

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 **Člosed 12:30 - 1:30 for Lunch**

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

Sunday: 6:45, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM **Daily:** Monday – Friday 7:30 (Daily Chapel)

Tues., Wed., Thur., Sat. - 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 an extended period. In an emergency call the Parish office anytime.

Penance/Reconciliation

Saturday from 3:15 to 3:45 PM 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 9:15~10:30 AM in Lake Riviera Middle School, weekday classes are held 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

"LORD, YOU WILL SHOW US THE PATH OF LIFE"



SATURDAY 4:00 PM	APRIL 29 Connie & Fred Hurler	
SUNDAY	APRIL 30	
6:45 AM	People of the Parish	
8:00 AM	Carmine Di Benedetto	
9:30 AM	Deceased Members of the Music	
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11:00 AM	Mario Altomare & Anne Smith	
12:30 PM	Stanley Swiechocki	
MONDAY	MAY 1	
7:30 AM	Renee Dykeman	
TUESDAY	MAY 2	
7:30 AM	John Lammond	
8:15 AM	Edward Hoban	
WEDNESDAY	MAY 3	
7:30 AM	John & Jean Modliszewski	
8:15 AM	Edward Perri	
THURSDAY	MAY 4	
7:30 AM	Mary Rilli	
8:15 AM	Edward Perri	
FRIDAY	MAY 5	
7:30 AM	Kevin Lammond	
SATURDAY	MAY 6	
8:15 AM	Rosemarie Baumann	
4:00 PM	Frank & Eleanor Barlowski	
SUNDAY	MAY 7	
6:45 AM	People of the Parish	
8:00 AM	Living & Deceased Members of the	
0.20 434	Rosary Altar Society	
9:30 AM	Living Members of the Music Ministry	
11:00 AM	Joseph J. Hammel	
12:30 PM	Gerald Loffredo	

Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29 or, for the memorial, Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58

Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14 **Thursday**: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59 **Saturday**: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69 **Sunday**: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	APRIL 30	
Masses		Church
Baptism	1:45 PM	Church
Youth Group Mtg.	7:00 PM	Parish Hall
MONDAY	MAY 1	
Rosary for Life	1:30 PM	Chapel
CCD Classes	4:30 PM	Rm A,B,C
Cub Scouts	6:30 PM	Parish Hall
Knights of Columbus Mtg.	7:30 PM	Room A
TUESDAY	MAY 2	
Bereavement Mtg.	10:30 AM	Chapel
Bingo	11:00 AM	Parish Hall
Liturgy Team Mtg.	1:00 PM	Room B
CCD Classes	4:30 PM	Room C
Children's Choir	6:00 PM	Church
Alanon	7:00 PM	Parish Hall
WEDNESDAY	MAY 3	
Community Luncheon	12:00 PM	Parish Hall
CCD Classes	4:30 PM	Rm. A &C
Boy Scouts	6:30 PM	Parish Hall
Bible Study	7:00 PM	Chapel
Youth Choir	7:30 PM	Church
THURSDAY	MAY 4	
Bible Study	9:45 AM	Parish Hall
CCD Classes	4:30 PM	Rm. A,B,C
Adult Choir	7:15 PM	Church
High School Confirmation Class	7:15 PM	Room C
AA	7:30 PM	Parish Hall
FRIDAY	MAY 5	
Holy Hour	7:00 PM	Church
Children of Light Prayer Group	8:00PM	Parish Hall
SATURDAY	MAY 6	
Vigil Mass	4:00 PM	Church
Our Lady Of Fatima Movie	5:00 PM	Parish Hall

For the Week of April 30, 2017



Blessed Mother Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Ricky Mai & Lily Kurilavicius

Sacred Heart Candle is "In Loving Memory" of William Diffey

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



III. Rosemary Russell

"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 VISITATION'S 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: Michael Vecchio

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 April 23, 2017

 Regular
 \$9,925.00

 On Line
 \$825.00

 Total
 \$10,750.00

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNER OF OUR APRIL 50/50



Lillian Hughes was the winner of \$522. The next drawing will be May 28, in the church auditorium after the 12:30 PM mass.

HOLY HOUR



Join us in the Church for Holy Hour and Benediction FIRST FRIDAY May 5, 7:00 to 8:00 PM

Reflections for The Third Sunday of Easter

As in last week's Gospel, today's Gospel shows us how the first community of disciples came to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In these stories we gain insight into how the community of the Church came to be formed.

When we read today's Gospel, we may be surprised to learn that these friends of Jesus could walk and converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. Again we discover that the risen Jesus is not always easily recognized. Cleopas and the other disciple walk with a person whom they believe to be a stranger; only later do they discover that the stranger is Jesus. We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today's reading. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them.

Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God.

In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.

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NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE ONE COLLECTION



This weekend, and extending over the next few weekends, our Religious Education classes will begin receiving First Eucharist at Sunday Masses. I think that this is a wonderful opportunity to review our own appreciation of this marvelous gift, whether we've started receiving it ourselves recently or it has been many years since our own First Communion. In particular, I'd like to review the reception of Communion in the hand.

Approved as an option for the United States by the Vatican in 1977, this practice is a return to a custom from the earliest days of the Church. Although the universally-accepted custom of Communion on the tongue is still quite proper, many feel that receiving the Body of Christ in the hand allows a more personal relationship with the risen Jesus through the sacrament. However, careful examination is required due to the possibility of abuse – either unintended or otherwise – to the Blessed Sacrament when receiving in this way (and sadly in my years of distributing Communion, first as an Extraordinary Minister and later as a priest, I've seen far too many instances of irreverent reception.)

When receiving Communion in the hand, make a sign of respect (a simple bow of the head is fine) and approach the minister with one opened hand placed above the other: in this way, as St. Augustine once said, we "make our hands like a worthy throne for the Eucharist." After the minister says "The Body of Christ" and you respond (the formula explicitly states to say "Amen," not "Thank you" or "I believe"), and the Blessed Sacrament is placed in your hand – which hand it is will depend on whether you are right- or left-handed – step to one side and with your other hand immediately and reverently consume the Body of Christ. Then return to your seat and offer a brief, silent thanksgiving. If we give a moment's thought of whom we are receiving in the sacrament, we cannot help but to seek to do so in the best and most respectful way possible, both for ourselves and as a positive example to those receiving Jesus for the very first time.

I ask you to pray for our First Communicants and their families: that all of us, on our journey to the heavenly Kingdom – strengthened through the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus received in the Eucharist – will courageously and joyfully witness that mystery of salvation to all we meet.

Fr. Ed

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, May 6, 2017 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm - Dinner and a Movie at Visitation! 755 Mantoloking Road, Brick, NJ. It has been 100 years since the apparitions of our Lady of Fatima and in her honor Visitation presents "The 13th Day" - The Miracle of Fatima. We will share a lite dinner and dessert table together. Come on out, bring your children and join with us in this community celebration of our Blessed Mother. We have an elevator for easy access. Keep in mind it will still be light out when you leave for those who don't drive in the dark. Preregistration is greatly appreciated so we can prepare the appropriate materials and food. Please contact Dale Zanetti in the Adult Faith Formation Office by May 5th 12:00 pm at 732-477-7059 ext. 214 or email at dzanetti@visitationrcchurch.org.

FAMILY NIGHT

Friday, May 26, 2017 - Church of the Visitation would like to invite all parents, children and teens for a special evening with Guest Speaker Dan Duddy. Dan is a teacher, mentor, former football coach and pastoral minister for Donovan Catholic and a father of eight! A renowned, spiritually gifted speaker, Dan enlightens his audience by sharing his dynamic gift of communications. He speaks not only to the parents, but to the children and young adults as well. Come and join us for an opportunity to share a meal, laugh, learn and grow closer to God and each other! Dinner will begin at 7:00 pm and it is pizza, salad and "all you can eat" wings for \$1.00. Dessert will be ice cream - YUMM! So, come on out and spend some time with us and your children. You may register with the Adult Faith Formation office until Thursday, May 25 - 12:00 PM at 732-477-7059 Ext. 214 or dzanetti@visitationrcchurch.org.

RETREAT FOR SERIOUS ILLNESS

GENNESARET, a retreat designed to provide a spiritual and temporal oasis for men and women suffering with a life changing illness, will be held the weekend of May 19 - 21, 2017 at the Archdiocesan retreat Center, located in Kearny NJ. The retreat will begin Friday at 2:15 PM and end with a closing prayer service Sunday, at 1:30 PM. There is no cost to you for the retreat. For further information contact: Hilare Reinold 732-566-7237.

WEDNESDAY EVENING AND THURSDAY MORING 7 WEEK BIBLE STUDY

Evening sessions starting Wednesday, May 3, 2017 7: 00 to 8:30 pm. Thursday morning sessions starting Thursday, May 4, 2017 at 9:45 to 11:15 am.

"Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit......" (ICor. 3:16). We will be learning many new things about I Corinthians. Lectio Divinia will be included in the live presentations. Pre-registration would be appreciated-call Dale Zanetti, Adult Faith Formation Minister, at 732-477-7059 Ext. 214, or email dzanetti@visitationrcchurch.org. I look forward to welcoming any newcomers and sharing with all our regulars.

ATTENTION QUALIFIED IMMIGRANTS

Free citizenship preparation classes will be offered this summer at Donovan High School, St. Joseph's Parish, Toms River. Must have a green card, 5 yr. residency, and be able to speak, read and write English. Call Sr. Peggy Nulty at 732-998-3153 to pre-register. Testing and registration Tues. June 13th 6-8pm Classes Tues & Thursday evenings June 20- July 27, 2017.

ST. JOSEPH BY THE SEA

May 19-21: Arrival 6:00 PM Departure 1:00 PM Cost \$210

Blessing or Burdens? What does it mean to come face to face with the second half of life? Embracing the gift of years is about living all of life to the fullest. This retreat will wake us up to the Wisdom, joy and humor found in choosing "a wise path with heart" Mass included: Presenter: Paulette Cicero Please call 732-892-8494 to register or for additional information.

SPECIAL PARISH MAY CROWNING



Mary has always held a special place in the hearts of the parishioners of Visitation and May is a special month for honoring her. On Saturday, May 6, we will be crowing Mary after the 4:00 PM Mass.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION WILL BE CELEBRATED, APRIL 29, MAY 6, & MAY 13 AT 4:00 MASS & APRIL 30, MAY 7 & 14, 9:30, 11:00 AM & 12:30 PM MASSES.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

The Rosary Altar Society meeting will be held on **Monday, May 8**. We will meet at Our Lady's Garden in front of the Old Church at 12:00 noon for the crowning of the Blessed Mother and outdoor Rosary, weather permitting. Following the crowning we will meet in the Parish Hall for our meeting. Our Mass is Sunday May 7. 8:00 AM. All ladies of the parish are invited.

MOTHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE

Mother's Day envelopes (cards no longer available) are available in the vestibule of the Church. Please remember to pick up your cards to have your mother or a loved one remembered.

THRIFT SHOP

The St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Shop is currently in need of spring and summer clothing for men, women and children. Kindly bring donations directly to the Thrift Shop located in the basement of the old church, across from the church. Our volunteers can help you bring items into the building if necessary. As always, all DONATIONS and PROCEEDS from the sale of goods are used to provide assistance to individuals and families in need with utility bills, mortgage and rent payments, insurance, food, fellowship and shelter. Illness or loss of employment can be a major setback to anyone. The society tries to help them regain their independence and self-sufficiency.

THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO MADE A DONATION FOR THE EASTER FLOWER/DECORATIONS

In Loving Memory of Deceased Loved Ones DiPaolo & Baldwin Families

Vincent & Beverly DiPaolo

In Loving Memory of Stephen Fetish

Wife, Angie

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In Loving Memory of Mazzara, Barrett & Michels **Families**

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In Loving Memory of Ron, Mom, Dad, Family & Friends

Laverne Creange

In Thanksgiving of God's Blessings

Florence Ochs

In Loving Memory of Living & Deceased Members of Powers & Patetta Families

Denise Patetta & Family

In Loving Memory of Thomas Rygiel, Anne Smith Mario Altomare & Jimmy & Barbara Altomare

Rygiel & Altomare Families

In Loving Memory of Our Son Tom

Thomas & Elizabeth Hussennetter

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In Honor of our beautiful healthy family

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In Thanksgiving for our Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

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In Loving Memory of Gaspare & Anna Grutta & Salvatore & Sadie Picataggio

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In Loving Memory of Frank & Eleanor Barlowski Children

In Loving Memory of Anthony & Clara Carofola, Irene Carofola

In Honor of & Thanksgiving for Aunt Rose DiSario Michael Pepe

In Loving Memory of Paul Thomas & Jamie Manganelli

Mom & Dad & Grandparents

In Loving Memory of Mary & John Walsh

Alice Donnelly

Deceased Members of the Brehm & Helik Families, Paul & Paula Pepe

Mary Helik

In Loving Memory of Eugene, Bernice Looram & Mary & Ned Cooke

Jane

In Loving Memory of Alan & Alphonse Minieri

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Karen Warhola

In Loving Memory of Duffy & Maher Families

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In Loving Memory of Scott McIntosh

Dorothy McIntosh

In Loving Memory of Charles Natkie Nancy & Children

In Loving Memory of Peter Barna & Sue Thornton

Claudia Eichinger

In Thanksgiving for Divine Intervention Maryellen & Fred Underwood

In Loving Memory of Anthony Mancini

Mariann & Anthony Mancini

In Loving Memory of Francoise rose

Kenneth Rose

In Loving Memory of Robert Meurer

Emily Maurer

In Loving Memory of Cehelsky & Zegley Families

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In Loving Memory of Maria Ormsby & Richard **Fuentes**

Toni & Don Fuentes

In Loving Memory of Deceased Members of McDonough Family, Relatives & Friends

In Honor of Living Members of McDonough Family Relatives & Friends

Patrick McDonough

In Loving Memory of Laniewski, Uhl & Marateo

Joanne Laniewski

In Loving Memory of Donna Freeman Fogler & Don Freeman

Joan Freeman

In Loving Memory of Haase & Szatmary Families Arlene & Ed Haase

In Loving Memory Mother, Sister, Son

Daughter, Terri In Loving Memory of Fred & Ester Reiser

Diane Wolny

In Loving Memory of Elva Kain

Bonnie Stutzman

In Loving Memory of Bird & Bliss Families

Mr. & Mrs. William Bliss

In Loving Memory of Living & Deceased Members

of the Ashford & McCoy Families

Šusie & John McCov

In Loving Memory of Dolores Garcia **Xiomara Santana**

In Loving Memory of Aldo DeSimone Maribell Josette DeSimone

In Loving Memory of Matthew Lyszczek

Blanche Lyszczek

In Loving Memory of Stephen E. Zaleski

Barbara & Steve Zaleski

In Thanksgiving for All our Blessings

G. Thomsen Family

In Loving Memory of Joseph & Lucy Russotto

Daughter Carolyn

In Loving Memory of Warren Baluha

Ginnie Baluha

In Loving Memory of Anna & Joseph Leitner & Anna & Frank Wegele, Gertrude & John Wegele, Anna & John Litwinka, Jenny & Joseph Statuto, Angela McNeill

Carol & Angelo Statuto

In Loving Memory of Uncle Mario

Lexi Romano

In Loving Memory of Robert Zukowski

Sandy Zukowski

In Loving Memory of James Mankowski

The Mankowski Family

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Kathy & Billy

In Loving Memory of Patrick Kelleher

Marv Kelleher

In Loving Memory of Louis Robert Manganiello

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For additional information please call Adult Faith Formation Office at 732 477-7059 ext. 214.

Name:

Email Address:

Address:

Telephone Number(s):

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Liturgical Ministries

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

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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. 732-477-9672 ext. 217 Natalya Bencivenga or nbencivenga@visitationRCchurch.org

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

MUSIC MINISTRY spiritually enhances the celebration of the Liturgy. We are always seeking individuals who would like to share their gift of music through songs and prayers. 732-477-9672, ext. 217 - *Natalya Bencivenga or 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 and evening sessions to all who wish to deepen their understanding of Scripture. 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 weekly to pray and work for spiritual renewal. 732-255-2728 - Paul Rollis or paulr63@juno.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 is in the process of reforming. Contact Fr. Ed at the rectory or info@visitationRCchurch.org. **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*

Social Ministries/Activities

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

<u>Services</u>

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

Social Concerns

COMMUNITY LUNCH 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 weekly 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 les fortunate in our parish and the surrounding community. Donations of nonperishable food are accepted at the doors of the Church to assist the hungry of the community. 732-477-9672, ext. 160

Youth Ministries/Activities

CHILDREN'S CHOIR welcomes all from 3 to 12 years of age to share their love for Jesus through music. 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. Artie 732-965-4802 or ahhvacr@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 YOUTH 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*

VISITATION YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY provides an opportunity for all between the ages of 18 to 39 looking to grow and deepen their faith in Catholicism to join our local Catholic young adults community. For additional information please contact 732-477-7059 ext. 105 – *Christie or cwinters@visitationrcchurch.org*

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

Organizations

AA MEETINGS are held on Thursdays at 7:30 PM in the parish hall.

ALANON MEETINGS are held on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in the parish hall.

CUB SCOUT PACK #38 is sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society, Kim Gorman or kimmyg627@aol.com

BOY SCOUT TROOP #38 is sponsored by the Holy Name Society. 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 and meet monthly 732-239-2449 – Deacon Nick Stranieri or deaconnick@visitationrcchurch.org

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #836 work with the local parish and contribute many hours of volunteer work to our community annually.732-600-1029 – Andrew Kelly or andrekelly3@me.com

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 and meet monthly. 732-232-7132 – *Dee DeTuro or ddeturo@visitationrcchurch.org*

Consult the Parish Events Calendar on our parish website (www.visitationRCchurch.org) for the most current schedule of meeting dates, times, and locations. Information in the Calendar of Events section of the bulletin is current as of bulletin publication.