

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
Roebling, N.J. 08554



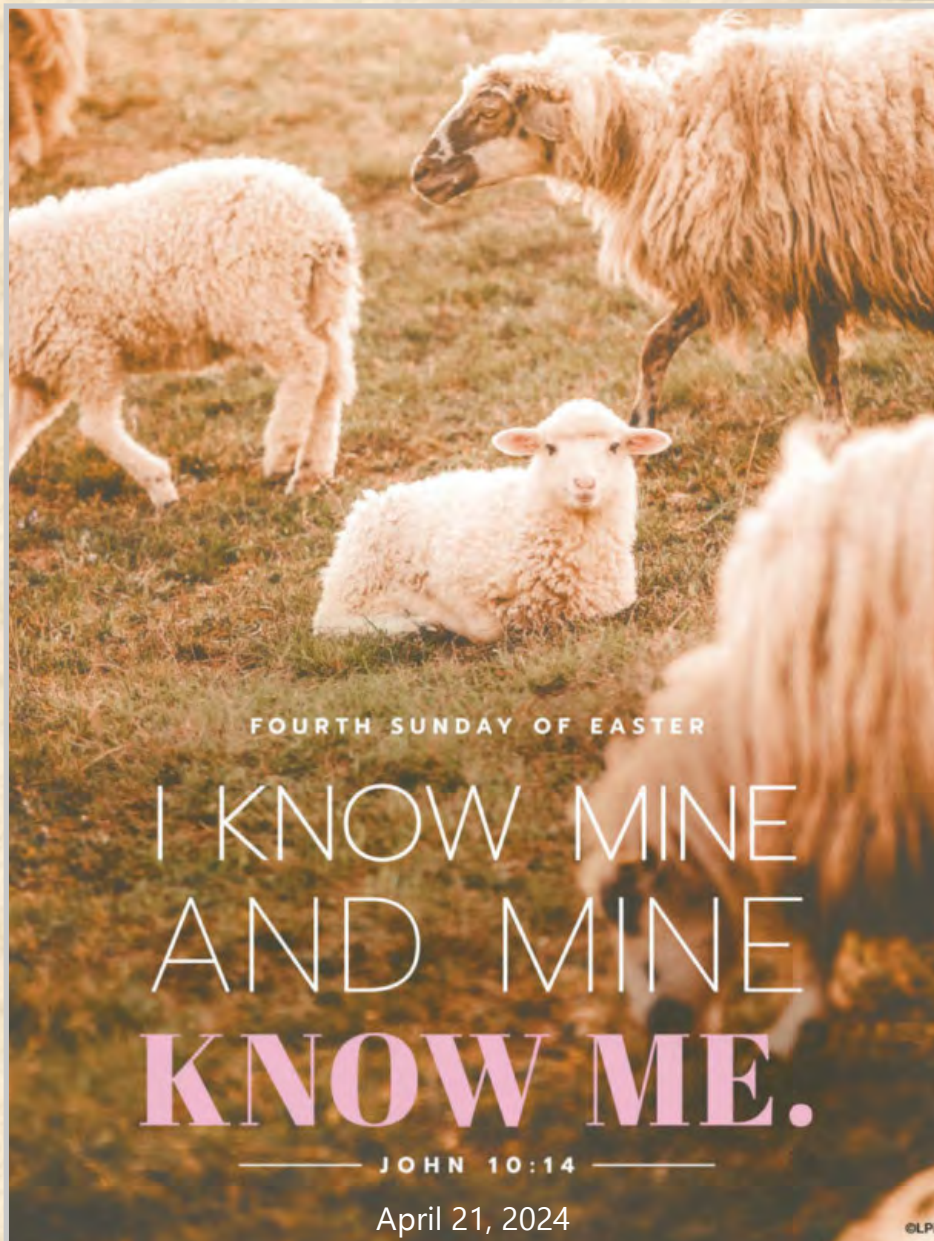
Deacon
Gary T. Richardson

Parish Office: 609-298-0261
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Retired Deacons
Lawrence W. Finn Thomas F. Shea



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



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday

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

Monday

Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3,
4/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday

Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5,
6-7/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday

Acts 12:24-13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5,
6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday

1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7,
16-17/Mk 16:15-20

Friday

Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9,
10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday

Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab,
3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14

Next Sunday

Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28,
30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/
Jn 15:1-8



PARISH INFORMATION

MASSSES

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 22

6:30 PM MARY'S WEAVERS—PARISH OFFICE, DOWNSTAIRS
7:30 PM K OF C—PARISH OFFICE, UPSTAIRS

APRIL 25

6:30 PM MEET & GREET DINNER—SCHOOL HALL

APRIL 27

8 AM-4 PM SVDP MEETING—PARISH OFFICE, UPSTAIRS



Office Staff

Fr. Martin O'Reilly, Pastor.....ext. 116fmoreilly@mmtotcp.org	Jesús Alfonso Gonzalez, Music Coordinator.....ext.132agonzalez@mmtotcp.org
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	Sean Alphonse, Administrative Assistant.....ext. 125salphonse@mmtotcp.org

ST. MARY



HOLY ASSUMPTION

Monday, Apr 22—12:30 pm

Jimmy Pinder rb/Barbara & John Gilmer
Cindy Guire rb/Marie Thompson

Tuesday, Apr 23—12:30 pm

Josephine Godfrey rb/Deacon Larry & Jodie Finn
Deacon Michael Riley (Mass for the Living) Deacon Larry
& Jodie Finn

Wednesday, Apr 24—12:30 pm

In Thanksgiving rb/The Huang Family
Dan White rb/The Neighbors

Thursday, Apr 25—12:30 pm

Joan MacMullen rb/Altar Rosary Society
Leona A. Salewski (A) rb/Dave & Stephanie Salewski

Friday, Apr 26—12:30 pm

Veronica Hustak rb/Brother George
Stephen Benowitz rb/Bordentown Seniors

Saturday, Apr 27

5:00 pm Celebrant: Fr. Anson
Barbara Giurdanella rb/Her Husband & Son
Dennis Franco rb/The Family

Sunday, Apr 28

8:00 am Celebrant: Fr. Anson
Stephen Shoesmith (A) rb/His Wife
Pat & Bill Evans rb/Their Children

9:30 am Celebrant: Fr. Martin

Kenneth Brachelli rb/Brian Horan
John Twamley rb/Tina Chellis

11:30 am Celebrant: Fr. Martin

Jack Laciskey rb/Gery Vaughan
Edward Chmiel rb/Donna Biernacki



Tuesday, Apr 23—9:30 am

John Hofflinger rb/Maryann & Harry Warner
Mark Hendricks rb/Ann Wodarczyk

Wednesday, Apr 24—9:30 am

Marilyn Loiacono rb/Janice & Paul Ordog
Tony Stefanoni rb/Jim & Joanne Boldizar

Friday, Apr 26—9:30 pm

Marilyn Loiacono rb/Joseph & Donna Frappolli
John Hofflinger rb/Ron & Mary Oros

Saturday, Apr 27

4:00 pm Celebrant: Fr. Steve
John Hofflinger rb/Theresa & Jack Sweeney & Family
Marilyn Loiacono rb/Maria Roan

Sunday, Apr 28

10:30 am Celebrant: Fr. Steve
John Hofflinger rb/Altar Rosary Society
Geroge Pukenas rb/Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Schuster
& Family

**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,

A couple of weeks back I mentioned the need to reconfigure Mass times. I want to say 'thank you' for the positive response and your understanding of the situation. I had discussed the changes with many of the different ministries in the parish and had published the new Mass times. After further discussion and reflection, I have had to tweak the times again so that they will best suit the celebrant and the Religious Education Program.



The vigil Mass times remain the same: Holy Assumption Church: Confessions 3pm - 3:45pm, Mass 4pm.

St. Mary Church: Confessions 4:30pm – 5:15pm, Mass 5:30pm.

Sunday Mass Times: Holy Assumption Church: 8am — St. Mary Church: 10am and 11:30am

This little tweak of the mass times at St. Mary Church is to facilitate our Religious Education students to receive RE before Mass and then to participate in the celebration of the Mass immediately following.

Again, I thank you for your understanding and support in making this all possible. I know we are creatures of habit and can find change difficult, but at times it is necessary and good. I also know we can also be reactionary by saying, "they are taking away 'my' Mass, I'm going elsewhere. "

If I may; imagine you had dinner at your brother's house every Sunday, but the time came when your brother could no longer host, but your sister said, I'll host dinner at my place at the same time, but you said no, I'm going to the neighbor's house for dinner, it's closer. Hmm, two things, your brother just realized, you came to his place for dinner every Sunday not because you loved him and wanted to support him and the family, you came because it 'suited you.' Your sister and the other family members feel slighted because you would rather go to a neighbor's house than be with them.

You see, our gathering on a Sunday isn't just about going to Mass, it is about us gathering as a family. Our presence is a moral support to each other, it's praying for each other, and being prayed for by our brothers and sisters. The times of our family meal haven't changed that much, what has changed is in which family member's home is it being celebrated.

May the God who loves us, help us love one another. May the God who cares for us, help us to care for one another. May the God who is always faithful, help us to be faithful to one another.

Fr. Martin



Patron Saint Day Celebration
Monday, May 20, 2024
Celebration of Mass at 6:30 pm at St. Mary Church, Bordentown
Dinner Immediately Following in St. Mary School



This Year's Honorees
Jim and Marion Morgan & Roseann O'Donnell

We will also be honoring Deacon Tom Shea on the Occasion of his
25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Diaconate

Please join us to celebrate our Parish Feast Day, and to say thank you to Jim,
Marion, Roseanne, and Deacon Tom for all their years of service to the parish.



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 Oros, and all the sick of the parish.

Please Pray for Our Deceased . . .



*Richard Szatowski
Malfalda Cassarini
Michele Michael
John Collins*

2024 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress:

Goal: \$65,000.00

Pledged: \$44,783.00 (69% of goal)

Paid: \$40,745.75 (63% to goal)

Total Donors: 187 - **Total Gifts:** 205

Average Gift: \$218.45



Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal

helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.



PARISH OFFERINGS

April 14, 2024

Weekly

\$ 12,500

Thank you for your kind support.



Upcoming Donation Designations

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.

May 19 Weekly

St. Vincent DePaul: Helps the poor and needy in our local communities.

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.



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



MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH FOOD PANTRY



St. Mary Site

Current Needs: CHILI--SPAGHETTI--INSTANT POTATOES IN A POUCH--BAKED BEANS---SUGAR-PANCAKE MIX AND SYRUP--SARDINES

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: PAPER TOWELS, WATER, CEREAL, COFFEE, CANNED PEAS, CANNED POTATOES, CANNED FRUIT, TUNA, AND SNACKS

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.

Thank you

And may God Bless You for thinking of others!

GOOD SHEPARD SUNDAY



Shepherding is serious business. It means that we cannot run away, but we must lay down our lives for the sake of others. It calls us to commit ourselves to good deeds, such as caring for the sick, feeding the hungry, clothing the poor, forgiving those who wrong us, loving others as God has loved us. These good deeds are the very "stuff" of our everyday living and loving, in our families and in our service to the poor.

Please be as generous as possible in today's Vincentian collection and also consider adding "Shepard" to your resume by joining us as a Vincentian, serving those in need.

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

ALTAR ROSARY NEWS



The speakers for our April ARS meeting were from the Burlington County Sheriff's Department. Joe and Jackie spoke about ways to help Senior citizens and distributed good material with lots of sound advice. They are willing to visit your home to discuss security, check smoke alarms, and ways to keep safe. If you are interested call (609) 265-5785.

The ARS is having a fundraiser on May 15th. Please visit Villa Maninno from 11:00 am to 8:00 pm to support our organization. Check out the flyer in the Bulletin

On Sunday, May 5th, there will be a May Crowning at Holy Assumption during the 10:30 am Mass and also at St. Mary Church at the 9:30 am Mass.

On Monday, May 6, the KOC and ARS will participate in Holy Hour at 7:00 pm in Holy Assumption church. You are encouraged to join in this special night. Light refreshments will follow in the Divine Mercy Room.

On Tuesday, May 7, we will have our General membership meeting. Rosary will begin at 6:30 followed by the meeting and refreshments. We will be serving pizza.

Look for information regarding a Bus Trip to the Padre Pio Shrine in Pennsylvania on September 11th, 2024.

I know Lent is over but I wanted to thank all the ladies who had a part in reading "Mary's Way of the Cross".

Mary Mother of the Church
Altar Rosary Society **FUNDRAISER**

Villa Mannino
Italian Restaurant

Wednesday, May 15th
11:00 am- 8:00 pm

Dine In or Take Out!

**FLYER MUST BE PRESENTED FOR US TO RECEIVE
PROCEEDS FROM FUNDRAISER**

Eat, Enjoy & Support our Church Organization

LOCATION:
73 US-130, Trenton, NJ 08620
(609) 298-9000



NEW MASS SCHEDULE

**PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE TO THE
NEW MASS SCHEDULE
EFFECTIVE JULY 6-7, 2024**

AFTER PRAYERFUL CONSIDERATION OF THE NEEDS OF THE PARISH, THE NEW MASS SCHEDULE HAS BEEN ADJUSTED AS FOLLOWS FOR THE SUNDAY MASS TIMES FOR ST. MARY CHURCH

Holy Assumption Church

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm - Sunday 8:00am

St. Mary Church

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm

Sunday: 10:00am & 11:30am



HOLY HOUR
Come spend time
in the presence of Jesus



**Come join us as we celebrate
Marian Month.**

The Knights of Columbus Bordentown Council 570 and the Altar Rosery Society of Mary, Mother of the Church Parish are hosting an hour of prayer and adoration on

Monday, May 6, 2024, 7pm

Holy Assumption Church, 1290 Hornberger Ave., Roebling

Encounter God through the Blessed Sacrament, spend time reflecting on the Body and Blood of Christ. Reflect upon Mary's great joy in her Son's victory over death as well as her presence with the apostles in the upper room prayerfully awaiting the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost as we recite the Rosary. *The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered during the Holy Hour.*

Light refreshments after in the
Divine Mercy Room.



WELCOME MINISTRY DINNER CELEBRATION
Thursday, April 25, 2024
6:30 pm
St. Mary School

Fr. Martin and the Welcome Ministry will be hosting a dinner for all new parishioners who registered with Mary, Mother of the Church Parish during 2023 and who have attended one of our Meet & Greet Gatherings.

If you have received your invitation and RSVP'd, we thank you. If you haven't responded as yet, please let us know by Monday, 4/22, if you will be able to join us, with a count of how many will attend from your family so that we can be prepared for the proper amount of food. You can RSVP in one of two ways:

By email to: welcometoourparish@mmotcp.org or
By calling the Parish Office at 609-298-0261.

All children are welcome. Special activities plus "ice cream" will be provided for them, along with other goodies for dessert.

Mary, Mother of the Church Parish
welcomed our newest parishioners below
at the April Meet & Greet!

We are blessed to have you join our parish community.



Inspiration for the Week

Jesus the Good Shepherd knows that real love is an action, not an idea. His sacrifice is the proof of his love for his flock. Let us remember to love one another as the Good Shepherd loves us: not just in words but in actions, in choices, in deeds.





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

- April 21**.....Sunday **LAST** 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

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**

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION VOLUNTEERS

Giving thanks for everything ALL of our VOLUNTEERS have given to the Religious Education Program this year. Jesus shows His love for us through people like:

Eamonn Alwell, Christine Belardo, Paula Bisson, Melissa Bitner, Debbie Brown, Lisa Callaghan, Fran Cammarata, Lisa Carlini, Christine Cartwright, Bernadette Crawford, Gabby Cuccia, Maria D'Angelo, Amelie dela Cruz, Lisa Dressel, Liz Evans, Wayne Farrow, Dorota Fish, Noelle Flatch, Thomas Floyd, Lisa Frappolli, Tina Gafgen, Rachel Graham, Joe Gramlich, Brian Horan, Dave Hutman, Jake Hutman, Matthew Hutman, Tricia Hutman, Jeff Jarvie, Tonya Jarvie, Adriana Javick, Mary Jenoriki, Ryan Kirchoff-Ross, Barbara Langan, Katie Lee, Kelly Longstreet, Edina Lotzin, Jenn Lynch, Thomas Lynch, Isamar Maldonado, Carol Ann Mancuso, Cristina Mannino, Kristen Mannino, Danielle Mason, Nicole Morlock, Amy Nagle, Patty Padalino, Eileen Palotta, Albert Paulsson, Anna Marie Peters, Meghan Peters, Pierce Peters, Brittany Riccitiello, Caitlin Russell, Frank Scharibone, Carol Schulz, Bernard Sheridan, Kari Steckley, Nidia Stemetzki, Lilly Sukola, Peter Sukola, Dana Taylor, Mirella Troy, Regina Wachenheim, and Dianne Walker

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 get together again. Watch over our Catechists, Aides, Hall Monitors, classmates, friends, and families. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Phone #: 609-291-8281

M. Zola x118, Email: mzola@mmtotcp.org

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

8TH GRADE CONFIRMANDI IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Autumn

From: Florence

Interests: Track, Volleyball, Dance, & Cooking

Aspirations: Doctor or Real Estate Agent

Being a Catholic Means: Praying for others, doing community service, giving your life to Christ, and praying.



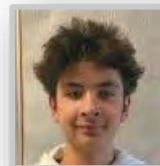
Edward

From: Bordentown

Interests: Spending Time with Friends and Family

Aspirations: Not Sure Yet/Possibly Something in Mathematics/Scientific Field

Being a Catholic Means: To be a part of a community and to help others. We do this by attending church and listening to others.



Peter

From: Bordentown

Interests: Spending Time with Friends and Family

Aspirations: Engineer

Being a Catholic Means: Being part of one big community and helping others. Praising God by going to church and praying.



Michael

From: Bordentown

Interests: Music, Art, Technology

Aspirations: Civil Engineer

Being a Catholic Means: To follow the life God has set for us by being kind to others. Working to be our best selves and keeping a close relationship with Jesus through prayer.



Aedan

From: Bordentown

Interests: Reading, Softball, & Field Hockey

Aspirations: Nurse

Being a Catholic Means: That you listen to Jesus and be faithful and pray.



Connor

From: Bordentown

Interests: Video Games

Aspirations: Fire Fighter

Being a Catholic Means: It means to be a better person and being the best version of yourself.



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



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

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.

THIS SUNDAY - LAST DAY TO DONATE ITEMS FOR THE CENTRAL NEW JERSEY CENTENNIAL CHAPTER BABY SHOWER



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

MONETARY GIFTS:

- Donate via our website page www.kofc570.org. 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. Mail to:
K OF c Council 570m P.OI. Box 570
Bordentown, NJ 08505
Attn: Baby Shower Gift. OR
- 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



Grieving the Death of a Loved One

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| 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 |

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 Borden Town 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.

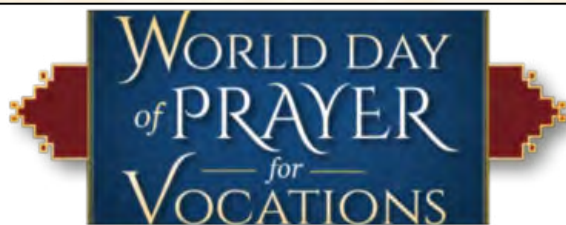
To be considered eligible for one of these awards an applicant must:

- 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 Borden Town Knights of Columbus Council #570 in good standing.

Applications may be obtained at St. Mary Church, Holy Assumption Church, at the Parish Office, or on the Knights of website: www.kofc570.org

Any questions about the scholarship process 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 noon on Friday May 17, 2024.



O God, our Father, you have called us in Baptism to follow your Son Jesus through lives of loving service to you and to one another.

Grant us your assistance guided by the Holy Spirit to live out our vocation in life. We pray especially for those who have answered your call as priests, brothers, sisters, deacons and lay ministers.

Keep them faithful in following your Son and dedicated in serving their brothers and sisters. Grant that many more men and women will be open to the challenge of dedicating their lives in the ministry of building your Kingdom. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen

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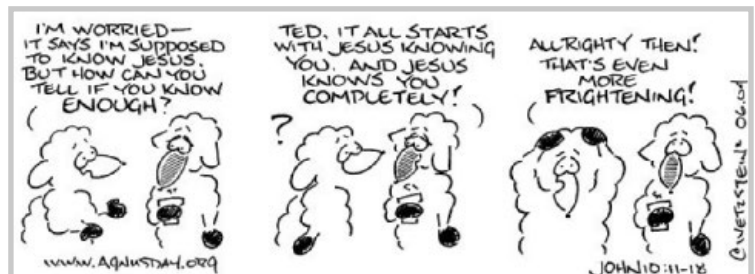
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