



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 Dale Zanetti at ext. 214 for more information

We now offer Low-Gluten Host for those suffering from celiac sprue disease

Elevator is located on the side of the Church near the Bell Tower

TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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| SATURDAY | OCTOBER 21 |
| 4:00 PM | Frank & Eleanor Barlowski |
| SUNDAY | OCTOBER 22 |
| 6:45 AM | People of the Parish |
| 8:00 AM | Frank Rebar |
| 9:30 AM | Fasano & Lambusta Families |
| 11:00 AM | Raymond Barrett |
| 12:30 PM | Vincenza Shaw Minervini & Maria Rosa Mitolo |
| MONDAY | OCTOBER 23 |
| 7:30 AM | William V. Giglio |
| TUESDAY | OCTOBER 24 |
| 7:30 AM | Dennis Michael Kennedy |
| 8:15 AM | Gerard Pagano |
| WEDNESDAY | OCTOBER 25 |
| 7:30 AM | Thomas Iannicco |
| 8:15 AM | James O'Keefe |
| THURSDAY | OCTOBER 26 |
| 7:30 AM | Theresa Melici |
| 8:15 AM | Marguerite Labadessa |
| FRIDAY | OCTOBER 27 |
| 7:30 AM | Alice & Frank Flaherty |
| SATURDAY | OCTOBER 28 |
| 8:15 AM | Rose Custode |
| 4:00 PM | Mary Belasco |
| SUNDAY | OCTOBER 29 |
| 6:45 AM | People of the Parish |
| 8:00 AM | Frank Rebar |
| 9:30 AM | Alenander Banoff & Lucy Rynkiewicz |
| 11:00 AM | Isabel & Louis Bulzoni |
| 12:30 PM | Ed & Helen Price |

| SUNDAY | OCTOBER 22 | LOCATION |
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| <i>Masses</i> | | Church |
| <i>Community Sunday</i> | Beginning after 8:00 AM Mass | Parish Hall |
| <i>Youth Group</i> | 7:00 PM | Parish Hall |
| MONDAY | OCTOBER 23 | |
| <i>Rosary for Life</i> | 1:30 PM | Chapel |
| <i>CCD</i> | 4:00 PM | Rms. A, B & C |
| <i>Cub Scouts</i> | 6:00 PM | Parish Hall |
| TUESDAY | OCTOBER 24 | |
| <i>Bingo</i> | 11:00 AM | Parish Hall |
| <i>CCD</i> | 4:00 PM | Rm. A & C |
| <i>Children's Choir</i> | 6:00 PM | Church |
| <i>Alanon</i> | 6:00 PM | Parish Hall |
| <i>Event Development Mtg</i> | 7:00 PM | Room B |
| <i>Young Adult Mtg</i> | 7:00 PM | Chapel |
| WEDNESDAY | OCTOBER 25 | |
| <i>Community Luncheon</i> | 12:00 PM | Parish Hall |
| <i>CCD</i> | 4:30 PM | Rms. A, B & C |
| <i>Boy Scouts</i> | 6:30 PM | Parish Hall |
| <i>Evening Bible Study</i> | 7:00 PM | Chapel |
| <i>Youth Choir</i> | 8:00 PM | Church |
| THURSDAY | OCTOBER 26 | |
| <i>Bible Study</i> | 9:45 AM | Parish Hall |
| <i>St. Vincent Mtg</i> | 1:00 PM | Parish Hall |
| <i>CCD</i> | 4:00 PM | Rm. C |
| <i>CCD</i> | 6:00 PM | Rm. A |
| <i>Finance Council Mtg.</i> | 7:00 PM | Rm. B |
| <i>Adult Choir Practice</i> | 7:15 PM | Church |
| <i>AA</i> | 7:30 PM | Parish Hall |
| FRIDAY | OCTOBER 27 | |
| <i>CPR/AED Training</i> | 1:00 PM | Parish Hall |
| <i>Children of Light</i> | 7:00 PM | Parish Hall |
| <i>Baptismal Formation Class</i> | 7:00 PM | |
| SATURDAY | OCTOBER 28 | |
| <i>Altar Server Training</i> | 9:00 AM | Church |
| <i>Vigil Mass</i> | 4:00 PM | Church |
| <i>RCIA</i> | 5:00 PM | Rm. A, B & C |
| <i>Spaghetti Dinner</i> | 5:00 PM | Parish Hall |

Readings for the Week

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16
Sunday: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

For the Week of October 22, 2017



Blessed Mother Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Michael DeMita & Isabel & Lou Terranova
 Sacred Heart Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Anna & Carmine Melori

“GIVE THE LORD GLORY AND HONOR”

Welcome into God's Family



Allison Geraldine Marakovits, Annabella Rose Muller, Declan Michael Ruffin Adelyn Jessa Silovitch, Genevieve James Wall



III. Richie Van Pelt

“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; *Alphonse Gilio*

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

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 October 15, 2017

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| Regular | \$10,399.44 |
| On Line | \$773.00 |
| Total | \$10842.44 |

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS. THEY MAKE OUR BULLETIN POSSIBLE. ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK A WOMAN'S TOUCH PAINTING

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

Reflections for

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



In today’s Gospel Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem continue their tense exchange of questions and challenges. At this point the disciples of the Pharisees, together with the Herodians, try to entrap Jesus by their question about the payment of taxes.

Matthew sets up an unusual partnership between the Pharisees and the Herodians. The Herodians were supporters of Herod Antipas, a Jewish political leader who collaborated with the Romans. Such collaboration would have required a compromised observance of the Mosaic Law. The Pharisees, on the other hand, taught scrupulous observance of the Mosaic Law and opposed Roman occupation. Herodians favored the payment of taxes; the Pharisees opposed it. The Herodians and the Pharisees approach Jesus, asking that he take sides in their dispute. If Jesus answers with the Pharisees, he shows himself to be an enemy of Rome. If he answers with the Herodians, he offends popular Jewish religious sensibilities.

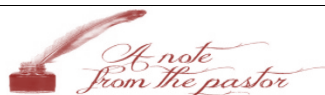
Jesus’ response to this attempt to trap him exposes the guile of his questioners. From his first words to them, Jesus shows that he is very much aware of what they are trying to do. He asks to see a Roman coin, which is readily provided to him. It may have come from the hand of a Herodian, but the Pharisees show themselves to be quite willing to accept this compromise. Jesus has already exposed the Pharisees as hypocrites.

Jesus takes his response one step further. He asks that his questioners examine the coin. Agreeing that it is Caesar’s image on the coin, Jesus tells them that it must belong to Caesar. Avoiding the question of lawfulness altogether, Jesus answers their question with simple logic. Then, going further still, Jesus tells them that their obligation is to pay to God that which belongs to God.

Jesus’ response to the Herodians and Pharisees suggests the ethic that Christians ought to adopt. It reminds us of the importance of keeping things in their proper perspective. Do we attach ourselves to worldly things at the expense of the love and honor that we owe to God?

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This weekend is **World Mission Sunday**. We recognized it with a special collection for world missions, but there is so much more to it. Through the Diocese of Trenton's Society for the Propagation of the Faith, we are reminded that our church activity is far more than the time we spend in the church building on Sunday – it is a mission. As followers of Christ we remember the last earthly words to the Apostles before Jesus' Ascension into heaven: "Go, therefore, and *make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you*" (Matthew 28:19-29, *italics mine*).

In true Pope Francis style, the Holy Father reiterates this in his recent letter for World Mission Sunday: "The Church's mission is enlivened by a spirituality of constant exodus. We are challenged 'to go forth from our own comfort zone in order to reach all the peripheries in need of the light of the Gospel' (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 20). The Church's mission impels us to undertake a constant pilgrimage across the various deserts of life, through the different experiences of hunger and thirst for truth and justice. The Church's mission inspires a sense of constant exile, to make us aware, in our thirst for the infinite, that we are exiles journeying towards our final home, poised between the 'already' and 'not yet' of the Kingdom of Heaven. (*Pope Francis 2017 letter, "Mission at the heart of the Christian faith"*, 6).

Although not all of us might participate in this missionary calling of the Church through travel, we are bound to so in other ways, such as prayer and financial support. However, our most direct and effective participation may be through our witness and reflection of the actions of Christ in our own lives, the way we let the "light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father" (Matthew 5:16).

In our own way, each of us is called to be a missionary; let's do so the best that we can!

Fr. Ed

YOU CAN UNDERSTAND THE BIBLE!

Hundreds of thousands of people from all over the world have had their lives transformed by learning how to read and understand the Bible from a Catholic perspective with *The Bible Timeline Seminar*. Now, this popular Catholic Bible Seminar, part of *The Great Adventure* Catholic Bible Study Series, is coming to the Diocese of Trenton in a LIVE presentation by Jeff Cavins *HIMSELF!!* The live "Bible Timeline Seminar" will be held on November 17 & 18 at Co-Cathedral of St. Robert, Bellarmine, Freehold, NJ. You will discover how knowing the Bible Timeline can help you understand your story, the story of Scripture. Your faith will grow deeper from this experience because all of our faith springs from this amazing story! This will be a life changing event for you, for your family and friends. For more information and to register please contact Maria at (609) 403-7154 or email her at mguzma@DioceseofTrenton.org

OCTOBER DINE TO DONATE PARTNER

Dine to donate October 23 – 29 at Joey D's Lunch and Dinner from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Brick Oven Pizza & Restaurant

990 Cedar Bridge Ave., Brick 732-206-6195

Choose from a full menu of gourmet pizza, wraps, panini, salads, Italian specialty dinners, pastas, subs & appetizers. Homemade mozzarella and focaccia bread are made fresh daily and desserts include cannoli's filled with delicious homemade cannoli cream!

Pick up a flyer, mention you're from Visitation Church, or print a flyer from our website Visitationrcchurch.org. 10% of your bill excluding tax & gratuity will be donated to the Church of the Visitation Covering Fund (parking lot replacement).

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GIVE THE GIFT OF WARMTH



The Respect Life Ministry along with St. Vincent de Paul will once again be collecting winter coats, jackets, hats, gloves and blankets for the needy through the month of October. Men's coats are especially in need. These items may be brought to St. Vincent de Paul Monday-Saturday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30.

PROMISE TO PROTECT-PLEDGE TO HEAL



The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People and to its own policies and guidelines in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors.

If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan **ABUSE HOTLINE: 1-800-296-2965 or via e-mail at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org**.

The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

COMMUNITY SUNDAY

This Sunday, (October 22) is Community Sunday beginning after the 8:00 AM Mass. Please join us downstairs for fellowship with new and old friends.



CALLING ALL ALTAR SERVERS

If you are an Altar Server at Visitation, we are having a mandatory practice in the Church on ***Saturday October 28th at 9:00 am***. We will be going over the practical aspects of service at the Altar. Please plan on being present for this training. If you are not an Altar Server and are interested in becoming one please attend the training on that day so that you can be trained to be a server. Once trained we can put you on the regular schedule of serving at Mass. Any questions please email Fr. Jakub at frjakub@visitationrcchurch.org.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS FORUM

Learn about the resources that are available to you!

Sunday, October 22, 2PM – 4PM

Ocean Medical Center, Conference Rooms A/B/C
425 Jack Martin Boulevard

Panel of Presenters:

Michael Blatt, MSW, LCSW, Coordinator for Individuals with Disabilities, Ocean County Department of Human Services, Jessica Cataloti, Field Representative for Health Education Ocean County Health Department, Katie Chambers, certified end of life doula, Holisticare Hospice Ms. Kelli Chiarello, LCSW, Representative OMC Behavioral Health, Rev. Anthony J. Maimone, Chaplain, Pastoral Care Representative OMC Palliative Care, Ms. Kathleen Marabeti, Meridian Care Journey, Pastoral Care Representative OMC Palliative Care, Dr. Ramon Solhkhani, MD, Representative OMC Behavioral Health

Light refreshments served

No Charge – Open to the Community

COMMUNITY LUNCHEON



Thank you to all who donated to the second collection on October 1st to benefit the Community Luncheon program. Over \$3,600 was raised to aid in the mission of the ministry to bring joy and comfort to many people through food and fellowship. The program is open to all every Wednesday at noon in the Parish Hall. Come and join us! We hope to see you soon!

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SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY



Food Pantry
Donations Needed

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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Ushers are need for the 12:30 Mass. If you regularly attend this Mass, why not join our team! Your willingness to serve as an usher reflects your commitment to Christ. If you think you may be interested or need additional information, please contact Kathy at 732-262-4186.

FLEA MARKET

Giant Flea Market & Craft Show on Saturday, October 28 from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM Monsignor Everett Hall, Holy Family Church, East County Line Road. For information or to reserve a table for \$12.00 to sell, contact Maria Rau at 732-349-3776



Boy Scout Troop #38 will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser on Saturday, October 28, 2017 at 5:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

The cost is \$8.00. For additional information or to purchase tickets contact Faith at 732-966-4616.

SUPPER WITH THE SAINTS

For those who are hungry or in need of friendship, the last Tuesday (October 31) of each month join All Saints Church at 500 Lake Avenue, Bay Head for food and fellowship. Serving from 4:00~6:00 PM. For additional information call 732-892-5198.

That which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.

1 John 1:3



Save the Date

Friday, December 8th at 7:30 PM, Saint Dominic Church for the renowned Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea conducted by Fr. Alphonse Stephenson. Welcome the holiday season with the elegance and grace of Father Alphonse Stephenson. Father Alphonse provides humorous and personal anecdotes perfectly tuned to the occasion. His 42-piece orchestra skillfully performs holiday classics with passion and precision that make this spectacular evening one not to be missed. Call 732-840-1410 (Mon.-Fri. - 9:00 AM-4:00 PM) for additional information or to purchase tickets.

BAPTISMAL FORMATION SESSION

The next session for Baptismal Preparation will be held Friday, October 27, at 7:00 PM in the Daily Chapel. Anyone in the Parish who recently had a baby should contact Deacon Sal to set up a date for the Baptism and the preparation class. For registration and additional information, contact ext. 218 at the Parish office.



Father Garry Koch and Sister Margaret Tierney invite you to travel with them to Croatia and Italy next year. The trip will be from April 16th - 30th. It will include a cruise on a yacht for seven nights and seven nights on land. There will be a stop in Medjugorje, Venice and Milan. Hope you can join to see beautiful Croatia and the islands. There will be a presentation on October 25 at 2:00 p.m. in St. Margaret's Church at 300 Ludlow Ave., Spring Lake, N.J. If you need more information, please call me at (732)449-5765.

YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Are you looking to grow and deepen your faith in Catholicism? All between the ages of 18 to 39 are welcome to join our local Catholic young adult community. The next meeting is Tuesday, October 24, at 7:00 pm in the Daily Chapel.

For any further information please contact our Youth and Young Adult Minister Christie Winters at 723-477-7059 ext. 105 or email cwinters@visitationRCchurch.org.

We hope to see you there!

OCTOBER 22, 2017

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Family & Friends,

On Wednesday November 1 we commemorate the Feast of All Saints. This is a day in Church life where we remember the example of the Saints.

Mass times:

Tuesday, October 31, 7:00 PM

Wednesday, November 1, 7:30, 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Reverend Edward H. Blanchett

Pastor

P.S. Please return your intentions by dropping the envelope in the collection basket at Mass, by bringing the envelope to the Parish Office or by mailing it.

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ORDINARY TIME: AUTUMN

A Sense of the Season



All of our days are numbered. Now that Christ has risen from the dead and ascended into heaven, we count down the days until he returns in glory to judge the living and the dead. Ordinary Time is “ordinal” time: numbered days, days in which we lay out the scriptures and the prayers to bide our time until Christ returns.

Although the church makes no official distinction between the days of Ordinary Time from Pentecost until Advent, in our lives we experience the subtle shift from the relaxed days of summer to the increasingly active days of autumn. For some of us, the shift comes with the end-of-summer holiday or the beginning of school. Others see work activities shift, from tending to harvesting, from stocking shelves to increasing sales, from cashing out an old fiscal year to digging into a new one.

The church’s calendar contains some subtle shifts, too. On September 14 we celebrated the Holy Cross, and the waning of the natural world around us points us to the mystery of suffering

and redemption. At the end of September we invoked the holy archangels to guard us in the encroaching twilight. And if we listen closely to the scriptures in October, we begin to hear talk of the last days and the final things. These thoughts reach their culmination with the great festival of saints and souls, November 1 and 2. And we spend November remembering the dead, preparing for the end and celebrating Christ, the first fruits harvested of the new creation, the firstborn from the dead.

This is the extraordinary opportunity that autumn’s Ordinary Time opens up for us.

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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 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.

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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*

Social Ministries/Activities

BINGO is held in the Parish Hall on Tuesdays at 11:00 AM 732-475-0589– *Cathy or Bingo@visitationRCchurch.org*.

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 732-477-7059 ext. 221 – *Fr. Jakub or frjakub@visitationRCchurch.org*

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 jworth127@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 609-234-4437 – *Richard Bencivenga or visitation.holyname@gmail.com*

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.