

St. Vincent de Paul Society *Annual Christmas Wreath & Grave Pillow Sale*



Fresh Canadian balsam wreaths are approximately 22 inches in diameter, and are tastefully decorated to complement the velvet bows of red or burgundy.

NEW Fresh grave pillows are approximately 30 inches long and are decorated with a red bow, pine cones, white feathers and a faux poinsettia.

Orders will be accepted the weekends of November 12th & 13th and 19th & 20th.
Orders must be received by Sunday, November 19th.

Wreaths and Pillows will be available for pickup after all Masses on the weekend of December 2nd & 3rd in the school hall.



To order, simply:

- Fill out the order form below;
- Enclose the order form with payment in cash or by check made payable to the *St. Vincent de Paul Society* in an envelope; and
- Drop the envelope with **order form** and **payment** in the church collection basket on the weekends of November 11th & 12th and 18th & 19th.

If you have any questions, please call us at 298-1414.

Thank you for supporting the St. Vincent de Paul Society!
*We wish to thank Timothy's Center for Gardening, Rt. 130, Robbinsville,
for their support with this fundraiser.*

Name _____

Phone# _____

	<u>Quantity</u>		<u>Price</u>		<u>Total</u>
Wreath—Red Bow	_____ X		<u>\$23.00</u>	=	_____
Wreath—Burgundy Bow	_____ X		<u>\$23.00</u>	=	_____
Grave Pillow	_____ X		<u>\$30.00</u>	=	_____
			Total	=	_____

RESPECT LIFE RESOURCES:

NJ Safe Haven Law

Call the 24/7 Toll-Free Hotline, 1-877-839-2339, and a Parent/Designee can leave an unharmed, unwanted baby (less than 30 days old) at a hospital emergency room or police station for a safe haven without prosecution. NO QUESTIONS ASKED.

Project Rachel

Offered in almost all the Catholic dioceses throughout the United States, Project Rachel is a network of caregivers, including priests, mental health professionals and others who provide one-on-one care to those struggling after involvement in an abortion. Contact Project Rachel in the Diocese of Trenton at 609-406-7435.

PRO-LIFE PRAYER

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life, and for the lives of all my brothers and sisters.
I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion.
Yet I rejoice that you have conquered death by the Resurrection of Your Son.
I am ready to do my part in ending abortion.
Today I commit myself never to be silent,
Never to be passive,
Never to be forgetful of the unborn.
I commit myself to be active in the pro-life movement, and never to stop defending life,
until all my brothers and sisters are protected.
And our nation once again becomes a nation with liberty and justice, not just for some, but for all.
Through Christ Our Lord.
Amen.

Top Reasons to Oppose Assisted Suicide

- A deadly mix with our profit-driven health care system
- Puts vulnerable persons at risk of abuse and coercion
- Dangerously broad definition of terminal illness
- Pain is not the primary issue
- No psychiatric evaluation or treatment required
- Threatens improvement of palliative care
- Fosters discrimination

To read more, visit www.usccb.org/toliveeachday.

“The Gospel of John reminds us that the truth, and only the truth, makes us free. We’re fully human and free only when we live under the authority of the truth. And in that light, no issue has made us more dishonest and less free as believers and as a nation than abortion. People uncomfortable with the abortion issue argue, quite properly, that Catholic teaching is bigger than just one issue. Other urgent issues also need our attention. Being pro-birth is not the same as being pro-life. And being truly ‘pro-life’ doesn’t end with defending the unborn child. But it does, and it must, begin there. In every abortion, an innocent life always dies. This is why no equivalence can ever exist between the intentional killing involved in abortion, infanticide and euthanasia, on the one hand, and issues like homelessness, the death penalty and anti-poverty policy on the other. Again, all of these issues are important. But trying to reason or imply them into having the same moral weight is a debasement of Christian thought.”

—**Archbishop Charles Chaput of Philadelphia**

St. Joseph by the Sea Retreat House

400 Route 35 North, South Mantoloking, NJ 08738



Our mission as Religious Teachers Filippini is to “Go forth and teach the Word of God.” Our ministry on this holy ground is for the people of God who come to St. Joseph By the Sea for soul searching, trying to find peace in their lives and a God who understands them.

November 6 — IDOLS IN OUR LIVES

We are confronted with many idols in our life...idols which take us away from God. The talks enhanced by Powerpoint presentations will explore the idols of plans, ideas and media in our daily living. Lunch and Mass included. (Also offered on February 5, 2018) Duration: 9AM-2:30PM. (Presenter: Sr. Lucy Battistuz, MPF, BS, MS) Cost: \$50.

November 15 — MARY, UNDOER OF KNOTS

In his first year as Pointiff, Pope Francis encouraged the whole Christian community to pray to *Mary, Undoer of Knots*. On this day you will have time to reflect deeply with Mary, and offer her the knots in your life. Lunch and Mass included. Duration: 9AM-2:30PM. (Presenter: Paulette Cicero, M.Th., CSD) Cost: \$50.

Please call St. Joseph By the Sea at 732-892-8494 for additional information.



Offerings at Francis House of Prayer

Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center
Box 392, Rancocas, NJ 08073
609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net
Please check www.FHOP.org for our other offerings!

Teilhard’s Mysticism:

Emerging Spirituality in a Chaotic World

Sunday, November 5, 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM

The universe we live in is dynamic, creative, and beautiful. Steeping ourselves in its dynamism, sensing its evolutionary direction, and sinking into its beauty, we come to know a divine immanent presence alive and active in the universe as well as a divine transcendent presence drawing us ever into the future. In our time together, we will consider how the universe reveals the presence of our creator God and how we can become continually more conscious of our part in its ongoing evolution. Presenter: Sister Kathy Duffy, SSJ, PhD.
Donation: \$35. Please bring a bag lunch.

Silent Directed Retreat Weekend

November 10 – 12, 7PM Friday to 1 PM Sunday

An opportunity to experience the graced rhythm of life in which silence and rest restore your body and God revives your soul. Liturgy, spiritual direction and optional contemplative prayer periods are included.
Donation: \$130; \$50 non-refundable deposit with registration.

Sunday Morning Retreat Time

Sunday, November 19, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

How about giving God an entire Sunday Morning? You will love it and God will, too! We will use *Lectio Divina* and *Centering Prayer* throughout the morning and end with Liturgy at 11:30 AM. What a refreshing and centering way to start a busy week! Donation: Love Offering.