

This is truly the Prophet,  
the one who is to come  
into the world.

John 6:14

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## *St. Mark's Catholic Church*

*Fr. Miguel Virella, SVD, Pastor*  
*Fr. Miguel Valle, Parochial Vicar*  
*Dr. Joseph V. Stillo, Deacon*  
*Michael Keary, Deacon*

### **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
Rosary Makers	732-245-8405



**Please pray for our sick:** Peggy O'Brien, Patty Accavallo, Donna Brundage, Pete and Marie Stigi, Daniel DeSeno, Thomas Weeks, Jan Soriano, Tom Ort, Nadine Piccolo, Patti & John Hillenbrand, Raymond Burghart, Henry Bossett, Robert Coogan, Donovan Leso, Kirra Gibson, Paul Shea, Patrick Esposito, Mary McCarthy, Kevin Hamilton, Laurie Langell Syby, Vivian Wilson, Joan Cantley, Marybeth Richards, Millie Abraham, Brian Nall, Marilyn Woerner, Nancy O'Neill, Steven VanWickle, Steve Adcox, Lester Wolf, Jeremy Pavlich, Joan Langlois, Linda Ryan, Danny Suskenich, Teresa Corcoran, John Cinciarelli, Erik Rofi, Dr. William Burns, Robert Czech, Janet Thomas, Edward Morea, Alice Healy, 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.

†Mary O'Neill

*May the angels lead you into paradise.*



**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 July 21, 2024 is \$12,121

**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).

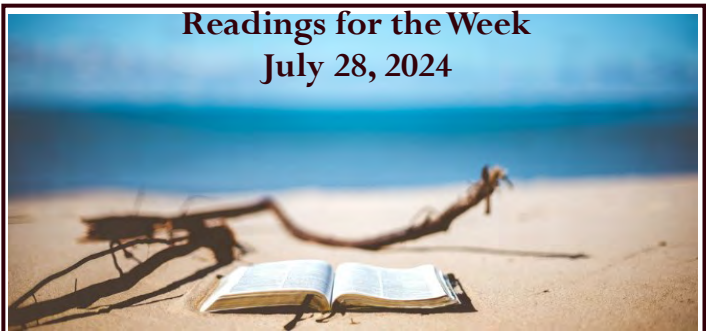


## St. Mark's Annual Summer Collection



On the weekend of August 10/11, 2024, the second collection is for our Annual Summer Collection which helps St. Mark's to offset higher electric bills in the summer and higher gas bills and snow removal in the winter months. Fr. Miguel appreciates your continued support!

## Readings for the Week July 28, 2024



**Monday** Jer 13:1-11 De 32:18-19, 20, 21 Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

**Tuesday** Jer 14:17-22 Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 Mt 13:36-43

**Wednesday** Jer 15:10, 16-21 Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18 Mt 13:44-46

**Thursday** Jer 18:1-6 Ps 146:1B-2, 3-4, 5-6AB Mt 13:47-53

**Friday** Jer 26:1-9 Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14 Mt 13:54-58

**Saturday** Jer 26:11-16, 24 Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34 Mt 14:1-12

**Sunday** Ex 16:2-4, 12-15 Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 Eph 4:17, 20-24 Jn 6:24-35.



St. Mark's Church is wheelchair accessible. There is a ramp on the north side, and an elevator on the south side of the church. Handicapped parking is located in the driveway, the south side of the church, and in front of the church.



**The Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette**  
**will preach the Annual Parish Mission Appeal this weekend, July 27-28, 2024 given by**  
**Fr. Pedro Chingandu**

Having brought the fullness of Life to our world when He rose from the dead, Jesus sent his disciples to share this life with all of creation. *"They went forth and preached everywhere"* (Mk 16:20). The Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette minister to people of every race, language, culture and way of life – beginning at the La Salette Shrine in France where our Blessed Mother appeared in 1846. Her final words, *"Well, my children, you will make this known to all my people,"* echo Jesus' Gospel mandate. It is little wonder that the La Salette Congregation has always been mission orientated. When called upon by the Vatican to preach the Gospel in foreign lands, they eagerly responded. This spirit brought them to mission in 27 countries, especially among the poor in Angola, Argentina, Bolivia, Haiti, India, Madagascar, Myanmar and the Philippines. With your cooperation, the Missionaries of La Salette can continue to provide spiritual and financial assistance to these mission countries as they bring God's reconciling message to the poor.

**My Mission in Angola**



My name is Pedro Chingandu. I was born in 1963 in Angola. At the age of 12, because of the civil war in Angola, my family left our home country to take refuge in a refugee camp in Zambia where I concluded my primary education, and completed my high school and philosophical Studies. I was ordained a priest in 1996. From 2000-2006, served as Regional Superior of La Salette Missionaries in Angola. In June 2006, I moved to the USA to serve at the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette in Attleboro. I ended my ministry in the USA in 2013 as a Parish Vicar at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Smyrna, GA. I was then elected Provincial Superior of La Salette Missionaries in Angola serving two terms, ending in 2019. I am currently a Parish Vicar of the newly created Parish S. Joao Maria Vianney in Luanda, Angola. I am happy to join this year's La Salette Mission Appeal Team.

The first La Salette Missionaries arrived in Angola in 1946, after the II World War. They were all from Switzerland. They were from a developed country, and opted to do their ministry in remote interior regions of Angola where they built mission parishes. In most of the mission parishes, schools, health centers or clinics were established and transformed it into a parish community.



Unfortunately, well before independence, a bloody civil war began which destroyed most of the infrastructures built by the missionaries. The war left our once thriving mission parish communities in shambles. Fortunately, the war ended in 2002. The impact of the war had taken more than 500,000 lives, leaving thousands mutilated, and the majority living in poverty. To destroy is easy. To re-build broken hearts and restore traumatized minds are extremely difficult. This is the challenge that Angolan La Salettes are facing today. Twenty years later and with God's grace, La Salette vocations are growing. The La Salettes continue to expand their presence beyond Benguela and Huila (South), towards new territories to the east and north.



In 2020, for the very first time the Archbishop of Luanda, offered the La Salette Missionaries an area where they could build a parish. The opportunity was accepted and the new parish is in the making. The parish infrastructures are slowly being built by young La Salette Missionaries. As you can see, we have a ways to go. We need funding to continue building the church.

I look forward to my visit.  
Fr. Pedro Chingandu

## † This Week's Mass Intentions

### Monday, July 29

**7:30 AM**

† Phyllis Blaine by Estate  
† David Legacki by Noreen Loosen  
Michael & Joseph White by Family

**11:00 AM**

† John Byrne by Adele Byrne and Family  
† Lori McKeon by the Gallagher Family  
Hugh McCormick by Eileen & Pete McHugh

### Tuesday, July 30

**7:30 AM**

† Felice Caroselli by Robert & Rose Ann Ferguson  
† Mary McCluskey by Estate  
† Albert R. DeCasperis, Jr. by White Family

**11:00 AM**

† Margaret Donahue Checton by John & Maria Checton  
† Mike McLoughlin by Kathleen Mathesen

### Wednesday, July 31

**7:30 AM**

† Thomas Falcone by the Falcone Family  
† Michael J. Sheridan by Janet Armelino

**11:00 AM**

† William Mitchell by JoAnn McGuirk  
† Deceased Members of the Abitanto Family by Family  
† Antonio DiGiorgio by the Babbitt Family

### Thursday, August 1

**7:30 AM**

† Dorothy Wright by Family  
† Robert Koch by John & Maura McGuinness  
† Joseph & Margaret Azzarella by Margaret Azzarella

**11:AM**

† Private Intention  
† Elizabeth Ann Ostrander by Noreen Loosen  
Patrick Flood by Eileen & Pete McHugh

### Friday, August 2

**7:30 AM**

† Diane Nelson Flood by Family  
† Patricia Moran by Jim & Kristen Davey

**11:00 AM**

† Barbara Hall by Ann Kilduf  
† Charlotte & Jim McLaughlin by Paulette McCormack  
† Tom Whalen by Peggy Whelan

### Saturday, August 3

**7:30 AM**

Rebecca & Charles Mencil by Family

**4:30 PM**

† Barbara Shrem by John & Pat Gibbs  
† Michael Sheridan by Sara Lynch  
† Fr. Maynard Nagengast, OSB by Marion Reilly

### Sunday, August 4

**8:00 AM**

People of the Parish

**10:00 AM**

† Jillian Ludwig by the Cortese Family  
† Ellen Coyne Rooney by Robert & Winifred Cavazini  
† Michael Sheridan by Adele Byrne

**12 Noon**

† Norman Heilos, Sr. by Todd & Lauren Jones  
† Susan McNamara by Joseph McNamara  
† John R Glassford by John & Patti Glassford

**5:00 PM**

† Stephen Currie by the Currie Family

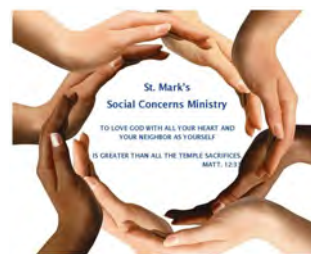


### **St. Mark's Bereavement Ministry**

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!**

## **Thank you!**



*Thank you very much to all those who so generously donated to the collection for Social Concerns. Your continued support helps us to fulfill our mission to make a difference in the lives of people faced with an emergency. We are extremely grateful for your support.*

**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.

**SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, October 3, 2024**



NATIONAL CENTRE  
*for* **PADRE PIO**



**OUR LADY OF GRACE CHAPEL**

*This historically-accurate Franciscan chapel creates a pious, monastic atmosphere that immediately transports visitors back in time to Padre Pio's Italy. Featuring beautiful Catholic artwork and rich with Franciscan symbolism, Our Lady of Grace Chapel is a humble, yet inspiring sanctuary.*



**VOTIVE CANDLE GARDEN**

*Whether visitors are on-site at the National Centre or visiting us online, they can add a votive candle to our Candle Garden and offer a special intention to Padre Pio.*

Join us as we make a pilgrimage to the National Center for Padre Pio in Barto, PA on **Thursday, October 3, 2024**. Enjoy the peace, tranquility and healing at the home of Padre Pio in America. The bus will depart from St. Mark's Church at 8AM, returning by 6PM. The cost is \$40 per person, which includes: Bus fare, a guided tour & video presentation, Mass with Fr. Miguel, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Veneration of the Relic Glove of Padre Pio and lunch. The lunch menu is Penne with Marinara, Chicken Piccata, Baby Spring Mix and Vanilla Cake. It may be possible to obtain a vegetarian option. **Payment is required with Registration and is due before August 24, 2024.** An invitation to participate will be extended to other parishes after August 24, 2024 if needed to fill the bus. Please make checks payable to St. Mark's Church.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ #Attending \_\_\_\_\_



## Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule

**August 3/4, 2024**

	<b>Saturday 4:30 PM</b>	<b>Sunday 8:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday 10:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday 12 Noon</b>
<b>Celebrants</b>	<b>Fr. Valle Deacon Joe Stillo</b>	<b>Fr. Cesar</b>	<b>Fr. Valle Deacon Mike Keary</b>	<b>Fr. Brian Butch</b>
<b>Readers</b>	Connie Duffy	Robert Cavazini	Mary McLaughlin	Molly McCauley
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Anthony Granato Pat Holt Lynn Jelliff	Gary Cademartori Pat Cademartori Pat Scatuorchio	Don McLaughlin Mary Ring Jim Sheridan	Debbie Dunn Molly McCauley Nancy Shatzman
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Lily Kurack Madeline Kurack James Kurack	Nick Walsifer	Cross Carhart Dee Dee Boyle	Stephen Bird Vivian Collins
<b>Ushers</b>	Joe Walsh, Walter Henry Anthony Granato	Bob O'Neill, Leo Hurley, Pat Ahern, Glenn Skola	Rich Siderko Jim Sheridan	Howard Flood Richard DeGroote



### Our Lady of Mount Carmel School

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School in Asbury Park serves communities located in Monmouth County under the direction of the Office of Catholic Schools of the Diocese of Trenton.

Our school has a rich tradition of education in the Catholic faith. It was founded in 1923 as an institution of learning primarily for children of immigrant families, which it still serves today.

Everyday, we all know and try to live our mission statement, "We walk by faith, we learn without end, we care for and treasure all, we are the family of God."

We would be happy to welcome your children to our student body. For more information, please see our website at: [www.olmcapnj.org](http://www.olmcapnj.org).



### 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Carmel Connection Foundation Golf Tournament

In support of Our Lady of Mount Carmel School in  
Asbury Park

**Monday, July 29th**

**Trump National Golf Club, Colts Neck**

**Includes Brunch, Shotgun Start,  
Cocktail Hour & Awards Dinner**

For more information contact:

**Peter Abitanto**

**pabitanto@msn.com**

**908-307-5154**





Life is a beautiful ride  
- find

*joy* at every turn.



To enroll in the St. Mark's Church online giving program, please log on to: [stmarkseagirt.com](http://stmarkseagirt.com) and click on the Parish Giving logo.



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



Parish Giving  
simple. secure. convenient.

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.



## CYO News by Mary Reilly



Please let Mrs. Reilly know if you would like to do some volunteer work this summer at Care One at Wall nursing facility. We normally run an exercise class for the elderly there, sing patriotic songs with them, and visit the rooms of those who aren't able to join us in the recreation area. We are hoping to do this on Thursday mornings in August(10:15-11:30 AM.) Summer teen residents also welcome to join us!!!!!!!!!!!! NB: Corporal work of mercy!!!

Attention CYO Parents: When our seniors graduate each year, we also lose some of our amazing CYO volunteers whose youngest children are now off to college. Please contact Mrs. Reilly if you can be a CYO volunteer and assist at our weekly meetings and other events. Thank you. [Mary33angels@aol.com](mailto:Mary33angels@aol.com).  
"The Eucharist is the sacrament of love: it signifies love, it produces love. The Eucharist is the consummation of the whole spiritual life." --St. Thomas Aquinas

Mary Reilly  
[mary33angels@aol.com](mailto:mary33angels@aol.com)  
732-685-6011

The Diocese of Trenton  
Dept. of Youth and Young Adults  
w/ St. AL's YA Group invite you to...



SUMMER EDITION

8-20-24  
7PM



REGISTER NOW:  
[WWW.DIOCESEOFTRENTON.ORG/THEOLOGY-ON-TAP](http://WWW.DIOCESEOFTRENTON.ORG/THEOLOGY-ON-TAP)

In partnership with St. Aloysius Young Adult Ministry...

August 20, 2024 at 7pm at Last Wave Brewing Co.

601 Bay Ave., Point Pleasant, NJ 08742

FREE parking on the street and in the lot behind the building

Advance Registration \$20 per person until 08/19

Includes Light food options and soft drinks Cash Bar

## The Garden Club of Spring Lake and The Spring Lake Historical Society Fundraiser Reception and Show

Final Dress Rehearsal

### Anastasia

Spring Lake Community House theater

300 Madison Avenue, Spring Lake

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

Reception 6:30pm—Show 7:30 pm


Doors open at 6:30 pm

Tickets: \$35 Make checks payable to  
SL Historical Society

Contact: Priscilla Reilly 732-546-7002 or email  
[pmr314@gmail.com](mailto:pmr314@gmail.com)







**Faith... pass it on!**  
Catechists & Assistants Needed

TO HELP ASSIST IN OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR.

CATECHIST   AIDES   TEAM TEACHERS   SUBSTITUTES

NO EXPERIENCE IS NEEDED TO JOIN OUR GREAT TEAM. WE WILL PROVIDE TRAINING AND SUPPORT ALONG THE WAY. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO WOULD BE INTERESTED IN HELPING OUT THIS YEAR, OR HAVE ANY QUESTIONS AT ALL, PLEASE CALL US!

ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST COMPLETE A VOLUNTEER FORM, GET FINGERPRINTED AND ATTEND A VIRTUS SESSION IN ORDER TO BE COMPLIANT AND ELIGIBLE TO VOLUNTEER WITH CHILDREN.

IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT THE RECTORY OFFICE AT (732) 449-6364 EXT. 105 OR [DIANA@STMARKSEAGIRT.COM](mailto:DIANA@STMARKSEAGIRT.COM)  
MRS. DIANA ZUNA, DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION


Save the Date  
for New Jersey's Mass for Life

09.26.24

Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption  
151 North Warren Street  
Trenton, New Jersey 08608  
Thursday September 26, 2024  
9:30 a.m.

Hosted by the Archdiocese of Newark, the Dioceses of Trenton, Camden, Metuchen, Paterson, the Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Passaic, and the New Jersey Catholic Conference

More information to follow

**INFORMATION NIGHT**  
**DIVORCED AND SEPARATED MINISTRY**

*St. Leo's Parish in Lincroft is pleased to announce its continuing ministry entitled, "Surviving Divorce: Hope and Healing for the Catholic Family", a healing program being offered for divorced and/or separated Catholics. We are having an **Information Night on Thursday, August 15th, 2024 from 7:00 – 8:30 pm** at St. Leo The Great in the Parish Center Meeting Room, located at 50 Hurleys Lane in Lincroft.*

*If interested, please email: [healingheartsfromdivorce@gmail.com](mailto:healingheartsfromdivorce@gmail.com) with your name and contact information and one of the facilitators will get back in touch with you regarding all the details and will answer any questions you may have.*


*Visit: <https://www.mylifechangecoach.com/divorceministry> for more information about the program or call/text Michele Coppola Wilson at 201-753-8485.*

2024 Annual Catholic Appeal

**ONE**  
Love • Faith • Family

Click on graphic for more information or visit <https://dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal>.



 We are no longer accepting any clothes or household donations for the Spanish Ministry until further notice.

Please do not leave any donations in or outside of the Church. Thank you!

### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**July 27/28:** The second collection is for Annual Parish Mission Appeal. Thank you for your help!

**July 31:** Last day for Christmas in July donations!

**August 4:** The second collection is for our Diocesan Assessment. Your generosity is appreciated!

**August 10/11:** The second collection is for our Annual Summer Collection. Thank you for your generosity.

**August 14:** American Red Cross Blood Drive at St. Mark's Church. See below.

**August 15:** The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Holy Day of Obligation. RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED.

**August 27:** We will be celebrating a Memorial Mass in honor of Fr. Maynard Nagengast on his birthday, at 11AM. All are welcome.



**American Red Cross**

**Blood Drive**

**Wednesday, August 14, 2023**

**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.



### **2024 Bishop's Anniversary Blessing Dates Sunday, October 6, 2024 (3PM)**

Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine, Freehold  
The Bishop's Anniversary Blessing is an annual Mass and reception to honor all couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50th (or more) wedding anniversary. This event takes place on two Sundays in October, one at the Cathedral of St. Mary in Trenton for couples from Mercer and Burlington County parishes, and the other at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold for couples from Ocean and Monmouth County parishes. Family and friends are encouraged to attend. Pre-registration is required; couples may register online or at their parish. Registration opens on April 1st. Couples must be validly married in the Catholic Church to participate in the Bishop's Anniversary Blessing.

**Contact: Belem Perez; [bperez@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:bperez@dioceseoftrenton.org); 609-403-7133.**



Tests are the bane of student life. So much so that young people do not even want to talk about them on a summer vacation day in late July. But tests, we know, are a necessary component of the education process. It starts out slowly in kindergarten and stretches to graduate school.

Interestingly enough, tests of various kinds even have their place in the Bible. Even the holy Apostles had to endure them. Case in point: the perplexed apostle Philip in today's well-known episode. Jesus, who is, after all, the Master teacher observes the crowd of some ten thousand people (allowing for wives and children) who have followed Him. So, he turns to Philip and asks, "Where can we buy enough food for them?" (Please note, with a touch of humor, the complete absence of something called a "supermarket.") And then our author writes the six-word comment: "He said this to test him."

Not surprisingly, we were not given Philip's answer. But very surprising for sure was the follow up action of Jesus for both him and the other Eleven. Philip and the others will soon learn that this miracle was only a preview of another one to follow on Holy Thursday night.

For us, living some two thousand years later, we have the benefit of at least three consoling facts to hold dear in resisting the pull of our Western culture that pushes the false idea that truth is relative. First consolation: numbers are never an obstacle for almighty God's strategy. He can and does feed billions of Catholics now around the world spiritual food to energize their (and our) living out the Gospel.

Second consolation: the Eucharist, as the true Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus is the true treasure of our Church, having nothing to do with real estate or any other measurement.

Third consolation: Jesus has kept His promise to be with us "all days until the end of the age." Each holy Mass is proof. Each of us is its beneficiary. Therein lies the fact of the matter and the core of our belief. It does not change with the passage of time. Nor does it ever need updating. Only in our hearts.

There is a story of a man who came to his old friend, a music teacher, and asked him, "What's the good news today?" The old teacher was silent as he stood up and walked across the room, picked up a hammer, and struck a tuning fork. As the note sounded out through the room, he said, "That is *A*. It is *A* today; it was *A* five thousand years ago, and it will be *A* ten thousand years from now. The soprano upstairs sings off-key, the tenor across the hall flats on his high notes, and the piano downstairs is out of tune." He struck the note again and said, "That is *A*, my friend, and that's the good news for today." God love you and give you His peace every day.





**From now until July 31st**

**St. Mark's Confirmation class is kicking off their season of service projects by collecting donations for the Madonna House & Good Counsel Home.**

**Wish List:**

- Gifts cards: Amazon, Walmart, Burlington & Target**
- Grocery gift cards: ShopRite, Aldi & Walmart.**
- Diapers: New born to 12 months**
- Baby clothing: newborns to 12 months**
- New Toys for Christmas ages 0 to 12 years**

Pick up tags at our Christmas tree located at the main entrance.  
Drop off all items with tags to bins located at the entrances of the Church until July 31st

For more information please contact Diana Zuna at: (732) 449-6364 ext. 105 or  
Mary Lyons at (732)685-3163



## 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:**

**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](#).**



St. Mark's is looking for ESL volunteers who can donate their time to teach English as a second language to members of our Hispanic Ministry. Classes will take place on Sundays before the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

If you or know someone who might be interested in volunteering, please contact our new coordinator Courtenay Lima [cmyerslima@gmail.com](mailto:cmyerslima@gmail.com).

When you help someone learn to speak English, you can change a life!

### Invitation to the Secular Franciscans



St. Francis of Assisi heard the voice of Jesus – asking him for help to “Rebuild My Church...” The Lord is still calling people to help rebuild His Church through prayer, community, and service. Members of the Secular Franciscan Order of the St. Maximilian Kolbe Fraternity invite you to join us in a "Come and See" presentation on his feast day **Wednesday, August 14, 2024, following the 8:30 AM Mass at St. Peter's Church, in Lower Kolbe Hall.** The presentation will include a healing prayer service in honor of St. Maximilian Kolbe and it will give you an overview of how and why millions of people (including St. Maximilian Kolbe) have wanted to follow the spirit of St. Francis for more than 800 years.

If you would like more information, please contact Minister Dorothy O'Reilly, OFS at 732-575-7913.



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<b>Calendario de Ministerios</b> <b>Domingo, Agosto 4, 2024</b> <b>Misa 5:00 p.m.</b>	
<b>Celebrante</b>	Padre Cesar Rubiano
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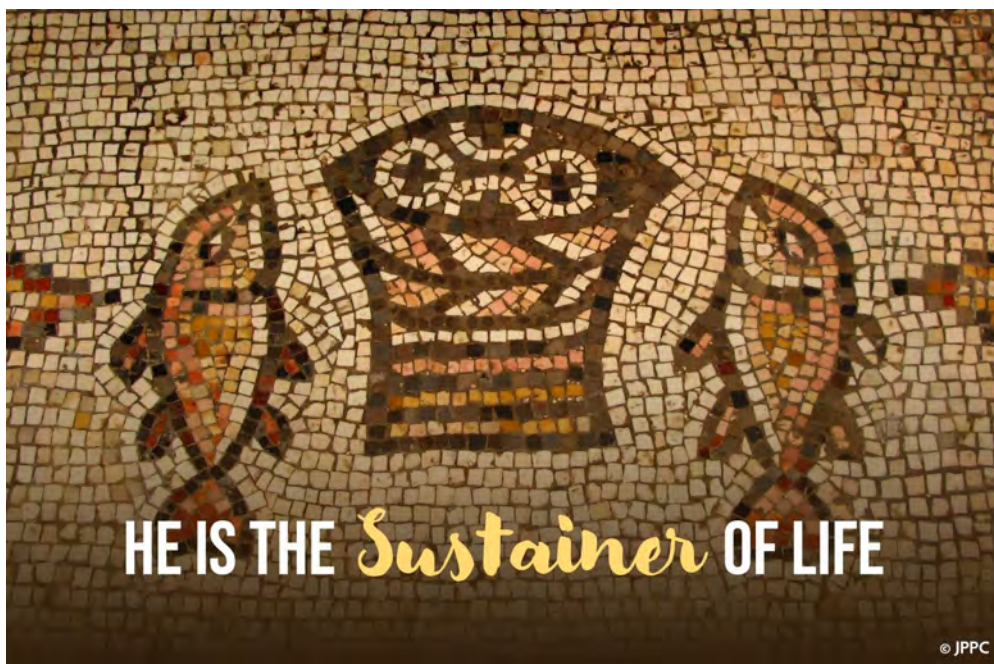
**El Ministerio de Religión esta en busca de personas voluntarias que deseen trabajar con niños(as) de nuestra comunidad Hispana; edades de 6-14 años los domingos. Las clases comenzaran en Septiembre**

**Requisitos:**

- Un gran deseo de servir y trabajar con niños.
- Adultos Católicos mayores de 18 años.
- Preferiblemente que sean bilingües.

**Ofreceremos entrenamiento y formación durante el verano. Invitamos a los jóvenes y adultos a aplicar.**

**Para más información por favor hablar con Mrs. Diana Zuna (732) 449-6364 ext. 105**





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