANTAGALLO

CAITLYN CHIRONNA

JESSICA CURCIO

BRIANNA CZOCHANSKI

ARIANA DE GREGORIO

GIANNA DELANEY

KEVIN DELANEY

ISABELLA DELGADO

NICHOLAS DEREDITA

JAMES DEWON

ISABELLA DE SORCO

JOHN FERRARA

JILLIAN FERRIGINE

DANIEL FITZPATRICK

DANNY GALINDO-SANCHEZ

THOMAS GEORGE

DOMINIC GIOVINE

GIANNI GORGA

JACOB HARRIS

JAMES HIRTES

ISABELLA HOFFMAN

PEYTON HORNING

HANNA JENKOSKI

ABIGAIL KAZENSKY

RYAN KOEHLER

ALEXA KOZAK

HALEY LAMANTIA

JOSEPH LEVENS

MALLORY LEPORE

DANIEL LOHMEYER

SUMMER MALLON

MADDIE MISTRETTE

TRISTIN NAPOLITANO

RILEY NAUSEDAS

NICHOLAS NEWCOMB

THOMAS OLSKI

KAYDENCE O'TOOLE

SOPHIA MITCHELL PECHKO

CHRISTOPHER QUICK

LEONARDO QUINTERO

NICK ROMANO

JOSEPH SCHAEFER

PATRICK SHAVE

LUCAS SILVA

SARAH SPRAGUE

TREY TALLMADGE

CAMRYN THOMAS

KAYDANCE VOGEL

GWENNDOLYNN WALKER

OLIVIA WALLEN

JAYSEN WHALEN

JAELIN WICKERSTY

NATHAN WILLIAMS

ROBERT WYSKOWSKI

JOSEPH ZAMORA-FUENTE

GIANNA ZAPPULLA

Congratulations to the above students who celebrated the Sacrament of Jesus' forgiveness for the first time last Saturday morning. They have experienced the outpouring of God's mercy in this Sacrament for the first of hopefully many, many times.

*Special thanks to Mrs. Nancy Grodberg for her undying devotion to the children of Visitation, their teachers and parents who helped prepare them for this important sacrament.
May they always know and experience God's mercy and compassion.*

*God Bless!
Fr. Al*

CATHOLIC MEN FOR JESUS CHRIST

RALLY

Save the Date! All men and youth (8th grade and above) are welcome. The date is Saturday, February 28th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at St. Gregory the Great Church, Hamilton Square, NJ. Speakers include Bishop David M. O'Connell, Diocese of Trenton, Mike Piazza, Major League Baseball Catcher, Jack McKeon, two time National League Manager of the year, Deacon Harold Burke, most sought after Catholic speaker/Author/Radio Host, and Mark Houck, Author/Lecturer/Radio Host/Activist, National Catholic Speaker/Evangelist. For additional information or to register for this event visit www.catholicmenforjesuschrist.org.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

If someone you know is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the Rectory Office at 732-477-0028 ext 216 during office hours so that we can schedule a Eucharistic Minister to visit the home.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

We turn to Jesus for understanding and healing through the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. This sacrament is for adults and children who are suffering from serious physical or mental illness, or about to undergo surgery. Please call the Rectory Office for more information.

HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

If you are admitted to Ocean Medical Center, please alert the Admissions Clerk that you are a parishioner at Visitation; so that our hospital ministers can care for you spiritually.

HOUSE BLESSING

If you wish to have a blessing of your home, please contact the rectory office 732-477-0028 ext. 201 to schedule a time for a Priest or Deacon to visit.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Our Spring Bereavement Consolation Group will be meeting on Tuesday mornings from 10:30 to 11:30 AM in the Daily Chapel on: April 7, 14, 21, 28 & May 5, 12, & 19. Please call Deacon Rich Johnston at 732-477-7059 ext. 221 if you're planning on attending or for additional information.

SAINT DENIS GIFT AUCTION

The annual Mardi Gras will be held Friday, February 13, 2015, 6:00-10:00 pm in the Parish Center. Tickets are \$30 each and include buffet dinner, dessert and coffee. As always, we have many lovely gifts and prizes that can be won. For questions or reservation forms please contact St. Denis School at 732-223-4928 or you may email Lisa Hamilton at procida12@comcast.net.

 **SAVE THE DATE FOR AN
" IRISH CELEBRATION "**

Starring Tony Kenny, star of Jury's Irish Cabaret & Ireland's Premier

Entertainer, and Comedian

Richie Hayes, Leprechaun of Laughter & Song

Friday, March 6th at 7:00 PM

St. Dominic's Parish Center

LITTLE LAMBS PRAY & PLAY GROUP



Children five and under join every 1st & 3rd Friday, 10:00-11:00 am, St. Denis School, Manasquan. Children and parents (or surrogates) listen to a story, sing songs, do a craft project associated with a simple, child-friendly Catholic theme. A priest is available to answer questions during this hour of Catholic fellowship. No charge. Donations accepted. Info: linda_wynd@yahoo.com

THE UPPER ROOM SPIRITUAL CENTER

**Making Time for Those Burnt Out
Areas of Our Lives**

Date: February 18, 2015, 9:30 am-2:00 pm
Doesn't life hand us enough penances without our creating or embracing more? Can't such religiosity makes us morbid, joyless? What does a really good Lent look like? What is it supposed to accomplish? Join, if you can. **Presenter: Fr. Dick Rento**
Fr. Rento is Chaplain at Seabrook Village in Tinton Falls and a regular broadcaster at radio station WPAT. Fee: \$50~\$60
Call 732-922-0550 or email office@theupper-room.org for information or reservations.

FEBRUARY 8, 2015

**It's not too late to get your
Monthly 50/50 Annual Subscriptions for 2015**



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. A \$20 annual subscription gives you 12 tickets for monthly drawings of your choice throughout 2015.

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 vicki@visitationchurch.com.

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

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Name: _____ Phone _____

Street: _____ City/St/Zip _____

Each subscription has 12 chances to win -1 for each monthly drawing. Use a separate piece of paper for additional gifts.
All ticket holders must be 18 years of age or over.

Gift Recipient Name: _____ Phone: _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> July | # of Tickets _____ | | |

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City, St., Zip * _____ Master Card
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Signature _____

*If different than ticket mailing address

**Credit Card Receipt will be e-mailed to this address

FEBRUARY 8, 2015

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. 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 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 or 732-270-2588 – Bernadett Brandner*

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. 732-477-9672, ext. 160

VISITATION FOOD BANK accepts donations of nonperishable food at the VRC location and in Church the second weekend of the month. 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 Doug Roman or droman@fedway.com*

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 Straneri or suestraneri@verizon.net*

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 8:00 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 7:00 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 and meet 12:00 PM on the Monday following the first Sunday of the month. 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.