

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

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

TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDA Y TIME



SATURDAY	AUGUST 29
4:00 PM	George Lysat/req. Bob & Lorraine Dailey
5:30 PM	Mario Altomare/req. Terri & Toni
SUNDAY	AUGUST 30
6:45 AM	Allen Throgood/req. Family
8:00 AM	Martha DeGinnaro/req. Family
9:30 AM	Stanley Karpinski/req. Family
11:00 AM	Lois Karpi/req. John & Mary Sonta
12:30 PM	People of the Parish
MONDAY	AUGUST 31
7:30 AM	Margie Papile/req. Steve & Kelly
8:15 AM	Walter Janocha/req. Ben Juarez
7:30 PM	Carolyn Rollis/req. Family
TUESDAY	SEPTEMBER 1
7:30 AM	Nicolina Dorsey/req. Ann & Family
8:15 AM	Patrick Barry/req. Charles & Marie Cresanti
WEDNESDAY	SEPTEMBER 2
7:30 AM	Fr. Giuseppe Siniscalchi, CFR/req. Lu-Anne & Joe
8:15 AM	David Minsavage/req. Jim & Helen
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER 3
7:30 AM	Fr. Ignatius Shin, CFR/req. Lu-Anne & Joe
8:15 AM	James W. & James J. Dorsey/req. Ann Dorsey
FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER 4
7:30 AM	Annie Licamelli/req. Peter & Joan Kallos
8:15 AM	Marie Cresanti/req. Madeline & Bill O'Dell
SATURDAY	SEPTEMBER 5
7:30 AM	Maureen Loffredo/req. Family
8:15 AM	Kerwin Ynaya/req. Parents
4:00 PM	Mary Gregorio/req. Charlotte & Louis
5:30 PM	Ron Seggio/req. Tony Zurica & Family
SUNDAY	SEPTEMBER 6
6:45 AM	People of the Parish
8:00 AM	Living & Deceased Members of the Rosary Altar Society
9:30 AM	Michael & Mary O'Leary/req. McQuade Family
11:00 AM	Nelene Ziess/req. Judith Togneri
12:30 PM	Wanda Slfiko/req. Bliss Family

SUNDAY	AUGUST 30	LOCATION
<i>Masses</i>		Church
MONDAY	AUGUST 31	
<i>MM & Saint Jude Novena</i>	8:15 AM & 7:30 PM	Daily Chapel
<i>Rosary For Life</i>	1:30 PM	Daily Chapel
TUESDAY	SEPTEMBER 1	
<i>Bingo</i>	11:00 AM	Auditorium
<i>Boy Scouts</i>	6:30 PM	Old Church
WEDNESDAY	SEPTEMBER 2	
<i>Community Luncheon</i>	12:00 PM	Auditorium
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER 3	
<i>AA</i>	7:30 PM	Auditorium
FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER 4	
<i>Adult Confirmation Orientation</i>	7:00 PM	Daily Chapel
<i>Children of Light</i>	7:00 PM	Parish Room A
<i>Holy Hour</i>	7:00 PM	Church
SATURDAY	SEPTEMBER 5	
<i>RCIA Teaching</i>	5:00 PM	Auditorium
<i>Adult Confirmation Sessions</i>	5:00 PM	Auditorium

Readings for the Week

- Monday:** 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
- Tuesday:** Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7-9, 12; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
- Wednesday:** Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20
- Thursday:** Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21-19:1
- Friday:** Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12
- Saturday:** 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28
- Sunday:** Prv 9:1-6; Ps 34:2-7; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58

For the Week of August 30, 2015



Church Sanctuary Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Dorothy A. Smith/req. Ted & Ann Brinkofski

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

Blessed Mother Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Mario Altomare/req. Wife & Family

Sacred Heart Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Anthony Capone/req. Children

Welcome into God's Family

Brianna Rose Maglione



III. Mick Winters

“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, *Henry Stansfield*



THERE WILL BE NO BINGO FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 OR TUESDAY, SEPTMBER 8. BINGO WILL RESUME FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11. HOPE TO SEE YOU THEN!

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.



HOLY HOUR
Join us in the Church for Holy Hour and Benediction
FIRST FRIDAY
September 4, 2015
7:00 to 8:00 PM.

Reflections for the

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, Mark addresses the question of which Jewish practices would also be observed in the newly emerging Christian community. In Gospel passages such as the one today, we see the Gospel evangelists finding justification for a Christian practice distinct from Judaism in the remembrances of Jesus' teaching and the practice of his first disciples.

Jesus first criticizes the Pharisees for putting human tradition above God's Law. Here, Jesus is referring to the tradition of the elders, the teachings of the Pharisees, which extended the ritual-purity laws of Temple worship to everyday Jewish life. Jesus criticizes the Pharisees for making this tradition equal to and as binding as the Law of Moses.

Next, Jesus comments on the meaning behind the Pharisees' language of holiness—clean and unclean. Jesus teaches that a person is not defiled by the food that enters his or her body, but rather by sin that emerges from his or her words and actions. In this teaching, Jesus unmasks a deeper question behind the one posed to him by the Pharisees. The real issue is holiness, which is not found in external acts alone. Holiness comes from within and is evidenced in the actions and attitudes that emerge from a person's life.

If we read today's Gospel carefully, we will see a pattern in Jesus' teaching method that will be repeated in the weeks ahead. Jesus' first teaching is directed to the Pharisees who questioned him. Jesus' words are then directed to the crowd, teaching that a person is defiled by his or her words and actions, not by the food that he or she eats.

Jesus' words challenge us as well. In our desire to show that we are holy, we might also give too much credence to externals, following rules without thinking about the intention behind them. Jesus reminds us that we do not make ourselves holy by our actions. Rather, we become holy when we allow God's Spirit to transform us. Our actions should be an expression of the conversion of our heart to God and to God's ways. *Loyola Press*

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NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE ONE COLLECTION.

AUGUST 30, 2015



I would first like to extend my sincere and humble thanks to all who helped to make my installation as Pastor last weekend a wonderful success. I know that the Bishop was quite impressed at the beauty and the joy of the liturgy and the celebration after Mass. It was truly a wonderful expression of the faith found in last Sunday's first reading, echoing the joy of the people proclaiming with one voice: "we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God." I look forward to continuing this journey of faith with all of you!

As I mentioned in my bulletin letter last week, as we look forward to the Year of Mercy beginning this December as announced by Pope Francis, there will be emphasis on God's mercy most profoundly and personally felt in the gift provided by God's Church through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. I had said that our Holy Father reminds us how when we approach Jesus in this sacrament of healing "we do not find a severe judge, but rather the immensely merciful Father" and that even in our discomfort we open ourselves to receive "the embrace of the Father, who always forgives and always forgives everything."

I will be the first to admit that, regrettably, our current confessionals may not easily bring such comforting thoughts to mind. At some point, I would very much like to improve these into much more inviting reconciliation rooms. After cleaning out the clutter in the far side confessional (the one closer to the Lynnwood Ave side of the church), I was surprised to find that it actually provided the option for either face to face or behind screen confession; however, it only can do so one penitent at a time. I want to thank Deacon Sal for his work in making what we presently have a bit more usable by repairing the lights and fans as well as properly setting the floor switches. When someone enters either curtain of the confessional, (they are each marked as "Face to face" or "Behind screen" – use whichever you feel more comfortable) both indicator lights will light. This is to ensure that anyone choosing face to face confession has proper privacy to celebrate the sacrament. So, when using this confessional, please make sure that *both* lights are out before entering to be reconciled with the Lord.

I do hope that more people consider coming back into a state of grace with God. I can attest from personal experience how God's presence can be so clearly felt when celebrating this sacrament. It is truly a remarkable and unique gift that God gives us through His Church as our own preparation to receive worthily His Son in the gift of the Eucharist

Fr. Ed

COME TO THE SEA TO PRAY
FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

The Catholic faithful and all people of good will throughout the Diocese of Trenton are invited to take part in the local observance of the newly-designated World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation Tuesday, Sept. 1. On that day, Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M., will celebrate Mass at 7:30 p.m. in Our Lady Star of the Sea Chapel of St. Denis Parish – the "Beach Chapel" – at 554 E. Main St., Manasquan.

Expanding on the theme of his most recent encyclical, "Laudato Si", on Care for Our Common Home," Pope Francis announced the new, worldwide commemoration to be celebrated annually on Sept. 1.

In announcing the Diocese's observance, Bishop O'Connell said, "Thanks to the gracious hospitality of Father William Lago, pastor of St. Denis Parish, we are able to commemorate this inaugural event in their beautiful chapel. It will be an appropriate setting for this Mass — sunset at the Jersey shore — and a dramatic reminder of the beautiful gift of creation that we are called to protect."

All are encouraged to join in the worldwide day of prayer, either by attending the diocesan Mass or in their personal prayers. Priests of the Diocese are invited to concelebrate.

CONTACT: Rayanne Bennett, at 609-403-7188 or rbenne@dioceseoftrenton.org



RCIA CORNER

RITE OF ACCEPTANCE

The first Rite in the RCIA process is called the Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens. This rite is the first that we celebrate once the inquirer has decided to commit to the full process of conversion. It is the community's responsibility to help the candidates on their road to holiness. In the first part of the Rite we, the community, greet them as they stand at the doors to the church. We show our joy and happiness at their following of the spiritual path as we welcome them into our parish. They enter through the doors of faith into the full community experience.

It is from here that they will now be called Catechumens; an ancient term that stands at the doorway to faith. Let us be a beacon of light for our Candidates; share the love of Christ with them. Let them look to us for support, for direction, for answers. This Community is an example of Christ to our Candidates. Let us make certain that we are professing a right spirit.

For additional information regarding the RCIA program please contact Dale at 732-477-7059 ext. 214.



Visitation welcomes new parishioners to our parish family. If you recently moved into the area, and are interested in becoming a member, please contact Deacon Sal at 732-477-7059 ext. 218 to set up an appointment

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-today 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.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adults 18 and older who wish to receive the



Sacrament of Confirmation, sessions are now forming. It is necessary for you to have received Baptism and Holy Communion in the Catholic Church; you should be an

active Catholic and your marriage should be in accordance with the laws of the Church. Orientation and registration will be on Friday, September 4, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Daily Chapel. There are 10 instruction weeks, 1 Retreat, 1 practice session and Confirmation Day. We begin on Saturday, September 5, 2015. Confirmation will be on the Solemnity of Christ the King, Sunday, November 22, 2015 at 12:30 pm. The sessions start at the Saturday. 4:00 pm Liturgy of the Word and continue in the auditorium until 6:30. Refreshments are served. 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. You may also register at Orientation on September 4, 2015.

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 October 16, 17 and 18, 2015 at the Archdiocesan Retreat Center, located in Kearney, NJ. The retreat will begin Friday at 1:30 PM and end with a closing Prayer Service on Sunday at 1:30 PM. There is no charge for the retreat. For info contact: Hilare Reinold at 732-566-7237.

MASS FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

Following the themes of his most recent Encyclical "Laudatory Si: On Care of Our Common Home," Pope Francis has announced a new commemoration "World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation" to be celebrated annually on September 1, beginning this year. To inaugurate this annual day of prayer, on Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 7:30 pm, Most Reverend David O'Connell, C.M., Bishop of Trenton, will celebrate Holy Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea Chapel (Beach Chapel), 554 E. Main Street in Manasquan. All are welcome!

BISHOP'S ANNIVERSARY BLESSING



Bishop David O'Connell will celebrate the Annual Diocesan Anniversary Blessing Mass on October 25, 2015 at St. Robert

Bellarmino Parish, Freehold, 3:00 pm. All Catholic married couples in the Diocese of Trenton celebrating their 1st, 25th, or 50th and beyond wedding anniversary in 2015 are invited to participate. Please call Denise Patetta at ext. 201 at the parish office to register.

SIGHT & SOUND



Join the Visitation Rosary Altar Society for a trip to ***Sight and Sound*** in Pennsylvania to see "***The Miracle of Christmas***" on Tuesday, December 15, 2015. Tickets are \$115.00 per person which will include your bus seat and lunch at the famous Shady Maples Smorgasbord, with over 140 delicious items to choose from. The bus will leave Visitation parking lot at 8:15 AM and return approximately 8:45 PM. Please call Terry 732-903-7527 or Marilyn 732-920-9753 for any additional information or to purchase tickets. Seats on the bus go fast, so get your tickets early.

**ANNUAL ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY AREA
WIDE COMMUNION BANQUET**

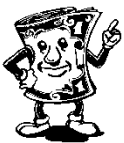


The 18th Annual Rosary Altar Society Mass and Luncheon is being hosted by St. Peter's Rosary Altar Society. The Rosary will begin at 10:30 AM followed by Mass at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, October 7th, in St. Peter's Church.

Pt. Pleasant Beach. The luncheon will follow at: THE MILL, 101 Old Mill Road, Spring Lake Heights, NJ. The tickets are \$37.00 and we still have a few tickets left. If interested, please contact Dotty at 732-295-0862.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE
WINNER OF OUR AUGUST 50/50**

Bernadette MacInnes was the winner of \$553. Bernadette is a yearly subscriber.



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, September 26, 2015



Grab your walking shoes or sneakers and help us take steps for a great cause! The 2015 ***Friends of the Poor Walk/Run*** is a National Event coordinated by the National Council of St. Vincent de Paul Society. Plans are underway to promote this unique fundraising effort. 100% of the funds stay with our Visitation Conference to be used to help the poor in our community. Once again, we will walk around the Brick Reservoir on Herbertsville Road Saturday, September 26th. Registration is at 9:00 am with the walk beginning at 10:00 am. Members of St. Vincent will be in the Church Narthex the weekend of Sept 19 & 20 for early registration and/or monetary donations.

Hope to see you there!

Bereavement Ministry

Fall sessions for Visitation's Bereavement Support Group will take place on Tuesdays, 10:30 am in the Daily Chapel. Dates are: September 8, 15, 22, 29 and October 6, 13, and 20. To register, call Deacon Rich at 732-477-7059 ext. 221. Leave your name and phone number.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF
HOLY COMMUNION**

Please note that there is now a bottle of hand sanitizer available at the credence table (the small table by the entrance to the sacristy) for your use prior to distributing Communion. Please make use of it when you come forward and thank you for your service of ministry to God's people!

AUGUST 30, 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.

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AUTUMN GIFT AUCTION

The Event Development Team is beginning to prepare for our Annual Gift Auction to be held on November 7, 2015, and we're looking for your help.



Do you have NEW, unused items that you would like to donate for use at this special event? All new items, except shoes and clothing, are welcome. We can use toys, games, appliances, tablecloths, golf balls, baseball gloves, china, gardening tools, towels, candlestick holders, center pieces, jewelry, etc. If it's new, unused, boxed, and attractive, we can use it! We also welcome gift certificates from beauty salons, department stores, grocery stores, restaurants, etc. Ask for donations from the businesses that you patronize. Tax contribution letters will be available on request.

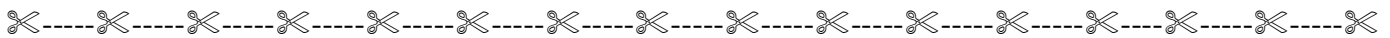
On the day of the event, we are looking for volunteers to help in a variety of ways from set-up for the event, to the sale of tickets, to runners and much more! If you would like to help us that day, we'd love to hear from you.



Remember, by contributing your time, talent and/or treasure (the three T's) you are contributing to the restoration of the original church building to make it safer and more useful. This Gift Auction is a perfect opportunity to do all three for one special event. We look forward to hearing from you.

For more information about donating a gift and/or helping us prepare for the event, call Betty Kilkenny 732-245-6071 or Dee DeTuro 732-232-7132 or fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket.

GIFTS CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT ANY COMMUNITY SUNDAY



- I would like to donate a gift(s) for use at the Auction
- I would like to help prepare for the Auction, (solicit gifts, make baskets, etc.)
- I would like to volunteer to help with the event on November 8, 2014

Name _____ Phone _____

E-Mail _____

I prefer to be contacted by: Phone E-mail

The best time to contact me is: Morning Afternoon Evening

AUGUST 30, 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. – *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 natalie@visitationchurch.com*

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

VISITATION ALTAR SERVERS TEAM see Youth Ministry

Sacrament Preparation

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

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

Education and Evangelization Ministries

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

BIBLE SHARING offers day sessions to all who wish to deepen their understanding of Scripture. Meetings are held on Thursdays at 9:45 AM in the Church Auditorium. 732-477-9672 ext. 214 - *Dale Zanetti or dale@visitationchurch.com*

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

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

Prayer Groups

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

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

PRAYER CHAIN is for anyone who feels the need for prayer or would like to join the group. 848-373-4239.

Pastoral Care Ministries

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

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

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

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

Services

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

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

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Social Ministries/Activities

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

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

Social Concerns

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

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

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

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

Youth Ministries/Activities

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

CYO BASKETBALL TEAM practices at Lake Riviera Middle School. They were the 2007 Ocean County CYO champs. 201-522-3679 – *Coach or doug_roman4@yahoo.com*

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

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

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

Organizations

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

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. 732-239-2449 – *Deacon Nick Stranieri or deaconnick@visitationchurch.com*

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

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

Bulletin Deadline

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