



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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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

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.

***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***

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY	AUGUST 19
4:00 PM	Amanda DeNezza
SUNDAY	AUGUST 20
6:45 AM	Michael Zarzecki
8:00 AM	People of the Parish
9:30 AM	John B. Mitchell
11:00 AM	Madeline Cardillo
12:30 PM	Maureen Loffredo
MONDAY	AUGUST 21
7:30 AM	Eleanor Yakovchuk
TUESDAY	AUGUST 22
7:30 AM	Susie Craccihilo
8:15 AM	Bill Bradshaw
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST 23
7:30 AM	Dolores Capotorto
8:15 AM	William V. Giglio
THURSDAY	AUGUST 24
7:30 AM	John Corsaro
8:15 AM	Robert Kelly
FRIDAY	AUGUST 25
7:30 AM	Jennie LaMonica
SATURDAY	AUGUST 26
8:15 AM	Jimmy Meyers
4:00 PM	Donald Vincent Hand
SUNDAY	AUGUST 27
6:45 AM	People of the Parish
8:00 AM	Francoise Rose
9:30 AM	Mario Altomare
11:00 AM	Joseph Illaria
12:30 PM	Michele Russomano

SUNDAY	AUGUST 20	LOCATION
<i>Masses</i>		Church
<i>Baptism</i>	1:45 PM	Church
<i>Eagle Court of Honor</i>	3:00 PM	Parish Hall
MONDAY	AUGUST 21	
<i>Rosary for Life</i>	1:30 PM	Chapel
TUESDAY	AUGUST 22	
<i>Bingo</i>	11:00 AM	Parish Hall
<i>Alanon</i>	7:00 PM	Parish Hall
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST 23	
<i>Community Luncheon</i>	12:00 PM	Parish Hall
<i>Boy Scouts</i>	6:30 PM	Parish Hall
THURSDAY	AUGUST 24	
<i>AA</i>	7:30 PM	Parish Hall
FRIDAY	AUGUST 25	
<i>Children of Light</i>	7:00 PM	Parish Hall
<i>Parents Baptism Session</i>	7:00 PM	Daily Chapel
SATURDAY	AUGUST 26	
<i>7th & 8th Grade Parents Mtg</i>	11:00 AM	Church
<i>Vigil Mass</i>	4:00 PM	Church
<i>RCIA</i>	5:00 PM	Parish Hall

Readings for the Week

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

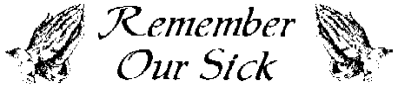
For the Week of AUGUST 20, 2017

Blessed Mother Candle is "In Loving Memory" Listro Family
 Sacred Heart Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Joseph Gigante

“O GOD, LET ALL NATIONS PRAISE YOU”



Wedding Banns
Drew Elia & Kelsey Tooker



“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; *Brenda Smith,*

NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE TWO COLLECTIONS. PLEASE PLACE YOUR REGULAR WEEKLY ENVELOPE IN THE FIRST BASKET AND THE ENVELOPE FOR THE ASSESSMENT IN THE SECOND BASKET.

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 30th.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offering for the Week of August 13, 2017

Regular	\$11,570.13
On Line	\$517.00
Total	\$12,087.13

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**Reflections for
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today we move ahead in our reading of Matthew’s Gospel. Last week we read about Jesus walking on the water and the disciples’ confession of faith that Jesus is the Son of God. If we were reading Matthew’s entire Gospel, we would have read about Jesus’ debate with the Pharisees about Jewish purity laws. Jesus argues that it is not what goes into us that makes us unclean; he is referring to the strict Jewish dietary rules. Instead our words and our actions—what comes out of us—make us unclean because they emerge from a heart that is unclean.

Knowing about Jesus’ debate with the Pharisees helps us to understand today’s Gospel. In fact the story heightens the surprise and shock we feel as we hear Jesus’ exchange with the Canaanite woman. The woman, who is not Jewish, approaches Jesus, requesting that he heal her demon-possessed daughter. At first Jesus ignores her; he says nothing. The disciples ask Jesus to send her away, and Jesus agrees, remarking that he was sent to minister to the Jews alone.

The woman persists, paying homage to Jesus, and yet Jesus denies her request again. He even insults her, using a Jewish word of derision for Gentiles, “dog.” But the woman cleverly turns Jesus’ insult into an affirmation of faith. Only then does Jesus grant her request and heal her daughter.

Jesus’ unresponsiveness to this woman may strike us as uncharacteristic or shocking. Yet in Matthew’s Gospel, Jesus’ ministry is directed primarily to the people of Israel. At only a very few points, such as the one found in today’s Gospel, do we find Jesus anticipating the later Christian ministry to the rest of the world.

Behind Matthew’s text we can hear this early Christian community’s struggle to understand how God’s selection of Israel is consistent with two events: Israel’s rejection of Jesus and the Gentiles’ acceptance of Jesus. Just as Jesus was surprised by the faith expressed by the Canaanite woman, so too the first Christians were surprised that the Gentiles would receive the salvation God offered through Christ. In today’s second reading from Paul’s letter to the Romans, we hear the apostle Paul considering this same concern.

The faith that the Canaanite woman expresses is an affirmation of and confidence in God’s abundant mercy. Yes, salvation comes through Israel, but it overflows for the benefit of all.

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“A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun.” (Rv. 12:1) Many Christians whose faith is based on *sola scriptura* (“Scripture alone!”) are quick to criticize the Catholic belief in the Assumption of Mary into Heaven. To be sure, there is no direct mention of it in the Bible. But it is the logical conclusion to her life; *the Assumption* of Mary is *an assumption*, to be sure, but it is a perfectly valid one. From the moment Mary said, “Let it be” when the Holy Spirit overshadowed her and she conceived the Savior of the world, she revealed herself to be chosen by God.

As Mary was the first told of the coming of God’s Son among us, she is also the first to benefit fully – body and soul – from the power of Jesus’ Resurrection. In the words of the Opening Prayer of the Mass for August 15th, the Solemnity of the Assumption, we heard: “looking on the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary, you raised her to this grace, that your only begotten Son was born of her according to the flesh and that she was crowned this day with surpassing glory.” Here, Mary’s role as both mother and sharer in the full fruits of her Son's Resurrection are brought together.

There is an image in the book of Revelation that is often applied to Mary. It depicts a woman clothed with the sun, standing on the moon, and wearing a crown of 12 stars. This powerful image of a woman reigning over the universe has become an icon of Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth. Artists painting or sculpting Mary often show her dressed as the woman in Revelation, reminding us of the Catholic belief that these scriptures are telling us of Mary’s place in Heaven.

Our celebration of this event last Tuesday is meant to give all Christians hope. Throughout our lives, we strive to keep Mary as our model, ever ready to accept whatever may happen as long as it is God’s will. If we pattern our life joyfully on hers, her life in glory will become the pattern for ours.

Fr. Ed



I’m sure at one of the many masses this weekend you will have the opportunity to meet up with our newly assigned Parochial Vicar, Reverend Joseph Jakub. Please join us in extending a very warm welcome to our newest Parish Family Member. We are very happy to have Father join us and look forward to getting to know him and enjoying the gifts and talents bestowed upon him. God bless you Father Jakub!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



For many years we have brought together volunteers to help with our VBS Program. This year was the best! Joanne Martone was inspirational as our Emcee and Bible Adventure Leader. We had 70 children from ages 3 to 12 years with 32 7th, 8th and High School students assisting. They danced, sang, did crafts, had snacks and even had puppets to act out stories for them. Peru was the theme that brought out that God gives us comfort, patience, peace love and joy as well as an

insight to children's meager but joyful lives in Peru. Harry and Helen Centrella were main characters in every way. As the Religious Ed Coordinator, having High School students return to dedicate a week of hard work volunteering in our Parish tells me the Holy Spirit is working hard too.

Visitation Parish would like to extend very special thank you to Nancy Grodberg who’s dedication to the children in our CCD program goes above and beyond.

We had a beautiful write up in the Monitor. Please visit:

<http://www.trentonmonitor.com/main.asp?SectionID=5&SubsectionID=135&ArticleID=16057>



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. Please feel free to share coupons with family and friends!

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

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.



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

Help us, help the poor by participating in this month's food collection. The most needed items are meals in a can, soup, tuna, stews and chili, peanut butter and jelly, canned vegetables, juices and cereals, pancake mix, syrup and canned fruits. If you can, please give; if you need please call. 732-477-7059 Ext. 160.



BINGO HELP

Help is needed for Tuesday morning bingo. Please stop by the Parish Hall on Tuesdays (11:00 AM - 2:00 PM) and speak with Cindy or call 732-330 4111. Your help will be greatly appreciated even if you can only spare a couple of hours.

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



Our 7th 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.



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



COMMUNITY SUNDAY is next Sunday, August 27 after all Masses and will be hosted by the Adult Faith Formation, RCIA & VRC. Please join us downstairs for fellowship with new and old friends.

If anyone is interested in helping ease the financial burden of Community Sunday, please stop by or call the rectory office (ext. 201) and speak with Denise Patetta. You can subsidize a month with a donation of \$100 or more or you can sponsor a month for a donation of \$300. You can honor either a living or deceased loved one.

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.

SPIRITUALITY OF KNITTING RETREAT

September 12-15

Marianist Family Retreat Center, Cape May Point, NJ



Come explore how the work of your hands is also the work of our Creator's hands! Through shared prayer services, presentations, daily mass and

plenty of time to craft in community, we will explore the spirituality of Knitting. All who knit, crochet or needle craft with some experience are welcome!

Cost is \$150 Per person (includes program, lodging and meals) sign up online at www.capcmaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829 for more information or to register.

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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.

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 _____

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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.

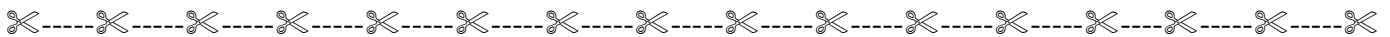
On the day of the event, we are looking for volunteers to help in a variety of ways from set-up for the event, to the sale of tickets, to runners and much more! If you would like to help us that day, we'd love to hear from you.



Remember, by contributing your time, talent and/or treasure (the three T's) you are contributing to benefit the Church Covering Fund (Parking Lot). 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

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STAFF E-MAIL ADDRESSES, MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

If you wish to reach a staff member via e-mail, please find a list of each staff's email address below:

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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 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) 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.