



We Make Disciples

40 Jackson Road, Medford, New Jersey 08055

Parish Website: www.smlparish.org Parish Email Address: email@smlparish.org



#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday—Friday: 7:15 a.m., and 9:00 a.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

#### **CLERGY AND STAFF**

Reverend Daniel F. Swift, Pastor, father\_dan@smlparish.org Reverend Roy Ballacillo, Parochial Vicar, rballacillo@smlparish.org

Deacon Ken Motylinski Deacon Joseph Tedeschi

Susan B. Kraemer, Business Administrator

Christine Brandt, Pastoral Associate

Teresa Berger, Administrative Assistant

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Angela Santoro, Administrative Assistant

Amy Rash, School Principal

Catherine Gillespie, School Director of Admissions and Advancement

Mary Pat Scordato, Director of Religious Education

Kevin Callahan, Minister of Marketing and Evangelization

Sister Regina McCalla, SSJ, Liturgy/Music Coordinator

Linda Xerri, Parish Youth Minister

Harry Meshirer, Parish Bookkeeper

Holly Hicks and Graham McFarland, Parish Trustees

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

#### ST. MARY OF THE LAKES ONLINE

Website Address: http://www.smlparish.org Email Address: email@smlparish.org Facebook: www.facebook.com/smlparish School Website: http://www.smlschool.org

Knights of Columbus: http://www.Medfordknights.org

#### LOCATION, TELEPHONE NUMBERS, FAX

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Parish Office Fax		975-0137
Parish Health Ministry		654-8208 x610
St. Mary of the Lakes School	196 Route 70	654-2546 x210
St. Mary of the Lakes School	Fax	654-8125
Parish Religious Education	196 Route 70	654-2546 x310
Parish Youth Minister	40 Jackson Road	654-2546 x111
Bulletin Editor	40 Jackson Road	654-8208 x131
St. Vincent de Paul Society	1 Jones Road	953-0021

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**PARISH REGISTRATION: ALL ARE WELCOME** "God is rich in mercy, because of His boundless love for us." Ephesians 2:4 tells us God's love knows no boundaries and neither does St. Mary of the Lakes. New parishioners, regardless of where they live, are welcome and encouraged to register at our parish. Registration forms are available at the doors of the church, in the parish office, and on our website at smlparish.org. Click on contact us/registration.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** Confessions are heard on Saturdays after 9:00 a.m. Mass and at 4:30 p.m. You may also call the parish office to make an appointment for a different time.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK** Please call the parish office anytime or speak to one of the priests after Mass.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the second Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m. Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Session prior to their child's Baptism. Please call the parish office 609/654-8208, x110 as early as possible to make the necessary arrangements.

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY** Congratulations to our engaged couples. Call 609/654-8208, x110 to make arrangements for your wedding. We suggest you call at least a year in advance.

**BECOMING CATHOLIC (RCIA)** If you or someone you know is considering becoming Catholic or is/are baptized Catholic but have yet to receive First Communion and/or Confirmation, please call Christine Brandt at 609/654-8208, x113.

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** Eucharistic Adoration is offered every Thursday from after 9:00 a.m. Mass to 7:00 p.m., concluding with Benediction on the first Thursday of the month.

**MINISTERIAL VISITS** The Sacraments are available to anyone confined to home or institution. Please contact the parish office if you know anyone who is unable to get to church.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY** The St. Vincent de Paul Society is an all-volunteer ministry with services provided and supported by many of our parishioners. "Vincentians" provide outreach and assistance to anyone in need throughout our parish region. Contact Joe Pasquarella, President. 609/953-0021.

Get our parish phone app at the App store or Google play



The weekend of February 24-25 was Pledge Sunday for the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) throughout the Diocese of Trenton.

Each year, the Bishop seeks the support of our parishes, our clergy, Catholic education and social services.

Each of us has a vital part in all we do in Christ's name, and each of us can share in all we do with a gift to the ACA. The ACA gives us the opportunity to support the Church beyond our parish.

This year, St. Mary of the Lakes' goal is \$139,600. As in past years, 15 percent of the goal, or \$20,940 will be returned to St. Mary of the Lakes in the form of a parish rebate. Once we surpass our goal, 50 percent of all gifts will be returned to the parish.

There is also the additional incentive to receive an even greater rebate. If we can increase our participation rate by 10 percent, or 73 new gifts, we will receive an additional \$6,980.

As you know, St. Mary of the Lakes has embarked on a capital and building campaign, entitled, *Our Faith. Our Family. Our Future.* Part of the proceeds of this campaign will benefit the Diocese of Trenton to increase reserves for endowment purposes to address long-term needs in the following areas: Ordained Ministry (priestly retirements and seminary education); Catholic Schools; Catechesis and Evangelization; and Social Services.

However, the Annual Catholic Appeal is a critical *annual appeal* that funds current diocesan operating expenses.

Last year's generous response allowed our parish to exceed our goal by 23 percent with total received pledges of \$171,718 and this gives a total parish rebate of \$36,999.

We hope your generosity will allow for the same results this year and we thank you in advance for making a gift to this year's ACA!

# Palm Sunday Breakfast





# OFOFOF Update Clearing \$3.5 million!

Thank you to the generous parishioners who have made a gift to our OFOFOF (Our Faith, Our Family, Our Future) capital campaign. To date, \$3,501,903.84 has been pledged.

Pledge forms are available At the doors of the Church.

# **INDEED HE IS RISEN !!!**

"Wherever you are in your faith,
Jesus wants to meet you right there
and carry you further."



Join us: Pedata Hall at St. <u>Joans</u> Friday at 6:00am sign up or just show up

# **Easter Sunday Mass Intentions**

## Sunday, April 1 — Easter Sunday

For Our Parishioners 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners For Our Parishioners 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. For Our Parishioners

## Monday, April 2

9:00 a.m. **Purgatorial Society** 

> For Our Parishioners Al Tumolillo / His Family

## Tuesday, April 3

9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners

Yolanda Fidell / Her Husband

## Wednesday, April 4

9:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners

Jim Endahl (Living) / Judy Endahl

## Thursday, April 5

9:00 a.m. Patricia Thomas /

Phil & Madeline Mitcheli

Ronald Lyczak / Candace Corrado

## Friday, April 6

9:00 a.m. Sara Blackburn / Jim & Kathryn Illo

Peggy Bennett / Flora Riddle & Family

## Saturday, April 7

9:00 a.m. Herb Lorenz / Irma & Family

Albert Tumolillo / Tumolillo Family

5:30 p.m. Laura Penn / Laurie Dorisio & Family

Bruce Bunning / Laurie Dorisio & Family

#### Sunday, April 8

7:30 a.m. For Our Parishioners

Al Chapjian / Steve Albanese 9:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Michael Finizio /

Clergy, Staff & Parishioners of SML

12:00 p.m. Elizabeth & Michael Petruzzi /

Their Family

Deceased Members of KofC 6520 / KofC 6 p.m.

All Masses are Announced

**Wedding Bann Third Announcement** Nicholas Robinson and Krista Jenkins



Long-term prayer requests (those over a year old) will PRAYERAND be published individually, but will be prayed for at each Mass, as will the following:



Daniel Albanese Jr., Connie Aromando, Michelle Allen, Linda Bailey, Edith Bratun, Michael Bryan, Catherine Capocci, Brooke Conklin, Bernadette DiAndrea, David J. DiLullo, Theresa R. Dumas, Jim Endahl, Margaret Fitzpatrick, Louis Giansante, Louis Gribaudo, Patricia Hall and Family, Kathy Hellberg, Sawyer Michael Howarth, Morgan Kelly, Jim Mayfield, Judy Meleski, Rita O'Connor, Colette Parisi, The Pedercini Family, Ann Petrelli, Rachel Poljevka, Victor Prato, Frank Prisco, Bill Quigley, James Quigley IV, Donald Raman, Ken Rappe, Sue Rebel, Barbara Saltenberger, Marylynn Skahan, Ret. USAF, Richard SM, Jake Urick, Eric Wall and Madeline.



PVT John Anderson; 2<sup>nd</sup> LT Kyle Brandt, USAF; 1st LT Katherine Collins, USA; 1st LT Erin Corcoran, USA; CAPT Kevin Emmons, USAF; BG Steve Gilland, USA; MAJ Suzanne Gillern; SPC Nicholas Graham; PVT CM Sean Grannan, USA; LTJG Jeremy Griffin, USN; LT Kevin

Hickey, USN; LTJG Sean Hickey, USN; 2nd LT Waverly Hock, USAF; MAJ William Hock, USAF; LT Commander Matthew Knepper, USN; PVT Nicholas Lawrence, USA; GM3 David Lewis, USN; MIDN 4/D Patrick McKernan, USN; 1st LT Victor Prato, USA; CM Jonathan Ross, USN; Cadet Nolan Smith; CAPT Matthew Sturgis, USA.

## Are You an Active Military Member?

Through an anonymous donation, we are able to provide tuition support to active military members who have children at St. Mary of the Lakes School.

Visit www.smlschool.org for information

## Offertory Collections for March 25, 2018

Donations In Cash	\$4,356
Donations In Envelopes	\$26,100
Average Envelope Gift	\$29
Total Number of Envelopes	1,011
Second Collection — Easter Flowers	\$4,616
St. Vincent de Paul (Poor Boxes)	\$119

# Welcome to St. Mary of the Lakes:

Mark Anthony, Mark Menaguale, Jeffrey, Brandee & Thea Grace Fonseca

## Easter Second Collection for YES

A second collection for all Easter Masses will support YES Outreach efforts. Money collected will go towards the Covenant House Sleep Out for Poverty Event on April 27 and the Habitat for Humanity Mission Trip scheduled for June 19-23. Thank you!

## **YES Habitat For Humanity**

The 2018 Habitat For Humanity application is available on the parish website at www.smlparish.org Applications are being accepted for this year's Build Week Trip from June 25-29 in Livingston, New Jersey at the Habitat for Humanity of Newark, N.J.





Join St. Mary of the Lakes Parish, Covenant House To Sleep on the Street for One Night— So Homeless Kids Don't Ever Have To!

> Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 7:00 p.m. St. Mary of the Lakes School 196 Route 70 Medford, NJ



Your Participation and Donations Will Help Homeless Youth Find Food, Shelter, Protection

St. Mary of the Lakes Youth Energized in The Spirit Ministry (Y.E.S.), in Partnership with Covenant House, invites 6-12<sup>th</sup> graders in all cohort parishes/schools, as well as those in Medford/area schools, to *Sleep Out* on Friday, April 27th, at 6:00 p.m. at St. Mary of the Lakes School, 196 Route 70, Medford. Evening includes Y.E.S. members/parents/police chaperones, discussions, music, fellowship and prayer, and a donation of however much a participant can afford. Or, make donation at:

https://sleepout.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.login&loginRequired=true&destination=messages.home

The Sleep Out Movement is an opportunity for us to make an immediate and lasting impact on the homeless young people who live at Covenant House. The Sleep Out does mean taking a piece of cardboard and sleeping bag to parking lot, field, yard, or along a strip of sidewalk, but it's not about pretending to be homeless. It's about showing a group of kids unconditional love and absolute respect - proving that you care enough about them to be uncomfortable for one night, to be vulnerable for their sakes. The funds raised by Sleep Out participants are put to work immediately, keeping the lights on and the doors open for the thousands of kids who will seek help this year.



# Our Early Education Information Night was a Huge Success

Thank you to those families for spending the evening learning about our wonderful program, making a craft and meeting new friends!

## HERE WE GROW Again!

A warm welcome to our **NEW** SMLS students:

Luciano C.

Vivian M.

Hunter M.

Jaxon W.

Lillian D.

Nevaeh H.

Aryanna H.

# Welcome Wednesday's 10 a.m. -12 p.m.

Want more information about our school? Call for a tour TODAY!

Catherine Gillespie, Director of Admissions at 609-654-2546 ext. 227



# Spiritwear is Available

St. Mary of the Lakes Spiritwear launched a line of products including some with plaids and tie dye.



# from St. Mary of the Lakes School

# SMLS PTA TIMED & CERTIFIED 5K and 1 Mile COLOR RUN & WALK

Saturday, April 21 8:00 a.m.
Freedom Park
86 Union St., Medford

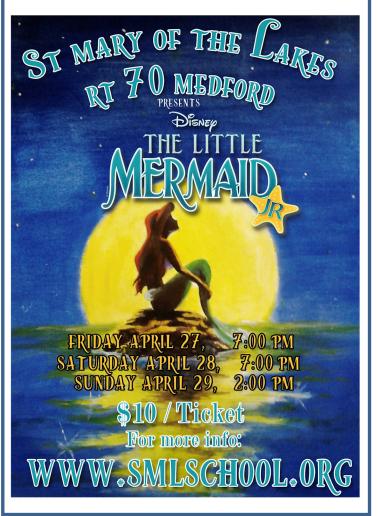
Register by 4/6/18 to guarantee a race bib, color packet, and t-shirt for the Color Run!

## Register or Donate Online at:

https://events.myschoolcolorrun.com/event/2018-StMary-of-the-Lakes-School-Medford-NJ

# Want to be a Sponsor for the 5K/Color Run?

Would you or your business like to be a sponsor at our 5K/Color Run? Please visit the Upcoming Events information under smlschool.org/parents/PTA.



# Sponsorship Opportunities for 2018 Carnival

## **Title Sponsors**

Beer Garden Sponsor: \$10,000 (1 available): Title sponsor of the Beer Garden. Includes signage on and in the beer garden area stating: Welcome to the XXXX Beer Garden, inclusion in all mentions of the area, listing in all sponsorship materials as Beer Garden Sponsor. The ability to distribute materials, post flyers, coupons and table materials in the beer garden related to your company or service. (pending approval of materials). Also includes mentions from the stage throughout the event that the Beer Garden is brought to you by Company (Family) XXXX. Inclusion in the parish bulletin as the Beer Garden Sponsor.

**Food Tent Sponsor:** \$10,000 (Unavailable) Title sponsor of the Food Tent. Includes signage on and in the food tent area stating: Welcome to the XXXX Food Pavilion, inclusion in all mentions of the area, listing in all sponsorship materials as Food Pavilion Sponsor. The ability to distribute materials, post flyers, coupons and table materials in the food pavilion related to your company or service. (pending approval of materials). Also includes mentions from the stage throughout the event that the Food Pavilion is brought to you by Company (Family) XXXX.

**Main Stage Sponsor:** \$5,000 (1 available) Title sponsor of the Main Stage. This includes signage on the stage: Company XXX stage, inclusion in all mentions of the stage, listing in all sponsorship materials as Main Stage Sponsor. Also includes mentions from the stage throughout the event, and before each entertainer appearing on Company (Family) XXXX stage.

## **Game Sponsor**

The carnival will have 12 carnival games. Each of these presents a sponsorship opportunity for a company, business or even family to support the carnival. Each game will have a sign that designates the sponsor for the entire carnival. The signs will be exposed to high visibility as the games will have a prime spot on the carnival midway. A sample of the games available: hot shot, frog bog, candy wheel and more. Signage and mention as a Gaming Sponsor in all relevant places and postings included. Mention in the parish bulletin as a gaming sponsor of the carnival and in other printed materials relevant to the sponsorship of games.

Cost of Sponsorship: \$500.00 each game for entire carnival Opportunities Available: 12

## **Battle of the Bands Competition**

Saint Mary of the Lakes will host a Battle of the Bands competition at the carnival. The event will take place in one night. (night not set yet). The sponsorship will be to be the title sponsor for every mention of the Battle of the Bands, for example:

Saint Mary of the Lakes Battle of the Bands brought to you by XXXXXX.

This sponsorship will offset the costs of running the contest and the prizes that will be awarded. Stage signage during the Battle of the Bands and mention as sponsor in all relevant places, postings and advertising related to the competition. Mention in the parish bulletin as a gaming sponsor of the carnival and in other printed materials relevant to the sponsorship of games.

Cost of Sponsorship: \$1000.00 for one night and advance to the Battle of the Bands in all promotional materials. Opportunities Available: 1

#### **Gold Patron Sponsor**

\$500 Sponsorship with signage at the event listing all persons/companies that have contributed to the event in this category. Mention in the parish bulletin as a Patron Sponsor of the carnival and in other printed materials relevant to this category of sponsorship.

Cost of Sponsorship: \$500.00 Opportunities Available: Unlimited

## **Supporting Sponsor**

\$100 Mention in the parish bulletin as a Supporting Sponsor of the carnival and in other printed materials relevant to this category of sponsorship.

Cost of Sponsorship: \$100.00 Opportunities Available: Unlimited

If you are interested in the any sponsorship opportunity, please contact Maria at mking@eventcrazy.com for more information.

# ST. MARY OF THE LAKES TUESDAY JUNE 26 THROUGH SATURDAY JUNE 30, 2018 ST. MARY OF THE LAKES SCHOOL

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**SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER** volunteers@smlcarnival.org

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mking@eventcrazy.com



# 75th Anniversary Dinner/Dance Tickets

Come join the Celebration! Meet us at The Merion on June 15 (6 to 11 p.m.) to enjoy the festivities of St. Mary of the Lakes Church celebrating our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We will have a Top Shelf Open Bar (all evening), a multitude of Butlered Hors D'oeuvres, Stations and a Jazz Duo during the cocktail hour. This will be followed with a choice of outstanding Dinner Entrees, fabulous Desserts, Dessert Stations and a ten member Band (MARQUEE) to keep us stepping. Come and spend a fun evening with your Parish Community.

Dinner Dance is open to Adults (21 and older).

Tickets are \$75.00 per person
and are on sale in the Parish Office.

Tickets also can be purchased online at:
www.smlparish.org
www.facebook.com/smlparish

Tables of 10 can be reserved by contacting Pat Kiernan at 609-654-6313 or wkier2@verizon.net

# **Holy Water Font Memorial Opportunities**

The ten holy water fonts in Church are being replaced with satin bronze holy water fonts pictured here. Above each font will come with a memorial plaque worded to your liking. The offering is \$550.







# **Lending Library**

After all masses during the weekend of April 7 and 8, the Lending Library will be accepting donations at a table at the Jackson Road Entrance of the church. Donations will help support the ministry in many ways

including the purchase of new items.

The Lending Library will also have a limited number of books available for free at the table. The free books will be *Beautiful Mercy* and *Beautiful Hope*. For children, there will also be a limited number of *Brother Francis Let's Pray Coloring & Activity* books available. Please stop by the table and show your support for the Lending Library!

# **Golf Outing**



Charity golf tournament benefits the homeless, less fortunate, women in crisis, and children

The Knights of Columbus are hosting their 11<sup>th</sup> annual charity golf tournament on Monday, June 11, at Medford Lakes Country Club (70 Oak Drive, Medford Lakes, NJ 08055). All proceeds benefit 1st Way of Burlington County, the Interfaith Hospitality Network of Burlington County and Medford's Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

These vital organizations provide critical services like food, shelter, clothing, financial assistance, and counseling to the needy in our area. The Knights invite men and women golfers and local business owners to 'chip in for charity' to support these organizations that treat every man, woman, and child with respect, dignity, and kindness.

Golf registration is \$150 before April 1 (\$160 after) and includes greens fee, golf cart, lunch, hors d'oeuvres, cocktail hour with hot appetizers, dinner and dessert. The tournament is a scramble format and begins with a shotgun start at 12:00 p.m. Dinner-only tickets are available for \$45. A silent auction, raffle and tombola offer opportunities to win great prizes.

To serve as a sponsor or to register for golf, visit www.medfordknights.org or contact Don Bouchard at bouchdm@aol.com or 609-654-8853 or 609-760-8932.

# **Knights in Action**

The Knights are grateful to our fellow St. Mary of the Lakes parishioners for supporting our Easter flower sale on Palm Sunday weekend. All proceeds benefit the numerous charitable activities of the Knights.

Vivat Jesus!



# Make a Holy Hour in the Adoration Chapel



# **Eucharistic Adoration Update**

In response to Father Dan's homily on Palm Sunday, 33 parishioners signed up to be part of the leadership team to organize and schedule adorers. If you would like to be added to this list, please email Father Dan at father\_dan@smlparish.org. Father will call a meeting of those who signed up after Easter.

## **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - APRIL 8**



St. Mary of the Lakes is hosting Divine Mercy Sunday:

2:00 p.m. Short history of Divine Mercy

2:15 p.m. Rosary procession (Luminous Mysteries)

3:00 p.m. Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Meditation

3:15 p.m. Adoration

Benediction

Closing & Veneration of the Divine Image

4:00 p.m. Refreshments in the Emmaus Center

The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, he wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy

Contact Marianne Perkins (609) 760-9221/ marnperk@gmail.com or Mario (609) 654-8916/dianoramd@verizon.net

# Confirmation







## FORMED KIDS' KORNER



## He is Risen!

## The Story of Easter Comes Alive

Join Brother Francis in this animated presentation of key points in the life of Jesus Christ, his death on the cross, his triumph over death, and his ascension to the Father.

Also in Spanish: ¡Resucitó!

#### More Kids' Content





Also in Spanish!

Also in Spanish!

## **FORMED**

Need an account? Go to www.smlparish.formed.org and register to access movies, audio materials, books, Bible studies, etc.

# Blue Tape for Broken Pews/Kneelers

As the pews and kneelers are over 60 years old, they are bound to break. If you notice a broken pew or kneeler, please



take a piece of blue tape hanging outside the sacristy and tape the top of the pew. This will signal maintenance to repair. Thanks for your cooperation.



# Pilgrimage to Ireland June 25-July 4, 2018

Under Spiritual Director Fr. Genaro Daguplo from St. Raphael-Holy Angeles

Round trip from Newark NJ. \$ 3,150 pp double occupancy. Protection plan during trip included.

> For information call Deacon Tom (732) 610-5434

## Congratulations!!!

Congratulations to Brian Henderson and Christian Newman who received Steve Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. As new Christians, they are called neophytes.

Brian and Steve are now in the Period of Mystagogy where they will fully participate in the Eucharistic celebration with all the faithful and continue to receive pertinent catechesis.

May God bless Brian and Steve, and may their faith continue to grow and bear fruit.

Show me the path I should walk, for I entrust my life to you. Teach me to do your will, for you are my God. May your kind spirit guide me on ground that is level. - Psalm 143:8. 10 NAB

## More Congratulations!!!

Congratulations to the newest members of our Catholic community: James C. Gibson III, Stewart Hawkins, and Debra O'Reilly who were received into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church at Easter Viail.

We also celebrated with Ossman Cossio, Courtney Hartwell and Ryan Sander who completed their initiation through Confirmation.

Our community welcomes and congratulates them and continues to offer them our prayers and support as they continue on their spiritual journey with us.

"Do not conform yourself to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect." - Romans 12:2 NAB

Do you have questions about becoming Catholic or completing your Sacraments? Contact Christine Brandt at 609-654-8208 ext. 113 or cbrandt@smlparish.org.



## **Community Sunday** and Blood Pressure Screening

Please stop in the Emmaus Center on Sunday, April 8 after each of the 7:30, 9, and 10:30 a.m. Masses to enjoy a cup of coffee or tea or a Medford Bagel Shop bagel, Gluten free snacks also will be available. There will be an opportunity to have your blood pressure checked.

If you frequent the 10:30 Mass on Sunday mornings, you



most likely have witnessed happy little children "quietly" entering the Church right before the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Perhaps you wondered where they have come from and why they are so happy. It's not a mystery – they have been attending CHILDREN'S CHURCH in the Parish Offices.

If you are interested in having your preschooler join CHILDREN'S CHURCH, contact the PREP Office at smlprep@smlparish.org
We do not meet on *Children's Mass* Sundays.

Parish Meetings

# Parish Office Construction Alert

To all our Ministries, if you have meetings scheduled in any of the Parish Office meeting locations then

they will have to be relocated during the time of May 1 to November 30, 2018. **Thank You!** 

## Scheduling of an Event / Meeting

Contact Frontdesk via e-mail @

frontdesk@smlparish.org

Please include the following with request:

- Name of Event / Meeting
- Point of Contact information (e-mail and phone number)
- Date(s)
- 1. Note if reoccurring/frequency
- 2. Number of approximate attendees
- 3. Preferred location
- 4. Include any special requests and room layout (ie. Number of tables, chairs)

Rooms are reserved on a 1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> serve basis Allow for approximately one week notification of addition or change of Event to update Calendar.

## **Rosary Prayer Groups**

- Weekdays following morning Masses *except* Thursday and after 9:00 a.m. Mass on Saturday in the Church
- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 3:30 p.m. in the Church
- Tuesday Evening, 7:30 p.m. in Private Conference Room
- Wednesday Morning, 9:30 a.m., Legion of Mary in Conference Room

# St. Mary of the Lakes This Week

# Sunday, April 1 — Easter Sunday

- RCIA / 8:30 a.m. / Church
- Easter EC Mass / 10:30 a.m. / EC
- Easter EC Mass / 12 p.m. / EC
- AA Meeting / 7 p.m. / PMR

# Monday, April 2

- Parish Office closed
- Men's Gospel Reflection Group / 6 a.m. / JRE
- Sharing Christ / 9:30 a.m. / EC
- KofC Officer's Meeting / 7:30 p.m. / CR

# Tuesday, April 3

- Prayer Shawl Meeting / 10:30 a.m. / EC
- Parish Build Meeting / 7 p.m. / PMR
- Glory to God Prayer Group / 7:30 p.m. / EC

## Wednesday, April 4

- Bible Study / 10:15 a.m. / EC
- Adult Choir Practice / 7 p.m. / Church
- Parish Pastoral Council / 7 p.m. / RDR
- Respect Life Meeting / 7 p.m. / CR

## Thursday, April 5

- Adoration / 9:30 a.m. / Church
- Prayer and Bible Study / 10 a.m. / EC
- Miraculous Medal Novena / 6:30 p.m. / Church
- Benediction / 7 p.m. / Church
- Holy Land Pilgrimage Meeting / 7 p.m. / EC

# Friday, April 6

- Sister Judy Prep / 4:15 p.m. / CR
- Holy Land Pilgrimage Meeting / 7 p.m. / EC

# Saturday, April 7

- Confessions / 9:30 a.m. / Church
- Confessions / 4:30 p.m. / Church

# Sunday, April 8 — Divine Mercy Sunday

- Community Sunday / 8:30 a.m.—12 p.m. / EC
- RCIA / 8:30 a.m. / Church
- Children's Church / 10:15 a.m. / CR
- Baptism SML Group / 1:30 p.m. / Church
- Divine Mercy Sunday Recitation of the Rosary & Refreshments / 2 p.m. 5 p.m. / EC
- Divine Mercy & Adoration / 3 p.m. / Church
- AA Meeting / 7 p.m. / PMR

## **SML Room Abbreviations**

CR = Conference Room EC = Emmaus Center FFL = Faith Formation Library JRE = Jackson Rd. Entrance PCR = Private Conference Room PMR = Parish Meeting Room RDR = Rectory Dining Room SA = School Auditorium





# Two Bowls of Soup Ministry

Please notify us of those who may appreciate the comfort of soup — post hospital, grief stricken, homebound, etc.

Pat Conroy:patc65@comcast.net



## **Matrimony Conference**

Please join us for an all-day conference on Matrimony: Rediscovering Its Truth on Saturday,

April 21 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul in Philadelphia with speakers:

His Eminence Raymond Cardinal Burke, D.D., J.C.D., Member and Prefect Emeritus, Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura; Rev. Gerald E. Murray, J.C.D., Pastor of Church of the Holy Family, New York, New York and commentator on EWTN; and Rev. Gerald Dennis Gill, S.L.L., M.Div., Director of the Office for Divine Worship and Rector and

Pastor, Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul. We will have Eucharistic Adoration and

recitation of the Rosary and the presence of the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima.

His Eminence Raymond Cardinal Burke will be the principal celebrant at the 5:15 p.m. Mass in the Cathedral Basilica. The Cathedral Basilica Choir will sing at the Mass. Reservations are required.

To download a flyer and registration forms, please go to our website: https://www.saintjohnneumannchapter.org/

For more information, call: 215-247-2585

## **Caring for Homeless Families** An Opportunity to Help Those in Need



As a member of the Interfaith Hospitality Network, we are blessed to Interfaith have our next week of caring for Hospitality homeless families from Sunday, April 15 through Sunday April 22. invite St. Mary's parishioners to help care for these families in need.

Where: The shelter is set up in our Emmaus Center for the week and we host from one to four families who are currently homeless.

**How to Volunteer:** The sign-up lists from which you can select assignments will be available after all of the Masses on the weekends of April 1 and April 8 (Jackson Road Entrance). Volunteer families with children are more than welcome to join us.

## Volunteer duties which we need assistance include:

- Providing dinner entrée, salad/vegetable or dessert which you bring to the Emmaus Center
- Picking up and donating food, supplies, various items for lunches, other needs
- Being an evening host from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. for socializing and dining with the families
- Hosting overnight from 9:00 p.m. to 6:30 a.m.
- Driving families from Emmaus Center to the Moorestown day center at 6:30 a.m.
- Driving the families from day center in Moorestown to the Emmaus Center at 5:00 p.m.
- Setting up and taking down facilities
- Laundering the bed linens

Thank you so much for your generosity. Call Marie 609-280-3625 / Bill 609-280-3624

## Offerings at Francis House of Prayer Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center Box 392 • Rancocas, NJ 08073 609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net



**Personal Retreat Day** Wednesday, April 11 - 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Take a day away from the busyness of your life to rest a while in the Lord and experience God's presence. Come to Francis House for silence, personal prayer and optional spiritual direction. The day begins and ends with a brief prayer together. Donation: \$10; \$40 with spiritual

direction. Please bring a bag lunch.

To register call (609) 877 - 0509

## St. Vincent DePaul



## Spring Fashions at the Thrift Store

Spring and summer apparel are now available at the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store on Jones Road in Medford. Shopping at the Thrift Store offers you the opportunity to purchase quality goods at an affordable price while helping the poor. Every dollar you spend funds programs to help those in need in the surrounding area. Household items, books, and CDs are also available.

If you haven't shopped at the Thrift Store, you'll be pleasantly surprised at the quality and range of items available at a good price.

For shopping hours or if you or someone you know needs assistance, call St. Vincent's at (609) 953-0021



# Welcome Mia **SML Therapy Friend**

Mia, a therapy dog, has been greeting us at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. For the next few weeks, Mia will continue sitting behind the altar on the Rectory side to familiarize with her surroundings. At St.

Benedict (Father Dan's previous parish), there were many therapy dogs who were trained at a specific Mass and all of the dogs were warmly welcomed.

Any questions, please contact Patti Taraschi at pattitaraschi@hotmail.com

The Glory to God Prayer Group meets every Tuesday from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. in the Emmaus Center.

Contact Marianne Perkins at 609-760-9221 / marnperk@gmail.com

