June 25, 2023

# St. Mary of the Lakes

We Make Missionary Disciples



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Parish Website: www.smlparish.org
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# FAREWELL FATHER ROY

Thank you for your dedication and faithful service to St. Mary of the Lakes. Your ministry and guidance have been a true blessing to our community. As you embark on your new assignment at St. James, Pennington, St. Alphonsus, Hopewell, and St. George, Titusville, we wish you the very best. May your ministry continue to touch the lives of many, and may God bless you abundantly.



#### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 7:15 a.m.

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 A. Ballacillo, Parochial Vicar, rballacillo@smlparish.org

Deacon Richard Lutomski Deacon Louis (Ed) Mayer

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Mary Thomas, Administrative Assistant

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Todd Nolan, Parish Catechetical Leader

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

#### **REGULAR OFFICE HOURS**

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

#### ST. MARY OF THE LAKES ONLINE

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Knights of Columbus: www.medfordknights.org

LOCATION, TELEPHONE NUMBERS, FAX		(609 Area Code)
Parish Office	40 Jackson Road	654-8208 x110
Parish Office Fax		975-0137
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 on Saturdays after 9:00 a.m. Mass and at 4:30 p.m. You may also call the parish office to make an appointment for a different time.

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

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

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

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

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** 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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## Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time



#### First Reading

Jeremiah 20:10-13 | He has rescued the life of the poor from the power of the wicked.

#### Responsorial

Psalm 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 | Lord, in your great love, answer me.

#### **Second Reading**

Romans 5:12-15 | The gift is not like the transgression.

#### Gospel

Matthew 10:26-33 | Do not be afraid of those who kill the body.

#### Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 24th

5:30 p.m. Michael C. Barone / Mr. and Mrs. Louis

DiVentura

Sunday, June 25th

7:30 a.m. **Our Parishioners** 

9:00 a.m. David Czik / Mary Beth Curcic

Darwin DeMeo / The Brandt Family 10:30 a.m.

12:00 p.m. William Schluth / Susan Kraemer and

Tim Watkins

Monday, June 26th

Grace Conaway (living) / John and 7:15 a.m.

Carolyn Scott

Barbara Lydia Bell / James and Dolores 9:00 a.m.

Lamb

MaryAnn lannuzzi / Joanna Hellman

Tuesday, June 27th

7:15 a.m. Edward Potosnak / St. Mary of the

Lakes Clergy, Staff, and Parishioners

Robert Margerum / Katie and Jim 9:00 a.m.

Richard Palazzo / Wilhemena Palazzo

Wednesday, June 28th

7:15 a.m. Claudio Caldini / St. Mary of the Lakes

Clergy, Staff, and Parishioners

9:00 a.m. Darvlene Hudson / Maxine, Pete Franks,

and Family

John Scotto / Josephine Coppola

Thursday, June 29th

Claudio Caldini / The Wilhelmi Family 7:15 a.m.

9:00 a.m. John Scotto / Rose

Thomas Murray / Jim Wilhelmi

Friday, June 30th

7:15 a.m. Claudio Caldini / The Karbasians

9:00 a.m. Claudio Caldini / Joe and Judy Clauss

Jim Kehoe / Mary Jane

Saturday, July 1st

9:00 a.m. David Jennison / The Jennison Family

5:30 p.m. Carol Tirrell / Ron and Lisa Conklin

Sunday, July 2nd

7:30 a.m. Military and Law Enforcement

Personnel and Families / Peg and

Jerry Oven

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

Columbus

Edward Boshko / Leslie and 10:30 a.m.

Tony Derwinis

12:00 p.m. Our Parishioners



Long-term prayer requests 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, Mia Daly, Meghan D., Robert McCormick, Ryan Jastrzemski, Bill Anderson, Laura Palacio, Peggy Luciani, Jesse Verrecchia, Tommy Willis, Charles Baker Family, Joe Halloran, Niki Kruse, Joe White, Joseph Lambarski, Garrett and Marie Pitman, 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, Phillip Greunder, Kathleen Chwastek, Tim Denihan, Amanda Bader, Itai Rosen, Cynthia Lewandowski, Donna Skalski, Barbara Skalski, Kristin Oyola, Phil Gallagher, Shannon Adamucci, Michael Gill, Betty West, Elizabeth Hansen, John Cirenda, Melissa, Kathie Belonger, Marilyn Peoples, Andrew Boyle, Bernadette Giambuzzi, Jim Burke, Mary Jane Mullen, Eileen Palko



Capt. 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;

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#### 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

#### A Message from Father Roy

Dear brothers and sisters,

I cannot sufficiently thank you for all your genuine kindness to me. You have given me so many gifts and blessings throughout my assignment here at St. Mary of the Lakes.

You encouraged me with your words and smiles. You supported me with your prayers and kindness. You trusted me with your concerns and cares.

All of what you gave inspired me to grow in my vocation as your priest and shepherd, to teach and guide with all the tenderness and love of a good shepherd. You have prepared me well to continue in new places with new people.

It is my sincere hope that you feel the spiritual gifts I tried so conscientiously to give you in return. Hold me in your hearts as I hold all of you in mine. Pray for me as I will pray for you always, my first parish family, the first givers of love to me and receivers of my love in my priestly life

I want to close as I have ended all of my Masses with you, "Have a blessed day everyone... always!"

Sincerely, Father Roy

#### A Fond Farewell for Father Roy

A Mass of Thanksgiving will be offered by Father Roy today, June 25th, at noon, with a reception following in the Emmaus Center. Please join us to thank Father for his six years of priestly service with us and to wish him well as he continues his ordained ministry in Mercer County. Father Roy's new address will be:

St. James Rectory 115 E. Delaware Ave. Pennington, NJ 08534

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

Please pray for the soul of Eileen Palko

#### Congratulations to all those who were married at St. Mary of the Lakes 50 years ago in June 1973

Mr. and Mrs. Rocco Gregorio Mr. and Mrs. Roger Briscoe Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Walls

#### Congratulations to all those who were baptized at St. Mary of the Lakes 50 years ago in June 1973

Rachael Hardegen Donald Hory Michelle Labosky Andrea Collander Paul Crafchun John Gauntt Ronald Gorman Misty Myers
Stefan Myers
Michael Briscoe
Reynold Levoez
Angel Simonelli
Michael Sneeringer

#### Welcome to St. Mary of the Lakes:

The Paradise Family

#### The Numbers Are In!



I am pleased to report this year's carnival netted \$225,690, as compared to last year's \$225,068. If we were to compare oranges to oranges, year to year, four factors need to be considered: revenue, a grant, a gift, and a sunny Saturday vs. a rainy Saturday. Ceteris paribus<sup>i</sup> this year's profit would have been around \$300,000, as we experienced an almost 40 percent increase in total revenue without a Saturday night! Not too shabby for Year Four, which was only possible due to our many volunteers and supporters! The carnival T's were spot on! BLEST!!

God Bless, Father Dan

All other things being equal.



#### Men's Retreat San Alfonso's Retreat House

The Men's Retreat held at San Alfonso's Retreat House in West Long Branch, Monmouth County, is scheduled for September 8th, 9th, and 10th, Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday.

Join fellow parishioners in a great spiritual experience that will help you deal with challenges in your life and bring you closer to the Lord. Enjoy the beauty of the oceanfront property and fellowship with Catholic men from the tristate area.

For more information, please call Larry at 856-905-8607.





### "Come & See" Priestly Discernment BBQ

Thursday, June 29th 5:30 - 8:30 PM

St. John the Baptist Parish 1282 Yardville-Allentown Road Allentown, NJ 08501

#### Register Today!

Diocese of Trenton Office of Vocations www.GodIsCallingYou.org Office: (609) 406-7448



When you care enough to love the very best in your marriage, treat yourself to a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next weekend is September 29th -October 1st. Questions? Need more information? Call our application couple at 609-741-8012 or email applications@wwme-southjersey.org

Learn more online: wwme-southjersey.org

#### Have You Moved?

If you have moved, or move in the future, whether you remain in the Medford area or move outside of our parish boundaries, please inform the parish office so that we may keep our records current.



#### Marriage Ministry Game Night

The Marriage Ministry invites married and engaged couples to join us on Thursday, June 29th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Emmaus Center for Game Night. We'll be playing Pictionary. This event is BYOB, so bring your favorite beverage and join us for what we hope will be a lively night!

#### Hiring:

#### Full-Time Marketing/Administrative Assistant

St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic Church (SML) is seeking a full-time marketing/administrative assistant. The qualified candidate must have exceptional writing and proofreading skills and experience with Microsoft Office Suite software (Word, Excel, Outlook, and Publisher). Knowledge of database systems is a plus. The qualified candidate should possess a four-year degree, preferably in a business or marketing field; however, relevant experience will be considered in lieu of a degree. For marketing responsibilities, this position reports to the pastor. For administrative responsibilities, this position reports to the lead administrative assistant.

Marketing responsibilities include managing parish social media accounts (Twitter and Facebook) and website, preparing weekly bulletins, creating daily and weekly newsletters, livestreaming daily and occasional funeral Masses, creating weekly PowerPoints to play in church prior to Masses, maintaining bulletin boards with up-to-date photos and pertinent information, designing SML branded items for special occasions (e.g., Father's Day, Mother's Day, Carnival, etc.), and designing and arranging mailing for Christmas and Easter liturgy schedules.

Administrative responsibilities include scheduling meetings and events, ordering supplies and materials, fielding incoming phone calls, receiving, sorting, and distributing mail, maintaining a daily record of donations, and other administrative tasks as necessary.

Strong interpersonal skills and the ability to balance and prioritize various work projects are essential. Compensation is commensurate with experience. Benefits and paid time off are included with this job position.

Qualified candidates are to submit their letter of interest and resume to

frontdesk@smlparish.org by June 25th. Please include SML#8208 on the email subject line for your resume to be considered.

No telephone calls will be accepted.





Thanks to the generosity of the parishioners who have made a gift to the ACA, St. Mary of the Lakes (SML) has once again reached its goal of \$140,000. Going forward, fifty percent of all gifts will be returned to SML in the form of a parish rebate. Those who have yet to make a gift may pick up a pledge card at the church doors. God is good, and so are you!

As of June 19th, SML has pledged \$149,940. We thank you for making a gift to this year's ACA!

To make a gift, please fill out and mail the Appeal card found at all entrances of our church, or you may give online by visiting our parish website and clicking on the Catholic Appeal image. Thank you for your generosity!

#### Feed My Sheep Casserole Ministry

Casseroles are accepted year-round in the parish office Monday–Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (unless the office is closed for a holiday or holy day). Casseroles must be homemade and pre-frozen when delivered, as they are stored until the delivery volunteers can take them to the organizations this ministry supports.

Students can record three service hours per month for a donation. To receive service hours, students must be involved in the casserole's preparation.

There are no dietary restrictions; we only ask that some protein be included in the casserole that you prepare. Students should record their time using the Mobile Serve App, which can be downloaded on a student's or parent's cell phone. Directions to download the app can be found by visiting www.smlparish.org on the YES page under the Faith Formation tab. Please obtain a signature in the app from the parish office admins or the youth minister when you drop off your donation.



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

If you want to help those in need, serve your parish, and grow in your faith, then join the Knights of Columbus Council 6520.

Medford's Knights of Columbus are involved in many charitable activities, from children's events to collecting food for the hungry. All the good works of the Knights are informed by our four core principles: charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism.

You can focus on one event, such as our annual Christmas dedication trees, or get involved in several programs. Your volunteer time is up to you. Members attend meetings as their schedules allow.

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. As a member of the Knights, you'll be part of the largest Catholic fraternal organization in the world.

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

#### Patriotic Prayer Service Is July 2nd After 9:00 a.m. Mass

The Knights of Columbus are hosting their 20th annual patriotic prayer service on Sunday, July 2nd, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. All parishioners are invited to gather outside the church at the flagpole for this brief service. We continue to offer our prayers for our religious and civil liberties—now more than ever. We will also raise a new flag for our church as part of our Declaration of Independence celebration.

#### Free Mother Teresa Movie and Refreshments

The Knights of Columbus invite you to a screening of the film "Mother Teresa, No Greater Love" on Wednesday, June 28th, at 6:00 p.m. in the Emmaus Center.

Twenty-five years have passed since the death of Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Filmed on five continents and featuring unprecedented access to both Institutional archives and the apostolates of the Missionaries of Charity, this film reveals not just who Mother Teresa was but how her singular vision to serve Christ in the poor continues to be realized through the Missionaries of Charity today.

This is far more than a documentary film. It is a soaring tribute to a spiritual icon, a powerful witness of authentic Christian charity, and a guidepost for all who seek hope in our turbulent times.

It is a two-hour movie, so there will be an intermission at the halfway point. Light refreshments, desserts, and cookies will be served. In addition, there is no charge for admission.

Thank you, and we hope to see you on the 28th for this deeply spiritual movie.

#### **Knights in Action**

Knights of Columbus Council 6520 congratulates Hank Hess and Eli Mosteller for being awarded Knight of the Month for "exceptional contributions to the Council and being one who exemplifies his faith through his action." Council 6520 also congratulates Fred and Jane Bresani for being named Family of the Month.

And council 6520 welcomes the following members for becoming Knights of Columbus: Ed Bohi Sr., Mike Riviello, Mike Piarulli Jr., Dennis Dalton, Paul Lewis, Ed Bohi Jr., and Steve Butcher.



View this bulletin online at www DiscoverMass com



#### **3rd Annual Charity Tournament**

Saturday, September 16,2023 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 Gym — Medford, NJ

Fee: \$75.00 per 2 person team Registration limited to 32 Teams

#### Registration includes:

(2) person team

Lunch ticket for 1 Sandwich & Bag of Chips

Prizes for the top 3 teams

We will also serve refreshments (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.



Christian Caring Center

Supporting the less fortunate in our communities

#### Payment info:

Make checks payable to:
Medford Knights Charity Fund.
a 501 (c) 3 Tax Deductible fund.
Mail registration form & check to:
Peter Perno
205 Sunny Jim Dr.
Medford, NJ 08055

Address: Daytime Phone:	Email:
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To ensure your slot, pre-registration payments must be received by August 31, 2023.

No Refunds after September 1, 2023. We will only include your registration when payment is received.

For questions contact Jim Gibson 609-668-2897 or Email: jimg96@comcast.net

#### SPONSORSHIPS are available - benefiting the Christian Caring Center

Sponsorships include recognition signage displayed at the event, and will also be displayed on our <a href="Medfordknights.org/cornhole">Medfordknights.org/cornhole</a> website.

(please check sponsorship level below)

□ Event Sponsor \$500□ Corn Sponsor \$250□ Hole Sponsor: \$100

Make check payable to: <u>Medford Knight Charity Fund</u> 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 jimg96@comcast.net

**DEADLINE for Sponsorships: August 31, 2023** 





#### Teaching Assistant - PreK4

St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic Church and School is seeking a full-time teaching assistant for the 2023–2024 school year. This full-time position is for a PreK4 class. We are looking for someone with experience working with young children for the PreK4 full-time role. Job responsibilities include supporting students in the classroom and supervising students during lunch/recess. Candidates should have a commitment to Catholic education and enjoy working with children. Successful candidates will have to pass a fingerprint/background check and take VIRTUS training. Salary will be determined based on experience.

Qualified candidates should submit their letter of interest, resume, and salary requirements by June 23rd to Jim Sterbenz, School Operations Administrator, at jsterbenz@smlschool.org.

#### Teaching Assistant - Fourth Grade

St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic Church and School is seeking a part-time teaching assistant (25 hours per week) for the 2023–2024 school year for our fourth grade classes. Our fourth grade consists of two classes, and the teaching assistant will split time between both fourth grade classes. Job responsibilities include assisting the homeroom teachers by supporting students in the classroom and occasionally providing individual and small group assistance on school assignments. In addition, the role also consists of supervising students during lunch and recess. Candidates should have a commitment to Catholic education, and previous experience working with children is preferred. Successful candidates will have to pass a fingerprint/background check and take VIRTUS training.

Qualified candidates should submit their letter of interest, resume, and salary requirements by June 23rd to Jim Sterbenz, School Operations Administrator, at jsterbenz@smlschool.org.

#### Teaching Assistant - Middle School

St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic Church and School is seeking a part-time teaching assistant (25 hours per week) for the 2023-2024 school year for our middle school classes. Our middle school consists of grades 5-8, and the teaching assistant will split time between grades and classes. Job responsibilities include assisting the homeroom teachers by supporting students in the classroom and occasionally providing individual and small group assistance on school assignments. In addition, the role also consists of supervising students during lunch and recess. Candidates should have a commitment to Catholic education. In addition, strong mathematics, writing, and reading skills with teaching or tutorial experience with children is preferred. Successful candidates will have to pass a fingerprint/background check and take VIRTUS training.

Qualified candidates should submit their letter of interest, resume, and salary requirements by June 23rd to Jim Sterbenz, School Operations Administrator, at jsterbenz@smlschool.org.

#### 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. After-care hours are from 2:45 to 5:00 or 6:00 p.m. Interested applicants should send their letter of interest and resume to Jim Sterbenz, School Operations Coordinator, at jsterbenz@smlschool.org. The successful candidate must complete fingerprinting and background check as well as VIRTUS training.

#### Gym Teacher

St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic School seeks a part-time gym teacher (physical education). The St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic School gym teacher is responsible for planning and implementing physical education activities for students ranging from PreK to 8th grade. Additionally, he/she monitors students and evaluates their achievement of goals. This teacher emphasizes sports-related skills, games, movement patterns, and general fitness activities, all within an environment that embraces our Catholic identity. He/she maintains records and student information for gym class. They are responsible for communication with all parties relating to the progress of students in the gym class. The gym teacher participates in all faculty and staff engagements, including in-service training. The gym teacher is responsible for planning annual events such as Field Day and other school-wide events. This is a 10-month part-time position (25–28 hours per week). Attendance is required for all scheduled school days and in-service training days.

Job duties include preparing/setting up the gym prior to school and the equipment prior to each class. He/she prepares and implements engaging lesson plans and provides safe learning experiences for all students by explaining the rules and safety guidelines for all gym games.

A teaching certification is required. A minimum of 2–3 years of experience supervising students or children in sports and/or group activities is preferred. Strong oral and written communication skills are needed. The role requirements include being able to physically walk and stand for long periods of time and being able to carry, push, set up, and clean up the required gym equipment. Qualified candidates should submit resumes and a letter of interest to Jim Sterbenz, School Operations Coordinator, at jsterbenz@smlschool.org.

#### Kindergarten Teacher

St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic School in Medford seeks one full-time kindergarten teacher for the 2023–2024 school year. The successful candidate will work collaboratively with a grade-level partner and will be responsible for teaching early reading, writing, and math readiness skills to our kindergarten students in a faith-filled environment. Successful candidates will demonstrate an understanding of best educational practices, including hands-on learning, differentiated instruction, and a belief in constructivist learning. Candidates should have experience teaching and be committed to a Catholic education. Minimum qualifications include holding a NJ Elementary Education or PreK–3rd Grade Certificate/Early Childhood Certificate as well as a good working knowledge of different technology platforms, including Google Classroom. This position is ideal for someone who is looking for a close-knit school community where they can actively practice their faith. Successful candidates will be subject to fingerprinting/background checks and will also have to attend VIRTUS training.

Qualified candidates should submit their letter of interest, resume, and salary requirements by July 7th to Jim Sterbenz, School Operations Administrator, at jsterbenz@smlschool.org.

#### Administrative Assistant

St. Mary of the Lakes School is seeking a part-time administrative assistant for the main office. The hours are Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The role reports directly to the school principal. He/she works in conjunction with the full-time administrative assistant, ensuring the main office and school run smoothly. He/she is responsible for supporting the full-time administrative assistant and is the primary backup when the full-time assistant is not available.

The part-time administrative assistant owns daily tasks such as overall student attendance, including late arrivals and early dismissals. He/she distributes key information to and from all respective classrooms. The part-time role provides student transportation forms. This includes processing new and returning student transportation forms to ensure they are complete and accurate.

The part-time administrative assistant supports the full-time administrative assistant as needed, including maintaining the main office school calendar, the faculty and staff calendar, the PTA calendar, and all other event calendars. In addition, the part-time administrative assistant role assists ongoing school communications through various communication vehicles and up-to-date email and phone distribution lists. The role provides assistance when needed, supporting regular school meetings, gatherings, school masses, and parent and/or faculty meetings. He/She assists in welcoming visitors and directs them as needed. Other "Ad Hoc" activities occur on a regular basis. The part-time assistant is expected to provide leadership and appropriately handle various tasks as they arise.

Candidates should have a minimum of 3-5 years of administrative experience in a school or business environment. Strong computer, oral, and written communication skills and exceptional "people skills" are required. The successful candidate will be subject to fingerprinting/background checks and will also have to attend virtus training.

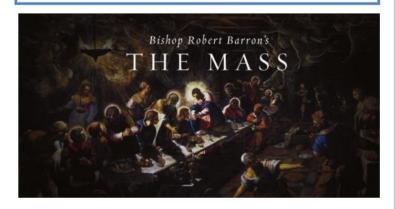
Qualified candidates should submit their letter of interest to Jim Sterbenz, School Operations Administrator, at jsterbenz@smlschool.org. The position will be filled as soon as possible.

#### BISHOP ROBERT BARRON'S FILM SERIES: "THE MASS"

Findings from recent studies indicate that less than one third of American Catholics hold the belief that the Eucharist truly is the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

In light of this crisis, Bishop Robert Barron joined forces with his fellow bishops to find a solution. Out of their discussions, the National Eucharistic Revival was born. In simple terms, the National Eucharistic Revival is a movement initiated by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops, aiming to rekindle a profound understanding and devotion to the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

To actively contribute to this revival, Word on Fire has made Bishop Barron's captivating film series, titled "The Mass," available for free viewing online! We encourage you to take advantage of this wonderful series. You may access "The Mass" through St. Mary of the Lakes' parish website homepage.



#### Legion of Mary & Traveling Pilgrim Virgin

If you desire to increase your spiritual life, our Blessed Mother is waiting for you at our Legion of Mary prayer group, which meets every Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Emmaus Center. All are welcome.

The Traveling Pilgrim Virgin Statue of "Our Lady of Fatima" is a source of many blessings. Parishioners are encouraged to welcome the Blessed Mother into their homes for a week of praying the

Rosary for peace and vocations. Please call Teresa McHenry at 609-388-4528 and leave a voicemail.



#### Summer Bible Study Is Back

Now Meeting Monday evenings and on Tuesday mornings. (Meeting moved from Thursday evening)



Discover God's plan as it is expressed through the Bible and the liturgy. Join us for a six-lesson DVD study, "The Eucharist in Scripture," presented by Dr. Scott Hahn. Based on his best-sellers "The Lamb's Supper," "The Fourth Cup," and "Consuming the Word," this study will unlock the meaning of covenant, sacrifice, and sacrament as understood in the Bible, from Genesis through Revelation.

The study will be offered Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. and again on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. beginning July 10th and 11th.

The cost of the workbook is \$22.00 and includes streaming of the videos. Workbooks will be available for purchase in the parish office. Purchasing a workbook is suggested but not necessary to attend the study.

Contact Christine Brandt at cbrandt@smlparish.org or 609-654-8208, ext. 113, to register.

#### Sacristans Needed

Have you thought about joining a ministry but don't think you have the time? The Sacristan Ministry only requires about 15–20 minutes before Mass to set up for Mass and less than 10 minutes at the end to clear the sacred vessels from the sanctuary, rinse and dry them. Sacristans are needed for all Mass times; you choose which Mass time(s) you want and how often you want to serve. Training is provided.

If you are interested in learning more about this ministry, please contact Deacon Ed Mayer at lemayeriv@yahoo.com.

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#### Becoming Catholic - R.C.I.A.

Are you—or anyone you know—interested in becoming a Catholic? Or, perhaps you are a Catholic but have not received the sacrament of Confirmation and desire to do so.

You are invited and welcome to attend the R.C.I.A. process here at St. Mary of the Lakes. R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a period of formation where we pursue the truths, teachings, and practices of our Catholic faith in an open forum with sound presentations and lively discussion.

Each meeting is led by one of the members of the team. The R.C.I.A. process involves time not only for instruction but also growth in the practice of the faith through discussion and prayer.

R.C.I.A. will begin on September 10th. If interested in finding out more about the process, contact Christine Brandt at 609-654-8208, ext. 113, or cbrandt@smlparish.org.



## Monday Afternoon Watching Season Three of "The Chosen"

"The Chosen" is currently a three season, twenty-four-episode series (with more episodes to come) portraying the life of Christ and His disciples. The series is non-fiction, making heavy use of the scriptures (mostly the Gospels with some Old Testament foundations) and fiction, which does not contradict scripture, but enhances what could possibly have been. Father Dan will begin showing Season Three, one episode per evening, followed by question/answer and discussion, on Mondays, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24, 7/31, 8/7, 8/14, 8/21 and 8/28 from 3:30-4:45 p.m. in the Emmaus Center. All are welcome. Please sign up at the Parking Lot Entrance.



#### Twenty-Second Visit to the Most Holy Sacrament

The Spouse in the sacred Canticles went about seeking for her Beloved; and not finding Him, she asked all whom she met: Have you seen Him Whom my soul loveth? [Cant. iii. 3] Jesus was not then on earth; but now, if a soul that loves Him seeks Him, she can always find Him in the Most Blessed Sacrament. The Venerable Father John Avila used to say, that amongst all sanetuaries he could neither find nor desire a more delightful one than a church in which the Most Blessed Sacrament is reserved.

O infinite love of my God, worthy of infinite love! And how couldst Thou, my Jesus, ever abase Thyself so far as, in order to dwell amongst men, and to unite Thyself to their hearts, to humble Thyself to such a degree as to conceal Thyself under the species of bread? O incarnate Word, Thou art supreme in Thy humility, because Thou art supreme in Thy love! How can I do otherwise than love Thee with my entire self, knowing as I do how much Thou hast done to captivate my love? I love Thee much; and therefore I give Thy good pleasure the preference above every interest and every satisfaction of my own. My pleasure is to give Thee pleasure, my Jesus, my God, my love, my all. Make me hunger to be continually in Thy Presence in the Blessed Sacrament, to receive Thee into myself, and to keep Thee company. I should be indeed ungrateful did I not accept so sweet and gracious an invitation. Ah, Lord, annihilate in me all affection for created things! Thou willest that Thou alone, my Creator, shouldst be the object of all my sighs, of all my love. I love Thee, most amiable goodness of my God. I ask nothing of Thee but Thyself. I desire not my own pleasure; Thy pleasure is all my desire, and sufficient for me. Accept, my Jesus, this good desire of a sinner who wishes to love Thee. Help me by Thy grace. Grant that I, a miserable slave of Hell, may from this day forward be the happy slave of Thy love.

Ejaculatory prayer. 1 love Thee, Jesus, my treasure, above every other treasure!

# The **LORD** is with me, like a mighty **CHAMPION**

Jeremiah 20:11

#### 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 www.smlparish.org and click "Virtual Prayer Candle" under the "ABOUT" tab.







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#### 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*.

# Glory

#### Glory to God

The Glory to God Prayer Group meets every Tuesday from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. in the Emmaus Center.

**Glory** Contact Marianne Perkins at 609-760-9221 or marnperk@gmail.com with any questions.

#### St. Mary of the Lakes This Week

#### Sunday, June 25th

• AA Meeting / 7:00 p.m. / Parish Meeting Room

#### Monday, June 26th

Men's Gospel Group / 7:45 a.m. / Emmaus Center

#### Tuesday, June 27th

- The Chosen / 7:00 p.m. / Emmaus Center
- Glory to God Prayer Group / 7:30 p.m. / Emmaus Center

#### Wednesday, June 28th

- Legion of Mary / 9:30 a.m. / Emmaus Center
- Faith Seekers Book Club / 10:00 a.m. / Emmaus Center
- KoC Movie Night / 6:00 p.m. / Emmaus Center

#### Thursday, June 29th

- Thursday Prayer and Bible Study / 9:45 a.m. / Emmaus Center
- Marriage Ministry Game Night / 7:00 p.m. / Emmaus Center

Friday, June 30th

Saturday, July 1st

#### Sunday, July 2nd

- KoC Patriotic Prayer Service / Following 9:00 a.m.
   Mass/ Church Lawn
- AA Meeting / 7:00 p.m. / Parish Meeting Room

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew:10:26-33



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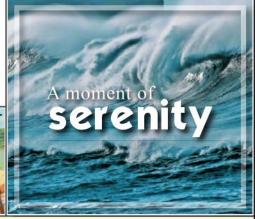
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