

MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH PARISH

ST. MARY
45 Crosswicks Street
Bordentown, N.J. 08505

REV. MARTIN O'REILLY, Pastor
REV. CESAR R. ANSON, Parochial Vicar
REV. STEPHEN SCHULER, SVD, Weekend Assistant

HOLY ASSUMPTION
1290 Hornberger Avenue
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Gary T. Richardson

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Retired Deacons
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Parish Emergency # 609-203-5617 (Please Use for Emergencies Outside of Normal Business Hours)

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

PEACE
BE WITH YOU.

LUKE 24:36

April 14, 2024

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2,
4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/
Lk 24:35-48

Monday

Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24,
26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday

Acts 7:51-8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6
and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/
Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday

Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5,
6-7a/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday

Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17,
20/Jn 6:44-51

Friday

Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/
Jn 6:52-59

Saturday

Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13,
14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday

Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9,
21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/
Jn 10:11-18

PARISH INFORMATION

MASSES

Saturday Vigil: Holy Assumption—4:00 PM
St. Mary—5:00 PM
Sunday: Holy Assumption—10:30 AM
St. Mary—8:00, 9:30, and 11:30 AM



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Holy Assumption—Saturday from 3:00-3:45 PM
St. Mary—Saturday 4:00-4:45 PM
(Also by Appointment)

WEEKDAY MASS: MONDAY THRU FRIDAY

Holy Assumption—Roebling 9:30 AM (Tues., Wed., & Fri.)
St. Mary—Bordentown 12:30 PM (Mon.-Fri.)

Holy Day: See Mass Schedule in Bulletin for Mass Times

BAPTISMS:

Contact Trish Solimine at the Parish Office, Ext. 112
Baptisms are celebrated on the **1st & 3rd Sundays** of the month at
1:00 PM at St. Mary Church and at 12:00 noon at Holy Assumption.
Please call the Parish Office to register, provide the required
documents, and schedule a Baptism Prep Class.

MARRIAGES:

Contact Trish Solimine at the Parish Office, Ext. 112
Arrangements are to be made at least 1 year in advance.

SICK CALLS/COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Urgent calls any time of day or night. Arrangements for Anointing of
the Sick and Holy Communion for those confined to the home are to
be made by contacting the Parish Office.

HOURS FOR PRAYER

- St. Mary Church, Bordentown, is open daily from 7:00 AM to 6:30 PM. (Use Chapel entrance through the side door.)
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel of Saints, Wednesdays from 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM (Use Chapel entrance through the side door.)
- Holy Hour every Wednesday at 7:00 PM, St. Mary (Main Church), Bordentown.
- Holy Assumption Church is open Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday from 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM.

PARISH REGISTRATION

We welcome new parishioners to the parish, and we ask them to register as soon as possible. If you are not registered, we are not able to issue letters for sponsorship for the Sacraments or character references to schools or for employment. If you move from the parish please notify the rectory. **Wish to join us? Please complete the New Parishioner Contact Form found on the parish website: mmotcp.org, under the ABOUT US Tab, "How to Join Us"**.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Altar Linen Ministry

Rose Troyanovich (HA) - charo.troyanovich@att.net
Helene Shea (SM) - hdshea@icloud.com

Altar Rosary Society

Donna Frappolli—609-221-1957

Bereavement Ministry

Joseph Whitty - bereavement@mmotcp.org

Church Ushers

Dominick Cipriano—609-634-2482(HA)
Frank Scharibone—609-298-1898 (SM)

Contemporary Choir

Cathy Alphonse—609-638-3883 (SM)

Eucharistic Ministers

Patricia Solimine - psolimine@mmotcp.org

Food Pantry

Sue Oros—609-499-0022 (HA)
Mike Novalis—609-298-4664 (SM)

Holy Name Society

Paul Ordog - pordog29@gmail.com

Interfaith Caregivers of Greater Mercer County

609-393-9922

Knights of Columbus

Frank Scharibone - grandknight@koc570.org
609-298-1898

Lectors

Patricia Solimine - psolimine@mmotcp.org

Legion of Mary

Kathleen Fetch - lom.mmotcp@yahoo.com

Music Ministry

Jesús Alfonso Gonzalez, Coordinator—609-222-2335

Secular Franciscan Order

Maria Schultes - mtschultes@comcast.net

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Jeff Burns—609-298-1414

Word of Life Prayer Group

Patty Baylog—609-298-4249

MEETINGS & EVENTS OF THE WEEK

APRIL 17

7:00 PM SVDP—PARISH OFFICE, UPSTAIRS

APRIL 18

6:30 PM DIGNITY OF LIFE MINISTRY—PARISH OFFICE, UPSTAIRS

APRIL 20

10AM-4PM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL—PARISH OFFICE, UPSTAIRS



Office Staff

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ST. MARY



HOLY ASSUMPTION

Monday, Apr 15—12:30 pm

Bill & Linda Szelingoski rb/Dave & Stephanie Salewski
Joseph & Mary Hlubik rb/Mike, Ray & Jerry Hlubik

Tuesday, Apr 16—12:30 pm

Diane Ryan rb/Sally Craig
Beatrice Schwab & George Pecenak rb/Zampirri-Pecenak Family

Wednesday, Apr 17—12:30 pm

Keith Casey rb/Sally Craig
Catherine & Pasquel Zampirri rb/Zampirri-Pecenak Family

Thursday, Apr 18—12:30 pm

Joan MacMullen rb/Dave & Stephanie Salewski
Veronica Hustak rb/Brother George

Friday, Apr 19—12:30 pm

In Honor of St. Anthony rb/Karen & Peter Granaldi
Christine Pennacchi rb/Zampirri-Pecenak Family

Saturday, Apr 20

5:00 pm Celebrant: Fr. Martin
Mary Graham rb/Karen Bromirski
Nancy Sandmeyer rb/Karen Bromirski

Sunday, Apr 21

8:00 am Celebrant: Fr. Martin
Edward Chmiel rb/John Lahman
Mary & Patrick Murray rb/Deborah Phelan

9:30 am Celebrant: Fr. Steve
Diane Ryan rb/Steve & Connie McDonough
Diane Ryan rb/Mary Beth Ricasoli

11:30 am Celebrant: Fr. Steve
Peter Brescia rb/Catherine Brescia
Margie Martinson & Chuck Prettyman rb/ Gery Vaughan



Tuesday, Apr 16—9:30 am

Daniel Perro rb/Cathy Cszimadia-Smith
John Hofflinger rb/Maria Roan

Wednesday, Apr 17—9:30 am

John Hofflinger rb/Nancy & Richard Mullen
Marilyn Loiacona rb/Nancy & Richard Mullen

Friday, Apr 19—9:30 pm

Frances Tondi rb/John & Eleanor Hofflinger
John Hofflinger rb/Donna & Joseph Frappolli

Saturday, Apr 20

4:00 pm Celebrant: Fr. Anson
George Pukenas rb/Al & Eileen Morton
Tony Stefanoni rb/The Mullen Family

Sunday, Apr 21

10:30 am Celebrant: Fr. Anson
George Pukenas rb/Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Floyd, Jr. & Family
John Hofflinger rb/Ken & Allison Cunningham

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Chapel of Saints
Wednesday—1:00pm to 7:00pm**

HOLY HOUR

ST. MARY CHURCH—WEDNESDAYS—7:00PM
ROSARY, NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE
MIRACULOUS MEDAL, BENEDICTION



Promise to Protect

To report suspected cases of sexual abuse of children,
call your local law enforcement agency or child Abuse
Hotline: 1-888-296-2965 or via email
at: abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The theme of our readings this week is: Redemption, Forgiveness, and Proclamation. The scriptures are filled with passages that illuminate the themes of redemption, forgiveness, and the proclamation of divine truths. Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 John 2:1-5; and Luke 24:35-48 are key scriptures that capture these profound concepts. Through these verses we gain insight into the transformative power of faith, the boundless mercy of God, and the commission to share the Gospel message with the world.



Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 narrates the healing of a crippled man by Peter and John at the temple gate. Peter seizes this miraculous moment to address the gathered crowd, proclaiming the name of Jesus Christ as the source of healing and salvation. He boldly declares, "The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus" (Acts 3:13). Peter emphasizes that the people acted in ignorance when they crucified Jesus, highlighting the depth of God's forgiveness and redemption. He urges them to repent and turn to God, assuring them of the blessings that accompany sincere repentance.

1 John 2:1-5 delves into the role of Jesus Christ as our advocate with the Father. The passage conveys the assurance that even when we falter and sin, Jesus stands as a righteous advocate on our behalf. It underscores the importance of obedience to God's commandments as a demonstration of our love for Him. The apostle John writes, "But if anyone obeys his word, love for God is truly made complete in them" (1 John 2:5). This passage intertwines the themes of forgiveness, obedience, and love, portraying a holistic understanding of the Christian journey.

In Luke 24:35-48, Jesus appears to His disciples after His resurrection, solidifying their faith and commissioning them to spread the Gospel. He opens their minds to understand the Scriptures, emphasizing the fulfillment of prophecies concerning His death and resurrection. Jesus then instructs them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations" (Luke 24:46-47). This passage captures the core message of redemption through Christ's sacrifice and the subsequent call to proclaim this message globally.

Collectively, these passages weave a narrative of divine grace, mercy, and mission. They depict a God who offers redemption to the repentant, forgiveness to the contrite heart, and a purposeful mission to share His love and truth with humanity. The foundational principles of faith, obedience, and proclamation resonate throughout, inviting us to embody these virtues in our walk with God.

In conclusion, Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 John 2:1-5; and Luke 24:35-48 serve as pillars of biblical wisdom, guiding believers towards a deeper understanding of redemption, forgiveness, and the call to proclaim the Gospel. These passages inspire reflection, gratitude, and a renewed commitment to live out the teachings of Christ in a world in need of His transformative power.

Let us realize our redemption through Christ, let us always seek Christ's forgiveness, and then let us go and share this redemption and forgiveness with the world.

Have a blessed week.

Fr. Martin



Inspiration for the Week

Sometimes when God appears in our path, we do not recognize him. In these moments, Jesus invites us to reach out and touch him. Remember that Christ is real, Christ is alive, and Christ stands before each one of us — so reach out. Touch him.



THE SICK who have been recommended to our prayers...



Jimmie Folmer, Nichole Lynn Cochran, Edward Gernhardt, Michael Nuzzi, John & Amy Oldham and Baby J.T. Oldham, Sr. Mary Craig, Robert Sobon, Kelly Sobon, Neil Jantos, Dennis Bezek, Mary Ann Napolitan, Beth Bell, Lily Dauksza, Pam Bencivengo, Jennifer Cooney, Walt Szazvay, Denise Groze, John Innocenzi, John O., and all the sick of the parish.



PARISH OFFERINGS

April 7, 2024	
Weekly	\$ 19,514
Building Maintenance	\$ 2,165
Misc. Contributions	<u>\$ 5,447</u>
	\$ 27,126
Additional Easter	\$ 3,301

Thank you for your kind support.



Please Pray for Our Deceased . . .



*James Johnson
Lois Loretangeli
Audrey Meirer
Charles Radvany
Peter Rodriguez*

Upcoming Donation Designations

- Apr 21 Weekly**
St. Vincent DePaul: Helps the poor and needy in our local communities.
- Apr 28 Weekly**
Catholic Home Missions: Aids dioceses and parishes in the U.S. that cannot provide basic pastoral services without outside help.
- May 5 Weekly**
Building Maintenance: Keeping our places of worship warm, dry and comfortable.
- May 12 Weekly/Ascension**
Catholic Communications Campaign: The USCCB Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) helps connect people at home and abroad with Christ. Through websites, social networks, television, radio, and print, the CCC helps the Church spread the Gospel message through the media locally and nationally.

2024 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress:

Goal: \$65,000.00
Pledged: \$43,901.00 (68% of goal)
Paid: \$39,862.00 (61% to goal)
Total Donors: 182 - **Total Gifts:** 196
Average Gift: \$223.98

PLEASE CONSIDER ON-LINE GIVING

To Sign Up go to www.mmotcp.org, scroll down to the On-Line Giving Block, and follow the instructions.

Recitation of the Rosary

St. Mary Church: Monday thru Friday, 12:00 pm



Holy Assumption Church:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday - 9:00 am
Saturday 3:00 pm - (Except the First Saturday of the Month),
Sunday 10:00 am

First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary
First Saturday of each month - Holy Assumption Church—2:30 pm



**The Deadline for Mother's Day
Flower Remembrances is
April 29, 2024**



**MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH
FOOD PANTRY**



St. Mary Site

Current Needs: PAPER TOWELS--GRANOLA BARS--SARDINES---
BEEFARONI---SUGAR--PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO DONATED
HAMS FOR EASTER**

**Open: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 2-3 PM
Tuesdays 6-7 PM
Thursdays 9-10 AM & 6-7 PM; Saturdays 9-10 AM**

Holy Assumption Site

Current needs: BOXED MILK, SUGAR, COFFEE, CANNED POTATOES, MAYO, COOKING OIL, AND SALAD DRESSING

We have an urgent need for: WATER, PAPER TOWELS AND MAC & CHEESE.

**Open: Tuesdays 2-3 PM
Food Drop Off - Monday mornings 10-11 AM**

Since each Food Pantry operates separately in different locations, please bring any donations to the church requesting the items needed.

God Bless You for thinking of others!

**Mary, Mother of the
Church Parish**

**Bereavement Ministry
SPRING 2024**



"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

When someone we love has been taken from us, we often find ourselves dealing with change and transition. Many offer their help, but do not always understand the loss we are feeling. Bereavement Support Groups are one way to find support from others who are going through the same process. We cannot go around the grief process, over it, or under it. We need to go through it; we need to be good to ourselves, putting balance into our lives through prayer, reading, resting, relaxation and work. Grief takes time. Unrealistic expectations undermine the healing process.

Our program is six-sessions with fellowship on the seventh week. Our sessions will be held every Wednesday beginning April 10th through May 22nd from 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM in St. Mary School, 45 Crosswicks Street, Bordentown, NJ.

We provide all course materials for the Program, and it is our hope that if you are grieving the loss of a loved one that you will prayerfully consider joining us as our Ministry hopes to help many of our parishioners navigate the often difficult and challenging grieving process. If you would like to attend, please call Joe Whitty @ 609-273-1219 or the Parish Office @ 609-298-0261 or e-mail bereavement@mmotcp.org and a Bereavement Facilitator will be in touch with you. Non-parishioners are welcome.

Grieving the Death of a Loved One

- April 17 **Bumps Along the Way: The Emotional Journey**
- April 24 **Is This the Right Road? Adjusting to the Journey**
- May 1 **The Search for Meaning: The Spiritual Journey**
- May 8 **The Search for Connectedness: The Continuing Journey**
- May 15 **The Search for Reconciliation: Does the Journey End?**
- May 22 **Luncheon, 2:00 PM**



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus explains the meaning of the scriptures. Like the disciples, when we offer and receive forgiveness our hearts burn because we encounter the risen Christ within us.

Have you considered answering the call to "help the poor find forgiveness and healing in their life" by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

IF YOU OR ANYONE YOU KNOW IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES NEEDS ASSISTANCE, CALL OUR CONFIDENTIAL HELPLINE AT 609-298-1414.





The Bordentown Knights of Columbus Council #570 is once again pleased to announce that they will offer Scholarship Awards to graduating seniors from the class of 2024. No individual student will receive an award in excess of \$1000.

To be considered eligible for one of these awards an applicant must:

- have an immediate family member (father, mother, sister, brother, grandparent)
- be either a registered parishioner of Mary Mother of the Church Parish or a member
- of the Bordentown Knights of Columbus Council #570 in good standing.

Each applicant will be evaluated in the following areas: academic success and honors received, participation in school activities including clubs and sports, volunteer experiences in both the community and either church or parish, and work experience outside of school. Finally an essay will be required where in 500 words or less the applicant is asked to explain how their life experiences in family, the school community, and either church or parish have influenced their decision in selecting a college major.

Applications may be obtained in the following manner starting the weekend of March 23-24, 2024:

1. At St. Mary's Church- a Knights of Columbus Folder labeled Scholarship Applications will be placed in the information rack located at the left of the back door near the Confessional.
2. At Holy Assumption Church- A Knights of Columbus folder labeled Scholarship Applications will be located on the stairwell landing located on the parking lot side of the church.
3. By visiting the Parish Office Monday thru Friday during the normal office hours of 9 am- 3 pm.
4. Go to the Knights of Columbus website: www.kofc570.org and download the application.

If any student or parent has any questions about the scholarship process please do not hesitate to contact Jim Morgan (scholarship committee chairman) at either 609-254-3825 or by email at youareout824@hotmail.com

Completed applications must be turned into the Parish Office by 12 noon on Friday May 17, 2024.

LOW-GLUTEN HOST

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish has available low-gluten hosts for those who have difficulties with Celiac Disease and other similar disorders. If you are in need of low-gluten host, please approach the priest and he will let you know how you will be able to receive safely.



Join in supporting the Knights of Columbus Council 570 **Annual Tootsie Roll Drive** as they strive to make a meaningful impact on the lives of those with intellectual disabilities. Your generous donations go directly toward providing essential resources and support to those in need through the: **Special Olympics of NJ, ARC of Burlington County, and Holy Innocents Society of the Diocese of Trenton.**

A Knight will be at the exits of Holy Assumption Church, Roebling, and St. Mary Church, Bordentown after all Masses on the weekend of April 13th, and April 14th. In exchange for your donation you will be given a Tootsie Roll candy, hence the name of our drive. We will also be at the following locations: Town & Country Diner, Bordentown Bagels, Jimmy's American Grill, & Roebling Town Market. **DONATIONS CAN ALSO BE MADE BY:**

- **Mailing to:** K of C Council 570, P. O. Box 570, Bordentown, NJ 08505
Enter Tootsie Roll Drive on your check.
- **Website:** kofc570.org - Click on **Donate** and on the 'Use this donation for' line, click on **Tootsie Roll Drive OR**
- **Use QR Code to donate with PayPal or Debit and Credit Card.**



Bordentown Council 570 as part of the Central New Jersey Centennial Chapter is participating in a **BABY SHOWER**. Each year the Chapter hosts a baby shower to support the needs of mothers and their newborns through local pregnancy centers.

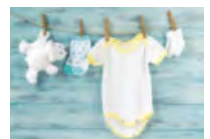
Beginning on Saturday, April 6, and running through Sunday, April 21, our council will be collecting baby supplies for the shower. Collection bins will be set up at the exits of both Holy Assumption & St. Mary Churches to collect the following items.

Diapers - Baby Wipes - Baby Formula - Baby Pacifiers - Baby Blankets - Baby Clothing - Diaper Bags

Should you rather give a monetary gift—Donate via our website page www.kofc570.org, OR PayPal by using the QR Code (Above) In the "Use this donation for" drop down window, select Pro-Life Baby Shower OR

Donate a gift by check, payable to K of C #570, *Please write Baby Shower Gift on your check.* (Mailing Information Above) Attn: Baby Shower Gift. You can also place your check in an envelope marked **Baby Shower Gift** in the weekly collection basket or, drop it off at the Parish Office during regular business hours.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT





.....Religious Education News.....

April 14, 21.....Sunday Classes

April 9,16.....Tuesday Classes

April 23.....Tuesday Closing Mass 6:00pm St. Mary Church

April 27.....First Communion 11:00am, arrival in School Hall by 10:30am

April 29.....Confirmation PRACTICE 6:00pm, only need to attend one night

May 5.....May Crowning 9:30am St. Mary Church

May 6.....Monday Monthly Closing Mass 6:00pm St. Mary Church

May 7.....Confirmation PRACTICE 6: 00pm, only need to attend one night

May 17.....Confirmation 4:30pm, arrival in School Hall by 4:00pm

May 19.....Confirmandi return wearing robes, 11:30am

MISSIONARY CHILDHOOD COIN BOXES

MCA promotes mission and global awareness among school age children. MCA is unique to mother organizations that assist children in that its primary aim is to encourage children to share their faith with children in the developing world through their prayers, personal sacrifices and financial offerings. We ask that students/families able to donate return the boxes in their April classes. Thank you for your generosity in advance.

CONFIRMATION PRACTICE - **NEED ONLY ATTEND ONE**

Monday, April 29 - Rehearsal for Confirmation 6:00pm St. Mary Church

Tuesday, May 7 - Rehearsal for Confirmation 6:00pm St. Mary Church

Confirmation practices have been scheduled on [April 29 @ 6:00pm](#) and [May 7 @ 6:00pm](#).

Confirmation Candidate and sponsor (or one parent if sponsor is not available) needs to attend ONLY ONE of the practices together. Each practice will be a repeat of information. Practices will last approximately 30 minutes or based on number of Confirmandi that evening. We will be running through the "service" being sure they are ready for the question/answer period, know how to walk when being confirmed and robe distribution.

Thank you

**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION
VOLUNTEERS**

Dear God,
Thank you for our Religious Education and everyone who worked and prayed within it. We are so grateful for all the things our eyes have seen, our ears have heard, and our hearts have loved. Be with us as we journey through the summer months until we gather together again. Watch over our Catechists, Aides, Hall Monitors, classmates, friends, and families. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Congratulations to our newest Altar Servers, Jodi & Lillian!



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C. Schulz x117, **Email:** cschulz@mmtotcp.org

8TH GRADE CONFIRMANDI IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Elizabeth

From: Hamilton

Interests: Gymnastics, Acting, & Singing



Aspirations: A Singer or Actress

Being a Catholic Means: To believe in God the Father and Jesus as his son, also to be a disciple of Jesus and to follow the path he creates for you.

Margot

From: Bordentown

Interests: English Horseback Riding & Softball



Aspirations: A Career in Law Enforcement

Being a Catholic Means: I am very proud to be a Catholic. I enjoy learning about religion in school. I will continue my Catholic faith as I grow.

John

From: Chesterfield

Interests: Fishing, Mountain Biking, & Video Games



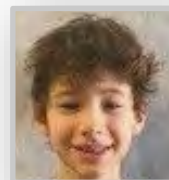
Aspirations: Pilot

Being a Catholic Means: Praying and doing things that are good and help others in every way possible.

Julian

From: Wrightstown

Interests: Soccer, Tennis, Art, & Video Games



Aspirations: Accountant

Being a Catholic Means: To praise God by praying, going to church, and repenting.

Taryn

From: Bordentown

Interests: Soccer, Biking, Cooking



Aspirations: Doctor

Being a Catholic Means: Praying, going to Mass, believing in Jesus, but also, knowing that God will always be there for you. Also helping others.

Josie

From: Bordentown

Interests: Softball, Soccer, Spending Time with Family



Aspirations: Pharmaceutical Scientist

Being a Catholic Means: Creating a closer relationship with God by going to church, praying and aspiring to be the best version of myself every day.

Anthony

From: Bordentown

Interests: Soccer & Spending Time with Friends



Aspirations: Doctor

Being a Catholic Means: To be respectful and help others when they need it. Also, to be the best version of myself every day.

Emily

From: Bordentown

Interests: Soccer & My Academics



Aspirations: Doctor

Being a Catholic Means: Staying true to myself and respecting others even if they are of another religion, always follow what I believe.



A Retreat for Caregivers

“Every manifestation of true beauty can be recognized as a route leading to an experience with the Lord Jesus” – Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel*. The Diocese of Trenton invites you to join us on Wed., May 1st, 2024 from 9 am to 3:30 pm at San Alfonso Retreat Center in Long Branch for a Retreat for Caregivers. Teresa Galvin Anderson will guide us through a day of prayer and reflection using beautiful images and creative techniques to help us recognize the healing and renewing presence of the Lord with us. Registration is \$50 and includes all materials and lunch. For more information see

www.dioceseoftrenton.org/pastoral-care

The Society of Benefiting St. Vincent DePaul
Ticket Price \$50
Upon arrival Tuxered guests will Receive \$100 in Casino Cash
 Tickets at the Door are \$50 but you Receive \$50 in Casino Cash!

CASINO Night & Auction

Saturday May 4
 St. Isaac Jogues Parish Hall
also included with the purchase of a Ticket:
 1500 Butler served Hors d'Oeuvre's from 6:30pm - 8:30pm
 Casino opens at 7:00pm
 Beer Wine Soda & Water served all Night

Credit Card, Venmo & Cash will be accepted @ Casino Night
 Tickets on Sale at Locations below. Cash only for Casino Tickets

After all April Masses @ St. Isaac Jogues
 Parish Offices of St. Joan of Arc, St. John Neumann, St. Isaac Jogues,
 & Our Lady of Good Counsel

Marlton Diamonds and Fine Jewelry @ 300 Greentree Road, Marlton NJ
 Cherokee Car Care @ 135 E. Main Street, Marlton NJ

All are welcome, but you

Must be at least 21 years old to Enter

St. Isaac Jogues Parish Hall located @ SJ Church, 349 Evesboro – Medford Road, Marlton NJ

QUESTIONS, OR THINKING ABOUT THE ANNULMENT PROCESS?

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish will host an Annulment Open House

Parish Center - Upper Room
 45 Crosswicks St
 Bordentown, NJ 08505
 Sunday, April 28, 2024. 1:00 PM

For more information please call
 609-298-0261 or annulment@mmotcp.org

The Society of St. Cecilia at St. Anthony of Padua presents

From Darkness to Light
 The Music of Ola Gjelo
 Featuring the Sunrise Mass

Performed by the combined choirs of the Red Bank Oratory & the Diocesan Festival Choir with the Orchestra of St. Cecilia under the direction of Mr. Shawn Mack

Friday, April 19, 2024, 7:30 p.m.

Admission
 A Free Will Offering

For Further Information contact
 St. Anthony of Padua Church
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RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Twist Ending

Any reader of psychological thrillers will come across the “dead main character trope” fairly often. This is the famous *Sixth Sense* twist ending (I would say “spoiler alert,” but the movie is older than most of the people who work in Youth Ministry at your archdiocese, so you’ve probably seen it by now) where the reader finds that the main character has been dead for all or most of the story.

I’m always a little disappointed when this happens. It delivers shock value, sure, but it also undermines everything that happens in the story. You’ve come on a journey with this character, only to find out that nothing you saw transpire was real in the way you thought it was. You feel a little stupid, because the whole time you only had part of the truth.

I suspect Jesus knows this about us. He knows we don’t like to have the rug pulled out. It’s why he is so up-front about his humanity following the resurrection. See how Jesus, resurrected, shows the disciples his feet, his hands. See how he asks them for food and lets them watch him eat it. See how this creates in them an understanding, a belief.

The humanity of Jesus Christ is absolutely crucial. It’s what bridges the divide between the sons of Eve and the God she defied. Our reconciliation with God cannot happen unless human flesh pays the price that will balance the scales. Human flesh: skin that can tear and bleed, bones that can break, a mouth that can thirst, a stomach that can ache with hunger.

The passion and death of Jesus Christ is not a thriller with a twist ending: *he was a ghost the whole time!* The twist, if anything, is this: he was human the whole time.

“Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have.” — Luke 24:39

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