

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 Canon Law to be a Catholic Godparent/Sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. 1. Be at least 16 years of age. 2. Have completed the Sacraments of the Initiation. (Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation) 3. Be a registered and active parishioner living a life of faith. If married, have a marriage that is canonically valid and recognized by the Catholic Church.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Weekend: Saturday 4:00 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*

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY	JUNE 25
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
MONDAY	JUNE 27
7:30 AM	Helen & John McDonald
8:15 AM	Patricia Reilly
TUESDAY	JUNE 28
7:30 AM	Barbara Weber
8:15 AM	God's Blessing on Ellen Schussler
WEDNESDAY	JUNE 29
7:30 AM	Bernice Dimetros
8:15 AM	Lou Barbuscio
THURSDAY	JUNE 30
7:30 AM	Paul J. Smith
8:15 AM	Judy Bencivenga
FRIDAY	JULY 1
7:30 AM	Adelaide Avella
8:15 AM	Cornelius Britton
SATURDAY	JULY 2
7:30 AM	Peter Sramowicz
8:15 AM	Thomas Kenna
4:00 PM	Frank & Eleanor Barlowski
SUNDAY	JULY 3
6:45 AM	People of the Parish
8:00 AM	Living & Deceased Members of the Rosary Altar Society & Geraldine Salerno
9:30 AM	Patrick Kelleher
11:00 AM	Carol Buganesi
12:30 PM	Mary Ghirlanda

SUNDAY JUNE 26

MISSION APPEAL WEEKEND

<i>Masses</i>		Church
<i>Community Sunday</i>	After Masses	Parish Hall
<i>Baptism</i>	1:45	Church
MONDAY	JUNE 27	
<i>Summer CCD</i>	8:00 AM	Room A, C & Parish Hall
<i>M M & Saint Jude Novena</i>	8:15 AM	Church
<i>Rosary For Life</i>	1:30 PM	Daily Chapel
TUESDAY	JUNE 28	
<i>Summer CCD</i>	8:00 AM	Room A, B & C
<i>Bingo</i>	11:00 AM	Parish Hall
<i>Boy Scouts</i>	6:30 PM	Old Church
<i>Alanon</i>	7:00 PM	Parish Hall
WEDNESDAY	JUNE 29	
<i>Summer CCD</i>	8:00 AM	Room A, B & C
<i>Community Lunch</i>	12:00 PM	Parish Hall
THURSDAY	JUNE 30	
<i>Summer CCD</i>	8:00 AM	Room A, B & C
<i>Bible Study</i>	9:45 AM	Parish Hall
<i>AA</i>	7:30 PM	Parish Hall
FRIDAY	JULY 1	
<i>Summer CCD</i>	8:00 AM	Room A, B & C
<i>Children of Light Prayer</i>	7:00 PM	Parish Room A
SATURDAY	JULY 2	
<i>Vigil Mass</i>	4:00 PM	Church

Daily Masses will be held in the Church to allow our Summer CCD Student to begin their day with Mass

For the Week of June 26, 2016



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

Chapel Sanctuary Candle is "Special Intentions"

Blessed Mother Candle is "In Loving

Memory" of Gerald Caci

Sacred Heart Candle is "In Loving Memory" Ana Lambusta

Readings for the Week

Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16bc-23; Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-8; Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-5; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19

Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

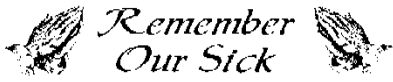
Thursday: Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17

Sunday: Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 [1-9]

"YOU ARE MY INHERITANCE, O LORD"



The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel Jesus begins his journey to Jerusalem. We read that Jesus' days for being "taken up" were fulfilled. We also read that Jesus is determined to journey to Jerusalem. For Luke, Jesus ministry begins in Galilee and then is one long journey to Jerusalem. In Jerusalem he will meet his death but also enter into his glory. It is in Jerusalem that his disciples wait after his Ascension to be sent the Holy Spirit on Pentecost.

Immediately Jesus is met with rejection, as a Samaritan village will not receive him because he is going to Jerusalem. There was animosity between Samaritans who worshiped on Mount Gerazim and Jews who worshiped in Jerusalem. James and John want to call down fire from heaven to destroy the people in the village, but Jesus rebukes them and moves on. There is often the temptation to use violence to achieve right. Jesus has come to break this temptation. He is aware that he must undergo violence himself before he can enter his glory.

The rest of today's reading is about the radical demands of discipleship. The three people who volunteer to become disciples on this journey show that they do not understand the demands Jesus will make of them. Neither care of self, care for the dead, nor care of one's family (as required by the Fourth Commandment) can come before the demands of discipleship. Jesus reminds the first volunteer, who would go wherever Jesus goes, that animals in the wild have more security than do Jesus and his followers. The second, who wants to bury a parent, is reminded that the demands of proclaiming the Kingdom of God take precedence. And the third, who wants to say farewell to his family, is reminded that once you put your hand to the plow you cannot look back or the furrow will be crooked. Such a person is not ready for the Kingdom of God.

Jesus seems harsh here, but he is only asking of his disciples what he asks of himself. Jesus' unconditional commitment to God's saving work will demand of him his life Jesus does not want anyone to rush into discipleship, because the demands of discipleship require everyone considering it to be aware of the cost, make Jesus and his mission central to his life, and then go forward without looking back.

Loyola Press

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- I. Margaret Sherbert
- III. 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; *John Fcasni, Barbara Fazio*



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 19, 2016

Regular	\$9,690.97
On Line	\$921.00
Total	\$10,611.97

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.

"Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God."
Romans 15:7

Reflections for



On this first official weekend of summer, as we attend graduations and weddings, beginning our plans to “wind down” for vacations, let’s also remember to take a moment to pray and energize ourselves in the work of evangelization, a work of which we are *never* supposed to take a vacation.

In Pope Francis’ 2013 Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*, Latin for “The Joy of the Gospel” (and in which the word “joy” is used 109 times), the call for evangelization – the spread of the Good News in the Gospel – is done best not only by words, but also by joyful example.

If we have joy, then we can’t help but naturally and spontaneously share our faith, in the same way that one would want to share *anything* that we are passionate about. The solution that the Pope proposes, most fundamentally, is that every Catholic, in a genuine and personal act, turn once again to Christ and, “unfailingly each day,” ask Christ to be with us as a friend. Our Holy Father even suggests the words one might use: “Lord, I have let myself be deceived; in a thousand ways I have shunned your love, yet here I am once more, to renew my covenant with you. I need you. Save me once again, Lord, take me once more into your redeeming embrace” (EG 3).

This weekend we will see a marvelous example of this joyful witness as this year’s diocesan Missionary Cooperative Plan representatives, the *Servants of the Plan of God*, tell us about the work they are doing through the villages of Huambo in the African nation of Angola. I firmly believe that hearing this witness is crucial for us today. As horrific reports continue to come with astonishing rapidity from places such as Orlando FL, San Bernadino CA, Charleston SC and others, we may wonder how peace can ever be found in today’s rapidly eroding society. Hearing from the sisters how Jesus comes to people in such terrible *material* poverty (and how we can help them in this effort) can also be a key to helping us bring that same Jesus to people in own own culture, a nation immersed in a terrible *spiritual* poverty. Listening to how others do this can energize us and renew our own efforts in bringing the light of Christ to those in darkness!

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!

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RCIA CORNER

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 for more information.

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.

BBQ SUPPER WITH ALL SAINTS

For those who are hungry or in need of friendship join All Saints Church, 500 Lake Avenue, Bayhead Tuesday, June 28, 2016 from 4:00 – 6:00 PM for a meal. For additional information, please call 732-892-5198.

ROOM SCHEDULE

All ministries or organizations that schedule meeting rooms, Chapel or Church Worship Space on a reoccurring basis must renew by August for the September 2016 to June 2017 season. This will enable us to have the most accurate information on our event calendar. You can view availability by going to our website at www.visitationrcchurch.org and clicking on the calendar of events. You may submit a request directly on the calendar by clicking the tap in the upper left corner marked Room Request by filling out the appropriate information. You may also e-mail your request to dpatetta@visitacionrcchurch.org. Room request are done on a first come first served basis.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



There is still some space left for our VBS. It will run from July 25 thru the 29 this year. Welcome and join the fun. You can register any time after June 8 in the Religious Ed Office in the Rectory. 732 477-5217.

SUMMER TWILIGHT BOOK STUDY

Sacred Heart Church Hall
751 Main Ave, Bay Head, NJ 08742 at 7:00 pm



Join us for a summer twilight book study for 6 weeks. If there is one person we should each get to know in a deeply personal way, it is Jesus. And the best time to get to know Jesus is right now. In this NEW book *Rediscover Jesus*, Matthew Kelly, America's best-selling Catholic author and internationally acclaimed speaker. He will take us on a 6-week spiritual journey to encounter Jesus—the amazing friend who is going to help you answer life's tough questions. No book purchase necessary and no fee. Bring a friend or just make new ones at

Monday June 27th
Tuesday July 5th
Monday July 11th, 18th, and 25th
Monday August 1st

For further information please contact Dawn Rusinko at 732-899-1398 or DawnRusinko@yahoo.com
<http://dynamiccatholic.com/rediscoverjesus/>

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next weekend will be held July 22-24. Early registration is advisable as space is limited. Phone 1-732-904-9636 for registration and information or visit the website at: www.aweekendforyourmarrige.org.

2017 MASS BOOK

**The Mass book for the year 2017
Will open July 12, 2016 at 9:00 AM.**

This year, you may request **three** Masses. No request will be taken over the phone. Mass offering is \$10.00. All intentions will mention the person in the Prayer of the Faithful.

Thank you for your cooperation.

ST. DOMINIC—BRICK SPIRITUALITY & EDUCATION DAY

Diocese of Trenton Department of Pastoral Care invites all maturing adults 55+ to join us for a day of inspiration, entertainment, food, and friends July 14th 10AM—3PM. Registration is at 9:15AM. The Presenter is Rev. James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R, Rector and Director of San Alfonso Retreat House, Long Branch. He will speak on “The Call to Elderhood in the Year of Mercy.” Entertainment provided by Moreno Fruzzetti: Italian tenor with a golden voice. He will share hits from the Good Old Days of American Pop and some Italian classics and popular hits. He was awarded “Ambassador of Italian Music in America.” The day will conclude with Mass at 2:30pm. Show our USA spirit—wear red-white-blue. Register online at www.dioceseoftrenton.org/pastoral_care or call Deanna Sass at 609-403-715

CALLING ALL CHEFS

The Center in Asbury Park is in need of volunteers to cook dinner for the residents on Saturdays and Sundays. There are about 12-15 residents and dinner is served on Saturday, 4:30-5:30 pm and Sunday, 4:00-5:00 pm. This opportunity is open to individuals, families, youth groups, school clubs and churches. Please contact Clark Shannon at cshannon@thecenterinap.com or 732-774-3416, ext. 121 to see what dates are available.

REGISTERED NURSES & CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS

Why not consider a position at our Five Star Skilled Care Facility for the De La Salle Christian Brothers. Please call Rebecca Gwinnell, DON to schedule a tour and interview at our Lincroft Community 732-530-9470 ext. 336.

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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*

SUMMER SOLSTICE

Stella Maris, 981 Ocean Avenue. Long Branch, NJ

This program brings families together for an afternoon outdoors to be grateful for the energy and warmth of the sun and for the gift of water. The afternoon begins with a prayer of gratitude for the season of Summer. The prayer spills over with gratitude and joyful outdoor fun in the sun including: face painting, crafts, swimming, and kite flying as options. (Celebration is weather permitting). Sunday, June 18, 2016, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Cost: Donation according to means. To register please call WATERSPIRT at (732) 923-9788 or email us at water@waterspirit.org.

MEN'S RETREAT

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.sanalfonso retreats.org or call San Alfonso at (732) 222-2731 x 140, or John Fraraccio at (732) 272-7572, or johcafra@outlook.com.



BINGO

**THERE WILL BE NO BINGO ON TUESDAY, JULY 5TH.
BINGO WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY JULY 12TH.**



50/50 TICKETS are available in the narthex of the Church. The drawing for June will take place after the 12:30 Mass on Sunday, June 26 in the church auditorium during the Community Sunday gathering. We wish you good luck and hope to see you there!

ST. JOSEPH HILL ACADEMY

Founded by the Daughters of Divine Charity, St. Joseph Hill Academy, an all-girls High School of approximately 400 students on Staten Island, is seeking a Principal to uphold its mission of preparing its students, academically and spiritually, to become confident young women ready to meet society's challenges. The ideal candidate will be a practicing Roman Catholic with prior relevant experience with school administration, fiscal and strategic planning, and will possess excellent communication skills necessary to interact with the Board of Trustees, faculty, the student body, and the Staten Island community. Candidates should hold a Master's Degree. Please send resumes and cover letters to sisterwilliam@gmail.com

CCD REGISTRATIONS

New registrations and Sunday registration are accepted any day of the week in the Religious Education Office from 11:00 AM until 7:00 PM.

A copy of the child's Baptism Certificate is required, if the child has NOT been baptized at Visitation.

Weekday registration will be from 11:00 to 7:00 PM and Saturdays, by appointment only. Registration fee is \$95.00 for the first child and \$25.00 for any additional children.

NOTE: Due to space restrictions, children that are being re-registered for weekday & summer classes will be placed into a classroom based on the family's active participation in Visitation Parish **not on a first-come-first-serve basis**. For any further information, please call Nancy Grodberg @ 732 477-5217 or email nancy@visitationchurch.com.

PLEASE NOTE

There will be no Altar Rosary or Holy Name Society meetings during the summer. Meetings resume in September. New members are welcome.



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.

SAVE THE DATE
SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2016

We're chomping at the cob!!
Are you getting excited? We hope so.
Details will follow shortly. Stay tuned.

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.

SUMMER CHOIR

There is still time to join our Summer Choir! We will sing at the 9:30 AM Mass each Sunday in June, July, and August. Rehearsal will be held 30 minutes prior to Mass each week in the Church Music Room. If you need more information, please contact our Music Director Natalya at extension 217. All are welcome!

"Acts of Faith, Works of Love"

We are demonstrating our love of God by our generosity to the Annual Catholic Appeal.

EXCUSED FROM MASS DURING VACATION

This is actually a common and unfortunate misconception. As Catholics we are expected to attend Mass every Sunday and other Holy Days of Obligation. One primary reason for attending Mass is to receive Jesus' Body and Blood. That's not just an obligation but an amazing gift. The Church doesn't want us to miss an opportunity to meet with Christ for any avoidable reason.

However, going to Mass at a local church can be a fun way to experience the local customs of places we visit. While the Mass itself doesn't change, parishes may have different ways of greeting visitors, singing different hymns or even offer hospitality after Mass that can help you get tips for places to visit while you are there. To find the nearest Catholic Church anywhere in the United States, go to www.parishesonline.com or www.masstimes.org.

"Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you." Luke 6:38

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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*

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Social Ministries/Activities

BINGO is held in the church auditorium on Tuesdays at 11:00 AM. 732-477-9672 ext. 201 – 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.