



THE PARISH OF SAINT MARY

A Catholic Community Proclaiming the Greatness of God in our Time

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February 14, 2016

First Sunday
of

Lent

Jesus was led by the Spirit
into the desert for forty days,
to be tempted by the devil.

Luke 4:1-2

Recycle Last Years Palms

A receptacle has been placed in the Gathering Space to collect old palms, so that they may be disposed of properly.

Stations of the Cross

7 pm

Each Friday Night during Lent
Lenten Chapel (Parish Hall)

Visit our Website: www.stmaryscoltsneck.org

Bishop of the Diocese of Trenton: Most Reverend David M. O'Connell, C. M.

Pastor: Reverend Fr. Jeffrey E. Lee

Deacons:

Fred Sorrentino
Vincent Rinaldi
James V. Gallagher

Pastor Emeritus: Reverend Fr. William J. Bausch

The **Parish Office hours** are Monday - Thursday 8:30 AM to 7:30 PM
Open Sunday 9 AM - 12 NOON.

Trustees:

Susan Coleman
Bill LaMorte

Parish Membership: New Parishioners are always welcome! Registration is required. Contact Parish Office.

The next New Parishioner Orientation is
24 April, 2016, 11:00 AM.

Parish Office: 732-780-2666

parishoffice@stmaryscoltsneck.org

Bulletin Deadline: Electronic format by 12 noon Thursday of the prior week (10days).
parishbulletin@stmaryscoltsneck.org

Sacraments:

Penance & Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 PM or by appointment.

Marriage

Contact the Parish Office one year in advance for information and guidelines.

Baptism

Contact the Parish Office in advance for information and required paperwork.
No Baptisms during Lent.

Lifelong Catechesis

Week of 15 February ~ 21 February

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

21 Feb. Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17 -- 4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

Question for Children: Jesus invites you to be close to him, to see him with clear eyes. What is Jesus like as a friend?

Question for Youth: What do you most want God to help you with?

Question for Adults: Sometimes we can see Christ with clear eyes, as the disciples did on that mountain. Share about such a time in your own life.



**Self-evaluation,
Visioning & planning
Initiative**

All parishioners will have the opportunity to participate in an **electronic survey** based on the 9 criteria for planning set by the Diocese of Trenton. This survey is the primary opportunity to provide input and help the FIOF Core team members compile the necessary information to aid with the self-evaluation of the parish, ministries and use of resources as well as help with planning and visioning in the future.

The Parish Core Team members will compile the survey results and share them with cohort parishes. Parishioners will have a 2 week time frame to complete the survey. Any parishioner without internet access can complete the survey at the parish. A computer will be provided for you.

Our parish will not remain as it is today. The Core teams and cohorts have been asked to consider **six models** for each parish so to best serve Catholics in the Diocese. More than one model may be suggested. All suggestions will be reviewed by the Diocesan Planning Commission.

The six models for consideration are:

Model One: COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

Model Two: LINKED PARISHES

Model Three: MERGED PARISHES

Model Four: IN SOLIDUM TEAM

Model Five: PARISH LIFE DIRECTOR

Model Six: PERSONAL PARISHES

Visit the parish website for additional information about FIOF and each individual model.

1st Sunday of Lent

"I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given to me."

(Deuteronomy 26:10)



This line from the Old Testament offers two challenges. First, do you give to God from your "first fruits", the best that you have to offer, or do you give from what is leftover? Second, do you remember that everything you have has been given to you by God? Ask God for a grateful and generous heart, every day.

**Mass Intentions for the Week
15 February - 21 February
For * Requested by**

Monday, 15 February 9:00 AM – Chapel
Rev. Fr. Raymond Griffin * Rev. Fr. Jeffrey E. Lee, Staff and Parishioners

Tuesday, 16 February 9:00 AM – Chapel
Eleanor Coleman * Carol and Frank Donohue

Wednesday, 17 February 9:00 AM – Chapel
The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
Phil Valenziano * Elia and Claude Gallelo

Thursday, 18 February 9:00 AM – Chapel
Terence Deckert * Maria and Joe Beninato
Anne Zuchowski * Angela and Tom Kinlin

Friday 19 February 9:00 AM – Chapel
Abstinence
William Ward * Annmarie and Vincent Vita

Saturday 20 February 5:00 PM – Church
Bill O'Doherty * Freda O'Doherty and Family
Robbie Gaglioti * Sophia and Ralph Martucci
Peter and Marion DiSciullo * Mark DiSciullo

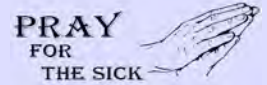
Sunday, 21 February – Church
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
8:00 AM
Loreign Drake * Jane and Neil Slattery
Philip Mascaro * Mascaro Family

10:00 AM
Gloria Fernandi * Bill and Ginny LaMorte
Helen and Abramo Grande * Angi Mazzeo

12:00 PM
For the Living and Deceased Members and Benefactors

5:00 PM
Alfred Christie * Mr. and Mrs. John F. Connors and Family
Mario Sessa * Irene Sessa and Family

Please pray for the following members of our parish family who are ill:



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| Jacqueline Andres | Joseph Jurgielewicz |
| Mary Barbagallo | Lori Lettieri |
| Bill Barnett | Angela Liguori |
| John Beckley | Angela Kinlin |
| Joan Blatz | Mary Klein |
| Jennie Borowski | Arnold Marchsi |
| Florence Brillante | Leonidas Mavrookas |
| Natalie Chiaino | John McInerney |
| Anthony Citro | Marjorie Messler |
| Jo Clement | Tom Nolan |
| Linda Damen | Tere Nolan |
| Logan Dayton | John Orrico |
| Nancy DeGeorge | Frances Renna |
| John DeStefano | Lori Romer |
| Ruth Fiedler | Lou Schmitt |
| Mary Fournier | Linda Sobel |
| Margaret Gesner | Hayden Sprat |
| Emily Gioacchini | Kevin Venancio |
| Thomas Giuffrida | Kathleen Walsh |
| Tom Hudak | |

To add a family member to the sick list, please call or e-mail 732-780-2666 or Parishbulletin@stmaryscoltsneck.org

Rest in Peace

Please remember in your prayers, those who entered into their new and eternal life in Christ recently.



Angelina Brock
Anne Zuchowski, *mother of Lori Lettieri*
James Hamill, *husband of Frances*

Pray for Our Military



Lance Corporal Scott MacConnell
Lance Corporal Edward Zarzecki

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

Donations are accepted for **intentions** for the Sanctuary Lamp in the Chapel & Church.
This candle burns perpetually as a reminder that Jesus is truly and really present in the tabernacle.
If you wish to make the suggested donation of twenty-five dollars for an intention for the Sanctuary Lamp, contact the Parish Office for an envelope.

There are Sanctuary lamps available for the: Chapel the week of Feb. 28 & Church all of March



Sanctuary Lamp - Chapel

Bill O'Doherty
Freda O'Doherty & Family



Sanctuary Lamp - Church

Angelina Brock
Suzanne Schlesinger

Pastoral Associate for Worship & Evangelization

Deacon Vincent Rinaldi worship@stmaryscoltsneck.org

Social Concerns: Roger Zurro Music Ministry: Lauren Walters music@stmaryscoltsneck.org Organist: Andrew Macirowski

FORTY DAYS

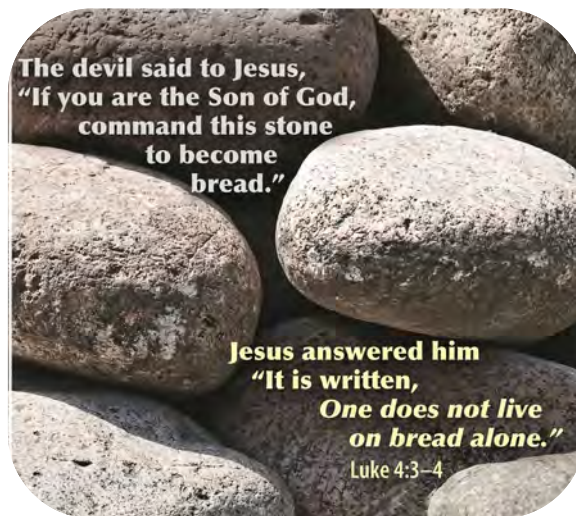
We can only imagine how hard a forty-day fast would be, and how hungry we would be afterward. To turn a stone into bread sounds like a harmless and reasonable suggestion. If we look elsewhere in the Gospels, however, we see Jesus enjoying many meals, but always in the company of others. He dines with Pharisees. He multiplies loaves and fishes for large crowds. He invites the disciples to join him for a breakfast on the beach after the Resurrection. We see him embrace eating as a communal act, always a sharing of self as well as a breaking of bread. Today he is being tempted to satisfy himself alone, ignoring that sharing of self that is so important.

The second temptation is more obvious. To worship the devil is something that Jesus sees right through. He quotes scripture to silence his adversary.

The third is the most grandiose. To rule the whole known world is a temptation to which many in our own day succumb. The devil even uses scripture for his own purposes here. Jesus quotes, with finality, the scripture that puts an end to the tempting.

Jesus shows us that, with his help, we too can overcome our temptations, reasonable as they may sound.

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**Musical Notations: Sing for a Season!**

Is part of your New Year's resolution to get in shape, feel great, reduce stress, volunteer more, or take up a new hobby?

Singing can help with that!

It's proven to strengthen the abdomen, improve posture, stamina, and lung function, tightens facial skin, releases endorphins that help with chronic pain, anger, depression, and anxiety. Singing even improve brain function and assists those with balance issues... the benefits go on & on!

You can get this every Tuesday night at 7:30 in the church...and for those grade 1-8, every Sunday after the 10:00 Mass! This is the PERFECT time to just try choir. Sing from now until Easter. No strings attached, no questions asked. Rehearsal time(s) an issue? Learn from home and come to just 3 rehearsals! It's never been easier, more convenient to try something new, that's good for you, at no cost other than a little bit of your time and talent.

Hope to see you all soon! For more information, contact Lauren Walters at l.walters@stmaryscoltsneck.org

"Shelter the Homeless" – Many of our parishes have financial assistance programs run by your St. Vincent de Paul Conference or Social Concerns group who help those in danger of losing their home/apartment due to a missed rent or mortgage payment. Other groups such as Habitat, Family Promise, Interfaith hospitality, also have "housing and shelter" programs. Consider helping them with a donation or with your time and talents to help "shelter the Homeless" in this **Year of Mercy**.





Lent & Easter Dates at a Glance

Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel - following Daily Mass, 9:30 am - noon
Wednesdays: Feb 17 & 24 March 2, 9, 16

Stations of the Cross- Lenten Chapel
Fridays: 7 pm Feb 19, 26 March 4, 11, 18

Soup and Bread—Feb 26
Madonna Hall— 6pm; Lite meal of meatless soup & bread with Stations of the Cross following at 7 pm

Lenten Penance and Reconciliation Service Communal Service
Sunday, March 13 — 3:30 pm

Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion, March 20: Palm distribution— **All Masses held in Church**(Sunday Schedule)

Chrism Mass—**St. Robert Bellarmine Church** in Freehold on Monday, March 21st at 7:30 pm

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HE WILL REPLACE YOUR CONFUSION WITH CLARITY AND WISDOM, HE WILL REPLACE YOUR ANXIETY WITH PEACE, AND HE WILL FILL YOU WITH GRATITUDE AND JOY EVEN IN THE MIDST OF GREAT DIFFICULTY.

Complimentary copies available at the Parish Office

Quote taken from *Rediscover Jesus* Matthew Kelly's NEW Book

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Recycle Last Years Palms

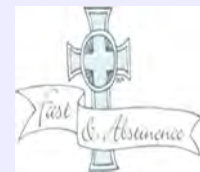
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Guidelines of the Universal Church

The Catholic Church in the United States asks of us as baptized Catholics to observe the following:

The days of fast (only one full meal) and abstinence (no meat) are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

All other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence (no meat).



Fast—consume only one full meal.

Abstinence— consume no meat; this obligation prohibits the eating of meat but not eggs, milk products or condiments of any kind, even though made from animal fat.

Baptized Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast and those from the age of 14 are also obliged to abstain.

All are encouraged to embrace these practices as part of our spiritual journey.



INSPIRE EVERYONE IN YOUR PARISH TO HAVE A *life-changing Lent.*

Join Dynamic Catholic for our **Best Lent Ever**® email program, a 40-day spiritual journey to encounter Jesus—and yourselves—in a deeply personal way.

It's FREE. It's simple. And it features content from Matthew Kelly's new bestseller *Rediscover Jesus* (pick up a complimentary copy at the Parish Office)

Sign up at DynamicCatholic.com/BestLentEver

1. Participants receive **daily emails** with **short videos** from Matthew Kelly and a member of the Dynamic Catholic team.
2. Discover simple ways to bring Jesus into your everyday lives, leading to a more **personal relationship with Jesus & your best Lent ever.**



This LENT, give something up and take something on...

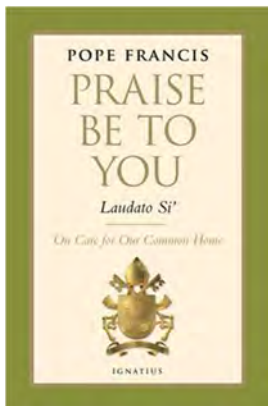
Prayer Fasting Works of Love & Charity

Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation & Life Long Learning

Michele McCue faithformation@stmaryscoltsneck.org

Coordinator of Adolescent Catechesis and Ministry: Matthew Butler

youthministry@stmaryscoltsneck.org



Sunday, March 6th

1:00-2:30 pm after 12 noon Mass

Location: Christ Chapel

Caring for Our Common Community-

Some Reflections on Pope Francis' Laudato si

Fr. Victor Hoagland will present an overview of the Pope's environmental encyclical as well as some reflections and practical implementation strategies.

Please RSVP to Michele McCue at faithformation@stmaryscoltsneck.org a light lunch will be served

Walking with Purpose
Enabling women to know Christ through Scripture
Walking with Purpose
Women's Bible Study
Coffee Connect February 18
Join women of our parish and beyond, at 12:30pm for a sampling of this wonderful Bible Study!
All women are invite to attend.
Lunch will be served.
Additional attendees please RSVP your attendance to Ginny LaMorte vlamorte814@yahoo.com

Summer Intensive Registration Reduced Tuition until 31 March

Program Resources located on the *Religious Ed webpage*

- ♦ Why Summer RE? (30min video)
- ♦ Summer Intensive details
- ♦ Link to on-line registration form

www.stmaryscoltsneck.com

Extra copies in the Parish Office - \$16

909 Days, A vivid portrayal of the life of Christ, by Mr. Dunne.

...short, thoughtful, easy-to-read chapters in the order of events as they likely happened & includes a chronological table with the four gospels cross-referenced.

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Youth Meeting * Feb 23 * 7:00 - 8:00 pm

All 7th grade though High School are invited to a youth ministry meeting! There will be pizza, an ice breaker, video, and a great service opportunity to discuss.

Additional Meetings: March 15, April 19 & May 17 7 - 8 pm

Please RSVP: Matt, youthministry@stmaryscoltsneck.org

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION WEEK TWENTY-THREE:

My head and body are in the right proportions now. I look like a small doll! I am very skinny because I don't have much body fat, but I am growing so much now that in a month my weight will double! My heartbeat can be heard thorough a standard stethoscope. The bones in my middle ear have hardened. Low – frequency sounds penetrate the womb better than high frequency, which means I can hear dad's voice better than mom's. Sometimes I get very excited when I hear my dad talk and I start moving around to let him know I can't wait to play with him. My body is so amazing that if I was born now, I would have a 15% chance of surviving. Every day my chances of surviving get better. Please continue to pray for my mom, dad, and me.

Quo vadis...

My Dear Parishioners: Today we celebrate the First Sunday of Lent. The ritual act of professing our faith is no substitution for living it in our daily lives. When we are tested, our faith is put to the test, too. We are then faced with a choice of how we live. Lent is a time to examine our choices. Just as God led Israel to a “land flowing with milk and honey” (first reading), so will God lead us to salvation if we “call on the name of the Lord” (second reading). For us, though, our desert is the demands of everyday living and our salvation is found on the cross. Each day, we take up our cross and lay down our life for the sake of others; we are building strength to resist temptation and come to greater faith. Our simple acts of kindness are helping us resist temptation. Our complimenting another or offering a word of encouragement helps us resist temptation. We don’t have to go out into a desert to find temptation! But, we do need God’s nearness to resist it. God has promised to be with us.

The liturgical Season of Lent has begun and concludes Holy Thursday at which time the Solemn Triduum (Three Days) begins. Lent is a time for us to give up or do without some things in our lives...to search for simpler living. It is also a time for us to do some things extra like daily Mass, the Way of the Cross, Eucharistic Adoration, Scripture Reading, taking more quality time when praying, the Men’s Morning Office each Thursday and the Ladies Morning Office each Friday. Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving are the important Lenten practices for the individual Christian and the Christian Community. I encourage you, regardless of age, to seriously make an effort to abstain from something and also to commit yourself to doing

something extra especially during this great season of grace. Daily Mass is celebrated in our parish as announced in the Parish Bulletin at 9:00am Monday – Friday. During Lent, it will be celebrated in the Lenten Chapel (Parish Hall). This is a time that seems to be convenient for many...it is during the morning when it is bright out. Come and draw near to the Lord who is present to us in the Eucharist.

Last weekend, we viewed the video of His Excellency, The Most Reverend Bishop of Trenton regarding “Faith in Our Future” and “Faith to Move Mountains.” Each of these initiatives is important for us as Roman Catholic Christians living in Central New Jersey. The Bishop invites us to prayerfully reflect on our experience of church and how we are committed to the mission of the church here and now with an eye toward the future. It is the mission of the church that shapes our pastoral goals and priorities. It is the mission of the church that provides a necessary lens as we make decisions and choices that will position us well into the future. These two initiatives are complimentary as we vision the future and plan to fund these initiatives for the future. Thank you for your kind words and the seriousness with which you approach these initiatives. Please consult other areas of the bulletin for information on how to participate in these initiatives in the coming weeks and months.

Many thanks to all those who assisted us for the Ash Wednesday Services as we welcomed many to our parish church for this ancient custom. Have a great week. Let us pray for one another. Buona Domenica. Peace. Father Jeff

**Sharing Our Treasure
6/7 February**

Weekly Sacrificial Stewardship Offering	\$ 15,774
Envelope Contributions	\$ 10,836
Electronic/Online Contributions	\$ 3,664
Loose Contributions	\$ 1,274

Average Contribution per Household this week \$32.51
 # of Contributing Households 446
 # of Registered Parishioner Households 1,924

Mortgage Collection \$ 5,854
 (Our monthly mortgage payment is \$6,289.04)

Included in next week's offertory will be the collection for the Black & Native American.

Included in next week's offertory will be the collection for the Catholic Churches in Eastern Europe.



Please remember The Parish of Saint Mary in your Will and Estate planning.

THANK YOU for the Sacrificial Stewardship Offerings as we support the ministries, programs and facilities of our parish.

May God Bless you for the sacrifices that you make.

Provide A Ride

St. Mary has several Parishioners who are elderly/disabled & unable to drive for their own personal needs, such as doctor visits, food shopping, Mass attendance, etc.



If you have the desire & ability to offer transportation assistance, so that a fellow Parishioner can attend to their ordinary everyday tasks, please consider making yourself available to provide a ride on an as-needed or perhaps once-a-month basis.

For more information, please contact Roger (Social Concerns Outreach) at 732-780-7343 x320.

Help the parish get ready for Easter?

Help decorate the church for Palm Sunday and Easter

◇ (flowers, liturgical items,...)



Please contact:

Lisa Ortenzio,
 (732)977-8433
lmo1224@verizon.net



Worship Ministry Schedule: 20/21 February

	Altar Server	EMs of Holy Communion	Reader 1	Reader 2	Greeter	Cantor	Usher
Saturday, 5:00 PM (Church)	Anthony Buzzetta Mark Hines	Frank Baker - Center Cup Rosemarie Estephan - Organ Host Helene Lind - Center Host Susan Murphy - Tabernacle Host Emily Santangelo - Organ Cup NOT FILLED - Tabernacle Cup	Dering Sprague	John Carlucci	Margaret Caponegro NOT FILLED	Kathy Woolston	Jack Davis Jim Davis John Grabowski Bob Lind Ralph Martucci Frank Sikorskas
Sunday, 8:00 AM (Church)	Heather Boliver NOT FILLED	Martha Leonhardt - Center Cup Susan Osmulski - Organ Host Michael Stivala - Center Host Paul Osmulski - Tabernacle Host Mike LaCava - Organ Cup Rosanne LaCava - Tabernacle Cup	Kathy Maher	Mary Ellen Griffin	Anne Baker Tina Repetto	Lauren Walters	George Illmensee James Pifer George Watts Joe Young
Sunday, 10:00 AM (Church)	Valeska Yaninas NOT FILLED	Dawn Reinhardt - Center Cup Heide Lohn - Organ Host Gregory Calderaro - Center Host Winifred O'Doherty - Tabernacle Host Richard Yaeger - Organ Cup Helen DeCerce - Tabernacle Cup	Steve Rumsby	Rita Duenas	Andrew Befumo, Jr. Denise Smith	Diane Dragone	Vince Cerulo Eleanor Crawford Leigh Gavinelli John Orrico William Spence Joe Walsh Jack Zumba
Sunday, 12:00 PM (Church)	Allen Montefusco Christopher Montefusco	Marycatherine Noble - Center Cup MaryJoan McNamara - Organ Host Lee Gesner - Center Host Patricia Balbo - Tabernacle Host Patricia Gesner - Organ Cup Anna May Schellenberger - Tabernacle Cup	Stanley Drusdow	John McCrae	Donna Murphy NOT FILLED	Marybeth Jacobson	John Barr James Dolan Joe Mancino Joseph Rinaldo William Starce NOT FILLED
Sunday, 5:00 PM (Confirm. Prep)	Abigail Cowles Patrick Dickinson	Terrie Austin - Center Cup Linda Dickinson-Pancila - Center Cup Martha Cowles - Organ Host Irene Weller - Center Host Maria Thompson - Tabernacle Host Maria Gerbino - Organ Cup Diane Antico - Tabernacle Cup	Richard Gerbino	Annette Raynor	<i>Confirm. Prep Students</i>	Abby Clyne	Jim Austin NOT FILLED NOT FILLED

Pastoral Coordinator for Community Building and Communications:

Linda Dickinson-Pancila communitybuilding@stmaryscoltsneck.org

The Diocese of Trenton has embarked upon a new endowment campaign

which hopes to raise a minimum of \$75,000,000 in gifts & pledges. Every parish in the Diocese has been assigned a financial target in order to meet the long term financial needs of the Diocese of Trenton, its 107 parishes, Catholic Schools and Diocesan ministries. The campaign called Faith to Move Mountains is “not for the sake of brick & mortar, but, rather, for the flesh and blood that make up our community of faith....because that is what we need to do if faith handed on to us is to endure and grow. Now more than ever, the mountains loom large. Only your faith and generosity will move them as, together, we continue to believe that ‘nothing is impossible’ with God.” Bishop David M. O’Connell

**Frequently asked questions continued:****12. How will my parish benefit from the campaign?**

Each parish will receive 30% of the funds raised from its parishioners to be allocated to its own local case. Parishes that exceed their target will receive 70% of those funds raised above their target. Funds collected will be dispersed every six months to both the parishes and Diocesan case components.

13. How much should we give?

Genuine stewardship encourages gifts of equal sacrifice, but not gifts of an equal dollar amount. Ultimately, your thoughtful and prayerful decision will be most appropriate and most appreciated.

More info can be found on the parish website and the Diocese of Trenton www.dioceseoftrenton.org

Martha Mary Guild Members Will Attend the NY Orchid Show

A few years ago, some of the Guild members were lucky enough to see the remains of the New York Botanical Garden’s Orchid Show. This time, we are really lucky because a trip is planned to visit during the actual show! We will experience the beauty of **all** the orchids, and there will be thousands – in “a stunning array of colors, sizes, shapes and textures”. It is the country’s largest orchid show.



Along with these magnificent flowers, we will see the Native Plant Garden, Azalea Garden and Rock Garden. This trip is **Wednesday, March 30, 2016** – leaving St. Mary’s at **8:45 am and returning around 4 pm**. \$89.00 includes **EVERYTHING** – bus, entrance fee, tour guide, tram ride and box lunch!

There are only 24 tickets available, so if this interests you, call Elia Gallelo (732-308-0789) or Treasure Herman (732-946-8982) to get on the list and then send your check **pronto!**

**Diocesan Youth Celebration 2016
“Rise up Love has Triumphed”**

When: Sunday, April 17th.

Doors open at 8:45am Closing Mass begins at 5pm.

Where: Notre Dame High School-
Lawrenceville, NJ

Who: Students in grades 8-12 are invited



**“Love has Triumphed.
Mercy has been Victorious”
-Pope Francis**

SERVE THE POOR

Be diligent in serving the poor. Love the poor, honor them as you would Christ himself.

--St. Louise de Marillac

2015 End of Year Extraordinary Gift

\$1,515.57 Gift of a bona fide parishioner wishing to remain anonymous;
restricted for continued improvements to our parish grounds.

*Let us remember in our prayer
all those who support our parish.*



In the Community:

Priesthood Vocation Discernment Meeting

Our Diocesan Priesthood Vocation Discernment meeting is a wonderful opportunity to share how God is calling you to serve in His Church.



This month's meeting will be

Sunday, February 28, 2016, from 4 pm - 6 pm
Parish of St. Luke,
1674 Old Freehold Road, Toms River, N.J., 08755.

Join Very Rev. Robert Grodnicki as he shares his experiences of the priesthood, leads a discussion about discernment and vocations. It would be great to see you and hear how the Lord is working in your life!

For information & to register,
Diocese of Trenton Office of Vocations
vocations@dioceseoftrenton.org or 609 406-7449.



19TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN FOR JESUS CHRIST CONFERENCE

Saturday | February 27 | 2016 | 8 am - 3 pm

(DOORS OPEN AT 8 AM FOR BAGELS AND COFFEE; LUNCH ALSO INCLUDED)

SAINT MARY PARISH | 19 CHERRY TREE FARM ROAD | MIDDLETOWN, NJ 07748

Attention Men!

19th Annual Catholic Men for Jesus Christ Men's Conference on Saturday, Feb. 27 at Saint Mary Parish in Middletown, NJ.

The theme of this year's conference is "Merciful Like the Father". The day runs from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm and will feature Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop David O'Connell, as well as inspiring talks by current NFL quarterback for the San Diego Chargers, **Kellen Clemens**; **Peter Herbeck**, a Catholic TV & radio host, author and evangelist; and **Brian Gail**, an entrepreneur & CEO, author and Knight of the Immaculata. There will also be music, Catholic vendors, and the opportunity to fellowship with other men who are looking to grow in their Catholic faith. A youth breakout session will also be offered for young men from 8th grade to college age.

Cost is \$25 per person in advance (\$30 at the door); \$10 for students. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. For more information or to register online go to www.catholicmenforjesuschrist.org. To register by mail, send the name(s) of each person registering, your check, and a self-addressed stamped envelope to:

Catholic Men for Jesus Christ
PO Box 816
Morrisville, PA 19067

Questions, call or email parishioner:
Philip Limeri - 732-673-7762 pfimeri@yahoo.com



MARCH 5, 2016 – SATURDAY – 9:00 a.m.
MASS FOR LIFE
ST. ANTHONY CHURCH
121 Bridge Avenue, Red Bank

Immediately after Mass, gather at the Parish Center for fellowship & light refreshments.

The gathering will include brief talks on **physician-assisted suicide** with Patti Staley and **"You Cannot be Replaced"** with Chip and Melissa Dayton & the presentation of Respect Life Poster, Essay & Video awards.

Let us join in prayer for all life, especially the unborn!

For additional information, call 609-403-7192 or emailrespectlife@dioceseoftrenton.org

National Catholic Certification Program in Health Care Ethics



Interested in pursuing an intensive learning experience in Catholic bioethics?

Enrollment information is available on website:
<http://ncbcenter.org/programs-education-certification-mid-year-enrollment>