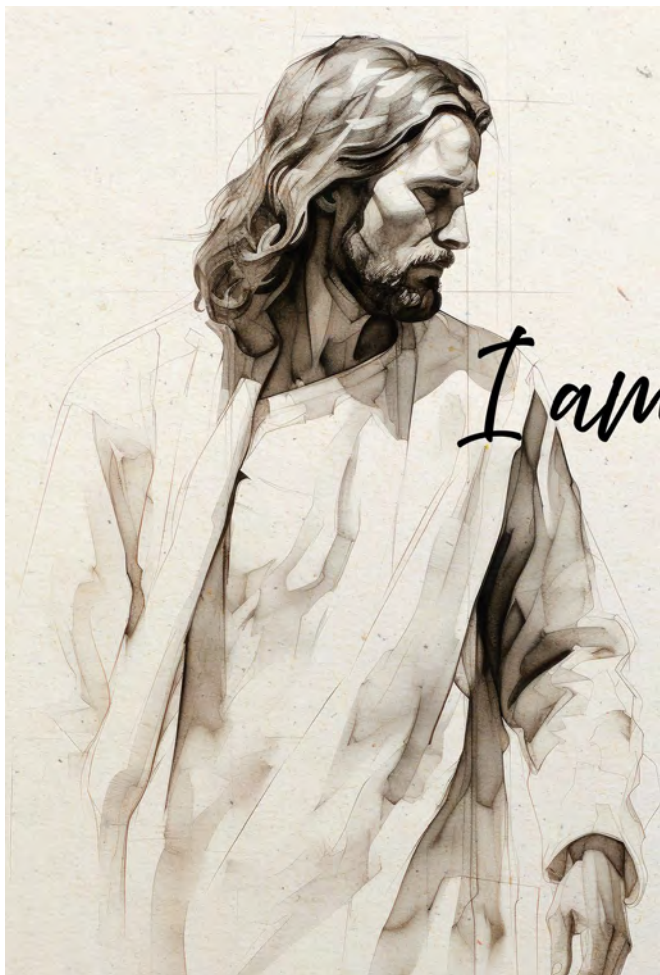


*Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 4, 2024*



*I am the bread of life*

whoever comes to me will  
never hunger, and whoever  
believes in me will never thirst.

**JOHN 6:35**

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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

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**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 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.

†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 28, 2024 is \$11,003.

**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 August 4, 2024



**Monday** Jer 28:1-17 Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102 Mt 14:13-21  
**Tuesday** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 2 Pt 1:16-19 Mk 9:2-10  
**Wednesday** Jer 31:1-7 Jer 31:10, 11-12AB, 13 Mt 15:21-28  
**Thursday** Jer 31:31-34 Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 Mt 16:13-23  
**Friday** Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7 De 32:35CD-36AB, 39ABCD, 41 Mt 16:24-28  
**Saturday** 2 Cor 9:6-10 Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 Jn 12:24-26  
**Sunday** 1 Kgs 19:4-8 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Eph 4:30-5:2 Jn 6:41-51.



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 Bread of Life*

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## † This Week's Mass Intentions

### Monday, August 5

7:30 AM

- † Norman Heilos by Todd & Jamie Leonhardt
- † Brian Ahern by Irene & Leo Hurley
- Claudette Sesera by Kathleen Mathesen

11:00 AM

- † Living & Deceased Members of St. Mark's Altar Rosary Society

### Tuesday, August 6

7:30 AM

- † Julia Buonocore by Family
- † Lorraine Cierniecki by Stan Cierniecki
- † Mary Agnes O'Neill by Todd & Jamie Leonhardt

11:00 AM

- † Mary & William Flynn by Jerry Flynn
- † Bob Phillips by Pat Phillips
- Bob Macniven by Eileen & Pete McHugh

### Wednesday, August 7

7:30 AM

- † Michael Sheridan by Fred Buonocore
- † John Lytwynn by Noreen Loosen

11:00 AM

- † Joan Jones by Kathleen Norton
- † John McManus by Maureen Kelly Machirella

### Thursday, August 8

7:30 AM

- † Dorothy Wright by Family
- † Nelson Rainier by Margaret Azzarella

11:AM

- † John McLaughlin by Pat McLaughlin
- † Rosalie Renda by St. Mark's Parish Family

### Friday, August 9

7:30 AM

- † Anne Macenczak by Estate
- † Michael Sheridan by David Foley

11:00 AM

- † Patrick McCormack & Baby Ethan Patrick Trovato by Paulette McCormack

### Saturday, August 10

7:30 AM

- † Edward Selverian by Pat & Joe Casey

4:30 PM

- † Peter Hatienko by Margaret Cunningham
- † Jerry Zoufaly by Marybeth & Joe Walsh
- † John Lee by Joleen & Jim Lemke

### Sunday, August 11

8:00 AM

- † Bill Thompson by Maureen Burch
- † Deceased Members of the Cunningham Family by Alice Jones
- † Mary Romano by the Griffin & Zilai Families

10:00 AM

People of the Parish

12 Noon

- † Elaine Bumiller by John & Patti Glassford
- † Sharon Stein by Brenda & John Downing

5:00 PM

- † Andres Rojas by Familia Rojas
- † 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 to St. Mark's Spanish community and to all those who have contributed their time and hard work at the Food Sales to help benefit St. Mark's. We were able to purchase a new boiler for the Rectory which cost \$19,500.*

**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 10/11, 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. Miguel</b>	<b>Fr. Miguel</b>	<b>Fr. Valle Deacon Joe Stillo</b>	<b>Fr. Miguel Deacon Mike Keary</b>
<b>Readers</b>	Pat Wright	Rose Crimmins	Peggy Hardiman	Molly McCauley
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Connie Duffy Pat Holt Jack Wright	Pat Cademartori Gary Cademartori Dan Crimmins	Jay Lorenzo Adele Byrne Deacon Joe Stillo	Debbie Dunn Pat Scatuorchio Nancy Schatzman
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Elizabeth Nixon Katy Nixon Madilynn Willms	Nick Walsifer	Hannah Uliano Alexa Quesada Hunter & Tucker Griffin	Stephen Bird
<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



**Some Thoughts for August by Marge Loenser**

This month seems to be a bonanza month for the Crepe Myrtle. So many different colors and shades. I don't remember seeing them as a kid. Anybody know where they originated? How about those snow ball bushes— just gorgeous. August is also known as National Peach Month. I love peach pie, but then again I love all kinds of pies--maybe my favorite is pecan pie; no wait a minute I think it's blueberry; or is it lemon meringue? Hmm!

Here we are, clinging on to summer, holding tight, lest September comes sneaking around and we start to see and hear school buses. Yikes, I'd better hold on to (and what ever happened to) "One day at a time, Sweet Jesus, that's all I'm asking of You...."

This month we celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration. Jesus instructing Moses and Elijah about the Father's plans for salvation. Peter, James and John must have quaked in their sandals to see and hear this momentous occasion.

On the 8th we celebrate the great St. Dominic. It was to him that the Blessed Mother gave the Rosary. Thank you and pray for us St. Dominic. Remind us to pray the rosary each day.

On the 9th We celebrate St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, who was a Jewish convert sent to Auschwitz to die a martyr. St. Maximillian Kolbe also was martyred in Auschwitz. Beautiful Teresa and Maximillian please pray for us. Pray for our country.

The 10th is the feast of St. Lawrence of Brindizi. He was martyred by emperor Valerian. He was a deacon and a good friend to Pope Sixtus II. He was a doctor of the church. My Mom's birthday was on the 10th and right now I'm pretty sure she is teaching the angels how to dance the "Peabody." After all she was the dancing queen down here! St. Lawrence and Mom, please pray for is!

On the 15th we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Mother into heaven. God saw it was so fitting that Jesus' mother not be allowed to decay but to live forever with all the angels and saints in heaven, that he took her home, body and soul. Holy Mother please pray for each one of us and for our country. Bring God back to us, and tell Him how we miss Him in our schools, government and market places.

On the 27th we celebrate St. Monica, best known for all her prayers for the conversion of her wayward son, Augustine, until he was converted by St. Ambrose, Bishop. St. Augustine became a doctor of the church and his book Confessions is still read today. He died in 430 AD. He was Probably one of the most significant thinkers since St. Paul. His feast is the 28th.

Well, it's time to get back into the day, so I'll ask God to bless us each one.

Love,  
Marge

## **CYO News by Mary Reilly**



We are very excited that we have been welcomed back again this year for summer service at Care One at Wall. Since our CYO volunteers have different work schedules, the first two sessions were scheduled for August 1st and August 8th from 10:15-11:30 to run the exercise class. On August 15th and Aug. 22nd we will meet there from 2-3 PM and assist with bingo and arts and crafts. Please bring a parental permission slip.

For Young Adults: It's been wonderful over the years to hear from so many of our CYO alumni—mostly in the 18-35 year age range now. The young adult years are often challenging for many reasons—including the struggles so many young people have with their faith. I was fortunate that when I was in those daunting years that something very miraculous happened to me which made me feel I had been “rescued” by the Good Shepherd out looking for His lost sheep. Similarly, when Jesus actually lived on earth and called young men and women to follow Him, it was a lot easier for those who witnessed His many miracles to believe in Him. Like anything worth achieving in life, you will have to go out and find your faith. If you are not sure about the true presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, you have to pursue the truth of this. Parents and Grandparents may help with this –by their example, by leaving inspiring Catholic books around that the young people in their families may one day just choose to pick up and read. Fr. Donald Calloway was not even a Catholic and was living a fairly hedonistic life when he found the book “The Queen of Peace Visits Medugorje” in his home. He read it and was instantly converted and later became a Roman Catholic priest. I find sometimes that just being alone in a Catholic Church when no one else is there, walking the Stations of the Cross and meditating on His Passion and thinking about what it teaches me about my own life, makes me realize that there is nothing in life more worthwhile and more awe-inspiring than having a Eucharistic relationship with Jesus. Keep looking, keep searching for Him and you will find so much more than you could ever imagine...

“If we are worth anything, it is not because we have more money or more talent, or more human qualities. Insofar as we are worth anything, it is because we are grafted into Christ's life, His cross and resurrection.”

–St. Oscar Romero (who was assassinated while celebrating the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass)



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*by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson*

When I was a pastor, long before such practice had to be done away with, I used to hire high school students to answer the rectory phone on weekday nights. One of them was a rather chubby boy. Over a relatively short time he lost a good bit of weight. That prompted me to ask him how he did it. His ready answer: "I stopped eating bread."

Most weight conscious people nowadays who want to lower the number on the scale know that eating breads a "no-no." So, when that tempting warm basket of rolls proffered by their server at the restaurant comes to the table, they sense a challenge. They would envy a certain 92-year-old lady I know who gobbles up much of the contents with gusto and she even freely adds to the bunch!

The Israelites in biblical times apparently had no such qualms, at least as we know about. They loved their fresh-baked bread and knew it to be a happy complement to their wine intake. So, when Jesus first talked about the "heavenly bread" He would give them, they might have thought of the manna their ancestors survived on in their desert sojourn. In turn, they blithely asked Him to "give them this bread always."

When Jesus clarified the subject, they were mostly flabbergasted. Bread His flesh? Wine His blood? Oh no! In our modern lingo the translation might be "You've got to be kidding!"

Their imaginations were too challenged. A good number of them, as St. John wrote many years later for his Christian community "turned their backs on Him and no longer went about with Him." We, good people, never want to be in that group.

Periodically we should remind ourselves of at least 3 "Ifs" we have:

1. If Christ is God, His words are not bound by time or local custom.
2. If He told us that those who do not eat this bread and drink this cup have no life in them," then we know how best to stay alive.
3. If we know any non-practicing Catholics who don't go to Mass, we have an obligation to give them some straight talk about the Holy Eucharist. Maybe include in our talk a few stories like the following.

There is a priest in China who lives and works as a coolie. By means of pre-arranged sign language, he gets messages around of where he is to be found— usually at the corner of a local market selling soap. Customers who, like the early Christians, give a secret sign, are given a piece of soap, between the wrappings of which is hidden a small, consecrated host. The Chinese Catholic takes his purchase home and usually, after a short family service, receives Holy Communion.

God love you, and keep your faith well fed.



**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 & 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







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- find

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**Catechists & Assistants Needed**

**TO HELP ASSIST IN OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
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**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

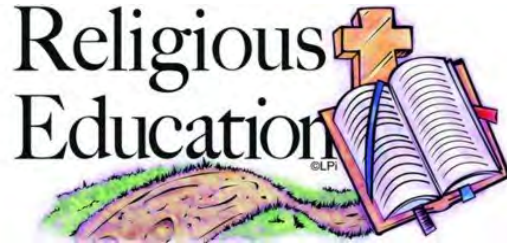
**INFORMATION NIGHT**

**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.*



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Education**

**CCD Registration  
2024-2025**

Click **HERE** to register or visit our website [www.stmarkseagirt.com](http://www.stmarkseagirt.com).



2024 Annual Catholic Appeal

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

**60<sup>th</sup> Reunion Class of 1964, Roman Catholic Highs School on October 11, Noon to 4PM** at PJWeilighans, 200 Ridge Pike, Conshy, \$ 64.00 per Person, Hors d'oeuvres, Entrée, Cash Bar.

**For more information, please visit:**  
<https://www.romancatholicchs.com/alumni/1964> to register at secure website, or Contact Dave Reichert at [dreichert@vtssales.com](mailto:dreichert@vtssales.com), or 610 277 0783.



## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

**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**

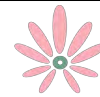
Appointments are needed. [CLICK HERE](#) to schedule online or call 1-800-RED CROSS.



**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.**



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SO MUCH MORE THAN A BIBLE STUDY

Ladies, join us October 2024 as we start our next Walking with Purpose (WWP) season!

If you are new to WWP, you will love our foundational study, Opening Your Heart (OYH). OYH, is designed for women who are new to WWP as well as those with more Bible study experience. Join us as we examine the core questions that we wrestle with if we want to experience all that God has for us.

For those who have completed, OYH, we are excited to begin the first of our two-part study season with Reclaiming Friendship. With this study we will discover God's plan for friendship and learn how to cultivate true, deep relationships that last.

Go to [www.wwpnjshore.com](http://www.wwpnjshore.com) for more information and to register.

## 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).**



## 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.



## Iglesia de "San Marcos" Apostolado Hispano

Misa Dominical: Domingo 5:00 p.m.

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Calendario de Ministerios Domingo, Agosto 11, 2024 Misa 5:00 p.m.	
Celebrante	Padre Valle
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Ministros de Eucaristía	Margarita Zuna Carlos Zuna Maria Sanchez
Ujieres	Victoria Tenecela Bernarda Bautista Andrea Castro Estela Flores
Monaguillos	Elena Roman Emmanuel Angel Adriel Ramirez Valeria Cruz Joanna Martinez Audrina Sanchez

## 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 (732) 449-6364 ext. 105**

## Gracias

Gracias a toda la comunidad hispana de San Marcos y a todos aquellos que han contribuido con su tiempo y su duro trabajo en las Ventas de Comida los domingos, para ayudar a beneficiar a nuestra comunidad.

Pudimos comprar un nuevo calentador de agua para la Rectoría que costó \$19,500.

## Yo soy el pan de vida



Juan 6,35

## «El que venga a mí, no tendrá hambre, y el que crea en mí no tendrá sed jamás»



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