

He was lost and is found.

LUKE 15:32

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The Parish Communities of

ST. JOHN VIANNEY & ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Pastor's Corner Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday) 30 March 2025

Joyous Laetare Sunday! Thank God for His grace and mercy! The festive theme of rejoicing comes from the Latin Introit (a psalm or antiphon sung or said while the priest approaches the altar for the Eucharist) for the Fourth Sunday of Lent: "Laetare Jerusalem," "Rejoice, O Jerusalem" (Isaiah 66:10).

We can now see the finish line for our Lenten observances of fasting, prayer and almsgiving. We are at the midpoint of the Lenten Season. The festive rose-colored vestments can be used during the liturgies on this particular Sunday of Lent, and we are now preparing for the final push towards Holy Week and the Easter Triduum (The three-day period including Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday). [1]

Why should we rejoice at the mid-point of Lent? We must always be mindful that we have been reconciled to God the Father through His Only-Begotten Son, Jesus Christ. According to the Daily Universal Prayer and Commentary by FAITH Catholic, "We can rejoice in today's theme of forgiveness and mercy. [God] led the Israelites to the Promised Land; He has reconciled us to Himself through Christ; and He is always ready to forgive, awaiting us with open arms to come and rest in His love [and mercy]." [2]

When we look at the parable of the Prodigal Son, we usually focus upon the younger son who squandered his inheritance on dissolute living and hit "rock bottom" in a foreign land, longing to fill his stomach with the fodder that he was giving to herds of swine. Obviously, the younger son was in need of conversion of mind and heart, and he sorely needed reconciliation with his father and his family. I am sure that many of us have found ourselves in this same situation at some point in our lives, being in serious need of forgiveness and compassion for the waywardness that is sometimes ours, and being in need of conversion of heart (spiritual spring cleaning).

However, the older son was in need of spiritual healing as well! The older son could not, at first, find it in his heart to forgive his younger brother for leaving home and wasting his money. He felt hurt that he had remained faithful to his father, obeying all of his father's directions and toiling consistently to support the family, but was never given a small party to revel with his friends. And now, a feast is provided for the younger son who had done wrong. But what the older son had failed to realize is that he <u>already had</u> the full inheritance of all that his father possessed! <u>Everything that belonged to the father already belonged to his faithful son who had always stayed by his father's side!</u> However, the father had <u>two</u> sons, and he cared deeply for them <u>both</u> as a good and loving father should! Therefore, <u>he had to rejoice</u> <u>and be glad</u> because the son whom he feared was <u>dead</u> has come back to him safe and sound. The son whom he feared was <u>lost</u> to him forever has been found!

"In the parable of the prodigal son, Jesus presents God [the Father] as a Father who loves <u>all</u> His children – [including both] the wayward <u>and</u> the dutiful. God] seeks to draw them into a loving relationship and therefore share *His* joy. Sometimes, like the younger son, we are swept up in God's love, forgiveness and mercy; other times, we set up barriers and resist [God's love forgiveness and mercy – we do not accept it]. Let us reflect on how God has been coming out to meet us in our own lives." [3]

God's love and mercy for each of us is just like that of the father in today's Gospel passage from St. Luke. <u>It is never too late to turn back to the Lord with our whole heart so that we can be made whole again and live in God's grace and mercy</u>. God is waiting for us to come back to our senses like the Prodigal Son, contrite in heart, seeking God's forgiveness for our waywardness, our sinfulness, so that we can be restored to life! We can also learn how to forgive one another in the same exact way: "Then Peter came up and said to Him, 'Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven [times]." (Matthew 18:21-22) [4] My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I pray that you will have a prayerful and spiritual Lenten Season. Be well and God bless.

Prayerfully,

Fr. Ben

[1] The Sacred Page – Laetare Sunday, John Bergsma, The St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology, Steubenville, OH, 2022. [2] Daily Universal Prayer and Commentary, FAITH Catholic, Lansing, MI, 2021, Vol. 55, No. 1, Pg. 128. [3] Daily Universal Prayer and Commentary, FAITH Catholic, Lansing, MI, 2024, Vol 58, No. 1, Pg. 117. [4] The Holy Bible, Revised Standard Version, Catholic Edition, Ignatius Press, San Francisco, CA, New Testament Copyright 1965, Old Testament Copyright 1966, New Testament Pg. 18.

Saturday, March 29th

5:00 pm (St. John Vianney) No intentions for this Mass

5:00 pm (St. Thomas the Apostle)

† Elaine Èramo

by Louise Cianci / Lois Albanese (cousin)

Sunday, March 30th

9:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)

† Christopher Hirsch by his Mom

10:00 am (St. John Vianney)

† Catherine Sciarra by Les Pappianne

11:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)

† Lourdes Bunda by Linda Osborne

Monday, March 31st

6:30 pm (St. Thomas the Apostle)

Eucharistic Adoration

6:45 pm (St. John Vianney)

No intentions for this Mass

Eucharistic Adoration immediately following Mass

7:30 pm (St. Thomas the Apostle)

† John Golden by Eric & Jeannie Stroud

Novena to St. Peregrine immediately following Mass

Tuesday, April 1st

8:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)

No intentions for this Mass

Wednesday, April 2nd

8:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)

† Rosina Gleeson by Ellen Schmidt

12:00 pm (St. John Vianney)

† Mary Anne Allender by Susan Allender

Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help

immediately following Mass

Thursday, April 3rd

Lenten Weekday

8:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)

† Walter R. Waksmundski Jr. by Delores Waksmundski, Donna & Brian Demarest, Debra and Ray Paiva

First Friday, April 4th

8:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)

† Rosina Gleeson by Jill Bonfiglio

Holy Hour immediately following Mass

9:00 am (St. John Vianney)

No intentions for this Mass

Holy Hour immediately following Mass

Saturday, April 5th

5:00 pm (St. John Vianney)

† Grace & Ed Battaglia by Dot & Fred McMenamin

5:00 pm (St. Thomas the Apostle)

No intentions for this Mass

Sunday, April 6th

9:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)

† Ed & Grace Battaglia by Mary Ryan-Zanotti

10:00 am (St. John Vianney)

† John Joseph Connelly by John & Jeanette Parmigiani

11:00 am (St. Thomas the Apostle)

† Rosina Gleeson by Eric & Jeannie Stroud



Stations will be prayed at St. John Vianney at 3:00pm and 7:00pm

At St. Thomas the Apostle, Stations will be prayed at 7:30pm

Each week at STA will be lightly focused on a different theme, and everyone can get something out of each! Each week, we will be guided in prayer by members of a different parish ministry. Please see the schedule for these special stations below:

4/4 Stations for Parents4/11 Stations for Senior Citizens



St. John Vianney

From March 10 until April 14 there will be Mass at 6:45PM followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and "Welcome Home" Confessions.

For Reconciliation (Confession) in Spanish see Fr. Ben

NEW:

Women's Spirituality Group

"In the Image of Jesus: A Woman's Guide To Exemplifying the Life of Jesus And Making Virtuous Decisions In A Misguided World"

As a woman of God how can we be certain the decisions we make and the life we live are in alignment with the teachings of Jesus? If you have questions concerning family matters (dealing with children, siblings, parents, in-laws, or spouses), if you are seeking reconciliation with a friend or family member, or are facing challenges you feel unprepared to handle; if you struggle with self-love or self-care or loving the unlovable; if you long to understand your purpose in life, please join us in a relaxed and supportive discussion group where you can discover how to recognize God calling you to live life in the image of His Son. Therein you will discover a life filled with joy, abundant blessings, authentic love, and inner peace. (We will utilize Scripture as well as practical skills throughout our discussions. All ages, all topics are welcome.)

Mondays, 6:30-7:30 pm at STA classrooms. The next session is this Monday, March 17 and every Monday evenings to May 19, 2025.

Call or text Janet Pfeiffer for more info: 201-213-8499 Or email Janet@PfeifferPowerSeminars.com

WHY NOT RENT MADONNA HALL?

Having a family get together? First Communion or Confirmation party? Bridal shower? Baby shower?

A club or association dinner?

Saint John Vianney's MADONNA HALL is your go to place.

For more information, email Cristin Gandy:

madonnahallrentals @gmail.com

SAINT JOHN VIANNEY SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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Loose Check \$253.00 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT Loose Check: \$1,247.00

Loose Cash: \$399.00 March 23, 2025 Loose Cash: \$592.00

**Online Giving: \$0.00

TOTAL: \$2,495.00 **TOTAL**: \$5,701.00 Last Year: \$2,029.00 Last Year: \$7,655.00

Weekly Expenses: \$5,598 Weekly Expenses: \$6,972.00

** Online Giving Program issues

Got rid of your landline? Do you have a new cell phone number? Do you have a new email address? Have you gotten married, moved?

Now is the time to let us know ALL this new information so we can better serve you! We are updating our records and we need you to make this happen.

We are asking everyone to update our contact information for our parishioners in both parishes. Please visit our website at www.ststhomasjohn.org and click on the UPDATE MY INFO button on the homepage. Then select REGISTER for NEW parishioners OR select the second option to UPDATE MY INFO. Please fill out all the information including how you prefer to contribute (online giving or envelopes) and anything else to update our database.

If you have any questions, please reach out to the parish office email: michelle@ststhomasjohn.org or call and ask for Michelle at STA: 973-208-0090 / SJV 973-697-6550.

BUILD A BEAUTIFUL WORSHIP SPACE AND ENHANCE THE LITURGY WITH MUSIC

The beautiful Easter lilies and spring flowers that adorn the altar and sanctuary in our parishes are a special part of the celebration of Easter. There is another dimension to our Holy Week and Easter Liturgies - our Music Program. We invite all parishioners to share in the experience through a **MEMORIAL OR THANKSGIVING GIFT**. If you would be interested in building a beautiful worship space and /or supplement our Holy Week and Easter Liturgies Music Program you can by using the Easter Flowers Envelopes or the QR Code. Your donations towards the cost of Easter

flowers or the Music program is a wonderful way to remember loved ones, honor friends, offer thanksgiving to God for prayers answered and blessings received. Easter Flower/ Music Program donation Envelopes are in the Narthex. Please place your envelopes in the "the Box" in the Narthex, the collection basket, go and bring them to the Parish Office before **April 13.** Your generosity is greatly appreciated. The names and intentions will be in the parish bulletin on Easter Sunday.



Saint Thomas the Apostle and Saint John Vianney offers

SPIRITUAL BOUQUETS

A spiritual bouquet is a tradition of offering prayers as a gift. It is a tangible way of letting others know that you prayed for them. This gift of prayer will be remembered at the weekend Masses at our parish and the names will be placed on the altar for an entire month and will be posted in the bulletin the following month.

You can request a Spiritual Bouquet online by email: massintention@ststhomasjohn.org

If you would like a Spiritual Bouquet card come to the parish office during business hours.

We ask for a \$20 donation for each intention.

Blood Drive

Full Hearts, Full Carts **Grocery Giveaway**



Chance to win one of two \$10,000 gift cards April 1-30, 2025

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"I wish I could tell my donor how grateful I am for your selfless act. You may have wondered what became of your donation well, it saved my life."





CLICK TO **SCHEDULE**





40 Days of Giving: A Lenten Practice

During Lent we are called to participate in the three pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. One way to help others in this way is to participate in 40 Days of Giving. Each day during Lent, put aside one non-perishable food or paper item to donate to the Hope House Food Pantry to help feed the poor. On Sunday when you go to Mass, bring your week's donations and place them in the box for the food pantry. As you probably know, the number of families struggling with food insecurity has grown tremendously. Please be generous in helping those less fortunate than ourselves.

Catholic Charities HOPE HOUSE

If you can please, these are the items we are in most need of:

CEREAL (HOT & COLD)/ INSTANT COFFEE COOKIES CRACKERS / PASTA SAUCE TOILET PAPER

Donations can be dropped off when you come to Mass at St. Thomas or during the week at the <u>STA Rectory Door under the overhang</u>. You do not have to ring the door bell as the front door is checked throughout the day. The food doesn't stay there for long!

Catholic Charities Community Service, Partnership for Social Services

MEALS ON WHEELS / FOOD PANTRY

During these uncertain economic times our food pantry is having a hard time keeping up with needs of those who struggle to put food on their table please help.

Pasta Sauce / Pasta Sauce / Canned Tomatoes / Soup

You can drop off your donation of non perishable food items or monetary donations at St. John Vianney Church OR at the Food Pantry, Location: 48 Wyker Road, Franklin, NJ Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 10:00am - 2:00pm

Flip top or easy open cans and or containers work best most homeless people cannot open cans.

From the Prayer Shawl Ministry

500 made! 500 delivered! Yarn's been flowing like a river. Shawls and lap blankets, every color and stripe. Needles been clicking, prayers being lifted. God bless all our recipients and requesters, and God bless our Ministry for 500 more.

- 1- Complete the form in the Narthex and put in envelope
- 2- Use the form on the parish website
- 3- Email to prayershawlstasjv@gmail.com
- 4. Use the QR code.





BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS SCHEDULE MARCH—JUNE

If you are first time parents you must attend one Baptism Preparation class.. Below are the dates and parishes. It doesn't matter what parish you attend the class as long as you attend one class.

St. Thomas the Apostle: Classes are held at St. Thomas parish office on Monday evenings at 7pm. **April 21, May 19, June 23**

<u>Saint John Vianney</u>: Baptism Preparation Classes are held at St. John Vianney church basement on Saturdays mornings at 10am. **May 17, June 21**

To sign up for a class email Terry at terry+@ststhomasjohn.org

NO LATER than the MONDAY PRIOR to class.



Friendly Reminder: Sight & Sound Trip Departure

Hello everyone!

Just a quick update about our upcoming trip
to Sight & Sound on April 2nd.
Due to a disruption on Rt 80 caused by a sinkhole,
we'll be leaving a little earlier than planned.
New Departure Time: 8:40 AM (Previously 9:00 AM)
We'd love for you to arrive a bit early to grab a drink and snack
from the church hall before we hit the road.
Let's make the most of this special day together!
Thank you so much for your understanding.
Fr. Martin & the crew :-)

"Exercising the body for the sake of the soul "

Through breath and movement, the body relaxes, the mind quiets.

The body becomes more flexible, stronger and agile as our balance improves. Focusing on gentle movements enhances concentration improving prayer and reflection.

We will be meet Thursday mornings at 9:30 at St Thomas the Apostle in the classrooms.

Wear comfortable clothing, arrive 15 minutes early.

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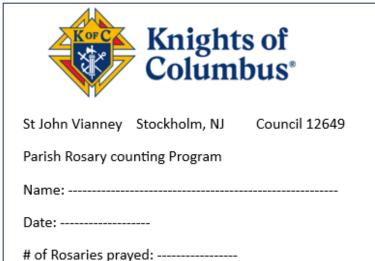


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VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOMED CONTACT CRISTIN @ 973-670-3523



The Knights of Columbus Council 12649 believes that the faith of our congregation as well as our individual families can be strengthened through a devotion to Our Lady, while praying the rosary. We ask that you please participate in our Rosary counting program. Please help us keep track of how many rosaries are prayed by utilizing this form and dropping it in the basket in the narthex.



Knights of Columbus Council #12649

THE LAST FISH FRY IS APRIL 4TH EVERYONE IS INVITED!!!!!!

Doors will open at 5:00 pm at Madonna Hall
Fish & Chips, tartar sauce and coleslaw with a soft drink.
Prepared and served by the Brother Knights.
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GRAVE PALM CROSSES—24"

(with stake)

The Knights of Columbus Council #5510 will be selling Grave Palm Crosses.

Grave Palm Crosses will begin the weekend of March 22/23 thru Palm Sunday, April 12/13 after all the Masses at St. Thomas.

As we approach the sacred season of Easter, we invite you to partake in a heartfelt tradition that will illuminate the resting places of our dearly departed.

The Palm Cross can be placed lovingly at the grave of your cherished loved one(s). This symbolic gesture not only honors their memory but also infuses the spirit of renewal and hope.

These Palm Crosses will not only adorn the final resting places with grace and reverence but will also be a visual testimony to the enduring love and connection we share with those who have left us.

<u>Palm Crosses are \$13 each</u>: Checks or Cash are accepted. Checks made out to: K of C #5510.



Saint Thomas the Apostle Easter Spring Cleaning FRIDAY, APRIL 11 at 9:00 AM

We will be Spring Cleaning our beautiful St. Thomas Church for Easter on

FRIDAY, APRIL 11 at 9:00 AM.

If you can, please join us. Any questions, please call Mary Buda-201-787- 2114

Easter Decorating

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2025 AT 9:30 AM.

Also, we will be decorating our church for Easter on Saturday, April 19, 2025 at 9:30 am. "Thanks for any help you can provide."

SAINT JOHN VIANNEY

Palm Sunday (April 13)

Blessing of Palms outdoors with Procession at all Masses (weather permitting)

Holy Monday (April 14)

No 6:45pm Mass

Parish Penance Service

7:00PM - 8:30PM Welcome Home Reconciliation

Holy Thursday (April 17)

10:00AM Morning Prayer

7:00PM Liturgy of the Lord's Supper

Adoration until 12:00AM

Good Friday (April 18)

10:00AM Morning Prayer

3:00PM Stations of the Cross

7:00PM Veneration of the Cross and Eucharistic Service

Holy Saturday (April 19)

9:30AM Easter food blessing in Polish

10:00AM Morning Prayer

10:30AM Easter food blessing in English

8:00PM Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday (April 20)

8:00AM Mass

10:00AM Mass

Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:00 Mass

Divine Mercy Sunday (April 27)

2:00PM Adoration with prerecorded meditations + Confessions

3:00PM Chaplet of Divine Mercy, veneration of Divine Mercy image, Benediction

SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Palm Sunday (April 13)

Blessing of Palms outdoors with Procession at all Masses (weather permitting)

Holy Monday (April 14)

6:30PM Eucharistic Adoration

7:30M Mass as per schedule

7:00PM - 8:30PM Welcome Home Reconciliation

Holy Tuesday (April 15)

8:00AM Mass as per schedule

Chrism Mass in the Cathedral at 7:00PM

Holy Wednesday (April 16)

8:00M Mass as per schedule

Holy Thursday (April 17)

7:30PM Liturgy of the Lord's Supper

Adoration until 12:00AM

Good Friday (April 18)

12:00PM Stations of the Cross

3:00PM Veneration of the Cross and Eucharistic Service

Holy Saturday (April 19)

10:00AM Easter food blessing in English

8:15PM Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday (April 20)

9:00AM Mass

11:00AM Mass

Divine Mercy Sunday (April 27)

3:00PM Chaplet of Divine Mercy, veneration of Divine

Mercy image, Benediction

"TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON" A TIME TO BE HEALED A TIME TO MOURN

Prayers for the sick: Kathy Brennen, Kevin Wickert, Fumiko Lutz, Patricia Carapola, Courtney Sanchelli, Gail Brennan, Richard Lavelle, Stephen Vecchiotti, Vincent Ottani, Darlene Kolakovic, Kenny Miscisak, Emily Schmidt, Tim Lambert, Nancy, Sebastian Drelick, Frank Weber, Carole DeCepoli, Bert DeLuca, Maryellen Leppard, Kelly Cokinos Fleming, Sophia Brandt, Elaine M., Joseph, Joey Dyl, Liz, John, Teresa Nussbaum, Antionette Volpe, Paul Pini, Jimmy Bariso, Joanne, Noreen Schuk, Katherine Kaiser, Danielle Peece, Chris Day, Carmela Houlihan, Sharon VanDyke, Karen McCarthy, Robert Martin, Ashlyn Lausch, Jim, Barbara Eckert and Sandor Heitler, Kevin Corman, Lily, Nicholas Falzarano, Paul Farruggia, Val Ciaburri, Thomas Sharkey, Lisa Litterri, Althea Ames, Lynn Hall and Norbert Kalokira.

Prayers for the deceased: Joan DeVito, Robert (Bob) Feldmann, Al Cannarozzi, Jr., Angelina (Angel) Pappianne, Dr. Raymond Troiano, Frank Wilpert, Jeffrey Ryan, Frank Scillieri, Barbara Buran, Etzer Jerome, Rita Rugel, Alice Warren, Joseph T. Murphy, Joseph F. Dooley, Patricia (Pat) Snouffer, Amy Snouffer, Rosemarie Pichieri, Joan Myszka, Crescia (Chris) Osborne, Ray Troxell, Barbara Runz, Rev. Donald Campbell, C.S.P., Henrietta Costa, Ray Troxell, Barbara Runz, Joseph Carabillo, John R. Gadbois, Elizabeth A. O'Donnel, , Tommy Gigante, Thomas Joyce, Richard "Dick" Martin, James (Jim) Cerullo, Jr., Rev. Charles J. Brunick CSP. Mario Provenzano, Dorothy Guarino, Richard Alheidt, William H. Osbun, Lou Schnackenberg, Lynn Padula Brennan, Daniel Morales and Mary Swerzenski, Joseph Spagna, Carol Corazza, Amy Alheidt and Dominick Restuccia Helen Engle, Stanley Fautas, Robert Michael Allender II, Alfanso Bruccoleri, Anthony (Tony) Campana, Elaine J. Marone, Delores Carhart, Lynda McTigue, Karen Dulfer, Joe Carrier, William "Bill" Feuss John Golden, Noreen Nuzzo, William Marone and Ed & Grace Battaglia, Richard Sandervan and Rosina Gleeson

A TIME FOR PEACE

We pray for those in our parish who are+ currently serving in the armed forces especially: Staff Sgt. Antoino Lettizia, USMC, OSSN(SW) Anthony S. Gambuti, US Navy, Captain Andrew Verdes, Haley Kerrison Lt1, Army, 2nd Lt. Clara Fetter, USMC, USAF Airman Andrew Babich, Chaplin Major Jhon Madrid, Airman Gianna Perez, USAF and Lt. Col. Colleen O'Brien, Army, Paul Letizia Sergeant USMC, Sergeant Thomas J. Soules III, US Army, PFC Thomas Young, Army National Guard and PFC Thomas Young, Army, PFC Kyle Peters, Army, Nicholas Roberts, US Navy, Petty Officer Miguel A. Rodriguez USN and Master Chief Miguel Rodriguez, USN In honor of the Military serving our country at home and abroad, we invite you to recite three (3) Hail Mary's for their safety. We also pray for the family and friends of those listed above.

BAPTISM

Baptisms are held at both parishes. If you are a first time parents you must attend a Baptism Preparation class. Baptism Classes are held Mondays at STA 7:00pm and Saturdays at SJV 10:00am check the parish website for upcoming dates.

For more information and to register for Baptism: www.ststhomasjohn.org

MARRIAGES

Prior to your booking of the reception, please call the Parish Office 1 year in advance of the wedding date to allow for proper pre-marital preparation.

<u>Knights of Columbus ~</u> <u>Council Meetings</u>

St. John Vianney Council #12649 meets at Saint John Vianney the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm.

<u>Joseph Lamb Council #5510</u> meets on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Wiegand Farm.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

A parishioner is one who belongs to the parish family. As such, they are registered and committed through participation in the life of the parish. In order for marriages to be administered and for Sponsor Certificates, recommen-



dations, etc. to be issued by the office, the person requesting must be a registered online: ststhomasjohn.org and active member of Saint John Vianney or Saint Thomas the Apostle.

We request that you register when you move into our community so that we may be of service to you. Please use the QR code register.

"If any person may have been abused by any priest, they should immediately contact their local County Prosecutor's Office and Diocese's Victims Assistance Coordinator: Dr. Ken McNeil at 973-879-1489. You may also be in touch with either of the Diocesan Response Officers Rev. Msgr. T. Mark Condon JCD, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, 973-777-8818 Ext. 248 or Sister Joan Daniel Healy, SSC, Chancellor / Delegate for Religious, 973-777-8818 Ext. 247. The entire text of the Policy of the Diocese of Paterson in Response to Complaints of Sexual Abuse is available on the diocesan Web site:

www.patersondiocese.org.

The Schools of the Catholic Academy of Sussex County --- 973-729-6125 ext. 3055



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