

**Monday, July 31**

- 7:30AM Eucharistic Service
7:00PM Word of Life Prayer Group (Chapel)

Tuesday, August 1

- 7:30AM Dutch McClure (A)
RB/McClure Family; and,
Tony Vita, RB/Phil Lieberman
2:00PM Rosary & Prayer Hour — Chapel

Wednesday, August 2

- 7:30AM Marie Rachmiel
RB/Rosary & Altar Society; and,
Lena Tague, RB/Susan Hendrickson
3:00PM Prayers for Priests, Religious, and
Vocations
7:00PM Novena & Adoration Hour

Thursday, August 3

- 7:30AM Irene Czarnecki (A)
RB/Stephanie & Dave Salewski

Friday, August 4

- 7:30AM Angelene & Edward Martin—
Wedding Anniversary
RB/Tim Martin

Saturday, August 5

- 4:00PM Confessions
5:00PM Dolores Moore—Mass of the Living
RB/Ev & Bruce

Sunday, August 6

- 7:30AM James Bertothy (A)
RB/Stephanie & Dave Salewski
9:30AM Kathleen Watson
RB/Lynch Family
11:30AM Mary Elizabeth Reilly
RB/Tersina & Dina DiPietro

MASSSES

Saturday Evening: 5:00 P.M.
Sundays: 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30AM.
Weekdays: Tuesday thru Friday at 7:30 A.M.
Eve before a Holy Day: 7:00 P.M.
Holy Days: 7:00 P.M.

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are done on 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month,
following the 11:30AM Masses. Please call the rectory office
to schedule.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Please notify the parish office when the sick, aged or
incapacitated are confined to home. Arrangements can be
made to bring Holy Communion to them.

Religious Education

Public elementary school children on Sunday morning at 8:00,
9:45, and 11:15 A.M.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The chapel is open daily. The Blessed Sacrament is
exposed for solemn adoration: M,Tu,W,F 8:00-
8:45AM; Th, 8:00AM-12:00Noon; Sat, 8:00-
10:00AM. Evening hours are Wed, 7-8PM; Thurs, 7-
9PM. Quarterly, special adoration times & events are
offered.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday from 4PM to 4:30PM ; also by appointment.

NOVENA

In honor of the Miraculous Medal each Wednesday evening
at 7PM.

MARRIAGES

Arrangements are to be made at least 1 year in advance.

SICK CALLS

Urgent calls any time of day or night. Arrangements for
Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion for those
confined to the home are to be made by contacting the rectory.

PARISH REGISTRATION

We welcome new parishioners to the parish, and we ask them to
register as soon as possible. If you are not registered we are not
able to issue testimonial letters for sponsorship for the
Sacraments or character references to schools or for employment.
If you move from the parish please notify the rectory.

ENVELOPE SYSTEM

The regular use of envelopes provides for a stable income to
the church. This enables the pastor to plan for repairs, future
expansion and improvements. We urge all parishioners to
make regular use of the envelopes.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS:

<i>Adoration</i>	<i>Ginny Olsen 947-3336</i>
<i>Adult Choir</i>	<i>Jac Madson 758-7243</i>
<i>Adult Faith Formation</i>	<i>Earl Alger 298-7071</i>
<i>Altar Linen Ministry</i>	<i>Helene Shea 298-7612</i>
<i>Church Ushers</i>	<i>Ferd Loretangeli 298-2131</i>
<i>Contemporary Choir</i>	<i>Cathy Alphonse 291-9204</i>
<i>Food Pantry</i>	<i>Mike Novalis 298-4664</i>
<i>Knights of Columbus</i>	<i>Ron White 903-0342</i>
<i>Liturgy Committee</i>	<i>Jack Laciskey 587-1397</i>
<i>Open Hearts, Willing Hands (Interfaith Caregivers)</i>	<i>Judy Pesce 298-5395</i>
<i>Pastoral Council</i>	<i>Jack Laciskey 587-1397</i>
<i>Rosary & Altar Society</i>	<i>Stephanie Salewski 291-1816</i>
<i>Sports Committee</i>	<i>John Bacovin 638-9054</i>
<i>St. Vincent de Paul Society</i>	<i>Sharon Callahan 298-1414</i>
<i>Word of Life Prayer Group</i>	<i>Pat Baylog 298-4249</i>

FR. JOE'S MESSAGES

Dear parishioners,

Over the past few weeks, it has become obvious that there is too much echo and confusion of noises in the sound system in our St. Mary's Church. I am employing the Whitaker Brothers from Bristol, Pa., to alleviate the problems. I am also looking for parishioners who would be willing to help with the cost of installing the improvements needed. The cost will probably be about \$22,000. If you are willing and able to help, please call the Parish Office. If you would like to include a memorial plaque on the equipment installed, that can be arranged. Many donors will make the financial burden much more manageable.



—Fr. Joe Hlubik



Summer, with its warm weather is here, but we ask you to please dress modestly and respectfully, in your "Sunday best" when you attend Mass. Show your respect to our Lord!
—Fr. Joe

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

- Mon. 7:00 PM Mary's Weavers
Parish Center, downstairs
- 7:00 PM Word of Life Prayer Group
Chapel
- Wed. 7:00 PM Novena & Adoration (Church)
- 7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul Society
Parish Center, upstairs
- Thurs. 7:00 PM Baptism Prep Class
Parish Center, upstairs

REVISED MASS SCHEDULE—Effective 7/1/17

St. Mary's Holy Assumption

Monday:	7:30 AM (ES)	8 AM
Tuesday:	7:30 AM	8 AM
Wednesday:	7:30 AM	8 AM
Thursday:	7:30 AM	8 AM (ES)
Friday:	7:30 AM	8 AM
	[No Evening Masses Monday through Friday]	
Saturday:	5 PM	5 PM
	[No Saturday morning services]	
Sunday:	7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM	10 AM

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Linked parishes of St. Mary, and Ss. Francis & Clare; with services at St. Mary Church in Bordentown; and Holy Assumption Church in Roebing.

[note: ES = Eucharistic Service]

St. Mary's Community Food Pantry
We are a supplemental food source run by 30+ volunteers collecting and distributing food to over 300 families in need in Bordentown, Chesterfield, Crosswicks, Fieldsboro, and 4 area motels that house people on our register.

Current needs: We appreciate every donation we receive, but we have an overabundance of green beans, corn, kidney beans, and pasta at this time. We kindly request: canned chicken, beef stew, Beef-a-Roni; Ramen noodles; butter; instant oatmeal or quick oats; granola bars; bags of instant mashed potatoes; bags of instant rice dishes; toothpaste; deodorant.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

Our food pantry hours are as follows: **M-W-F 2-3:00 PM; Tu-Th 9-10:00 AM and 6-7:00 PM; and Sat. 9-10:00 AM.**



**Rachel's Vineyard
Retreat for Healing after Abortion**

The psychological and spiritual wounds of abortion can be sharp, deep and crippling. You may feel a deep numbness and may not be able to name the pain or recognize any of the symptoms. It can also have a devastating impact on the father or grandparents of the aborted child and friend/s of the mother. You do not have to continue to hide in shame and fear. Rachel's Vineyard's Retreat is a chance to focus on this painful time in your life through a supportive non-judgmental process, in an atmosphere of confidentiality, understanding, and compassion. It is designed to help both women and men experience the mercy and compassion of God.



If you have suffered through an abortion, you might consider attending our retreat weekend on **August 25-27**. For more information, contact Judy Warenkiewicz @ 732-536-6871. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Religious Education News:

We are pleased to announce that we are now **St. Mary's and Ss. Francis & Clare RE**. Our office is still in the Parish Center but our program just got a whole lot larger. Thanks to merging two already wonderful RE's we are now able to offer the opportunity for all families to attend classes at either site. St. Mary's will continue to host three sessions of classes in the school on Sunday mornings, as we have always done, BUT now we get to offer RE classes at Holy Assumption Church on Tuesday nights. What does this mean as a parish family from EITHER St. Mary's or Ss. Francis and Clare? **You now have the opportunity to send your child either Sunday morning or Tuesday evening.** St. Mary's will continue to have three sessions on Sunday. Ss. Francis and Clare will have one session on Tuesday evening in the lower level of Holy Assumption Church on Hornberger Avenue in Roebing. I hope you will pray for our RE program that the fruits of our labor are seen through the lives of our children.



Parish Offerings:

For the weekend of July 23rd, we received \$8,562 in our regular collection, plus \$3,683 for our offering to the Xaverian Brothers in their missionary appeal.

Many thanks for your generosity!

Rosary and Altar Society News

“She is called the Queen of Mercy because she opens the abyss and treasure of Divine Mercy to whom she chooses, when she chooses, and as she chooses.” —St. Bernard of Clairvaux

ROSARY HOURS

- ◆ **Daily Rosary** – 7:00AM and 8:00AM in the chapel (before and after the 7:30AM Mass);
- ◆ **Tuesdays** from 2:00—3:00PM in the chapel;
- ◆ **Wednesdays** at 3:00PM for priests and religious;
- ◆ **Saturdays** at 9:00AM the “Timeless Rosary” is recited.

All are welcome—please join us in these prayers.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

>>**PRAYER SHAWL PROJECT – Mary’s Weavers** —Monday evenings at 7 PM in the downstairs meeting room, Parish Center. Call Helene Shea for more information at 298-7612. **Next Meeting is on July 31st.**

>>**CLARE ESTATE ROSARY**—First Tuesday at 10:30; next recitation scheduled—August 1st. All are welcome.

>>**COMMUNION SUNDAY – August 13th**—9:30 AM Mass for the intention of Rosarians, living and deceased.

>>**ROSARIAN MONTHLY ROSARY**—Rosarians will meet to recite together their monthly public Rosary during the regular Tuesday Rosary Hour on **August 15th at 2:00 PM**, in the Chapel.

>>**OUR LADY OF FATIMA — 100th Anniversary of the 4th Apparition — August 19th. PRAY THE ROSARY!**

The children were prohibited from their meeting with Our Lady on August 13 by civil authorities who tried to get them to recant their story about the apparitions. However, on the 19th of the month, she again appeared to them asking them to have a chapel built on the site, to continue to make sacrifices for sinners and to say the Rosary.

>>**SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, October 7, 2017** — 13th Annual Regional Rosary & Mass for all Rosarians, at Our Lady of Sorrows parish in Mercerville; fellowship following. No cost to attend.

Holy Father’s Prayer Intentions for August:

- Artists—That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

Let us pray Our Lady, please guide Father Joe and Father Daison in shepherding and caring for our parish. We pray to Our Lady of Lourdes for our currently ill or suffering members, family and friends: Michelle for recovery from a stroke; Samme; Cameron; Dale and Mary M. for healing of cancer; Charlie Gard; Mark; Dana and Daniel; Joan A. and Catherine for healing from recent falls; Ginny’s brother Bob; Dave, Joseph and Michael; B.J. and Pam; Tom Lejambre; Ginny M.; Veronica Shea; Veronica Shearn; Bob Jacobus; Amelia; Carol P.; Kathy Gomez ; Jack and Peg Laciskey; Bob Rachmiel; Bill S; Paul Shea; Brian; Michael S.; Attila, Pat and family; Marge Johnson; Josephine H.; Betty Ann S., Martha S. Bonnie H. and Lorraine H. for healing from surgery; John and Carla; for Jo for healing in her grief; Betty Laureti; Benjamin; Nancy P.; Nancy K.; Gail; Marilyn Rogalski; Julie; Kristy; Addie; and Rosemarie Brodowski. We continue to pray for our religious freedoms and conscience rights; for the recognition of the civil rights of the unborn to be recognized as persons; for the family and sacramental marriage; for our civil protectors in the military, the police, firefighters and EMTs; for vocations; and for the Holy Father and the Church throughout the world. We pray for the victims and families of recent domestic and international violence and natural disasters, and for the refugees and victims of wars and oppression around the world.



If you have one hour once a week to make a difference in the life of an elderly person, please consider being an Interfaith Caregivers Volunteer.

New Volunteer Training Dates 2017:

Aug 8th (Tues).....10 am to 12 noon

Aug 12th (Sat).....10 am to 12 noon

Sept. 12th (Tues)10 am to 12 noon

Sept. 16th (Sat)10 am to 12 noon

3635 Quakerbridge Road
Suite 16
Hamilton, NJ 08619
609-393-9922

INTERFAITH
Caregivers
GIVING WITH GRACE

Sports Fans: Weekend Special—Sept. 1-3

Parishioners, come and join me as we journey to South Bend, Indiana for the Temple vs. Notre Dame football game on Sept. 2nd. We travel in style on an 18-person bus, and the \$599 per person cost includes the transport, game ticket, tailgate party, 2 nights’ lodging, beverages & snacks. What a deal!



Call Chris at Triangle Tours (609-462-6485), or me at the parish office (609-298-0261).

—Larry Denney

It is better to leave angry words unspoken than to mend the heart those words have broken. —SusanVogt.net

ALTAR LINEN MINISTRY

Week of July 30: Helene Shea

Week of August 6: Donna Valeri

For more information, call Helene Shea at 298-7612

Why Should I Pray?

Reason # 2—Prayer Helps Us Overcome Temptation

Prayer is an important instrument in our overcoming sin and temptation. Perhaps no experience in the earthly life of Christ is more instructive on prayer than in Luke 22:39-41. It is the night before Jesus' death. Jesus and His apostles have left the upper room and have navigated the winding path they knew well, up the Mount of Olives to Gethsemane. Jesus knows that great temptations are soon before them – His capture, His trials, His scourging, His mockery, the lure of their denial, His Crucifixion. Mindful of their need for fortitude, He addresses them: He says, "pray [in order] that you may not enter into temptation." What did He mean? Simply that their antidote to yielding to the temptations that fear, discouragement, and horror would soon present, was prayer. So what did He do? He modeled exactly what He had told His disciples: He prayed so that He could defeat temptation. Afterward, He returned to His men to find them . . . asleep! He had told them to pray. He confronts their tiredness, their crankiness at being awakened, and says again (verse 46), "pray that you may not enter into temptation."

Notice that He commanded this in the beginning of this passage, then He demonstrated it in the body of this passage, and He reiterated it at the end of this passage. When you face temptation, PRAY! That is what will see you through. But instead, usually we pray only after we have yielded. What about seeing prayer as our first option so that God can give us courage and strength prior to our temptations? If we would pray more, we would yield less!

—adapted from an article by Dan Hayes (part 2 of 5)

Altar Servers — August 5th & 6th

5:00PM	Team #3	Ritter
7:30AM	Team #5	(none assigned)
9:30AM	Team #8	Labissiere
11:30AM	Team #10	Ogbutor



...THE SICK who have been recommended to our prayers:

Sr. Joyce Marie Riley, Shirley Mich, Victoria Seda, Karen C. Hillman, Marilyn Rogalski, Anne Boyle, Peter Sheridan, Patricia Gates, Deacon Andy Sabodas, Ed Kolwicz, Carol Peroni, Mary Ford Pacholek, Daniel Ferrise, Robert Madden, Tom Moore, Yolette Labissiere, Doris Guido, Lois MacArthur, Francis Schuessler, Lucy Johnson, Madeline Fleming, John Young, D.J. Hoch, Alfred Albano, Rileigh Sunday, Helene Shea, Alvah Schully, Nicole Cochran, Boleslaw Pacholek, Tony LaPointe, John Campo, Quincy Johnson, Elizabeth Gusrang, Veronica Shearn, Bob Jacobus, Maida Burke, Anita Ricasoli, Dave and Arlene Bibus, Gerry Jacobs, Debbie LePre and all of the sick of the parish.

Pray For Our Deceased

Francis Brown; Nydia Rodriguez; RuthAnn Proniewski

Chapel Sanctuary Lamp

Ann Paglione
RB/Daughters

Church Sanctuary Lamp

Rev. Gerald Celentana
RB/Tersina DiPietro

NOTE: Prayer List entries will be removed after 90 days unless we are notified that your loved one requires continued prayer support.

Natural Family Planning

Natural family planning is healthy, easy and practical to learn and use, 99% effective when properly practiced, inexpensive and morally acceptable by the Catholic Church, as opposed to artificial contraception. For further information, visit the websites dioceseoftrenton.org/natural-family-planning and nfp@uscceb.org.

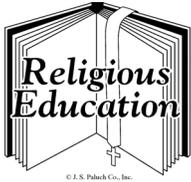
YOUTH GROUP LEADERS NEEDED

Are you a teacher? Counselor? Have teen children? St. Mary's and Ss. Francis & Clare are looking for a few volunteers to build an amazing YOUTH GROUP. Our youth need to answer the call from the Spirit to unite and share in our Catholic faith and ministries. To do this we need energetic souls to help us get this program up-and-running. For more information, please contact Margaret Zola, Coordinator of Religious Education, at 609-291-8281 or office@stmarysre.org. Together we can build up and support the youth of our parishes!

PARISH FAMILY PICNIC — SUNDAY, AUGUST 13th

Come and join your fellow parishioners for an afternoon of good food, fun and games and friendship! Our parish picnic will be held on the campus of the Divine Word Missionaries, Park Street, Bordentown, from 1-5 PM on Sunday, August 13th. We will have games, door prizes, music, and great food—hamburgers, hot dogs, sausage, chicken, pork roll, salads, etc. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults, and \$20 for families. **Tickets will be available after weekend Masses from July 15-16 through August 5-6, or from the parish office.** Join us as we honor Fr. Mike and Fr. Felix for their many years of dedicated service. We hope to see you there!





Religious Education & Sacramental Programs

1st through 8th Grade & High School

July 31-Aug 1....Altar Server Training for 4th-8th graders; contact Parish Office
August 1.....Confirmation Candidates Agreement of Parent/Guardian & Sponsor form is due
August 1.....Confirmation Candidates First Service Pledge is due (if not already turned in)
August 7-11.....Vacation Bible School— 9AM-12PM in the School

Volunteers are needed for our RE program to survive! Please consider volunteering for our Religious Education program. We have a wonderful program for Catechists, Aides and Hall Monitors. The success of our program is dependent on the willingness of individuals to help out. All volunteers must attend a “Virtus” workshop and be fingerprinted. (Virtus and fingerprinting information can be found on our RE website.) Volunteering is a rewarding experience to share your faith with our parish youth.

***WE ARE IN NEED OF ONE CATECHIST FOR EACH GRADE.
 I know you have an amazing gift to give, as God gave you that gift!***

We are now St. Mary’s and Ss. Francis & Clare Religious Education. This wonderful merge allows our families from either parish to attend classes on Sunday in St. Mary’s School, or on Tuesday in Holy Assumption Church. Have you delayed your registration because Sunday has been hard for your family? Now you have the opportunity to attend Tuesday in Roebing. Has your Sunday class in Roebing not worked well with your class time? Now you can choose between 3 different class times. Amazing changes to both our Parishes!

Summer Family Activity – RE is challenging our students to share what is going on in our faith community around the country. While on vacation this month, we ask that you pick up a bulletin from any other parish that you attend. Please submit the bulletin to the RE Office with your name and grade. In September, 5 certificates will be awarded in *various categories*. Good luck to all. We are quite interested where you travel this month.

Returning Students please complete and return your 2017-2018 Registration Forms as soon as possible. Remember all classroom assignments are handled on a first-come, first-served basis.

New Students entering our RE program for the 2017-2018 school year are asked to fill out a Registration Form that is now available in the bookcase in the back of our church. Please note – if your child is new to our program and was not baptized here at St. Mary’s Parish, we will need to see an original Baptismal Certificate.

All Dates, Notices and Calendars for Our Religious Education Programs are online at www.stmarysre.org. Please check website on a regular basis for updates. Also, important notices/updates will always be posted here!

St. Mary’s and Ss. Francis & Clare RE Office: (609) 291-8281 ext. 17 or 18,
 Fax #: (609) 298-7178, Email: office@stmarysre.org or office2@stmarysre.org, Website: www.stmarysre.org.

***Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.
 Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.***

In preparation and celebration of the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima:

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Say this prayer every day for 9 consecutive days August 4-12

Most Holy Virgin, who has deigned to come to Fatima to reveal to the three little shepherds the treasures of graces hidden in the recitation of the Rosary, inspire our hearts with sincere love of this devotion.

By meditating on the mysteries of our redemption that are recalled in your Rosary, may we gather the fruits contained therein and obtain the conversion of sinners, the conversion of Russia, the Peace of Christ for the world, and this favor that I so earnestly seek of you in this novena....(here, mention your request)

I ask this of you, for the greater glory of God, for your own honor and for the good of all people. AMEN.

Say the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be
(three times each)

St. Vincent de Paul Society

July 30, 2017: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The demand of daily Christian living is to spend our life primarily searching for the kingdom of God. In the Gospel, first the person who finds the buried treasure in a field comes upon it by happenstance; the find just happens without effort; it is pure gift. The role of discipleship is to become aware of the treasure when it is found. Second, the merchant knows his or her business and recognizes the prized pearl when it is found. The role of discipleship here is to be diligent in the search, not become discouraged and give up, seek until the “pearl of great price” is found.



If you are interested in joining the Saint Vincent de Paul Society, or if you or someone you know is in need of assistance, call our confidential helpline (609) 298-1414.