

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 4, 2024**



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is **looking**  
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## *St. Mark's Catholic Church*

*Fr. Miguel Virella, SVD, Pastor*

*Fr. Carlos Castilla, Parochial Vicar*

### **Rectory Hours**

Monday-Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM, and 12 Noon

5PM in Spanish

### **Daily Masses**

**Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet  
after Daily Masses**

Monday-Friday at 7:30 AM and 11 AM

Saturday 7:30 AM Only (No 11 AM Mass  
on Saturdays)

### **Devotions and Novenas**

**Miraculous Medal Novena** after daily  
Masses on Wednesdays

**Eucharistic Adoration** on Fridays after  
7:30 AM Mass.

**Benediction** at 10:45 AM

**1st Fridays Spanish Adoration**  
beginning at 7 PM.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturdays 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM and  
Thursdays after the 7:30 AM and  
11 AM Masses

### **Rectory Office 732-449-6364**

Bulletin	Ext. 114
Religious Education	Ext. 105
Social Concerns	Ext. 108
Spanish Ministry	Ext. 104 or Ext. 105
Weddings	Ext. 100

### **Ministries**

Altar Rosary Society	732-528-6948
Bereavement Ministry	718-637-1162
CYO	732-685-6011
Music Ministry	908-415-0212
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## † This Week's Mass Intentions

### Monday, February 5

**7:30 AM**

† Raymond Salapka by Family

**11:00 AM**

† Helen and Ed Doran by Ed & Mary Doran

† Cam Toscano by Deacon Mike & Sandra Keary

### Tuesday, February 6

**7:30 AM**

† Peter Copeland by Kathleen & Tom Albin

† Richard C. Reilly by Todd & Jamie Leonhardt

**11:00 AM**

† Benjamin Bartomiejczyk, Jr. by Babbitt Family

† Michael C. McIntyre by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony P. Randazzo, Jr.

### Wednesday, February 7

**7:30 AM**

† Myron Zalom by Geri Zalom

† Phyllis Savonarola by Elizabeth & Mark Haubrich

**11:00 AM**

† Allen Jordan by Kathy & Bob Flammer

† Edward Hannan by Rose & Dan Crimmins

### Thursday, February 8

**7:30 AM**

† Michael Gabler by Bill & Mary Reilly Family

**11:AM**

† Carol Boone by Dan & Rose Crimmins

PJ Dillon by Eileen & Pete McHugh

### Friday, February 9

**7:30 AM**

† Dr. Edward A. Brennan by Jim, Michael & Gerry O'Connor

**11:00 AM**

† Michael Mitchell by JoAnn McGuirk

† Marion Mullarkey by Jacqueline & Dawn Wall

### Saturday, February 10

**7:30 AM**

† Patrick Sherlock by Teresa Jurczyk

**4:30 PM**

† Gretchen Geiger Kelly by John & Maria Checton

† Mr. & Mrs. Edward F. Liston, Sr. by Gordon & Peggy Pingicer

† Dr. James Cashman by Carroll Anne Grece

### Sunday, February 11

**8:00 AM**

† Norman Heilos by the Foerst Family

† Sophie Jackapino by Jose & Nancy Tages

**10:00 AM**

People of the Parish

**12 Noon**

† Dr. James P. Cashman by Ginny & Jim Mulvihill

† Jim Bogan by Pam Pertgen

† Dr. Edward A Brennan, Jr. by Ginny & Jim Mulvihill

**5:00 PM**

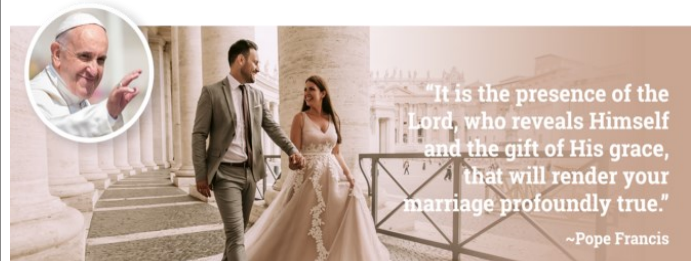
† Ismael Alejandre by Children

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**St. Mark's Bereavement Ministry:** Our Bereavement Ministry helps those who are grieving the loss of a loved one during their most difficult times. They meet on Wednesdays at 11 AM at St. Mark's.

**Please call Sue Nolan at 718-637-1162 for more information.** All are welcome!



## **World Marriage Day and National Marriage Week 2024**

In observance of World Marriage Day (Sunday, February 11, 2024) and National Marriage Week (February 7-14, 2024), the Diocese of Trenton honors all Catholic married couples with a special web resource to enhance their marriage in three important ways: 1) *Reconnect with Your Spouse*, 2) *Make Your Marriage Even Better*, and 3) *Serve Others in Your Marriage*. Find all this and more at [www.dioceseoftrenton.org/world-marriage-day-for-couples](http://www.dioceseoftrenton.org/world-marriage-day-for-couples), and for newly married couples, be sure to visit [www.dioceseoftrenton.org/newly-married-resource-page](http://www.dioceseoftrenton.org/newly-married-resource-page) - what every couple needs to make their marriage extraordinary! (Part of the *BuildingStrongMarriages.org* initiative of the Diocese of Trenton).

[Celebrating the Beauty of Catholic Marriage from the Catechism – read more at usccb.org under “Resources”](http://www.usccb.org/resources)

**1601** "The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life, is by its nature ordered toward the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring; this covenant between baptized persons has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a sacrament."



Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule February 10/11, 2024				
	Saturday 4:30 PM	Sunday 8:00 AM	Sunday 10:00 AM	Sunday 12 Noon
Celebrant	Msgr. Flynn	Fr. Miguel	Msgr Flynn	Fr. Brian
Readers	Tom Malloy	Rose Crimmins	Robert Cavazini	Debbie Dunn
Eucharistic Ministers	Maria Checton Anthony Granato Lynn Jelliff	Dan Crimmins Rose Crimmins Anna Nuzzi	Robert Cavazini Jay Lorenzo Richard Norris	Debbie Dunn Helen Hopkins Nancy Schatzman
Altar Servers	Lily Kurack Madeline Kurack James Kurack	Nick Walsifer	Hannah Uliano Alexa Quesada	Vivian Collins
Ushers	Anthony Granato, Walter Henry, Joe Walsh	Pat Ahern, Leo Hurley, Bob O'Neill, Glenn Skola	Rich Siderko, Jim Sheridan	Richard DeGroote, Howard Flood



**Please pray for our sick:** Raymond Burghart, Henry Bossett, Robert Coogan, Donovan Leso, Kirra Gibson, Paul Shea, Patrick Esposito, Mary McCarthy, Marilyn Bird, Kevin Hamilton, Lorraine Ciemniecki, Laurie Langell Syby, Vivian Wilson, Joan Cantley, Marybeth Richards, Millie Abraham, Brian Nall, Marilyn Woerner, Nancy O'Neill, Steven VanWickle, Clement Bramley, Steve Adcox, Lester Wolf, Jeremy Pavlich, Joan Langlois, Linda Ryan, Danny Suskenich, Bob Patrignelli, Teresa Corcoran, John Cinciarelli, Michael Sheridan, Erik Rofi, Dr. William Burns, Robert Czech, Janet Thomas, Edward Morea, Rosalie Renda, Alice Healy, Benjamin Ohlweiler, Robert MacPherson, Jake Gilbert, Bill Lesniak, Bruce Bogan, Sr.

**Please Note:** Names will remain on the sick list read at mass for 4 weeks and then removed unless the requester calls to remain on the list for another 4 weeks. To ensure the consent of the person whose name appears here, the pastor's policy requires that only they or a family member may request a name be added to this list. Names will remain in the bulletin until the person or family request it be removed.

*Eternal Rest grant onto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

Please remember in your prayers those of our diocese, parish, friends, and family members who have recently died.

†Dr. Edward A. Brennan  
†Ken Hauck

*May the angels lead you into paradise.*

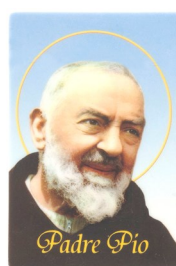
**The Mercy Center has an **URGENT** need for canned soup.**

Containers are located at Church entrances  
See page 11 for more needed items.  
**Thank you for your continued generosity.**

**The Social Concerns Ministry will meet on Tuesday, February 13th at 12 noon in Father Child's Hall. Lunch will be served. New members are welcome.**

### Readings for the Week February 4, 2024

**Monday** 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 Ps 132:6-7, 8-10 Mk 6:53-56  
**Tuesday** 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30 Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11 Mk 7:1-13  
**Wednesday** 1 Kgs 10:1-10 Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40 Mk 7:14-23  
**Thursday** 1 Kgs 11:4-13 Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40 Mk 7:24-30  
**Friday** 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19 Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15 Mk 7:31-37  
**Saturday** 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34 Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22 Mk 8:1-10  
**Sunday** Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 1 Cor 10:31-11:1 Lk 7:16.



### The Parish of St. Teresa of Calcutta

Invites all to join us on  
February 10, 2024 @ 1:00pm at  
Church of the Ascension  
501 Brinley Avenue, Bradley Beach,  
for a Padre Pio Healing Mass celebrated  
by the Reverend Father Nony of the  
Adorno Fathers, Ramsey, NJ.



**Thank You!** We are so grateful to all those who financially sacrifice each week to support our parish and it's ministries!

We would especially like to thank all of those who faithfully use their weekly parish contribution envelopes and those who give online through the Parish Giving Program.

**The collection total for January 27/28, 2024, \$10,651.**



# *Ash Wednesday Way of the Cross*

*February 14 at 4:00 PM*

Our parish family will be hosting the Way of the Cross with distribution of ashes at 4:00 P.M.

Join us and be part of the Way of the Cross reenacted by our 7th graders along with our Music Ministry. Let's take a walking journey back to the time of Christ and listen to Bible witnesses and learn about Christ's Passion.

Immediately following the service, join us for meatless soup and bread dinner. Also we will be serving macaroni and cheese for the children.

For more information, call the main office  
(732) 449-6364 ext. 100



## Some Thoughts for February, 2024 by Marge Loenser

This year, 2024 is a leap year, and so this February has 29 days as compared to the three previous years in which February had 28. I looked up the explanation for leap year, but between reading all the details about the Gregorian calendar (which we now use) and the Julian calendar, (which we used to use) I got so confused that I decided not to talk about it. Math has never been my forte'. Just take my word for it--it's a leap year and we get an extra day!

Let's begin with February 2nd, which is the feast of the Presentation of our Lord. Simeon, being told by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death until he saw the messiah, meets Mary and Joseph in the temple and holds baby Jesus in his arms saying: "Lord let your servant go in peace; your word has been fulfilled: my own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of every people: a light to reveal You to the nations, and the glory of Your people, Israel..." He also spoke of a sword which would pierce the heart of our blessed Mother. Holy Mother, please pray for us.

Feb. 3rd is the feast of St. Blaise; this is the day we get our throats blessed. St. Blaise, please pray for all those with diseases of the throat.

On the 5th we celebrate St. Agatha of Sicily. She was martyred in 251 AD and is the patron saint of rape victims, breast cancer patients and wet nurses to name a few. St. Agatha please pray for us.

Ash Wednesday is on the 14th. It is also St. Valentine's day which we celebrate with lots of romantic cards, and boxes of chocolates. In the third century there were three martyred priests with the name Valentine. One of them would marry young Roman soldiers that were forbidden to wed by emperor Claudius. He was imprisoned for this and when he healed a blind girl he was released and started to evangelize this pagan household. For this he was imprisoned again and in prison he exchanged letters with the young woman he had healed. His last letter to her before he was killed was signed: "From your Valentine." Thus began the tradition. St. Valentine please pray for an outpouring of love between all peoples.

I found a quote from Archbishop Fulton Sheen: "A divine trick has been played on the human heart as if a violin teacher gave his pupil an instrument with one string missing. God kept a part of man's heart in heaven, so that discontent would drive him back again to Him Who is Eternal Life, All Knowing Truth and the abiding Ecstasy of love."

God love you.

Marge Loenser.



### Blessing of the Throats after Masses this weekend

On the Feast of St. Blaise, February 3rd, priests will hold two unlit tapered candles around the throats of the faithful to invoke the intercession of the saint who was known for healing ailments of the throat and body. It's an ancient custom of the Church to bless the sick, rooted in the ministry of Christ and his Apostles. According to the Pastoral Care of the Sick: Rites of Anointing and Viaticum, the annual blessing of the throats is a traditional sign of the struggle against illness in the life of the Christian. The blessing is ordinarily given during Mass, the day following Candlemas, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, when the candles are blessed.



## CYO News by Mary Reilly



“Everything in Therese’s person breathed peace, kindness and unselfishness. She always forgot herself in order to please everybody; when she could make others happy, she was in her element. Her evenness of temper was so simple and seemed so natural that it might have been thought that her continual renunciation cost her nothing. She was pleasant and courteous. Everything about her attracted people. Pride and vanity had no place in this innocent soul. She was very pretty, but she seemed unaware of it.” Leonie Martin (Sr. Francoise-Therese--St. Therese’s sister)

St. Therese is an excellent role model of sanctity for teenagers (and for all of us!) She was only 24 when she passed away and always completely devoted to Eucharistic adoration. Shortly before she passed away she wrote (from memory) “To Live by Love” which she had composed during adoration.



This weekend at our annual Valentine’s Day Walk for Hunger our CYO will step out in loving support of our local foodbanks as well as the shelters that feed and support child victims of human trafficking. Heartfelt thanks to St. Mark’s Social Concerns Committee for generously sponsoring our t-shirts!!!! If anyone wishes to make a donation to our Hunger Walk, it can be sent to the rectory (marked: attention St. Mark’s CYO Hunger Walk) or you can contact CYO director Mary Reilly. [Mary33angels@aol.com](mailto:Mary33angels@aol.com). This year’s Walk is dedicated to our precious Jillian Ludwig (who designed the seashells pictured). Jillian had faithfully joined in all of our Walks for Hunger. Many thanks to our supporters and God bless all! In the month of February, our CYO celebrates LOVE—of God, all others and especially those who are most in need of our love and prayers!!!!!!

NB: CYO members and friends should meet at 1 PM sharp on Sunday, February 4th, across the street from St. Catharine’s Church in Spring Lake. Parental permission slips are required.

**Mary's Child Pro-Life Ministry invites everyone to join us in prayer for...**

# **40 Days for Life**

**Place:** Planned Parenthood in Shrewsbury, 69 Newman Springs Road

**Dates:** February 14-March 24th

**Times:** Monday-Friday: 8 AM-6 PM

**Join one of the groups from our member parishes:**

**Wednesdays, 11:00am Holy Innocents** – contact Kathy Lynch ([Kathy.lynch65@gmail.com](mailto:Kathy.lynch65@gmail.com))

**Fridays, 11:00am St. Catharine/St. Margaret** – contact Barbara McLoughlin ([heytwinsister@gmail.com](mailto:heytwinsister@gmail.com))

**Fridays, 1:00pm St. Denis** – contact Ray Gabler ([rjgabler@gmail.com](mailto:rjgabler@gmail.com))

**Fridays, 3:00pm St. Mark** - contact Maria Checton ([mgchecton@gmail.com](mailto:mgchecton@gmail.com))

You can sign up for any hour on Friday by contacting Jim Meyer: [meyerjim1953@gmail.com](mailto:meyerjim1953@gmail.com)

Or sign up for day/time that is more convenient at [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com)

For more information contact: [Monmouth4life@hotmail.com](mailto:Monmouth4life@hotmail.com)

If you are more comfortable praying from home, we invite you to commit to doing so. Your prayers are welcome anytime and especially at the times listed above.

**24,224 babies have been saved so far during this peaceful, prayerful witness!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**



**“Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of Mine, you did for Me.” Matthew 25:40**

**Parish Mission Statement:** We, the Parish Family of St. Mark's in our quest to follow the Gospel of Jesus Christ, are building a faith-based community that assists all people in life's journey to be open to God's love and to share His joy. We are further **committed to address the spiritual, physical, emotional and social needs of all people through service to individuals, families, parish and the greater community.** As responsible stewards using our individual gifts, we promise to celebrate, renew and strengthen our faith, and to live our lives as a reflection of Christ's love for others. St. Mark's is designated as a Center for Hispanic Ministry in the Diocese of Trenton.



**THE DIOCESE OF TRENTON** is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishops' 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: 1-888-296-2965** or e-mail [abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org).

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

**February 3/4:** Blessing of the Throats after Masses.

**February 3/4:** Second collection is for our Diocesan Assessment. Your donations are always appreciated.

**February 10/11:** Second Collection is for Central & Eastern Europe. Thank you.

**February 11, 12, 13:** CCD classes are closed for winter break.

**February 13:** Social Concerns Ministry will meet at 12 noon in Father Child's Hall. Lunch will be served. New members are welcome.

**February 14: Ash Wednesday:** ☿ Ash Wednesday Soup Supper following CCD Live Stations of the Cross. See page 4.

**February 14: HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!**

**February 17/18:** Black & Indian Missions Collection. Thank you for your generosity.

If you are a parishioner who has not been able to attend Mass and would like to have a Eucharistic Minister bring Holy Communion to you, please contact **the Rectory, 732-449-6364 x100.**

### **Lenten Soup for the Soul Series**

#### **San Alfonso Retreat House**

755 Ocean Ave • Long Branch, NJ • 07740

**February 21, March 4, March 11 and March 18**

**6:00 – 8:30 PM**

Soup Supper 6:00 PM, Presentation 7:00 pm

**\$25 per Evening**

*Looking for some spiritual nourishment this Lent?*

*Come to our [Lenten Soup for the Soul Evenings!](#)*

*Join us for some soup, fellowship, prayer and reflection to feed your body, mind, heart, and soul!*

**Wednesday, February 21, 2024**

***Become What You Celebrate***

Presenter: Rev. Timothy Tarnacki, OSPPE

**Monday, March 4, 2024**

***What Does It Mean To Be The Beloved?***

Presenter: Sr. Maureen Christensen, RSM

**Monday, March 11, 2024**

***How to Witness To Your Faith in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century***

Presenter: Cristina D'Averso-Collins

**Monday, March 18, 2024**

***Praying With Jesus' Good News in the Parables of Mercy***

Presenter: Judy Schiavo

Registration is required

To register: e-mail [info@sanalfonsoretreats.org](mailto:info@sanalfonsoretreats.org) OR

register online: [www.sanalfonsoretreats.org](http://www.sanalfonsoretreats.org)

Phone: 732-222-2731, X140

Full program description available at

[www.sanalfonsoretreats.org](http://www.sanalfonsoretreats.org)

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**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2024**

**RECEPTION: 6:30 P.M. - CURTAIN: 7:30 P.M.**

AT THE SPRING LAKE COMMUNITY HOUSE & THEATRE

*Coffee Reception, Gift Certificate Raffle, Play*

You Can't Take It With You is a hilarious and heartwarming comedy that follows the eccentric Sycamore family as they navigate life in Depression-era New York City.

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# Lenten Retreat

Saturday, March 9, 2024

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE THE BELOVED?

ANOTHER LENT...LISTENING TO THE READING OF THE PROPHET JOEL TELLING US TO FAST AND REPENT. THIS IS WHAT THE FOCUS OF THE LENTEN SEASON CAN OFTEN REMAIN. BUT LENT IS ALSO A MESSAGE OF LOVE...OF GOD WHO CONSTANTLY DESIRES UNION WITH US, WHO SENT HIS SON TO SHOW US THE EXTENT OF THAT LOVE. THE PROPHET JOEL ALSO SPEAKS OF GOD'S DESIRE "RETURN TO ME WITH YOUR WHOLE HEART..." THIS LENTEN DAY INVITES US TO OPEN OUR HEARTS TOTALLY TO GOD'S LOVE.

PRESENTER: SR. MAUREEN CHRISTENSEN, RSM

MAUREEN IS A SISTER OF MERCY. SHE HAS BEEN A CO-DIRECTOR OF THE UPPER ROOM SPIRITUAL CENTER IN NEPTUNE, NJ. SHE IS A CERTIFIED SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR, RETREAT DIRECTOR AND EDUCATOR.

IN ADDITION, HER LOVE OF PARISH MINISTRY HAS DRAWN HER FOR MANY YEARS TO ALSO VOLUNTEER AT MOTHER OF MERCY PARISH (FORMERLY MT. CARMEL).

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Lenten Retreat

Date: Saturday, March 9, 2024

Time: 10am-2pm

Place: St. Mark's Church

No Fee—Light lunch

Confession will be available at conclusion of the retreat

Register: Please call the rectory 732-449-6364, drop off the form below in the collection basket, or put in the door slot at the rectory by

Thursday, February 29, 2024

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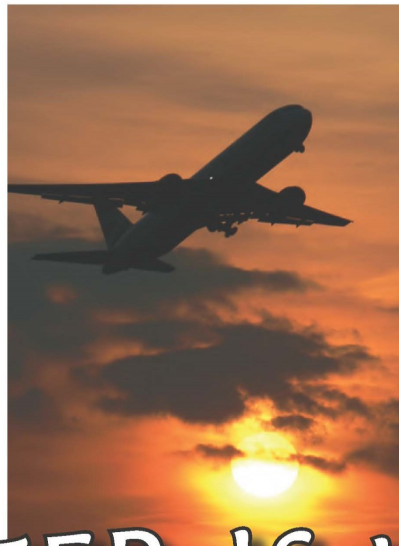
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# WINTER IS HERE!

## Are you flying south?

Don't forget to set up your Online Giving Contributions to support your Parish!

Log on to: [www.stmarkseagirt.com](http://www.stmarkseagirt.com) and click on the Parish Giving logo and follow the easy registration steps.

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Parish Giving offers secure flexible online giving for our parishioners who would like to make their donations online using a credit card or bank transfer. You never have to bring cash or checks to church. Giving electronically also helps the church save money and plan the budget. Check out the website listed for benefits and details.

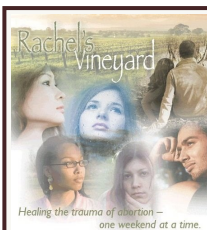
Give Now! Scan this QR Code with your smartphone for easy, secure online giving. Thank you!



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**RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE** Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held February 16 - 18, 2024 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

**FROM NOW ON  
YOU WILL BE  
FISHERS OF MEN**



## Healing the Wounds of Abortion

The psychological and spiritual wounds of abortion can be sharp, deep and crippling. You may feel a deep numbness and may not be able to name the pain or recognize any of the symptoms. It can also have a devastating impact on the father or grandparents of the aborted child and friend/s of the mother. You do not have to continue to hide in shame and fear. Rachel's Vineyard's Retreat is a chance to focus on this painful time in your life through a supportive non-judgmental process, in an atmosphere of confidentiality, understanding, and compassion. It is designed to help both women and men experience the mercy and compassion of God.

If you have suffered through an abortion and have isolated yourself from healing and forgiveness, you might consider attending one our retreat weekends. For more information, contact Judy Warkiewicz at 732-536-6871. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

2024 Weekend Retreats  
February 16-18, 2024 & November 15-17, 2024



## Social Concerns Programs

### Feeding the Hungry



Are you looking for an easy way to help those in need? Here's one way you can make a difference. St. Mark's Social Concerns Ministry is resuming the Frozen Meals Program for the Center in Asbury Park which was discontinued due to the Covid pandemic. The Center in Asbury Park, Inc., is a volunteer-based New Jersey not-for-profit service organization, providing support services for people living with HIV/AIDS and their caregivers since 1992.

The process is simple! Here's what to do:

- Pick up food trays and lids next to the kitchen refrigerator in Fr. Child's Hall (St. Mark's Church basement)
- Fill the trays with generous portions of food
- Label the tray lids with the contents and date of preparation
- Return the meals to the freezer compartment of the refrigerator in Fr. Child's Hall.

**Please use only the trays provided.**

St Mark's volunteers will deliver the meals to The Center for distribution to their clients.

Please contact Marybeth or Joe Walsh at 732 449-5656 with any questions. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

## Mercy Center UPDATE!

**THE MERCY CENTER IS NO LONGER ACCEPTING CLOTHING DONATIONS**

**Needed are:**

**Canned soup • Diapers, sizes 3 and up, and Baby wipes • Coffee/Tea • Mayo Mustard • Ketchup • Deodorant • Toothpaste Toothbrushes•Soap.**

**Containers are located at Church entrances  
Thank you for your continued generosity.**

### Collecting Travel Size Toiletries



St. Mark's Social Concerns Committee is collecting travel size toiletry items (soap, shampoos, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs etc.) for delivery by volunteers to those in need in the Asbury Park area. Containers are located at Church entrances. **Thank you!**

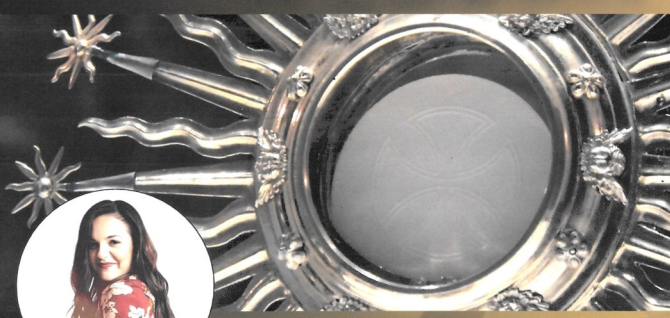
**Offerings at Francis House of Prayer:** Spiritual direction, a one-on-one conversation with a spiritual director about God in your life, is always available. We offer the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius on a monthly and weekly basis, many opportunities to learn and practice contemplative prayer, reading programs on St. John of the Cross and other Carmelite Saints, and contemporary writers.

**For programs or to register call Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House 609-877-0509 or [FHOP@verizon.net](mailto:FHOP@verizon.net) or [CLICK HERE](#).**

**St. Joseph By the Sea**—Our programs are offered to enrich, renew and deepen one's interior communication with the Lord in an atmosphere of prayer, quiet and solitude. The scenic environment of the Atlantic Ocean and Barnegat Bay provides additional contemplative opportunity. **Current brochure can be found on our website at [www.sjbsea.org](http://www.sjbsea.org) or [CLICK HERE](#).**

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St. Mark's is looking for ESL volunteers who can donate time to teach English as a second language to members of our hispanic community. Classes will take place on Sundays before the 5:00 p.m. Mass. If you know someone who might be interested in volunteering, contact Diana Zuna 732-449-6364 ext. 105 for more information. When you help someone learn to speak English, you can change a life!

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215 Crescent Pkwy  
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Sotano(clase #8)

**Hora:** 4:00-5:00 PM

**Fechas:**

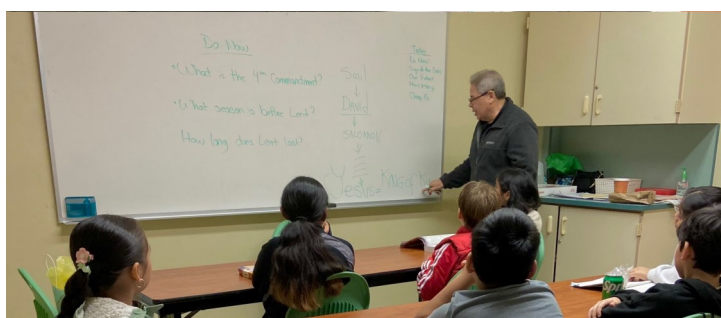
Febrero 18 & 25

Contáctese con nosotros por cualquier pregunta.  
Desiree Berenguer Carton (973)703-3241 (español)

### Calendario de Ministerios Domingo, Febrero 11, 2024 Misa 5 p.m.

<b>Celebrante</b>	Padre Miguel
<b>Lectores</b>	Griselda Lorenzo Veronica Oseguera
<b>Ministros de Eucaristía</b>	Rosa Robalino Rosario Ramirez Carlos Zuna
<b>Ujieres</b>	Jose Reyes Benito Santiago Catarino Hernandez Edgar Juárez
<b>Monaguillos</b>	Elena Roman Valeria Cruz Madeline Jimenez Robert Luna Kailey Garcia

Padre Miguel visitó a la ganadora de nuestro concurso bíblico; Gabriela Hernández y la clase del 4th grado para contarles la historia del rey David y un poco de su vida. La clase también recibió unos deliciosos dulces.







# *Miercoles de Ceniza*

## *Febrero 14 a las 6:00 p.m.*

Nuestra familia parroquial conmemorara el Miercoles de ceniza con una Misa en español y distribución de cenizas a las 6:00 p.m.

Seguido inmediatamente estaremos sirviendo en el sótano, sopas casera (sin carne) y macarrones con queso para los niños. Necesitamos voluntarios para ayudar con la limpieza.

Para más información llamara la oficina o mandarnos un correo  
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Los esperamos!

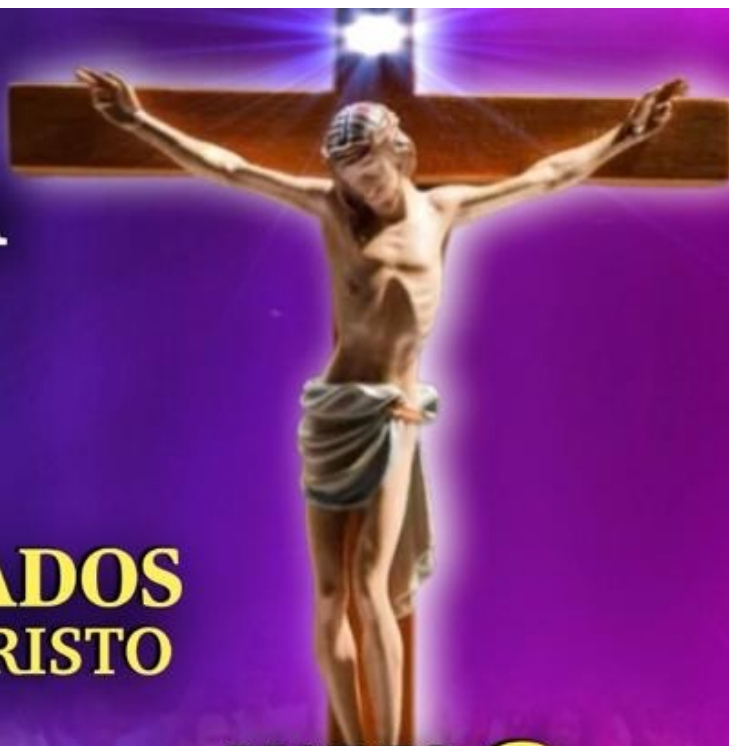




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Te invitamos cordialmente a este día de Retiro donde el Señor quiere bendecir y restaurar nuestras vidas. Invita a toda tu familia y amistades y juntos experimentemos una auténtica conversión y un mayor acercamiento a la gracia redentora de Cristo.

**Hno.**

**Enrique Lugo**

*Ministerio de Evangelización  
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