



November 15, 2020



40 Jackson Road, Medford, New Jersey 08055

Parish Website: [www.smlparish.org](http://www.smlparish.org)

Parish Email Address: [Frontdesk@smlparish.org](mailto:Frontdesk@smlparish.org)



#### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday at 7:15 a.m. and  
Monday through Saturday at 9:00 a.m. (*simulcasted*)

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.,

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. (*simulcasted*), 10:30 a.m. and noon

#### CLERGY AND STAFF

Reverend Daniel F. Swift, Pastor, [father\\_dan@smlparish.org](mailto:father_dan@smlparish.org)

Reverend Roy Ballacillo, Parochial Vicar, [rballacillo@smlparish.org](mailto:rballacillo@smlparish.org)

Deacon Ken Motylinski

Deacon Rich Lutomski

Susan B. Kraemer, Business Administrator

Christine Brandt, Pastoral Associate

Lenora Gange, Administrative Assistant

Mary Thomas, Administrative Assistant

Maria Sobel, School Principal

Mary Pat Scordato, Director of Religious Education

Kevin Callahan, Minister of Evangelization and Marketing

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

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Email Address: [Frontdesk@smlparish.org](mailto:Frontdesk@smlparish.org)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/smlparish](https://www.facebook.com/smlparish)

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

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

LOCATION, TELEPHONE NUMBERS, FAX	(609 Area Code)
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 in the parish office and on our website at [www.smlparish.org](http://www.smlparish.org). Click on contact us/registration.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** Confessions are heard in the altar server sacristy on Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** Baptisms may be scheduled at any time on any day, provided one of the clergy is available at the time you are requesting. Please call the parish office 609/654-8208, x110 as early as possible to make the 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** The Adoration Chapel is open 24/7 to one Adorer at a time.

**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.

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and follow us on Twitter @SmlParish

**Congratulations to all those who were  
baptized at St. Mary of the Lakes  
40 years ago in November 1980.**

Mary Rae Alioto  
Gina Honora Giordano  
William Heddendorff  
Sara Scangarello  
Matthew Ryan Sochacki  
Adam Frank Lerner  
Melissa Sue Hampton  
Michael Bruce Malloy  
Devin Patrick McFadden  
Marjorie Dombrowski  
Jacqueline Marie Heim  
Caitlin McCracken  
Michael Shirk Panarella  
Johanna Bealdine Morton  
Jillian Cakrane  
Kathleen Anne Fay  
Brian Patrick Fay  
James Edward Sheasley  
Joshua Nicholas Blassman  
Megan Anne Chin  
Daniel Shal Chin  
Rebecca Emmett  
Douglas William Lemyre  
Ryan Edward Grzeszczak  
Elizabeth Eugene McGinnis

**Congratulations to all those couples who  
were married at St. Mary of the Lakes  
40 years ago in November 1980.**

Mr. & Mrs. Donald Tiver

## Welcome Newly Baptized



## ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2020

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

SML has pledged \$151,258. Our parish goal was \$140,000. By reaching our goal, the rebate will be \$21,000 (15 percent of goal). By continuing to exceed our goal, the rebate will be \$21,000 + 50 percent of difference above \$140,000, which is currently \$26,629. Thank you for your generosity!

## Confessions

Confessions are heard in the altar server sacristy on Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.  
If a line forms, please stand six feet apart. When making your confession, please stand by the barrier, which is positioned six feet from Father Roy or Father Dan.

## Mass Schedule

### Weekend

Saturday

5:30 p.m.

Sunday

7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.,

10:30 a.m. and noon.

Everyone must wear a mask.

*The Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mass  
is simulcasted at  
[www.smlparish.org](http://www.smlparish.org)*



### Daily

A daily Mass is offered  
Monday-Friday at 7:15 a.m.

and

Monday-Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

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wear a mask.

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simulcasted at  
[www.smlparish.org](http://www.smlparish.org)*

## The 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Sunday, November 15

- 7:30 a.m. Our Parishioners  
 9:00 a.m. Jon Hall / Mary Beth Curcic & Peter Dobush  
 10:30 a.m. Edward Dormand / Kim & Bill Martin  
 12:00 p.m. Christopher Santone / Sal & Peggy Benigno  
 Joseph Meagher Sr. / Jim & Marian Incognito

### Monday, November 16

- 7:15 a.m. Chee Santone, The Dwyer Family  
 Bettyann McCoy / Christ Life  
 9:00 a.m. Helen Capri /  
 Clergy, Staff & Parishioners of SMLCCS

### Tuesday, November 17

- 7:15 a.m. Ephraim Block / Pat & Judy Kiernan  
 9:00 a.m. Frank Roggio / Sue Roggio  
 Linda DiJulia / Linda & Bernie Wennemer

### Wednesday, November 18

- 7:15 a.m. Joseph Corigliano / Tina Marie  
 Anne Bokeko /  
 Clergy, Staff & Parishioners of SMLCCS  
 9:00 a.m. All Deceased Members of Legions of Mary /  
 SML Legion of Mary

### Thursday, November 19

- 7:15 a.m. Ephraim Block / Linda Xerri  
 9:00 a.m. Charles Baldoni Sr. / Rita, his wife  
 Joseph Dong / His Family

### Friday, November 20

- 7:15 a.m. Ephraim Block / Millie Linett  
 Thomas A. Scarduzio Sr. & Jr. / Mary Scarduzio  
 9:00 a.m. Gloria Paulsen / Dr. & Mrs. James Dwyer

### Saturday, November 21

- 9:00 a.m. 61<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary Peg & Sal Benigno /  
 Peg & Sal Benigno  
 5:30 p.m. Matthew Braccio / Mr. & Mrs. Louis DiVentura

### Sunday, November 22

- 7:30 a.m. Our Parishioners  
 9:00 a.m. Anne Gehin /  
 Clergy, Staff & Parishioners of SMLCCS  
 10:30 a.m. Stephen Porter / Linda Xerri  
 12:00 p.m. Edward LeSage / The King Family  
 James P. Stewart /  
 His wife Debbie & children Holly, Matthew,  
 Ryan & Jimmy

### Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is 24/7.  
 The Adoration Chapel is open  
 to one Adorer at a time.

Please pray for the soul of  
**Patricia LaVanture**  
 and keep her family 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, Connie Aromando, Marty Ball, Keith Bodendorf, Ann Bober, John Boyd, Michael Bryan, Sherri Colan, Dave Clor, David J. DiLullo, Sandra DiMaio, Theresa R. Dumas, Jim Endahl, Margaret Fitzpatrick, Joyce Frenia, Louis Giansante, Baby Emily Hereghty, Sawyer Michael Howarth, Jim Kehoe, Morgan Kelly, Jim Kester, Lee Knecht, Louis Kramer, Gail LaBarber, Gregory Law, Bob Lender, Rosemarie Lyczak, Joe Meile, Maria Minadeo, Richard Moken, Ignacio J. Molina-Guillermety, Carol and Steve Newman, Joseph Nguyen, Rita O'Connor, Colette Parisi, Marilyn Peoples, Garrett Pittman, Rose Piontkowski, Bill Quigley, James Quigley, IV, Sue Rebel, Joel Rivera, Christine Rock, Garry Roettger, Richard SM, Joseph Stern, Jr., Dianne Stippick, Leoncia Sullivan, Mary Ann Sullivan, Anna Mae Wade, Thomas Walsh, Hudson Edward Wingate, Ava Zachery, Madeline.



**PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS** 1<sup>st</sup> LT Christian Aguilar, USA; 1<sup>st</sup> LT Kyle Brandt, USAF; Capt. Katherine Collins Kneram, USA; 1<sup>st</sup> 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; 2<sup>nd</sup> LT Waverly Hock, USAF; MAJ William Hock, USAF; Capt. Richard Jordan, USMC; ENS William Jordan, USN; 2<sup>nd</sup> LT Rachel Kelly, USAF; LT Commander Matthew Knepper, USN; Capt. Patrick Kneram, USA; Cpl Brett Koerner, USMC; PVT Nicholas Lawrence, USA; GM3 David Lewis, USN; Christopher Macready, USMC; 2<sup>nd</sup> LT Doug MacDonald, USMC; 2<sup>nd</sup> LT Michelle Matthews, USMC; MIDN 4/D Patrick McKernan, USA; PO3 Allston Megill, USN; Sgt. Mark Mickinak, USMC; General Scot Miller, USA; Airman 1st Class Anthony J. Pinto; 1<sup>st</sup> LT Victor Prato, USA; CM Jonathan Ross, USN; ENS Nolan Smith, USN; TSGT Adrian Tomkus, USAF.

### Offertory Collections for Sunday, November 8, 2020

Donations in Cash	\$2,100
Donations in Envelopes	\$18,469
Total Collection November 8, 2020	\$20,569
Second Collection-Military Services	\$4,722
Total Collection November 10, 2019	\$27,111
Total Collection November 11, 2018	\$27,052



### Parish Office Drop Box

Just a friendly reminder to please use the Parish Office Drop Box next to the Rectory front door for drop offs and church envelopes. **Thank you !**

Welcome to St. Mary of the Lakes:  
**Bernadette McNally**



## Take a Year and Strengthen Your Spiritual Life by Increasing the Size of Your Cross

On October 26, 2020, Father Dan gave a homily about two dimensions of Christian Spirituality: the **vertical** and **horizontal**, resembling the Cross, and the things we do to that help lengthen or widen that cross. He said:

*The vertical dimension of Christian spirituality, symbolized by the vertical beam of the cross, represents the relationship we have with God “above,” to love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul and mind. It’s the above part is why we call it “vertical,” even though God is in others and inside ourselves as well. People with a high vertical spirituality carry a tall cross, and invest most of their spiritual effort on improving or maintaining their relationship with God...*

*The horizontal dimension of Christian spirituality, symbolized by the horizontal beam of the cross, represents the way your faith motivates you to treat other people. Love your neighbor as yourself. People with a high horizontal spirituality carry a wide cross.*

There is also a third dimension: **internal**. This is the way we deal with what is going on inside ourselves.

Beginning the first Sunday of Advent, November 29, New Year’s Day for the Church, we invite individuals, families, groups of friends, neighbors, ministries to make some spiritual New Year’s resolutions to build their crosses, week by week, for a year.

In next week’s bulletin, there will be a self-assessment to help us determine where God is prompting us to make changes in our spiritual life. Is your cross very tall, but maybe not so wide? Is your cross super wide, but really short? Is your cross shallow and in need of internal strengthening? We all need to work on some aspect of our spiritual life to strengthen our relationship with God. This exercise allows us to do it together in a COVID-proof way and helps us develop holy habits that draw us closer to the Lord and opens us up to a deeper relationship with Him.

Then, each week for the next year, in the bulletin and posted on social media, there will be three suggestions for building our crosses, one for each of the dimensions, to work on in the coming week. Maybe you’ll decide to stay with the previous week’s suggestion for two or more weeks. Maybe the Holy Spirit will inspire you with an idea of your own.

However the idea comes, let’s take this year to build our crosses to grow in our love for our Lord in our hearts, our souls, in the way we treat our neighbors and the ways we treat ourselves because, no matter what, we are loved by the Beloved as His beloved.

## Intergenerational Education Opportunities

### Scripture Study

Father Dan is offering an Intergenerational Scripture Study on Mondays, 11/16 and 11/23 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Emmaus Center. This weekly Scripture Study is full in-person, so attending virtually is the only option for those interested.

For the 11/16 Scripture Study, click on the link or copy and paste the link: <https://tinyurl.com/y35axgsq>

Meeting number (access code): 126 430 3406 and meeting password: Francis

This course was written using Benedict XVI’s *Jesus of Nazareth* and will cover: the Disciples, the Message of the Parables, the Principle Images of John’s Gospel, Peter’s Confession, the Transfiguration and the Identity of Jesus.

A link will be posted on the website each week at [www.smlparish.org](http://www.smlparish.org) to attend virtually.

### Church Study

Father Dan is offering a Hybrid (online and in-person) Intergenerational Church Study on the *second Wednesday of the month*, **December 9**, from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Emmaus Center.

For the 12/9 Church Study, click on the link or copy and paste the link: <https://tinyurl.com/y23bz8ew>

Meeting number (access code): 126 176 4132 and meeting password: Francis

This course was inspired by Timothy Cardinal Dolan, who wrote, “I don’t hear a lot of people today having trouble with God and I don’t really hear a lot of people having trouble with Jesus. I hear everybody having trouble with the Church. In some way, we’ve got to reclaim the identity of Christ in His Church.”

To that end, the course was written using Fulton Sheen’s *The Mystical Body of Christ*.

BYOB (bring your own Bible). If you need a Bible, New American Bibles will be sold for \$6.00 at the class.

This Church Study is full in-person, so attending virtually is the only option for those interested.

A link will be posted on the website at [www.smlparish.org](http://www.smlparish.org) each week for those who prefer to attend virtually.



## Thanksgiving Food Drive

*Until* November 15

Non-perishable food items for Thanksgiving dinner can be placed in the KofC trailer at the church parking lot. Suggested items are:

- Cranberry sauce, apple sauce, stuffing mix, boxed potatoes, canned vegetables, turkey gravy, rice, pasta, fruit cocktail, canned yams, apple juice, instant jello

Great opportunity for students to earn Confirmation Service credit by hosting a family or neighborhood food drive. Contact [yes@smlparish.org](mailto:yes@smlparish.org) for more details.

## SAVE THE DATE!!!

FOR AN EVENT THAT WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE  
**REBOOT!**

*With internationally renowned speaker and author,*  
**CHRIS STEFANICK**

REBOOT! is the fun, inspiring and practical experience of applying the beauty and genius of the heart of the Gospel to every aspect of your life.

From prayer and spirituality, to work, dating, marriage, parenting, health and more!

There is no part of your life  
that will be left untouched!

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2021**

7:00 – 9:30 p.m.

Keep watching the bulletin for all the details!

To register, click on the link or copy and paste the link:

[www.RealLifeCatholic.com](http://www.RealLifeCatholic.com)



## RCIA

Our 12 RCIA inquirers have completed their sixth lesson. So far they have learned about God and His plan, the Old Testament, including God's covenants and the Prophets.

They will be getting ready for the Rite of Acceptance and Welcoming on **November 22**, the Feast of Christ the King.

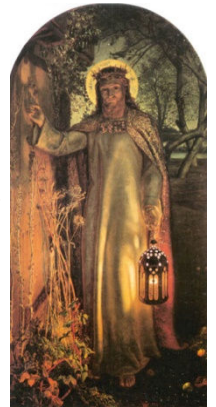
Please continue to keep them in your prayers. Thank you for modeling our faith for them as they look to all of us for what it means to be a disciple of Christ.

## ChristLife Discovering Christ

Are you searching for a more meaningful,  
purpose-filled life?

Do you yearn to trade the "noise" and  
pain in your life for peace  
through prayer?

Do you want to develop a personal  
relationship with Christ?



Discovering Christ offers answers to these questions and so much more. Discovering Christ is a seven-week experience that invites participants to personally encounter Jesus Christ through video teaching, testimony and small group discussion. Each session includes a delicious meal. A day retreat is offered during the course of the seven weeks.

Discovering Christ will be offered on Thursday evenings at 6:45 p.m. or Friday mornings at 9:30 a.m. beginning **January 7**. Mark your calendars now! Whether we can gather in person or meet on-line, registration will open November 9.

*Christ is knocking. Will you answer?*

# Casserole Collections

Those who wish to donate must follow the suggested guidelines from the CDC posted at [www.smlparish.org](http://www.smlparish.org) along with our directive to not cook/deliver food if you or a member of your household are sick. Donated food must be frozen prior to delivery to the Emmaus Center.

The Emmaus Center is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for food collection.

Those entering must wear a mask. Please go directly to the Emmaus Center and place the frozen casserole in the LARGE WHITE CHEST FREEZER (*below*) which is located against the back wall of the Emmaus Center – closest to the backyard door. The freezer will be open – just lift up and place donation in the freezer.



**DO NOT PLACE ITEMS IN THE KITCHEN AREA FREEZER OR REFRIGERATOR.**

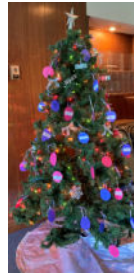
There is no reason to stop in the Parish Office to tell us that you are dropping off food. The Office staff will check the freezer and monitor the donations daily.

For students who would like to earn community service hours, please contact Mrs. Xerri at ext. 111 for instructions on how to record your hours using the new Mobile Serve App.

## Rosary Prayer Groups

- Weekdays following morning Masses 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

## Advent Giving Tree



Although our tree will still be decorated with ornaments listing needed items, we are adding the list of items on both the parish [www.smlparish.org](http://www.smlparish.org) and school [www.smlschool.org](http://www.smlschool.org) websites for your safety and convenience.



All donations can be placed in the decorative box (*right*), which will be located next to the tree at the Jackson Road entrance.



**Please do not place any purchased item under the tree this year!**

Thank you for remembering those most in need in our community.  
*"Whatsoever you do to the least of my brothers, that you do unto me."*

Questions contact [yes@smlparish.org](mailto:yes@smlparish.org)

**REQUESTED ITEMS:** Toiletries: men's and women's deodorant; body wash (15 oz) shampoo (15 oz), chapstick, lip gloss; purse size hand sanitizer; Large diapers size 5, 6 and up or Pull Ups

*All donations will benefit the Society of St. Vincent de Paul*

## Advent Mission: Catholic Covid Revival

Presenter: Mr. Dan Palmieri



**Time: 7 pm**

**Place: St. John Neumann Church  
(Mt. Laurel, NJ)**

**Part 1: Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Part 2: Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**





# St. Mary of the Lakes

SCHOOL

*Celebrating 60 years of Catholic Education*



Pre-Pandemic Images

## GIVING TUESDAY 2020

Giving Tuesday is a global day of charitable giving which follows Thanksgiving, Black Friday and Cyber Monday. The goal of Giving Tuesday is to foster community connection and generosity that allows you to bring about REAL CHANGE in your community. 100% of the monies raised through this campaign will go directly to the Catholic school that you specify in your donation.

### ON GIVING TUESDAY, YOU CAN:

- ▶ MAKE A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE SCHOOL OF YOUR CHOICE
- ▶ COMMIT TO VOLUNTEERING YOUR TIME AT A SCHOOL IN YOUR AREA
- ▶ SHARE A PRAYER FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WITH US AND OTHERS

MARK YOUR  
CALENDARS!



VISIT: [www.LeadinFaith.org](http://www.LeadinFaith.org)

TO LEARN MORE AND PLEDGE YOUR SUPPORT!



#GIVINGTUESDAY



St. Mary  
of the Lakes  
SCHOOL

[www.smlschool.org](http://www.smlschool.org)

## Preschool

3 Day & 5 Day

Programs Available

(609) 654-2546

## SMLS Employment Opportunities

### Part Time Director of Advancement and Admissions

Reporting to the Principal, the Part Time Director of Advancement and Admissions, DAA, designs and implements a comprehensive, results-oriented development plan that includes annual fundraising, major and planned giving, campaigns and special events for St. Mary of the Lakes School. All responsibilities are to be in line with the Catholic mission of the Parish and School and candidate must be committed to promoting Catholic identity. The DAA reports directly to the Principal of St. Mary of the Lakes School with accountability to the Pastor. He/she is responsible for constituent relationships, managing data, engaging volunteers when needed and works collaboratively with the school and parish staff, and administrators.

The DAA should be a self-starter, entrepreneurial and creative while being an excellent and engaged team player. The candidate must have outstanding communication skills across a range of constituents.

Qualified candidates should submit their letter of interest, resume and salary requirements by November 16, 2020 to: Maria Sobel, School Principal, at [msobel@smlschool.org](mailto:msobel@smlschool.org). Please include SML#2546 on the email subject line for your application to be considered. If interested, submit application (please click on the link or copy and paste the link: <https://tinyurl.com/y33veozb> for employment application).

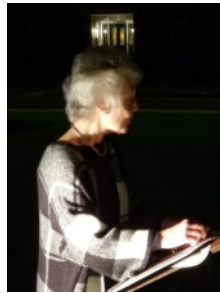
### Full Time Language Arts Teacher

St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic School is seeking one full-time Language Arts teacher, grades 5-8 for the 2020-2021 school year. The successful candidate would serve as a 6<sup>th</sup> grade homeroom teacher responsible for teaching the core curriculum in Literature for grades 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup>. Also, the candidate is responsible for teaching religion in 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Candidates should have experience in teaching at the middle school level and be committed to a Catholic education. Minimum qualifications: NJ Teaching Certificate K-8th or Content Area Certification, knowledge of Google Classroom, fingerprinting/background check

Qualified candidates should submit their letter of interest, resume and salary requirements by November 18, 2020 to: Maria Sobel, School Principal, at [msobel@smlschool.org](mailto:msobel@smlschool.org). Please include SML#8208 on the email subject line for your application to be considered. Please click on the link or copy and paste the link: <https://tinyurl.com/y33veozb> for employment application.



## YES Veterans Prayer Service



## Blessing Bags for the Homeless

YES is collecting the following items to include in Blessing Bags for the Homeless: men/women socks, gloves, personal size hand sanitizer, hand lotion and facemasks. Please place your donation in the bins provided at the PLE **until November 15**. The Blessing Bag project will take place *this* Sunday, November 15, under the Tent.

## FALL MEETING SCHEDULE

At present, all in-person meetings will be held *UNDER THE TENT*. We invite all 8-12<sup>th</sup> graders to join us both in-person and on-line. For more information contact [yes@smlparish.org](mailto:yes@smlparish.org)

### In-Person

*(note meeting times vary per activity)*

**Nov. 15 @ 5:00-6:30 p.m.** "Whatsoever you do..." PPE backpacks for the homeless

### On-Line

**Nov. 22 @ 7:00 p.m.** "Thanksgiving Kahoot Night"

We switched to google classroom as our Virtual platform.

Contact [yes@smlparish.org](mailto:yes@smlparish.org) for meeting access code.

## KofC Dinner with Father Dan and Father Roy





# Knights of Columbus

## Get Your Christmas Dedication Trees



The Knights of Columbus are now accepting reservations and donations for their annual Christmas Dedication Tree fundraiser. All proceeds benefit the Knights charitable activities and SML school.

You can memorialize or honor a loved one with a Christmas dedication tree that will line the church grounds. The Knights will adorn your tree with Christmas lights and a laminated card with your honoree's name. You have the option of placing personal decorations on the tree as well.

To reserve a tree, download the order form, please visit: [www.medfordknights.org](http://www.medfordknights.org). Complete the form and deliver it to the parish office by Tuesday, **December 1**, with a check for \$150 made payable to Knights of Columbus Council 6520. Credit card and PayPal options are also available.

Mark your calendar for the tree lighting ceremony on Sunday, **December 6**.

If you have any questions, please call Bill Scheffold at 856-912-1301.

### Annual Charity Golf Tournament Remained a Success Despite Challenges of COVID-19 Pandemic

St. Mary of the Lakes Knights of Columbus Council 6520 hosted its 13<sup>th</sup> annual charity golf tournament at Medford Village Country Club, raising \$55,500 for 1<sup>st</sup> Way of Burlington County, Family Promise of Burlington County, and Medford's Society of St. Vincent de Paul, organizations that treat every man, woman, and child with respect, dignity, and compassion.

The event had 31 sponsors and 65 boosters, including:

- The Law Office of David J. Karbasian, PC (Event Sponsor)
- Miles Technologies (Event Sponsor)
- Zallie's Fresh Kitchen at ShopRite of Medford (Event Sponsor)
- Holman Enterprises (Platinum Sponsor)

"We are also grateful to our seven Gold Sponsors, four Silver Sponsors, 16 Bronze Sponsors, local merchants who donated items for the raffles and prizes, local golf courses that donated foursomes for auction, member Knights, golfers, and volunteers who 'chipped in for charity' to make our annual tournament an overwhelming success," said Council 6520 Past Grand Knight and Event Chairman Don Bouchard. "And we were thrilled to have the maximum 136 registered golfers and representatives from each organization for the awards presentation and a wonderful dinner."

### St. Mary of the Lakes Council 6520 Knights of Columbus



#### NOTICE OF 2021 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

*Three Education Scholarships (\$1,000, \$500, \$500)*

*Graduating High School Seniors in the Class of 2021*

St. Mary of the Lakes Knights of Columbus Council 6520 is offering three scholarships for daughters, sons and grandchildren of members of Council 6520. The \$1,000 scholarship is the Leo & Mary Ann Coceano Memorial Scholarship in honor of two amazing educators and a faithful Knight of Columbus.

#### CONDITIONS OF THE AWARD

*Each candidate must be at least one of the following:*

- a child, stepchild, grandchild of a currently paid-up member of St. Mary of the Lakes Council 6520
- a child, stepchild, grandchild of a deceased member of St. Mary of the Lakes Council 6520 who was not in arrears at the time of his death

*Other conditions that must be met:*

- the candidate must be a candidate for graduation from a recognized 4-year high school, or its home-schooling equivalent, during the term ending in June 2021, or a current undergraduate at a trade school or college.
- a 1,500-word essay on one of the following topics:
  - Where do you find Jesus in today's world? or
  - What non-famous Catholic person inspires you the most? (The Pope and Mother Teresa would be examples of "famous" Catholics and cannot be used)
- the application **must** be received no later than **February 28, 2021**, using the form and essay at: [www.medfordknights.org](http://www.medfordknights.org).

Each scholarship winner must attend a college or trade school to receive payment. Payments will be made to the winner, not the school directly.

### New Third Degree Ceremony

On Sunday, **November 22**, the new 3rd degree ceremony will be held after the 12:00 noon Mass, with Father Roy presiding as Chaplain and it is open to the public. Parishioners and family are invited to stay and witness the event.

### Put Your Faith into Action: Become a Knight of Columbus

If want to help those in need, serve your parish, and grow in your faith, then join the Knights of Columbus Council 6520. As a member of the Knights, you'll be part of the largest Catholic fraternal organization in the world. 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.

For more information, contact Scott Lattimer at [slattimer@aol.com](mailto:slattimer@aol.com) or visit: [www.medfordknights.org](http://www.medfordknights.org).



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OF COLUMBUS®**



## 2020 Christmas Dedication Tree Reservation Form

*Because the trees must be ordered in advance, no reservations can be accepted after  
Tues., Dec. 1.*

All proceeds benefit the Knights charitable activities and SML school.

If you have any questions, please call Bill Scheffold at 856-912-1301.

(Please submit **ONE** form per tree order)

**PLEASE PRINT HONOREE'S NAME AND YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION CLEARLY**

### HONOREE's INFO:

**Please have the plaque which will be placed on the tree read as follows:**

(Select the most appropriate)

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Greeting \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check that apply:** ☐ Veteran or Spouse ☐ First Responder ☐ Health Care Worker

### REQUESTOR(s) INFO:

Requested By \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City and Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### PAYMENT INFO:

Donate \$150 by credit card, PayPal, or check made payable to Knights of Columbus Council 6520

You may drop off or mail your completed form(s) with payment to the parish office  
or

You may email your completed form(s) to [billscheffold@yahoo.com](mailto:billscheffold@yahoo.com)  
and drop your check off at parish office

If you want to complete the transaction totally on-line, please click on the link or copy and paste the link:  
<https://medfordknights.org/christmas-trees-1> and follow the instructions on the web page.

**Come to the Tree Lighting on Sun., Dec. 6. - The Tradition Continues**







## St. Mary of the Lakes Brick Fundraiser



We are pleased to offer you the opportunity to engrave a brick with your special message of hope to be permanently displayed on a walkway entering the church.

The Knights of Columbus are selling bricks that will be placed along the walkways and in the shape of two (2) Crosses, which will be placed entering the church from the back parking lot. Not only can you help us and the church, but you have the opportunity to leave an impression that will last forever. You can have the bricks inscribed with the names of your family, an anniversary, a special event or a deceased loved one by getting a brick to commemorate their legacy. It's also a great way for people to always see your businesses and be reminded of your support among the community.

Time is limited, spaces are filling up, don't miss your chance to get a brick and leave a legacy that will last a lifetime. The cost is \$125 for a 4x8 brick and \$175 for a 8x8 brick. Add \$25 for clip art and mini replica bricks are available for an additional \$35. Samples of the bricks can be found by the Parking Lot entrance.

Please click on the link or copy and paste the link: [www.4everbricks.com/donors/SML/](http://www.4everbricks.com/donors/SML/) for an order form or visit [www.smlparish.org](http://www.smlparish.org) to see a photo of the sample brick and minibrick.

*You can make your check payable to St Mary of the Lakes Church and drop off at the parish office.*



### Fill the Trailer !

The trailer will be opened to the public and will not be staffed. Individuals may drop off at their convenience keeping with the local social distancing rules.



## Food Dropoff

*The Knights of Columbus in conjunction with St. Vincent de Paul Society are collecting food to restock the pantry and feed the local hungry.*

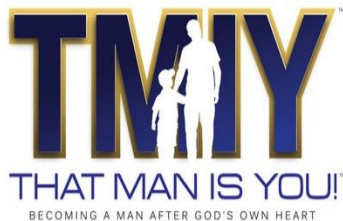


Thanks for doing your part by staying home; however, if you want to do more & need to venture out, please help us out!





Men .... looking for something  
out of this world? How about:  
“A long time ago in a Galilee far, far away ....”



Come join us for some “down to earth” discussions  
“Virtually” on ZOOM.  
For more info or to sign up, please visit:  
[www.stjoans.org/tmiy](http://www.stjoans.org/tmiy)

**Offerings at Francis  
House of Prayer**  
*Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center*  
84 Walnford Road •  
Allentown, NJ 08501  
609-877-0509 /[www.FHOP.org](http://www.FHOP.org)



**CONTEMPLATION  
DISCOVERING OUR ONENESS**  
**Tuesday, November 17 / 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

Contemplation is the gentle cure for the human condition. Contemplation helps us recognize that we are One. We are more One with each other than separate. This retreat day will focus on healing the wounds of division and befriending differences as we experience union with God in prayer. Thomas Keating's teachings will guide us throughout the day as we grow in consciousness that God is all in all and we really are One. Donation: \$25, includes lunch. To register, call 609-877-0509.

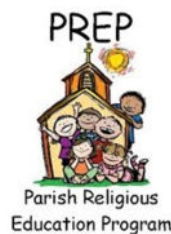
## SML School 50/50 Raffle Update

Yes, the Super 50/50 is underway with only three weeks until the Drawing. We have over \$6,000 in the bank of which \$3,000 goes towards the prizes (1<sup>st</sup> prize is presently worth \$1,500 and the other ten second prizes are worth \$150 each).

Please return your purchased tickets ASAP as  
**December 6** will be here very soon.

Returns (in an envelope marked RAFFLE RETURNS)  
can be placed in the collection basket through  
Sunday, **November 29** or dropped off at the parish  
office until Friday, **December 4**.

**Tickets are \$5.00 each OR  
a booklet of six tickets for \$25.00.**



### PREP UPDATE

Religious education classes have been in session since September 21. To comply with social distancing limitations and other restrictions necessitated by the pandemic, PREP now has catechists teaching virtually in addition to those who teach in-person.

At times, this has been formidable for catechists, students, and parents; however, all have accepted the challenge. We are discovering new ways to teach, learn, share, and grow in our knowledge and love of God.

Parents who have not yet registered their children for PREP this year should contact the PREP Office at [smlprep@smlparish.org](mailto:smlprep@smlparish.org) as soon as possible. Do not let Covid stand in the way of your child's religious education!

### SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH CHANCE DRIVE TO SUPPORT OUR RETIRED SISTERS AT ST. JOSEPH'S VILLA

Due to the corona virus,  
we will be selling chances on-line only.

\$5.00 a chance

\$20.00 for a book *OF 5*

GRAND PRIZE - \$10,000

FIVE PRIZES - \$500

TO VISIT CHANCE DRIVE PAGE, please click  
on the link or copy and paste the link:

<https://tinyurl.com/y5xkvo6z>

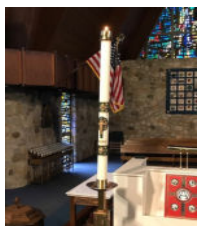
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# Virtual Prayer Book

For a link to the St. Mary of the Lakes Virtual Prayer Book, please click on the link or copy and paste the link:

<https://smlparish.org/virtual-prayer-book>



## Light a Virtual Prayer Candle

We invite you to light a prayer candle for any intention.

The large Easter Candle is lit during Mass offered inside St. Mary of the Lakes Church to symbolize and commemorate all the virtual candles requested via the internet.

To Make Prayer Intention and Light Your Candle, please click on the link or copy and paste the link:

<https://smlparish.org/virtual-prayer-candle>

*You may include an offering with your Sunday gift*

## A Coronavirus Prayer

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages “curing every disease and illness.” At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love. Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

May victims regain their strength and health through quality medical care. Heal us from our fear. Stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow. Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace. Hear our prayer, O Divine Physician. Hear our prayer.

**Amen.**



## Act of Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

**Amen.**

## St. Mary of the Lakes This Week

### Sunday, November 15

- RCIA / 8:30 a.m. / Emmaus Center
- YES / 5 p.m. / Tent
- AA Meeting / 7 p.m. / Parish Meeting Room

### Monday, November 16

- Men's Gospel Reflection Group / 6:15 a.m. / Church Parking Lot/Emmaus Center for inclement weather
- Bereavement Meeting / 10 a.m. / Conference Room
- Fr. Dan's Scripture Study / 7 p.m. / Emmaus Center

### Tuesday, November 17

- Glory to God Prayer Group / 7 p.m. / Emmaus Center

### Wednesday, November 18

- Legion of Mary / 9:30 a.m. / Emmaus Center
- Matthew Study / 6:00 p.m. / Webex

### Thursday, November 19

- Thursday Bible Study / 10 a.m. / Emmaus Center

### Friday, November 20

### Saturday, November 21

### Sunday, November 22 – Christ the King

- RCIA Rite of Acceptance and Welcome / 9:00 a.m. / Church
- KofC 3rd Degree Exemplification / 1 p.m. / Church
- YES / 7 p.m. / Tent
- AA Meeting / 7 p.m. / Parish Meeting Room

Tux  
Attending  
an Evening  
Meeting

