



# 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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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 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*

# THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>OCTOBER 29</b>
4:00 PM	Mesgleski & Degan Families
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>OCTOBER 30</b>
6:45 AM	People of the Parish
8:00 AM	Wesley Mulrean
9:30 AM	Peggy Giordano
11:00 AM	Lucy Rynkiewicz & Alexander Banoff
12:30 PM	Philip LaManna
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>OCTOBER 31</b>
7:30 AM	Paul Bella
8:15 AM	Edward Hoban
7:00 PM	Marilyn Ballis
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 1</b>
7:30 AM	David Jensen
9:00 AM	Henry Stansfield
5:00 PM	Joseph Motard
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 2</b>
7:30 AM	Peter Smith
8:15 AM	Romolo Lechic
7:00 PM	All Souls
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 3</b>
7:30 AM	Mary Martinson
8:15 AM	John K. Fleming
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 4</b>
7:30 AM	Michael O'Conner
8:15 AM	John Daley
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 5</b>
7:30 AM	Geraldine Streckfuss
8:15 AM	Charles Corby
4:00 PM	Rita Back
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 6</b>
6:45 AM	People of the Parish
8:00 AM	Living & Dec'd Members of The Rosary Altar Society
9:30 AM	Joe DiLauro
11:00 AM	Isabel & Louis Bulzoni
12:30 PM	Layton Jannicelli

## For the Week of October 30, 2016



**Church Sanctuary Candle** is "Special Intentions"

**Chapel Sanctuary Candle** is "Special Intentions"

**Blessed Mother Candle** is "In Loving Memory" of Angela Hibbard

**Sacred Heart Candle** is "Special Intentions"

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>OCTOBER 30</b>
Masses	Church
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>OCTOBER 31</b>
Rosary for Life	130PM Daily Chapel
CCD	600 PM Rooms A, B & C
Cub Scouts	630PM Parish Hall
Vigil Mass	700PM Church
<b>ALL SAINTS</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 1</b>
	<b>Rectory Office Closed</b>
Mass	7:30 & 9:00 AM Church
Bingo	11:00 AM Parish Hall
CCD	4:30 PM Room C
Mass	5:00 PM Church
Children's Choir	6:30 PM Church
Alanon	7:00 PM Parish Hall
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 2</b>
Community Lunch	12:00 PM Parish Hall
CCD	4:30 PM Rooms A & C
Boy Scouts	6:30 PM Parish Hall
Mass of Remembrance	7:00 PM Church
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 3</b>
Bible Study	9:45 AM Parish Hall
St Vincent DePaul Mtg	1:00 PM Room B
CCD	4:30 PM Rooms A & B
Harmony	6:00 PM Room C
Adult & Youth Choir	7:15 PM Church
AA	7:30 PM Parish Hall
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 4</b>
Holy Hour	7:00 PM Church
Life in the Spirit Seminar	7:15 PM Daily Chapel
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 5</b>
Harmony	9:00 & 10:30 Room A
Altar Server Meeting	11:00 AM Room A
Vigil Mass	4:00 PM Church
RCIA	5:00 PM Room C
Autumn Gift Auction	5:30 PM Parish Hall

## Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:12-14

**Tuesday:** Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

**Wednesday:** Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from 668 or from Masses for the Dead, 1011-1016

**Thursday:** Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10

**Friday:** Phil 3:17 — 4:1; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 16:1-8

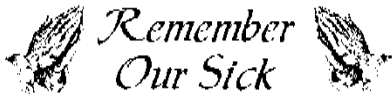
**Saturday:** Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9; Lk 16:9-15

**Sunday:** 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14; Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15; 2 Thes 2:16 — 3:5; Lk 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]

**“I WILL PRAISE YOUR NAME FOR EVER MY KING AND MY GOD”**

 **Wedding Banns**

III. Sean Rodgers & Chelsea Buttacavoli

 **Remember Our Sick**

I. Alyssa Sparano

“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; *Richard Doyle*

THE RECTORY OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON ALL SAINTS DAY – TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>. WE WILL REOPEN ON WEDNESDAY AT 8:30 AM.

**HOW WILL YOU BE REMEMBERED?**

**CREATE A LEGACY** 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 October 23, 2016**

<b>Regular</b>	\$9,222.17
<b>On Line</b>	\$1,030.00
<b>Total</b>	\$10,252.17

**HOLY HOUR**

Join us in Church for Holy Hour and Benediction.

**FIRST FRIDAY NIGHT**

**November 4, 2016**

**7:00 – 8:00 PM**



**CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY**

Complimentary Thanksgiving Dinner, Thursday, November 24, 2016 1:00 at Church of the Epiphany, Located at 615 Thiele Road, Brick. Meal delivery available. For additional information and reservation call 732-458-0220.

*Reflections for The Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time*



In Jesus' day, tax collectors were not popular people. They were collaborators with the Romans and were despised by many Jewish people. The tax system allowed them to charge more than what was required so that they could make a profit for themselves. Thus, they

were considered sinners by their countrymen. Observers in the crowd that day grumble because Jesus dines with a sinner. Throughout Scripture, Jesus' choice of dinner companions set him apart from other observant Jews of his time. In first century Jewish culture, to dine together was to show a bond of fellowship and peace among those at the table. Observant Jews did not generally dine with foreigners and sinners. Yet, Jesus chooses to honor the tax collector, Zacchaeus, by staying at his house.

Even before Jesus comes to his home, Zacchaeus shows himself to be someone in search of salvation. Zacchaeus, described as short in stature, climbs a tree in order to see Jesus. We know from Luke's description that Zacchaeus was no ordinary tax collector; he was, in fact, the chief tax collector and a person of some wealth. In his search for salvation, he humbled himself by making a spectacle of himself by climbing a tree.

Jesus recognizes the faith of this tax collector exhibited in his search for salvation and calls him down from the tree. In the hospitality he extends to Jesus and in his conversion of heart, Zacchaeus is raised up by Jesus as a model of salvation.

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**NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE ONE COLLECTION.**

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A brief update on the Visitation Relief Center: as many of you have heard in the press, we are working with the township regarding the outstanding code violations at the VRC. Although you will be reading this after the event, I feel that it is in the best interests of the parish to address immediately the more serious faults in preparation for the inspection planned with the Code Enforcement Office this week. By providing evidence that we are taking this seriously and that we want to work with township officials, I'm hopeful that we can reduce the financial impact that this situation poses to the parish. In other words, I believe that some investment of re-building capital and good faith effort may help avoid a large and potentially damaging bill for Visitation parish as well as the general ill will that such a situation would create.

Part of this hope includes the possibility that the VRC could once again open its doors: as has been wisely said, "A death has to occur before resurrection can take place". However, just as the body of Jesus had different attributes after his Resurrection than it did before he died, the Visitation Relief Center that may come from this likely will be somewhat different from the Center that had to close two weeks ago. As part of our effort moving forward, we are carefully examining each aspect of the Center's mission and how the needs in this area have changed since it first opened in 2013. I would ask that you assist us with your prayers and that God will continue to bring His good works about for the people of Brick and the surrounding communities through these caring and dedicated efforts.

*Fr. Ed*

**NOVEMBER DINE TO DONATE PARTNER**

**Smashburger**

Monday, November 7 – 5:30 – 7:30 Only

**MUST BRING FLYER** (available at the doors of the church)

**10% of your bill excluding tax, gratuity will be donated to the Church of the Visitation Covering Fund (parking lot and carpet replacement).**

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE TIME CHANGE**

Our Children's Choir has changed the practice time. Practice will continue on Tuesday, but practice will be held from 6:30 to 7:00 PM in the Church Worship Space. We will begin practicing our Christmas Music for our upcoming concert. We hope to see you there. For additional information contact Natalya at 732-477-7059 ext. 217.



**VETERANS DAY**



God Bless America! November 11, 2016 is Veterans Remembrance Day. Next weekend, you will notice a basket in the narthex of the Church that has green army soldiers in it. Please take one home (1 please), to help you remember to pray for those who keep us safe; those who are currently serving, those who have served, those who are retired, and those who have fallen or been injured – male and female alike. Whether at home or abroad, active duty, reserves or retired, we say thank you for your service! (Please be careful with the soldiers when you take them home - choking hazard.)



**OCTOBER 30, 2016**

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**ALL SAINTS DAY  
NOVEMBER 1**

*Today we keep the festival of your Holy City,  
the heavenly Jerusalem, our mother.  
Around your throne  
the saints, our brothers and sisters,  
sing your praise forever.  
Their glory fills us with joy,  
and their communion with us in your Church  
gives us inspiration and strength  
as we hasten on our pilgrimage of faith,  
eager to meet them.*

We pray during the Mass of All Saints. We celebrate those who have made the long journey to the Holy City, Jerusalem, to the feast of heaven. The scriptures and prayers for the day tell us that we are part of that vast throng now standing before God’s throne in ceaseless praise. At our baptism, when we received our white robes, we became part of this great assembly. Indeed, every time we go to Mass, before we sing Holy, Holy, we recall that we sing God’s praise with “angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven.”

Who is this company and why is it so wonderful to be part of it? This is another way of asking, “What does the Communion of Saints mean?” It is not complicated. All the baptized, living and dead, across the generations, walk together, suffer together, sing together—not only those who have died, and not only those who lead heroic lives. Vincent Harding, writing in Sojourners Magazine, put it this way: “What a wild company we belong to! These are wild people, persecuted people, going-out, not-knowing-where-they’re-going people.” For a picture of what the lives of saints look like, read the Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1–12.)



**ALL SOULS DAY  
NOVEMBER 2**

Because we know that death is not the end of life, it is not morbid for us Christians to visit the graves of our loved ones who have died. It is good to visit the cemetery, especially on November 2 and then throughout the month of November, when the Church celebrates the communion of saints and souls and looks forward to that harvest at the end of time when all will be gathered into the New Jerusalem.

We decorate the graves of our loved ones because we believe that in baptism they have died with Christ and thus Christ will raise them up. So we place on the grave an evergreen wreath—the ancient crown of victory over death and a reminder of the eternal life promised to us in the first sacrament. Or we light vigil candles on the grave, keeping one lit throughout November—a reflection of the light of Christ given to each one of us on our baptism day, and a reminder of the wise bridesmaids who kept their lamps lit while waiting for the groom to come so that the wedding could begin.

Remember Mary Magdalene and the other two Mary’s going to visit Jesus’ tomb. Confident that what they found, you will one day find, make pilgrimages to the graves of your loved ones this month. Pray at each grave:

*Eternal rest grant unto **Name**, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon **her/him**.  
May **she/he** rest in peace.  
May **her/his** soul, and the souls  
of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God,  
rest in peace.*

*Amen*  
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**OCTOBER 30, 2016**

**INSPIRING HARMONY  
LAUGH, LEARN, CREATE, INSPIRE!**

**Now coming to our Visitation R.C. Church!**

**Superhero Creation Lab!!**

PreK & K Session:

Begins Tuesdays November 8<sup>th</sup>- December 13<sup>th</sup>  
4:30pm-5:30pm

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Session:

Begins Saturdays November 5<sup>th</sup> - December 10<sup>th</sup>  
9:00am-10:00am



**Drama Workshop!**

3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Session:

Begins Thursdays November 3<sup>rd</sup>-  
December 15<sup>th</sup>  
6:00pm-7:00pm

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Session:

Begins Saturdays November 5<sup>th</sup> -  
December 10<sup>th</sup>  
10:30am-11:30

**Superhero Creation Lab:** In this program your child will create and become their own superhero by using a variety of games and learning activities which emphasize being a hero everyday life through acts of kindness and being a good citizen. Sample activities include the Hero Naming Game, obstacle courses, cape and mask creation, cognitive challenges, rewarded for good deeds they accomplish weekly and their very own superhero ID card! The class will nurture their self-confidence, teamwork skills and their creativity. While having so much fun they will never know they are learning!

**Drama Workshops:** In the drama workshops the students will be introduced to the tools of an actor and the skills of improvisation, which broadens creative thinking and problem solving. Through game based learning techniques, students will begin to learn and practice theatrical vocabulary along with the rules of performing. They will increase public speaking and effective story telling skills. This includes scene and character creation and development. Every learning element is presented as a game or creative play to institute a fun and exciting learning environment. The class is designed to build self-esteem while having lots of good goofy fun! There will be a small production at the end of the workshop for ALL the students to show off their skills.

*All of the programs will support and interlace our Catholic faith. They will gain an understanding of the importance of everyday faith, involvement as a member of the Church and how Jesus and the saints shows us what it takes to be a true hero. They will be reminded how these heroes worked as friends and followers of Jesus to make our world a better place.*

All classes are run by two very involved members of Visitation Church. Joanne is a cantor with our church, CCD teacher, led VBS and is involved with many other church projects. Marni is a CCD teacher and volunteer at VBS.

To register go to [www.inspiringharmony.net](http://www.inspiringharmony.net) or you can reach out to us at [enspiritedjm@gmail.com](mailto:enspiritedjm@gmail.com) or call 732-451-4884.

Flyers and registration forms will be sent home with CCD student

**OCTOBER 30, 2016**

**NIGHT OF REMEMBRANCE, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2016**

**LET US REMEMBER LET US REMEMBER...**

LORRAINE KOZAK  
PEGGY ANN PIENKOWSKI  
JOHN PERRONE  
MARGARET LARUSSO  
NEAL CRILLEY  
MARCO CAPASSO, JR.  
JAMES MURPHY  
ANNE LA BRUTTO  
JANICE VAN WAGNER  
JUDI ZUMBA  
KATHLEEN SANZONE  
LENA CISARETTO  
UMBERTO DI LAURA  
JOSEPH ILARIA  
DONNA MARTONE  
MICHAEL BETAR  
THOMAS HALLERAN  
JAMES DALEY  
REGINA BROWN  
DORA MATARAZZO  
MARY CARUSO  
ANTONIA WELSHER  
MARY GIUNTA  
BERNADETTE GALGON  
VIRGINIA PASSARELLA  
JOHN JOSEPH FARLEY  
JAMES CAROLAN  
JULIUS BODNAR  
PETER FITZPATRICK  
ROSE VENTICINQUE  
JACQUILINE BAUER  
PETER SRAMOWICZ

LESLIE HARRIS  
FRANCES ZALINSKY  
FLORENCE CHRISTOFORO  
ALFRED FRARACCIO  
GEORGE ASPROCOLAS, SR  
THERESA D'ANGELO  
LILLIAN FRANCAZAK  
IMELDA SARIEGO  
MARIA AVETA  
VERA KNIGHT  
ANNETTE VITALE  
ROSEMARIE PECORA  
AAGE JORGENSEN  
GERALD CACI  
FILOMEMA YANUZZELLI  
LEONARD SALOMONE  
GERALDINE SALERNO  
GERALDINE STRECKFUSS  
HELEN MARTINELLI  
MICHELLE RUSSOMANO  
NICHOLAS RUOLINO  
ALICE HABERMAN  
BARBARA FAZIO  
CHESTER GALDO  
PAUL BELLA  
JOHN FCASNI  
JAMES MULLIN  
JAMES ALTOBELLO  
SYLVESTER LOPOTRO  
JAMES PARSONS  
JAMES BLUMENSTEEL  
THOMAS M. HUSSENETTER

JUSTINE LANE  
GORDON MILLS  
ALBERTA INGUAGGIATO  
DEREK KRENKEL  
JAMES HEGADORN  
ELSIE SEMIRARO  
EVELYN STOVEKEN  
RICHARD MCPARLAND  
JOSEPH MCCOY  
CARMEL SCHLECKSER  
ROSE WEAVER  
BILLY MASTROLIA  
EDWARD JARZYNA  
THEODORE KOSTRZEWSKI  
LEONARD DEHAVEN  
ROSARIA DONATI  
ANGELA IOZZIA  
MARY BELASCO  
SUSAN HENDRICKS  
MARCEL ROOMS  
DAVID HRYMACK  
BARBARA ALTOBELLO  
SALVATORE CASALE  
DOLORES LUSKO  
PASQUALE MONTEMURNO  
JOHN TRAINOR  
GREGORY SULLIVAN  
RICHARD DOYLE

*THERE MAY BE ADDITIONAL DECEASED SINCE THE PRINTING OF THIS BULLETIN. ALL NAMES WILL BE READ AT THE MASS.*

*He will receive blessing from the LORD and  
righteousness from the God of his salvation.*

*Psalm 24:5*

**All Souls Naming and Remembering Mass held on Wednesday, November 2 at 7:00 PM**

*This is a time to celebrate the memories of those we love who are sharing in Jesus' promise of eternal life so that we may feel their presence during this special Mass. We recall all those who have died and received services from Visitation Parish in the last calendar year. Although always the case, we are reminded especially during this Jubilee Year of Mercy 2016 as established by Pope Francis, that our faith remains unwaveringly focused on God's mercy shown to our loved ones and continually extended to us. Your presence is the gathering of the spiritual Body of Christ where we become the real Body of Christ for and to one another. We encourage you to arrive early to include the names(s) of your loved one(s) in the Book of Remembrance.*

**Throughout the month of November** *we reflect on and reaffirm our belief in Christ's Resurrection and remember our deceased relatives and friends. We all have fond memories of our deceased loved ones. These memories are always with us as we go about our daily lives. It is important that we do not allow these memories to fade.*

**OCTOBER 30, 2016**

**FR. ED AND STAFF WISH ALL OUR GHOSTS AND GOBLINS  
A HAPPY AND SAFE HALLOWEEN**

**THE PUMPKIN PRAYER**

*Dear God,*

**As I carve my pumpkin help me say this prayer:**

***Open my mind so I can learn about you;***

(cut the top of the pumpkin) Colossians 3:2

***Take away all my sin and forgive me for the wrong things I do;***

(clean out the inside) I John 1:9

***Open my eyes so Your love I will see;***

(cut eyes shaped like hearts) Psalms 34:8

***I'm sorry for turning up my nose to all You've given me;***

(cut a nose in the shape of a cross) Psalms 92: 1

***Open my ears so Your word I will hear;***

(cut ears shaped like the bible) Isaiah 55:3

***Open my mouth so I can tell others You're near.***

(cut the mouth in the shape of a fish) Psalms 118: 17

**Let Your light shine in all I say and do! Matthew 5:16**

**Amen**



**USE CANDLES WITH CARE. WHEN YOU GO OUT, BLOW OUT!**

As part of fire prevention month, follow these simple guidelines to assist in keeping our community and residents safe.



- 1) Use sturdy, non-flammable candleholders that won't tip over easily.
- 2) If you must burn candles- use level uncluttered surfaces.
- 3) Keep candles at least one foot away from anything that can burn.
- 4) Keep candles away from spots where they could be knocked over by someone.
- 5) Trim candlewicks to a quarter inch before lighting.
- 6) Don't place lit candles in windows or near doorways where drafts could cause combustibles to make contact and ignite.
- 7) Keep candles and open flames away from flammable liquids.

8) Extinguish candles when they burn to within 2 inches of their holder. Be careful not to splatter the hot wax.

9) Votives and filled candles should be extinguished before the last 1/2 inch of wax starts to melt.

**10) Never leave burning candles unattended.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact 732-458-4100 regarding any issues involving candles or fire safety.



## **OCTOBER 30, 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 vcottrell@visitationrcchurch.org*

**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 vcottrell@visitationrcchurch.org*

**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 7:00 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 nbencivenga@visitationrcchurch.org*

**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 dzanetti@visitationrcchurch.org*

#### **Education and Evangelization Ministries**

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

**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 Parish Hall. 732-477-9672 ext. 214 - *Dale Zanetti or dzanetti@visitationrcchurch.org*

**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 dzanetti@visitationrcchurch.org*

**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 ngrodberg@visitationrcchurch.org*

#### **Prayer Groups**

**CHILDREN OF LIGHT CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP** meets every Friday at 6:30 PM at the VRC 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*

**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 lconroy2741@gmail.com*

**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 Parish Hall 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-vcottrell@visitationrcchurch.org*

### **Social Concerns**

**COMMUNITY LUNCH (SOUP KITCHEN)** provides lunch Wednesdays each week to members of the parish and community in the Parish Hall. 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 practice's Tuesdays from 6:30 – 7:00 PM and sings once a month at the 11:00 AM Mass and performs at various community events. No tryouts are required. 732-477-9672 ext. 217 – *Natalya Bencivenga or nbencivenga@visitationrcchurch.org*  
**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 cwinters@visitationrcchurch.org*

**Temporal WelfareBUILDING 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-vcottrell@visitationrcchurch.org*

### **Organizations**

**AA MEETINGS** are held on Thursdays at 7:30 PM in the Parish Hall.  
**ALANON MEETINGS** are held Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall  
**CUB SCOUT PACK #38**, sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society, meets on Mondays at 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall. No meeting during July & August. 732-451-0252 *Kim Gorman or kimmyg627@aol.com*  
**BOY SCOUT TROOP #38**, sponsored by the Holy Name Society, meets Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in the Old Church. 732-262-8977 - *Matt Powell or matthewapowell@verizon.net*  
**HOLY NAME OF JESUS SOCIETY** promotes respect for the Holy Name of Jesus and His Holy Catholic Church. Society members attend the 8:00 AM Mass the second Sunday of the month and meet the Tuesday following the second Sunday at 7:15 pm in the Parish Hall. There are no meeting July & August, however members still attend mass. 732-239-2449 – *Deacon Nick Straneri or deaconnick@visitationrcchurch.org*  
**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 and meet the Monday following the first Sunday at 11:30 AM in the Church Worship for the Rosary, followed by the meeting at 12:00 noon in the Parish Hall. There are no meeting July & August, however members still attend mass. 732-232-7132 – *Dee DeTuro or ddeturo@visitationrcchurch.org*

### **Bulletin Deadline**

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