



May 23, 2021



40 Jackson Road, Medford, New Jersey 08055

Parish Website: www.smlparish.org

Parish Email Address: 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

Reverend Roy Ballacillo, Parochial Vicar, 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

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	(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. 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 Maureen Sokolowski, President. 609/953-0021.

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Like us on Facebook! www.facebook.com/smlparish
and follow us on Twitter @SmlParish



Young Adults Ministry Invite

St. Mary of the Lakes is beginning another Young Adult Group in our parish. Invites were mailed to all registered young adults ages 21-27. If you didn't receive an invite, please accept our apologies and consider yourself invited anyway.

A Come and See will be held on Tuesday, **May 25** at 7:00 p.m. in the PREP Conference room at St. Mary of the Lakes School. Entering the campus from Route 70, please go through the double doors straight ahead of you.

Hope to see you there!

YES is Supporting Catholic Charities and the Secular Franciscan's Project Oak Tree

We are collecting donations for migrants and refugees released from Customs & Immigration. Please drop off the following items to the bins at JRE and PLE of church:

1. Individual / single serving crackers, gold fish, wheat thins, popcorn, rice krispies treats, trail mix...
2. Undergarments – sports bras, underwear and socks for all genders, all ages (must be brand new).
3. Pants (leggings and sweat pants only – NO jeans, pants with buttons or zippers).
4. Tops (sweatshirts, sweaters, cardigans, t-shirts and coats only) – NO blouses.
5. Shoes (athletic shoes/tennis shoes, slip on shoes, and flip flops only) – NO formal shoes and/or heels.
6. Pajamas (tops and full length pants only) – NO shorts, nightgowns, or nightdresses.
7. Baby and toddler clothing, all sizes, all genders.
8. Toys for children, all ages, all genders.

Monetary donations are also being accepted. Please make check payable to *St. Mary of the Lakes* with memo line reading: “*Migrant Donation*”



Whoo Hoo! We Hit Our Goal!

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

As of 5/18/2021, SML has pledged **\$142,448**. 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 **\$22,224**.

Thank you for your generosity!

For more information or to donate, click on the link or copy and paste the link:

<https://dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal>

Pentecost Sunday

Sunday, May 23

7:30 a.m. Our Parishioners
 9:00 a.m. Ephraim Block / Nancy Finan
 10:30 a.m. Aunt Joan Cobia / The Haines Family
 12:00 p.m. Bob Cooskey / Barbara & Ken Wineland
 Daniel F. White / Jill & John Taylor

Monday, May 24

7:15 a.m. Cheryl Stamato / Susan Michaelides
 9:00 a.m. Bob Perkins / The Czarnecki Family

Tuesday, May 25

7:15 a.m. Robert Lender Jr. / Richie & Christy Campbell
 9:00 a.m. Joseph Kuputa / Tom & Ann King & Family

Wednesday, May 26

7:15 a.m. John Graff /
 Clergy, Staff & Parishioners of SMLCCS
 9:00 a.m. Marilyn Gray / The Rakoczy Family

Thursday, May 27

7:15 a.m. Louis Amoriello / Peg & Jerry Oyen
 9:00 a.m. Edward Diamond Jr. / Maureen Schuller

Friday, May 28

7:15 a.m. John Sage / Tom Wright
 9:00 a.m. Danny Melluci / The Czarnecki Family

Saturday, May 29

9:00 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Roland Benoit / Joe & Judy Clauss
 5:30 p.m. Bob Casian / Christine Brandt

Sunday, May 30 – Holy Trinity Sunday

7:30 a.m. Our Parishioners
 9:00 a.m. John D. Hartigan / Bob & Brenda Herdegen
 10:30 a.m. Bette Johnson / The Haines Family
 12:00 p.m. Marc J. Pipari / Sherri & Alan Green
 Georgetta Talarico Loras / Linda Talarico Xerri



Infant of Prague Hand Sanitizers

Recently a parishioner complained the hand sanitizers were near the tabernacle. Father Dan

prefers the sanitizers be kept next to the tabernacle as he wants them highly visible and Eucharistic Ministers highly visible while they disinfect their hands. However, more than a few years ago, he remembered a priest friend dressing his hand sanitizer as the Infant of Prague. So there are now six Infant of Pragues about the tabernacle. Father Dan thanks Jane Bresani and Marian Incognito for the sanitizer outfits.

Please pray for the soul of
Nelda Goergen
 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, Karen Bilinski, Keith Bodendorf, John Boyd, Michael Bryan, Cherie Burgio, Sherri Colan, Dave Clor, John Deibel, Matilda Docalovich, Theresa R. Dumas, Jim Endahl, Martin Farrell; Joseph Finizio, Margaret Fitzpatrick, Louis Giansante, Baby Emily Heregthy, Sawyer Michael Howarth, Jim Kehoe, Morgan Kelly, Jim Kester, Lee Knecht, Louis Kramer, Gail LaBarber, Gregory Law, Madison Luyber, Rosemarie Lyczak, Joe Meile, Maria Minadeo, Walter Arthur Molineros, Carol and Steve Newman, Joseph Nguyen, Levi Oattes Rita O'Connor, Colette Parisi, Marilyn Peoples, Rose Piontkowski, Garrett Pittman, Bill Quigley, Donna Raman, Sue Rebel, Joel Rivera, Philomena Robidoux, Christine Rock, Garry Roettger, Bill and Theresa Sherwin, Richard SM, Dianne Stippick, Leoncia Sullivan, Mary Ann Sullivan, Anna Mae Wade, Hudson Edward Wingate, Ava Zachery, Madeline.

1st LT Christian Aguilar, USA; Capt. 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; William Jordan, USN; 2nd 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; 2nd LT Doug MacDonald, USMC; 2nd LT Michelle Matthews, USMC; MIDN 4/D Patrick McKernan, USA; PO3 Allston Megill, USN; General Scot Miller, USA; Airman 1st Class Anthony J. Pinto; 1st LT Victor Prato, USA; CM Jonathan Ross, USN; ENS Nolan Smith, USN; TSgt Adrian Tomkus, USAF.



Father's Day Cards

Father's Day cards are available at all entrances of the church. To have your loved one placed on the **Parish Mass Board**, please place your offerings in the collection basket or bring to the parish office by **noon, Monday, June 14.**

Food for Thought: Pilgrimage October 2022

Father Dan is interested in hosting a pilgrimage in **October, 2022**, if and only if COVID restrictions are lifted by then. Two possible destinations would be the Holy Land or Italy. Father hopes to have ballpark prices by next week. Once they are received, Father will ask those interested to email him with their preferred destination without making any commitment at this time.

Congratulations
to all those who were baptized at
St. Mary of the Lakes
50 years ago in May 1971:

Matthew Flacche
Patrick King
Colleen McCorriston
Gregory Sipp
Christopher McCarthy
Keith Misicwicz
Denise Knopka
Donna Wolf
Sherry Gell
Robert Keubler
Tammara Lingo
Jennifer Sabo
Charles Sewell

Congratulations
to all those who were married at
St. Mary of the Lakes
50 years ago in May 1971:

Mr. & Mrs. John Buseman
Mr. & Mrs. Angelo Lattiere
Mr. & Mrs. William Dunn

Increase Your Cross

Vertical: Go to [FORMED.org](https://www.formed.org). Scroll down to the "Movie Night" section and watch one of the movies with family/friends and discuss. One idea for a movie would be to choose a saint. The saints for this week are the Blessed Virgin Mary (May 24), St. Philip Neri (May 26) and St. Pope Paul VI (May 29).

Horizontal: Make a donation to Project Oak Tree. See the bulletin or website for list of needed items and drop them off in the bins at the doors of the church.

Core: Invite your patron saint to pray your daily prayers with you whether it be the Rosary, Liturgy of the Hours, daily Scripture reading, attending daily Mass.

Bulletin News

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

Welcome Newly Baptized



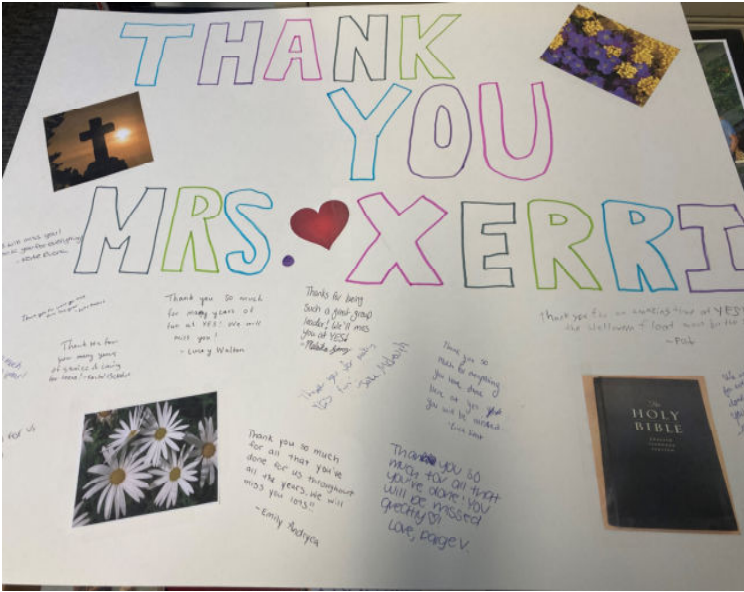
Nolan Blakely



Kayleigh Latesta

Thank You Linda ...

Last Sunday, the YES teens surprised Linda Xerri with a cake send off. Linda, who currently is the youth minister and religion coordinator at St. Mary of the Lakes, will transition to Director of Religious Education on July 1.



... a Thank You From Linda

You have enriched my life in more ways than you know over the past 16 and a half years. I thank each and every teen who has come through the doors of the Emmaus Center each Sunday evening to explore, discern and discover how God wants them to live as His disciples. No matter where your life journey may take you, remain strong in faith and in the knowledge that God created you as His perfect and wonderful creation! Always allow the power of the Holy Spirit to lead you to who God created you to be!

My prayer for each of you is that you will continue to embrace your call to discipleship within this community of St. Mary of the Lakes. It is a gift first from God, and second, from your parents who chose baptism for you! Be proud, seek truth and always show others the God who lives and dwells within you! You are Christ's hands, feet and voice on earth so keep doing what you have always done in order for YES to continue to be a faith-filled, visible and tangible witness for Christ in our parish community and in our world! You are a gift from God, and what You become is your gift back to God! Keep saying "YES"!

With my love, prayers and gratitude, Mrs. Xerri

Hello St. Mary of The Lakes Parish Community

Allow me to introduce myself. I am Christina Kotowski and I will be joining St. Mary of the Lakes, as the new Director of our YES youth ministry. I'm a South Jersey native, growing up next door in Marlton. I am a graduate of Seton Hall University with a BA in Social and Behavioral Sciences with concentrations in Sociology and Catholic Studies. I was an active member in their campus ministry, leading bible studies, the Rosary and small groups. I was also blessed to be part of a Mission Trip to San Pedro, Belize and had the wonderful opportunity to attend the World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland.

I'm a huge voice for all youth, and young adults, including our special needs community. I love being able to spend time with young people, and to meet them where they are. I'm very energetic and on fire for our faith, as well as today's young church. I will bring a youthful, passionate enthusiasm not just to the YES youth ministry, but also to SML as a whole. I look forward to working alongside so many great mentors and enthusiastic parishioners like myself. Please feel free to see me after Mass to say Hi. I would love to meet you! Thank you so much and God Bless! - Christina Kotowski



Church Study

Father Dan continues to offer an Intergenerational Church Study on the second Wednesday of each month with the next class **June 9** from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Father Dan will teach hybrid in the Emmaus Center with 52 attending in-person and also on-line.

For the classes on the second Wednesday of the month, click on the link or copy and paste the link:

<https://tinyurl.com/y2ybqx3p>

Meeting number (access code): 182 867 1434

Meeting password: Francis (3726247 from phones and video systems)

To join from a mobile device (attendees only):

+1-415-655-0001,,1828671434#3726247# US Toll

Some mobile devices may ask attendees to enter a numeric meeting password.

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.



Caring for Homeless Families – An Active Ministry at St. Mary's

For over 20 years the parishioners of St. Mary of the Lakes Church have supported and cared for homeless families in Burlington County through our participation in Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN).

Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, we have been unable to use our network of churches to provide shelter for families. To accommodate, we have placed our families in motels, and as you can imagine, this is costly and not an ideal setting for children.

The good news is, we have a new vision, a new strategy and even a new name. IHN is now Family Promise. We remain part of the National Family Promise network and we will continue to serve families in need by providing both shelter and family support. In addition, we will continue to maintain our Parish Ministry to support the program and to provide opportunities for volunteers.

Our plan for the future is to use an Apartment Shelter Program to provide temporary housing and to offer case management to assist our guests find permanent housing, job opportunities and financial stability.

Here's how you can help:

Become Part of our Network – Stay involved and learn about Family Promise volunteer opportunities. Get our free newsletter and read about programs and events. See how you can participate.

Share your Expertise – We could use your help if you know about low-income housing, social work case management, job opportunities or career counselling, social media networking, legal aid, event planning, fundraising etc. How can you help? Be part of our caring network of volunteers!

Help us to raise funds to shelter families – Go to our website at **www.fpburlco.org** to donate funds to support St. Mary's Week of Caring. We are sheltering families in motels at this time and we need your support. Spread the word by asking your networks to support Family Promise.

To Participate: E-mail Marie Cox at **marie.cox1@verizon.net** to get on our mailing list, to join our network of volunteers and/or to let us know how you'd like to help. You can also access our Family Promise Ministry Page on the St. Mary's Parish Website at **www.smlparish.org** for more information.

Regular 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***



Daily

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

and

Monday-Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

Everyone must
wear a mask.

*The daily 9:00 a.m. Mass is
simulcasted at **www.smlparish.org***



St. Mary of the Lakes

SCHOOL

Celebrating 60 years of Catholic Education

HELP WANTED

St. Mary of The Lakes School is hiring for their Before and After Care programs for the 2021-2022 school year.

Job requirements include: supervising children ages PreK to 8th grade. Must be 18 years or older to apply.

Before Care hours are 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. After Care hours are 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. but can be flexible.

If interested please send a resume to Jordann Bichler at

jbichler@smlschool.org or

St. Mary of the Lakes School

196 Route 70, Medford, NJ, 08055

SMLS Ascension Thursday



SAINT MARY OF THE LAKES PTA PRESENTS

THE 38TH ANNUAL FASHION SHOW

Please come join us as we shine a LIGHT on our 2nd & 8th Grade students! There will also be performances showcased by Today's Dance Center, owned and operated by Kimberly Sparks! We are truly blessed to end this year with such a magical night!

To comply with covid-regulations, social distancing and masks will be required. In the event of inclement weather, please note that the event will be moved indoors.



WEDNESDAY, MAY 26TH, 2021

6PM TO 9:30PM

WOODCREST
COUNTRY CLUB

300 E. EVESHAM RD.
CHERRY HILL, NJ 08003

ARE YOU FEELING LUCKY?

There will be Tombola Baskets, Red Hots, 50/50, Wine Pull and a chance at winning \$2,000 towards SMLS tuition.

GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

\$65/PP

Includes admission to the event and a sit down dinner which includes all non-alcoholic beverages. Cash bar is optional.

*To buy a drink you need to purchase a ticket for that specific drink. You can buy a ticket on Ticket Tailor or at the venue. Buying a ticket in advance will allow you to avoid waiting on a ticket line.

Tickets on-sale NOW at <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/stmaryofthelakes/489496>



St. Mary
of the Lakes
SCHOOL



2021 FASHION SHOW TOMBOLA PRE-VIEW EVENT

Everyone is invited to participate whether or not you can attend the Fashion Show!

SATURDAY, MAY 22ND, 2021 (10AM-12PM & 4PM-6PM)
SUNDAY, MAY 23RD, 2021 (12PM-3PM) MONDAY, MAY 24TH, 2021 (3PM-4PM)

ST. MARY OF THE LAKES GYMNASIUM

RED HOT RAFFLE BASKETS!

These baskets include higher price points than the Tombola Baskets! These higher priced items include: SMLS \$2,000 toward tuition, Larchmont Swim Club full season membership, Wine Chiller, Oculus Quest 2 VR gaming system and a Yeti Cooler with matching tumblers just to name a few.

*available until Wednesday, May 19th, 2021

PRE-SALE TOMBOLA TICKETS

REGULAR BASKET TICKETS:

5 sheets/\$50, 15 sheets/\$100,

RED HOT BASKET TICKETS: 1 sheet/\$25

*day of the pre-view events, May 22nd & 23rd

AT THE DOOR TOMBOLA TICKETS

REGULAR BASKET TICKETS:

1 sheet/\$15, 4 sheets/\$50, 10 sheets \$100

RED HOT BASKET TICKETS: 1 sheet/\$25

TO PURCHASE PRESALE TICKETS VISIT:

[HTTPS://BUYTICKETS.AT/STMARYOFTHELAKES/491212](https://buytickets.at/stmaryofthelakes/491212)

(*Must be over 18 to participate in the Fashion Show Tombola Raffles)

Raffle winners will be pulled and announced the night of the Fashion Show event, May 26th at Woodcrest Country Club. Winning numbers will be posted electronically. All proceeds benefits St. Mary of the Lakes School. Sponsored by the Saint Mary of the Lakes PTA.



CORNHOLE

St. Mary of the Lakes Council 6520 TOURNAMENT

1st Annual Charity Tournament

Saturday, August 21, 2021

Start time 11:00 am — 5:00 pm

Day of Event Registration: 10:00 am — 10:45 am

St. Mary's of the Lakes School — Medford, NJ

Fee: \$75.00 per 2 person team

Registration limited to 64 Teams

Registration includes:

(2) person team

Lunch ticket for 1 Hamburger or a
Hot Dog

Prizes for the top 3 teams

We will also have refreshments and a
50/50 raffle (not included in the fee).

Tournament Rules:

Double Elimination

Best 2 of 3 / 15 point games for
the first 2 rounds.

After the 2nd round all games will
be 1 game of 21 points.

All Net Proceeds Benefit:



Christian Caring Center

Supporting the less fortunate in
our communities

Payment info:

Make checks payable to:
Knight of Columbus Council 6520

Mail registration form & check to:

Peter Perno
205 Sunny Jim Dr.
Medford, NJ 08055

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Email: _____

Other Member of my Team:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please Check Level of Experience: A__ B__ C__ Novice__

To ensure your slot, pre-registration
payments must be received by
August 2, 2021.

No Refunds after August 13, 2021.

We will only include your registration
when payment is received.

For questions contact Jim Gibson
609-668-2897 or Email:

jgibson@rcbc.edu

SPONSORSHIPS are available - benefiting the Christian Caring Center

Sponsorships include recognition signage displayed
at the event, and will also be displayed on
our Medfordknights.org/cornhole website.
(please check sponsorship level below)

☐ Event Sponsor \$500

☐ Corn Sponsor \$250

☐ Hole Sponsor: \$100

DEADLINE for Sponsorships: July 31, 2021

Make check payable to:

Knights of Columbus Council 6520

Mail check to:

Peter Perno, 205 Sunny Jim Drive, Medford, NJ 08055
you can also use

VISA/PAYPAL Donations

@ Medfordknights.org/cornhole

For questions, please contact:

Jim Gibson at 609-668-2897, if desired, company logo
or artwork may be included with payment or emailed
to medfordknights@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus



Degree Ceremony



Last Sunday, three gentlemen became 3rd degree Full Knights and the honoree for the event was our PGK Bill Casian. Council 6520 would like to congratulate Jerry Cahill, Eli Mosteller and Scott Little for joining this active council. Proceeding that event, over 15 Knights got sworn in as 4th degree Patriotic Sir Knights. While their families watched. Deacon Rich Lutowski presided during the event and the Knights would like to thank him for his attendance.

Knight of the Month - Bill Casian

Bill received this award for recruiting twenty-two 3rd degrees Knights to make their Patriotic 4th Degree Knighting ceremony. Bill was a Past Grand Knight and still continues to volunteer for all events. He is once again stepping up to become a Trustee of the Council in July.



Family of the Month - The Scrivinich Family

(father Guido, daughter Giselle, son Anthony)



Guido is a Past Grand Knight and on the school board, while Giselle and Anthony are altar servers, and actively assist Father Dan during the holidays. They are an active Church going family and embodies the core value of the knights. Father Dan has anointed Giselle with all of her sacraments! A holy trifecta!

Bocce Ball is Back



Bocce started this past Wednesday with an amazing 20 people attending! We have new lighting for the court which allows us to play later into the night. Bocce is open to parishioners of all ages. No need to know how to play, we will teach you. Just bring a chair and snacks and show up at 6:30. p.m. Wednesday.

Basketball Back of Church

Thank you to the Knights for installing the basketball hoop in the Church parking lot, allowing Fr. Roy to practice his nothing-but-net jumper!



Make it a Date Night While Benefiting the Less Fortunate

St. Mary of the Lakes Knights of Columbus Council 6520 is hosting its 14th annual charity golf tournament on Monday, **June 14** at Medford Lakes Country Club. Net proceeds benefit Medford's Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Family Promise of Burlington County, and 1st Way of Burlington County. These three organizations provide critical services like food, shelter, clothing, financial assistance, and counseling to the needy in our area.

Don't want to golf? Dinner-only tickets are available so you can make it a date night. For \$45 you can enjoy a cocktail hour with hot appetizers, dinner, and dessert. Awards, gift baskets, and multiple raffles offer opportunities to win great prizes. To register, contact Don Bouchard at bouchdm@aol.com. Council 6520 is also accepting sponsorships and donations online at: www.medfordknights.org/golf.

Join the Knights

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. For more information, contact Scott Lattimer at sclattimer@aol.com or visit www.medfordknights.org



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.

Only 75 Bricks Left to Finish Two Full Crosses

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.

The Knights of Columbus Dedication Brick Crosses are close to completion. They only have about **75 bricks** left to finish two full crosses. They would like to break ground in the next month. 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/ for an order form. *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!



PLACE:

St. Mary of the
Lakes Church
40 Jackson Rd

Trailer in Back
Parking Lot

TIME:

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Daily

ITEMS:

Non-
Perishable
Food,
Toiletries, &
Basic Needs
Items



DO:

- ✓ Make sure you can breathe through it
- ✓ Wear it whenever going out in public
- ✓ Make sure it covers your nose and mouth
- ✓ Wash after using

Scholarship Announcement from the Catholic Business Network of South Jersey



We are pleased to announce a new scholarship opportunity for students who will attend a Catholic high school in South Jersey (SJ) in 2021/22. The scholarship is intended to recognize students who embrace the Catholic school core values of faith and service to others.

One student who will be attending a Catholic High School in SJ in the fall will receive a \$1,000 scholarship, payable \$250 each year attending a Catholic High School in SJ.

Application requirements:

To be considered, you must be a student in good academic standing who has been accepted to a Catholic High School and will be attending in September 2021. Your application will be submitted in the form of an essay of no more than 300 words in response to the following question: Why is pursuing a Catholic school education important to you?

In the top left-hand corner of your essay, you must include your name and contact information as well as the name of the high school you will be attending.

Please submit your essay as a pdf attachment with an email to SJCBN@comcast.net. In the subject line, reference Board of Directors-Catholic Business Network of South Jersey. The deadline to submit an essay is **June 1, 2021**. Winners will be notified by June 21, 2021.

Essays will be reviewed and the winner will be selected by a team convened by the CBNSJ Board of Directors. We look forward to reading your essays. Good luck to all applicants.

The Catholic Business Network of South Jersey (CBNSJ) seeks to provide fellowship and development to those pursuing the union of faith and industry. Our network is comprised of many of South Jersey's most influential business and civic leaders, and throughout the year we come together to share insights and expertise deeply rooted in Catholic social teaching. CBNSJ is especially committed to the advancement of Catholic education through the support of local Catholic schools.

Thank you!



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is pleased to announce it is accepting applications for the JUDIE WASSON VOLUNTEER SERVICE LEADERSHIP AWARD. The criteria are as follows:

AWARDEE: High School student (junior/senior) and an active member of St. Mary of the Lakes Youth Group (YES).

CRITERIA: Consistently demonstrated Volunteerism and Leadership in "Service to Those in Need" in a Spiritual and/or Service leadership capacity of a minimum of two years. This service must have been demonstrated within an active ministry at St. Mary of the Lakes Parish.

EXCLUSIONS: "Mandatory" volunteer work/service hours as a requirement of another program (Confirmation, National Honor Society, Scouts, or required Community Service.)

DOCUMENTATION: Applicant must write an essay which includes:

- (1) Name, address, telephone number, school attending
- (2) Actual involvement in Spiritual and/or Service leadership capacity, including time/hours devoted to the involvement and describe what this involvement entails
- (3) How those were served/benefitted in the Vincentian Spirit by explaining what it means to live with a "Vincentian Spirit" and minister to the poor
- (4) Sustainability of the involvement
- (5) Certification confirming/describing applicant's "involvement" from the Parish Youth Minister

Please submit your completed application by email to the YES Office at yes@smlparish.org by **May 31, 2021**

Adoration

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

REQUEST FOR PRAYER CARDS

Do you have extra prayer cards, pamphlets or prayer booklets lying around that you no longer need?

The Legion of Mary is collecting your extras for a priest who distributes them to prison inmates in Pennsylvania. He needs your help. We deeply appreciate all donations to be left at the Front Office of the Church or directly to any Legion of Mary member. **Thank you!**

FEED MY SHEEP CASSEROLE MINISTRY

We are once again able to collect casseroles for the Feed My Sheep Ministry. Please drop off homemade pre-frozen casseroles Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. in the Emmaus Center.

Students may record up to three hours for service in the mobile serve app.

Questions contact: yes@smlparish.org.

YES in Action



To All Parishioners Who Purchased 2020 St. Mary of the Lakes Carnival Ticket Packages

As you are aware, there will be no 2021 St. Mary of the Lakes Carnival. The carnival will be held **June 20–June 25, 2022**. The packages that you purchased will be automatically rolled over for use in 2022. If you are ok with that, you need not do anything else. If you would like a refund, please contact: mking@eventcrazy.com.

Catholic Charities Covid Outreach Update



The primary goal of Catholic Charities' Covid19 vaccination outreach is to reduce barriers such as transportation, language, lack of health insurance etc. in the Black and Hispanic communities. These communities have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic and are lagging well behind the vaccination rate of the white population.

Catholic Charities is educating communities about vaccines, recruiting and training community healthcare workers and hosting clinics at which to date, over 600 people have been vaccinated.

We are grateful to the many parishes who are supporting this effort.

To learn more about this work or to register to receive a vaccination click on:

<https://www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org/covid-19-community-outreach/>

To register, scroll down the website and click "Pre- register here."



Offerings at Francis House of Prayer

Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center
84 Walnford Road •
Allentown, NJ 08501
609-877-0509 / www.FHOP.org

PERSONAL RETREAT DAY

Wednesday, June 2 / 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

\Take a day away from the busyness of your life. Come to Francis House for silence, personal prayer and optional spiritual direction. The day begins and ends with a brief prayer together. Donation: \$10; \$40 with spiritual direction. Please bring your lunch.

I AM VULNERABLE....and I LIKE IT!

Friday, June 4 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

The key to being in relationship is vulnerability. This includes your relationship with God. Learn ways to be vulnerable and open with God that lead to a more loving relationship filled with deeper trust. We will keep our eyes fixed on Jesus as He shows us the way.

Donation: \$25, with lunch; Zoom \$20.

To register, call 609-877-0509.



Come to Me...

Jeremiah 29:12

Do you need prayer for yourself
or a loved one?

Can you help us pray for
others?

Please call 609-953-8670

Or email

cometome@smlparish.org

Virtual Prayer Book

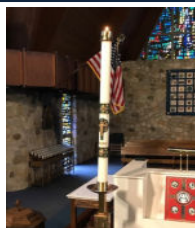
For a link to the St. Mary of the Lakes Virtual Prayer Book, please click on the link or copy and paste the link:

<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, May 23

- AA Meeting / 7 p.m. / Auditorium

Monday, May 24

- Men's Gospel Reflection Group / 6 a.m. / Emmaus Center

Tuesday, May 25

- Glory to God Prayer Group / 7 p.m. / Emmaus Center
- Young Adult Ministry Meeting / 7 p.m. / PREP Conference Room

Wednesday, May 26

- Legion of Mary / 9:30 a.m. / Emmaus Center
- KofC Meeting / 6:30 p.m. / Emmaus Center

Thursday, May 27

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

Friday, May 28

- Matthew Study / 6:00 p.m. / Emmaus Center

Saturday, May 29

Sunday, May 30

- AA Meeting / 7 p.m. / Auditorium

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.

COME JOIN US IN PRAYER

- **Rosary:** after all morning Masses - Monday through Saturday
- **Miraculous Medal Novena:** after 9 a.m. Mass on Monday (approximately 9:30 a.m.)
- **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena Prayer:** after 9 a.m. Mass on Tuesday and Saturday
- **Chaplet of the Most Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ:** after 9 a.m. Mass on Thursday