

St. Mark's Catholic Church

Rev. Msgr. Sean P. Flynn, Pastor
Fr. Carlos Castilla, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Michael Keary



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lectionary: 73

Reading 1

Is 58:7-10

Thus says the LORD:

Share your bread with the hungry,
shelter the oppressed and the homeless;
clothe the naked when you see them,
and do not turn your back on your own.
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your wound shall quickly be healed;
your vindication shall go before you,
and the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.
Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer,
you shall cry for help, and he will say: Here I am!
If you remove from your midst
oppression, false accusation and malicious speech;
if you bestow your bread on the hungry
and satisfy the afflicted;
then light shall rise for you in the darkness,
and the gloom shall become for you like midday.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R. (4a) **The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.**

or:

R. **Alleluia.**

Light shines through the darkness for the upright;
he is gracious and merciful and just.

Well for the man who is gracious and lends,
who conducts his affairs with justice.

R. **The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.**

or:

R. **Alleluia.**

He shall never be moved;

the just one shall be in everlasting remembrance.

An evil report he shall not fear;

his heart is firm, trusting in the LORD.

R. **The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.**

or:

R. **Alleluia.**

His heart is steadfast; he shall not fear.

Lavishly he gives to the poor;

His justice shall endure forever;

his horn shall be exalted in glory.

R. **The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.**

or:

R. **Alleluia.**

Reading 2

1 Cor 2:1-5

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, proclaiming the mystery of God, I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. I came to you in weakness and fear and much trembling, and my message and my proclamation were not with persuasive words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of Spirit and power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Alleluia

Jn 8:12

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of life.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel

Mt 5:13-16

Jesus said to his disciples: "You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."



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)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM and

Thursdays after the 7:30 AM and 11 AM Masses

Devotions and Novenas

Miraculous Medal Novena after daily Masses on Wednesdays

Eucharistic Adoration on Fridays after 7:30 AM Mass.

Benediction at 10:45 PM

1st Fridays Spanish Adoration beginning at 7 PM.

Rectory Office 732-449-6364

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Pastoral Council	Ext. 116
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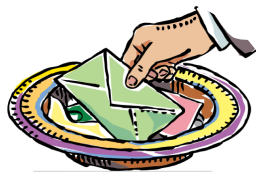
Ministries

Altar Rosary Society	732-282-1244
Bereavement Ministry	718-637-1162
CYO	732-685-6011
Music Ministry	908-415-0212
Rosary Makers	732-245-8405

Thank You! We are so grateful to all those who financially sacrifice each week to support our parish and its 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.

January 29, 2023 Sunday Collection Total \$9,073.



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.

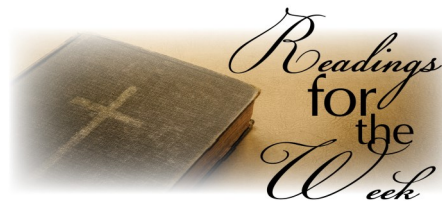
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Eternal Rest grant onto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

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

† Eileen Bopf
† Richard Russo
† Edward Prout
† Ann Wenzler
† Carolyn Doster
† Joan Lister

May the angels lead you into paradise.



February 5, 2023

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10

Sunday: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 or Mt 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37.

† This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday, February 6

7:30 AM

- † Deceased Members of St. Mark's Holy Name
- † Raymond Salapka by Family
- † Peter Copeland by Kathleen & Tom Albin

11:00 AM

Living & Deceased Members St. Mark's Altar Rosary Society
by Saint Mark's Parish Family

Tuesday, February 7

7:30 AM

- † Jimmy V Azzollini by The McKenzie Family
- † Ken Farrell by Pat & Jean Scatuorchio
- † Ginny Westphal by William Travers

11:00 AM

- † Norah Elizabeth Bruther by Mom & Dad
- † Theresa Brennan by Kathy and Bob Flammer
- † Deacon Tim Rohan by Paulette McCormack

Wednesday, February 8

7:30 AM

- † Myron Zalom by Geri Zalom
- † Anne Macenczak by Estate

11:00 AM

- † Mary Bohacik by Bohacik Family

Thursday, February 9

7:30 AM

- † Agnes Morgan by Estate
- † Mary McCluskey by Estate

11:00 AM

- † Ken Farrell by Mulvihill Family
- † Beatrice Ledden by Altar Rosary Society

Friday, February 10

7:30 AM

- † Colette Casey by Estate
- † Dorothy Wright by Family
- † Richard Toaldo by Gerry & Lorraine Norkus

11:00 AM

- † Gretchen Geiger Kelly by Maria & John Checton
- † Lynette Hardaway by Virginia Garcia

Saturday, February 11

7:30 AM

- † Regina Frost by Irene & Leo Hurley

4:30 PM

- † Mr. & Mrs. Edward F. Liston Sr. by
Gordon & Peggy Pingicer
- † James Walsh by Maureen Kelly Machirella
- † Joseph Mount by Ilze & Walter Henry

Sunday, February 12

8:00 AM

- † John Tsomtonidis by Jose and Nancy Tages
- † Evelyn Donnelly by Tages Family
- † Greta Kiernan by Catherine & John Luthin

10:00 AM

People of the Parish

12 Noon

- † Suzanne Smith by Carol Rizzi
- † Ginny Westphal by St. Mark's Religious Education Program

5:00 PM

- † Edith Garcia Gutierrez by Avila- Baltazar Family
- † Ana Maria Lopez by Family
- † Pedro Cruz Garcia by Merino Garcia Family



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.

While everyone is not yet able to participate in person at Masses, you can watch them online by visiting our parish website: **Saint Mark's Catholic Church – 215 Crescent Pkwy, Sea Girt, New Jersey 08750** (stmarkseagirt.com) and click on the Livestream logo or highlight the link below then right click and click open Hyperlink **St. Mark Church Streaming Player | Powered by StreamSpot.**



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**Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule
February 11/12, 2023**

	Saturday 4:30 PM	Sunday 8:00 AM	Sunday 10:00 AM	Sunday 12 Noon
Celebrant	Msgr. Flynn	Fr. Carlos	Msgr. Flynn	Fr. Carlos
Readers	Tom Malloy	Peggy Hardiman	Robert Cavazini	Bob Cicensia
Eucharistic Ministers	Pat Holt Anthony Granato	Pam Zusi Pat Scatuorchio	Marianne Sheridan Anna Nuzzi	Marge Loenser Helen Hopkins
Ushers	Joe Walsh Walter Henry Anthony Granato	Bob O'Neill, Leo Hurley, Pat Ahern, Glenn Skola	Rich Siderko Jim Sheridan	Howard Flood Richard DeGroote



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!

Annual Blessing of the Throats



In honor of Saint Blaise, celebrated on **Friday, February 3rd**, throats will be blessed individually at the 7:30 AM and 11:00 AM Masses.

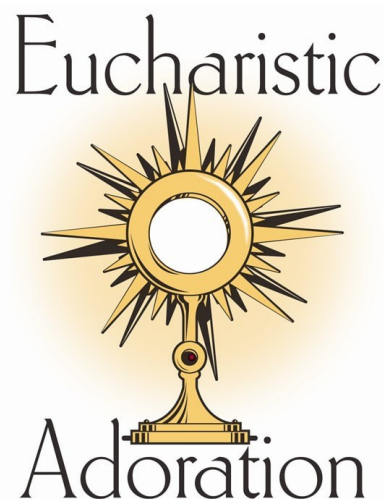
There will be a general blessing of the throats on **February 4th and 5th.**

PREPARING FOR LENT



The Medjugorje Prayer Group invites you to a Lenten retreat **Wednesday, February 15th, 9-11 am** in the upper Kolbe Hall St. Peter's Church 406 Forman Ave Point Pleasant. There will be light refreshments, all are welcome. **For further information contact dawnrusinko@yahoo.com.**

PLEASE NOTE:



The Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday now begins immediately following the 7:30 AM Mass and concludes with Benediction at 10:45 AM before the 11 AM Mass.

The importance of Eucharistic Adoration is shown in the fact that the Church has a ritual that regulates it: the Rite of Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction. This is an extension of the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament which occurs in every Mass: "Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb." Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament flows from the sacrifice of the Mass and serves to deepen our hunger for Communion with Christ and the rest of the Church. The Rite concludes with the ordained minister blessing the faithful with the Blessed Sacrament.

Please join us on Friday's immediately after the 7:30 AM Mass for Adoration. Benediction begins at 10:45 AM. It will also be broadcast on livestream @ stmarkseagirt.com. Come spend some quiet time with the Lord.

CYO News by Mary Reilly

The guys, led by Ryan Prior, did a great job baking cookies for the girls at CYO Girls' Night. They finished off the night with a great game of Dodgeball!



St. Mark's CYO 2023 Valentine's Day Walk for Hunger A wonderful way to start off Super Bowl Sunday!!!



**Sunday, February 12th at 1 PM,
starting point outside St. Catharine Church Spring Lake**

Collect \$5 from 5 people (\$25 total)

All proceeds go to Manasquan Food Pantry, Fulfill, Missionaries of Charity Meals for the Homeless and Jersey Shore Rescue Mission.

Permission slips are required. Parishioners are also welcome to sponsor a teen by sending a \$25 check made out to "St. Mark's" to the rectory. Many thanks!

CYO members--Contact Mary Reilly at Mary33angels@aol.com to sign up!

We hope to see you there!!!!

If inclement weather is expected, this will be held on Saturday, February 11th..



Some Thoughts for February 2023, by Marge Loenser

February may be a small month, day-wise, but it is chock-full of beautiful events. We start off on the second with the feast of the Presentation of the infant Jesus in the temple. This is a combined feast as it also commemorates the Jewish practice of the purification of the mother after child birth, in this case, our Blessed Mother. It is also Candlemas Day—a festival of lights. It is a day when candles are blessed for use during the year. (“It is better to light just one little candle than to stumble in the dark.”)

The Feast of St. Blaise is the next day. He is the patron saint of throat diseases. On this day we line up to get our throats blessed. St. Blaise was martyred by being beheaded in the fourth century. His remains are in the church of St. Blaise in Croatia, beside the beautiful Aegean Sea.

On the tenth we honor St. Scholastica, the twin sister of St. Benedict, and the patron saint of Benedictine nuns. St. Benedict on a rare visit to his sister, insisted on leaving to get back to his monastery before the day ended, (as was the rule!) Scholastica knew she was dying and was reluctant for him to rush off, so she prayed for a snow storm. Well, it surely snowed! Realizing what she had done, Benedict said to her “What have you done.” She replied “I asked a favor of you and you refused. I asked it of God and He granted it.”

The eleventh, of course, is the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes; Lourdes, France, being one of the most visited pilgrimage sights in the world, where many healings have taken place. It started with our Blessed Mother appearing to a young peasant girl by the name of Bernadette Soubirous. Her incorrupt body is on display in the Chapel of Saint Girard at the Sisters of Charity in Nevers, France. Holy water from Lourdes is a blessing to have and mine unfortunately is running out.

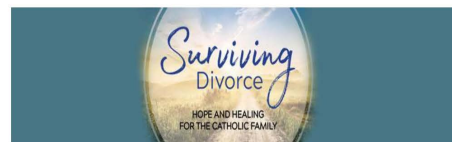
Of course the 14th is St. Valentine's Day. There were three martyred priests by that name in the third century. One of them would marry young Roman Soldiers who were forbidden to wed by Emperor Claudius. Valentine was imprisoned for this and while there he healed a young blind woman and started to evangelize this pagan household. He was imprisoned again, and while in prison

would exchange letters with the young woman whose blindness he had healed and would sign the letters, from, “Your Valentine” thus the tradition started.

On February 22nd, Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. Let us meditate on how we can improve our spiritual life. Let us deepen our personal relationship with Jesus, our best friend, our brother and our Savior. May God bless us and our families.

Love to all,

Marge



ST. MARY'S DIVORCED AND SEPARATED

What is an Information Night?

This Information Night will provide you with all the information you need to help you decide if you would like to attend our 12-week program that will begin March 13th, 2023 on Monday nights from 7:00-8:30 pm at St. Mary's Chapel in Middletown.

What can I expect from the 12-week Program?

The program is called “Surviving Divorce: Hope and Healing for the Catholic Family”. It is a DVD series developed by Rose Sweet, a dynamic Catholic author and speaker who has developed this series to help Catholics and their families heal from divorce!

Two sessions are available yearly, Fall and Spring. The DVDs last approximately 30 minutes, and then we have open discussion on a variety of topics such as grief, anger, depression, forgiveness, dealing with your ex and your family, how to tell the children and help them cope, how to navigate the court system, your finances and more. We work with a team of professionals that often join us as guest speakers to help you through this process.

We are committed to the program and to divorced and separated Catholics throughout the Diocese and we are eager to assist you in any way we can. Our primary collective goal is to bring about your healing in your own time and support you along the way. The website to learn more about the program can be found by visiting:

www.mylifechangechangecoach.com/separated-divorce

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WE DO NOT ASK YOU IF YOU ARE CATHOLIC,
WE ONLY ASK YOU IF YOU NEED TO BE HEALED. ☺
IT IS A CATHOLIC PROGRAM DESIGNED TO HEAL
EVERYONE THAT COMES TO IT!

**INFORMATION
NIGHT**
February 27, 2023
7:00-8:30 p.m.

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St. Mary's Chapel
26 Leonardville Rd.
Middletown

All are Welcome!

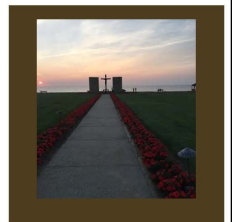
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**REGISTRATION
REQUIRED!
SEATING IS LIMITED!**

To Register/Email:

Healingheartsfromdivorce@gmail.com

One of our facilitators will
get back to you!



**American
Red Cross**

BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, February 15th 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

St. Mark's Church
215 Crescent Parkway, Sea Girt, NJ 08750

Appointments are needed. [Click HERE](#) to Schedule
online or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

Feeding the Hungry



Frozen Meals Program Resumes!

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.



Join us this Lent for the CHOSEN #3

All are welcome to join us on Fridays during Lent from 9:30-11am starting February 24-March 31. We will watch the scenes and faith share about them. Light refreshments will be served. Where: St. Pio of Pietrelcina Hall 103 Washington Ave. Lavallette To register please contact Dawn Rusinko at dawnrusinko@yahoo.com.



Homebound seniors can remain comfortably at home with the dignity of independence and the security of having someone visit once a day with a nutritious meal. Also, the warm smile of one of our wonderful volunteers or caring meals-on-wheels drivers is important to them and often serves as a wellness check.

If you would like more information, please call Meals on Wheels 732-502-3277 or Barbara Anderson 848-444-3123.



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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!**

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, February 3, The Feast of St. Blaise: Blessing of the Throats will be blessed individually at the 7:30 AM and 11:00 AM Masses. There will be a general blessing of the throats on **February 4th and 5th.**

February 4/5: This Weekend's second collection is for our Diocesan Assessment. Thank you for your support!

February 6: Altar Rosary meeting and lunch after the 11AM Mass.

February 11/12: The second Collection is for the Black and Indian Missions. Thank you!

February 12: CYO Valentine's Day Walk for Hunger. See page 6.

February 12, 13, 14: No CCD classes-Winter break.





World Marriage Day and National Marriage Week

In observance of World Marriage Day (Sunday, February 12, 2023) and National Marriage Week (February 7-14, 2022), 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, and for newly married couples, be sure to visit 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)

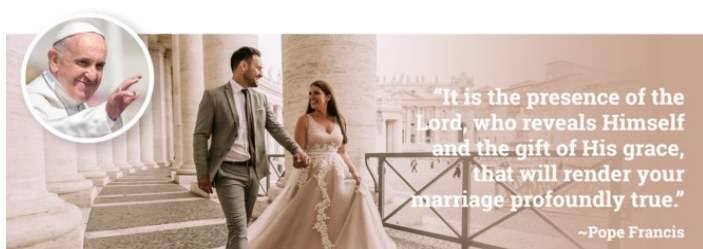
Week 2 (February 11, 12) – World Marriage Day Weekend

[Celebrating the Beauty of Catholic Marriage from the Catechism – read more at *usccb.org* under “Resources”](#)

1605 Holy Scripture affirms that man and woman were created for one another: "It is not good that the man should be alone." The woman, "flesh of his flesh," his equal, his nearest in all things, is given to him by God as a "helpmate"; she thus represents God from whom comes our help. "Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and cleaves to his wife, and they become one flesh." The Lord himself shows that this signifies an unbreakable union of their two lives by recalling what the plan of the Creator had been "in the beginning": "So they are no longer two, but one flesh." (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*).

Find all this and more at www.dioceseoftrenton.org/world-marriage-day-for-couples, and for newly married couples, be sure to visit www.dioceseoftrenton.org/newly-married-resource-page

This human communion is confirmed, purified, and completed by communion in Jesus Christ, given through the sacrament of Matrimony. It is deepened by lives of the common faith and by the Eucharist received together (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*).



PASTORAL TALKS 2023

~A Five Part Lecture Series~

AT ST. MARGARET'S, 300 LUDLOW AVE, 6PM

Q&A and Light Refreshment to follow at Duffy Hall

March 1, 2023
Sr. Carole MacKenthun R.S.M.
"Journey to Our Heart Room, in meditation"

March 8, 2023
Deacon Paul Vitale:
"The Three Glances of Christ"

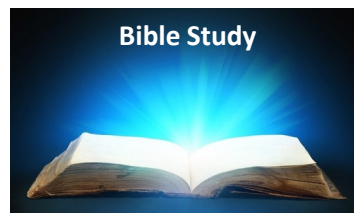
March 15, 2023
Msgr. Richard Liddy, Ph.D:
"Our Young People and the Existence of God"

March 22, 2023
Fr. Martin Padovani SVD, MS:
"Living and the Modern Church"

March 29, 2023
Very Rev. Damian McElroy
"Prodigal Sons and Daughters"

Please join us for fellowship and conversation. These events are free and welcome to all. We hope to see you there.

Bible Study



Biblical Scholars tell us that the essence of Christianity is joy.

Have you found this to be so?

Come to our Bible Study. We shall read some of the great passages of both the Old and New Testaments. There are no tests, papers to write, no grades and no lectures. We shall all sit in a circle and share our thoughts, questions, and opinions in a relaxed informal setting.

There will be ten classes on Tuesdays, March 7th to May 9th from 9:30-10:45 AM in Fr. Child's Hall (St. Mark's basement).

Those parishioners who attend our daily 11 AM Mass on a Tuesday morning, may wish to attend our Bible Study class.

The instructor will be John Snyder, as he was for the last two sessions. **Any questions, call him as 848-241-3531.**



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Check out this great line-up of speakers!



CHRIS STEFANICK

AUTHOR, TV HOST, EVANGELIST

Founder and president of Real Life Catholic, Chris is an internationally acclaimed author (most recently released bestseller, *Living Joy*), speaker, and television host. His live seminars, TV, radio, and video ministry have reached millions. Chris is a recipient of the Papal Benemerenti Medal which was previously given by the pope for military valor, but today is given for achievement in ministry.



BISHOP DAVID M. O'CONNELL, CM

We are pleased to have our Bishop, the Most Reverend David M. O'Connell, return as the presider and homilist for celebration of the Holy Mass.



GERRY COONEY

RETIRED BOXER, BUSINESSMAN, RADIO ANNOUNCER, AUTHOR

In the wild and wicked world of boxing, Gerry Cooney is a rarity: a fighter who has enjoyed success in and out of the ring. As a world-class heavyweight, Cooney advanced to #1 contender. In 1982 Cooney faced the unbeaten WBC World Heavyweight Champion Larry Holmes in a title fight of such magnitude that it was hyped on the cover of "Time" magazine.

Cooney went on to engage in high-profile bouts vs. Michael Spinks and George Foreman. He retired in 1990, having compiled a pro mark of 28-3 with 24 knockouts and was ranked 53rd on Ring Magazine's list of 100 greatest punchers of all time.



MARK HOUCK

SPEAKER, AUTHOR, EVANGELIST

Mark Houck is the Founder and President of The King's Men, Inc. He is an author and internationally known motivational speaker who developed in 2004 a highly successful ministry to help others become better leaders, protectors and providers. As a former All-American collegiate athlete and high school coach, Mark has drawn on his personal pursuit of excellence in sports to encourage and mentor thousands across North America and Europe.

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"God can write straight with crooked lines. So regardless of what has occurred in the past or is happening in your present, there is always hope."


Lisa Brenninkmeyer
Founder and Chief Purpose Officer, Walking with Purpose

If we were created for relationship, why is it so incredibly hard? Perhaps what we are looking for in others and what we expect of others can only be found in God. Married or not, join the women of Walking with Purpose as we dive into all things relationship!

As usual, the coffee will be on, the conversation fulfilling, the hope abounding, and the video, *Marriage—Transformed By Grace*, utterly inspiring! Never been to Walking with Purpose? Perfect! We look forward to seeing you!

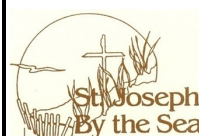
Tuesday, February 7th 7:30pm
or
Wednesday, February 8th 12:15pm
St. Denis Parish Center, Manasquan
For more info/RSVP: Macchele1@gmail.com
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Our mission is to help every Catholic woman and girl in America encounter Jesus Christ through our Bible studies.

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The Upper Room is a spiritual and educational center rooted in a contemplative and holistic approach that supports and nourishes the spiritual growth of laity, religious, and clergy. Sponsored by the Diocese of Trenton, the Upper Room serves women and men within and outside the diocese through on-site and outreach programs. The For information on programs, please visit www.theupper-room.org or e-mail: office@theupper-room.org.



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 – www.sjbsea.org.**

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 such as James Martin, Thomas Keating, Richard Rohr, Thomas Merton and special one-time programs.

Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House 609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net.

Please check or click on www.FHOP.org for programs and registration.



Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton and Recycle-America have joined forces to provide a new service. Now, someone will come to your door to collect your clothing and shoes. All items will be donated to those in need in our local community. Pickups in Monmouth County are made on Wednesdays. To schedule a pickup, please call 609-906-0004 or email racworld2015@gmail.com. Please call or email three days prior to pick up day. Thank you.

Catholic Charities provides assistance with food, housing, drug addiction, domestic violence, and immigration services. **If you know a parishioner needing help, please contact us at www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org or call 800-360-7711.**

Northern New Jersey Alcoholics Anonymous provides information on AA as a resource for anyone who thinks they may have drinking problem, as well as to answer any questions that professionals or community members may have about Alcoholics Anonymous. Please visit www.nnjaa.org for more information.

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.**

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5 de febrero del 2023

Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Primera lectura: Is 58, 7-10.

Esto dice el Señor: "Comparte tu pan con el hambriento, abre tu casa al pobre sin techo, viste al desnudo y no des la espalda a tu propio hermano. Entonces surgirá tu luz como la aurora y cicatrizarán de prisa tus heridas; te abrirá camino la justicia y la gloria del Señor cerrará tu marcha. Entonces clamarás al Señor y él te responderá; lo llamarás y él te dirá: 'Aquí estoy'. Cuando renuncies a oprimir a los demás y destierres de ti el gesto amenazador y la palabra ofensiva; cuando compartas tu pan con el hambriento y sacies la necesidad humillada, brillará tu luz en las tinieblas y tu oscuridad será como el mediodía".

Salmo Responsorial: Salmo 111, 4-5. 6-7. 8a y 9.

El justo brilla como una luz en las tinieblas.

Quien es justo, clemente y compasivo,
como una luz en las tinieblas brilla.
Quienes, compadecidos, prestan

y llevan su negocio honradamente
jamás se desviarán.

El justo brilla como una luz en las tinieblas.

El justo no vacilará;
vivirá su recuerdo para siempre.
No temerá malas noticias,
porque en el Señor vive confiadamente.

El justo brilla como una luz en las tinieblas.

Firme está y sin temor su corazón.
Al pobre da limosna,
obra siempre conforme a la justicia;
su frente se alzará llena de gloria.

El justo brilla como una luz en las tinieblas.

Segunda lectura: 1 Co 2, 1-5.

Hermanos: Cuando llegué a la ciudad de ustedes para anunciarles el Evangelio, no busqué hacerlo mediante la elocuencia del lenguaje o la sabiduría humana, sino que resolví no hablarles sino de Jesucristo, más aún, de Jesucristo crucificado. Me presenté ante ustedes débil y temblando de miedo. Cuando les hablé y les prediqué el Evangelio, no quise convencerlos con palabras de hombre sabio; al contrario, los convencí por medio del Espíritu y del poder de Dios, a fin de que la fe de ustedes dependiera del poder de Dios y no de la sabiduría de los hombres.

Aclamación antes del Evangelio: Jn 8, 12b.

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Yo soy la luz del mundo, dice el Señor;
el que me sigue tendrá la luz de la vida.

R. Aleluya.

Evangelio: Mt 5, 13-16.

En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a sus discípulos: "Ustedes son la sal de la tierra. Si la sal se vuelve insípida, ¿con qué se le devolverá el sabor? Ya no sirve para nada y se tira a la calle para que la pise la gente. Ustedes son la luz del mundo. No se puede ocultar una ciudad construida en lo alto de un monte; y cuando se enciende una vela, no se esconde debajo de una olla, sino que se pone sobre un candelero, para que alumbré a todos los de la casa. Que de igual manera brille la luz de ustedes ante los hombres, para que viendo las buenas obras que ustedes hacen, den gloria a su Padre, que está en los cielos".