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*We exist for one reason: to come to know and be formed by the Word of God and the Message of Jesus. When we gather in prayer and worship, in service and community, we assemble as disciples and friends with the Lord in our midst. Rooted in our Roman Catholic tradition, we are proud of our parish heritage and hopeful for our future.*

## *Fourth Sunday of Easter – May 11, 2025*

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### **Parish Office Hours**

Wednesday - Thursday  
8:30 am - 3:30 pm

### ***Celebration of the Eucharist***

Saturday Evening: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 11:00 am and 7:00 pm [No 7 pm Mass from the weekend before Memorial Day through the weekend of Labor Day, or on holiday weekends]

Daily Mass: Monday through Friday at 8:15 am

Holy Days: Vigil 7:00 pm; Holy Day 8:15 am and 12:10 pm

### ***Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance)***

Saturday: 3:30 pm or by appointment

### ***Eucharistic Adoration***

Every First Friday of the Month following the 8:15 am Mass, concluding with Benediction at Noon.

### ***Additional Sacraments***

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office or submit the Baptism Request Form at: <https://stmnj.org/baptism-request-form> for more information. Arrangements should be made at least 8 weeks in advance of the desired date.

Funeral Rites: Please contact Father Tom for more information and to make arrangements.

Marriage: Please call the Parish Office or submit the Marriage Request Form at <https://stmnj.org/marriage-request-form> for more information. Arrangements should be made at least one year in advance of the desired date.

### ***Join the St. Thomas More Family***

New parishioners can register at any time! Please complete the new parishioner form at <https://stmnj.org/membership-information> or call the Parish Office at 973-267-5330. We'd love to welcome you!!



***Blast from the Past(or)***  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 11, 2025**

*I, John, had a vision of a great multitude...*

Revelation is a strange book, as it is filled with descriptions of angels and different forms of life. It is a wild read. But this 'multitude' as described proffers me hope with the thought that heaven might be crowded. So maybe there's a spot for me after all! I like that. To be honest, I usually abhor crowds. I will never visit Costco on a Saturday. The boardwalk on a summer weekend is not my thing. Cruise ships cause me to curl up in a ball and wait for the sail to be over. But I'd like to think heaven's numbers are huge and they have much better crowd control. No long checkout lines, or people kicking up sand while I'm perfecting my tan, or rude lades on scooters cutting me off as I lunge towards Royal Caribbean's great mountain of bacon. I know about the narrow gate and all that, but Revelation gives me hope. The vast multitude adorned in white robes (before Memorial Day, but I'm willing to overlook that fashion faux pas—is that still even a thing? I may need to Google it...) create a beautiful image. You won't see these robes in a fashion magazine or on the red carpet. They are the handiwork of a much greater Designer, having been washed in the Blood of Christ. The vast multitude finds its image in the Trinity and is the company we keep. When we face our own times of great distress, let us hold fast to that hope and healing in the Blood of Christ.

God Bless you!!!!!!



***Thank You for Your Generous Contributions!***

We are very grateful for all who contribute to the financial support of our parish and who take stewardship seriously.

**Weekly Collection for 4/26-27: \$ 5,477.38**

*"Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Cor. 9:7)*



***First Holy Communion This Weekend***

We are blessed to welcome Nolan Summa to the table of the Lord for the first time this Saturday at the 5 pm Mass. Please keep Nolan and his family in your prayers and join us in congratulating him!



**Monday, May 12: Saint Leopold Mandic**

Terry Manelski

**Tuesday, May 13: Our Lady of Fatima**

Lena Scialla

**Wednesday, May 14: Saint Matthias**

Norma Mortimer

**Thursday, May 15: Saint Isidore the Farmer**

Charlie Farrie

Special Intention

**Friday, May 16: Saint Margaret of Cortona**

Timoteo Granflor

**Saturday, May 17: Saint Paschal Baylon**

Pauline Falcone

Mary Murphy

**Sunday, May 18: Fifth Sunday of Easter**

8:00 am: Ethan Stickle

Leonard Bendzin

11:00 am: Mary Murphy

7:00 pm: Arlene Behul



***Mass Intentions/Mass Cards***

If you would like to request a Mass to be said for a loved one, please complete our online Mass request form at <https://stmnj.org/request-a-mass-card>, click on the link on our home page or call the Parish Office. Please do not place requests in the collection. In your request, please let us know if you would like us to mail the card directly to the recipient or leave it for you to pick it up (or if you do not want a card). If you do not want a card mailed directly to the recipient but would like one with a blank envelope, it will be left for you to pick up in the parish vestibule. Please understand we unfortunately may not always be able to accommodate last-minute requests.

***Prayers for the Sick***

Please join us in praying for all who are ill in our community, and in a particular way, for Joan Allen, Chris Auger, Claire Brady, Ron Brodeur, Fred Donikowski, Jackie Dooley, Caitlyn Gara, Barbara Kline, Gina Lazaro, Vincent Lazaro, Elizabeth Napoli, Iwona Nowak, John O'Neil, Bethann Panzer, Christopher Popp, Eileen Scheibner, Michael Schieber, Gloria Souchuk, Flynn Sullivan and Celia Zelinsky. May God bring them and their families His healing, comfort and peace. If you would like to have your name or that of a loved one included in (or removed from) the request for healing prayers in our weekly bulletin, please send an email to [tjurgaitis@stmnj.org](mailto:tjurgaitis@stmnj.org) or call the Parish Office.



## Mass Schedule

### MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE FOR THE SUMMER!!

Our Sunday evening Mass will be taking a hiatus for the summer. Next Sunday, May 18 (please note the correction from last week's bulletin) will be our last 7 pm Sunday Mass until after Labor Day. See you in September!



### Food and Fellowship for Single Parishioners

You are invited to join fellow single parishioners for their no-host monthly luncheon on Friday, May 16th at 12:30 pm at Mangiano Pizza Restaurant, 102 E. Hanover Avenue, Cedar Knolls (TJ Maxx and Home Goods Parking Lot). Please contact Monika Mangan at 973-615-4715 for more information and/or to RSVP.



### Corpus Christi, Chatham Mass of Angels

Corpus Christi Parish, at 234 Southern Boulevard in Chatham, will be offering "The Mass of Angels" this Monday, May 12 at 7:30 pm. This Mass will be offered especially for any parent who has experienced the loss of a child, either while they were still in the womb or at any age of life.



### St. Paul Inside the Walls - Fourth Annual Garden Party

You are cordially invited to the 2025 Garden Party at St. Paul Inside the Walls. They are excited to join together for what is sure to be a beautiful event on Friday, June 6, starting at 7 pm. From May 5 - May 30<sup>th</sup>, tickets are \$200 per person. All tickets must be purchased by May 30<sup>th</sup>. Each ticket includes catered dinner and an open bar. There will also be opportunities to walk away with a bottle of wine from the wine pull. Please register in advance at <https://insidethewalls.org/gardenparty> to purchase tickets, sponsorship or make a donation. To donate a bottle of wine to the 2025 Wine Pull, please visit: <https://cambridgewinesnj.com/collections/wine-pull-st-paul-inside-the-wall>. For wine donations, there is no need to worry about a delivery. A St. Paul Inside the Walls staff member will pick up the order before the Garden Party. Your support and presence will help sustain the mission of the Evangelization Office at St. Paul Inside the Walls and their many fulfilling programs and events.



### A Mother's Day Prayer

For their sacrifices, their prayers, their tenderness, their compassion, their Faith, their forgiveness, their encouragement, their unconditional love...

We thank You, Lord, for our mothers, grandmothers, stepmothers, Godmothers and all who have shown us a mother's love.

When they are tired, give them strength.

When they feel alone, give them comfort.

When they feel overwhelmed, help them to know peace.

In their darkest moments, be their Light.\*

Lord, please bless all mothers-to-be and those hoping to be mothers with the gift of new life, bringing their unborn children through a safe and healthy delivery.

For those for whom today is a difficult day--

Mothers who have suffered

the heartbreaking loss of a child,

all who have lost a mother, families who are estranged

and those who desperately want to be mothers but for

whom motherhood may not be a part of Your plan,

Lord, grant them consolation, hope and strength, that

even in their pain, they may see Your light and know

Your peace.

We bring all of these prayers to You, through the intercession of Mary, our Blessed Mother in Heaven.

Amen.



\*Adapted from <https://hallow.com/blog/mothers-day-prayers/>

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Any questions, please call Carol Bsarany 973-271-9252  
Visit <https://www.stcatherine-ml.org/st-therese-ministry> for more information.



### ***Paterson Diocese Jubilee Family Fest***

Can't make it to the pilgrimage in Rome? Join Bishop Sweeney and the faithful of the Diocese on Saturday, May 31 for an exciting day celebrating the joy and gift of families at the Shrine of St. Joseph in Stirling. Families will have the opportunity to go on a pilgrimage and receive a plenary indulgence, while creating lasting memories. Gather the kids, grandparents, and friends for a day filled with faith, fun and family time!

#### **Exciting Activities Include:**

Pilgrimage Interactive Passport  
Arts and Crafts Station  
Face Painting  
Bouncy Slide  
Photo Op  
Vocations Tent  
Service Stations  
Food Trucks (Food trucks are not complimentary.)

#### **Prayer Opportunities Include:**

Stations of the Cross  
Adoration  
Family Rosary  
Confession  
Mass (Counts for Sunday Obligation)

#### **Schedule of Events:**

12:00 PM Walking Pilgrimage, beginning at St. Vincent Church, Stirling  
1:30 PM Family Fest at the Shrine of St. Joseph, Stirling  
4:00 PM Mass Celebrated with Bishop Kevin Sweeney

**The first 50 families to register get a free Jubilee Family Fest tote bag!**

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to the Office of Family life at 973-377-1004. For more information or to register, check out <https://insidethewalls.org/jubilee-family-fest>.

**Sunday May 18th, 2025**

**NJ Catholic Youth Rally** at **Six Flags** GREAT ADVENTURE & SAFARI

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**9:30 AM: Opening Ceremony in Showcase Arena**

**10:30 AM – 5:30 PM: Rides and Entertainment in the Park**

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**6:00 PM: Closing Liturgy with Bishop Sweeney**

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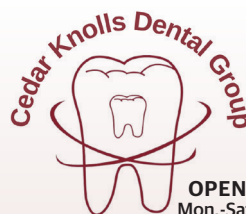
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