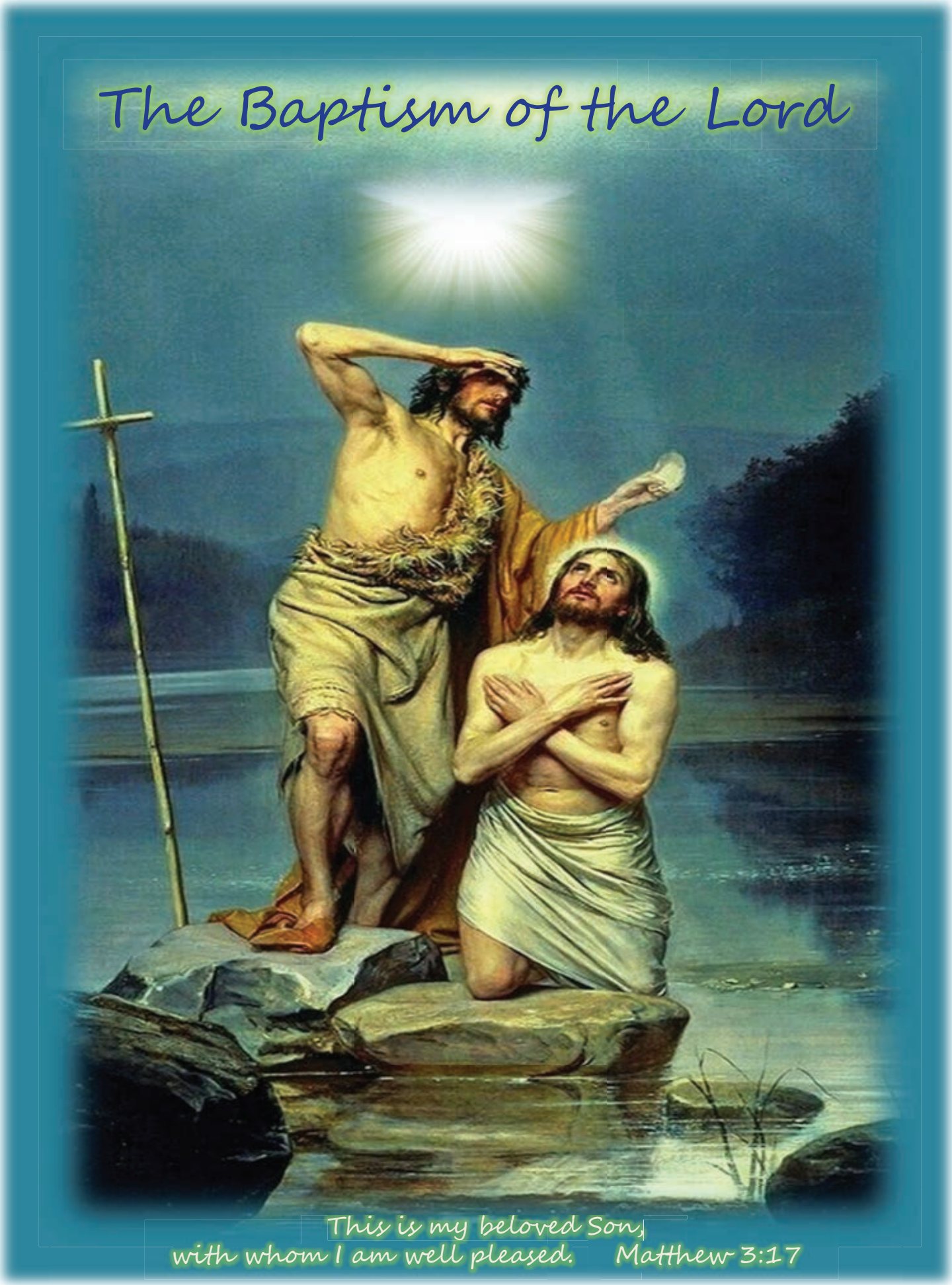
The Baptism of the Lord



This is my beloved Son,
with whom I am well pleased. Matthew 3:17

Church of the Visitation

755 Mantoloking Road Brick, N.J. 08723

Welcome!

The entire parish community extends a warm welcome to all visitors and new parishioners.

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Monday thru Friday: 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
Closed 12:30 – 1:30 for Lunch

Parish Registration

The Church of the Visitation is obliged to serve and minister to all baptized Catholics living in our local area. **PLEASE REGISTER –** it assists the staff in knowing you as a parishioner, providing for your needs, informing you of parish programs and activities, and utilizing your gifts and talents in service of the Church and one another. Envelopes for weekly contributions are available to you once you are registered. Please contact Deacon Sal Vicari at ext. 218 to register.

Sacramental Sponsor Certificates

The following is required by Canon Law to be a Catholic Godparent/Sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. 1. Be at least 16 years of age. 2. Have completed the Sacraments of the Initiation. (Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation) 3. Be a registered and active parishioner living a life of faith. If married, have a marriage that is canonically valid and recognized by the Catholic Church.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Weekend: Saturday 4:00
Sunday: 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 AM
Daily: Monday – Friday 7:30 (Daily Chapel)
Saturday - 8:15 PM (Daily Chapel)
Holy Days: See Current Bulletin
Wed. Jan. 1 ~ Solemnity of Mary
Sun. April 12 ~ Easter
Thurs. May 21 ~ Ascension Thursday
Thurs. Aug. 15 ~ Assumption of Mary
Sun. Nov. 1 ~ Feast of All Saints
Tues. Dec. 8 ~ Immaculate Conception
Fri. Dec. 25 ~ Christmas
Holy Hour: First Fri. of the month 7:00 - 8:00 PM (Church)
Eucharistic Adoration: Every Fri. 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM (Chapel)

Baptism

Parents or legal guardians are encouraged to register 2 months in advance to schedule a baptism. Parents and Guardians are required and sponsors are encouraged to attend the Baptismal Formation Session prior to the Baptism. Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays following the 11:00 Mass at 12:30 PM. Please contact Deacon Sal Vicari at ext. 218 to make arrangements.

Marriages

The Sacrament of Marriage requires a time of spiritual preparation. According to the Common Policy adopted by the Bishops of New Jersey, this preparation requires sessions with a priest or deacon, Focus review, and attendance at a Marriage Preparation Programs such as Pre Cana. Therefore couples should make arrangements with the Church at least 1 year before the planned wedding date and finalizing any social plans. Couples must also verify freedom to marry before dates and arrangements can be made. Please contact Deacon Sal Vicari at ext. 218 to make arrangements.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

This is the process by which adults become full, active, participating members of the Catholic Church. Please call Dale Zanetti at ext. 214 for more information.

Anointing of the Sick

Please notify the Parish Office when serious illness occurs and when the sick, aged, or incapacitated are confined to home for an extended period. In an emergency call the Parish office anytime.

Penance/Reconciliation

Saturday from 3:00 to 3:45 PM in the Church or anytime by appointment. A Penance Service is held during Advent and Lent.

Religious Education (CCD)

Our Religious Education and sacramental preparation for our children meets on Sunday from 9:15~10:30 AM in Lake Riviera Middle School, weekday classes are held in the Church Rectory. Pre~registration is required. Please call Nancy Grodberg at 732-477-5217.

Elevator is located on the side of the Church near the Bell Tower
We now offer Low-Gluten Host for those suffering from celiac sprue disease

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY	**JANUARY 11**
4:00 PM	Louise Sardella
SUNDAY	**JANUARY 12**
7:00 AM	People of the Parish
9:00 AM	Living & Dec'd Members of the Holy Name Society
11:00 AM	Emilio Loffredo
MONDAY	**JANUARY 13**
7:30 AM	Philip Carlson
TUESDAY	**JANUARY 14**
7:30 PM	Edward Kelly
WEDNESDAY	**JANUARY 15**
7:30 AM	John Manganiello
THURSDAY	**JANUARY 16**
7:30 AM	Fred Underwood
FRIDAY	**JANUARY 17**
7:30 AM	William Guli
SATURDAY	**JANUARY 18**
8:15 AM	Timothy Ryan
4:00 PM	Mary Ann Ammerata
SUNDAY	**JANUARY 19**
7:00 AM	People of the Parish
9:00 AM	Elyse Starpoli
11:00 AM	Thomas Halleran

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19; Mk 1:14--20
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Mk 1:21--28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40--45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-17, 18-19; Mk 2:1--12
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 2:13--17
Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

Weekly Events

SUNDAY	**JANUARY 12**	**LOCATION**
Masses		Church
Bible Study	12:15 PM	Parish Hall
MONDAY	**JANUARY 13**	
Rosary for Unborn	1:30 PM	Chapel
CCD	4:30 PM	Rm. A, B & C
TUESDAY	**JANUARY 14**	
Bingo	11:00 AM	Parish Hall
CCD	4:30 PM	A & C
Children's Choir	6:00 PM	Church
Alanon	7:00 PM	Parish Hall
Holy Name Mtg.	7:00 PM	Rm. B
WEDNESDAY	**JANUARY 15**	
Community Luncheon	12:00 PM	Parish Hall
CCD	4:30 PM	Rms. A, B & C
Boy Scouts	6:00 PM	Parish Hall
Youth Choir	7:00 PM	Church
THURSDAY	**JANUARY 16**	
Bible Study	9:30 AM	Parish Hall
CCD	4:30 PM	Rm. A & C
Adult Choir Practice	7:15 PM	Church
AA	7:30 PM	Parish Hall
FRIDAY	**JANUARY 17**	
Adoration	8:00 AM	Chapel
Children of Light	7:00 PM	Parish Hall
SATURDAY	**JANUARY 18**	
Vigil Mass	4:00 PM	Church
RCIA	5:00 PM	Parish Hall

Candles for the Week

Blessed Mother Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Dorothy McKain
Sacred Heart Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Dorothy Devaney
Church Sanctuary Candle "In Loving Memory" of Joseph Warhola
Chapel Sanctuary Candle "God's Blessing" on Fr. Al Ricciardelli

Thank you to those who reached out to assist the residents of Shorrock Nursing Home. When the Music Ministry performed their Christmas Concert at the Havens at Shorrock we brought many gifts for the residents, making sure that everyone would have least 2 gifts plus lots of treats. Again on Saturday we brought around 20 large white bags filled with everything the residents would need to help make their stay a bit more comfortable and to know that they aren't forgotten. From the bottom of our hearts, we thank you. God bless!

Remember Our Sick

I. Christine Udet, Chris White

"REMEMBERING OUR SICK" LIST IS FOR THOSE PARISHIONERS WHO ARE IN NEED OF SPECIAL PRAYERS. THEY WILL REMAIN ON THE LIST FOR FOUR WEEKS. IF EXTENDED PRAYERS ARE NEEDED, PLEASE CONTACT VISITATION'S PRAYER CHAIN AT 848-373-4239.

In Your Charity please pray for the happy repose of the souls of deceased members of the Parish, your friends, relatives and benefactors especially; *Joseph Warhola, James Ryan*

PLEASE REMEMBER TO KEEP OUR DIOCESAN BISHOP AND PRIESTS IN YOUR PRAYERS!

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offering for the Week of December 15, 2019	
Regular	$ 9,267.39
On Line	$851.70
Total	$10,119.09
Repairs & Maintenance	***$2,782.25***
Offering for the Week of December 22, 2019	
Regular	$ 9,000.44
On Line	$722.60
Total	$9,723.04
Diocesan Assessment	***$2,364.98***
Offering for the Week of December 29, 2019	
Regular	$10,183.07
On Line	$591.20
Total	$11,074.27
Community Lunch	***$2,992.68***
Offering for the Week of January 5, 2020	
Regular	$ 8,952.99
On Line	$1,047.60
Total	$10,000.59
Solemnity of Mary	$3,778.00
Christmas Offerings	**$35,815.21**

BAPTISM OF THE LORD – JANUARY 13

The Baptism of the Lord is celebrated on Sunday, January 12th this year. It marks the end of the Christmas season. Ordinary time begins on Monday, January 13. You are welcome to take live poinsettia plants from the altar **AFTER the 11:00 Mass** on Sunday, January 12th

Reflections for The Baptism of the Lord

The baptism of Jesus is attested to in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. The account that appears in Matthew is the only one to include the dialogue between Jesus and John, however. Another difference in Matthew's presentation of this event is the announcement made by the voice from heaven, which says, "This is my beloved son . . ." In Mark and Luke, this voice addresses itself to Jesus: "You are my beloved son . . ."

The baptisms that John performs prefigure Christian Baptism. John baptizes for repentance from sin. In accepting this baptism, Jesus unites himself with all sinners even though he is sinless. In Matthew's Gospel, John the Baptist distinguishes his practice of baptism from the Baptism that the Messiah brings: "I am baptizing you with water . . . He will baptize you with the holy Spirit and fire" (Matthew 3:11).

The baptism of Jesus is another manifestation of Christ, another epiphany. Christ's baptism inaugurates his mission. In an analogous way, our Baptism inaugurates our mission as Christians.

This Sunday marks a transition from the Christmas season to Ordinary Time. In a way, today's feast is the high point of the Christmas season. Before Jesus' birth, angels announced to Mary and to Joseph who Jesus would be. At his birth, the shepherds and the Magi recognize Jesus as the Messiah. At his baptism, Jesus accepts that he is God's son and inaugurates that mission.

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HOLY NAME OF JESUS SOCIETY MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Holy Name of Jesus Society will be on Tuesday, January 14 at 7:00 PM in Rectory Room B. All gentlemen of the parish are invited to attend.

NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE TWO COLLECTIONS. PLEASE PLACE YOUR REGULAR WEEKLY ENVELOPE IN THE FIRST BASKET AND THE ENVELOPE FOR REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE IN THE SECOND BASKET.

Part of the traditions for New Years is to make resolutions and I would ask certain members of our parish to make one: *I will resolve not to deposit junk into the church bookstands*. In particular there are two types that have made the rounds: (i) bulk mail from charity organizations and (ii) photocopies of such things as the "Novena to St. Jude". I am all in favor of private devotions and I recognize the power of intercessory prayer to the saints. However, that support does not extend to devotions that are misinterpreted or carried out in ways bordering on the superstitious. This, regrettably, is what often seems to happen with such novenas. In particular, the "has never been known to fail" component implies that God is somehow now obligated to answer the requestor's wish in the way they want it answered, instead of letting God answer it in His own (often better) way. Coupled with the very unfortunate practice of leaving multiple copies of the pamphlet in a church for nine days (deliberately creating litter and being wasteful which, if I remember my days in Moral Theology classes correctly, was considered sinful), I would ask that the person(s) to please refrain from doing this. Besides, I suspect that the original intent was to make the effort and actually *write* 9 copies of the letter, not run one letter through a copy machine 9 times! In any case, if the letter-poster(s) insist on continuing this practice, please contact me and I would be happy to place baskets for devotions in the church in order to reduce the amount of paper left scattered around the church. And, for those who deposit their charity junk mail in our book stands (which, for some reason, some people seem to think it "ennobles" the letters if *we* have to throw it out instead of doing it themselves), please leave it home!

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK

We will once again be converting Guild Hall at Saint Mary of the Lake Church into a home for our families on Sunday, February 2, 2020 at 10:45 am. We need volunteers to help set up the air mattresses, assist with setting up the bedrooms, kitchen and living room area as well as volunteer hosts to prepare and enjoy dinner as well as spend social time with our families from 6 pm to 8:30 pm. We could use a few more volunteers to help out with the overnights which includes sleeping from 10pm to 6:30 am. Sleepers arrive by 8:30 pm and leave around 7 am. All new hosts and sleepers will be paired up with experienced volunteers during their initial Hosting and Sleeping Evening. On Sunday, February 9th at 10:45 am, we will need several volunteers to help us clean up and take a bag of laundry. Any questions, please contact Pat Rainer 732-300-8288 or email at lanokaharbor@hotmail.com

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION & LECTOR SCHEDULE FOR January 18 & 19

Mass	4:00 PM	7:00 AM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	Deacon Cup D. Zanetti J. Aymar A. Catanzaro B. Ulrich F. Startia A. Romano A. Barlowski	I. Kronicz J. Olden J. Statesir D. Smith NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Deacon Cup J. Arendt A. Kelly T. Barr J. Nebenburgh A. D'Ambola P. Mancini NOT FILLED	Deacon Cup C. Rippa R. Scace M. Helik J. DiSorco R. Nickerson L. Gerardi M. Pontrantolfi
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END OF YEAR TAX STATEMENT

If you would like an end of the year tax contribution statement, please call Denise Patetta at the rectory office at ext. 201 or e-mail your request to dpatetta@visitationRCchurch.org. If you have received a statement in the past you will automatically receive one this year in the mail by January 31, 2020.

SPECIAL THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO MADE A DONATION FOR THE CHRISTMAS FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS

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Wife, Mary K
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Elizabeth & Thomas Hussennetter
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LaVerne Creange
In Loving Memory of Mark Domogauer
Family
In Loving Memory of Joseph & Frances Sanservino
Patricia Lombardo
In Loving Memory of Bliss, Bird & Suckow Families
Bliss Family
In Loving Memory of Bruno, Gladys, Bruce & Richard Bacchetti
Bruna Bacchetti
In Loving Memory of Elvira Meehan
John Meehan
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In Loving Memory of Margaret & Harold Woods
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In Loving Memory of Louis & John Manganiello
Lucy Manganiello
In Loving Memory of Charles & Clara Donaruma
Daughter, Andi

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In Loving Memory of Paul, Laura & Paula Pepe
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Grace Maher
In Loving Memory of Stephen E. Zaleski
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Bill
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LECTORS enhance the community's celebration of the Mass by meaningful reading of God's Word and by providing direction and overviews during the Liturgy. 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Vicki Cottrell or vcottrell@visitationrcchurch.org*

LITURGY TEAM meets monthly to plan liturgical and worship services that are meaningful and spiritual. *732-477-9672 ext. 217 Natalya Bencivenga or nbencivenga@visitationrcchurch.org*

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RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is the process used to welcome those who wish to complete some or all of the sacraments of initiation in the Church. 732-477-9672, ext. 214 - *Dale Zanetti or dzanetti@visitationrcchurch.org*

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MEN'S GROUP meets every other Monday evening in Rectory Room C to study the Word of God, faith sharing and fellowship. 201-747-8631 *Chris Pozo or chrispozo@optonline.net*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD) meets on Sunday from 9:15 to 10:30 AM in the Lake Riviera Middle School and weekdays in the church rectory during the school year. Pre-registration is required. 732-477-5217- *Nancy Grodberg or ngrodberg@visitationrcchurch.org*

Prayer Groups

CHILDREN OF LIGHT CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP meets Friday evenings to pray, share scripture, praise God, give and discuss teachings and share fellowship. 732-255-2728 - *Paul Rollis or paulrollis63@gmail.com*

PRAYER CHAIN is for anyone who feels the need for prayer or would like to join the group. 848-373-4239.

Pastoral Care Ministries

BEREAVEMENT TEAM is in the process of reforming. Contact Fr. Ed at the rectory or info@visitationRCchurch.org.

FUNERAL LITURGY MINISTRY helps plan liturgy for funeral masses. 732-477-5217 – *Nancy Grodberg.*

VISITATION CAREGIVERS provide supportive services to the frail elderly and homebound in our community such as friendly visits, food shopping, transportation to medical appointments and respite care for families. 732-505-2273 ext. 211- *Mary Malagiere or marym@caregivervolunteers.org*

Social Ministries/Activities

BINGO is held in the Parish Hall on Tuesdays at 11:00 AM 732-475-0589– *Cathy or Bingo@visitationRCchurch.org.*
EVENT DEVELOPMENT TEAM meets as needed to develop and implement social activities (such as the Gift Auction and Wine Tasting/Art Auction) for the purpose of raising money for the building fund. 732-475-0048, – *Vicki Cottrell-vcottrell@visitationrcchurch.org*

Services

ANNULMENT TEAMS are available to assist a parishioner in rectifying his/her marital status in accordance with the law of the Catholic Church and enable parish members to participate in a full Christian life 732-477-7059 ext. 218 – *Deacon Salvatore Vicari, 848-333-2671 – Eleanor Troiano,* 732-477-7059 ext. 103 *Joan Olden*

Social Concerns

COMMUNITY LUNCH provides lunch Wednesdays each week to members of the parish and community. 732-255-2835 - *Isabel Kronicz or fkronicz@comcast.net*
RESPECT LIFE focuses on pro-life issues and needs through education and support of other organizations in support of pro-life issues. The group gathers weekly to recite the Rosary. . 732-920-9006 – *Pat Gigante*
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL operates the Thrift Shop in the SOS building at 725 Mantoloking Rd. and manages the funds from the poor boxes to assist the less fortunate in our parish and the surrounding community. Donations of nonperishable food are accepted at the doors of the Church to assist the hungry of the community. 732-477-9672, ext. 160

Youth Ministries/Activities

CHILDREN'S CHOIR welcomes all from 3 to 12 years of age to share their love for Jesus through music. No tryouts are required. 732-477-9672 ext. 217 – *Natalya Bencivenga or nbencivenga@visitationrcchurch.org*
VISITATION ALTAR SERVERS TEAM provides assistance to the Priest in celebration of the Mass and other liturgical celebrations Open to all adults and boys and girls third grade and higher who have received their Holy Communion 732-903-4290 – *John McCoy or vast@visitationRCchurch.org*
VISITATION YOUTH MINISTRY provides a safe place for high school teenagers to come together, meet new people, and have fun while serving God and the community. For additional information please contact 732-477-7059 ext. 105 – *Christie or cwinters@visitationrcchurch.org*
VISITATION YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY provides an opportunity for all between the ages of 18 to 39 looking to grow and deepen their faith in Catholicism to join our local Catholic young adult community. For additional information please contact 732-477-7059 ext. 105 – *Christie or cwinters@visitationrcchurch.org*

Temporal Welfare

BUILDING AND GROUNDS TEAM works to improve and enhance the appearance and safety of the existing church, former church, rectory building, and the associated grounds. The goal of this team is to adhere to all current safety and building codes and ensure that the house of God is maintained in an appropriate manner. - *Fr. Ed* 732-477-9672, ext. 201
FINANCE COUNCIL oversees the financial aspects of the parish 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Arnie Vicidomini*

Organizations

AA MEETINGS are held on Thursdays at 7:30 PM in the parish hall.
ALANON MEETINGS are held on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in the parish hall.
BOY SCOUT TROOP #38 is sponsored by the Holy Name Society.732-997-8933 – *Benjamin Brouwer or benmbrouwer@gmail.com*
HOLY NAME OF JESUS SOCIETY promotes respect for the Holy Name of Jesus and His Holy Catholic Church. Society members attend the 8:00 AM Mass and meet monthly 609-234-4437 – *Richard Bencivenga or visitation.holyname@gmail.com*
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #836 work with the local parish and contribute many hours of volunteer work to our community annually.*732-600-1029 – Andrew Kelly or andrekelly3@me.com*
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY honors the Blessed Virgin Mary to secure her patronage through the daily recitation of the Rosary for the spiritual benefit of the parish community. Members attend the 8:00 AM Mass and meet monthly. 732-295-1812 – *Rose Marie DiGiovanni or digioro1@yahoo.com*

Consult the Parish Events Calendar on our parish website (www.visitationRCchurch.org) for the most current schedule of meeting dates, times, and locations. Information in the Calendar of Events section of the bulletin is current as of bulletin publication.

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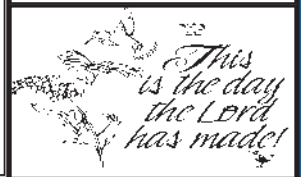

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