



September 22, 2019



40 Jackson Road, Medford, New Jersey 08055

Parish Website: www.smlparish.org

Parish Email Address: Frontdesk@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

Monica Procopio, Administrative Assistant

Lenora Gange, Administrative Assistant

Mary Thomas, Administrative Assistant

Amy Rash, School Principal

Mary Pat Scordato, Director of Religious Education

Kevin Callahan, Minister of Marketing and Evangelization

Carolyn Cuperwich, Music Coordinator

Linda Xerri, Parish Youth Minister

Harry Meshirer, Parish Bookkeeper

Ralph Gallo and Kevin Loughlin, 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: Frontdesk@smlparish.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/smlparish

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

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

LOCATION, TELEPHONE NUMBERS, FAX

Parish Office	40 Jackson Road	654-8208 x110
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.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Eucharistic Adoration has begun 24/7/365 in the new Adoration Chapel off Jackson Rd. Entrance. If you would like to be an adorer for an hour each week, go to sml.weadorehim.com

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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and follow us on Twitter @SmlParish

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

Parish Pastoral Council Update

Father Dan thanks the following members of the Parish Pastoral Council who recently completed their three year terms: Michael and Bridget Blakley, Joan Irwin, Jim Meehan and Scott Roe.

Please join Father Dan in welcoming three new members to the Parish Pastoral Council. They are:

Ed DiPierro

Ed DiPierro has been a parishioner at St. Mary of the Lakes since he moved to Medford in July 2018. He and his wife Bobbie Jo have three daughters: Molly (10) who is an altar server, Lucy (7), and Penny (4). Bobby Jo and Ed are originally from the Trenton area, and for about 10 years, have lived in: Charleston, SC, Washington, DC, Pensacola, FL, and Traverse City, MI. Ed has been an active duty member of the US Coast Guard for 15 years, and is currently stationed at Coast Guard Air Station Atlantic City. He spends most of his free time with his family, either watching his daughters play sports, or just simply enjoying the down time and hanging out. Ed hopes to meet many of our parishioners, and he looks forward to serving as a member of the Parish Pastoral Council.



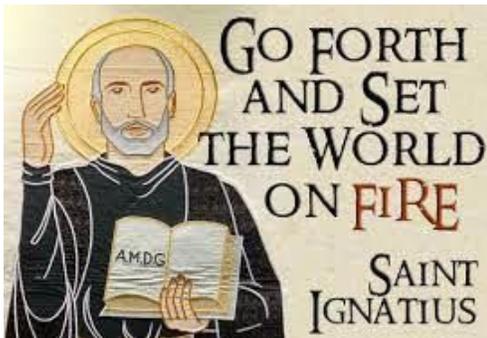
Matt and Elaine Curreri



Matt and Elaine Curreri moved to Medford right after they married 26 years ago, and joined St. Mary of the Lakes Parish. They have three children: Christopher (24), Jennifer (21) and Julianne (19). Their children received their sacraments through PREP and went on to become members of YES. As a family The Curreris have participated in SML's Mom's Group, Vacation Bible School, PREP teacher, YES, Habitat for Humanity, Bible Study with Father Dan, Carnival Volunteer and Christ Life. They are happy to have the opportunity be a part SML Parish Pastoral Council and look forward to serving in that ministry.



Father Dan is fine tuning member rotation to three members each year. Parish Pastoral Council meetings are held most first Wednesdays of the month at 7:00 p.m. in Father Dan's office. If you would like to be considered for an upcoming seat on the parish pastoral council, **please email Father Dan at father_dan@smlparish.org**.



Meeting Christ in Prayer

An eight-week introduction to Ignatian prayer that provides a transformative encounter with Christ

8 Thursdays

Mornings or Evenings

Thursday, September 26,

October 3, 10, 17, 24

November 7, 14

*10:00 a.m. in the Parish Meeting Room or
7:00 p.m. in the Chapel at SMLS*

Meeting Christ in Prayer is an engaging eight-week guided prayer experience for small groups. It is modeled on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Each meeting teaches and reinforces specific prayer practices such as Lectio Divina, imaginative prayer, meditation, the Examen, and more. Thirty minutes of daily prayer is required by each participant. No prior experience with prayer groups is needed, just a desire to renew one's faith and enrich one's prayer.

Sr. Judy Cianfrogna, SSJ, will guide participants through this profoundly unique prayer experience. Cost of materials is \$10.

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

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 22

- 7:30 a.m. Our Parishioners
- 9:00 a.m. Deceased Knights of Columbus Council #6520
- 10:30 a.m. Anna Marie Mercantini /
Mr. & Mrs. Louis DiVentura
- 12:00 p.m. Ann Taylor / Brenda & Robert Hardegen
- 6:00 p.m. Florence Wagner /
Mary Beth Curcic & Peter Dobush

Monday, September 23

- 7:15 a.m. Frances R. Davis /
Jeff & Jennifer Wagner & Family
- 9:00 a.m. Katherine Fariello / Pete & Gerry Schneiders

Tuesday, September 24

- 7:15 a.m. Nicholas Wade Garner / The Garner Family
Julie Lombardi (*living*) / The Casparro Family
- 9:00 a.m. Helen Lala / The Duffy Family

Wednesday, September 25

- 7:15 a.m. Christine Mayer / Dave & Carolyn Karbasian
- 9:00 a.m. Justine Cutrone / Leonor & Stanley Czarnecki

Thursday, September 26

- 7:15 a.m. Adele Klein / Mike & Megan Rodgers
- 9:00 a.m. John Paul Gaffigan / Millie Linett

Friday, September 27

- 7:15 a.m. Alfred Shinn / Ellen & Milt Lytle
- 9:00 a.m. Kevin Patrucelli / John & Toni Brescia
Mary Ann Coceano / Nancy Sanson

Saturday, September 28

- 9:00 a.m. Anne G. Tiedeken / The DeRespino Family
Mario Rodriguez Jr. / Maria Ginion
- 5:30 p.m. Nicholas Graham / Janice McNally & Family

Sunday, September 29

- 7:30 a.m. Our Parishioners
- 9:00 a.m. Tom & Clara Carberry / John & Debbie Adams
The Deceased Daughters of St. Therese
- 10:30 a.m. Society of St. Vincent dePaul /
- 12:00 p.m. Anthony Chiantella /
Brenda & Robert Hardegen
- 6:00 p.m. Nicholas Graham /
Clergy, Staff & Parishioners of SMLCCS

Welcome to St. Mary of the Lakes:
George and Andrea Vlastaris & sons
James and Nicholas;
William and Edyta Bachelor &
children Olivia and Brandon ;
Kristen Reynolds !

First Aid and Stop the Bleed Kits Available
Four First Aid kits and four Stop the Bleed Kits are located in the cabinet in the Jackson Rd. entrance closest to the gravel parking lot entrance.



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, Sr. Dorothy Aloisio; Connie & Joseph Aromando, Marty Ball, Ephraim Block, Keith Bodendorf, Tom Breese Ciaccio, Michael Bryan, Ryan Clark, Sherri Colan, John Day, David J. DiLullo, Tracey Dougherty, Theresa R. Dumas, Mary Eisenhower, Jim Endahl, George Fina, Terry Finan, Margaret Fitzpatrick, Maxine Franks, Louis Giansante, Ana L. Gonzalez, Louis Gribaudo, Sawyer Michael Howarth, Jim Kehoe, Morgan Kelly, Mary Ann Klimaszewski, Ellen Kretzu, Marlene Lattanzi, Gregory Law, Joanne Lecate, Peggy Luciani, Juan Mallgui Moya, Mark McFadden, Carol and Steve Newman, Rita O'Connor, Colette Parisi, Jacquelyn Pensabene, Kelsie Quinn, Bill Quigley, Sue Rebel, Garry Roettger, Richard SM, Dianne Stippick, Leoncia Sullivan, Mary Ann Sullivan, Suzanne Termano, Jake Urich, James Vega, Elizabeth Wakefield, Grace Wakefield, and Madeline.

2nd LT Christian Aguilar; 1st LT Kyle Brandt, USAF; Capt. Katherine Collins Kneram, USA; 1st LT Erin Corcoran, USA; CAPT Kevin Emmons, USA; BG Steve Gilland, USA; MAJ Suzanne Gillern; PVT CM Sean Grannan, USA; LTJG Jeremy Griffin, USN; Chief Warrant Officer Kevin James Haddon, USA; LT 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; Capt. Patrick Kneram, USA; LCpL Brett Koerner, USMC; PVT Nicholas Lawrence, USA; GM3 David Lewis, USN; Christopher Macready, USMC; 2nd LT Doug MacDonald, USMC; 2nd LT Michelle Matthews, USMC; MIDN 4/D Patrick McKernan, USA; PO3 Allston Megill, USN; Sgt. Mark Mickinak, USMC; General Scot Miller, USA; SPC Brandon Ornowski, USA; 1st LT Victor Prato, USA; CM Jonathan Ross, USN; 1st Sgt Vincent Roettger, USA; ENS Nolan Smith, USN; TSGT Adrian Tomkus, USAF.



Offertory Collections for Sunday, September 15, 2019

Donations In Cash	\$2,726
Donations In Envelopes	\$20,343
Total Collection September 15, 2019	\$23,069
Total Collection September 16, 2018	\$26,286
Total Collection September 17, 2017	\$26,738



Bishop's Anniversary Blessings

All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50+ Catholic wedding anniversary in 2019 are invited to renew your sacred wedding vows and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing at St. Mary Cathedral in Trenton on **Sunday, October 20** at 3 p.m. **Couples must register through their home parish.**

40 DAYS FOR LIFE
Life is precious -defend it.
PRAY with us this FALL !

From September 25 through November 3

We will pray and fast for the women in danger of undergoing an abortion, for abortion clinic workers and for the healing of men and women suffering from past abortions.

We will maintain a peaceful, prayerful presence from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. each day at the local abortion facility, the Cherry Hill Women's Center, located at 502 N. Kings Highway. Through prayer, penance, and fasting, we can be the hands, heart and voice of Christ.

You can park in the lot at Christ Our Light R.C. Church. It is an easy block walk from there to the Cherry Hill Women's Center.

Claire Howson is the contact person for any questions or concerns you may have. You can call or text

Claire at 856-313-9861 or at claire@helpersnj.org.

To sign up for the vigil time you want, please **go to www.40daysforlife.com/cherryhill.**

is God calling YOU to stand, pray and be His witness for LIFE ?

Sign up for an hour a week or just for an hour one time.

We are so close to "The Beginning of the End of Abortion".

WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE with the 20/20 POSTCARD PROJECT

The N.J. Conference of Catholic Bishops has approved a postcard campaign designed to ask our N.J. State Senators and Assembly Members to support legislation that would ban abortions after 20 weeks (5 months).

St. Mary of the Lakes will be holding a POSTCARD CAMPAIGN at all the Masses on the weekend of **October 5/6.**

(This weekend has been designated "Respect Life Weekend")

Volunteers will be needed to collect the filled out postcards and straighten and restock the pews after each Mass. A sign up sheet is on the table at the PLE of the church. Or contact Ann Babinchock at 609-304-6163 if you are able to help.

Thank you.



September 25 - November 3
40 DAYS FOR LIFE
THE BEGINNING OF THE END OF ABORTION

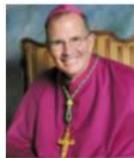


Opening Mass with Bishop O'Connell
Tuesday September 24th at 7:00 pm,

Mass will be celebrated by the
Most Reverend David M. O'Connell,
Bishop of Trenton

at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine,
61 Georgia Road, Freehold NJ 07728.

For more information, contact
Tom Panettiere at 908-338-7128 or
tpanettiere@victorypackaging.com



HELP SAVE LIVES IN SOUTH JERSEY!

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000 volunteers!

With God's help, here are the proven results in 24 coordinated campaigns:

- 16,004 babies saved from abortion
- 190 abortion workers converted
- 100 abortion centers closed

Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community, Fall 2019:

- **Vigil location:** Outside the Cherry Hill Women's Center, 502 Kings Highway, Cherry Hill, NJ
- **Vigil hours:** 7 am to 7 pm daily
- **Local contact:** Claire Howson
Call 856-313-9861, or email Claire@helpersnj.org
- **Learn more ...** get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!

40daysforlife.com/cherryhill

Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life:

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach. Sign up for an hour of prayer at either location.

In Monmouth County:

- **Vigil Location:** Planned Parenthood at 69 E. Newman Springs Road, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702.
- **Vigil hours:** 8 am to 6 pm, Monday through Friday.
- **Local Contact:** (732) 610-7437 or monmouth4life@hotmail.com or www.40daysforlife.com/shrewsbury

In Camden County (Cherry Hill):

- **Vigil location:** Outside the Cherry Hill Women's Center, 502 N. Kings Highway, Cherry Hill, NJ
- **Vigil hours:** 7 am to 7 pm daily
- **Local contact:** Claire Howson-call 856-313-9861, or email claire@helpersnj.org

Eucharistic Adoration – Refection by St. Alphonsus Liguori

My eyes and My heart shall be there always. (3 Kgs. 9, 3.) Behold, Jesus has verified this beautiful promise in the Sacrament of the Altar, wherein He dwells with us night and day.

My Lord, would it not have been enough hadst Thou remained in this Sacrament only during the day, when Thou couldst have had adorers of Thy presence to keep Thee company; but why remain also the whole night, when the churches are all closed, and when men retire to their homes, leaving Thee quite alone? Ah, yes! I already understand Thee: love has made Thee our prisoner; the excessive love which Thou bearest us has so bound Thee down on earth, that neither night nor day canst Thou leave us. Ah, most amiable Savior, this refinement of love alone should oblige all men ever to stay near Thee in the sacred ciboriums, and to remain with Thee until forcibly compelled to leave Thee; and when they do so, they should all leave at the foot of the altar their hearts and affections inflamed with love towards an Incarnate God who remains alone and enclosed in a tabernacle, all eye to see and provide for them in their necessities, and all heart to love them, and who waits the coming day to be again visited by His beloved souls.

Yes, my Jesus, I will please Thee; whole will and all my affections to Thee. O infinite Majesty of God, Thou hast left Thy-self in this divine Sacrament, not only that Thou mightest be present with us and near us, but principally to communicate Thyself to Thy beloved souls. But, Lord, who will presume to approach Thee to feed upon Thy flesh? and who, on the other hand, can keep at a distance from Thee? For this purpose Thou concealest Thyself in the consecrated Host, that Thou mayest enter into us and possess our hearts. Thou burnest with the desire of being received by us, and Thou rejoicest in being there united with us. Come, then, my Jesus, come; I desire to receive Thee within my-self, that Thou mayest be the God of my heart and of my will. All that is within me I yield, my dear Redeemer, to Thy love; satisfactions, pleasures, self-will, all I give up to Thee. O Love, O God of love, reign, triumph over my entire self; destroy and sacrifice all in me which is mine and not Thine. Permit not, O my Love, that my soul, which, having received Thee in the Holy Communion, is filled with the Majesty of God, should again attach itself to creatures. I love Thee, my God, I love Thee; and I will love Thee alone and forever.

Ejaculation. Draw me by the chains of Thy love.

24/7 Eucharistic Adoration Sign-Up

We are using a website that helps us manage the Eucharistic Adoration schedule. You can access the website from your smart phone or computer at: sml.weadorehim.com

Just click “Sign Up” to create an account and set your preferences. Use the activation code: AVEMARIA to automatically register. You can also learn all you need to know about signing up and using the website by watching the video at: sml.weadorehim.com/help

If you had already signed up for an adoration hour previously, an account was set-up and you were sent a welcome email. If for some reason you didn't receive a welcome email, please email grahamcfarland@gmail.com with a valid email, cell phone and/or home phone number and we will update and resend.

The website is very easy to use and allows you to commit based on your schedule. The website is for everyone – whether you are committing to a weekly hour or just a specific hour during the week as a substitute.

The website makes it easy by:

- Automatically sending you email, text or phone reminders of your commitment
- Allowing you to request a substitute
- Allowing you to manage your commitment and preferences
- Seeing the opportunities to help out as a substitute adorer

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Natalie Stone at mazzunat007@msn.com or Diana Kenworthy at dkenworthy1@gmail.com.

Come Pray with us ...



Emergency Buttons in Adoration Chapel



There are four active emergency buttons in the Adoration Chapel: by the door, to the left of the angel in light blue and lavender and on the back of each pew. If you need emergency assistance, press the button for two seconds. Medford Township Police will automatically be notified and will respond. Let us pray no one will ever have to press the button.

BURLINGTON COUNTY DIOCESAN RESPECT LIFE NEWS

Bishop O'Connell has recently written a statement for the "Monitor" that condemns new bills being introduced in the legislature. The Bishop states "S3813/A5510 would amend the Law Against Discrimination (LAD) and, therefore, is an "anti-discrimination" bill, not really a health care bill." As such, S3813/A5510 appears to be a 'backdoor' attempt to force religious organizations that provide and administer health insurance benefits to violate their deeply held religious beliefs."

This new legislation joins the healthcare bill (A5508/S3804) which would expand insurance coverage for abortion inducing drugs and eliminate the religious employers' exemption contained in New Jersey public law.

As Catholic citizens we cannot permit this to happen to our religious liberty without a response. Please go to the NJ Catholic Bishops web site at www.njcatholic.org. Open the web site and click TAKE ACTION NOW. Then click WE MUST PROTECT RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN NJ. Fill out your information and then click SEND MESSAGE.

If you want to contact your legislative member directly, in your parish the members are listed below:

For District 7: (Mt. Laurel)

Assemblywoman Carol Murphy: 856-735-5334 / aswmurphy@njleg.org

Assemblyman Herb Conaway: 856-461-3997 / asmconaway@njleg.org

Senator Troy Singleton: 856-234-2790 / sensingleton@njleg.org

For District 8: (Evesham, Medford, Hainesport, Lumberton)

Assemblyman Joe Howarth: 609-654-1498 / asmhowarth@njleg.org

Assemblyman Ryan Peters: 609-654-1498 / aspeters@njleg.org

Senator Dawn Addiego: 609-654-1498 / senaddiego@njleg.org

Thank you for your action in defending our Catholic principles.
Burlington County Diocesan Respect Life Committee



SAINT MARY OF THE LAKES
PTA PRESENTS
THE 37TH ANNUAL
FASHION SHOW

SUNDAY, NOV. 17TH, 2019 4PM TO 8PM

LUCIENS MANOR
81 W. WHITE HORSE PIKE.
BERLIN, NJ 08009

Support one of our school's largest fundraiser of the year, the SMLS Fashion Show, by making a merchandise donation or a gift certificate or by sponsoring an ad in our Fashion Show Program. Visit [/www.smlschool.org/business-ads-sponsorship-opportunities-fashion-show](http://www.smlschool.org/business-ads-sponsorship-opportunities-fashion-show).



St. Mary of the Lakes

SCHOOL

Celebrating 60 years of Catholic Education

Welcome to all the new St. Mary of the Lakes School new families!

The new families enjoyed pizza and dessert at the New Family Dinner. Activities such as face painting, a scavenger hunt and games were provided for the children while parents could visit the information tables.



Back to School Ice Cream Social

Great time at the Welcome Back to School Ice Cream Social at St. Mary of the Lakes School. Special thanks to The Sand Stand for donating the Ice Cream and to all those that volunteered.



Nurse Needed

SMLS is seeking a Registered Nurse for Fridays only (8-3:15) Interested and qualified applicants should send resume and credentials to Amy Rash, Principal at arash@smlschool.org

Teachers Needed

SMLS is looking for a part time classroom assistant, a lunch/recess assistant and substitute teachers.

If interested, please contact: info@smlschool.org

8th Grade Car Wash

Thank you to all those that supported and donated to the 8th Grade Car Wash! Special thanks to Harriett's Energy Solutions in Medford for hosting the event!





Icon Workshop



ST. JOAN OF ARC PARISH
 Invites You to Our
MONTHLY SENSORY FRIENDLY MASS
Sponsored by the Caritas Ministry for Special Needs



Sunday, September 29, 2019 at Noon

What to expect-

- Soft Music and Lighting
- Incense and Bell free
- Low Gluten Hosts: please see a Caritas member, Priest, Deacon or Usher (before Mass) if you have this need

Families are welcome to bring materials that can assist with comfort during the liturgy: noise cancelling headphones, wiggle seats, etc...

Please visit our Caritas Ministry Table in the Church Vestibule for: PECS Mass books, amplifiers, and other Special Needs Resources



I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
 ~ Psalm 139:14

We welcome your feedback: caritas@stjoans.org
 Or for more information visit our website @ stjoans.org

GAMES, GRUB & GOD

Sunday Sept 22nd

6:00 pm Mass....then **Games & Grub**



RSVP yes@smlparish.org

All 6-12th graders are invited



PREP UPDATES

ON-LINE REGISTRATION: Any family registered in the Parish Religious Education Program as of 2019 should have received an email at the beginning of the summer from Parish Giving containing instructions on how to register on line. Response has been good; however, we still have not heard from many of our families. If you did not receive the email from Parish Giving or else are new to SML PREP, you can register either by printing a blank registration form from the Parish website under Faith Formation, or you can request a form from the PREP Office, smlprep@smlparish.org. Parents of new students who were not baptized at SML Church must provide us with a copy of their child's Baptism certificate.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are in need of catechists to teach PREP classes. Our goal is to place two adults in every classroom, and at this point, we have several classes without any catechist. Do not worry if you have never taught before. We provide guidelines, guidance, and, most importantly, the Teacher's Guide with the answers! Please take a few minutes to read about PREP on the Parish website. Whether you are a parent or a grandparent, a college student or a retiree, a teacher or someone who has never taught at all, all are welcome and needed. High schoolers are also needed on both afternoons to assist students who may need one-on-one support.

PREP classes for Grades 7 and 8 begin September 24. Grades 1 through 6 begin the following week, October 1 and 2. We are currently in need of catechists and assistants for the following classes:

Tuesday 4:15-5:30: Grade 3 (two catechists); Grade 6 (one catechist)

Wednesday 4:15-5:30: Grade 3 (two catechists); Grade 5 (one catechist); Grade 6 (one catechist)

Hall monitors, substitute catechists, classroom assistants, and office help for both afternoons and Tuesday evening classes are also needed. Please pray for all our volunteers and families, and if you would like to join us in this vital ministry, contact the PREP Office at 609-654-2546 x310.

Children's Mass

The first Children's Mass of the school year will be offered

this Sunday on September 22

at the 10:30 a.m. Mass in the Church.

Please join us for donuts after the Children's Mass on the Rectory Lawn.



SML CYO Basketball

Now open to PREP in Grades 3 through 5

St. Mary of the Lakes CYO Basketball is now open to Parish students in **grades 3rd-5th** who are enrolled St. Mary of the Lakes PREP. Any boy or girl in **grades 3-5** enrolled in PREP at SML is now eligible to play for the SML CYO Basketball teams. To register go to the parish website or **go to sports.bluesombrero.com/smlsports**, enroll, and fill out and return the required forms. Only \$75 per player.

Father Colavito invites you to Ask "Almost" Any Question Night !

**Tuesday, September 24, 2019
6 pm - 8 pm**

**Church of St. Isaac Jogues
349 Evesboro-Medford Rd Marlton, NJ 08053**



Join us for our Third Annual Blue Mass



**Holy Cross Prep
September 30
10:30am**



Community prayer for our local law enforcement



We are back with a Bang !



**We've started our 5th Year.
It's never too late to jump into the action.**

Come join us on Fridays, 6:00am St. Joan's Pedata Hall !!!

Sign up or just show up
www.stjoans.org/tmy/



Knights of Columbus

Knights in Action

Knights of Columbus Council 6520 congratulates Bill Schmidt for being awarded Knight of the Month for “exceptional contributions to the Council and one who exemplifies his faith through his action.” Bill is Chair of the Knights’ “Lend A Hand” ministry.



If you want to help those in need, serve your parish, and grow in your faith, then join the Knights of Columbus. Membership is open to men age 18 or older who accept the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, aspire to live in accord with the precepts of the Church, and are in good standing with the Church. Anyone interested in joining the Knights of Columbus please contact Scott Latimer at 609-352-1281 Or: ScLattimer@aol.com

Brothers Come Join Our Basketball Team

We practice one day at St. Mary’s and play one 45 minute game Saturdays in January thru mid-March. All age groups play— from their 30’s to 70’s! It is 4-on-4 half court basketball so very little running. Most of the games will be played at St. Mary’s this year!

In addition, we have a tournament game on **November 9** at St. Mary’s gym starting at noon. Come out and join us to play (you must arrive minimum 15 minutes before game). All you need is your *valid KofC card* (or a picture of it), a dark blue t-shirt and sneakers to play. If you join up you can get a official St. Mary’s K of C Basketball t-shirt.

Please let me know if anyone who might be interested in playing. Thank you, Scott Lattimer, ScLattimer@aol.com

St. Vincent de Paul



Second Collection *Next Weekend*

The second collection on **September 28/29** is for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Your generosity enables St. Vincent’s to help men, women, and children with food and financial assistance for housing, auto insurance, utilities, health care, and other expenses.

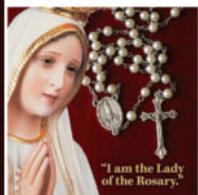
On September 27, the Church celebrates the feast of St. Vincent de Paul, who in 1617 was touched by the spiritual poverty of people in the French countryside. While undergoing his own personal conversion, he encouraged others to change their lives from within and to help people around them who had material needs.

Inspired by this example, Blessed Frédéric Ozanam and some of his friends at the University of Paris began an organization in 1833 that would become the worldwide Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

One of the largest charitable organizations in the world, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a nonprofit, Catholic lay organization of men and women who come together to grow spiritually and offer person-to-person service to those in need.

If you donate through parishgiving.org, you can include “St. Vincent de Paul” in your list of contributions. Just go to the My Contributions section and select St. Vincent de Paul from the drop down menu.

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



Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Rally 2019

Sponsored by the Legion of Mary

St. Mary of the Lakes Church

Join the Rosary Rally to Pray for World Peace and Conversion of Hearts

Saturday, October 12 at 12:00 p.m.

In front of St. Mary of the Lake Church

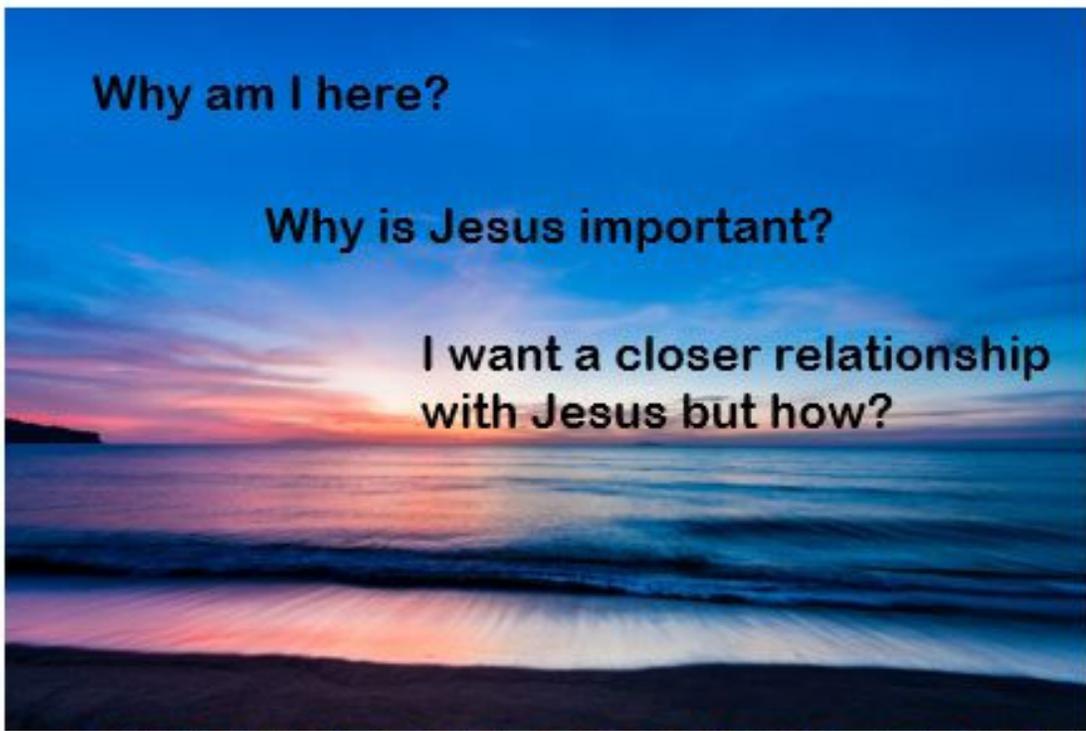
This year our Fatima Rally will have a special significance as Father Dan, Linda Xerri, Claudia Aguilar (President of the SML Legion of Mary) and a number of parishioners will be returning from their Fatima Pilgrimage at the time of our rally. Fatima Prayer rallies are scheduled for thousands of cities all over the world on October 12.

The Messages shared by our Blessed Mother at Fatima in 1917 involve the salvation of souls, peace in the world and, if the requests of Our Lady of Fatima are not carried out; “the consequences are annihilation of nations and the enslavement of all mankind under militant atheists of Russia”. These messages are more relevant than ever today. Plan to Join us as we heed the messages from the Immaculate Heart of Mary in this special devotion to Our Lady of the Rosary. Please bring a chair. **Contact mja1030@aol.com with any questions.**

Why am I here?

Why is Jesus important?

**I want a closer relationship
with Jesus but how?**



**COME AND GET CONNECTED IN
DISCOVERING CHRIST**

2 Sessions will be offered:

**Monday mornings at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 23 TO Nov. 18, or
Thursday evenings at 6:45 p.m. Sept. 26 TO Nov. 14:**

Both include a life-changing retreat Saturday, Nov. 2

Enjoy a free meal, listen to a dynamic teaching and join in a small group discussion about the meaning of life in Jesus Christ. Discovering Christ is a seven-week series designed to revitalize your faith or bring your family and friends who have been away from the church and grow in your faith together.

2019 Discovering Christ Registration:

NAME(S): _____ AGE: _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

Session: AM or PM (circle one)

Return bottom of form to the Parish Office, e-mail to discoveringchrist@smlparish.org,
or register on-line at www.smlparish.org.

Contact Christine with any questions at 609-654-8208 ext.113, or
cbrandt@smlparish.org.

Pray More Novenas

When the Apostles gathered with our Blessed Mother in the Upper Room to pray for nine days to await the coming of the Holy Spirit, they modeled for us the first novena. A traditional novena, derived from the Latin *novem*, meaning nine, is nine successive days of prayer leading up to a feast, or for a special intention. (St. Teresa of Calcutta prayed what she called her emergency novena: praying ten Memorare, one right after another – nine in petition and one in anticipatory gratitude for the prayer answered.)

In addition to the Novena to the Holy Spirit, there are several novenas that can be prayed throughout the year. If you would like to pray more and join with others while doing so, you can sign up to receive a daily e-mail during the novena at:

<https://www.praymorenovenas.com>

You will receive an e-mail from Pray More Novenas indicating when the novena will start and daily e-mails until the novena is over. Join with family/ friends/ neighbors/co-workers, choose a time convenient for all and pray the novenas together.



Offerings at Francis House of Prayer

Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center
Box 392 • Rancocas, NJ 08073
609-877-0509
www.FHOP.org

Meeting Christ in Prayer
EXPERIENCE OF THE SPIRITUAL EXERCISES
8 Mondays 9:30 – 11:00 AM
October 14, 21 / November 4, 11, 18, 25 /
December 9, 16

This is another wonderful way to experience the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. You will be invited to pray about 30 minutes each day. If your relationship with God is pleading for attention and if you feel called by God to deepen your prayer in 2019, please treat yourself to this retreat. Donation: \$135.

To register, call 609-877-0509.
Please check www.FHOP.org for directions
and for our other offerings!

MEDICARE/ LONG TERM CARE 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 Pedata Hall on Monday, **October 28**, at 7:00 p.m.

No fee or registration is required.

Join The Littlest Disciples

Date: Friday, October 11

Time: 7:00 pm- 8:00 pm

Place: Parish Meeting Room

Program: Children will participate in a service project benefiting children in need.

Please bring a house product or pre-school book to support the works of Daughters of Charity of the Most Precious Blood House product ideas: napkins, toilet paper, paper towels, foam or plastic cups, heavy duty dishes, or cutlery

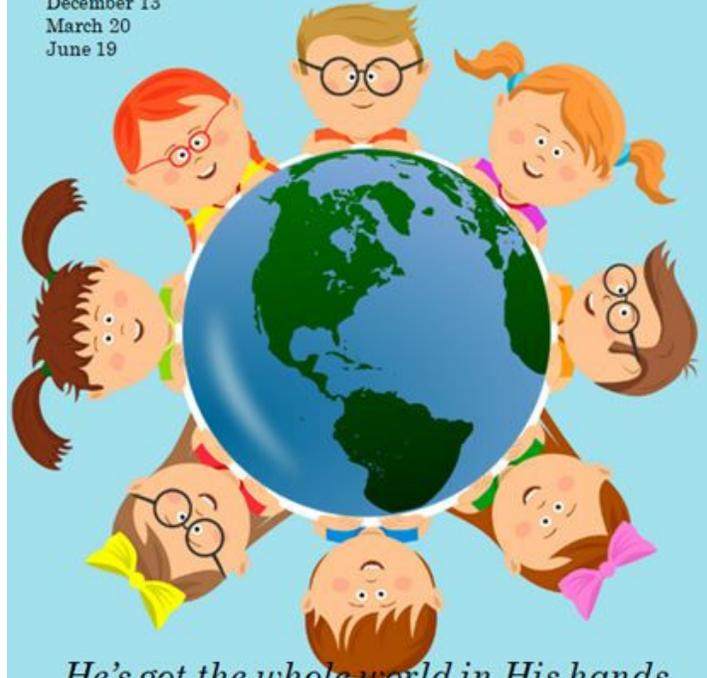
Future meeting dates:

December 13

March 20

June 19

RSVP to Laura Roettger,
lea82@yahoo.com



He's got the whole world in His hands

**DO YOU HAVE A SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST?
DO YOU WANT TO HELP OTHERS WITH YOUR PRAYERS?**

-JOIN US-

**COME TO ME: Jeremiah 29:12,
ST MARY OF THE LAKES: Intercessory Prayer Ministry**

Join our email prayer chain as a pray-er.

Or

To make a special request for prayers.

Email: CometoMe@smlparish.org

Call Carol 609-953-8670 (please leave message)

Parish Health Ministry

FLU SHOTS

Due to the construction in the Emmaus Center, the Parish Health Ministry will not be holding an immunization clinic this year. Parishioners can get their flu shots either at their local drug stores, or with their primary physicians.

It's imperative that the elderly and the very young especially, protect themselves against the flu by being immunized

Prayer Box for Intercessory Prayers During Pilgrimage

A prayer box is at the parking lot entrance for anyone who would like to write their intentions on paper and drop in the prayer box. Father Dan will take these intentions with him on his pilgrimage to Fatima so all of these prayers will be offered there.

The box will be at the parking lot entrance until Tuesday, October 1.

Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary began in Ireland on September 7, 1921 by Founder Frank Duff and has grown to be the largest apostolic organization of lay people in the Catholic Church with over 2 million active members around the world. Rooted in devotion to the Blessed Mother, it is an excellent way to share the Catholic faith and encourage spiritual growth. We meet on Wednesdays at 9:30 am.

If you are interested in joining us, please call Claudia Aguilar at 609/953-9128.

UPCOMING VIRTUS TRAINING SESSIONS

A PROGRAM AND SERVICE OF
THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC RISK RETENTION GROUP, INC.



The Diocese of Trenton requires anyone over the age of 18 who participates in a Parish ministry to attend a VIRTUS training session every four years to safeguard children and vulnerable adults. 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, 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 the following session: 10/17 at 10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. in the PCR.

Pre-registration is mandatory at virtusonline.org. Space is limited, so please register as soon as possible. Email questions to frontdesk@smlparish.org.

St. Mary of the Lakes This Week

Sunday, September 22

- RCIA / 8:30 a.m. / CRW
- AA Meeting / 7 p.m. / PMR
- YES Meeting / 7 p.m. / CRW

Monday, September 23

- Men's Gospel Reflection Group Meeting / 6 a.m. / JRE
- Christ Life—Discovering Christ / 9:30 a.m. / PMR
- Christ Life—Discovering Christ / 6:45 p.m. / PMR

Tuesday, September 24

- Cohort 3 Marriage Ministry / 7 p.m. / Church

Wednesday, September 25

- Legion of Mary / 9:30 a.m. / PMR / CRW
- Cantor Rehearsal / 6 p.m. / Church
- The Bible Timeline / 6:45 p.m. / PMR
- Choir Rehearsal / 7 p.m. / Church

Thursday, September 26

- Thursday Prayer and Bible Study / 10 a.m. / CRW
- Children's Choir Rehearsal / 3 p.m. / PMR
- Christ Life—Discovering Christ / 6:45 p.m. / PMR

Friday, September 27

Saturday, September 28

Sunday, September 29

- RCIA / 8:30 a.m. / CRW
- AA Meeting / 7 p.m. / PMR

SML Room Abbreviations

CRL = Conference Room Left
CRR = Conference Room Right
CRW = Conference Room Whole
JRE = Jackson Rd. Entrance in Church
PCR = Prep Conference Room
PMR = Parish Meeting Room
SA = School Auditorium



Glory to God Prayer Group

During construction of the Emmaus Center, the 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 3:00 p.m. in the Church