



September 9, 2018

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

Kerry De Costa, Administrative Assistant

Lenora Gange, Administrative Assistant

Angela Santoro, Administrative Assistant

Amy Rash, School Principal

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 Ralph Gallo, 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>

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Facebook: www.facebook.com/smlparish

School Website: <http://www.smlschool.org>

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

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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

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.

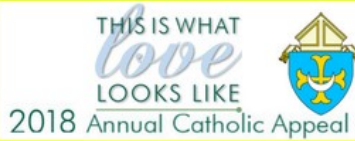
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION Eucharistic Adoration is offered every Thursday from after 9:00 a.m. Mass to 7:00 p.m., concluding with Benediction on the first Thursday of the month.

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. “Vincentsians” provide outreach and assistance to anyone in need throughout our parish region. Contact Joe Pasquarella, President. 609/953-0021.

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Continuing to Exceed Our Goal

To date, SML has pledged \$152,954.12 to top our goal of \$139,600 for the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) throughout the Diocese of Trenton. By reaching our goal, the rebate will be \$20,960 (15 percent of goal). By continuing to exceed our goal, the rebate will be \$20,960 + 50 percent of difference above \$139,600.

Therefore, when all pledges are paid, St. Mary of the Lakes will receive a parish rebate of \$27,637.06.

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 updated in July, 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. **We thank you for making a gift to this year's ACA!**

Bishop's Anniversary Blessings

All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50+ wedding anniversary during the 2018 calendar year are invited to gather with family and friends to share the Eucharist, renew your sacred wedding vows, and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing.



Anniversary Couples from Burlington County may attend the Mass and Blessing at St. Mary Cathedral in Trenton on **Sunday, October 21, 2018** at 3 p.m. Couples must register through their home parish; the registration deadline is September 15, 2018.

SOLES 4 SOULS

W E A R I N G O U T P O V E R T Y ®

One person's unwanted shoes can help provide meaningful opportunities that many in developing nations need, which is why **Saint Mary of the Lakes Church** will launch a shoe drive to collect **at least 200** pairs of new or gently-worn shoes during the month of September.

The shoes will be delivered to Soles4Souls a non-profit social enterprise that creates sustainable jobs and provides relief through the distribution of shoes and clothing around the world. Founded in 2006, the organization has distributed more than 30 million pairs of new and gently-worn shoes in 127 countries.

Be on the lookout for more information and donation boxes starting in September. For more information contact gsg4949@hotmail.com or any of the Giegerich children.

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 9

- 7:30 a.m. Marion V. Lauterborn /
Gary & Eileen Palko
- 9:00 a.m. Norma Bush /
Clergy, Staff & Parishioners of SML
- 10:30 a.m. Lawrence Dunn / His wife, Kathleen
- 12:00 p.m. Dorothy Vallery / George & Nancy Finan
- 6:00 p.m. For Our Parishioners

Monday, September 10

- 7:15 a.m. Catherine DiGrazio / The Dwyer Family
- 9:00 a.m. Thomas Carberry / Dick & Anne Adams
Madeline Mitchell (living) / Mary Custer

Tuesday, September 11

- 7:15 a.m. All the Souls in Purgatory /
The Nguyen Family
- 9:00 a.m. Thomas Carberry / Dick & Anne Adams
Madeline Mitchell (living) /
Morning Prayer Friends

Note: There will be **no Masses** celebrated on **Wednesday, September 12** and **Thursday, September 13**, as Father Dan and Father Roy will be attending a convocation on those dates. For those who want to attend daily mass, the following schedule is provided for your convenience.

- **Holy Eucharist, 520 Medford Lakes Rd., Tabernacle**
Sept. 12 - 9:00 a.m. Communion Service
Sept. 13 - 9:00 Mass
- **St. Isaac Jogues, 349 Evesboro-Medford Rd., Marlton**
Both Days - 8:30 a.m. Communion Service
- **St. Joan of Arc, 100 Willow Bend Rd., Marlton**
Sept. 12 - 9:00 a.m. Communion Service
Sept. 13 - 7:00 a.m. Communion Service
- **St. John Neumann, 560 Walton Ave., Mount Laurel**
Both Days - 7:00 a.m. Communion Service

Friday, September 14

- 7:15 a.m. Marion Pensabene / Fred & Millie Linett
- 9:00 a.m. Marion Pensabene / Jim & Loretta Amari

Saturday, September 15

- 9:00 a.m. Purgatorial Society

- 5:30 p.m. Janet Spellacy /
Glory to God Prayer Group

Sunday, September 16

- 7:30 a.m. For Our Parishioners
- 9:00 a.m. C. Scott Rombach /
His wife Marta & Family
- 10:30 a.m. David Kirk / His daughter & son
- 12:00 p.m. Dennis Meskill / Paul & Kathy Hellberg
- 6:00 p.m. Louis (Mike) White Sr. /
The Bargfrede Family

Please pray for the souls of
Mathilde Skacel and Eileen Grieb
and keep their families in your prayers.



Long-term prayer requests (those over a year old) will not be published individually, but will be prayed for at each Mass, as will the following:

Michelle Allen, Charlie Arnold, Joseph Aromando, Marty Ball, David Belonger, Michael Bryan, Sherri Colan, Brooke Conklin, Lauren Domingo, David J. DiLullo, Theresa R. Dumas, Jim Endahl, George Fina, Margaret Fitzpatrick, Louis Giansante, Louis Gribaudo, Ed Grieb, Patricia Hall and Family, Marie Hartwell, Sawyer Michael Howarth, Jim Kehoe, Morgan Kelly, Jeanne Murphy, Carol and Steve Newman, Rita O'Connor, Colette Parisi, Ann Petrelli, Jack Pisano, Frank Prisco, Donna Pritchett, Bill Quigley, Kelsie Quinn, Sue Rebel, Garry Roettger, Rachel Russo, Dave Santaspirt, Kimberly Shifflett, Hilda "Peggy" Severino, Marylynn Skahan, Richard SM, Barbara Stearn, Leoncia Sullivan, Donna Surman, Richard Szyborski and Madeline.

PVT John Anderson; 2nd LT Kyle Brandt, USAF; 1st LT Katherine Collins, USA; 1st LT Erin Corcoran, USA; CAPT Kevin Emmons, USA; BG Steve Gilland, USA; MAJ Suzanne Gillern; SPC Nicholas Graham; PVT CM Sean Grannan, USA; LTJG Jeremy Griffin, USN; LTJG Sean Hickey, USN; 2nd LT Waverly Hock, USAF; MAJ William Hock, USAF; Capt. Richard Jordan, USMC; ENS William Jordan, USN; 2nd LT Rachel Kelly, USAF; LT Commander Matthew Knepper, USN; PVT Nicholas Lawrence, USA; GM3 David Lewis, USN; Christopher Macready, USMC; MIDN 4/D Patrick McKernan, USN; 1st LT Victor Prato, USA; CM Jonathan Ross, USN; ENS Nolan Smith, USN; CAPT Matthew Sturgis, USA; TSGT Adrian Tomkus, USAF.



Offertory Collections for Sunday, September 2, 2018

Donations In Cash	\$5,084
Donations In Envelopes	\$20,271
Average Envelope Gift	\$33
Total Number of Envelopes	695
St. Vincent de Paul (Poor Boxes)	\$218
Parish EGiving—August	\$25,652

Welcome to St. Mary of the Lakes:

Megan and Jeff Thompson & children Alexander and Marielle;
Philip and Leah Mlynarski & children Gabriel and Kiana;
Piotr and Sylwia & children Victoria and Olivia;
Kay Sowa; Kathleen Povernick !

A Gentle Reminder . . . Use Your Envelope!



Being a Godparent or Confirmation sponsor is a privilege reserved for practicing Catholics, that is, those who attend Mass weekly.

Since Father Dan's arrival, he has asked in letters of welcome, mailings and from the pulpit for everyone to track their weekly attendance by using their envelopes.

If you are an electronic giver, please use your envelope and check the box that indicates same. Also, when envelopes arrive in the mail, you may want to put them in the glove compartment in your car if you are in the habit of forgetting your envelope.

If you are asked to be a sponsor, Father Dan will be required to put in writing that you are a weekly communicant.

As we all know, once you've lost your credibility, you've lost everything. For that reason, Father Dan is unwilling to sign his name to something he does not know is true.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Eucharistic Adoration COME TO ME! COMMIT AN HOUR TO ME! W H Y ?



- Jesus wants you to experience peace in your holy hours of prayer!
 - Jesus wants a relationship with you!
 - Jesus wants to pour out upon you invisible graces.
- COME IN EXPECTANT FAITH.

Anyone interested in signing up for a Eucharistic Adoration hour can go to the parish website at smlparish.org

For more information, contact Natalie Stone at mazzunat007@msn.com or Diana Kenworthy at dkenworthy1@gmail.com

ST. MARY OF THE LAKES ADULT CHOIR



Fall Rehearsals on Wednesdays

We in the Choir consider ourselves privileged to belong to a group gathered together, as one, to glorify God. September would be a good time to join our choir - however, new members are welcome to join anytime during the year.

We spend each Wednesday at a lively practice; sing every Sunday morning at either the 9 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. Mass. Quite a commitment, but it is rewarding, in that we really aspire to sing our songs and psalms with authenticity, to the best of our ability. Our rehearsals are busy - we go over each piece of music for the following Sunday, paying close attention to breathing and diction; going through each vocal line (soprano, alto, tenor, and bass) for accuracy and blend.

Rehearsals are a great time of fellowship, much humor, and prayer, with the expectancy of growth—musically, spiritually, and socially.

Please come to one of our rehearsals before you make a commitment - get more information from Peg Weaver at 856-722-8960 OR pneweav@aol.com.

Also, if you play an instrument and could help us out once in awhile, let me know.

Children's Books



The section of the Church closest to the Rectory has children's books in the book racks to occupy our wee ones during Mass. Enjoy!



Demolition of
Parish Offices



Introducing Our New Parish Pastoral Council Members

Claudia Aguilar

Claudia was born in Belgium and immigrated to the US as a child. She lived in various states through adulthood and met her husband, Omar, also an immigrant, at Rockhurst University, a Jesuit school, in Kansas City, Missouri. Omar and Claudia were married and did their graduate work at the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, IN. Go Irish! They moved to Medford from Ohio in 1998 with their growing family. Claudia spent her years volunteering at St. Mary of the Lakes School where the three Aguilar children; Sophia, Christian and Camille attended nursery through 8th grade. Claudia is a member of the Legion of Mary and the Thursday Bible Study Group.



Marianne Perkins



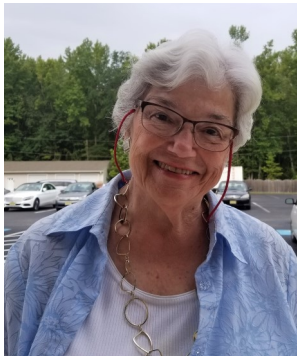
Marianne grew up in Cleveland Ohio and attended Byzantine Catholic High School and St. Alexis Nursing School in Cleveland. She met her husband, Bob, who was in the Infantry, while serving in Viet Nam as an Army Nurse. They were married a year after discharge from the Military at St. Gregory the Theologian Parish in Lakewood Ohio. Bob worked for the Hartford in Office Administration and job transfers took them to Detroit and Grand Rapids, Michigan and in 1979 here to Medford and St. Mary of the Lakes. They have 4 grown children who reside with their families close by in Medford, Marlton, Cherry Hill and Egg Harbor Twp. Marianne and her husband started a business in 1983 and both still work full time at Premiums & Specialties. Marianne was active in the Music ministry, is a Eucharistic Minister and a Core Group Leader of Glory to God Prayer Group.

Leonor Czarnecki

Leonor immigrated to Brooklyn, NY from the Philippines at a young age. She received her degree in Biology from St. John's University where she met her husband, Stan. She went on to receive her nursing degree from Wagner College and became an RN. Stan and Leonor celebrated 34 years of marriage in August. The Czarnecki Family moved to Medford in 1994 after Stan accepted a position as an ER physician at Cooper University Hospital. They have two children. Christine and Jonathan graduated from St. Mary of the Lakes School. Christine is a math teacher and Jonathan will be graduating college this coming December. Leonor and Stan are members of the Pre-Canva Ministry Team and are Christ Life program facilitators. Leonor and Stan will also become Eucharistic Ministers next month in September.



Winnie Lemyre



Winnie was born in Philadelphia and spent the first eighteen years of her life there with vacations every summer in Jamestown, RI, the family home of her mother. She attended Penn State where she met Joe Lemyre. They were married after Joe graduated and shortly before Winnie did, since Joe was assigned to pilot training and the only time allotted free by the Air Force was Christmas of 1953. The next twenty years were busy ones with eight station transfers and the arrival of six children. Those six children have graced her with fifteen grandchildren who in turn have added nine great grandchildren. She feels very blessed. In 1978, the Lemyre Family moved to Medford and happily joined St. Mary of the Lakes. After Joe retired they began civilian life restoring an old house (1849) in Lumberton and sharpening civilian skills, Joe as an accountant, and Winnie as a teacher. Thirty years of married life ended in 1983 when Joe passed on after a second heart attack. Winnie taught English at Shawnee High School. She loved the kids and the subject; she got her masters in English Literature at Rutgers in 1993. She retired in 2000 and has spent the time since enjoying her family, traveling, and volunteering at the Philadelphia Museum of Art, St. Vincent de Paul and St. Mary of the Lakes. Her various activities here have included service on the Parish Council, editing the "Good News," teaching PREP, and being a Eucharistic Minister and a Reader. She looks forward to serving again on Parish Council.

Finance Council Update

Father Dan is grateful to the following members for completing their three year term serving on the finance council: David Fasanella, Art Macauley and Graham McFarland.

Please join Father Dan in welcoming the following parishioners to the finance council for a three year term: Bob Aplanaib, John Fleming and Kevin Loughlin.

DRE's UPDATE

PREP Orientation on September 9



Families New to PREP (Grades 1 through 8), who have already registered for this year, are invited to an Orientation this Sunday from 12:00 to 12:30 p.m. at SML School. You and your children are welcome to tour the school and have your questions answered before PREP classes begin on September 11 and 12 for first through sixth grades, and September 18 for seventh and eighth grades. Use the PREP entrance on the Route 70 side..

We look forward to seeing you!

I'm sure you know that the acronym PREP stands for Parish Religious Education Program, but do you know who "PREP" is? PREP is a vibrant, vital group of dedicated volunteers called Catechists who focus on the faith formation of parish children not enrolled in SML School. Each week, these individuals instruct children in Grades 1 through 8 in the teachings of the Church, empowering them to live and proclaim the Good News as they reach out in service to others. As the Director of Religious Education (DRE), I invite you to read about PREP on the Parish website, pray for the volunteers and families who comprise PREP, and consider joining us in this valuable ministry. Whether you are a parent or a grandparent, a college student or a retiree, a teacher or someone who has never taught, all are welcome and needed.

PREP classes begin in September and are held on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons from 4:15 to 5:30 p.m. for 1st through 6th graders. The 7th and 8th graders meet on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. We are currently in need of catechists for the following:

Tuesday 4:15–5:30: Grade 4 (one catechist); Grade 5 (one catechist)

Wednesday 4:15–5:30: Grade 3 (two catechists); Grade 5 (one catechist)

Classroom assistants, hall monitors, substitute catechists, and office help for both afternoons and Tuesday evening classes are also needed. Please contact the PREP Office at 609-654-2546 x315 or mscordato@smlparish.org.

REGISTRATION REMINDER - Registration is ongoing for Grades 1-8.

Forms were mailed in early June and may also be found on the Parish website.



Two great schools! One great info night!



Are you a parent of a 7th or 8th Grader? Are you curious about the advantages that a single-gender, independent, Catholic, college prep high school education would offer your son or daughter? If so, both you and your student (s) are invited to join Merion Mercy Academy and St. Joseph's Preparatory School at a combined evening event to be held in your area on Monday, September 24, from 6:30 – 8 p.m., at the Pennsauken Country Club, Pennsauken, NJ. Meet Admissions representatives and our students who reside in New Jersey, and learn more about our schools. Both have many New Jersey students who lead dynamic lives at MMA or The Prep! Learn more and register for the event at: www.sjprep.org/Prep_MMAInfoNight.

New Jersey students and your families, we look forward to meeting you!

Part-Time Assistants Needed

St. Mary of the Lakes School is seeking a part-time teacher assistant to support students in the classroom and also assist during their lunch/recess time.

Also seeking a lunch/recess assistant from 11:45 a.m. -1:15 p.m. from Monday through Friday.

Check out the SMLS 2018-2019 Calendar
at smlschool.org for all our back
to school information

**September 19
Back to School Night**

Pre-K to 8th Grade - New this year - one night only -
for a detailed schedule please reference smlschool.org.

Considering Transferring Your Child?

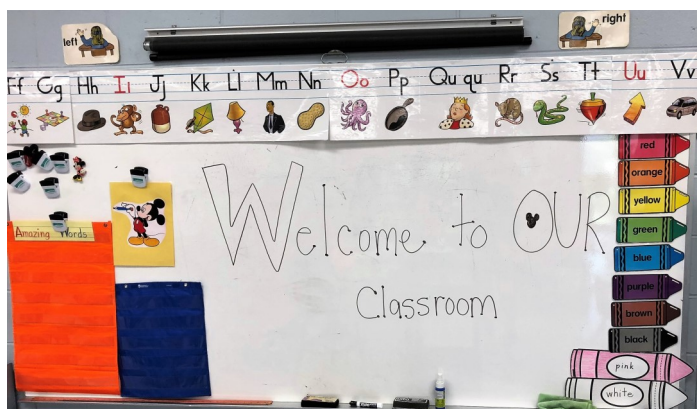
SMLS offers a new Transfer Grant Program for new families with students in grades 1 through 7 for the 2018-19 school year. The grant is a tuition credit of \$1,500.00 per student in his/her first year at SMLS and \$1,000.00 in his/her second year. Financial assistance will also be available.

Please visit smlschool.org/admissions
for further information.

New Family Dinner held at SMLS



Welcome Back to School !



PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY

SEPTEMBER HEALTH TIP

Here are some tips for reinventing yourself this fall:

- Don't act your age or at least what you think your age should act like. It's positive thinking and goes a long way toward feeling better about you.
- Be positive in your conversations and your actions every day. When you catch yourself complaining, change the conversation to something positive.
- Drop negative friends who complain all the time and constantly talk about how awful everything is. Distance yourself from negative people.
- Walk like a vibrant, healthy person. Come on. You can do it. Analyze your gait. Make a conscious effort to take big strides and wear comfortable shoes.
- Stand up straight. Look in the mirror. Are you holding your stomach in, have your shoulders back, chin up? You will look great and feel better if you are.
- How's your smile? People who smile more often are happier. Take care of your teeth as they are the first thing people notice when you smile.
- Lonely? Stop brooding and complaining. Do something about it now. Pick up the phone, and make a call to do something. Volunteer! Take a class. Invite someone to lunch.

MEDICARE 101 SEMINAR

The parishioners of St. Mary of the Lakes Church have been invited to a seminar on Medicare. It will be held at St. Joan of Arc Church in Pendata Hall on Tuesday September 25, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.

No registration is required.

- Start walking for health and to see your neighbors. Have a dog? They can be a conversation starter.
- Set up your annual physical and health screenings. Take care of your health and it will take care of you.
- Find your inner artist. Who says taking music lessons is only for children? You may have an artist lurking inside you waiting to be tapped. Have you ever wondered if you could paint a portrait or scenic in oil? Sign up now for fall art classes and get busy finding the artist in you.

This fall could be a new beginning. Make the effort, find the time and just do it!

VACCINES BEING OFFERED AT RITE AID

Due to the construction of the parish offices and unavailability of the Emmaus Center, the Parish Health Ministry will not be offering a vaccine/health fair this year.

However, we have been notified by Rite Aid in Medford, that on **October 7, 2018, they will be offering flu/pneumonia shots from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm** at their location on Stokes Road.

Your Parish Health Ministry urges you to take advantage of this offer to get your yearly flu shots and get up to date on all your other vaccines.

Remember that these vaccines protect you from the ravages of influenza and other serious diseases. Please don't hesitate to get your shots in a timely manner.

Congratulations Ed Mayer !

St. Mary of the Lakes, as well as the Diocese of Trenton, is pleased to announce that one of our own, Ed Mayer, has been accepted as a candidate to study for the permanent diaconate program. Ed grew up in Medford Lakes and attended St. Mary of the Lakes and Holy Cross High Schools.

He met his wife Michele at Pennsylvania State University and were married here at St. Mary of the Lakes. After serving 27 years in the U.S. Submarine Force, the Mayer family moved back to Medford in August 2015. His oldest daughter Melissa was just married at St. Mary of the Lakes and his youngest daughter Sara will attend the University of Maryland, College Park this Fall. Ed is a member of the Parish Pastoral Council, St. Mary of the Lakes School Board, Faith in our Future Implementation Team, a Eucharistic Minister, and a Reader. Michele is a Eucharistic Minister and a mentor for YES.



Please pray for Ed during his years of preparation for the permanent diaconate.

SML Men's Ministries Minutes

- **Men's Gospel Reflection Group:** Meets every Monday morning at 6 a.m. at the Jackson Road Entrance of the church. *Contact Gerry Burke at geraldburkemjd@comcast.net*
- **That Man Is You (TMIY):** Mark the Date – Friday, **September 14**. For the forth year in a row, the men of St. Mary of Lakes will be joining the men at St. Joan of Arc in the powerful men's program (see at top right). For more info *contact Charlie McGee at cmc109@comcast.net or go to: www.stjoans.org/tmiy/*
- **Knights of Columbus:** If you want to help those in need, serve your parish, and grow in your faith, then join the Knights of Columbus. *Contact Bill Mazzio at williammazzio@yahoo.com*
- **Parish Pickup Hoops:** The pickup games will pickup again later in September at the St. Mary of the Lakes School gym at 9 p.m. *Contact Kevin Callahan at kcallahan@smlparish.org with what weekday nights work best for you !*



THAT MAN IS YOU !

"I only wish...

... this program was around when I was 25 years old."

Constantly heard from men attending St. Joan's Friday morning TMIY sessions.

COME FIND OUT WHY !

Restarting September 14

Pedata Hall, 6:00 a.m.

for more info or to sign up

go to www.stjoans.org/tmiy/



Knights of Columbus

Bowl with the Knights

Have fun and socialize with

fellow parishioners while you bowl

Register now for the St. Mary of the Lakes Knights of Columbus Council 6520 fall bowling league for men and women. Games take place at Medford Lanes (665 Stokes Rd., Medford) on **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m., Sept. 12 through Feb. 13**. The \$15 per person, per week fee includes three games and shoe rental. This is a great way to have fun and socialize with fellow parishioners. Invite your friends and family. You don't need to be a Knight to participate.

To register or for more information, **contact Bill Mazzio at williammazzio@yahoo.com or 609-458-0704**



TRAINING SESSIONS

VIRTUS is a national program designed to equip adults with the tools to recognize inappropriate behavior towards children and vulnerable adults. The Diocese of Trenton requires anyone over the age of 18 who participates in one or more ministries to attend a 3-hour VIRTUS session every four years. Note that this is a change from the previous VIRTUS requirement. What this means is that every adult who currently volunteers for SML Church, School, and/or PREP and has not previously attended a VIRTUS session, or who has not taken a refresher course within the past four years, must attend a class as soon as possible.

VIRTUS Training Sessions are offered at parishes throughout the Diocese. During the months of September and October, St. Mary of the Lakes will offer sessions on the following days: **9/13 at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; 9/27 at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; and 10/22 at 10 a.m.** These sessions will be presented in the Parish Meeting Room (at the back of the School). Pre-registration is mandatory at virtusonline.org. Space is limited, so please register as soon as possible.

Email questions to frontdesk@smlparish.org.

Items needed for SVdP food pantry



In living the Gospel, we must open our ears to hear and recognize all the everyday opportunities for making God's presence known especially to those who are poor and suffering. With love for your neighbors who are in need, take a shopping bag as you exit the church today. Fill it with some of the items listed below and bring it next weekend to the white van in the church parking lot.

This month the food pantry is in special need of canned fruit, pasta, canned vegetables, cereal, meals in a can (e.g., SpaghettiOs), apple juice (half gallon), spaghetti sauce (jars), peanut butter, jelly, canned beans, boxed potatoes, tuna fish, and macaroni and cheese.

This Sunday (September 9), the Church celebrates the feast of Blessed Frederic Ozanam (1813-1853), the founder of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Frederic heard the call of Jesus to love and serve those who are suffering.

If you or someone you know needs assistance, call SVdP at 609/953-0021.

**Spiritual Strength
for Women
Inspirational
Revelations
from 10 Women of
the Bible**



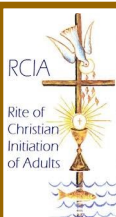
Study the lives of women of the old and new Testaments to determine:

- How do their struggles, challenges and fears mirror mine?
- What events in their lives reveal something about my life?
- What can you learn from these women that will transform you?

Find the answers to these questions and many more in the 10-week bible study of the heroines of biblical history to begin **Friday, September 14** at 10 a.m. in the daily Mass Chapel in the Church.

The study includes: Scripture reading, video reflection and small group discussion.

Contact MJ Abplanalp at mja1030@aol.com or phone 609 257-3389 to register.
A bible is required for this program.



**A Faith Exploration Experience
Adult Initiation – R.C.I.A.**

Are you wondering how to become a member of the Catholic Church? Do you know someone who is considering becoming a member of the Catholic Church? Or, perhaps you are a baptized Catholic, who for whatever reason, never received your First Holy Communion and were never Confirmed. You are invited to explore the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) here at St. Mary of the Lakes Church. The R.C.I.A. is a process that helps 16-years-and-older look at their relationship with God and discover how the Catholic Church can help to support that relationship.

If you know someone who would like to become part of this process, or if you, yourself, would like more specific information, please contact Christine Brandt, 609-654-8208 x113 or email at cbrandt@smlparish.org.

Our parish will be implementing a Family Faith Formation Program slated to begin in the Fall 2019.



This program will be a supplement to our already existing Parish Religious Education program (P.R.E.P.) for families with children in grades 1-8.

We are looking for a few families who might be interested in joining the formation team to evaluate curriculum; set schedules and provide input into what families feel is important to help nourish and strengthen their family faith journey.

If interested in joining this ministry, please contact Christine Brandt at cbrandt@smlparish.org.



**Bishop Robert
Barron's David
the King**

Monday evenings 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Sept. 10 – Oct. 22 PREP Conference Room /
Wednesday Mornings 10:15 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.
Sept. 12 – Oct. 24 Parish Meeting Room
(in back of SMLS)

Join us as we explore 1 and 2 Samuel in this DVD-based study by Bishop Robert Barron. Over the 7 weeks, Bishop Barron explains how David's kingship recalls the kingship of Adam in the Garden of Eden, and also foreshadows the kingship of Jesus Christ. Adam was the first king and steward of the rightly ordered Garden of Eden, but he failed. Later, David emerged as hope of Israel who sought to restore order in the Garden and bring the world under the lordship of God. But being imperfect, David did not fully accomplish this task. So God promised to send a son of David who would be the perfect and eternal king.

To register, contact Christine Brandt at cbrandt@smlparish.org or call 609-654-8208 ext. 113 by September 10.

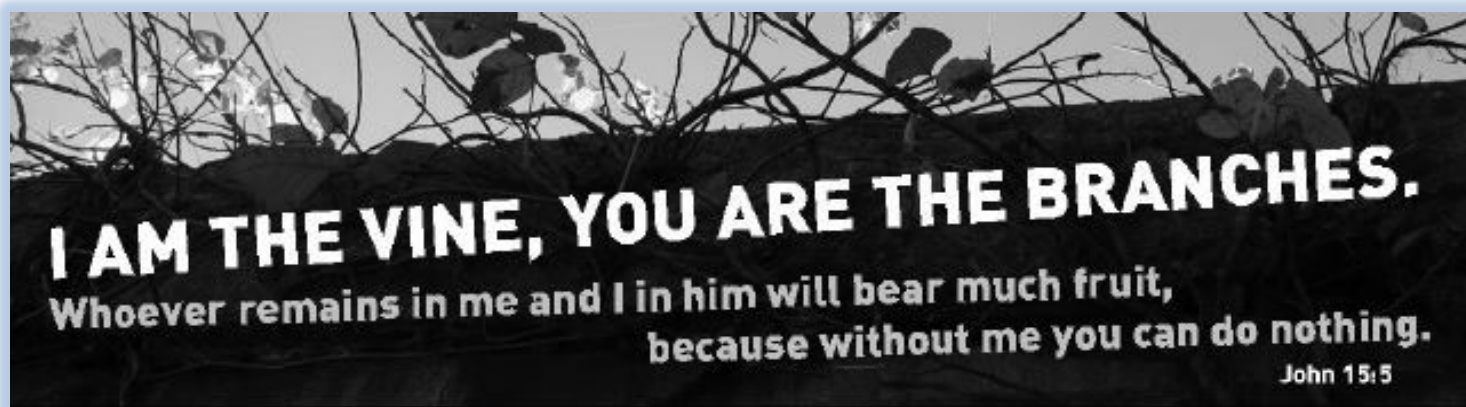
*If desired, you can order a workbook from WordOnFire.org/collections/david-the-king.
Please bring a Bible.*

FORMED for September

As the school year is beginning and our lives are returning to a routine, add prayer to the curriculum. Prayer is the foundation of a lived relationship with God. St. Paul tells us our prayer must be characterized by "thanksgiving" (Colossians 4:2). While it may be tempting to focus on the ways in which we can love God through our works, in prayer we are invited to contemplate that "we love, because he first loved us" (1 John 4:19), and to be filled with thanksgiving for God's showering of mercy and affection. Below are some ideas for the whole family.

Study: Lectio; **Prayer:** Praying the Rosary Like Never Before by Dr. Edward Sri; **Listen:** Pray Like a Saint by Matthew Leonard; **Read:** Introduction to the Devout Life by St. Frances de Sales; **For children Watch:** Brother Francis: Let's Pray! : A Lesson on Prayer; **For Youth Watch:** YDisciple: Prayer

Log on to www.smlparish.formed.org and create an account to access these and other titles for free!



Tired? Discouraged? Curious about the meaning of your life?
Seek answers to these questions and more at

DISCOVERING CHRIST

A 7-week Program offering two sessions on Mondays beginning September 24:

Morning - 9:45 Parish Meeting Room at SML School (Limited to 30)

From September 24 – November 12, 2018 (No meeting 11/5)

Evening - 6:45 in SML School Auditorium

From September 24 – November 5, 2018

A life changing retreat will be held on October 27, 2018 for both sessions

We share a free delicious meal, listen to a dynamic teaching, and explore answers to some of the most important questions worth asking about God and our ultimate purpose in life.

This course is designed to revitalize YOUR faith or bring a friend or family member who has been away from the Church but open to exploring the meaning of life in Christ.

Learn more about the course at www.https://christlife.org/

REGISTRATION FORM / DISCOVERING CHRIST

NAME(S): _____

EMAIL: _____ **Session:** _____

Phone: _____ **Cell:** _____

**DAUGHTERS of St. THERESE
COMMUNION BREAKFAST
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**

We will worship together at the 9:00 a.m. Mass.
Afterward, we will enjoy a delicious buffet breakfast at
MEDFORD VILLAGE COUNTRY CLUB
GOLFVIEW DRIVE, MEDFORD, N.J. 08055

Sr. Anne McCoy, SSJ will present a program entitled "Live, Love, Laugh." It will be rooted in Scripture and be both inspiring and humorous. Remember laughter reduces stress, lowers your blood pressure, produces a general sense of well-being, and is just plain fun! Sister Anne was the parish spiritual director at St. Mary of the Lakes from 2000 until 2005.

COST for the breakfast: \$21

ANNUAL DUES of \$10.00 are also payable now.

(Yes, the dues have been reduced.)

Please make checks payable to:

DAUGHTERS OF ST. THERESE

CUT OFF DATE for RESERVATIONS: SEPT. 18

Payments may be made at the September 17 meeting
OR mailed to: **BETTY WEST, 57 WESTMINSTER DRIVE**
SOUTH, SOUTHAMPTON, N. J. 08088-1025

PHONE CONTACTS: Betty West (609-859-3483) or
Ann Babinchock (609-953-8996)



**Bus Pilgrimage to
Mt. St. Mary's Seminary
and the Motherhouse
of the Daughters of Charity**

Father Dan is sponsoring a bus trip to Emmitsburg, MD on **Thursday, October 18**. The bus will leave St. Mary of the Lakes at 7:30 a.m. and will arrive in Emmitsburg approximately at 11:00 a.m. Pilgrims will enjoy a buffet lunch at The Mountain Gate Restaurant, and time to visit the Basilica of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton at the Motherhouse of the Daughters of Charity, Mt. St. Mary's Seminary (Father Dan's alma mater) where Mass will be offered, and the Grotto of Lourdes. Autumn is a beautiful time of year at the seminary as it resides at the foot of St. Mary's Mountain. The bus will return to Medford by approximately 9:00 p.m. The cost is \$50.00, which includes lunch, bus and bus driver tip.

To make reservations, please contact the
Parish Office at 609/654-8208, x110



COHORT #1 TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

The Music Ministries of the Burlington Pike Catholic Community (Cohort #1) invites you to an evening of Taizé Prayer in honor of our fallen heroes of 9/11. Victims families and first responders. The service will begin at 7:00 p.m. at Corpus Christ Church on **Tuesday, September 11**. All are welcome.

**Fellowship and light refreshments
will follow in Bogdan Hall.**

Jesus Calling!

Let the dew of My Presence refresh your mind and heart. So many, many things vie for your attention in this complex world of instant communication. The world has changed enormously since I first gave the command to be still and know that I am God. However, this timeless truth is essential for the well-being of your soul. As dew refreshes grass and flowers during the stillness of the night, so My Presence revitalizes you as you sit quietly with Me. A refreshed, revitalized mind is able to sort out what is important and what is not. In its natural condition, your mind easily gets stuck on trivial matters. Like the spinning wheels of a car trapped in mud, the cogs of your brain spin impotently when you focus on a trivial thing. As soon as you start communicating with Me about the matter, your thoughts gain traction and you can move on to more important things. Communicate with Me continually, and I will put My thoughts into your mind.



SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 16

7:00 PM

Y.E.S KICK-OFF BONFIRE

SML SCHOOL PARKING LOT

AUDITORIUM BACK LOT

Music* Games* Food* Friends*Faith

ALL TEENS IN GRADES 8-12 ARE INVITED

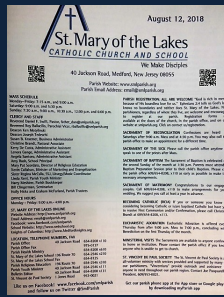
Bring a friend or two, or three~~**Say YES to YES!!**

Contact : yes@smlparishorg **Luke 38:1**



Bulletin News

Please submit bulletin announcements by noon on Tuesday of the week of the announcement to:
bulletineditor@smlparish.org



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Tuesday, September 11 at 10:30 a.m. in the School's Parish Meeting Room.

Members and anyone who is interested can join us.

Any questions call Rosemary Peters at (856) 574-4098.

Thursday Bible Study Group

You are invited to join our "Thursday Prayer and Bible Study" each Thursday from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. (following the 9 a.m. Mass and Adoration). Our first meeting this fall will be Thursday, Sept 13, in the Rectory Dining Room.



For over 15 years our group has met to pray, read and support each other in bringing our children, our families and ourselves, closer to God. Our study this year will continue with The Gospel of John. We are also beginning an evening book study of some of our modern day theologians. Join us!

For more information: Rebecca Weill at rweill92@gmail.com or 609-828-6137.



Glory to God Prayer Group

During construction of the Emmaus Center, Glory to God Prayer Group meets every Tuesday from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the home of Marianne Perkins.

Contact Marianne (609) 760-9221/
marnperk@gmail.com

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 Church
- Wednesday Morning, 9:30 a.m., Legion of Mary in Rectory Dining Room

St. Mary of the Lakes This Week

Sunday, September 9

- PREP New Family Orientation / 12 p.m. / PCR
- Catechist In-Service / 1 p.m. / PCR
- AA Meeting / 7 p.m. / PMR

Monday, September 10

- Men's Gospel Reflection Group / 6 a.m. / JRE
- David the King Scripture Study / 7 p.m. / PCR

Tuesday, September 11

- Prayer Shawl Meeting / 10:30 a.m. / PMR
- Sisters of St. Joseph New Associates Meeting / 7 p.m. / RDR

Wednesday, September 12

- Bible Study / 10:15 a.m. / PMR
- Choir Rehearsal / 7 p.m. / Church

Thursday, September 13

- Prayer and Bible Study / 9:30 a.m. / RDR
- Virtus Training Session / 10 a.m. / PMR
- Virtus Training Session / 7 p.m. / PMR
- EMHC Training / 7:30 p.m. / Church

Friday, September 14

- AFF-10 Women of the Bible / 10:15 a.m. / Church
- Bear's Den Meeting / 6:30 p.m. / SA

Saturday, September 15

- Cantor Practice / 10 a.m. / Church

Sunday, September 16

- YES Sr. Kickoff & Bonfire / 7 p.m. / SA
- AA Meeting / 7 p.m. / PMR

SML Room Abbreviations

JRE = Jackson Rd. Entrance
PMR = Parish Meeting Room
PCR = Prep Conference Room
RDR = Rectory Dining Room
SA = School Auditorium
FMR = Flex Meeting Room (Rectory)