



MON 3/19	8:00 am	† Amy, Gloria & Rose, John & Rocco Lucciola Family
TUES 3/20	8:00 am	† Mr. & Mrs. James Vize Jack Scullion
		Mass at OLPH
WED 3/21	8:00 am	† John & Anna Haas Richard, Susan & Snooke
THUR 3/22	8:00 am	† Ann Martino Ursula & Joseph Marcianti
		Mass at OLPH
FRI 3/23	8:00 am	† Fr. Joseph Sheehan Legion of Mary
SAT 3/24	4:30 pm	† Peter Martorana Ellen & Michael Tierney
SUN 3/25	8:00 am	† Alfredo Galvao Family
	9:30 am	† Ireyné Suter Gene & Jane Stokes
	11:00 am	Parishioners

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS:
 1st Collection March 10 & 11, 2018 = \$4,340.77
 2nd Collection March 10 & 11, 2018 = \$1,896.33
 Easter Flowers to date: \$1,455.00



Carol Ottoson, Sister Mary Agnes,
 Carl Norloff, Michael Boyd, Carmen
 Cortenez, Carmella Albanese,
 Rose Gilliam, Edward Langschultz,
 & Lael McGrath

MONTHLY:
 Rosary Altar Society (Hall) – 1st Sunday @ noon
 Prayer Shawl Ministry (Kolbe Room) - 3rd Thursday
 @ 6:30pm
 K of C (Hall) - 1st Tuesday @ 7pm

WEEKLY:
 Adult Choir (Church) – Saturday @ 3:00pm
 Children’s Choir (Church) - Sunday following the
 9:30am Mass
 Legion of Mary (Kolbe Room) – Tuesdays @10:30am

Sponsor of the Week
Keller Williams
Laurie Sullivan, Realtor
Thank you for placing an ad!

Family members of those for whom a Mass is offered are welcome to bring the offertory gifts to the celebrant. Please sit in the front left pew on the E St side of the



Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the
GLORY AND HONOR OF
ALMIGHTY GOD
in memory of
Tessie & Rudy Yurina
Requested by
Family



The Rosary Altar Society will be collecting after all Masses during Lent to help defray the cost of Easter Flowers.



DON'T MISS.....
A great trip to Resorts Casino
 sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society on Wednesday, April 11, 2018.
 Cost is \$30 and rebate is \$30. For reservations call Mary @ 732-929-2690.



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

**Minister Schedule
March 24 & 25, 2018**

4:30pm 8:00am 9:30am 11:00am

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

T Zurawski	C Hourihan	S&B	T Reynolds
M&J Berish	M Carroll	Kosakowski	M Dzibela
C Alston	C Cutinello	L&F	K&S
C Martowlis	J Moyse	Rodgers	Wood
	S Degeorgis	J Sharkey	

LECTORS

M Menighin	J Moyse	A Vahey	P Karnatski
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ALTAR SERVERS

L Zurawski	G Roselli	H Milian	A Tortoriello
B Zurawski	J Roselli	A O'Brien	F Tortoriello



March

21 -

Classes in Session
including Confirmation Class
March 28 - Classes in Session
April 4 - No classes
April 11 - Classes in Session
including Confirmation Class
April 18 - No Classes



Theme this year:
"What does Love Look Like?"

Communications

Diocesan communication efforts through the diocesan website, radio and TV, social media and The Monitor, funded by the Annual Catholic Appeal, reach out to all 700,000 Catholics in the Diocese of Trenton, as well as those who are seeking to know more about the Catholic Church.



**Communal Celebration of the
Sacrament of Penance**

Monday, March 19th

7:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church
Seaside Heights

All sinners welcome.



At St. Catharine's
Friday mornings
following the 8:00 a.m. Mass
At Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Friday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Knights of Columbus # 8415

YANKEES VS. RED SOX

DATE: Friday, June 29, 2018

GAMETIME: 7:05 PM

COST: \$135.00

INCLUDES: Ticket to game, R/T bus, Main Level All You Care to Eat—All inclusive food through 5th inning at concession stand behind seats—Includes hot dogs, sausages, soft pretzels, Pepsi products and water.

Bus leaves from St. Pio parking lot at 3:00 pm.

Contact: John @732.259.3577 or Allen @732.996.7360



**Senior Citizens
SERVICES**

Interested in a free copy of the newly printed 2018 Ocean County Office of Senior Services Resource Directory? 72 pages of important facts and phone numbers for those over 60? Call 732-929-2091 and request a copy today!

Next Sunday is

Palm Sunday

Please pick up a piece of palm from the table next to the baptismal font, and hold it in hand for the blessing at the beginning of Mass.





Discover the Joy of Being a Hospice Volunteer

Share a Memory. Hold a Hand. Lend an Ear. Touch a Heart. In gently caring for the dying, we can more peacefully and wisely care for the living and for life itself.

UPAYA Institute VNA Health Group
Hospice Volunteer Training

Monday: April 9, April 16, April 23 & April 30
1:00 PM- 5:00 PM

Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey
1433 Hooper Ave, Suite 230, Toms River, NJ 08753
VNA Health Group's Hospice Team will provide you with training and support to help you bring your gifts of compassion, commitment and companionship to those nearing end of life. Volunteers are needed in various counties throughout New Jersey. We are looking for volunteers to bring a supportive presence and companionship through home visitation, comfort and bereavement calls in our office, or provide support on a variety of projects that enhance our patients' care. If you have an interest in any of these areas, please consider sharing your time and talents as part of our Volunteer Hospice Team. Advanced registration is required, please contact: Colleen Del Vacchio, BSW, Manager of Volunteers 732.592.3622 or Colleen.DelVacchio@vnahg.org

OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors.

If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse Hotline: 1-888-296-2965 or via e-mail at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org.

The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

Franciscan Men's Group

On Tuesday, March 20, the Fraternity of Saint Francis Men's Group will hold it's monthly meeting. This group is open to parish men who are interested in deepening their faith through prayer and traditional devotions in the spirit and mission of St. Francis. We will be meeting at 6 p.m. in the Kolbe room. For more information, contact Mark Sullivan at 732-664-0505.



Franciscan Pilgrimage to Lourdes and Fatima

October 9th - 21, 2018

From New York/JFK
\$3,395.00

Detailed itinerary available in the parish

office. Under the leadership of the Franciscan Friars:

Fr. Jobe Abbass ~ Pilgrimage Director
Fr. James McCurry ~ Spiritual Guide



Optional Mini-Workshop for Current Active Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, March 24th at 10:00 a.m. in the church

The purpose of this mini-workshop is to train those Eucharistic Ministers who wish to serve as a leader of prayer for Eucharistic celebrations in the absence of a priest, when a priest is not available, be it on a Sunday or for a weekday scheduled Mass. Hopefully, we'll never need a Eucharistic Minister to lead a Eucharistic celebration in the absence of a priest, but we should be prepared for such an occasion. If you are a Eucharistic Minister who'd rather not lead a Eucharistic celebration in the absence of a priest, you do not have to attend this mini-workshop.

This mini-workshop, conducted by Fr. John, should end by 11:00 a.m.



Join in St. Catharine's "Cloth of Remembrance"

The Rosary Altar Society/Arts Crafts Committee invite our parishioners to join in the Lenten journey at St. Catharine's by creating a "Cloth of Remembrance". 6"x 6" squares of cloth will be provided that will represent a prayer request, sorrow or particular hardship you would like to be remembered. The squares will be in baskets at the E Street and Central Avenue foyers. You may bring your own 6" x 6" square of cloth that has a special meaning to you, perhaps from a loved ones blanket, clothing, etc. You may write your need on the cloth or leave it plain. Indelible pens will be in the baskets for you to personalize if you choose. Place your finished cloth in the return basket. Throughout the Lenten season the ladies will collect the squares and join them together to be draped over the crucifix during the Holy Week services.

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Gospel Today

Fifth Sunday of Lent | John 12:20-33

In His final days, Jesus reminds us to follow Him. Jesus says, "My Father will honor the one who serves Me". *John 12: 26*

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds". *John 12: 23-24*

Give us New Life, O Lord.

My plan for Lent, one week at a time...

This week I will pray for _____

This week I will give up/do without _____

This week I will do this act of love/good deed _____

(Sundays optional)

Lent is almost over - next Sunday is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week.

SWEET as HONEY



J.D., what does it mean when Jesus talks about a kernel of wheat?



Honey, wheat is a seed, and when it is dried and planted it springs forth new life, and produces many more seeds.

Jesus is the seed of love. By dying and rising to new life, His love will blossom for everyone who serves Him.