

# A Time for Renewal at St. Vincent Martyr Church

Fifth Sunday of Lent  
March 22, 2026

My dear parishioners,

One of the most special parts of being Catholic is receiving Holy Communion. What an awesome privilege it is to receive Jesus Christ, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity, into our bodies. As we receive Jesus each week, and some of us each day, we appreciate that God comes into our human bodies to gift us with His divinity, which enhances our humanity. Each week we prepare ourselves to receive Holy Communion by fasting for one hour beforehand and by properly preparing ourselves for the worthy reception of the Blessed Sacrament. The best channel of preparation is Confession. A long lapse of time away from Confession makes the true reception of Holy Communion challenging and difficult because our souls are not in a state of grace. Canon Law reminds us that every Catholic must go to Confession at least once a year, or whenever one is in a state of mortal sin. As you know, I encourage the faithful to attend Confession during the seasons of Advent and Lent in preparation for the holy days of Christmas and Easter.

As your priest, I encourage you to make the time for yourself, and for those of you who are parents and grandparents, to encourage your children and grandchildren to avail themselves of this Sacrament. It is humbling for me to be in *persona Christi*, in the person of Christ, as I celebrate the Sacrament of Confession and empower people to acknowledge the wrong, they have done or the good they have failed to do, and then to experience Christ's forgiveness and absolution.

In 34 years as a priest, I have never had anyone leave the confessional without being happy and grateful to God for this Sacrament. Some people find it intimidating but remember in the confessional you are meeting Christ, who loves all people unconditionally. The priest is not shocked if a person has been away for a long time; he is simply glad that the person has taken the time to come before Christ, who is all-merciful.

This Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> is a wonderful opportunity for Confession. I will have five priests here to help from 6:30–8:30 PM. Come anytime you would like and experience the grace of this Sacrament.

After that, we will only have **two Mondays left for Confession: March 23 and March 30**. After March 30, there will be no more Confessions **until Saturday, April 11**, except in case of a grave emergency.

I am pleased to hear that so many families are talking about our Lenten Almsgiving which supports Catholic Charities. This week we consider one area of their outreach: helping immigrants. Your support brings safety and hope to those seeking naturalization and green cards, helping hardworking immigrants through the process and, in time, giving them a place in the American dream through their own hard work and desire to be part of the greatest country in the world.

As noted last weekend, you will see that the crucifixes and statues are covered during these days in preparation for Holy Week and the Triduum. Through solemn prayer and almsgiving, we walk with Christ in His suffering and death in preparation for His glorious Resurrection.

God Bless,



"Neither do I condemn you; go,  
and **sin no more.**" – John 8:11



# Un tiempo de renovación en la Iglesia de San Vicente Mártir

Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma  
22 de Marzo de 2026

Mis queridos feligreses,

Una de las partes más especiales de ser católico es recibir la Sagrada Comunión. ¡Qué privilegio tan extraordinario es recibir a Jesucristo —Cuerpo, Sangre, Alma y Divinidad— en nuestros propios cuerpos! Al recibir a Jesús cada semana — y algunos de nosotros, cada día—, valoramos el hecho de que Dios entra en nuestros cuerpos humanos para regalarnos Su divinidad, la cual ennoblece nuestra humanidad. Cada semana, nos preparamos para recibir la Sagrada Comunión guardando el ayuno de una hora previa y disponiéndonos adecuadamente para la recepción digna del Santísimo Sacramento. El mejor medio de preparación es la Confesión. Un largo periodo de tiempo sin acudir a la Confesión hace que la verdadera recepción de la Sagrada Comunión resulte un desafío y una dificultad, dado que nuestras almas no se encuentran en estado de gracia. El Derecho Canónico nos recuerda que todo católico debe confesarse al menos una vez al año, o siempre que se encuentre en estado de pecado mortal. Como bien saben, animo a los fieles a acudir a la Confesión durante los tiempos de Adviento y Cuaresma, como preparación para las solemnidades de la Navidad y la Pascua.

Como su sacerdote, los animo a que se tomen un tiempo para sí mismos, y a quienes son padres y abuelos, a que animen a sus hijos y nietos a recibir este Sacramento. Es un honor para mí estar en *presencia de Cristo*, al celebrar el Sacramento de la Confesión y capacitar a las personas para reconocer sus errores o el bien que no han hecho, y luego experimentar el perdón y la absolución de Cristo.

En mis 34 años como sacerdote, nunca he visto a nadie salir del confesionario sin sentirse feliz y agradecido a Dios por este Sacramento. A algunos les resulta intimidante, pero recuerden que en el confesionario se encuentran con Cristo, quien ama a todos incondicionalmente. Al sacerdote no le sorprende que alguien haya estado alejado de la fe por mucho tiempo; simplemente se alegra de que se haya tomado el tiempo de acercarse a Cristo, quien es infinitamente misericordioso.

Este martes, 24 de marzo es una maravillosa oportunidad para confesarse. Contaré con cinco sacerdotes para atenderles de 6:30 a 8:30 p. m. Vengan cuando quieran y experimenten la gracia de este Sacramento.

Después de eso, solo tendremos **dos lunes para confesarse: el 23 y el 30 de marzo**. Después del 30 de marzo, no habrá más confesiones **hasta el sábado 11 de abril**, excepto en caso de una emergencia grave.

Me alegra saber que tantas familias están hablando de nuestra limosna de Cuaresma, que apoya a Caridades Católicas. Esta semana, reflexionaremos sobre un área de su labor: la ayuda a los inmigrantes. Su apoyo brinda seguridad y esperanza a quienes buscan la naturalización y la residencia permanente, ayudando a los inmigrantes trabajadores durante el proceso y, con el tiempo, dándoles un lugar en el sueño americano gracias a su propio esfuerzo y deseo de formar parte del mejor país del mundo.

Como se mencionó el fin de semana pasado, los crucifijos y las estatuas se cubren durante estos días en preparación para la Semana Santa y el Triduo Pascual. Mediante la oración solemne y la limosna, acompañamos a Cristo en su sufrimiento y muerte, preparándonos para su gloriosa Resurrección.

Dios los bendiga,

Jr. Ova

“Yo tampoco te condeno; vete, y  
no peques más.” – Juan 8:11



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## Mass & Liturgy Schedule

Horario de Misas y Liturgia

### Daily Masses | Misas Diarias

**During Lent, Mon - Fri | Lun - Vie: 6:30AM | 8:30AM\***

Saturday | **Sábado:** 8:30 AM\*

### Weekend Masses | Misas de Fin de Semana

Saturday | **Sábado:** 5 PM\* | 7 PM\* (**Español**)

Sunday | **Domingo:** 7:15 AM | 9 AM\* | 10:30 AM\*  
12 PM | 5 PM\*

### Reconciliation (Confession) | Reconciliación (Confesión)

Saturday | **Sábado:** 4:15 PM - 4:50PM | 6PM (**Español**)

### Adoration

First Friday: 9AM-5PM | Sign up [svmnj.org/mass-times](http://svmnj.org/mass-times)

First Saturday: After 7PM Mass (**Español**)

Just come and be in His presence.  
Ven y permanece en Su presencia.

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[svmnj.org/livestream-mass](http://svmnj.org/livestream-mass)

## Presider Schedule Horario de Celebrantes

**21**  
SAT

5:00PM\* • Fr. Owen  
7:00PM\* • Fr. Yohan S. Spanish



7:15AM • Fr. Owen

**22**  
SUN

9:00AM\* • Fr. Owen

10:30AM\* • Fr. Owen

12:00PM • Fr. Owen

5:00PM\* • Fr. Owen

## ParishSoft Giving

Thank you for your support and generosity. Your gifts help SVM faithfully maintain and care for our facilities, allowing our community to gather, learn, and worship in a welcoming environment. As we soon begin preparing the budget for the church and school, we are reminded that your kindness provides the strong foundation on which we can continue to grow in faith and service together.

Visit: [giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/FD-740](http://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/FD-740)



## ParishSoft Giving

Gracias por su apoyo y generosidad. Sus aportes ayudan a SVM a mantener y cuidar fielmente nuestras instalaciones, permitiendo que nuestra comunidad se reúna, aprenda y celebre en un ambiente acogedor. Mientras pronto comenzamos a preparar el presupuesto para la iglesia y la escuela, recordamos que su generosidad brinda la base sólida sobre la cual podemos seguir creciendo juntos en la fe y el servicio.

Visite: [giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/FD-740](http://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/FD-740)

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## This Week's Mass Intentions

*Intenciones de Misa de Esta Semana*

**Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>**

**5:00PM** Members of the Picone & Petrock Family,  
Dec. Family Mem. of John & Katherine Tyrone,  
Susan M. Jarkiewicz, Eileen Richards,  
Jack Jacobi, Joe Gisoldi & Nicholas Del Giudice,  
John Stamler

**7:00PM** Licia Chavez

**Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**7:15AM** Maria Adelina Ferreira

**9:00AM** For Strength & Courage-Daniel & Arturo Gomez,  
Jim Costello, Christopher Avelino, Gilma Arango,  
William O'Carroll

**10:30AM** Orlando Serino, Marion Hamluk,  
Anna Garossino, Louis Eckhardt,  
Margaret Coddington, John & Josephine Forte

**12:00PM** Christian Joe Pereira, Joe Loria,  
Antonio Bassolino, Gloria Quartarolo

**5:00PM** People of the Parish

**Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**6:30AM** People of the Parish

**8:30AM** Jack Jacobi, Joanne Yeager,  
Maria & Amelia Bufano, Peter De La Flor

**Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>**

**6:30AM** People of the Parish

**8:30AM** Kathy Chiarolanzio, Toni Chiarolanzio

**Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>**

**6:30AM** People of the Parish

**8:30AM** Michael Finelli, Sr., Catherine Vecchiarelli

**Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**

**6:30AM** People of the Parish

**8:30AM** Carmine & Rafaela Cardarella,  
The Cummings Family

**Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>**

**6:30AM** For Courage & Strength - Daniel & Arturo Gomez

**8:30AM** Ciro D'Amato

**Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**

**8:30AM** Maria Adelina Ferreira, Olga Zayacz

### Weekly Special Intention

*Intención Especial de la Semana*



The Altar Bread & Wine, for the week of  
March 22<sup>nd</sup> - March 28<sup>th</sup>, is dedicated in  
memory of Catherine Vecchiarelli

### We Pray / Oremos

*For Healing and Strength | Por Sanación y Fortaleza*

Vincenzo Grieco, Teresa DiCaro, Betty Daleman,  
Mike Boylan, Linda Weeks, Elvira DiGiacomo,  
Luz Hernandez, infants Peter & Paul,  
Mary Lombardi, Marilyn S., Karen Hannon,  
Mary Anderson and ten special intentions

*For the Faithful Departed | Por los Fieles Difuntos*

## Easter Flowers – Altar Board 2026

The beautiful flowers that adorn our sanctuary during the Easter season are offered to the glory of God by parishioners who wish to honor or remember loved ones.

The names of those honored or remembered will be displayed on a board next to the altar.

To participate, please complete the form by scanning the QR code or visit [svmnj.org/easter-flowers](http://svmnj.org/easter-flowers). Paper forms are also available at the entrances of the church. Be sure to include your name and the name(s) of those you wish to honor or remember.

Forms and donations must be submitted by **Wednesday, April 1st** to ensure inclusion in the Easter display.



## Flores de Pascua – Tablero del Altar 2026

*Las hermosas flores que adornan nuestro santuario durante la temporada de Pascua se ofrecen para la gloria de Dios por los feligreses que desean honrar o recordar a sus seres queridos.*

*Los nombres de quienes son honrados o recordados se mostrarán en un tablero junto al altar.*

*Para participar, complete el formulario escaneando el código QR o visitando [svmnj.org/easter-flowers](http://svmnj.org/easter-flowers). También hay formularios en papel disponibles en las entradas de la iglesia. Asegúrese de incluir su nombre y el nombre de quienes desea honrar o recordar.*

*Los formularios y donaciones deben entregarse antes del **miércoles 1 de abril** para garantizar su inclusión en la exhibición de Pascua.*



Classroom Aide Needed Immediately for 1st  
Grade

Hours: 8:30am – 1:30pm

5 Days a Week

For more information call Sr. Noreen Holly,  
Principal 973-377-1104 X104

# Parish Happenings

## Baptism

With great joy, we welcomed Sonny Fred James into our Church family through the Sacrament of Baptism. May the Holy Spirit always guide and watch over him as he grows in faith and love.

## Bautismo

Con gran alegría recibimos a Sonny Fred James en nuestra familia parroquial mediante el Sacramento del Bautismo. Que el Espíritu Santo lo guíe y lo proteja siempre mientras crece en la fe y en el amor.



## Baptism

We joyfully welcomed Charlotte Louise Haertel into our Church family through the Sacrament of Baptism. May the Holy Spirit continually guide and protect her as she grows in faith and love.

## Bautismo

Con gran alegría dimos la bienvenida a Charlotte Louise Haertel a nuestra familia parroquial mediante el Sacramento del Bautismo. Que el Espíritu Santo la guíe y la proteja siempre mientras crece en la fe y en el amor.

## Second Scrutiny – OCIA

We joyfully celebrate Kayla Bailey as she received her Second Scrutiny this weekend as part of her journey through the OCIA process. Please keep Kayla in your prayers as she continues preparing to receive the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil.

## Segundo Escrutinio – OCIA

Celebramos con alegría a Kayla Bailey, quien recibió su Segundo Escrutinio este fin de semana como parte de su camino en el proceso de OCIA. Por favor, mantengan a Kayla en sus oraciones mientras continúa preparándose para recibir los Sacramentos en la Vigilia Pascual.



## New Altar Servers

We joyfully welcome our new altar servers, Garrett Nebres and Gregory Dickson. We also thank John Serwatka and Myles Bailey for their continued dedication and faithful service as altar servers in our parish community. Please keep them all in your prayers as they grow in faith and service.

## Nuevos Monaguillos

Damos una cálida bienvenida a nuestros nuevos monaguillos, Garrett Nebres y Gregory Dickson. También agradecemos a John Serwatka y Myles Bailey por su continua dedicación y fiel servicio como monaguillos en nuestra comunidad parroquial. Por favor, manténganlos a todos en sus oraciones mientras crecen en la fe y en el servicio.

# Parish Happenings



## Newly Trained Eucharistic Minister

We congratulate Jennifer Pico, who has recently been trained as a Eucharistic Minister. We thank her for her willingness to serve our parish community and for sharing in this important ministry. Please keep her in your prayers as she begins this role.

## Nueva Ministra Extraordinaria de la Eucaristía

Felicidades a Jennifer Pico, quien recientemente ha sido capacitada como Ministra Extraordinaria de la Eucaristía. Le agradecemos por su disposición para servir a nuestra comunidad parroquial y por participar en este importante ministerio. Por favor, manténganla en sus oraciones al comenzar este servicio.

## Girl Scouts at Sunday Mass

We were happy to welcome the Girl Scouts who attended the 10:30am Sunday Mass this weekend. We thank them for joining our parish community in prayer and celebration of the Eucharist.

## Girl Scouts en la Misa Dominical

Nos dio mucha alegría recibir a las Girl Scouts que asistieron a la Misa dominical de las 10:30am este fin de semana. Les agradecemos por unirse a nuestra comunidad parroquial en oración y en la celebración de la Eucaristía.



## Lenten Retreat

Our Lenten Retreat was a beautiful time of prayer, reflection, and renewal for our parish community. We are grateful to Father Alex for his inspiring words and spiritual guidance. His faithful companion, Bishop the dog, also joined the day and brought a joyful presence to all. May the graces received continue to strengthen our faith as we journey toward Easter.

## Retiro de Cuaresma

Nuestro Retiro de Cuaresma fue un hermoso tiempo de oración, reflexión y renovación para nuestra comunidad parroquial. Agradecemos a Padre Alex por sus inspiradoras palabras y su guía espiritual. Su fiel compañero, Bishop el perro, también nos acompañó durante el día y trajo una presencia alegre para todos. Que las gracias recibidas continúen fortaleciendo nuestra fe mientras caminamos juntos hacia la Pascua.

## Spanish Lenten Retreat

Our Spanish Lenten Retreat brought our community together for a day of prayer and spiritual reflection. We thank Father Jener Valencia for leading us with thoughtful words that invited us to renew our hearts and deepen our faith during Lent.

## Retiro de Cuaresma en Español

Nuestro Retiro de Cuaresma en español reunió a nuestra comunidad en un día de oración y reflexión espiritual. Agradecemos al Padre Jener Valencia por guiarnos con sus palabras, invitándonos a renovar nuestros corazones y profundizar nuestra fe durante la Cuaresma.



# LENTEN SCHEDULE HORARIO DE CUARESMA

# 2026



**LENTEN CONFESSIONS | EVERY MONDAY OF LENT STARTING FEBRUARY 23RD**  
**CONFESIONES DE CUARESMA | TODOS LOS LUNES DE CUARESMA COMENZANDO EL 23 DE FEB.**  
7PM-8:30PM | Saturdays *Sabados* 4:15PM-4:50PM **English** | **6PM Español**  
**Multilingual Parish Confessions Confesiones Parroquiales Multilingües | March 24<sup>th</sup> 6:30PM-8:30PM**



**DAILY MASSES MISAS DIARIAS**  
Mon-Fri 6:30AM | 8:30AM\*  
Saturday *Sabado* 8:30AM



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS VIAS DE LA CRUZ**  
Every Friday in Lent except Good Friday  
*Todos los viernes de Cuaresma excepto Viernes Santo*  
9AM\*, 6PM, 7:30PM **Español**

To view this schedule online, download a PDF copy, or register for events, please visit [svmnj.org/lenten](http://svmnj.org/lenten) or scan the QR code.



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# HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



**PALM SUNDAY DOMINGO DE RAMOS | MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup>**  
Follows the Regular Sunday Schedule  
*Sigue el horario regular del domingo*



**HOLY THURSDAY JUEVES SANTO | APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup>**  
Morning Prayer *Oración de la mañana* 9AM  
Mass of The Lord's Supper *Misa de la Cena del Señor* | **Bilingual** | 7PM\*



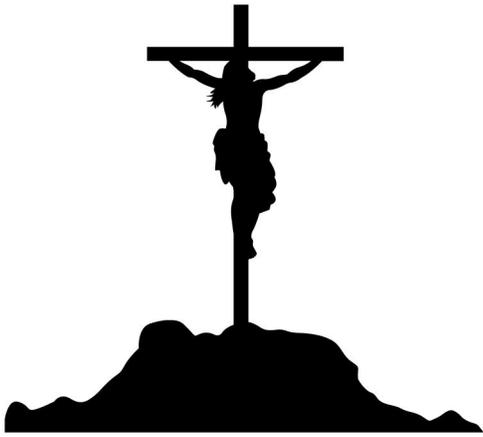
**GOOD FRIDAY VIERNES SANTO | APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup>**  
Morning Prayer *Oración de la Mariana* 9AM  
Passion of our Lord, Adoration of the Cross & Holy Communion | 3PM\* **English**  
Station of the Cross | 5:30PM\* **English**  
*Pasión de Nuestro Señor, Adoración de la Cruz y Sagrada Comunión | 6:30PM\* Español*  
*Vias de la Cruz a continuación*



**HOLY SATURDAY SABADO SANTO | APRIL 4<sup>TH</sup>**  
Morning Prayer *Oración de la mañana* 9AM | Blessing of the Easter Food *Bendición de la comida de Pascua* 12PM  
Vigil Mass of Easter *Misa de Vigilia de Pascua* | **Bilingual** | 7:15PM\*



**EASTER SUNDAY PASCUA | APRIL 5<sup>TH</sup>**  
7:15AM | 9AM\* | 10:30AM Church\* & Gym | 12PM Church & Gym | 1:30PM\* **Español**  
No 5PM Mass *No hay misa a las 5PM*



## GOOD FRIDAY

On Good Friday, Father Yohan S. will lead the Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord with Holy Communion and the Veneration of the Cross at 6:30 PM. Immediately following the liturgy, we will pray the Stations of the Cross.

## VIERNES SANTO

En Viernes Santo, Padre Yohan S. dirigirá artículo la Pasión del Señor con Sagrada Comunión y Veneración de la Cruz a las 6:30pm. Enseguida de liturgia, tendremos las estaciones de la cruz.

## Catholic Charities Program Highlight of the Week:

*Immigrants*



Catholic Charities' **CFCS - Legal Services for Immigration** provides vital legal help to immigrants and refugees of all backgrounds, including assistance with **naturalization, green cards, DACA, asylum, and removal proceedings**, always with respect and confidentiality. We are also supporting **Afghan refugees** at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, helping women and children with care, recreation, and resettlement. **Your almsgiving brings legal support, safety, and hope to those seeking a new beginning.**

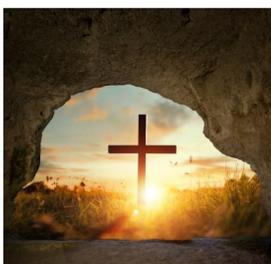
Support the life-changing work of Catholic Charities and help serve those most in need in our community.

Apoye la labor transformadora de Catholic Charities y ayude a servir a quienes más lo necesitan en nuestra comunidad.



**Los Servicios Legales de Inmigración de CFCS** de Caridades Católicas brindan ayuda legal esencial a inmigrantes y refugiados de todos los orígenes, incluyendo asistencia con la **naturalización, la residencia permanente (tarjeta verde), DACA, asilo y procesos de deportación**, siempre con respeto y confidencialidad. También estamos apoyando a los **refugiados afganos** en la Base Conjunta McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, ayudando a mujeres y niños con atención, recreación y reasentamiento. **Su limosna brinda apoyo legal, seguridad y esperanza a quienes buscan un nuevo comienzo.**

## *Women's Lenten Night of Reflection*



Join us on **Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** for an hour of **scripture, song & prayer** as we prepare to enter Holy Week. Spend some meditative time with other women of the parish in our beautiful Church as we ponder the Paschal Mysteries and rest and restore our spirit.

Registration is not required, please just attend.

Hosted by **SVM Women's Cornerstone Ministry** [val.friedman@svmnj.org](mailto:val.friedman@svmnj.org)

*Rosary Altar Society of St. Vincent Martyr invites you to our Annual Communion Breakfast*

**Sunday, April 19 at 10:15 AM**  
Park Avenue Club, Florham Park  
**Please note our new venue.**

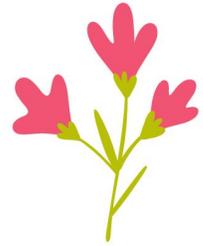
We look forward to a morning of simple fun and fellowship this year!

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Register online at [svmnj.org](http://svmnj.org) or use the **RSVP form and submit with payment to the parish office.**

**Contact: Pam Andersen [svmrosaryaltarsociety@gmail.com](mailto:svmrosaryaltarsociety@gmail.com)**



*Join us for a Bible Study, Spring 2026 – Holy Spirit*

For the 2026 spring session (April and May) we will be studying the Holy Spirit: Book of Acts. There will be three sessions to choose from: Tuesday Morning, Tuesday Evening and Sunday Evening. The schedules are as follows:

- Tuesday, 10 am – Noon, in the St. Peter's Room at SVM Parish Ministry Center: **April 14, 21, 28; May 5, 12, 19**
- Tuesday, 6 – 8 pm, in the St. Peter's Room at SVM Parish Ministry Center: **April 14, 21, 28; May 5, 12, 19**
- Sunday, 6 – 8 pm, in various Parishioners homes: **April 12, 19, 26; May 3, 17, 24**

Each participant is asked to read the appropriate portion of the booklet before the session, answer the questions and come ready to discuss; book will be provided once you sign up. For any and all questions and to sign up please contact: [christinefarner@yahoo.com](mailto:christinefarner@yahoo.com)



*Join us for a Silent Book Club*

The Seniors Ministry held its first "Silent Book Club" at the end of February. Among the books people brought were a book about the 24 hours of the Last Supper and Passion, a book received as a gift but never unwrapped, and mystery/thriller books. After introducing what we were reading and why, we read in companionable silence for 35/40 minutes while enjoying tea and cookies. Refreshed, relaxed and happy to have had time to make progress on our books and get to know other parishioners, the group is looking forward to our next meeting.

Come join us on **March 25th, 3:30pm** in the St. Christopher Room. Bring your own book!!  
RSVP to Mary Ellen: [mehennesyjones@gmail.com](mailto:mehennesyjones@gmail.com).



*Knights of Columbus Chess Tournament for Students (Grades 3–8)*

- Students in grades 3 through 8 who know and love to play chess are invited to the "Fun" Round Robin Chess Tournament on **Saturday, March 28, from 8:30 AM to 12PM.**

**Early Registration (through Tuesday, March 24):**

- Suggested donation: \$8 per student or \$20 per family (3 or more students) with grade verification.

**At the Door:**

- Suggested donation: \$10 per student with grade verification (no family discount).

For details regarding Venmo, check payment, or the event flyer, please contact Joe O'Brien, Chess Chairman, at [joeb84@yahoo.com](mailto:joeb84@yahoo.com) or 201-725-7661. **Visit [svmnj.org/chess](http://svmnj.org/chess) for full information**

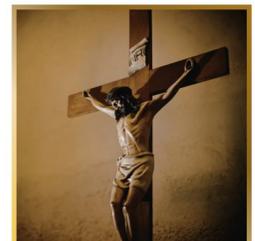


*Way of the Cross for Victims of Abortion*

Morris County Right to Life will host the "Way of the Cross for Victims of Abortion" on **Good Friday, April 3rd at 10:00 AM at Planned Parenthood, 196 Speedwell Avenue, Morristown, NJ.**

This prayerful observance is offered for the protection of unborn life and for healing and peace in our community.

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**Only 10 spots left – don't miss out!**

Now is the time to reserve your place on our pilgrimage to Ireland from **June 3–11, 2026**, with Fr. Yojan as our spiritual guide. This unforgettable journey is organized by Doris Newman in partnership with **CIE Tours and Long's Travel**. Call **Doris Newman** at **973-202-7625** today for details before the remaining spaces are filled!

**¡Solo quedan 10 lugares – no se quede fuera!**

Ahora es el momento de reservar su espacio en nuestra peregrinación a Irlanda del **3 al 11 de junio de 2026**, con el Padre Yojan como nuestro guía espiritual. Este viaje inolvidable está organizado por Doris Newman en colaboración con **CIE Tours y Long's Travel**.

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