

**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**August 27, 2023**



## *St. Mark's Catholic Church*

*Fr. Miguel Virella, SVD, Pastor*

*Fr. Carlos Castilla, Parochial Vicar*

*Deacon Michael Keary*

### **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

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## † This Week's Mass Intentions

### Monday, August 28

**7:30 AM**

† Dr. Joseph P. Kane by the Family of  
Dr. Joseph P. & Barbara Kane

**11:00 AM**

† Victor Filgueras by Catherine & John Luthin  
† Irene Markiewicz by Lyn & Tom Jennings

### Tuesday, August 29

**7:30 AM**

† Gladys Conner by Cindy Palmer Graves & Family

**11:00 AM**

† Craig Arnold by Betty & Bob Mullen

### Wednesday, August 30

**7:30 AM**

† Robert Von Hoehe by Todd & Jamie Leonhardt  
† Stella Copeland by Kathleen & Tom Albin  
† Dorothy Wright by Family

**11:00 AM**

† William J. O'Leary by Betty & Bob Mullen

### Thursday, August 31

**7:30 AM**

† Armand E. Lembo Sr. by the Lembo Family  
† Joseph Raffetto, Jr. by Family

**11:AM**

† Walter Donovan by Pat Langell

### Friday, September 1

**7:30 AM**

† Agnes Morgan by Estate  
† Dorothy Wright by Family  
† Father Matthew Torpey by Family

**11:00 AM**

† Aida Bertucci Incolla by the Bertucci Family  
† Bernard Kelly by Gena Tyner

### Saturday, September 2

**7:30 AM**

† Stella Albin by Kathleen & Tom Albin

**4:30 PM**

† Robert Flynn by Jerry Flynn  
† Rosemarie Iacampo by Friends  
† Thomasina Felicetti by Ken Winant

### Sunday, September 3

**8:00 AM**

† Norah Elizabeth Bruther by Saint Mark's Parish Family  
† Debra Wilson by Carol & Dave Rahill

**10:00 AM**

Rev. Henry Albeke by Margaret Azzarella  
† Mr. Mannino by Tara & Mike Malia  
† Bob Weeks by Family

**12 Noon**

People of the Parish

**5:00 PM**

† Maria Ruiz Vazquez by Children  
† Bernabe Lopez Rojas 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!



**St. Marks Altar Rosary Society** will meet on **Monday, September 11th** at the 11 AM Mass. Recitation of the Rosary after mass, with luncheon to follow.

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## Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule

September 2/3, 2023

	<b>Saturday 4:30 PM</b>	<b>Sunday 8:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday 10:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday 12 Noon</b>
<b>Celebrant</b>	<b>Fr. Carlos</b>	<b>Fr. Miguel</b>	<b>Fr. Miguel</b>	<b>Fr. Carlos</b>
<b>Reader</b>	Connie Duffy	Robert Cavazini	Joe Stillo	Bob Cicenía
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Anthony Granato Pat Holt Lynn Jelliff	Lori Savino Anna Nuzzi Pat Scatuorchio	Don McLaughlin Mary McLaughlin Joe Stillo	Bob Cicenía Debbie Dunn Helen Hopkins
<b>Ushers</b>	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:** Gloria Cancellieri, Joan Cantley, Marybeth Richards, Millie Abraham, Caitlin Wason, 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, Nick Costantini, 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, Jim Bogan, Bruce Bogan, Sr., Ken Hauck.

**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 unto 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.

*May the angels lead you into paradise.*



### DISABLED CITIZENS DRIVE

At all Masses this weekend, August 26/27, the Knights of Columbus will be collecting money for Holy Innocents Society of Southern Monmouth County including St Mark's Parish, Special Olympics and ARC of Monmouth County. Last year we collected almost \$3,500 for these charities. Thank you in advance for your support.



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](http://stmarkseagirt.com). Come spend some quiet time with the Lord.

## Readings for the Week



**August 27, 2023**

**Monday:** 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Mt 23:13-22

**Tuesday:** 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mk 6:17-29

**Wednesday:** 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

**Thursday:** 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17; Mt 24:42-51

**Friday:** 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12; Mt 25:1-13

**Saturday:** 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30

**Sunday:** Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27



Father Miguel from St. Mark's Parish presents...

## Pilgrimage to Fatima & Lourdes Discovery with Barcelona

October 15 — October 24, 2023



### HIGHLIGHTS:

Fatima, Aljustrel, Valinhos, Cathedral of Burgos, Lourdes, Grotto of Massabielle, Barcelona, La Sagrada Familia

### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE:

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Day 2 – 3	Hotel de Fatima, Fatima
Day 4 – 5	Abba Burgos Hotel, Burgos
Day 6 – 7	Hotel Mercure Imperial Lourdes , Lourdes
Day 8 – 9	Occidental 1929 Hotel, Barcelona

*On some dates alternate hotels may be used.*

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**For more information contact Gina Doran 1-800-852-5655 X12816 or [gdoran@collette.com](mailto:gdoran@collette.com).**

### 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.

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

**August 26/27: Knights of Columbus Annual Summer Collection for disabled citizens after all masses.**

**August 31: Enrollment Deadline for Holy Land Pilgrimage. Page 6.**

**September 4: Labor Day. Rectory Office Closed.**



**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. **The collection total for August 19/20, 2023, \$12,937.**



## Memorial Service for Unborn Children at St. Catharine Memorial to the Unborn

On Saturday, September 9th, pro-life Americans throughout the country will gather at gravesites of the unborn and other memorial sites dedicated in their honor for the tenth annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children.

Solemn vigils will be held at these sites to commemorate the more than 60 million children who have lost their lives to legal abortion since 1973, and to remind our society of the humanity of the unborn child. Please join us for the memorial service in our community:

Event: National Day of Remembrance

When: Saturday, September 9th at 8:30am

Where: Memorial to the Unborn at the Fatima Shrine, in front of St. Catharine Church

More Info: [shorecatholics.com](http://shorecatholics.com)

Together let us remember the victims of abortion and pray that political leadership, particularly our Catholic governor, embrace the culture of life.

## BECOME A VOLUNTEER - MAKE A DIFFERENCE



TO HELP ASSIST IN OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
PROGRAM FOR 2023-2024 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, COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



## FRIENDS OF THE SEA GIRT LIBRARY



Please join us for our Tenth Annual  
*Wine and Cheese Celebration*

Saturday, August 26, 2023

The Plaza Sea Girt

5-7 pm

\$45 in advance / \$50 at the door

Admission may be paid in advance at the Library  
Or by mailing a check to P.O. Box 74, Sea Girt,  
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Please make checks payable to:  
Friends of the Sea Girt Library, a 501(c) (3) organization.  
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The proceeds support Sea Girt Library.



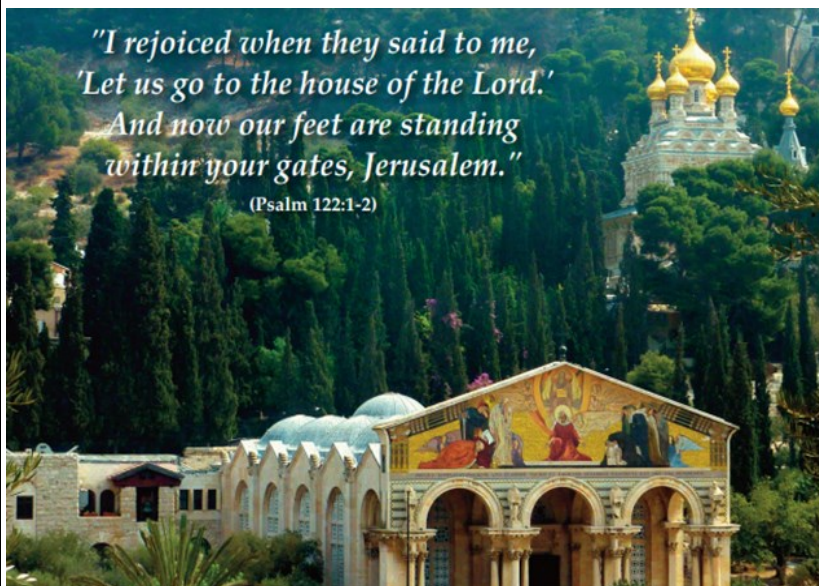
**Bishop's Anniversary Blessing 2023:** All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50+ wedding anniversary during 2023 calendar year are invited to share the Eucharist, reaffirm your sacred wedding vows, and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing. Anniversary couples from Ocean and Monmouth Counties may attend the Mass and reception at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold on **Sunday, October 8, 2023** at 3 pm. For more information and to register for this event online visit us at [www.dioceseoftrenton.org/bishops-anniversary-blessing](http://www.dioceseoftrenton.org/bishops-anniversary-blessing). The registration deadline for all anniversary couples is September 15, 2023.

## Holy Land 10-Day Pilgrimage Retreat!

December 28, 2023–January 6, 2024

Dear Friends,

You are invited to join us on this special pilgrimage designed to walk in the Footsteps of Jesus. St. Jerome called the Holy Land "The Fifth Gospel." The Scriptures will come alive as we follow the path of salvation history which will ultimately lead us to the holy city of Jerusalem, the place where the Pascal mystery unfolded. We will walk in the footsteps of the Lord, visiting the sacred sites of His birth, ministry, suffering, death, and resurrection. This pilgrimage is designed to help contextualize scripture against the geographical landscape of the Holy Land. We will be accompanied on our pilgrimage by Fr. Chris Colavito, Diocese of Trenton; coordinated by Dr. Joe Stillo, deacon in training, St. Mark's.



*"I rejoiced when they said to me,  
'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'  
And now our feet are standing  
within your gates, Jerusalem."  
(Psalm 122:1-2)*

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- Breakfast and dinner daily.
- Full-time tour manager throughout the entire tour, including arrival and departure transfers.
- Sightseeing with licensed, professional, English-speaking guides as outlined in the itinerary.
- Entrance fees to all sights as noted in the itinerary, and coordination of all liturgies.
- Porter service at hotels throughout your tour (one piece of luggage, per person).

Please refer to Terms & Conditions for items or additional costs not included in the package price.

### SPACE IS LIMITED

Package price includes **non-stop air from Newark** and MUCH MORE!

\$4,195 pp double occupancy

(\$2,595 land only)

\$995 single supplement

Enrollment Deadline:

August 31, 2023 (\$500 deposit due)

Final Payment: September 15, 2023

For further information, contact:

Peter's Way Tours- all brochure requests should mention "Tour Code 1015" at 800-225-7662 or Joe Stillo at [joelistil@att.net](mailto:joelistil@att.net) or 732-804-3218.

### St. William the Abbot Presents "The American Song Book" Concert Featuring

**Jack Giampalmi**, vocalist, and  
the 17-piece Orchestra: **The Nocturnes**

Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 at 7:00 PM.  
Enjoy your own snacks & beverages from 6-7 p.m.

St. William the Abbot  
2740 Lakewood Allenwood Road, Howell, NJ

Call or email to reserve your seat.

Tickets \$20.

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For a sample... Search:

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We hope some of these recent WWP NJ Shore survey results inspire you to join us for our next WWP season:

My Catholic faith is stronger: 91%

My relationship with Christ is stronger: 94%

Prayer lives have improved since starting WWP: 98%

My appreciation for the sacraments has grown: 92%

Would recommend WWP to a friend: 99%

The next WWP NJ Shore season starts October 2023.

Please go to [www.wwpnjshore.com](http://www.wwpnjshore.com) for more information.



**Mary's Child Pro-Life Ministry**  
invites you to join us for the  
**34<sup>th</sup> Annual Champion for Life Award Dinner**  
Sunday, October 29, 2023 at Spring Lake Manor  
415 Hwy 71, Spring Lake Heights, NJ 07762

**Our 2023 Award Honorees are:**



**Champion for Life**

Deacon Rich Weber  
St. Rose, Belmar



**Lifetime Achievement**

Rev. Jim Whelan  
St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish

**Reception 5:00- 6:00 PM (cash bar) Buffet Dinner 6:00 PM**

Adult Dinner - \$70    Children's Dinner - \$35

**Checks payable to "Mary's Child Pro-Life Ministry" and mail to: Mary's Child Pro-Life Ministry, POB 169, Spring Lake, NJ 07762. Kindly make reservations asap but no later than October 15th. For further information please contact Cynthia Wagner at (732) 718-0876 or Catherine Minall at (732) 749-3090.**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Tel# \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Adult Dinners \_\_\_\_\_ Children's Dinners \_\_\_\_\_ If you wish to be seated with others, please list their names on the back or attach sheet.

We expect a large turnout of our high School CYO and youth ministries. Whether you attend the dinner or not, please consider sponsoring participation of our youth.

- I would like to sponsor a dinner for \_\_\_\_\_ youth group member(s) @ \$35 each
- Platinum Level Sponsor of 10 Youth Group Members @ \$300 \_\_\_\_\_
- Silver Level Sponsor of 5 Youth Group Members @ \$150 \_\_\_\_\_

Advertisements for Awards Booklet are due by October 6, 2023. Ads can be mailed to Mary's Child Pro-Life Ministry, POB 169, Spring Lake, NJ 07762 or emailed to Barbara McLoughlin at [Heytwinsister@gmail.com](mailto:Heytwinsister@gmail.com). Contact Barbara with any questions at (973) 543-4596.

- Full Page Ad - (6" X 7.5") -- \$500
- Half Page Ad - (6" X 3.75") -- \$250
- Quarter Page Ad -- \$125

# St. Mark's CYO

## Meet and Greet Night!

**YOU and all of your high school friends ARE INVITED...TO St. Mark's CYO "Meet and Greet Night" on Sunday, September 17, from 7:30-8:45 PM! Grow in your faith, get lots of service opportunities, and make the best friends. Meet in church basement for a fun-filled evening and an enriching faith experience! For further information text Mrs. Reilly (CYO Director) 732-685-6011.**





## Christmas in July

On behalf of St. Mark's Confirmation class, we would like to express a sincere thank you for all those who donated to our Christmas in July project. Your generous gifts and donations will benefit the Madonna House & Good Counsel Home.

We are thankful to have your support. Your donations will continue to help families in need. This project was huge success thanks to you!





# CCD

# Registration

## 2023-2024

LINK FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE  
ON OUR WEBSITE [WWW.STMARKSEAGIRT.COM](http://WWW.STMARKSEAGIRT.COM)



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All families must be registered at St. Mark's in order to register for Religious Education.

We will honor requests for specific days, on a first-come basis, classes fill up quickly, so register early. Registration Fee is \$120 per child. For students in 2nd & 8th grades please include a \$50 sacramental fee per student.

When registering online, you can sign up your children, select classes, update information and make payments via Parish Giving. At the end of the registration, you will be directed to pay for Religious Education. No registration will be processed unless payment is made.

**Grades 1-8**

**SPACE IS LIMITED**

If you need assistance or have trouble registering, please call the office on Monday to Thursday from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm or email at any time.  
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**Two Day Retreat**  
**Friday & Saturday**  
**October 20-21, 2023**  
Fri: Retreat 5:00pm-9:00pm  
Please join us for 9:00am Mass on Sat.  
Sat: Retreat 10:00am-1:30pm

**Tickets:**  
Individual: \$57  
For one plus guest: \$76

Register directly at:  
[www.Immaculee.com](http://www.Immaculee.com)  
**Sadha Barnes** Immaculee's  
Coordinator of Retreats & Pilgrimages  
[SBHolySpirit5@gmail.com](mailto:SBHolySpirit5@gmail.com)

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[www.DioceseofTrenton.org/Mother-Daughter-Tea](http://www.DioceseofTrenton.org/Mother-Daughter-Tea)



## Saint Leo the Great

### Bereavement

### Ministry

### A Way Forward

For anyone suffering from the loss of a loved one we are offering  
6 weeks of guided grief sessions for adults August 31 at 11am or 6pm

In the Parish Center

50 Hurleys Lane

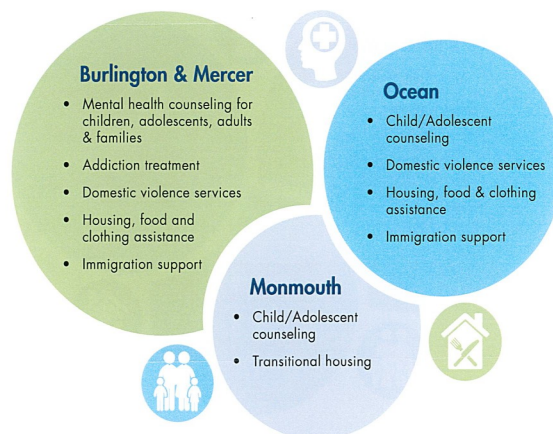
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[stleothegreat.com/bereavement](http://stleothegreat.com/bereavement)



Did you know, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton serves over 110,000 people a year? We feed, clothe and house thousands in need, protect record numbers of domestic violence survivors and provide essential mental health and recovery services.

Below is a breakdown of the life-saving services provided in our diocese:



For a complete list of services, visit [www.CatholicCharitiesTrenton.org](http://www.CatholicCharitiesTrenton.org).

If you or someone you know is struggling, please call (800) 360-7711. Our doors are open to all.

Anyone interested in learning about our volunteer opportunities, please call Meryl at (609) 394-5181 x1126.

One person, one family at a time, we help people overcome adversity and trauma.

## 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 ITEMS: Coffee/Tea • Soup • Mayo Mustard • Ketchup • Deodorant • Toothpaste Toothbrushes • Soap • Canned fruit • Dish and Laundry detergent Diapers (Size 3 and up are most needed) and Wipes**

**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!**



**MEALS on WHEELS**  
MONMOUTH COUNTY  
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### Meals on Wheels

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. **For more information, please call Meals on Wheels 732-502-3277 or Barbara Anderson 848-444-3123.**

### 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](#).**

### **“Rebuild My Church” with the Secular Franciscans**

St. Francis of Assisi heard the voice of Jesus – asking for his help to “Rebuild My Church...” The Lord is still calling people to help follow in the footsteps of St. Francis and rebuild His Church through prayer, community, service, and living the Gospel life. Members of the Secular Franciscan Order of the St. Maximilian Kolbe Fraternity located at St. Peter's Church, Pt. Pleasant Beach invite you to contact us. Find out why millions of people have wanted to follow the spirit of St. Francis for more than 800 years. Is He calling you?

Please contact Minister Dorothy O'Reilly, OFS at **732-575-7913** call or text. Or e-mail [bernardineofs@gmail.com](mailto:bernardineofs@gmail.com).





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# CATEQUISTAS VOLUNTARIOS



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  
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