



THE PARISH OF SAINT MARY

A Catholic Community Proclaiming the Greatness of God in our Time

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8 FEBRUARY 2015

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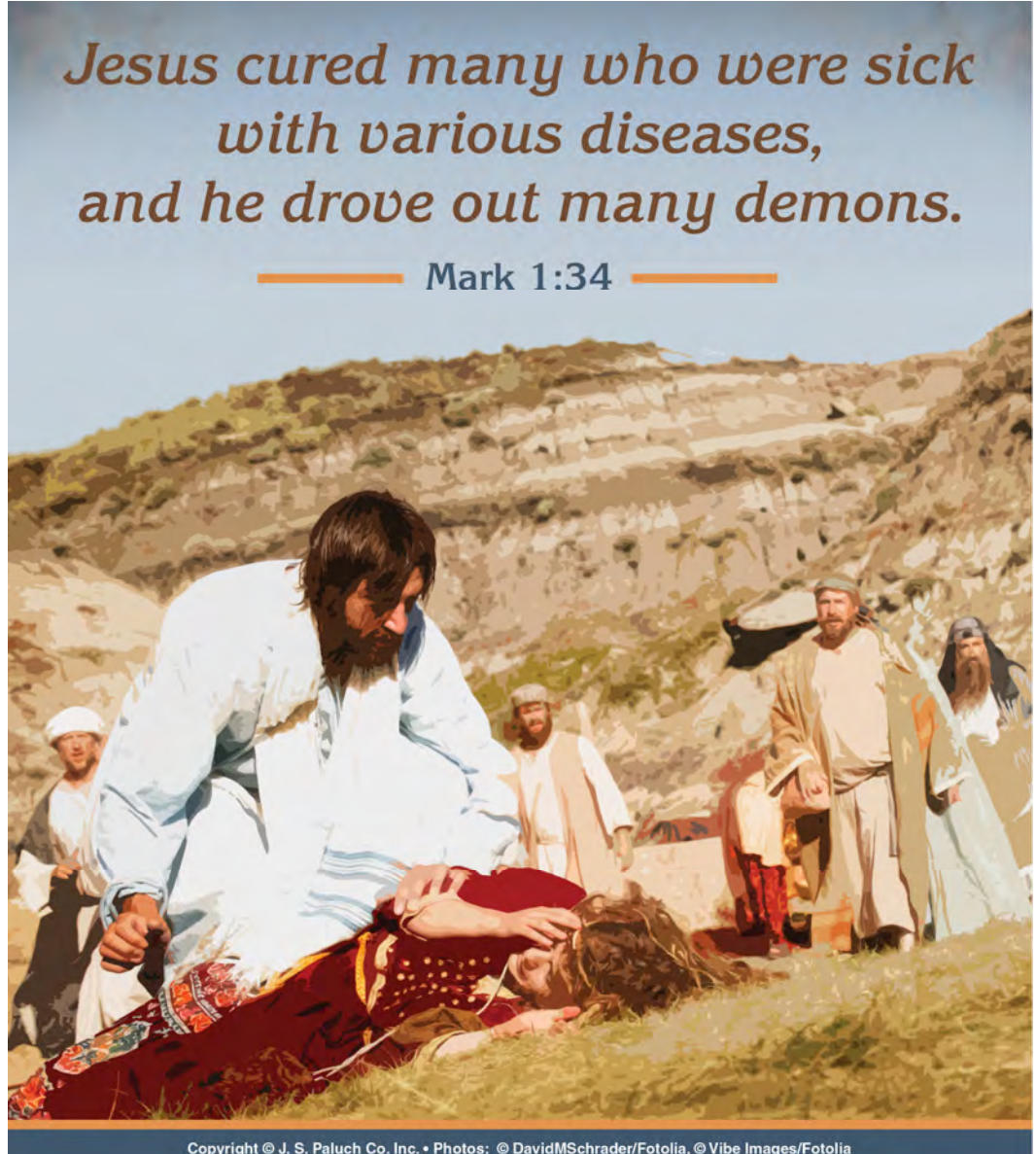
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Mass Schedule: Eucharist
Weekend Saturday 5:00 PM (Anticipatory)
Sunday 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12:00Noon
& 5PM (Nov. 2, 2014 - March 1, 2015)
Weekday Monday through Friday 9:00AM in
Chapel unless otherwise noted
Funerals held in Church

Parish Membership: New Parishioners are always
welcome! Registration is required. Contact Parish
Office for information and paperwork.

The next New Parishioner Orientation is
February 22, 2015, 11:00AM.

Sacraments:
Penance & Reconciliation
Saturday 4:00PM or by appointment

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

Baptism
Registered parishioners contact the parish office in
advance for information and required paperwork.
Second Sunday during 12:00Noon Mass and all other
Sundays immediately following 12:00Noon Mass.

Visit our Website: www.stmaryscoltsneck.org

WORSHIP & EVANGELIZATION

The **Parish Office hours** are Monday through Thursday 8:30AM to 7:30PM and Sunday 9AM-12NOON. The office is closed on Friday and Saturday.

Mass Intentions for the Week 9 – 8 February 2015

- Monday, 9 February at 9am in the Chapel**
Stella Beilinson by Anna Marie and Robert Harbrant
- Tuesday, 10 February at 9:00AM in the Church**
Isabella Cutroneo by Marianna Cutroneo
- Wednesday, 11 February at 9AM in the Chapel**
Elizabeth and Peter Stanley by Gail and Bill Cargiulo
Eleanor and Patrick Walsh by Maureen Beyer
- Thursday, 12 February at 9AM in the Chapel**
Frank Benedetto by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Cirillo and Family
- Friday, 13 February at 9:00AM in the Chapel**
Mr. and Mrs. Anthony DeSimone by Joann and Robert Buhler
- Saturday, 14 February 5:00PM**
John Amirante by Emily Santangelo
Tony J. Garito by Arlene G. Garito and Family
William Cargiulo by Gail and Bill Cargiulo
- Sunday, 15 February 8:00AM**
Helen and John Sionas by Eileen and Mike Stivala
- 10:00AM**
Isabella Cutroneo by Marianna Cutroneo
Elaine Baran by the Emmaus Choir
Olympia Gigante by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Cirillo & Family
- 12:00 NOON**
Robert A. Mc Namara by the McNamara Family
Sergio and Antonio Dos Santos by Mario Dos Santos
For the Living and Deceased Members and Benefactors
- 5:00PM**
Rev. Father Raymond Griffin by Rev. Father Jeffrey E. Lee, Staff and Parishioners

Due to Cold & Flu Season

Distribution of the Precious Blood (Chalice) at all daily and weekend Masses is discontinued until Holy Week.



**Next AGAPE:
Sunday, Feb 15
after 8, 10 and 12 Masses.
No AGAPE during LENT**

Pray ...



Sick List:

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

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| Cara Apgar | Barbara Matuscak |
| Jacqueline Andras | John McInerney |
| Eileen Beckley | Marge Messler |
| Rosemarie Bonavita | Joseph John Merante |
| John Bomensatt | Nicole Montagna |
| Natalie Chiaino | Harry Mousmoules |
| Jo Clement | Tere Nolan |
| Eleanor Corley | Tom Nolan |
| Eleanor Crawford | Frances Renna |
| Logan Dayton | Susan Duffy Schatzle |
| John DeStefano | Jim Schatzle |
| Ed Eastman | Lou Schmitt |
| Margaret Gesner | John Sheehan |
| Leanne Green | Linda Sobel |
| Shawn Hamlin | Daniel John Solasky |
| Joseph Jurgielewicz | Robert Stalzer |
| Lori Lettieri | Nancy Vida |
| Mary Lodato | Kathy Weber |
| Leonidas Mavrookas | |

To add a family member to the sick list, please call the Parish Office. A person will be put on the list for 8 weeks and then removed unless a renewal call is received. Kindly call to renew 732-780-2666. Thank You

WORLD SICK DAY 11 Feb 2015



The theme of Pope Francis's message for the World Day of Sick being celebrated on 11 Feb 2015 is "I was eyes to the blind and feet to the lame," taken from the book of Job.

More information at:
<http://www.news.va/en/news/pope-francis-message-for-2015-world-day-of-the-sic>

IN LOVING MEMORY

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

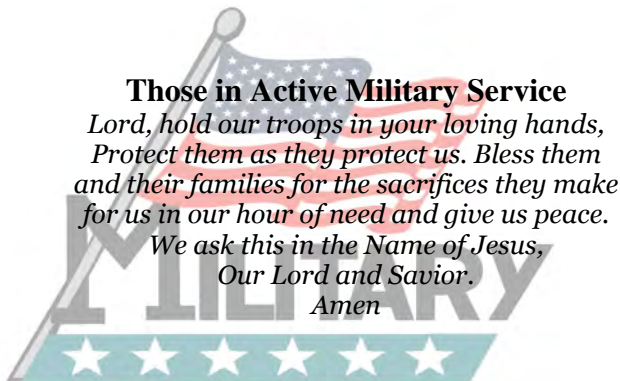
Jacqueline Heppa
&
Eugenia Clifford



WORSHIP & EVANGELIZATION

Worship Ministry Schedule: 14 & 15 February

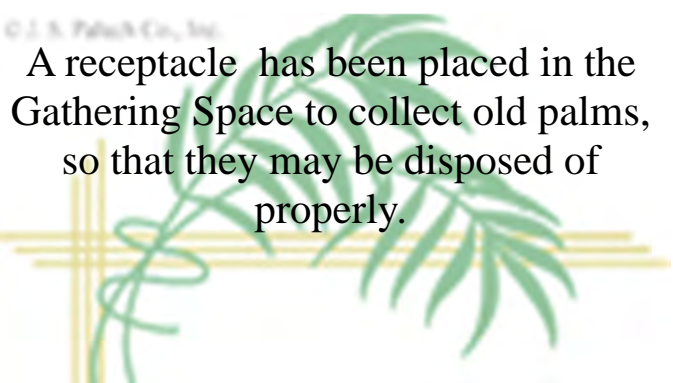
	EMs of Holy Communion	Reader 1	Reader 2	Greeter	Usher
Saturday, 5:00 PM (Church)	Carl Riley - Organ Host Rosemarie Estephan - Center Host Trudy Matrisciani - Tabernacle Host Mary Fournier - Host Pew Organ	Robert Lutkewitte	William Lutkewitte	Frank Baker Margaret Caponegro	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED
Sunday, 8:00 AM (Church)	Rosane LaCava - Organ Host Mike LaCava - Center Host Jane Slattery - Tabernacle Host Lisa Aldridge - Host Pew Tabernacle	Annette Raynor	John McCrae	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED
Sunday, 10:00 AM (Church)	Gregory Calderaro - Organ Host Barbara Moskal - Center Host Joseph Merante - Tabernacle Host Winifred O'Doherty - Host Pew Tabernacle	Julia Cullen	Matt Yaninas	Tina Repetto Denise Smith	Vince Cerulo Eleanor Crawford Leigh Gavinelli John Orrico William Spence Joe Walsh Jack Zumba
Sunday, 12:00 PM (Church)	Dawn Reinhardt - Organ Host Patricia Gesner - Center Host Anna May Schellenberger - Tabernacle Host Patricia Balbo - Host Pew Tabernacle	Carl Simone	Charles Young	Donna Murphy NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED
Sunday, 5:00 PM	Margaret Hernandez - Organ Host Emily Santangelo - Center Host Martha Cowles - Tabernacle Host Diane Antico - Host Pew Tabernacle	NOT FILLED	Dering Sprague		Ken Camarco NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED



Those in Active Military Service
*Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands,
 Protect them as they protect us. Bless them
 and their families for the sacrifices they make
 for us in our hour of need and give us peace.
 We ask this in the Name of Jesus,
 Our Lord and Savior.
 Amen*

Pray for Our Military
 Lance Corporal Scott MacConnell

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.

LENT STARTS

Ash Wednesday Feb 18th

Mass: 9am
 Prayer Services:
 7:00am, 12:15pm, 4:00pm, 5:15pm, 6:30pm & 7:30pm



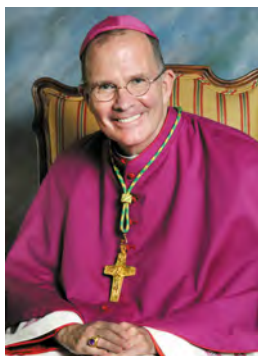
Stations of the Cross:
 Held Fridays at 7:00pm throughout Lent
 in the Lenten Chapel (Parish Hall)

Please be reminded that
 the last
Sunday 5PM Mass
 is
March 1, 2015

WORSHIP & EVANGELIZATION

My dear parishioners,

I have been overwhelmed by the outpouring of love and concern I have received from all over our Diocese, including your parish. I have received over 10,000 cards, letters, emails, video messages, gifts and countless prayers during my hospitalization and ongoing recovery. I could not begin to respond to each one personally, as much as I wish I could. Your pastor has allowed me to offer my heartfelt thanks in your parish bulletin. I am most grateful to you for your loving concern. The future looks good and I hope to be back in public by Palm Sunday. My thankful prayers are with you.



God bless you.
Bishop O'Connell

James J. O'Connell, C.M.

Today is Word Marriage Day WMD

"Father, as we prepare for WMD, we thank you for your tremendous gift of the Sacrament of Marriage.

Help us to witness to its glory by a life of growing intimacy.

Teach us the beauty of forgiveness so we may become more and more

One in Heart, Mind and Body.

Strengthen our dialogue and help us become living signs of your love. Make us grow more in love with the Church so we may renew the Body of Christ.

Make us a sign of unity in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Brother.

Amen

By Fr. Bill Dilgen, S.M.M.



18th Annual Catholic Men for Jesus Christ Men's Conference

Join other Catholic men from across the Diocese of Trenton at the 18th Annual Catholic Men for Jesus Christ Men's Conference on Sat. Feb. 28 at Saint Gregory the Great Parish (4620 Nottingham Way, Hamilton, NJ 08610).

The theme of this year's conference is "*Dare to Be a Disciple*." The day runs from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm (doors open at 8:00 am for bagels and coffee) and will feature Holy Mass and inspiring talks by: Jose Romero, Catholic author, radio host, and evangelist; Mike Piazza, former Major League Baseball All-Star catcher; and a blockbuster speaker, who cannot be announced in advance, but is someone you will not want to miss! There will also be Catholic vendors, and the opportunity to interact 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



ARRAY OF HOPE: MEET THE ARTISTS The Costa Crew

The Costa Crew is a new and exciting family band that features four musicians: lead singer Lauren Costabile; singer/guitarist/pianist Nicole Costabile; guitarist Michael Costabile; and drummer Paul Costabile. They exemplify what it means to enjoy, share and witness their faith as a family. The Costa Crew are known for their contagious on-stage energy and ability to make audiences feel like part of the family. Their show includes songs and comedy with lots of interaction. The Costa Crew's debut EP is in production and their first music video will be released this summer.



**Coming to St. Mary's Parish
March 15th, 2015!**

Two shows: 2:30 PM & 6:30 PM

Reserved tickets are in Will call and can be picked up from the parish office.

WORSHIP & EVANGELIZATION

Pope's Message-Lent 2015: "Make your hearts firm"

...During this Lent, then, brothers and sisters, let us all ask the Lord: 'Fac cor nostrum secundum cor tuum': Make our hearts like yours (Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus). In this way we will receive a heart which is firm and merciful, attentive and generous, a heart which is not closed, indifferent or prey to the globalization of indifference.



Instructions for Lent 2014

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

"These forty days of Lent, O Lord, with you we fast and pray." This line from a popular hymn we sing in our parishes during the season of Lent contains a very important truth. During the days and weeks of penance that lie ahead --- from **Ash Wednesday, February 18th until Holy Thursday, April 2nd** --- it is with YOU, Lord, with YOU we fast and pray. The model Jesus gave us for "these forty days" was his own experience of the desert and the temptations that followed him there where he encountered Satan face to face. And yet, Jesus, there in the desert --- alone, fasting and in intense prayer --- beat back the devil and triumphed over temptation, as strong and as unrelenting as it was throughout those forty days.

We enter the desert of Lent like Jesus, led by the Holy Spirit, to face our devils, our temptations head on. But we are not alone. "With YOU we fast and pray" is our song. The Lord Jesus Christ is with us. And so, too, is the Church, the entire community of faith observing Lent. "With YOU, too, we fast and pray." Here is what the Catholic Church in the United States asks of us as baptized Catholics:

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)**.



Lent & Easter Dates at a Glance

Ash Wednesday Feb 18

Mass: 9am—Lenten Chapel/Parish Hall
Prayer Services: 7am- Lenten Chapel/Parish Hall
12:15pm, 4pm, 5:15pm, 6:30pm & 7:30pm (Church)

Eucharistic Adoration—Chapel

Wednesdays: Feb 11, 18, 25 March 4, 11, 18, 25

Stations of the Cross—Lenten Chapel/Parish Hall

Fridays: 7pm Feb 20, 27 March 6, 13, 20, 27

Lenten Penance and Reconciliation Service—Church

Sunday March 22— 3:00pm and 6:30pm

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, March 29:

Palm distribution— **All Masses held in Church**
(Sunday Schedule)

Palm Cross Weaving & Instruction—Madonna Hall

Sunday, March 29- after all Masses

Chrism Mass— St. Robert Bellarmine Church in

Freehold, NJ on Monday, March 30th at 7:30 pm

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE—

Monday, March 30—9:00am Mass - Lenten Chapel

Tuesday, March 31—9:00am Mass - Lenten Chapel

Wednesday, April 1—9:00am Mass - Lenten Chapel

Holy Thursday April 2—7:30pm Mass in the Church

Good Friday April 3—12:00pm in the Church

Outdoor Stations of the Cross—3:00pm

Holy Saturday April 4—9:00am Chapel

Morning Prayer

RCIA Rites

Blessing of the Food

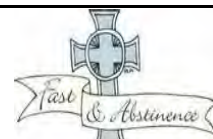
What does it mean?

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.



FAITH FORMATION & LIFELONG LEARNING

Lenten Faith Sharing Groups Forming!



Faith Sharing groups are forming. What better way to prepare for our baptismal renewal at Easter, then to join a Lenten Faith Sharing Group! Meet once a week starting Ash Wednesday, Feb 18 through Holy Week. Read and reflect on the scripture readings for the coming Sunday Liturgy. Each group has the option of meeting during the day or evening on church grounds or in a home for your convenience. Please contact Michele to join a group and/or to facilitate a group. All materials and instructions are provided for participants and facilitators. Please call Michele for more information and to join: 732-780-2666 X 312 faithformation@stmaryscoltsneck.org

Some Changes Coming Concerning Liturgy of the Word Dismissals!

Beginning Saturday, March 7th, Liturgy of the Word Dismissal will return to 5PM Mass on Saturday evenings.



However, we are in **desperate** need for facilitators for these sessions!!! Members of our current team will help whenever possible, however, we need new team members as well! You would need to commit to one Saturday night per month with a 6-8 week rotation! You could do this by yourself or with a spouse, friend, adolescent child- whomever!

What do you need to do?

You will be dismissed from Mass with the children and lead the children in scripture and prayer on their level of understanding. A lesson plan will be given to you in order to conduct a 15-20 minute proclamation and discussion of the Word with the children, ages 4-12.

It is fun!! Please call Michele for more information.

Catechists who are interested in certification

For those of you who have not completed the Methodology piece of the Certification process, Art of Catechesis (old Level 1 equivalent)

To register faithformation@stmaryscoltsneck.org

Date	Time	Topics
02/11/15	10-1pm	Session 1 - Catechesis / Session 2 - What to Teach
02/25/15	10-1pm	Session 2 - What to Teach / Session 3 - Managing the Classroom

Walking With Purpose

has a new Schedule and will finish up for the year on May 14:



- Feb 19 Balance Through Contentment
- Feb 26 Balance Through Simplicity
- Mar 5 Connect Coffee
- Mar 12 Balancing our Cravings
- Mar 19 Balance Through Self Defense
- Mar 26 Balance Through Surrender
- Apr 16 Connect Coffee
- Apr 23 Balance Between Mediocrity and Perfectionism
- Apr 30 Balance in our Thought Life
- May 7 Balance Through Engaging Culture
- May 14 Connect Coffee

If you are interested in WWP join any of the Connect Coffee Dates

Lifelong Catechesis
Week of 9 February - 15 February

- 2/9 Monday Gn 1: 1-19; Mk 6: 53-56
- 2/10 Tuesday Sg 8: 6-7; Lk 10: 38-42
- 2/11 Wednesday Gn 2: 4b-9, 15-17; Mk 7: 14-23
- 2/12 Thursday Gn 2: 18-25; Mk 7: 24-30
- 2/13 Friday Gn 3: 1-8; Mk 7: 31-37

Saturday & Sunday Scripture Readings: 6th SUN IN OT:

Lv 13: 1-2, 44-46; 1Cor 10: 31 to 11: 1; Mk 1: 40-45

Adults: Would you have the courage to tell others to do as you do in order to be Christian?

Children: What can you do this week to be an example to others?



FAITH FORMATION & LIFELONG LEARNING



Help Wanted: RE Staff Openings for Summer 2015

The Faith Formation Team is seeking staff members for the Summer Intensive Program this July & August.

Available positions include:

Catechists: These are individuals who are experienced teachers and have full diocesan certification. Priority will be given to Catholic School teachers and then certified Catechists teaching in public schools. Apply for positions teaching children in Grades 1-6.

Activity Leaders: These are individuals with special talents to share in music, art, drama or other areas of enrichment and want to volunteer their time and talent.

Teens welcome.

Support Staff: These are volunteers to assist with clerical and other light duties as well as provide an inviting environment for the children. Teens welcome.

For additional information and/or to apply, contact
Cristie Ritz-King smcn youthmin@gmail.com

St Mary's Men's Prayer Group meets the second Saturday of each month in The Christ Chapel.

The speaker for Feb. 14th is John Grabowski and the title of his talk will be "KITCHEN TABLE".



The leader will be Jack Davis and the set-up man will be John Grabowski.

Our prayers begin at 7:15 AM and after goodies and discussion we will finish by 8:30 am.

Attention Ministry of Care Members

There are Lenten and other faith formation materials available for you to bring to those whom you visit. Please stop by the Faith Formation office Monday through Thursday to see what is available.

Thank you!

Still Room in Parish Workshop

Catholic Vision of Leading Like Jesus

There are still several seats available for this *valuable leadership training process!* All parish ministry leaders are recommended to attend. Whether you are a parent or a CEO, a teacher or an accountant, the program offers a path to strengthen your relationships and to help you see how to lead as Jesus did! Morning sessions are scheduled for Feb 10th and 17th, immediately after 9AM Mass until 12:30PM.

Continental breakfast available. Evening sessions are planned for Feb 10, 17 and 24 from 7-9PM. Sandwiches, etc. available.

There is no cost to the attendees- please email or call Michele McCue for more information or to reserve a spot. faithformation@stmaryscoltsneck.org or 732-332-8061.

More About the Lenten Rice Bowls

This weekend, you can pick up your Lenten Rice Bowl and Little Book from the ushers. Great! But how does the Rice Bowl support our poor and needy brothers and sisters? Well, 75% of your gift supports CRS programs around the world.



Some examples include:

- Agriculture projects that help farmers improve harvests
- Water and sanitation projects that bring clean water to communities
- Microfinance projects that support small businesses
- Education projects that provide resources and training
- Then, 25% of your donations go to hunger and poverty alleviation in your own diocese!

Contact the Department of Catholic Social Services at the Diocese of Trenton. Executive Director: Joanne Dress jdress@dioceseoftrenton.org for how the Diocese supports CRS.

7/8th Grade Confirmation Prep Classes:

- February 8th- Group B-Living the Sacraments
- February 15th-Group A-Jesus as Man
- February 21st-Group B-same

Quo vadis...

My Dear Parishioners:

Today we celebrate the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The key to getting from our human condition (see the first reading) to being healed (gospel) is to “translate” (see Second Sunday in Ordinary Time) our sight from ourselves to Jesus. One view of paschal mystery living, then, is for each of us to go “off to a deserted place” to be with our God. It is in prayer, communion with God, that we come face to face with Jesus; get to know him and his mission, and allow it to seize us so that our own living is characterized by preaching the gospel. Like those in the gospel who come to Jesus for healing, we all come to Jesus with expectations (after all, prayers of petition are the most common). The challenge is to move beyond our expectations to what Jesus really wants to give us—the good news of salvation. We need to allow Jesus’ presence to transform us so that our every breath is a proclamation of God’s saving mystery. Most of us would not go out to neighboring towns to preach. But, we can smile a simple thank you to the tired cashier in the supermarket. We can bite our tongue rather than snap at the rambunctious children. We can do something thoughtful for someone when it is not expected. Like Jesus, we can be a living gospel.

Many thanks for the feedback and constructive comments concerning the Parish Stewardship Report. It is very encouraging to hear how many people have been taking the time to read through those pages and become better familiarized with our parish community and the successes and challenges we are facing. We have also experienced a slight increase of interest in some of the ministries that are being offered. Additionally, we have received several “extra-ordinary donations”

from bona fide parishioners to our parish. Our first annual “Married Couples Night Out” is being prepared as I write this column. The snow is really coming down and the wind is really howling as I look out the window right now. It is a beautiful time of the year. Let us continue to exercise good judgment during the snow and ice season. And, we thought that we would be spared snow plow bills this year...? Oh well. As I mentioned last weekend, Ash Wednesday is 18 February. Begin to reflect on what you might “give up” for Lent and what you might “take on” for Lent. Take the time to prepare so that the Lenten Journey can be a fruitful time that is harvested during the Easter Season.

The 2015 Annual Catholic Appeal is upon us. I am grateful to Mr. John Carlucci, those who assist him, as well as our parish staff for facilitating this process. May we continue to support the efforts of our Diocese of Trenton in providing for those in need and enabling us to grow in our mission. His Excellency, The Most Reverend Bishop continues to regain his strength and mobility. He is so overwhelmed and humbled by the cards, spiritual bouquets, Mass intention offerings and well wishes. He specifically commented to me that there were so many from St. Mary Parish...I asked “Which One?” He looked and said 07722! I grinned. Thank you so much for your support for our diocesan bishop as he leads us into the future and to more deeply reflect on the paschal mystery of Jesus Christ. Have a great week. Let us remember one another in prayer. Happy Sunday.

Peace.
Father Jeff

STEWARDSHIP & OUTREACH

Sharing Our Treasure 31 January / 1 February

Weekly Sacrificial Stewardship Offering \$ 19,243

Envelope Contributions	\$ 15,145
Electronic/Online Contributions	\$ 2,895
Loose Contributions	\$ 1,203

Average Contribution per Household
this week \$ 49.42

of Contributing Households
(# envelopes & # online) 365
of Registered Parishioner Households 1,903

Mortgage Collection: \$3,785
(Our monthly mortgage payment is \$8,050)

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

The Prayer Shawl Ministry

Like to Knit or crochet? Join us for the next Prayer Shawl Meeting on Wed., Feb. 18 at 10am in room #14 St. Basil.

Contact Kathy Adleman
kathya23@optonline.net or Jo
Towne mjtowne@verizon.net for
more information or if you have items to contribute.



Parish-wide Clean up * March 21

Rain date: March 28

Help us meet our goal of
300 participants!!



Join us as many in the parish will pick up leaves, fallen branches and miscellaneous debris deposited on our beautiful grounds during the winter months.

Groups will also prune trees and bushes. This is a great community service opportunity. Morning and afternoon shifts are available. **Food trucks** will be on site for lunch, drinks and snacks so why not make a day of it!! Bring supplies: gloves, rakes, shovels, leaf blowers, chain saws, extra trash cans and wheel barrels.

Team captains needed to oversee a group of 5-10 volunteers in the clean up efforts at various locations on the parish grounds.

Boys Scouts, youth groups, school groups, leadership hours, and community service volunteers are all welcome.

Please contact Linda Dickinson-Pancila
732-780-2666 x 305
communitybuilding@stmaryscoltsneck.org

SPONSOR-A-STUDENT

Once again there are students from St Antoine-St Augustine School in Petite Rivere des Nippes, Haiti who need your help. The cost to sponsor a student remains at \$180 per year to provide tuition, books, uniforms & a hot meal (sometimes the only meal they will eat that day). That's only \$15 per month.

If you would like to continue to sponsor a child, or if you've never sponsored one before and would like more information, call Kathy at 732-462-0560.

For more information:

www.americanhaitianfoundation.org

SAVE THE DATE: Monday, June 1, 2015 Golf Outing & Khakis and Cocktails Summer Social Eagle Oaks Golf Club

Sponsored by the Marchese Family

Join us for golf and dinner or if you are not a golfer, please join us for dinner at the Khakis and Cocktails Summer Social.

Golf Outing SPONSORSHIPS now available. Please contact Bill (908) 419-6694 or Fred (732) 946-7060 for more information.

To advertise in our Ad Journal please contact Peter Griffin 732-863-6630.

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

Vocational discernment groups meet to assist young men who are discerning the possibility that God may be calling them to a life of priestly ministry. These groups are designed to explore a priestly vocation with other like-minded men through prayer and sharing vocation stories and experiences. The group meetings aren't meant to convince anyone that the priesthood is their vocation. They are designed to assist you in discovering if the priesthood is your true vocation and build your relationship with Christ along the way.

If you are a faithful, single, Roman Catholic man, between the ages of 18 and 40, and are asking yourself whether God is calling you to be a priest, you are cordially invited to attend this month's discernment meeting on February 22nd, from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at Saint James Parish, 115 E. Delaware Avenue, Pennington, New Jersey. Join Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Walsh, as he shares his experiences of the priesthood, followed by prayer and conclude with conversation and a meal.

Please register with Diocese of Trenton Vocation Office at vocations@dioceseoftrenton.org or by calling (609) 406-7449. Join us at this exciting time as you discover & respond to His invitation!

Quilting and Sewing Ministry will meet:

February 24th

from 1-3pm in Meeting Room 11

lindad16@optonline.net for more information.

COMMUNITY BUILDING & COMMUNICATIONS

In the Parish:

Soup & Bread February 27, 6pm

Friday evening, February 27, join us for a light meal of meat-free soup, bread and Stations of the Cross.

Soup and Bread 6pm in Madonna Hall
Stations of The Cross 7pm in Parish Hall

All are welcome

Please RSVP so we have a head count by contacting Sue at Jimc941@msn.com

or for more information on how you can help prepare the meal.



Palm Cross Weaving Instruction and Activities Palm Sunday, March 29th after all Masses All activities will be held in Madonna Hall.



Volunteers of all ages needed to assist, demonstrate and instruct.

If you have skill with weaving palms or would like to learn so that you can assist, please call Linda 732-780-2666 x305 for more information and to volunteer.

Ash Wednesday with the Martha Mary Guild

All women of the parish are cordially invited to attend a very special Martha Mary Guild meeting on Ash Wednesday, (Feb. 18) in the Spiritual Center's Madonna Hall. The Guild is offering the perfect opportunity to start Lent in a spiritual, thought-provoking way. Sr. Maureen Christensen, RSM, co-director of the Upper Room Spiritual Center in Neptune, who is certified as a Spiritual Director and a Retreat Director, and is part of the Upper Room's core team for Women's Gathering, will lead us in a very special Lenten Retreat. In keeping with the theme - "Lent: Giving Our Hearts to God" - there will be time for reflection, input and communal prayer. AND - a special bonus - ashes will be distributed that afternoon. What a wonderful way to embark on this holy season of Lent!

Please note that there is a **slight time change** from the Guild's regular meetings. We will pray the rosary in the Spiritual Center Chapel at noon, followed by BYOL (Bring Your Own Lunch) at 12:30. The Guild will provide beverages. Our Retreat will be from 1-3 p.m.

Martha Mary Guild Trip

Join us on Wednesday, April 29th on a bus ride to NYC to see the production of "An American in Paris". "Highly acclaimed choreographer, Christopher Wheeldon, directs a remarkable cast of singers, actors and dancers as they bring the magic of romance of Paris and the timeless songs of George and Ira Gershwin into perfect harmony".

Just think - for \$120, which covers the bus and ticket, we can be mentally transported to Paris for a delightful afternoon! Mail your check to Elia (732-308-0789) or Treasure (732-946-1679).

In the Community:

St. Joseph Church

Keyport

announces its Pre-Lenten Mission **"Our True Anchor"**

Monday, Feb 16, 2015 - 7:30 PM

Theme: "Knowing and Following Jesus Christ"

Focus: "How do we pray?"

Tuesday, Feb 17, 2015 - 7:30 PM

Theme: "Following Jesus Christ to Calvary"

Focus: "Praying the Scriptures"

Ash Wednesday, Feb 18, 2015 - 7:30 PM

Theme: "Living in Christ"

732-264-0322,

St. Joseph Church, 376 Maple Place, Keyport NJ



Habitat for Humanity/ Restore

The bigger and better ReStore which is located at 45 South Street, Freehold is seeking volunteers who would like to work with us: cashiers, Customer services, people to post items on the social media sites, Ebay & Craigs List, people who can clean and repair furniture and test appliances.

Peggy Molloy 732-557-8160 restore@habitatmonmouth.org

Hospice Volunteer

Request and Introductory Packet !

973-322-4866 * SBallas@BarnabasHealth.org

Training Starts March 2015

Comic Books Helping Hospice

We need people to donate their unwanted comic books & related items: graphic novels, unopened action figures, artwork, statues, etc. Donors get an acknowledgement for tax-deduction purposes.

These donated items will be sold at a later event- that is how we raise funds for hospice.

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2nd Annual Walk of Hope * Saturday, March 28, 2015

10am to noon

Location Mercer County Park

Question: Jenn Leip 609-394-5181 x 1137 or jleip@cctrenton.org

REGISTER TODAY: walkofhopenj.org

