



# 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 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

*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*

# THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 5</b>
4:00 PM	Eugene Witkowski
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 6</b>
6:45 AM	People of the Parish
8:00 AM	Living & Dec'd. members of the Rosary Altar Society
9:30 AM	Paul Bliss
11:00 AM	Hank Niedelski
12:30 PM	Gloria Losi
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 7</b>
7:30 AM	Vincent Schappy
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 8</b>
7:30 AM	Rose Custode
8:15 AM	Florence & Joseph Rabadeau
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 9</b>
7:30 AM	Eleanor Yakovchuk
8:15 AM	Edward M. Perri
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 10</b>
7:30 AM	Bea Rhoades
8:15 AM	James Mooney
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 11</b>
7:30 AM	Robert Payne
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 12</b>
8:15 AM	Jimmy Meyers
4:00 PM	Joseph McCoy
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 13</b>
6:45 AM	People of the Parish
8:00 AM	Living & Dec'd. members of the Holy Name Society
9:30 AM	Galgon Family
11:00 AM	Mary Belasco
12:30 PM	Barbara Ann Drezek

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 6</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
<i>Masses</i>		Church
<i>Baptism</i>	1:45 PM	Parish Hall
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 7</b>	
<i>Vacation Bible School</i>	8:00 AM	Parish Hall, Rm. A & C Chapel
<i>Rosary for Life</i>	1:30 PM	
<i>Knights of Columbus</i>	7:30 PM	Room A
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 8</b>	
<i>Vacation Bible School</i>	8:00 AM	Parish Hall, Rm. A, B & C
<i>Alanon</i>	7:00 PM	Parish Hall
<i>Adult Faith Formation Mtg.</i>	7:30 PM	Room B
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 9</b>	
<b>NO COMMUNITY LUNCHEON THIS WEEK</b>		
<i>Vacation Bible School</i>	8:00 AM	Parish Hall, Rm. A, B & C
<i>Boy Scouts</i>	6:30 PM	Parish Hall
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 10</b>	
<i>Vacation Bible School</i>	8:00 AM	Parish Hall, Rm. A, B & C
<i>AA</i>	7:30 PM	Parish Hall
<i>Finance Council Mtg.</i>	7:30 PM	Rm. B
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 11</b>	
<i>Vacation Bible School</i>	8:00 AM	Parish Hall, Rm. A, B & C
<i>Children of Light</i>	7:00 PM	Parish Hall
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>AUGUST 12</b>	
<i>Vigil Mass</i>	4:00 PM	Church
<i>RCIA</i>	5:00 PM	Parish Hall

### Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21  
**Tuesday:** Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14  
**Wednesday:** Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28  
**Thursday:** 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26  
**Friday:** Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28  
**Saturday:** Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20  
**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

*For the Week of AUGUST 6, 2017*

**Blessed Mother Candle** is “In Loving Memory” Rosetta Hallquist  
**Sacred Heart Candle** is “In Loving Memory” of Matt Lyszczyk

# **"THE LORD IS KING, THE MOST HIGH OVER ALL THE EARTH"**

## *Wedding Banns*

*Jusrin Van Ostenbridge & Alexis Inselburg*

## *Welcome into God's Family*

*Zoey Rose Brundege, Emma Mary Kimble  
Weston Henry James*



**"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.



### **SHOP TO SUPPORT**

Get ready for back to school and fall sports while benefiting the Church Covering Fund (parking lot) at the same time. Shop at Modell's Sporting Goods anytime from August 4 thru August 31, 2017 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.

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

### **2018 MASS BOOK**

**The mass book is open for Saturday evening & Sunday masses through the end of the year. We are still not taking requests for weekday masses beyond June 30<sup>th</sup>.**

### **SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

**Offering for the Week of July 30, 2017**

<b>Regular</b>	\$11,085.70
<b>On Line</b>	\$657.00
<b>Total</b>	\$11,742.70

## *Reflections for*

### *The Transfiguration of the Lord*

Today's liturgy invites us to celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. This feast calls to our attention the importance of this event in Jesus' life, further affirmed by its report in each of the Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In Cycle A, the reading for this feast is taken from the Gospel of Matthew. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah and after Jesus predicts his Passion.

In each Gospel, Jesus takes three of his disciples—Peter, James, and John—to a high mountain. While they are there, Elijah and Moses appear and converse with Jesus. Elijah and Moses are both significant figures in the history of Israel. Moses led the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt and received from Yahweh the Ten Commandments. Moses represents the Law, which guides the lives of the Jewish people. Elijah is one of the most important prophets of Israel who helped the Israelites stay faithful to Yahweh, and some believed that Elijah's return would signal the coming of the Messiah for the Jewish people. The appearance of these two figures from Israel's history indicated Jesus' continuity with the Law and the prophets. They also reveal that Jesus is the fulfillment of all that was promised to the people of Israel.

Upon witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, an awestruck Peter offered to construct three tents for them when a voice from Heaven affirms that Jesus is "my beloved Son" and commands the disciples to listen to him.

In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructed the disciples to keep secret what they had seen until after "the Son of Man has been raised from the dead." Until they witnessed Jesus' Passion and Death, the disciples could not possibly understand what he meant by being "raised from the dead." We, however, have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of the Transfiguration Gospel, we see an anticipation of Jesus' Resurrection, a foreshadowing of Christ's glory in Heaven, and the promise of our own resurrection.

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## ***AUGUST 6, 2017***

**FROM THE DESK OF**

*Fr. Jim O'Neill*

### **ART AND BEAUTY**

The Pope's August intention is for artists, "That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation." God is always reaching out to us. He succeeds with many of us initially through the beauty of His creation. We may enjoy a walk along the boardwalk, peering to the horizon, trying to see our ancestral homeland. We may marvel at the docility and number of bunny rabbits outside the front door. A group of deer may make our back yard their own place of rest. If artists portraying the beauty of creation can help us see more clearly God revealing Himself to us, then we will come to know Him better, love Him more, and serve Him more faithfully in this life as we look forward to being with Him in the next.

Knowing anything real seems challenging to many in modern times. People doubt that we can reach the essence of a thing via our senses. This philosophical challenge is studied in phenomenology. Among those who worked to bridge the gap between our perceptions and reality is St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (aka Edith Stein). Her feast day is on Wednesday, the 9<sup>th</sup>, since she was martyred at Auschwitz on August 9, 1942. Among her books is *The Science of the Cross*. Perhaps one of the most real things is Jesus dying on the cross for us.

We celebrate St. Lawrence, deacon and martyr, on Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup>. He is the unofficial patron saint for barbecues and peculiar humor. When the Roman authorities demanded the treasure of the Church, he showed them the poor. Not amused, they burned him alive on a gridiron. After a little while, he stated that he was done on this side and could be turned over.

Today, we celebrate the Transfiguration of the Lord. Peter, James, and John received a glimpse of the Lord's glory as He stood between Moses and Elijah. Besides hearing the Gospel, we can view an artist's rendition of the blessed event. We might philosophize about the meaning of the event and how the reality was communicated to the three apostles. We can marvel at the grace being offered to them as it was to Edith Stein and St. Lawrence. While admiring the beauty of God's creation, we might peer more deeply into reality and perceive how much God loves us, delights in us, and desires us to be fully healed and glorified by Him.

*Fr. Jim*

### **LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS AVAILABLE**

These are provided through a special, distinctive-looking ciborium attachment which keeps them separate from the regular hosts. If you are in need of this type of host **please go to the priest's station in the center isle** at Communion and indicate that you would like to receive a low-gluten host.

### **FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION HEALING MASS**

Many people are not aware that the anointing of the sick is NOT just for those about to die. This powerful Sacrament benefits most of us for various ailments such as those suffering from grief, addiction, mental illness, anxiety, disease, and upcoming surgery, taking care of someone aging or sick, a child with special needs, a difficult pregnancy, etc. We all need some form of healing whether that is physical, emotional or spiritual and although every mass is a healing mass ending with the anointing of the sick is powerful. Don't believe me? Come and check it out for yourself.

Please join us on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am and bring a friend. Refreshments will follow in the hall at Sacred Heart Church 752 Main Ave Bay Head. For info contact DawnRusinko@yahoo.com or the parish office at 732-899-1398.

**RAFFLE**

**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 27 in the church auditorium during the Community Sunday gathering.

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

**BINGO**

**THERE WILL BE NO BINGO FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS DUE TO VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, AUGUST 8<sup>TH</sup> AND THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION, AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup> A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. BINGO WILL RESUME TUESDAY, AUGUST 22<sup>ND</sup> 11:00 AM.**

**ATTENTION CATHOLIC MEN!**

The 2017-2018 season of the Jersey Shore “That Man Is You” (TMIY) program begins on Saturday morning September 9, 2017 at 6:00 a.m. in St. Mark’s Church, Sea Girt. TMIY is a structured program designed to help Catholic men focus on our Catholic spirituality and teachings. Through the program, we work to improve as fathers, husbands and members of our communities. Participants come from local area parishes. TMIY is fun, enlightening and bonding. The semester runs every Saturday from September 9, 2017 to January 11, 2018. We begin at 6:00 a.m. and end promptly at 7:30 a.m. Attendance and participation are relaxed and flexible. If you are looking for something new to help you rise up to be the man God created you to be - the man you want to be – and, the man your family needs you to be - then take the first step. You will not be disappointed. P.S. This program is FREE. For addition information or to register please contact Jeff Nielsen(732) 228-0649.

**ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED**



**Altar Servers**

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 3-4 times a year. You must have received your First Holy Communion, and be in third grade or older. Adults are also welcomed.

**BISHOP’S ANNIVERSARY BLESSING**



For more than 40 years, the bishop of the Diocese of Trenton has been celebrating the gift of sacramental marriage with

anniversary couples. This year Bishop O’Connell will extend his Episcopal blessing to couples from who are celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50+ wedding anniversary in 2017. The Blessing Mass for Ocean and Monmouth County parishes will be held at St. Aloysius Parish in Jackson, NJ, on Sunday, October 8 at 3:00 pm. The Mass for Burlington and Mercer County parishes will take place at St. Mary's Cathedral in Trenton on Sunday, October 22 at 3:00 pm. We invite married couples celebrating these milestone anniversaries to participate in this beautiful event. Please call Denise Patetta at ext. 201 at the parish office to register. The deadline for registration is September 11, 2017.

**THE SVdP 3 H'S OF SUMMER**

***HAZY, HOT AND HUMID?*** No way !



We're talking about Humbled, Happy and Hopeful!!!

We just wanted to take this opportunity to Thank You (over and over and over) for your kindness and generosity.

Our food pantry cannot keep food on the shelves. You are

helping us to give out groceries to over 900 people per month. The numbers are staggering, but so are the needs. Our volunteers work 7 days a week to make it happen. If you need assistance, or want to donate or have questions, please call us at 732-477-9672 ext. 160.

We are also assisting unprecedented numbers of homeless. These are people in tough situations and need your prayers.

And as always, we continue to serve and assist all those in need.

Thank you for your kindness; visit our thrift shop, drop off some items, pick up some treasures, and enjoy your summer.

God's Blessings to All!

# FOR HEAVEN SAKES

## **RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP OPEN**

We have received numerous phone calls inquiring where there may be a Religious Gift Shop. Good News! **For Heaven Sake**, a religious gift shop at Rt. 71 and 608 Brighton, Spring Lake Heights is open Monday-Friday from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Saturday from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Come see a wide assortment of religious items, jewelry, wreaths, music, books, cards, statues, and much more. For each sale they will donation \$1.00 to Visitation when you mention our name as your church. Call 732-449-7253 for details



## **SAVE THE DATE**

**PICNIC** Our 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Parish Picnic will once again be held at the VFW on Adamston Road in Brick. This year we have changed the date to Sunday September 17 in hopes of cooler more pleasing weather. Stay tuned!!! Tickets and details will be available shortly.

## **ENVELOPE ETIQUETTE**

Please do not tape or staple your donation envelopes. When trying to open them, we run the risk of ripping the check or cash inside. The envelope glue is sufficient to keep your envelope closed.

Thank you!

## **CARNATION SALE THANKS**

The Rosary Altar Society would like to thank everyone for their help and generous donations to our annual Birthright Carnation Sale, which was held on July 29 & 30. We were able to raise \$898.65 for Birthright. Again thank you for all your help. It was a great success!

*Thank You*



## **COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND**

If someone you know is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the Rectory Office at 732-477-0028 ext 216 during office hours so that we can schedule a Eucharistic Minister to visit the home.

## **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

We turn to Jesus for understanding and healing through the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. This sacrament is for adults and children who are suffering from serious physical or mental illness, or about to undergo surgery. Please call the Rectory Office 732-477-0028 ext. 201 for more information.

## **HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS**

If you are admitted to Ocean Medical Center, please alert the Admissions Clerk that you are a parishioner at Visitation; so that our hospital ministers can care for you spiritually.

## **HOUSE BLESSING**

If you wish to have a blessing of your home, please contact the rectory office 732-477-0028 ext. 201 to schedule a time for a Priest or Deacon to visit.

## **HEALING HEARTS SUPPORT GROUP**



If you know someone going through or have gone through a divorce, make sure he or she knows about us. Our next session will begin on Wednesday, September 6th from 7:30 PM -9:30 PM at St.

Veronica's ACTS Office (rectory basement) located at 4215 Route 9, Howell, NJ 07731. This is a 12 week program for those who have suffered or are suffering from separation and/or divorce. ***The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide*** program incorporates a DVD and follow-up discussion. Email [stveronicakre4u@gmail.com](mailto:stveronicakre4u@gmail.com) for more information or contact Maria at 732-363-5698. This program will be 12 consecutive Wednesday evenings. The best gift you can give yourself is to make a commitment to your healing!

***AUGUST 6, 2017***



**CASH RAFFLE**

**Church of the Visitation Holy Name Society**

To benefit Church Covering Fund

First Prize . . . . . 30% of Gross Proceeds

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

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

Drawing to be held **SUNDAY, September 17, 2017—4:00 PM**

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

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

*No substitution of the offered prize may be made (Winner need not be present to win)*

We have added an Extra Incentive.....

We encourage you to sell tickets to your family, friends, co-workers, etc. and if you sell the Winning Ticket you also Win with a \$100 gift certificate.



Tickets can be obtained by filling out the form below and mailing it to the rectory or dropping it in the collection basket. Tickets are also available at the rectory during normal business hours and at Community Sunday gatherings. For more information or tickets, contact Vicki at 732-477-7059 ext. 216 or e-mail [EventTeam@visitationRCchurch.org](mailto:EventTeam@visitationRCchurch.org).

**Ticket Purchase**

Quantity		Price	Total Amount	Special 6/\$100
_____	x	\$20	\$_____	\$_____

Payment Method     Cash     Check# \_\_\_\_\_    Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, St, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail me the ticket(s)                       I will pick the ticket(s) up at the rectory

Please contact me for the Win Win opportunity for selling tickets

Preferred Method of Contact:

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ or Email \_\_\_\_\_

***AUGUST 6, 2017***  
**AUTUMN GIFT AUCTION**

The Event Development Team is beginning to prepare for our Annual Gift Auction to be held on November 4, 2017, and we're looking for your help.



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.

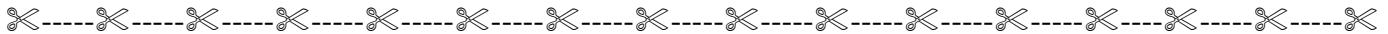
On the day of the event, we are looking for volunteers to help in a variety of ways from set-up for the event, to the sale of tickets, to runners and much more! If you would like to help us that day, we'd love to hear from you.



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.

For more information about donating a gift and/or helping us prepare for the event, call Betty Kilkenny 732-475-0048 or fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket.

***GIFTS CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT ANY COMMUNITY SUNDAY OR  
THE RECTORY OFFICE BY OCTOBER 16, 2017***



- 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 4, 2017

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer to be contacted by:  Phone  E-mail

The best time to contact me is:  Morning  Afternoon  Evening



## ***AUGUST 6, 2017***

### **STAFF E-MAIL ADDRESSES, MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS**

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**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. 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 Baptism@visitationRCchurch.org*

**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. 732-477-5217 – *Nancy Grodberg.*

**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*

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### **Social Ministries/Activities**

**BINGO** is held in the church auditorium on Tuesdays at 11:00 AM 732-330-4111 – *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*

### **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*

### **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 less 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 straneri.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, 609-703-4493 - *Jason Worth or jworth@gmail.com*

**BOY SCOUT TROOP #38** is sponsored by the Holy Name Society, 908-839-8538 – *Anthony Botts or b38scout@msn.com*

**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 andrekkelly3@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](http://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.**