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#### Notre Dame of Mount Carmel Church



#### **Men's Cornerstone XXII**

On January 21 & 22, 40 men spent 24 hours together at the Cornerstone XXII retreat. Retreat activities included five powerful witness talks, praying the Rosary and Divine Mercy chaplet, a memorial service for deceased friends and family, good food, inspiring music, renewing old friendships, and creating new ones! The retreat concluded with the 5:00 pm Vigil Mass. Below are a few of the participant testimonials:

"The retreat was an opportunity to more deeply explore my faith, meet new people, and share ideas." John Castner

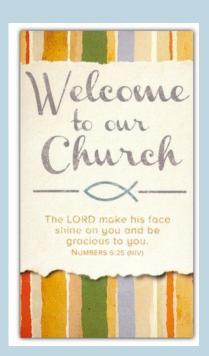
"Thank you for a great retreat." Weverton Morinho "The retreat was an opportunity for fellowship with men of faith." Ismael Franqui

"A great weekend overall - leaders, sharers, and participants made this cornerstone special to me!" Dennis Bloshuk

## Welcome to Our Parish Family!

"The lovely Irish phase "céad mîle fáilte" means "a hundred thousand welcomes." It is an attitude of heart that makes room for "one more", as my Irish Nanny used to remind me.

Let's be a people that always make room for one more!" Julianne Stanz



#### Families Registered in December and January:

Rob, Meghan, & Genevieve Aitken, Morristown
Glen, Stacey, Skylar, & Savannah Beckles, Whippany
Brandon & Sheline Cowan, Whippany
Tim, Jill, Timothy, Sandra, & Leonard Cullen, Cedar Knolls
Andrew, Jackie, & Madison Krausman, Rockaway
Jeff, Michelle, & Jacob Luttrell, Morris Plains
Michelle Mackenzie, Morris Plains
Jay Pirozzi, Cedar Knolls
Scott, Abbey, & Joseph Rodia, Randolph
Lydia Sesso, Morris Plains

#### So... What brought you to Notre Dame?

"I was in search of a prayer group when I came upon your website; I was so moved by the many opportunities and ways to serve. It seems like such an active parish, and that is

"I was invited by a friend."

"Currently attending your divorce care group and continue to hear great things

what I am looking for! I attended church on Sunday, and God spoke to my heart."

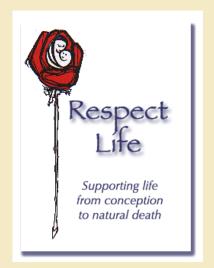
"We recently moved to the area and we're looking for a church to have our first child baptized in. I attended mass here last week and feel that this is definitely the right church for our family."

about your parish."

"I stopped in one Saturday and loved the sermon, the music, and the friendliness of the parish. I also like all the outreach that goes on."

## "Roses for Life" Thanks!

The Elizabeth Ann Seton Council # 6904
Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone for your very generous support of our Roses for Life Drive on January 15 & 16. Jointly with Our Lady of Mercy, we raised \$3,000; of that total, \$1,500 will go to Several Sources Shelters of Ramsey and \$1,500 to Birth Haven of Newton so they may continue with their excellent works of saving young mothers and their babies. May God Bless you all for your prayers and donations, which will go a long way to ensuring that a young mother and her baby will have a chance at a better life. Thank you again, and God bless!



Yours in Christ, Elizabeth Ann Seton CouncilKnights of Columbus #6904

### **Women's Cornerstone XXII:**

Please pray for our candidates & team!



Let us keep the team and candidates in our prayers as they journey through the

retreat this Friday and Saturday, Feb. 4 & 5. May the Holy Spirit touch their hearts with the Love of Jesus and with a passion for growing in faith and sharing with others the blessings brought into their lives from this spiritual experience.

For Our WC XII Candidates: Suzanne Cosco

Linora Abruzzese Beth DeMayo Stacey Adubato Jill Draper MaryAnn Barry Glenis DSilva

Denise Basista Nicole Gambardella

Theresa Bouquet Dina Kaytor Marie Boyle Cheryl Park

Kathy Bridge Jumar Ann Porfido

Lisa Capanna Anne Puppo

Diana Carvalho Deborah Riccardello

Rita Schwartz Beth Tomblin

For Our WC XXII Team: Robin McLeish

Caroline Adillon Janice MorganErin Nolan Kathy Bogwald Yvonne Orchison-Yip

Mirtha Cardenas Iris Paul
Rosemarie Cerca Kelly Reid
Jennifer Cohan Dana Roberti
Christa Cottone Jennifer Rollin
Joyce Dempsey Angela Roselle

Karen DeTrolio Virginia (Ginny) Scala

Melissa Fasano Deirdre Schmitt Maureen Grutt Teresa Schuele

Susan Haemmerle Alicia (Betsa) Silvestri

Lynn Kahn Jessica Small
GraceAnn LaValle Tetto Patty Strunck
Beth Letizia Carolina Wilson

Judy Yap

## **Inspiring Young Disciples**

The presence of young families, grandparents with their little grands, the joyful noise of our children's choirs, and the engagement and participation of our young disciples -- all remind us of the beauty of family and the blessings of nurturing our Domestic Churches at the Table of our Lord.

It is particularly impactful to see how young children grow before our eyes in faith and confidence as they serve in various aspects of the liturgical celebrations. For instance, many of us present at the Family Mass this past Sunday appreciated how young Lucas Sapio proclaimed the First Reading with such poise, grace, and intention. Following Mass, Lucas and his mom shared a bit about his service as part of the Lector Ministry.





#### Young Disciples' Prayer

Dear God,
Thank you for the Bible.
Thank you for the words and life of Jesus.
We know you give us special gifts and blessings.
Help us to use them to bless others.
Help us be wise with what we have
We love you, God!
In Jesus' name, Amen!

## **First Communion Preparation**

By Diane Byrne, Elementary Family Faith Coordinator

At our last sacramental prep session, we began more active preparations for First Communion. First, parents and children watched a video on The Road to Emmaus; then we compared the story with the Catholic Mass. For a follow-up activity at home, children were asked to trace a foot, cut it out and decorate it with different things that remind them of Jesus and His love for them. Following are some of the "feet" shared.











## Thank you for your support of Our Parish Mission!

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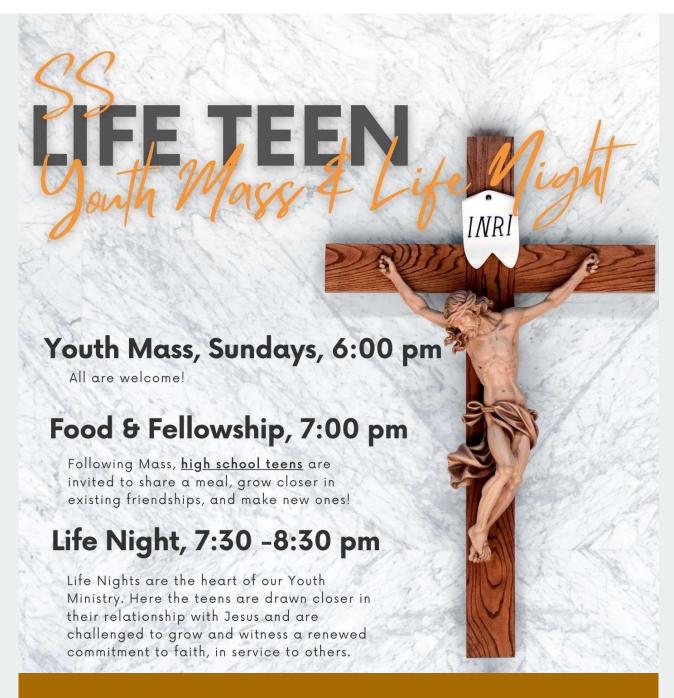


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## **UPCOMING**

This week's Mass & Lamp Intentions

Parishioner Announcements



**Married Couples: Take the Oneness Journey!** 

marriage oneness





Regardless of how long you have been married, join us as we learn and discuss practical guidance in seven critical areas of marriage: Communication, Money, Intimacy, Family and Friends, Conflict, Resolution, Spiritual Beliefs, and Roles and Responsibilities. The 8-session series will be held Fridays, February 18 - March 8, 2022, 7:00-9:30 pm in Room 201. Onsite babysitting will be available! Click HERE to register today!



Saturday, February 12th 6:30 - 8:30 pm - Parish Hall

On-site Childcare Provided - See our website for registration

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# Come to a rehearsal Thursday, Feb. 17th at 5:30 pm in our Parish Hall.

The Cherubs will sing a prelude song at the 9:30 am Family Mass on Sunday, Feb. 20th.

Let us know your Cherub(s) will be joining us! RSVP: Nicole Payne at nicole.danielle313@gmail.com

#### **JOB BOARD & LOCAL AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS**



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