

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

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY	AUGUST 27
4:00 PM	Mario Altomare
SUNDAY	AUGUST 28
6:45 AM	Mark Domogauer
8:00 AM	People of the Parish
9:30 AM	Francoise Rose
11:00 AM	Barbara Weber
12:30 PM	Lorraine Kozak
MONDAY	AUGUST 29
7:30 AM	Allen Thorogood
8:15 AM	Kathleen LaTaille
TUESDAY	AUGUST 30
7:30 AM	Candy Switzer
8:15 AM	Gerard Clarke
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST 31
7:30 AM	Ned Hall
8:15 AM	Carolyn Rollis
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER 1
7:30 AM	John Tenore
8:15 AM	Karol Laskowski
FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER 2
7:30 AM	Gerald Caci
8:15 AM	God's Blessings on Eileen Richel
SATURDAY	SEPTEMBER 3
7:30 AM	Josephine Impellizeri
8:15 AM	Henry Karpinski
4:00 PM	Lorraine Kozak
SUNDAY	SEPTEMBER 4
6:45 AM	Nicholas & Harriet Fritz
8:00 AM	Living & Dec'd Members of The Rosary Altar Society & Chris Lane
9:30 AM	People of the Parish
11:00 AM	God's Bless on Ray & Mary Nickerson
12:30 PM	Angelo Leotta

SUNDAY	AUGUST 28
<i>Masses</i>	Church
<i>Community Sunday</i>	After Masses Parish Hall
MONDAY	AUGUST 29
<i>Rosary for Life</i>	1:30PM Daily Chapel
TUESDAY	AUGUST 30
<i>Bingo</i>	11:00 AM Parish Hall
<i>Alanon</i>	7:00 PM Parish Hall
<i>Faith to Move Mountains</i>	7:00 PM Room C
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST 31
<i>Community Lunch</i>	12:00 PM Parish Hall
<i>Boy Scouts</i>	6:30 PM Parish Hall
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER 1
<i>AA</i>	7:30 PM Parish Hall
FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER 2
<i>Children of Light Prayer</i>	6:30 PM VRC
<i>Holy Hour</i>	7:00 PM Church
SATURDAY	SEPTEMBER 3
<i>Vigil Mass</i>	4:00 PM Church
<i>RCIA</i>	5:00 PM Parish Hall

For the Week of August 28, 2016



Church Sanctuary Candle is "Special Intentions"
Chapel Sanctuary Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Gordon Mills
Blessed Mother Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Virginia "Ginger" Reid
Sacred Heart Candle is "Special Intentions"

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Mk 6:17-29
Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

“GOD, IN YOUR GOODNESS, YOU HAVE MADE A HOME FOR THE POOR”



- II. Adryenne Butkovsky
- III. Dolores Lusko

“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.

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 August 21, 2016

Regular	\$10,847.83
OnLine	\$310.00
Total	\$11,157.83



HOLY HOUR

Join us in the Church for Holy Hour and Benediction

FIRST FRIDAY

September 2, 2016

7:00 to 8:00 PM.

BBQ WITH THE SAINTS

For those who are hungry or in need of friendship, the last Tuesday of each month join All Saints Church at 500 Lake Avenue, Bay Head for food and fellowship. Serving from 4:00~6:00 PM. For additional information call 732-892-5198.

Reflections for The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Meals played an important role in the society in which Jesus lived. More than a time for sharing nourishment, they were a time to share ideas and to

model different aspects of social relationships. In Luke's Gospel, the places that a person ate (at the home of a tax collector, 5:29), the people with whom a person ate (sinners, 5:30), whether a person washed before eating (11:38), and, as is the case here, the place that a person sits while eating are all important. The narrator says Jesus tells a parable, but it is really wise advice to both guests and hosts about finding true happiness at the heavenly banquet.

Jesus warns guests to wait before taking their places at the table lest they be asked to move if someone more important arrives. This is more than just a lesson about dinner etiquette. It is advice on how to find your true place in the Kingdom of God. Jesus advises hosts not to invite people who would be expected to repay them to dinner but to invite those who could not repay: the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. This is where real blessings can be found.

In these sayings, Luke gives us not only advice on how to approach the end times but also on how to live according to Jesus' vision of a good society. Luke's Gospel also advises us how the Church must be part of bringing about this society. It is yet another example in Luke's Gospel of the reversal the kingdom brings about.

Loyola Press

NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE ONE COLLECTION.

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ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK
DR. STANLEY J. SZANIAWSKI**

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

AUGUST 28, 2016



Labor Day: for many, one last chance to enjoy the dwindling summer, or a last summer sale. The actual principles behind this holiday, which celebrates and commemorates the American worker and the practice of labor, resonate well with Catholic teaching. In his encyclical “On Human Labor” by Saint Pope John Paul II, we discover that “from the very first pages of the Book of Genesis, work is established as a fundamental dimension for human existence on earth ... in a most profound way, human labor is an extension of the creating activity of God. There is dignity, therefore, in our work” (*Laborem Exercens*, 4).

Work is an integral part of the human task in the stewardship of creation. It is an activity that not only defines us but also teaches several important values: respect for others, the need of and respect for authority, and the precious value of our limited natural resources. Regardless of our work, whether its accomplishments are widely publicized or known only to a few – even if our occupation is currently trying to find gainful employment – we are called to approach each task with reverence, as the fulfillment of an irreplaceable social need and as our participation in the ongoing work of God in His creation.

One labor that we would all do well to pray for is the work being done in the field of God’s salvation. As the summer of 2016 unofficially ends, we see serious threats to religious freedom, to the dignity of marriage and family and to the right to life looming ever closer in a nation that must reflect seriously on its values and the integrity of its leadership. We are called to embrace the labors required in guiding ourselves and those around us to the truth. We can no longer live as “lukewarm Catholics” but must work to give our Catholic faith true meaning and relevance in today’s society: in our nation, in our community, in our churches and schools, in our families – and it must begin within ourselves. We are challenged to remain true in our faith and in our actions to the God who loves us more than we can possibly imagine. May He bless us and strengthen us in that work!

Fr. Ed



AUGUST DINE TO DONATE PARTNER

Bubbakoo’s Burritos, 515 Brick Blvd. Brick 732-477-6200

Monday – Sunday 11 am – 9 pm

Burritos, Bowls, Tacos, Taco Salads, Quesadillas, Nachos, and featuring “The Chiwawa”.

There are Vegetarian offerings, a dessert menu, and more!



ENTIRE MONTH OF AUGUST

Monday, August 1

**** COUPON ****

Wednesday, August 31

Present this coupon at Bubbakoo’s Burritos and 15% of your total purchase will be donated to the Visitation Church Covering Fund!

RUMMAGE SALE/GARDEN ART SHOW



Rummage Sale

Join us after mass on Sunday August 28, 2016 from 7:00 am to 2:00 pm for a rummage sale and Garden Art Show at Visitation Relief Center, 755 Mantoloking Rd. Brick. For more information call 732-746-3456 or visit visitationreliefcenter.org or [facebook.com/VisitationReliefCenter](https://www.facebook.com/VisitationReliefCenter)

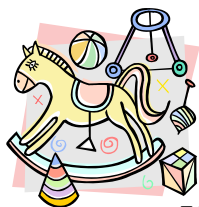
AUGUST 28, 2016

AUTUMN GIFT AUCTION

**TICKETS ON SALE STARTING AUGUST 28
Available at Community Sunday Gathering**

The Event Development Team is beginning to prepare for our Annual Gift Auction that will be held on November 5, 2016, and we're looking for your help. Teams are now forming to prepare the gifts. If you would like to become part of this energetic team please contact Betty Kilkenny at 732-475-0048, or e-mail EventTeam@visitationRCchurch.org or fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket. Let the fun begin!

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.



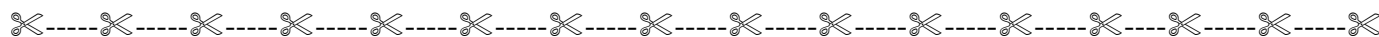
Do you have NEW, unused items that you would like to donate for use at this special event? All new items, except shoes and clothing, are welcome. We can use toys, games, appliances, tablecloths, golf balls, baseball gloves, china, gardening tools, towels, candlestick holders, center pieces, jewelry, 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.



Remember, by contributing your time, talent and/or treasure (the three T's) you are contributing to benefit the Church Covering Fund (Parking Lot and Rug Replacement). This Gift Auction is a perfect opportunity to do all three for one special event. We look forward to hearing from you.

***GIFTS CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT ANY COMMUNITY SUNDAY
OR THE RECTORY OFFICE BY OCTOBER 16, 2016***



- 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 5, 2016

Name _____ Phone _____

E-Mail _____

I prefer to be contacted by: Phone E-mail

The best time to contact me is: Morning Afternoon Evening

HELP NEEDED!!

VISITATION ALTAR SERVER TEAM



V.A.S.T. - Visitation Altar Server Team – is in need of servers. Being an altar server is a wonderful way to serve God and worship him through the Liturgy. If you would like to become an altar server, please contact Mrs. Stranieri at (732) 458-1492. Meetings are held 1-

2 times a year, and training is hands-on during mass. You must have received your First Holy Communion and be in third grade or older. Adults are also welcome to join.



50/50 TICKETS are available in the narthex of the Church. The drawing for August will take place after the 12:30 Mass on Sunday,

August 28 in the church auditorium during the Community Sunday gathering.

We wish you good luck and hope to see you there!

ALUMINIUM CAN COLLECTION



Save your aluminum cans to help support Boy Scout Troop #38. You can place your aluminum in the collection can by the dumpster, by the old church, or bring them by

during our meeting time: Wednesdays 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM in the parish hall.

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-to-day 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.

BACK TO SCHOOL



The St. Vincent de Paul Society needs your help in filling back packs for our children as they eagerly await their return to school. These back packs will be distributed to the needy children within our parish boundaries. Items needed, but not limited to are:

- Packages of pencils & pens
- Spiral notebooks and compositions books
- Folders
- Boxes of crayons
- Glue Sticks
- Pencil Sharpeners
- Highlighters
- Boxes of Tissues
- Hand Sanitizers
- Book Covers
- Fruit Snacks
- Snack Crackers

There will be containers at all the doors of the church

If your child is in need of a back pack filled with supplies, please contact St. Vincent de Paul at 732-477-7059 ext. 160 and leave your name and phone number with a message.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY CASH RAFFLE

Congratulations to the winners of the Holy Name Society Cash Raffle to benefit the Church Covering Fund (Parking Lot and Rug Replacement). First prize of \$1284 was won by Maria Ormsby, second prize of \$642 went to Tom Hussennetter, and Peter Mancini won the third prize of \$214. The raffle raised \$2140 for the Covering Fund. Thank you to all who participated.

ROSARY BEADS REPAIRED

Do you have a broken Rosary?

I am a member of the Alter Rosary Society and starting making rosaries two years ago for The Visitation Church. I would be happy to repair your broken rosaries free of charge for any Visitation Parishioners. If any beads are missing, please supply the beads to match your rosary. I only have white pearl & clear beads. Please call Ellen at 732-513-6094.



WHY DO WE DISMISS THE CATECHUMENS?

At Visitation we dismiss our Catechumens after the homily but before the Creed. While it may seem inhospitable, it is actually enabling them to complete their job in the RCIA. We are not sending the catechumens away because they are unworthy, or because we don't want to reveal the next portion of the Mass to them, we are sending them out to do the work that is appropriate to their order in the Body of Christ. Their vocation is to hear the Word of God and act on it. When we send them forth they consume the word of God in their dismissal session. They focus intently, listen deeply to the Word, and how they can use it to lead a purer life. This is an essential part of their training in the Christian life. The dismissal is not a time for actual teaching, it is a time for reflection, prayer, and faith sharing that flows from God's Word. The leader does not need to be a catechist they only need to be someone who reflects on their own faith. Someone who can use the scripture to form their life. If you think you may want to assist our Catechumens in this quest, please contact me at 732-477-7059 ext. 214 or email at dale@visitationchurch.com.



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 6, 13, 20, 27 and October 4, 11, and 18. To register, call Deacon Rich at 732-477-7059 ext. 221. Leave your name and phone number.

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, September 27, 2016



Grab your walking shoes or sneakers and help us take steps for a great cause! The 2016 *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 fund-raising 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 17th. 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 10 & 11 for early registration and/or monetary donations.

Hope to see you there!

Members of the Diocese of Trenton will come together in thanksgiving and celebration as Pope Francis canonizes

‘SAINT TERESA OF KOLKATA’

all are invited to a mass of thanksgiving

September 4, 2016 at 11 a.m.

In Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Mother of Mercy Parish, Asbury Park

805 Pine Street, Asbury Park, NJ 07712

(local parish of the Missionaries of Charity, the religious order founded by Mother Teresa, who have served the poor in Asbury Park since 1999)

Bishop David M. O’Connell, C.M., principal celebrant and homilist

For further information, contact the Diocese of Trenton, Office Of Communications at (609) 403-7199; dotcomm@dioceseoftrenton.org
The Monitor will have full on-location and follow-up coverage of this special Mass. Check in at trentonmonitor.com.

SHOP TO SUPPORT



Get ready for back to school and fall sports while benefiting the Church Covering Fund (parking Lot and worship space carpeting) at the same time. Shop at Modell's Sporting Goods anytime from August 5 thru September 1, 2016 to receive 15% off your purchase. Visitation will also receive 5% back from your purchases made during this "Team Weeks" shopping period. Coupons are available at the doors of the church.

CAR WASH \$5.00 PER CAR



Please come out and help support Boy Scout Troop #38 on Sunday, September 11, 2016 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at the Exxon station on the corner of Old Hooper and Drum Point Road.

ROSARY ALTAR MEETING



The next meeting of the Rosary Altar Society will be on September 12. We will meet in the Church Worship Space at 11:30 am for the Rosary then at 12:00 in the Parish

Hall for our meeting. This month our guest speaker will be Dr. Bodgan, an Ophthalmologist. He will be happy to answer all your questions. Please join us at Mass on Sunday, September 4 at the 8:00 am. We look forward to seeing all of you!



If you have already received an appeal mailing from the diocese, you may choose to either send in a pledge now, send in a donation, drop a pledge or donation in a separately marked envelope in any of our regular collections or pledges may be sent directly to:

The Annual Catholic Appeal
Diocese of Trenton
PO Box 4887
Trenton, NJ 08650

Thank-you to those who've already pledged.

As of July 26, 2016

Goal ~\$92,000.00

Pledge ~ \$50,519.00

Cash Recd ~ \$43,481.50

Total Donors ~ 321

Participation ~ 7%

Percentage of Goal ~ 55%

**400th Anniversary of the Ministry of
St. Vincent De Paul**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Aloysius and St. Monica Churches is planning to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the ministry in a big way!

We hope you will join us for a buffet dinner and dancing to 50's and 60's music.

on Saturday, September 17; 6-10pm

Gonzaga Hall, Saint Aloysius Church

Dinner catered by Jacques & Music by the Nostalgix

Tickets: \$50 per person/BYOB

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY TRIP

Play: Samson

Place: Sight & Sound

Date: Wednesday, November 9, 2016

Bus departs Visitation Parking Lot 8:30 AM and returns approximately 8:45 PM

Cost: \$117.00

For additional information or the purchase a ticket, contact

Terry at 732-903-7527 or Marilyn at 732-920-9763

AUGUST 28, 2016

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 6:30 PM in The Visitation Relief Center at 725 Mantoloking Road, Brick 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*

AUGUST 28, 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 Stranieri 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.