



St. Mary of the Lakes

CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

We Make Missionary Disciples

February 12, 2023



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

Monday - Saturday: 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

Very Reverend Daniel F. Swift, Pastor, father_dan@smlparish.org

Reverend Roy Ballacillo, Parochial Vicar, rballacillo@smlparish.org

Deacon Rich Lutomski

Susan B. Kraemer, Business Administrator

Christine Brandt, Pastoral Associate

Lenora Gange, Administrative Assistant

John Scott, Administrative/Marketing Assistant

Mary Thomas, Administrative Assistant

Maria Sobel, School Principal

Linda Xerri, Director of Religious Education

Lisa Helm, PREP Administrative Assistant

Frank Babinchock, Parish Youth Minister

Carolyn Cuperwich, Music Coordinator

Harry Meshirer, Parish Bookkeeper

Ralph Gallo and Kevin Loughlin, Parish Trustees

OFFICE HOURS

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

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School Website: www.smlschool.org

Knights of Columbus: www.medfordknights.org

LOCATION, TELEPHONE NUMBERS, FAX (609 Area Code)

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Parish Office Fax 975-0137

St. Mary of the Lakes School 196 Route 70 654-2546

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Parish Youth Minister 40 Jackson Road 654-2546

Bulletin Editor 40 Jackson Road 654-8208

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

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

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

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

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION The Adoration Chapel off the Jackson Rd. Entrance is open 24/7.

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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downloading myParish app
Please subscribe to SML Parish on YouTube

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 11th

5:30 p.m. John O'Donnell / Ellen Gillon Kelly

Sunday, February 12th

7:30 a.m. Our Parishioners

9:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus

10:30 a.m. Samuel Trunzo / Helen Renna

12:00 p.m. Robert Richter / His Family

Monday, February 13th

7:15 a.m. Mary DiBella / St. Mary of the Lakes Clergy, Staff, and Parishioners

9:00 a.m. Ellie Riviello / Phyllis Robino

Tuesday, February 14th

7:15 a.m. Joseph Sokolowski / His Family
Lillian DiStasi / The DiStasi Family

9:00 a.m. Joseph Hanlon / St. Mary of the Lakes Clergy, Staff, and Parishioners

Wednesday, February 15th

7:15 a.m. Robert Stollenwerk / Susan Senese Jankowski and Family

9:00 a.m. Jerry Grever / Terry and Nell Finan

Thursday, February 16th

7:15 a.m. Sonia McGowan / St. Mary of the Lakes Clergy, Staff, and Parishioners

9:00 a.m. Alene Wisniewski / Tom and Marylynn Skahan

Friday, February 17th

7:15 a.m. Valerie Wall / Jim and Rosemary Costello

9:00 a.m. Don D'Amato / Mary Ann and Steve Mason

Saturday, February 18th

9:00 a.m. Kenneth Scupp / His Family

Eleanor O'Brien / Her Family

5:30 p.m. Jim Kelly / Joe and Lorraine Glowacki

Sunday, February 19th

7:30 a.m. Military and Law Enforcement Personnel and Families / Peg and Jerry Oyen

9:00 a.m. Samuel Trunzo / Mr. and Mrs. David Mitchell

10:30 a.m. Fred Heinkel / Fran Carroll

12:00 p.m. Our Parishioners



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:

Andrea Orland, Mark McFadden, Bill DeVuono, Zak Reynolds, Elizabeth Lutomski, Crane Hertz, Mia Daly, Meghan D., Robert McCormick, Ryan Jastrzemski, Bill Anderson, Laura Palacio, Peggy Luciani, Jesse Verrecchia, Tommy Willis, Edward Mooney, Charles Baker, Joe Halloran, Niki Kruse, Joe White, Joseph Lambarski, Garrett Pitman, Laura Kucklinca, Tom Murray, Kevin Rynn, Emelia DiCarlo, Andrew Klamo, Georgie Pollis, Allison Turner, Anna Mae Wade, Diane Wolf, John V. Conte, Sally Bush, Linda Nowak, Joan Irwin, Michelle Sprenger, Eileen McFadden, Denise McFadden, Rose Piontkowski, Jimmy Gleason, Phillip Greunder, Kathleen Chwastek, Tim Denihan, Amanda Bader, Itai Rosen, Alexandra Peoples, Cynthia Lewandowski, Donna Skalski, Barbara Skalski, Kristin Oyola, Phil Gallagher, Shannon Adamucci, Michael Gill, Betty West, Elizabeth Hansen

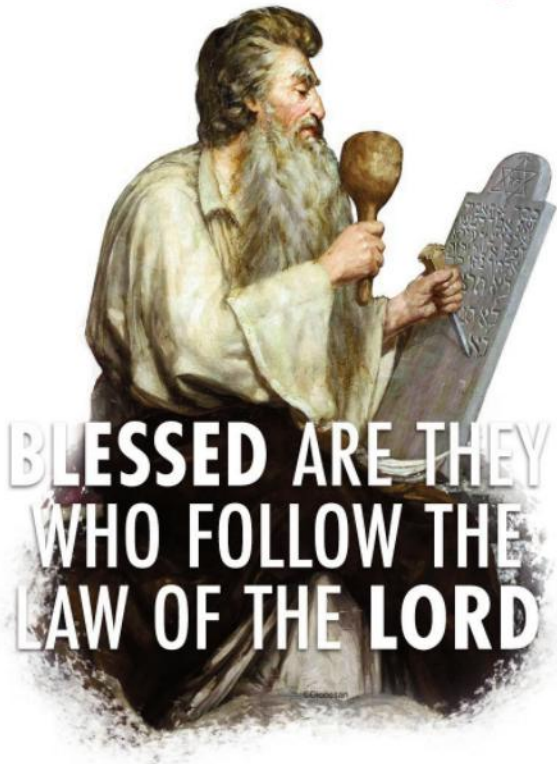


1st LT Christian Aguilar, USA; Capt. Kyle Brandt, USAF; 1st LT Erin Corcoran, USA; CAPT Kevin Emmons, USA; BG Steve Gilland, USA; MAJ Suzanne Gillern; PVT CM Sean Grannan, USA; LTJG Jeremy Griffin, USN; Chief Warrant Officer Kevin James Haddon, USA; LT Sean Hickey, USN; 2nd LT Waverly Hock, USAF; MAJ William Hock, USAF; William Jordan, USN; 2nd LT Rachel Kelly, USAF; LT Commander Matthew Knepper, USN; Capt. Patrick Kneram, USA; SGT Brett Koerner, USMC; PVT Morgan Lawrence, USA; GM3 David Lewis, USN; MIDN Abigail Lutz, USNA; Christopher Macready, USMC; 2nd LT Doug MacDonald, USMC; 1st LT Michelle Mathews, USMC; MIDN 4/D Patrick McKernan, USA; PO3 Allston Megill, USN; Airman 1st Class Anthony J. Pinto; 1st LT Victor Prato, USA; CM Jonathan Ross, USN; ENS Nolan Smith, USN; TSGT Adrian Tomkus, USAF; LTJG Bruce Lemyre; Staff Sergeant Brady Guthrie; SPC Eric White, USA; PFC Aaron Bill, USMC

Come Join Us in Prayer

- **Rosary:** after all morning Masses - Monday through Saturday
- **Miraculous Medal Novena:** after 9:00 a.m. Mass on Monday (approximately 9:30 a.m.)
- **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena Prayer:** after 9:00 a.m. Mass on Tuesday and Saturday
- **Chaplet of the Most Precious Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ:** after 9:00 a.m. Mass on Friday

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Reading

Sirach 15:15-20 | *No one does he command to act unjustly.*

Responsorial

Psalm 119: 1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 | *Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!*

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 2:6-10 | *God predestined wisdom before the ages for your glory.*

Gospel

Matthew 5:17-37 | *So it was said to your ancestors; but I say this to you.*

Congratulations
to all those who were baptized at
St. Mary of the Lakes
25 Years ago in February 1998

Kayla Kiley
Andrew Janeiro
Mia Capoli
Jacob Schoifet
Krista Hoffman
Ryan Bailey
Geoffrey Swift
Julia Leodori
Alexis Palladino

Madison Mueller
Emily Gallagher
Liza Barr
Taylor Mansure
Joshua Ryan
Ryan Murray
Emory Williams
Christopher Bunn

Congratulations
to all those who were married at
St. Mary of the Lakes
25 years ago in February 1998

Mr. and Mrs. John Barbagiovanni
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Woolston

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and
let Your perpetual light shine
upon them.

Please pray for the soul of Mary Wirzburger

Welcome to St. Mary of the Lakes:
Denise Tiver

Upcoming Mass Schedule and Parish Office Hours

In observance of President's Day, the parish office will be closed on Monday, February 20th, and only the daily Mass at 9:00 a.m. will be celebrated.

Masses on Ash Wednesday, February 22nd, will be celebrated at 7:15 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 4:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. The parish office will be open.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2023

DIOCESE of TRENTON

Pledge Sunday for the Annual Catholic Appeal is February 18th and 19th throughout the Diocese of Trenton. Each year the Bishop seeks the support of all the members of the diocese to further the work of our ministries. Each of us has a vital part in all we do in Christ's name, and each of us can share in all we do with a gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Our single Act of Faith propels the works of love that build up our Church. You make that happen with a generous gift to the ACA.

This year St. Mary of the Lakes' share of the goal is \$140,000.

As the people of the Diocese of Trenton, you have an opportunity to help others see Christ working in our midst. I ask you to take a moment and truly reflect on any help you can give. We truly need everyone to participate. This year we again are striving to reach our goal of \$6.5 million.

I am always grateful and moved by the level of support you give to our parish. I thank you for this support, and may God continue to bless you and your family.

Friendly in February

At each weekend Mass in February, parishioners are asked to make a name tag and wear it to Mass.

In keeping with our strategic plan to be a more welcoming parish, developed based on St. Mary of the Lakes' Disciple Maker Index (DMI) survey results, we will now use name tags at Masses four times a year: February, May, August, and November.

Friendly in February provides another opportunity to put names to familiar faces in our parish and welcome newcomers and guests alike by name. Your participation is appreciated! Name tags will be provided at all entrances.

Lenten Intergenerational Scripture Study: The Passion of Luke Continued



Father Dan will be offering a hybrid five-week Lenten Intergenerational Scripture Study on the Passion of Luke from the Trial to the Ascension on Mondays, 2/27, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20 and 3/27 from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Emmaus Center and virtually.

Those planning to attend in person are asked to sign the roster in the Parking Lot Entrance, email father_dan@smlparish.org or call the Parish Office at 609/654-8208 ext. 110.

Those attending virtually may use this link also found on the homepage of the parish website.: <https://sml2.my.webex.com/sml2.my/j.php?MTID=mdafb599992a797ff307d699f1a481371>

Please bring a Bible. Bibles will be on sale at the class for \$5.00.

Intergenerational Study: The Theology of the Eucharist

Father Roy will be offering a six-week intergenerational study on the Theology of the Eucharist on Thursdays, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30 and 4/20 from 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room in St. Mary of the Lakes School. To register, please sign the roster in the Parking Lot Entrance.



Return Old Palms

If you still have palms from last year's Palm Sunday, you may place them in the baskets at all entrances to the church. Before placing palms in the basket, please remove any wrapping (plastic or brown bags) or rubber bands.



OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

During the days and weeks of penance that lie ahead --- from **Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2023, until Holy Thursday morning, April 6, 2023** --- the Catholic Church throughout the world commemorates the penitential season of Lent ending with the Sacred Triduum of Holy Week. The model Jesus gave us for “these forty days” was his own experience in the desert and the temptations that followed him there where he encountered Satan face to face. And yet, Jesus, there in the desert --- alone, fasting and in intense prayer --- beat back the devil and triumphed over temptation, as strong and as unrelenting as it was throughout those forty days.

We enter the desert of Lent like Jesus, led by the Holy Spirit, to face our devils, our temptations head on. But we are not alone. The Lord Jesus Christ is with us. And so, too, is the Church, the entire community of faith observing Lent. Here is what the Catholic Church in the United States requires of us as baptized Catholics:

1. **The days of FAST (only one full meal) and ABSTINENCE (no meat) are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. No dispensations are granted on these solemn days except for reason of sickness or those provided in canon law below. ALL OTHER FRIDAYS OF LENT are days of ABSTINENCE.**

The pastor of a parish has the faculty to give a dispensation to individual parishioners in his parish and the Diocesan Bishop alone has the authority to dispense groups of Catholics but only for a serious reason.

2. **Those who are automatically dispensed from fast and abstinence regulations outside the age limits noted below include: the physically or mentally ill, especially individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also included in the dispensation are women who are pregnant or nursing. In all cases, common sense should prevail, and ill persons should not further jeopardize their health by fasting.**

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to FAST (only one full meal) as above. From the age of 14, people are also obliged to ABSTAIN (no meat): this obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products or condiments of any kind, even though made from animal fat).

The obligation to observe the laws of fast and abstinence is a serious one for Catholics. Failure to observe one penitential day in itself is not considered a serious sin. It is the intentional failure to observe any penitential days at all, or a substantial number of penitential days, that must be considered a serious matter.

The obligation, the privilege really, of receiving the Eucharist at least once a year --- often called “Easter duty” --- for those in the state of grace should still be fulfilled during the period from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 25-26, 2023, to Trinity Sunday, June 3-4, 2023**. However, the Church’s law does permit this precept to be fulfilled at another time during the year when there is a just cause.

I want to encourage all Catholics, especially those who are conscious of serious sin, to go to confession and to make use of the sacrifices and traditions that have always been part of our Lenten practices in the Church.

We do, indeed, fast and pray with the Lord Jesus and with our fellow Catholics. May this Lent be a time of penance leading to grace and joy for us all at Easter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend David M. O’Connell, C.M.
Bishop of Trenton



**Knights of
Columbus®**



This past Sunday, the Knights of Columbus Council 6520 presented a check for \$11,000 to St. Mary of the Lakes School from the proceeds of the Dedication Christmas Tree Lighting event this past December. The Knights would like to thank all of the volunteers who made this happen, as well as all the parishioners who donated to the heartwarming event this year. Your donations made this happen! Thank you for your support of the Knights of Columbus and SML School.

Pictured: Chairman Bill Scheffold, Father Dan, Grand Knight Bill Mazzio, Co-Chair Mickey Zawacki

American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive

**Knights of Columbus 6520
St. Mary of the Lakes**

Emmaus Center
40 Jackson Road
Medford, NJ 08055

**Saturday, February 18th
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)
or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: 6520 to
schedule an appointment

Charity Golf Tournament Needs Your Support to Help the Less Fortunate

Medford Knights Charity Fund, a New Jersey nonprofit corporation, is hosting its 16th annual charity golf tournament on Monday, June 26th at Medford Lakes Country Club. One of this year's beneficiaries is Medford's Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization that allows women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering.

The Medford chapter provides spiritual assistance, food, clothing, and financial help for rent and mortgage, auto insurance, utilities, health care, and other expenses.

Tax-deductible sponsorship opportunities are available for businesses and individuals to help St. Vincent's continue to provide critical services.

Golf registration is \$195 per person (\$215 after April 28th) and includes greens fee, golf cart, lunch, gifts for all participants, beverages and snacks on the course, cocktail hour with hors d'oeuvres, and dinner. The tournament is a scramble format for 144 golfers and begins with a shotgun start at 12:00 p.m. Dinner-only tickets are also available for \$65. Awards, gift baskets, and multiple raffles offer opportunities to win great prizes.

For questions about sponsorships or registering for golf, contact Bill Schmidt at billschmidt902@gmail.com.



Medford Knights
16th Annual Charity Golf Tournament
REGISTRATION FORM

Mon., June 26, 2023 (Registration/Lunch: 9:30-11:00AM, Golf: 12:00PM, Cocktails/Dinner: 5:30/6:30PM)

Medford Lakes Country Club – Medford Lakes, NJ

All Net Proceeds benefit

St. Vincent de Paul Society, Family Promise of Burlington County & First Way of Burlington County

Golf Registration includes golf with cart, lunch, beverages on the course, and buffet dinner.

4-Person scramble format with prizes for top teams, closest to the pin, longest drive & hole-in-one car

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Please assign me to a foursome

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I am a member of the foursome below

My Name: _____

Address: _____

☐ Golf & Dinner combo: **\$195 (After April 28: \$215)**

☐ Dinner only: **\$65** (Includes Tax & Gratuity)

Daytime Phone: _____ Email: _____

Other members of my foursome:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Email: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Email: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Email: _____

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I need #_____ Buffet (Dinner-Only) Tickets. (\$65 / Dinner)

Cocktail Hour: 5:30–6:30 PM (Appetizers & Cash Bar). **Dinner Start-Time:** 6:30 PM

Buffet Dinner Entrees: Salmon, Chicken Francaise, Roast Beef w/Aus Jus, Pasta Penne Ala Vodka,

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Payment must be received by **May 26, 2023**

No Refunds after **June 12, 2023**

We will only include your registration when payment is received. No spots will be held without payment.

For questions, contact Bill Schmidt 609-667-5106

(GOLFER REGISTRATION LIMITED TO 144 GOLFERS)

Make check payable to: **Medford Knights Charity Fund**

Mail registration form and check to:

Harry Meshirer

18 Indian Trail

Medford, NJ 08055

School Happenings and Events



St. Mary of the Lakes
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

40th Annual Fashion Show

Thank you to all the students, parents, sponsors, and everyone who attended St. Mary of the Lakes' 40th Annual Fashion Show for making such a wonderful night possible.



St. Mary
of the Lakes
SCHOOL

JOIN OUR TEAM

Before and After Care

St. Mary of the Lakes School is seeking part-time staff to work at the before and after school programs. Responsibilities include supervising students as they play, complete crafts, have quiet time, etc. Candidates must be available in the morning from 6:45-8:00 a.m. for before care and during after school hours for aftercare. Interested applicants should send their letter of interest and resume to Jim Sterbenz, School Operations Coordinator, at jsterbenz@smlschool.org.

Maintenance Position

St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic School is seeking a part-time maintenance/custodial staff member. The work will include specific daily cleaning and sanitizing duties including bathrooms, classrooms, and offices. In addition, this position includes various jobs as they pertain to the maintenance of buildings and grounds, and set-up and breakdown of school functions.

Candidates must be able to work from 12:00-4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Over time hours may be required to complete tasks and assist with evening or weekend functions. This position reports to the facilities manager.

If interested, please submit letter, application and salary requirements to: Bill Scherf, Facilities Manager at wscherf@smlschool.org. Application can be found on the homepage at smlschool.org.

Please include SML#2546 on the email subject line for your application to be considered.



Married Couples: Rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day! Rediscover the best friend you had when you were first married! Join the millions of couples worldwide who have learned how to keep their marriage vibrant and alive!

The emphasis of Worldwide Marriage Encounter is on communication between husband and wife, who spend a weekend together away from the distractions and tensions of everyday life to concentrate on each other. Every marriage deserves that kind of attention!

The next weekend date is March 3rd -5th. Call 609-741-8012 for information or email applications@wwme-southjersey.org.

Visit their website: wwme-southjersey.org.

Community Sunday Returns Today!

We missed you and are excited to gathering together again to share in some fellowship and light refreshments. Our Health Ministry will be joining us to offer free blood pressure screenings. We hope you will join us the morning masses.

Please stop in the Emmaus Center today Sunday, February 12th, after the 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 10:30 a.m. Masses to visit with your fellow parishioners and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea with fruit, a doughnut, or a delicious Medford Bagel Shop bagel. The next community Sunday will be March 12th.



World Marriage Day and National Marriage Week

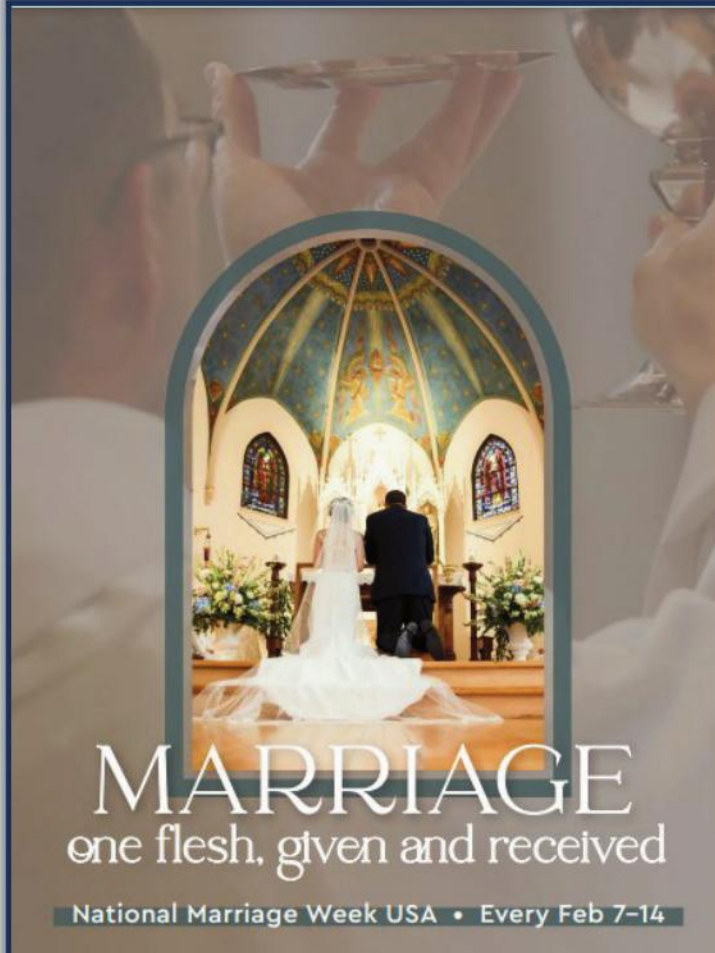
In observance of the World Marriage Day (today, Sunday, February 12th) and National Marriage Week (February 7-14th), the Diocese of Trenton honors all Catholic married couples with a special web resource to enhance their marriage in three important ways:

- 1) Reconnect with your spouse
- 2) Make your marriage even better
- 3) Serve others in your marriage.

Find all this and more at dioceseoftrenton.org/world-marriage-day-for-couples, and for newly married couples, be sure to visit dioceseoftrenton.org/newly-married-resource-page

(Part of the buildingstrongmarriages.org initiative of the Diocese of Trenton)

In observance of World Marriage Day, the Marriage Ministry is serving wedding cake to celebrate at Community Sunday following the 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 10:30 a.m. Masses.



Y.E.S. Stations of the Cross

On March 10th, Y.E.S. will have a potluck dinner at 5:30 p.m. in the Emmaus Center, followed by a reenactment of the Stations of the Cross performed by our students in Y.E.S, SMLS, and PREP. Please see the parish website for the Sign Up Genius link, or contact Frank Babinchock at the parish office 609-654-8208 ext. 111.

Operation Yellow Ribbon Collection

Operation Yellow Ribbon collects items such as food snacks, powdered drinks, and hygiene supplies (for men and women). Care packages are put together with these items, shipped, and distributed to United States military personnel deployed throughout the world. Bins for donations to this cause will be placed at the parking lot and Jackson Road entrances beginning the weekend of February 18th and 19th. All donations will be delivered on Sunday, April 2nd.



Save the Date: Blast off into Summer Vacation at Stellar VBS

June 26th - 29th

St. Mary of the Lakes Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) is happy to announce that PRE-K VBS returns this summer along with VBS for grades 1-6.

Adults who would like to become part of the planning team for a "Stellar" week of Shining Jesus' Light are asked to contact the PREP Office at smlprep@smlparish.org or call 609-654-8208 ext.310 to volunteer.

Student registrations will begin in mid April.



February Children's Mass

The next Children's Mass will be celebrated Sunday, February 26th. If you would like to sign up for a part in the Mass there is a link on the parish website homepage at smlparish.org. Students in grades 6-8 who sign up as readers can receive service hour credit.

Third Visit to the Most Holy Sacrament

And My delights were to be with the children of men. [Prov. viii. 31] Behold our Jesus, Who, not satisfied with dying on earth for our love, is pleased even after His death to dwell with us in the Most Holy Sacrament, declaring that He finds His delights among men. "O men," exclaims St. Teresa, "how can you offend a God Who declares that it is with you that He finds His delights!" Jesus finds His delights with us; and shall we not find ours with Jesus? And we especially who have had the honor to dwell in His palace? How greatly do those vassals esteem themselves honored to whom the king assigns an abode in his own residence! Behold the palace of the King; it is this house in which we dwell with Jesus Christ. Let us, then, learn to thank Him for it, and to avail ourselves of conversing with Jesus Christ.

Behold me, then, O my Lord and God, before this Altar, on which Thou dost reside night and day for my sake. Thou art the source of every good; Thou art the healer of every ill; Thou art the treasure of every poor creature. Behold now at Thy feet a sinner, who is of all the poorest and most infirm, and who asks Thy mercy; have pity upon me! Now that I see Thee in this Sacrament, come down from Heaven upon earth only to do me good; I will not be disheartened at the sight of my misery. I praise Thee, I thank Thee, I love Thee; and if Thou wilt that I should ask Thee for an alms, I will ask for this. O listen to me: I desire never more to offend Thee; and I desire that Thou shouldst give me light and grace to love Thee with all my strength. Lord, I love Thee with my whole soul; I love Thee with all my affections. Do Thou grant that I may thus speak with truth; and that I may speak in the same way during life and for all eternity. Most holy Virgin Mary, my holy patron Saints, ye Angels and all ye blessed Spirits of Paradise, help me to love my most amiable God.

Ejaculatory prayer. O Good Shepherd, true bread, Jesus, have mercy on us: do Thou feed us; do Thou guard us; do Thou show us good things in the land of the living!

The Parish of Our Lady of Guadalupe

invites you for a lenten talk on
the

HOLY EUCCHARIST

"Coming to Mass Backwards:
Celebrating Eucharist in a
Missionary Parish"



Guest Speaker: Fr. Stephen Bevans, SVD
Professor Emeritus of Mission and
Culture at Catholic Theological Union, Chicago.
Among his many works he was President of the
American Society of Missiology.
He is author of many books.

Friday, MARCH 3, 2023 | 6PM
HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL GYMNASIUM
1139 E County Line Rd. Lakewood, NJ 08701
For more information 732-363-0139



Paschal Candle as Memorial Opportunity

The paschal candle, which will be blessed at this year's
Easter Vigil Mass and used throughout the year, is
available as a memorial opportunity for a gift of \$300. If
interested, please contact the parish office at
609-654-8208, ext. 110, or frontdesk@smlparish.org.

The memorialization intention will be announced at
Easter Masses.



Lenten Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Rita of Cascia

March 25th, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Philadelphia, PA.

This pilgrimage will include a tour and talk at the shrine,
the opportunity for confession, a gift shop visit, Mass,
and a cobb salad lunch following Mass on site.

Free-will offerings will be accepted. The cost of lunch is
to be determined.

Transportation to the Shrine will be by car caravan. Meet
in St. Mary of the Lakes' parking lot at 8:30 a.m.

To sign up for this pilgrimage, please contact Mary
Mickinak at mikemickinak@comcast.net.



OASIS 2023 Day of Prayer for Women

Women of Faith

Hosted by:
The Religious Teachers Filippini
Villa Walsh
455 Western Avenue
Morristown, NJ 07960

For More Information, contact:
Sr. Alice Ivanyo MPF
sralice1@gmail.com
732-238-9222

**April 22, 2023
9:30 AM-3:00 PM**

Rev. Richard Carton
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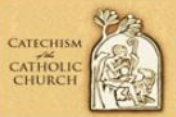
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The Catechism Corner

Thy Kingdom Come

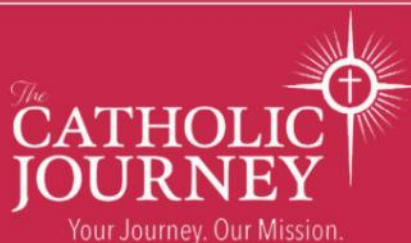
"In the Lord's Prayer, 'thy kingdom come'
refers primarily to the final coming of the
reign of God through Christ's return. But,
far from distracting the Church from her
mission in this present world, this desire
commits her to it all the more strongly.
Since Pentecost, the coming of that Reign is
the work of the Spirit of the Lord who
'complete[s] his work on earth and brings
us the fullness of grace.'"

—Catechism of the Catholic Church – Paragraph #2818



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Contact the front desk via e-mail at
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Please include the following with request:

- Name of Event / Meeting
- Point of contact information (e-mail and phone)
- Date(s)

- 1.Note if recurring/frequency
- 2.Number of approximate attendees
- 3.Preferred location
- 4.Include any special requests and room layout
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**Allow for approximately one week notification of
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"How can it be that the most wonderous and sacred
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unutterable violence through abortion."

- Pope Benedict XVI, World Youth Day, Sydney, 2008

Job Opportunity

Part-Time Administrative Assistant for Parish Office

The Parish Office is seeking a part-time Administrative Assistant; work days Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, averaging 21–24 hours per week. The qualified candidate must be proficient in Microsoft Office, have good collaboration and interpersonal skills, be able to problem solve, and possess good time management and organizational skills. Knowledge of database systems is a plus.

Responsibilities include preparing sacramental certificates and recording sacraments, liaison with the offertory envelope company, and preparing and managing all mail correspondences. Other administrative tasks, e.g., answering phones, managing web-based office calendar, maintaining Mass intention book, etc.

No telephone calls will be accepted. Qualified candidates should submit their letter of interest and resume to
frontdesk@smlparish.org by February 20th. Please include SML#8208 on the email subject line for your resume to be considered.



Memorial Mass for Mary Custer



**St. Mary of the Lakes
Saturday, February 18th
11:00 a.m.**

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 light your candle, please go to the www.smlparish.org homepage. *You may include an offering with your Sunday gift.*



The Legion of Mary meets every Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Emmaus Center.

If you are interested in joining, please call Teresa McHenry at 609-388-4528 and leave a voicemail.

Bulletin Announcement Submissions

Please submit bulletin announcements at least ten days prior to publication to: bulletin@smlparish.org

Kid's Corner



St. Mary of the Lakes This Week

Sunday, February 12th

- Confirmation Bake Sale / After all Masses / Church Vestibules
- Community Sunday / Following 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30 Masses / Emmaus Center
- RCIA / 8:30 a.m. / Parish Meeting Room
- AA Meeting / 7:00 p.m. / Parish Meeting Room

Monday, February 13th

- Men's Gospel Group / 7:45 a.m. / Emmaus Center
- Children's Choir / 5:30 p.m. / Church Choir Loft

Tuesday, February 14th

- Bereavement Group / 10:00 a.m. / Parish Office Conference Room
- Prayer Shawl Meeting / 10:30 a.m. / Emmaus Center
- SSJ Associates Monthly Meeting / 7:00 p.m. / Emmaus Center
- "Glory to God" Prayer Group / 7:30 p.m. / Emmaus Center

Wednesday, February 15th

- Legion of Mary / 9:30 a.m. / Emmaus Center
- Faith Seekers Book Club / 10:00 a.m. / Emmaus Center

Thursday, February 16th

- KoC Golf Meeting / 7:00 p.m. / Parish Office Conference Room

Friday, February 17th

- Bear's Den / 7:00 p.m. / Emmaus Center

Saturday, February 18th

- KoC Red Cross Blood Drive / 8:00 a.m. / Emmaus Center

Sunday, February 19th

- KoC Degree Ceremony / 1:00 p.m. / Emmaus Center
- AA Meeting / 7:00 p.m. / Parish Meeting Room

Fr. Dan's Homilies on Video

Fr. Dan's homilies are posted weekly on YouTube as well as the parish website. Please visit the St. Mary of the Lakes parish YouTube site or click www.smlparish.org and click on the ABOUT tab on the home page, click PASTOR, and then scroll down to *Fr. Dan's Video Homilies*.

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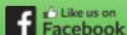
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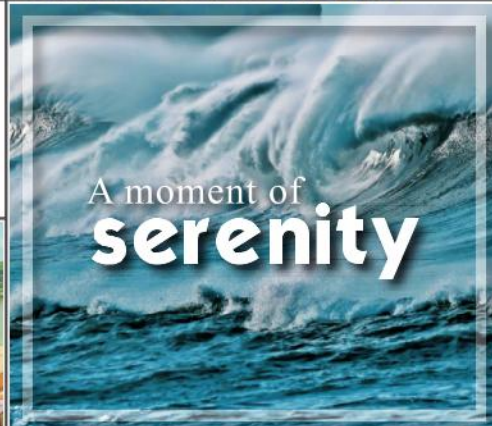
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