

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: 8:30 AM to 12:30 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

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



SATURDAY	APRIL 18	SUNDAY	APRIL 19
4:00 PM	Kathleen Pierce/req. Joan & Bob Kemether	<i>Cub Scouts Blue & Gold</i>	11:00 AM
5:30 PM	Saturina Rivera/req. Friends		APRIL 20
SUNDAY	APRIL 19	MONDAY	8:15 AM
6:45 AM	People of the Parish	<i>M M & Saint Jude Novena</i>	Daily Chapel
8:00 AM	Joan Fraraccio/req. Ed & Jackie Fischer	<i>Luncheon Planning Mtg.</i>	Auditorium
9:30 AM	Donna D' Ambrosio/req. Gloria Klacko	<i>Rosary For Life</i>	Daily Chapel
11:00 AM	Mary Militano/req. Bob & Carol	<i>CCD Classes</i>	Parish Rooms. A, B & C
12:30 PM	Valentine Vena/req. MaddaLenia Swiiechocki	<i>Cub Scouts</i>	Auditorium
MONDAY	APRIL 20	<i>M.M & Saint Jude Novena</i>	7:30 PM
7:30 AM	Joan Fraraccio/req. Barlowski Family	TUESDAY	APRIL 21
8:15 AM	Cornelius Britton, Jr./req. Mary Ann	<i>Bereavement</i>	10:30 AM
7:30 PM	Emily Balinski/req. Robert Triebe	<i>Bingo</i>	Daily Chapel
TUESDAY	APRIL 21	<i>CCD Classes</i>	Auditorium
7:30 AM	James Edward McGrath/req. Capon Family	<i>Boy Scouts</i>	Parish Rooms. A, B & C
8:15 AM	Elizabeth La Cour/req. Mary Ann & James Hough	<i>First Communion Practice</i>	Old Church
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 22	WEDNESDAY	APRIL 22
7:30 AM	Mary Ellen Harrington & Carrie Devivi/req. Jim Capozio	<i>Community Lunch</i>	12:00 PM
8:15 AM	Gerard Bornemann, Jr./req. Tranoris Family	<i>Deepening Our Faith</i>	Auditorium
THURSDAY	APRIL 23	<i>CCD Classes</i>	Parish Rooms. A, B & C
7:30 AM	Barbara Bernard/req. Jim, Tony & Frank	THURSDAY	April 23
8:15 AM	Maureen Sharkey/req. Mary & Russ Kierstead	<i>Bible Study</i>	9:45 AM
FRIDAY	APRIL 24	<i>CCD Classes</i>	Parish Rooms. A, B & C
7:30 AM	Dan Scimeca/req. Jim Capozio	<i>Youth Choir</i>	Church
8:15 AM	Jack Monaco/req. Rod & Janet Mac Donald	<i>Adult Choir</i>	Church
SATURDAY	APRIL 25	<i>AA</i>	Auditorium
7:30 AM	Fred Funk/req. McCoy & Guenther Families	FRIDAY	April 24
8:15 AM	Florence Doyle/req. John Sedlak	<i>Children of the Light Prayer</i>	7:00 PM
4:00 PM	Stanley Swiechocki/req. Wife, Maddalena	<i>Baptismal Formation Class</i>	Daily Chapel
5:30 PM	Mario Altomare/req. Terri & Toni	<i>Bingo</i>	Auditorium
SUNDAY	APRIL 26	SATURDAY	April 25
6:45 AM	Emmie McNary/req. James Tooley & Family	<i>First Communion Practice</i>	11:00 AM
8:00 AM	People of the Parish	<i>R.C.I.A. Teaching</i>	4:30 PM
9:30 AM	Joyce Honeker/req. Mary Ann Gorczyca		Auditorium
11:00 AM	Eugene Sheehan & Joseph Lucciola/req. Judy Lappin		
12:30 PM	Joan Fraraccio/req. Nancy Grodberg		

For the Week of April 19, 2015



Church Sanctuary Candle is "In Loving Memory" of John Howard/req. Wife Carol

Chapel Sanctuary Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Thomas Crotchfelt/req. Fr. Al & Staff

Blessed Mother Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Connie Cifelli/req. Terri, Toni & Family

Sacred Heart Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Judith Bencivenga/req. Denise Patetta

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: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

"LORD, LET YOUR FACE SHINE ON US"



III. Theresa Knight

"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; *Helen Darby*



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.



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

NEW WEEKEND OFFICE HOURS

PLEASE NOTE: OUR NEW WEEKEND OFFICE HOURS WILL BE SATURDAY FROM 8:30 AM TO 12:30 PM CLOSED ON SUNDAY'S. THANK YOU!

Reflections for the Third Sunday of Easter

Consistently in the reports of Jesus' post-Resurrection appearances, Jesus greets his disciples with the words, "Peace be with you." This is a most appropriate greeting. The disciples have witnessed the death of someone they loved, and they now fear for their own lives as well. Peace is what they need more than anything else. Jesus often connects this greeting of peace with another gift—forgiveness. In today's Gospel, this connection is made in the final verses.

Even as they hear Jesus' greeting of peace, the disciples are startled and terrified. They are uncertain about what to make of the figure before them and, quite understandably, they mistake Jesus for a ghost. Yet the figure before them is not a ghost; Jesus invites them to experience his resurrected body with their senses, to look and to touch. The figure before them is flesh and bone, still bearing the marks of crucifixion. Although the disciples cannot forget his suffering and death, peace begins to take root in their hearts, as their fears turn to joy and amazement.

As further proof of his identity and of his resurrected body, Jesus eats with his disciples. The disciples have known Jesus best through the meals that he has shared with them. By eating with his disciples after his Resurrection, Jesus recalls all these meals, and most importantly, he recalls the Last Supper.

Having shared a meal with his disciples, Jesus now uncovers for them the significance of what was written about him in the Scriptures. So, too, our celebration of the Mass is an encounter with Jesus, through the Word and the Sacrament of the Eucharist. As Jesus commissions his disciples to be witnesses to what Scriptures foretold, our celebration of the Eucharist commissions us. Like the disciples, we are sent to announce the good news of Jesus' forgiveness of sins.

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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 ASSESSMENT IN THE SECOND BASKET.



RCIA CORNER

THE FAMILY-3

From the Pontifical Council on the Family (Summary Statement) *Love is our Mission-The Family Fully Alive*:

“Sustained by the Holy Spirit and the sacraments of the Church, we seek this communion, which Jesus has promised is our destiny. We believe that all aspects of our lives-including our sexuality, fertility and family life-are part of this mission to live and love as Jesus taught.”

We are not alone. Jesus has sent his Holy Spirit to be with us, to sustain us and to teach us God’s ways. We live here on earth, trying to live our best life, while we await the heavenly banquet that we have been promised. Even if we are not intimately aware of God, he is aware of each of us. He is involved in every aspect of our lives. There is nothing that we can keep secret from him.

If we are having difficulty in our relationships – he wants to hear from us. If we are having trouble conceiving a child we need to seek his guidance. We know just by looking at our loved ones how much Jesus loves us and is active in our family life. So we need to be communicating with him in everything, every day, and every way.

Ask yourself this question: What would help you to become more familiar or even intimate with Jesus?

Join Us For Coffee, Donuts and Conversation is next Sunday, April 26, after all Masses and will be hosted by the Cub Scouts. Please join us downstairs for fellowship with new and old friends. Enjoy our healthy alternative by indulging in fresh fruit.

If anyone is interested in helping ease the financial burden of Community Sunday, please stop by or call the rectory office (ext. 201) and speak with Denise Patetta. You can subsidize a month with a donation of \$100 or more or you can sponsor a month for a donation of \$300. You can honor either a living or deceased loved one.

We hope to see you there!

WE’VE MOVED & IMPROVED



Hooray!!! Our website has a new home. You’ll find the Sunday bulletin here in its entirety, as well as important notices about what’s happening in our parish. Should you miss mass or if you are a homebound parishioner catch up online. Log on to **visitationRCchurch.org** and check out our new digs! We’re quite proud of our new look and hope you will be too. Come grow with us!

FAITH

Please join us on our journey of "Deepening Our Faith" Wednesday, April 15th through Wednesday May 20th from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the Church auditorium. We will continue our group sessions in the "Faith" series to explore together how the sacraments connect us to God and to each other. Our discussion questions will help enhance our prayer life while sharing our faith and lead us to a better understanding of who God is with us. Dee Bringhurst is our facilitator for this free event. Please contact Dale Zanetti in the Adult Faith Formation office at 732-477-7059 ext. 214 for registration or email dale@visitationchurch.com.

SAVE THE DATE OF MAY 31

CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF THE VISITATION

We will start with our spiritual food; The Mass at 12:30 PM, then our physical food; a pot luck covered dish to follow in the Church Auditorium. Details to follow is further bulletins.



SPECIAL PARISH MAY CROWNING

Mary has always held a special place in the hearts of the parishioners of Visitation and May is a special month for honoring her. On Sunday, May 3, we will be crowning Mary after the 12:30 Mass.

MOTHER’S DAY NOVENA

Mother’s Day cards are available in the vestibule of the Church. Please remember to pick up your cards to have your mother or a loved one remembered in a nine day novena beginning Monday, May 11 at the 7:30 AM Mass in the Daily Chapel

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

In Loving Memory of Hoff, Turner & Lyszczyk Families

Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Lyszczyk

In Loving Memory of Francis & Evelyn Doyle & William Trainor

Barbara Doyle & Family

In Thanksgiving for Grandchildren

Geraldine Midwinter

In Loving Memory of William J. Petryk & Sophie & Leonard Fanelli

Virginia V. Petryk

In Thanksgiving for All our Blessings

The Thomsens

In Loving Memory of Francoise M. Rose

Kenneth Rose

In Loving Memory of Lucy Rynkiewicz

Chris Banoff

In Loving Memory of Andrew Bonavito

Family

In Loving Memory of Vincent & Ermina Augello, Henry Leszczak & Margaret Dwyer

In Loving Memory of Mazzara, Barrett & Michels Families

Carol Mazzara

Many Blessings Received

Laverne Creange

In Loving Memory of Connie & Frederick Hurler

Janet & George Schauer

In Loving Memory of, Andrew Kovatch, & Kovatch & Vanco Families

Mary Kovatch

In Loving Memory of Thomas Rygiel, Anne Smith Mario Altomare

Rygiel & Altomare Families

In Thanksgiving for Blessing received for family

Thomas & Elizabeth Hussennetter

In Loving Memory of Howard Rothweiler & Adele Cardone

Rothweiler Family

In Loving Memory of Charles & Mary Cwierko

June & Charles Cwierko

In Loving Memory of Leonard Laniewski

Joanne Laniewski

In Loving Memory of John Addabbo

Wife Nancy & Family

In Thanksgiving for Scarlett Rose

Mr. & Mr. D. Cuzzo

In Loving Memory of Vincent, Ermina, Augello & Harry Leszczak & Margaret Dwyer

Louise & Tom Dwyer

In Loving Memory of Isabel & Louis Bulzoni

Estelle DeBello

In Loving Memory of Joseph Annicchiariea, II

Lucille Gerardi

In Loving Memory of Leonard Savino, Sr.

Wife, Marion

In Loving Memory of Sal & Frances Garafano

Rob Garafano

In Loving Memory of Merrill & Kilgannon Families

Thomas & Barbara Merrill

In Loving Memory of Brielle Nicole Batt & Kay Batt

Batt Family

In Loving Memory of Jack Stampfle

Anne Stampfle

In Loving Memory of Emily Marzigliano

Marie Sylvester

In Loving Memory of John Feehan

Wife, Bernadette

In Loving Memory of Lilla, Emamuele & Charles Vitabile

Antoinette Iosue

In Loving Memory of Chieco & Pandolfi Families

John Chieco

In Honor of Jacquin & Chiappinelli Families

Laura & Don Jacquin

In Loving Memory of Malachi & Lucille Towey

Family

In Thanksgivings for All Blessings

Mr. & Mrs. F. Leonardo

In Honor of Living & Deceased Members of the Ricciardelli Family

Reverend Albert Ricciardelli

In Loving Memory of Eleanore Villani

Anthony Villani

In Loving Memory of Louise Woodroffe

Louise & John Mallon

In Loving Memory of Edward Zack & Fred & Kathrine Geyer

Catherine Zack

In Loving Memory of Robert Feeney

Family

In Loving Memory of Charles & Clara Donaruma

Andrea Romano

In Loving Memory of Bob Dermeraski, Msgr. Frank Ferraioli, Branciforte & Bertoni Families

Connie Bertoni

In Loving Memory of Matzinger & Malone Families

Mary Jane Malone

FLOWER DONATIONS CONTINUED

In Honor of Living & Deceased Members of the McDonough Family & In Thanksgiving for my Catholic Faith

Patrick McDonough

In Loving Memory of Uncle Mario

Lexi Romano

In Loving Memory of Family Loved Ones

Vincent & Beverly DiPaolo

In Loving Memory of Stephen Fetish

Wife, Angie

In Loving Memory of Juarez & Martin Families

Ben Juarez

In Loving Memory of Marie & Rocco DiBello

Robert DiBello

In Loving Memory of Anthony & Mary Bulwicz

Son, Ray Bulwicz

In Loving Memory of Lena, Peter & Nicholas Corallo, Malaspina & Good Health

Charlotte & Louis Malaspina

In Loving Memory of Conheeney & O'Dell Families

Bill & Madeline O'Dell

In Loving Memory of Arcuri & Perri Families

Connie Perri

In Loving Memory of Anna & Joseph Leitner & Anna & Frank Wegele, Gertrude & John Wegele, Anna & John Litwinka, Jenny & Joseph Statuto, Janis Harrington

Carol & Angelo Statuto

In Loving Memory of Andrew Young & In Honor of Marie Young, In Thanksgiving for Jesus & My Parents

Marie Evak

In Loving Memory of Mary M Moriarity

Gelcius Family

In Loving Memory of Cehelsky & Zegley Families

Mr. & Mrs. John Cehelsky

In Loving Memory of Palkovics & Kaucky Families

Eleanor Palkovics

In Loving Memory of Rozental & LaMonica Families

Dolores Rozental

In Loving Memory of Lech, Vitale & Pecora Families

Dennis & Veronica Lech

In Loving Memory of George Mayer

Eleanor Mayer

In Loving Memory of Michael Perna

Hedy Perna

In Thanksgiving for Divine Intervention

Maryellen & Fred Underwood

God's Blessings on the Pandolfi Family

Pandolfi Family

In Loving Memory of Sullivan & Mills Families

Susan & Leon Mills

In Loving Memory of Leopold Niziolek & Gerald Niziolek

Stephanie Niziolek

In Loving Memory of Daniel Galgon, In Honor of Connie Galgon

Donna Amon

In Loving Memory of Barry Danielson

Grandchildren

In Loving Memory of Mark Domogauer

Family

In Loving Memory of Walton & Clancy Families

Sue & Charlie Walton

In Loving Memory of Carmela Petosa

Family

In Loving Memory of Frank Matunas

Wife, Laura

In Loving Memory of Eugene Capozzi

Wife, Ann

In Loving Memory of Frank Flake

Mom & Dad

In Loving Memory of Paul Thomas Manganelli

Parents

In Loving Memory of Hogan & Cocurullo Families

Family

In Loving Memory of Frederick D'Ambola

Wife, Angela

In Loving Memory of B & G Looram & M & E Cooke

Children

In Loving Memory of Frank & Southard Families

Pat & Ray Frank

In Loving Memory of Patrick Kelleher & In Honor of John Kavanagh

Mary Kelleher

In Loving Memory of Anna & Vincent DeSimone

Marie Bell

In Loving Memory of Cornelius Britton

Mary Ann

Blessings on Dee Lusko

Tom Lusko

In Loving Memory of Laura Ann Petze

Jeannie Lynch-Nerney & Lucy Lynch

In Loving Memory of Nancy Spinelli

Tom Spinelli

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FLOWER DONATIONS CONTINUED

In Loving Memory of Joseph Jacob Hammell, Carmel & Mary G. Phelan, John V. & Geraldine Hinchliffe, Fr. Jeramiah O’Riordon, Fr. Andrew O’Sullivan, OSB, Msgr. Carmel Scanlon, Msgr. Stephen Dabkowski, Carmella (Connie) Buttacavoli, Patricia (Pat) Turner, Mary Ellen Brandell, Rabbi & Mrs. David Panitz, Benedict Groeshel, CFR., Fr. Raphel Nienaltowski, OFM. CAP, Fr. Charles Moore, Reverend Jan Pawel Mucharski, OFM., CAP, Friar Stanislaus Kolowski, OFM CAP, The Bishop of Auschwitz
Mary Phelan-Hamel

In Loving Memory of Anthony & Anita Karpowich
Mary Karpowich & Family
In Loving Memory of Joseph & Lucy Russotto
Daughter Carolyn Kowlski
In Loving Memory of Pauline San Facoñ
Family
In Loving Memory of Mary Ann Anthony
Arlene Jarzyna
In Loving Memory of Parents & Brothers
Fr. Richard Carlson
In Loving Memory of Jane Cunningham, Newkirk & Gamarello Families
The Gamarello Family

FROM THE BISHOP'S DESK



**DIocese OF TRENTON DOES NOT APPROVE, RECOGNIZE
“MARY’S WAY WORLDWIDE APOSTOLATE”**

It has been brought to the attention of the Diocese of Trenton that an organization called “Mary’s Way Worldwide Apostolate” is operating in Point Pleasant & Brick Township, New Jersey, within the Diocese of Trenton.

This organization advertises “miracles” attributed to an alleged Capuchin Franciscan “Fr. David” and is soliciting money. This “Franciscan” claims to have the stigmata or wounds of Christ. This organization claims visions of and allocutions from the Blessed Mother Mary under various titles by its members. It also claims some connection to St. Padre Pio.

The Superior of the Capuchin Franciscan Order in Rome has been contacted and has responded that no such stigmatist with the name “Fr. David” exists in his order. This organization has no official connection with the Roman Catholic Church nor has it ever received any official approval or recognition by the Holy See.

The Diocese of Trenton only recently learned of its existence and operation and has never given its approval or recognition to “Mary’s Way Worldwide Apostolate.” It has no relationship to or association with the Diocese of Trenton.

Because it uses Roman Catholic vocabulary, images and elements of doctrine, “Mary’s Way Worldwide Apostolate” has caused confusion among some devout and well-intentioned members of the faithful. The Diocese of Trenton has received complaints of fraudulent activity and wishes to notify Roman Catholics that “Mary’s Way Worldwide Apostolate” is not an officially approved or recognized Roman Catholic organization. The complaints have been submitted to law enforcement officials in Ocean County.

***Most Reverend David M. O’Connell, C.M.
Bishop of Trenton***

AROUND THE DIOCESE

A RETREAT FOR THE SERIOUSLY ILL

GENNESARET, a retreat designed to provide a spiritual and temporal oasis for men and women suffering with a serious illness, will be held the weekend of **May 1st, 2nd & 3rd, 2015 at the Archdiocesan Retreat Center, located in Kearny NJ.** The retreat will begin Friday at 1:30 PM and end with a closing Prayer Service Sunday at 1:30 PM. There is no cost for the retreat. For further information call Hilare Reinold at 732-566-7237 or Peggy Walsh at 908-654-5575

HAPPY ARE – BEATITUDES

May 6 – We invite you to journey the fullness of life in Christ by utilizing the Beatitudes as guides along the way. The day will provide a wonderful opportunity for you to reflect on, pray over, and act upon one of Jesus’ most revolutionary teachings. Lunch and Mass included. [Presenter: Sister Dolores Bianchi, MPF] Arrival: at 9:30AM St. Joseph By the Sea, 400 Rt. 35 North South Mantoloking, Departure: 2:30PM. Cost: \$45

JOIN

MONSIGNORS SIRIANNI AND GERVASIO

Miraculous Shrines of Fatima and Lourdes
October 6-17, 2015

For complete details please join us for a meeting April 28 at 7:00 PM in St. Robert Bellarmine Parish Hall or contact Graycar Travel at 800-214-6723.

MARIS STELLA RETREAT CENTER

Overnight Retreat on Loss with One-day Option “Tumbling into Mystery with God” will be held Friday, April 24 7:30 PM—Saturday, April 25, 3:30 PM or one day option, Saturday, April 25, 10:00 AM– 3:30 PM. Ends with Vigil Mass for Sunday at 4:00 PM. The Presenter is Anita M. Constance, SC—Honest prayer guides us through the darkness of loss-illness, divorce, death of a loved one, unemployment. The day will include input, reflection and prayer. Contact Sr. Pat Dotzauer at 609-494-2917 or pdotzauer@comcast.net.

“CREATIVITY FOR A CAUSE” ART SHOW

Take in the beauty of the art, enjoy hors’ doeuvres and a glass of wine, purchase an original painting or visit the Treasure Trove for a variety of art pieces at reduced prices. As you experience the creativity, know that you are helping to further the work of WATERSPIRIT. For further information please contact us: at 732- 923-9788 or email: waterspirit@stellamaris.comcastbiz.net. Admission is a free will donation. WATERSPIRIT is a ministry of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Peace.

MARRIAGE SUMMIT

The Diocese of Trenton ask you to join them as they launch their diocesan Plan for Strengthening Marriage at Georgian Court University in Lakewood on Friday, 5/8/15 or Saturday, 5/9/15 (Friday’s program will be repeated on Saturday). The day will include:

- *Traveler’s Morning Mass
 - *Praise and Worship
 - *Bishop O’Connell’s Remarks
 - *Overview of Diocesan Plan to Strengthen Marriage
 - *Inspirational Keynote Speaker
 - *23 Workshop Sessions
 - *National and Local Exhibitors With Marriage and Family Resources
 - *Breakfast and Lunch Included
- Visit www.DOTMarriageSummit.org for more information or to register.

REDISCOVERING YOUR MARRIAGE- THE RETROUAILLE

Program consists of a weekend experience combined with a series of 6-12 post-weekend sessions over three months. It provides the tools to help put your marriage in order again. The emphasis of the program is on communication in marriage between husband and wife. It is an opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. For weekends in the Central N.J. area go to www.retrouaille.org. For more information, contact Peg Hensler, Department of Youth, Marriage and Family at 609-403-7156.

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MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Liturgical Ministries

CHILDREN'S CHOIR see Youth Ministry

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

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

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

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

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

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

VISITATION ALTAR SERVERS TEAM see Youth Ministry

Sacrament Preparation

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

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

Education and Evangelization Ministries

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

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

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

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

Prayer Groups

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

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

PRAYER CHAIN is for anyone who feels the need for prayer or would like to join the group. 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 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 straneri.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. 732-477-0028 – *Fr. Al or fral@visitationchurch.com*

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

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

Organizations

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

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

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

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

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

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

Bulletin Deadline

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