

*Church of the Visitation*

May all our wonderful

*Dads* enjoy a

*Happy Father's Day*

# 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*

**Rectory Office Phone:** 732-477-0028  
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**Rectory Fax:** 732-477-1274  
**Rectory Address:** 730 Lynnwood Ave. Brick, NJ  
**Website:** [www.visitationRCchurch.org](http://www.visitationRCchurch.org)

**REV. EDWARD BLANCHETT, PASTOR, EXT. 201**  
**REV. JAMES O'NEILL, PAROCHIAL VICAR, EXT. 220**

### Assisting Priests

Rev. James Sauchelli                      Rev. Bernard Mohan  
Rev. Msgr. Ricardo Gonzalez              Rev. Msgr. Vincent Doyle  
Rev. Msgr. Philip Franceschini              Rev. Richard Carlson

### Deacons

**Salvatore Vicari, Ext. 218**              **Nicola Stranieri, Ext. 102**  
**Richard Johnston, Ext. 221**              **Edward Fischer**

### Staff

**Denise Patetta, Ext. 201**              **Nancy Grodberg Ext. 219**  
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**Vicki Cottrell, Ext. 216**                      Education  
Pastoral/Business Admin                      **Dee DeTuro, Ext 219**  
**Natalya Bencivenga, Ext. 217**              Religious Education Asst.  
Music Director/Organist                      **Dale Zanetti, Ext.214**  
**Christie Winters, Ext. 105**                      Coordinator of Adult Faith  
Youth Ministry Leader                      Formation  
**Christie Winters, 732-746-3456**  
Director of Visitation Relief Center

### **RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**

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

### Parish Registration

The Church of the Visitation is obliged to serve and minister to all baptized Catholics living in our local area. **PLEASE REGISTER** – it assists the staff in knowing you as a parishioner, providing for your needs, informing you of parish programs and activities, and utilizing your gifts and talents in service of the Church and one another. Envelopes for weekly contributions are available to you once you are registered. Please contact Deacon Sal Vicari at ext. 218 to register.

### Sacramental Sponsor Certificates

The following is required by Canon Law to be a Catholic Godparent/Sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. 1. Be at least 16 years of age. 2. Have completed the Sacraments of 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 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)  
**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.

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

# TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**SATURDAY**      **JUNE 18**  
 4:00 PM      Mesgleski & Deegan Families

**SUNDAY**      **JUNE 19**  
 6:45 AM      Anthony Bulwicz  
 8:00 AM      John Kavanaugh  
 9:30 AM      Frances Biskup  
 11:00 AM      Henry Stansfield  
 12:30 PM      People of the Parish

**MONDAY**      **JUNE 20**  
 7:30 AM      Albina & Frank Rebar, Sr.  
 8:15 AM      Good Health for Paula Meisel

**TUESDAY**      **JUNE 21**  
 7:30 AM      Halligan & Gallagher Families  
 8:15 AM      Thomas Halleran

**WEDNESDAY**      **JUNE 22**  
 7:30 AM      Salvatore Arrabito  
 8:15 AM      Anne McQuade

**THURSDAY**      **JUNE 23**  
 7:30 AM      Michael McQuade  
 8:15 AM      Richard Nusbaum

**FRIDAY**      **JUNE 24**  
 7:30 AM      Joseph Carbone  
 8:15 AM      Mary Rapisardi

**SATURDAY**      **JUNE 25**  
 7:30 AM      God's Blessing on Eileen Richel  
 8:15 AM      Joseph Pillitteri  
 4:00 PM      Mary Zabigna

**SUNDAY**      **JUNE 26**  
 6:45 AM      People of the Parish  
 8:00 AM      Barbara Cornblatt  
 9:30 AM      Vincent Pannullo  
 11:00 AM      Hank Nidelski  
 12:30 PM      Francisco Galido

**SUNDAY**      **JUNE 19**  
 Masses      Church

**MONDAY**      **JUNE 20**  
 M M & Saint Jude Novena      8:15 AM      Church  
 Summer CCD      8:00 AM      Rooms A, B & C  
 Rosary for Life      1:00 PM      Daily Chapel  
 Cub Scouts      6:30 PM      Parish Hall & Old Church

**TUESDAY**      **JUNE 21**  
 Summer CCD      8:00 AM      Rooms A, B & C  
 Bingo      11:00 AM      Parish Hall  
 Boy Scouts      6:30 PM      Old Church  
 Alanon      7:00 PM      Parish Hall  
 Adult Faith Formation      7:30 PM      Room B

**WEDNESDAY**      **JUNE 22**  
 Summer CCD      8:00 AM      Rooms A, B & C  
 Community Lunch      12:00 PM      Parish Hall

**THURSDAY**      **JUNE 23**  
 Summer CCD      8:00 AM      Rooms A, B & C  
 Bible Study      9:45 AM      Parish Hall  
 AA      7:30 PM      Parish Hall

**FRIDAY**      **JUNE 24**  
 Summer CCD      8:00 AM      Rooms A, B & C  
 Children of Light Prayer      7:00 PM      VRC  
 Parents Baptismal Formation      7:00 PM      Daily Chapel

**SATURDAY**      **JUNE 25**  
 Vigil Mass      4:00 PM      Church

## Readings for the Week

**Monday:** 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60:3-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5  
**Tuesday:** 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps 48:2-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14  
**Wednesday:** 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Ps 119:33-37, 40; Mt 7:15-20  
**Thursday:** 2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 106:1b-5; Mt 7:21-29  
**Friday:** Vigil; Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17  
 Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80  
**Saturday:** Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74:1b-7, 20-21; Mt 8:15-17  
**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62

Daily Masses will be held in the Church to allow our Summer CCD students to start their classes with Mass

### For the Week of June 19, 2016



**Church Sanctuary Candle** is "In Loving Memory" Bertoni & Branciforte Families

**Chapel Sanctuary Candle** is "In Loving Memory" of Louis Fasano

**Blessed Mother Candle** is "In Loving Memory" of Jack Deegan & Mesgleski Families

**Sacred Heart Candle** is "In Loving Memory" of Gerald Caci and Altomare & Rygiel Families

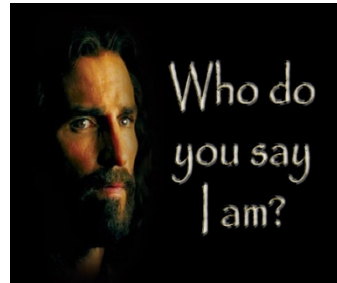
**“MY SOUL IS THIRSTING FOR YOU, O LORD MY GOD”**

*Welcome into God's Family*

Madelynn Susan Gialanella, Bria Lee Mercer  
Caden Michael Roehrig, Jayce William Roehrig  
Ryder Joseph Roehrig

*Reflections for*

*The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



Jesus is praying; then he turns to the disciples to ask them who “the crowds” say he is. Mark places this incident at Caesarea Philippi. Luke, however, because of the importance he wishes to give to prayer

in his Gospel, places it in the context of Jesus’ praying. The disciples answer that people say he is one of any number of the prophets who have died, from the recent John the Baptist to a prophet from long ago.

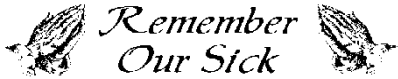
He then asks the disciples directly who they say he is. Peter answers for them that Jesus is the Messiah of God. Immediately Jesus tells them not to tell anyone, not because he doesn’t want people to know, but because they don’t understand what being the Messiah means. Jesus then answers his own question about his identity by explaining who he really is—one who must suffer, die, and be raised on the third day.

He then explains to all present what true discipleship really is. It means following in the same path as the Messiah, suffering and dying. True life is found by giving up life.

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**Luke 9:22**


And he said, “The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.”



*Remember Our Sick*

**II. Lordana DeCarlo**

“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, *Michelle Russomanno, Chester Galdo and Alice Haberman.*

**HOW WILL YOU BE REMEMBERED?**



Please consider “Creating a Legacy” that will last for generations to come. When you remember Church of the Visitation in your will, you will help to provide for the many organizations and ministries after you are gone. For more information, please contact the Parish office at 732-477-7059 ext. 216.

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

**Offering for the Week of June 12, 2016**

<b>Regular</b>	\$10,334.49
<b>On Line</b>	\$ 788.00
<b>Total</b>	\$11,132.49

**GREETER MINISTRY**



Greeters are Ministers of Hospitality who welcome parishioners and guests to our church. Members are at the church entrances so that anyone who comes to worship is greeted with a warm smile and a friendly word. Greeters also serve at church events (such as parish concerts and missions) and with our ushers assist in handling special situations. For more information, contact the Rectory Office ext. 201.

**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.**

**PLEASE SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS. ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK**

**LAURELTON VILLAGE CARE CENTER**

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



While not normally a big fan of the jokes, poems, chain letters and other Internet “junk” mail, I thought that this one was nice, somewhat light-hearted, “food for thought” to offer up for Father’s Day. It was titled: *Why Go to Church?*

A churchgoer wrote a letter to the editor of the diocesan newspaper and complained that it made no sense to go to church every Sunday. “I’ve gone for 30 years now,” he wrote, “and in that time I have heard something like 3,000 homilies. But for the life of me, I can’t remember a single one of them. So, I think I’m wasting my time and the priests are wasting theirs by giving a homily at all.”

This started a real controversy in the “Letters to the Editor” column, much to the delight of the editor. It went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher: “I’ve been married for 30 years now. In that time, my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But, for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this – they all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today. Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!”

When you are DOWN to nothing...God is UP to something! Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible and receives the impossible! Thank God the heavenly Father for our physical AND our spiritual nourishment!

*Fr. Ed*

**DINE TO DONATE PROGRAM**

Thank you to all of our parishioners who have supported our Dine to Donate program over the last few months. We especially would like to thank the eating establishments – CRAB SHACK, BUFFALO WILD WINGS, JACK AND MIKE’S BRICKHOUSE BAR & GRILLE, AND BOARDWALK HOT DOGS – that have generously supported us. We have raised over \$700.00 to date and plan on continuing the program. We hope you continue to support the effort and enjoy visiting old favorites and trying new places!

**JULY DINE TO DONATE PARTNER**

Skillets Fresh Grill, 645 Mantoloking Road, Brick 732-477-0963  
Monday – Friday 11 am – 9 pm Saturday 9 am – 9 pm Sunday 9 am – 8 pm

Try the original “Chicken Spiedie”! Wraps & Pitas, Subs & Salads, Nachos & Wings, Tasty Dinners and even an assortment of Ice Cream Treats!

Bring the coupon at the bottom of this page and Skillets Fresh Grill will donate 15% of your total bill to the Visitation Church Covering Fund (parking lot & carpet replacement)!



**TWO FULL WEEKS**

**Monday, July 11th**

**\*\* COUPON \*\***

**Sunday, July 24th**

**Present this coupon at Skillets Fresh Grill and 15% of your total purchase will be donated to the Visitation Church Covering Fund!**



**FR. ED & STAFF WOULD LIKE  
TO WISH ALL FATHERS A  
VERY HAPPY FATHER'S DAY**

**PRAYER FOR FATHER'S**

Lord, please bless our fathers, these men who mean so much to us, who are greatly responsible for who we are and who we are becoming. Bless our fathers for being our protectors, for leading us through stormy times to safety, for making us believe that everything will be all right and for making it so.

Bless our fathers for quietly making a living to provide for those they love most, for giving us food, clothing, shelter and the other material things that really matter, for unselfishly investing time and money in us that they could have spent on themselves. Bless them for being our secure foundation, our rock, for holding on tight to us...until it's time to let us go. Lord, bless these men we look up to, our role models, our heroes, our fathers.

Amen.

**FATHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE**

Father's Day cards are available in the vestibule of the Church. Please remember to pick up your cards to have your father or a loved one remembered in the masses in observance of Father's Day beginning Monday, June 20 through Friday, June 25 in the Daily Chapel.



For 35 years St. Ignatius Shore Retreats has helped Ocean County parishioners attend a men's weekend retreat at the San Alfonso Retreat House, a Redemptorist Spiritual Center on Ocean Avenue in West End, Long Branch. The theme of this year's retreat is Mercy. It begins Friday evening, September 30 and ends with lunch Sunday, October 2. The fee is \$210 with a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit. All are welcome. Visit [www.sanalfonsoretreats.org](http://www.sanalfonsoretreats.org) or call San Alfonso at (732) 222-2731 x 140, or John Fraraccio at (732) 272-7572, or [johcafra@outlook.com](mailto:johcafra@outlook.com).

**FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM**



One example of how our freedoms are being violated: Several states have recently passed laws that forbid what the government deems "harboring" of undocumented immigrants—and what the Church deems Christian charity and pastoral care to those immigrants. Perhaps the most egregious of these is in Alabama, where the Catholic bishops, in cooperation with the Episcopal and Methodist bishops of Alabama, filed suit against the law:

All must defend the right to the free exercise of religion granted to us as citizens of Alabama. . . . The law makes illegal the exercise of our Christian religion which we, as citizens of Alabama, have a right to follow. The law prohibits almost everything which would assist an undocumented immigrant or encourage an undocumented immigrant to live in Alabama. This new Alabama law makes it illegal for a Catholic priest to baptize, hear the confession of, celebrate the anointing of the sick with, or preach the word of God to, an undocumented immigrant. Nor can we encourage them to attend Mass or give them a ride to Mass. It is illegal to allow them to attend adult scripture study groups, or attend CCD or Sunday school classes. It is illegal for the clergy to counsel them in times of difficulty or in preparation for marriage. It is illegal for them to come to Alcoholic Anonymous meetings or other recovery groups at our churches.

As Catholics, we are obliged to defend the right to religious liberty for ourselves and for others. We are happily joined in this by our fellow Christians and believers of other faiths.

Religious liberty is not only about our ability to go to Mass on Sunday or pray the Rosary at home. It is about whether we can make our contribution to the common good of all Americans. Can we do the good works our faith calls us to do, without having to compromise that very same faith? Without religious liberty properly understood, all Americans suffer, deprived of the essential contribution in education, health care, feeding the hungry, civil rights, and social services that religious Americans make every day, both here at home and overseas.

What we ask is nothing more than that our God-given right to religious liberty be respected. We ask nothing less than that the Constitution and laws of the United States, which recognize that right, be respected. (USCCB)

Please take a stand! Visit the Bishop's site at [USCCB.org](http://USCCB.org) for more information.



**RCIA CORNER**

**LOVE IS OUR MISSION,  
THE FAMILY FULLY ALIVE  
CREATED FOR JOY**

God created us with a plan in mind. Even though our lives may not be all we expected we are still called to follow him and to complete our mission. We say things like “when my problems cease, then I will follow, when I can get back on my feet, then I will serve” but God chooses us right exactly where we are. No need for change, no need to modify. He meets us right where we are and once he serves us he asks us to serve others. We will find that when we serve others we can find true meaning in our own lives. When we serve and see others struggles it helps us to bear up under our own.

How might we follow Christ more intentionally? At home? In the Workplace? In our Communities?

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

While the members of St. Vincent de Paul work selflessly to give assistance to those in need in our area, it is due to the wonderful kindness and generosity of our parishioners that enables

us to do as much. Your donations of money and prayers are an indication of your own selflessness and for this we are grateful.

The St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Shop (located in the old church basement) continues to thrive (thanks again due to your donations.) Stop by our store and browse. Perhaps you may find something you didn't even know you needed.

God's Blessings to All !!!!



Pilgrimage-Join Catholics from all over the country in the nation's capital on July 4 at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception to pray for our country and for our Church.

**COMMUNITY SUNDAY**

**Join Us For Coffee,  
Donuts and Conversation**

is next Sunday, June 26 after all Masses and will be hosted by the Religious Education Staff. Please join us downstairs for fellowship with new and old friends.

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.



**FUNERAL LITURGY MINISTRY**



We would like to invite anyone who is looking for a valuable ministry to come forward to help serve at Funeral Masses. The *Corporal Work of Mercy* of burying the dead is a valuable ministry. This very important ministry needs your help. Training is available. If interested, please contact Rosemary Russell at 732-367-5329.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**



There is still space available for VBS. It will run from July 25 - 29 this year. All are welcome to join the fun. You can register any time after June 8 in the Religious Ed Office in the Rectory. Call 732 477-5217 for additional information.

**JUNE 19, 2016**



**Fr. Ed & Staff would like to congratulate all the young people of our Parish who graduated from a College, University, High School or Middle School this year. May God's graces be with you as you step ahead towards your dreams.**

**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS**

The next session for Baptismal Preparation will be held Friday, June 24 at 7:00 PM in the Daily Chapel. Anyone in the Parish who recently had a baby should contact Deacon Sal to set up a date for the Baptism and the preparation class. For registration and additional information, contact ext. 218 at the Parish office



**ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL**

Next weekend, through the diocesan Missionary Cooperative Plan, sisters from the Servants of the Plan of God will be speaking at all Masses about their work in the city of Huambo in Angola, Africa. Working to promote evangelization for the faith, the sisters also provide social, medical and educational support for the thousands living in the region, people who so desperately needs their help. Please consider supporting the good sisters in their work to God's people in Angola with your prayers and financial help.

**OCEAN COUNTY LIBRARY**

Do you love to read? Are you unable to go to the library? Well now the library can come to you. The rich collections of the Ocean County Library are available to persons who are physically unable to visit the library. There are wonderful, trained volunteers who will help you select library materials. They will drop them off to you and pick them up when you're done. Please call 732-349-6200 ext.5530. If interested in volunteering please call the above number as well.

**WELLNESS ACTIVITIES**

**PNEUMONIA SHOTS AND BROWN BAG EVENT**

Do you have questions about the medications you are taking? Want to know about side effects and what to take with what and when? Bring your list medications (or a list) between 9:00 AM and 12:00 PM on Community Sunday – June 26, 2016. Representatives from Walgreen's Pharmacy will be there to answer your questions. Blood pressure screenings and Prevnar shots will also be available. The shots are free with Medicare.

**ALL CASH RAFFLE**

***Church of the Visitation Holy Name Society***

to benefit Church Covering Fund (Parking Lot and Rug Replacement)

First Prize . . . . . 30% of Gross Proceed

Second Prize . . . . . 15% of Gross Proceeds

Third Prize . . . . . 5% of Gross Proceeds

Drawing to be held **SUNDAY, August 21, 2016—4:30 PM**

At the ANNUAL PICNIC VFW, 373 Adamston Rd., Brick, NJ 08723

**Donation: \$20.00 or 6/\$100**

*No substitution of the offered prize may be made (Winner need not be present to win)  
Tickets will be available for purchase in the rectory office during normal business hours  
and in the Narthex of the Church after Masses.*



***JUNE 19, 2016***

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**MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS**

**Liturgical Ministries**

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** see Youth Ministry

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

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

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

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

**MUSIC MINISTRY** spiritually enhances the celebration of the Liturgy. We are always seeking individuals who would like to share their gift of music through songs and prayers. **Adult Choir** assists and encourages the congregation in singing. Practice is on Thursday evenings at 7:15 PM in the Church. Adult choir sings on Sundays at 9:30 am Mass. **Youth Choir** welcomes all from ages 13 – 18 years of age to share their gift of music through songs and prayers. The Youth Groups sings on Sundays at 11:00 AM Mass.

**Bell Choir** is open to all ages. 732-477-9672, ext. 217 - *Natalya Bencivenga or natalie@visitationchurch.com*

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

**VISITATION ALTAR SERVERS TEAM** see Youth Ministry

**Sacrament Preparation**

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

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

**Education and Evangelization Ministries**

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

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

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

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

**Prayer Groups**

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

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

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

**Pastoral Care Ministries**

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

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

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

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

**Services**

**ANNULMENT TEAMS** are available to assist a parishioner in rectifying his/her marital status in accordance with the law of the Catholic Church and enable parish members to participate in a full Christian life 732-477-7059 ext. 218 – *Deacon Salvatore Vicari* 732-477-7059 ext. 103 *Arnold Vicidomini*

**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*

## ***JUNE 19, 2016***

### **Social Ministries/Activities**

**BINGO** is held in the church auditorium on Tuesdays at 11:00 AM. 732-477-9672 ext. 201 – Tuesday *Cindy Maguire*;  
**EVENT DEVELOPMENT TEAM** meets as needed to develop and implement social activities (such as the Gift Auction and Wine Tasting/Art Auction) for the purpose of raising money for the building fund. 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Vicki Cottrell-vicki@visitationchurch.com*

### **Social Concerns**

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

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

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

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

### **Youth Ministries/Activities**

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

**CYO BASKETBALL TEAM** practices at Lake Riviera Middle School. They were the 2007 Ocean County CYO champs. 201-522-3679 – *Coach or doug\_roman4@yahoo.com*

**VISITATION ALTAR SERVERS TEAM** provides assistance to the Priest in celebration of the Mass and other liturgical celebrations Open to all adults and boys and girls third grade and higher who have received their Holy Communion. 732-458-1492 - *Sue Straneri or stranieri.sue@gmail.com*

**VISITATION TEEN MINISTRY** provides a safe place for high school teenagers to come together, meet new people, and have fun while serving God and the community. For additional information please contact 732-477-7059 ext. 105 – *Christie or youthministry@visitationchurch.com*

### **Temporal Welfare**

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS TEAM** works to improve and enhance the appearance and safety of the existing church, former church, rectory building, and the associated grounds. The goal of this team is to adhere to all current safety and building codes and ensure that the house of God is maintained in an appropriate manner. - *Fr. Ed* 732-477-9672, ext. 201

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

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

### **Organizations**

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

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

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

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

**HOLY NAME OF JESUS SOCIETY** promotes respect for the Holy Name of Jesus and His Holy Catholic Church. Society members attend the 8:00 AM Mass the second Sunday of the month and meet the Tuesday following the second Sunday at 7:15 pm in Rectory Room B. There are no meeting July & August, however members still attend mass. 732-239-2449 – *Deacon Nick Stranieri or deaconnick@visitationchurch.com*

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

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

### **Bulletin Deadline**

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