

# Church of *Our Lady Star of the Sea*

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**The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time • June 18, 2023**

## Current Mass Schedule

**Saturday:** 4:00, 5:30pm

**Sunday:** 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, (Live Stream as well),  
11:00am, 6:00pm

**St. Agnes, Cape May Point**

**Sunday:** 8:30am

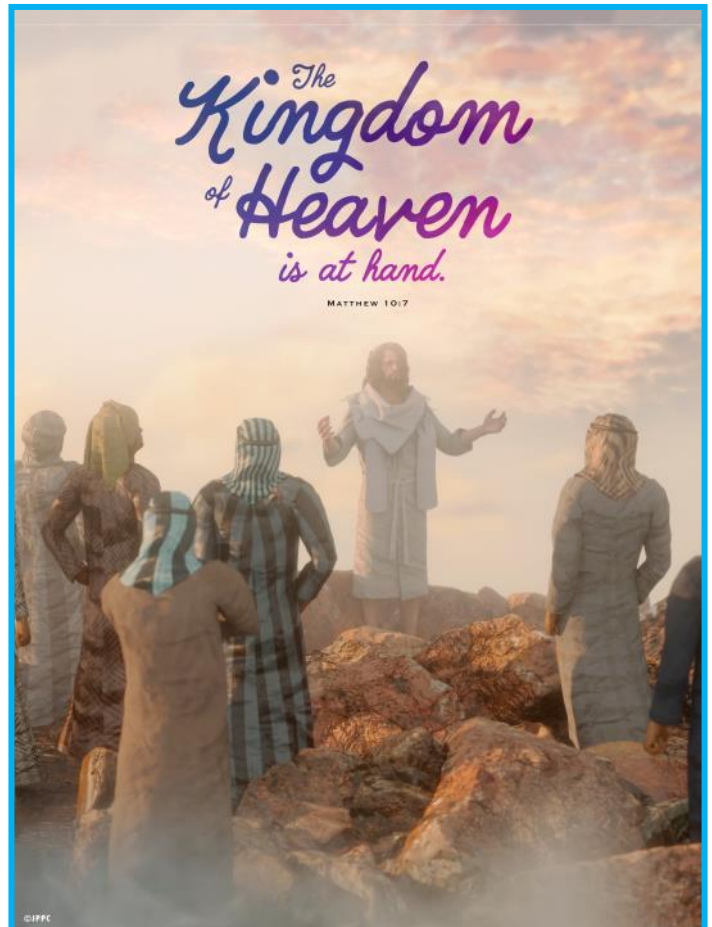
**Daily Mass:** Monday - Friday @ 11:00am  
(Star of the Sea)

**Confessions:** Sat. 3:00-3:30pm  
Tues. & Thurs. after 11:00am Mass

**Eucharistic Adoration:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday of Each Month  
9:00am - 11:00am

**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of Each Month:** Mass @ 9:00am

**Church open for Private Prayer:**  
Mon.-Fri. 10:00am - 5:00pm



### Our Mission...

*Swept by the waves of Christ's love and guided by the Holy Spirit,  
we welcome all to the Catholic community of Our Lady Star of the Sea  
in the heart of Cape May. We celebrate God's Presence in  
Word, Sacrament, and Service.*

*We seek to be a faith-filled community where you  
experience the loving embrace of God.*

525 Washington Street, Cape May, NJ 08204 • 520 Lafayette Street (Parish Office/Mailing Address)  
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# LITURGY

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, June 17

**4:00p** Father Brian O'Neill, CD r/b Joe Fahy  
**5:30p** Mary Ellen Tobin r/b Her Family

### SUNDAY, June 18

**7:00a** Paul Yerk r/b Violanda DiRenzo-Adams  
**8:00a** For the People of the Parish  
**9:30a** Robert Lemire r/b Cathy Lemire  
John Peel r/b His Family  
Mary & Maurice Gaynor r/b Carol Gaynor  
Anne Fennimore r/b Maureen & Dennis Carey  
**11:00a** Nellis Haboush r/b Elizabeth Coan  
**6:00p** James Curran r/b His Daughter Marjorie

### St. Agnes, Cape May Point

**8:30a** Father James Collins r/b Anne Marie Patton

### MONDAY, June 19

**11:00a** James T. Tobin r/b His Family

### TUESDAY, June 20

**11:00a** Ints. of Msgr. David Diamond r/b Paula Kerestus

### WEDNESDAY, June 21

**11:00a** Steven Hernandez r/b Mr. & Mrs. Frank McCollum

### THURSDAY, June 22

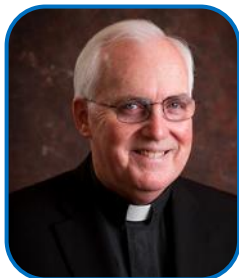
**11:00a** Vincent Macrina r/b Vinny & Lil Catagnus

### FRIDAY, June 23

**11:00a** Sally Ann & John Tobin r/b Their Family

## You're Invited!

Please join us in  
saying  
Good-Bye to  
Father Dave



**When:** Sunday, June 25  
**Time:** After the 11:00AM Mass  
**Where:** The Parish Hall

**Light refreshments will be served.**

## STAFF DIRECTORY

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**We would like to expand our  
Altar Server Ministry  
to include  
Adult Parishioners  
(year-round and  
summer residents).**



- One Adult Altar Server or Married Couple per Sunday Liturgy
- Plain clothes (Casual Dress)
- Walking and Stairs to be navigated
- Orientation and training will be required.
- No experience needed.

**We will have introductory Q&A sessions.**

**Contact: Jerry Tarrant**  
[tarrant.jerry@gmail.com](mailto:tarrant.jerry@gmail.com) or  
**M: 203-887-7175**

*"Your commitment to the altar is not only a duty, but a great honor, a genuine holy service... The Altar Server occupies a privileged place in the liturgical celebration." ~ Saint John Paul II*

## SALESIAN REFLECTION

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (6/18/2023)

Today's Scripture readings emphasize that **God** is the one who has taken the initiative in our salvation. God has borne us up on eagle wings and made us his special possession - we are a kingdom of priests, God's holy people.

St. Paul is caught up in the wonder of God's love for us: ***"While we were still sinners, Christ died for us ...When we were God's enemies, God reconciled to himself by the death of his Son."***

God is love, and the nature of love is to go outside itself toward others. God not only took the initiative in loving us. In the sacrificial death of Jesus, God proves in an incontestable way that we are loved far beyond any considerations of our worthiness. That is the mind-blowing mystery of our faith: we have been redeemed in total love by a God whose love is completely benevolent. God gains nothing by loving us. We gain everything by being loved by God.

Sometimes we can get too preoccupied with our duties as believers, our obligations as members of the people of God. **We forget that God first moved toward us in love. We don't have to seek God; God has found us.**

Jesus has reconciled us to God by his death. Our heart-felt acceptance of our reconciliation can lead us to draw confidence from God's boundless love and take greater hold of the life God offers us in Jesus. Our hope is sure. We have good reason to make God our boast every day of our life.

Our lives can become a joyful celebration of the grace that is ours. We are gifted by God's love every day.

What return can we make

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to the Lord for his gift of love? Nothing better than **freely and generously sharing that gift of God's love with everyone we meet. May our thankfulness be evident each day as we choose to be an announcement of God's gracious love in everything we say and do.**

Rev. Michael S. Murray, OSFS,  
Executive Director of the De Sales  
Spirituality Center

### Summer Week-long Catholic Family Vacation Retreat

**Where:** Marianist Family Retreat  
Center, CM Point

**When:** Retreat weeks start each  
Monday, June 26 through  
end of August

**Cost:** for the week: \$230pp ages 8+;  
\$155 ages 2-7; under 2 free. Cost  
includes meals, room, program, beach  
access and more  
**Financial Aid is available – see website for more details**

**Contact:** call 609-884-3829  
[www.capemaymarianists.org](http://www.capemaymarianists.org) or  
[mfrfc@capemaymarianists.org](mailto:mfrfc@capemaymarianists.org)



**jmj**  
**Missions**  
ONE SOUL AT A TIME

ST. JOHN NEUMANN  
*Eucharistic Revival*  
**SUMMER MISSION**  
**DYNAMIC TALKS BY DAN PALMIERI OF "JMJ MISSIONS" WITH MUSIC & PRAYER**

7/9: ALL THINGS NEW (CONVERSION STORY)  
7/10: BRINGING YOUR LOVED ONES BACK TO GOD  
7/11: SOURCE & SUMMIT: THE EUCHARIST

July 9th - 11th (Sunday to Tuesday)  
680 Town Bank Rd, North Cape May, NJ  
6PM Each Evening





# Our Lady Star of the Sea

Administered by the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

May 17, 2023

Dear Parishioners

I was required by the Diocese of Camden to submit my letter of resignation as pastor, as I will turn 75 on June 30<sup>th</sup> of this year. This is in keeping with church and diocesan policy for bishops and pastors when they reach the age of 75.

Thank you for the support and encouragement you have given me during my eight years at Our Lady Star of the Sea, and especially these last four years when I have served as your pastor.

They were years that had their challenges, especially with the mandated closing of the church for months during the pandemic. We weathered that storm and others through the hard work of the parish staff and the enduring commitment and generosity of you, our parishioners. The parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea as well as St. Agnes Church in Cape May Point remain strong.

I am most grateful for your dedication to prayer, and your ongoing commitment to the various and important ministries of the parish. Your example of faith, especially in times of illness and loss, has been a great inspiration to me. A pastor is truly blessed and encouraged by the faith of his parishioners.

Although I have been asked to retire as pastor, I plan to remain active in ministry. I will reside as the senior priest assisting at Our Mother of Consolation Parish in the Chestnut Hill section of Philadelphia. The parish is not far from the homes of my brothers and my nieces and nephews. I will have an opportunity to spend time with them and maybe even catch a Phillies or Eagles game now and then.

Please be assured that my community, the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales, remain committed to serving the parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea.

You will always be in my thoughts and prayers.

God Bless You

Fr. David J. Devlin, O.S.F.S.  
Pastor

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## Day of Recollection



The Legion of Mary of Our Lady Star of the Sea is sponsoring a day of recollection.

**When:** Wed., September 13

**Time:** 9:00AM - 3:00PM

**Where:** Marianist Retreat Center, CM Point

**Speaker:** A Marianist Father

**Cost:** \$35.00 and may be paid upon arrival. Continental breakfast & lunch will be provided.

**Contact:** Call Liz 609-841-6629 or Mary 609-425-4084



Mass and confession will also be available.

## Live Jesus

### Welcome Fr. Peter Leonard, OSFS

We Welcome Fr. Peter Leonard, OSFS as our New Parochial Vicar starting July 1, 2023. Fr. Peter is an Oblate of St. Francis de Sales. His last assignment was at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in High Point, NC. I am sure that Fr. Peter will be a great addition to our staff and parish here at Our Lady Star of the Sea.



### Study Theology at Georgian Court University!



All programs can be completed remotely. Master of Arts or a Graduate Certificate in Theology, with concentrations in Pastoral Ministry or Mercy Spirituality. Not sure?

Take one or two classes on a non-matriculating basis to see if our programs are right for you. Generous financial aid available. New semester begins September 5, 2023. There is still time to apply.

Contact: Johann M. Vento for more information: [jvento@georgian.edu](mailto:jvento@georgian.edu).

## SPEND TIME WITH SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES!



Join the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales' new reflection series!

Enjoy a short reflection on Salesian Spirituality sent to your email every day for a month!

Sign up at [oblates.org](http://oblates.org) or scan the QR code!



### Grave Reuse for Cremated Remains

Grave reuse is an alternative option for owners of an existing burial privilege. Grave reuse allows for the addition of cremated remains to an existing grave, crypt, or niche. Not only does this keep a family together and respect the deceased's personal wishes, but it follows the Catholic teaching of interring cremains on sacred ground. Owners of a burial privilege can add burial rights for cremated remains depending on the type and location of the grave, crypt, or niche owned. A member of our staff can advise as to what would be available for the specific location and grave or crypt type.

To learn more call 800-594-4980 or visit [SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org](http://SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org)



**SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**  
— Your Choice † Your Privilege † Your Right —



*"As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'"* MATTHEW 10:7

Many of us take our lives for granted. We think we have **plenty of time to "repent."** Maybe we should live with a little more urgency in making things right with God. This is the difference in living our discipleship out of obligation versus out of love. **Obligation implies we do the minimum required. Love implies we want a relationship.** God wants us to be with Him in Heaven forever, but He also wants us to live **Stewardship** and to be in relationship with us right now, while we are on earth. **Start this second – invite the Lord into your heart.**

**Prayer and Praise  
Welcome to our Prayer Group**



**When:** 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month  
@ 3:30PM

**Where:** De Sales Room in the Parish Hall

**Contact for additional information:**

Donna - dwicker.olsos@gmail.com  
call 609-898-4431



We are the **Survivors & Thrivers**, a community of women who have experienced or are experiencing any kind of cancer. During June, July & August we will meet on the first Thursday of the month. In September we will resume our first and third Thursday schedule.

**Next meeting:** July 6, 2023

**When:** 4:00 - 5:30PM

**Where:** De Sales Room of the Parish Hall.

**Contact:** Christina [bluepaw74@yahoo.com](mailto:bluepaw74@yahoo.com),  
or 610-908-2405

**The Engaged Encounter** is a weekend away with other engaged couples which allows plenty of time alone for a couple to dialogue honestly and intensively about their prospective life together. Weekends start promptly at 8:00PM on Friday evening and close by 3:00PM on Sunday. All meals and accommodations are included in the reservation fee.



**CATHOLIC ENGAGED  
ENCOUNTER**

**Upcoming Weekends:** November 10 - 12

**Where:** Blessed Carlo Acutis Retreat House,  
Absecon, NJ

**Cost:** \$410.00

**Contact:** Call 856-583-2908 or email  
[jose.Rodriguez@camdendiocese.org](mailto:jose.Rodriguez@camdendiocese.org)

**Prayer for Priestly Vocations**

Lord Jesus, we ask you to bless the Diocese of Camden with an increase in vocations to the priesthood.

We pray that young men from our parishes and families will hear your call and be both generous and courageous in their response. May more young men serve you as priests who teach the faith, preach the Gospel, celebrate the sacraments and make you present among us through their ministry. Encourage them to embrace the joy-filled and fulfilling life of a diocesan priest. May parents support priestly vocations in their families by prayer and good example. We entrust these prayers through Mary Immaculate, our patroness, hopeful that you will bless our diocese with more priests in the near future, who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen



**Weekly Contributions ~ June 3 - 4, 2023**

<b>Ordinary Income</b>	<b>Ordinary Expenses</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection</b>
<b>\$16,102.00</b>	<b>\$51,344.47</b>	

The **PARISH GIVING** Program enables you to have your Sunday Offering automatically debited from your credit card. **Make your life easier and check it out on the parish website.**



**Lectors**

**Saturday - June 24**

**4:00p** G. Kucher  
**5:30p** B. Hodgdon

**Sunday - June 25**

**7:00a** K. Parker  
**8:00a** V. DiRenzo-Adams  
**9:30a** A. Piro  
**11:00a** T. Konz  
**6:00p** J. McCaney

**St. Agnes, Cape May Point**

**8:30a** R. Turco  
1. M. Turco 2. AM. Zabielski  
3. AM. Patton

**Extraordinary Ministers**

**Saturday - June 24**

**4:00p** 1. F. Greenfield 2. M. Jenkins 3. S. Jenkins  
4. N. Mulvaney  
**5:30p** 1. J. Pizzica 2. M. McDevitt 3. M. McCormick  
4. J. Snyder

**Sunday - June 25**

**7:00a** 1. E. Mahaney 2. S. Tarrant 3. K. Parker 4. S. Yerk  
**8:00a** 1. P. Motz 2. J. Kerney 3. C. Tobin 4. J. Souder  
**9:30a** 1. J. McFadden 2. MR. Piro 3. R. Genzel 4. T. Morris  
**11:00a** 1. C. Mooney 2. J. Foreman 3. J. Foreman 4. N. Konz  
**6:00p** 1. P. Bogle 2. L. Bogle 3. D. Wicker 4. F. Bianco

**Bells are ringing for married couples!**

Not church bells, not school bells, not wedding bells, but faith, knowledge and married love will grow if you hear the wake-up bell reminding you to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend.



**When:** Sept. 29 - Oct. 1

**Questions:** Call our application couple

609-741-8012 or email:

[applications@wwme-southjersey.org](mailto:applications@wwme-southjersey.org)



## THANKS FOR BEING HERE

If you would like to become an **ACTIVE** member of Our **Lady Star of the Sea Parish** (either Full Time or Seasonal) we invite you to **complete the Parish Registration form below** and place the completed form in the Offertory basket or send to the Parish Office. Someone from the Parish Office will then contact you.

### ★ Our Lady Star of the Sea ★ Parish Registration Form

**Last Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Full Name** and relationship of all resident family members you wish to register at OLSS:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address in Cape May Area\*:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Permanent Address (if different):**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Preferred Telephone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you a:**

Full-time resident

Seasonal resident

\*PLEASE *do not* use a rental property address.

**Place completed form in the Offertory Basket or send to Parish Office.**



**SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**  
*Your Choice † Your Privilege † Your Right*

**Cremation and Proper Handling of Cremated Remains**  
**Your Choices Don't Stop with Cremation**

While you may have chosen to be cremated, remember to choose your final resting place. Although the Church earnestly recommends the pious custom of burying the bodies of the dead be observed, it does not however, forbid cremation unless it has been chosen for reasons which are contrary to Christian teaching. Cremated remains are the body of the deceased in a changed form. We should honor them as we honor the body. They must be reverently buried or entombed in a place reserved for the burial of the dead.

Visit [SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org](http://SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org) to learn more or call us at 855-MyPrePlan (855-697-7375)..

## SCHOOL NEWS



**WILDWOOD  
CATHOLIC  
ACADEMY**

*Nurturing Hearts and Minds by the Light of Christ*

*South Jersey's first and only PreK-Grade 12 Catholic Academy*

### Enrolling K-12 Now for the 2023-2024 School Year!



*Wildwood Catholic Academy is a premier college preparatory academy based on gospel values and the promotion of academic excellence*

#### **SCHEDULE A VISIT OR APPLY ONLINE TODAY!**

Call 609-522-6243 or email [l.mcbride@wildwoodcatholicacademy.org](mailto:l.mcbride@wildwoodcatholicacademy.org)

1500 Central Avenue, North Wildwood, NJ

Call or contact us at 609-522-7257

[wildwoodcatholicacademy.org](http://wildwoodcatholicacademy.org)   

## SACRAMENTS

### **BAPTISMS**

...are celebrated one Sunday each month, except during the Lenten Season. In order to schedule a date for your child's Baptism: parents should be parish members, they must attend a Baptismal Preparation Session, and all necessary documentation for godparents must be submitted. To begin the process for your child's Baptism please contact the parish office.

### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday 3:00 - 3:30 PM

Tuesday and Thursday after the 11:00 AM Mass

### **VISITATION OF THE SICK**

Please call the Parish Office if a parishioner is seriously ill or infirm and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick and/or Holy Eucharist.

### **MARRIAGES**

We welcome parishioners and the children of parishioners to be married at our Lady Star of the Sea.

Please visit the Parish website, [www.ladystarofthesea.org](http://www.ladystarofthesea.org), click on the **Marriage tab** for more information

One does not register in a parish community for the sole purpose of getting married, but to be a full, active participating member of the faith community.

## Parish Ministries

**BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY** We offer bereavement support groups twice a year in the Spring and Fall. Dates and times are announced and printed in the parish bulletin. Call Suzanne Jenkins any time if you have questions or if you would like to participate in one of the groups 609-675-8630.

**GOOD SAMARITAN** If you are interested in becoming a volunteer please contact Janet Kerney @ 267-342-2756. Parish volunteers are available to help others in a variety of ways: rides to Sunday Mass, doctor's appointments, shopping/banking, errands. Also visits: hospitals, nursing homes, your home, brief respite care. Let us know your need and we will try to provide for you. All requests must go through the Captain of the week. Please do not call our volunteers directly. To use our services you must be fully vaccinated. We are unable to transport wheelchairs. **This week's captain is Pat Raymond. Her number is 610-316-3230.**

 Promotes a spirit of fellowship among adults 50 years and older. During our gatherings, we enjoy lunch and varied programs. (Bring your own brown bag lunch. Desserts and beverages are provided). The group welcomes everyone age 50 and over, regardless of faith or parish affiliation. The group meets in Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall on the last Wednesday of the month from 12:00 - 2:00PM from September through May. JUST FRIENDS looks forward to welcoming you at our next meeting! Join Us! No membership necessary. Please notice the time change. For more information call Carol at 609-224-9662 or Martine Simonis 609-884-5312 x 102.

The **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, St. Mary's Council #6202** meets on the second Thursday of each month in the McGivney Room of the Parish Hall. Membership is open to Roman Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting Our Lady Star of the Sea Church. For more information or to request a membership application, please contact Rick Greenfield, Outreach Coordinator, at [rickgreenfield@comcast.net](mailto:rickgreenfield@comcast.net) or 609-408-3323.

**CATHOLIC RADIO STATION WSMJ 91.9FM** has been added to the family of catholic radio stations broadcast by Domestic Church Media (DCM). For a complete schedule of programming visit [www.domesticchurchmedia.com](http://www.domesticchurchmedia.com). **WSMJ 91.9** remains a true Catholic affiliate of EWTN.

**SURVIVORS & THRIVERS** is a community whose mission it is to support women who have experienced or are experiencing any kind of cancer. We meet on the first and third Thursdays of every month from 4:00 - 5:30 PM in the Parish Hall, and we welcome all women regardless of faith or parish affiliation. For more information or to join the group, call Christina at 610-908-2405 or email her at [bluepaw74@yahoo.com](mailto:bluepaw74@yahoo.com).

**THE LEGION OF MARY** meets Mondays at 9:15AM in the DeSales Room in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to join in the service of Mary. For information please call Liz McPherson, President 609-841-6629.

**Hospitality Committee** We live out our Parish mission statement to "welcome all" ..and be for those whom we meet as "the loving embrace of God." Our group offers refreshment, along with a welcoming atmosphere to all who come to our parish activities. Contact: Donna Wicker 609-408-6646.



**Do You Know Someone Who Might Be Interested in Becoming Catholic? Please encourage them to contact Sister Maria (609)884-5312 x109 as soon as possible.** We would love to have the chance to tell him/her about the wonderful process for spiritual growth called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. In this process, adults (with other adults) learn about all the Church teaches regarding Jesus, the Bible, the Sacraments, Spirituality, and Discipleship.

**Parish Pastoral Council** The primary focus of the council is to oversee the Parish Pastoral Plan and to evaluate and recommend new goals each year. The following parishioners are members of the Parish Pastoral Council: Father Dave Devlin, OSFS, Joe Bogle (Chair), Donna Wicker (Vice Chair), Patrick Holden, Janet Kerney, Jeanne McFadden, Michael McGovern, Jim McHugh, Danielle Rechner, Susan Tarrant, and Richard Turco.

**Parish Finance Council:** Joe Bogle, John Tice, George Catanese, Kathy Parker, Ray Roberts, Kevin O'Neil

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES** held **Sundays 9:15AM - 11:30** which includes going to the 10:30 Mass. Contact Sister Maria at 609-884-5312 ext. 109 for more information.

**Planning your Estate ~** Have you ever considered leaving part of your estate to the Church? There are several options available that you might find attractive from an income, tax savings, retirement, or inheritance point of view. To learn more about how these programs might work for you and your family, please contact Marie Turco (609)884-5312, ext. 101 for more info.

**Pre-Planning: A Sharing of Faith ~** While we focus on living healthy, long lives, the inevitable can't be ignored. We are all destined to cross over to the eternal life that God has planned for us. By pre-planning your Catholic burial you are sharing your faith with those left behind. Many benefits come with pre-planning: your wishes are known, peace of mind, elimination of stress, & payment plans. Visit [SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org](http://SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org) or call 855-MyPrePlan (855-697-7375).



**This could be your Year to Win!**

**Our Lady Star of the Sea**

**Mercedes-Benz Car Raffle Fundraiser**



**We are excited for another great year of finding a winner for our 2023 Mercedes-Benz GLZ250!**

**Tickets are on sale and can be purchased at the Raffle Booth in front of the church or by contacting the office at 609-884-5312 ext. 110.**

**Tickets are:  
\$3.00 each  
2 for \$5.00 or  
10 for \$20.00**

**Drawing is October 29, 2023  
DON'T MISS OUT!**

**Thank you in advance for your support to OLSOS. Proceeds benefit Catholic Education, Church Restoration and Operating Expenses.**

**Christ Child Society  
In Numbers there is Strength**

The life of a child is a promise of the future, but for many children, their future is at risk. With that in mind and if you would like to make a difference in the life of a child in need in our county, please consider becoming a member of the Christ Child Society of Cape May County. We invite you to attend a meeting with us and find out more about the Society.



**For more information:**

**Contact:** Stephanie Ware at 609-846-7006 or capemay1950@hotmail.com

**"Nothing is too much to do for a child."**

# Ministry of the Month

**Ushers, the welcoming face of  
Our Lady Star of the Sea**



These ministers of hospitality, do more than just take up the collection! They are the ones who answer visitors' questions, help you find a seat, facilitate the flow for Holy Communion, are the first on the scene when there is any sign of trouble in the Church and usually are the first to come and the last to leave a worship service. It is a ministry, often unnoticed, but of prime importance for a prayerful and flowing experience of worship.

Ushers come to the Mass of their choice and are trained beforehand on the "mechanics" of being an usher. If you would be interested in serving God and his Church in this way - woman or man - please get in touch with Jack Snyder: email JPS617@comcast.net or (215-262-5037).

Each week the *Talking Catholic* hosts interview Catholic leaders about what brought them to where they are now and how they are bringing the faith to their communities.



**Check it out at:**  
[talking.catholicstarherald.org](http://talking.catholicstarherald.org)



Do you or someone you love need care at home?  
Contact VITALity Catholic Healthcare  
Services of the Diocese of Camden.  
Resource and Referral Help Line  
1-888-268-4825.

A free and simple Gateway to Help at Home for  
Seniors and Persons with Disabilities seeking to  
remain healthy, safe and secure in their homes.

***"We graciously help others in their needs both  
by prayer and actual service because in this  
way we truly show our good-will and love."***

~ St. Jane de Chantal



**Father of goodness and love; hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need.**

Baby Harper, John Butler Michael DeAngelis, Katelyn Dessner & Babies, Rita Linnington, Mary Pilla, Marie Roberts, Jim Rochford, Mary Rothwein, Anna Mae Ryan, Rose Walsh



**They have gone no further from us than to God, and God is very near.**

**Linda Priole  
Andrew (Drew) Drake**

### **Catholic Grandparents Ministry**

**Where:** St John Neumann Parish Hall, NC May  
**Next Meeting:** Monday, June 19 @ 2:00PM

**Mission:** to build a community of support for grandparents and assist their efforts in passing on our faith to our families.

**All are welcome.**

**For more information visit:**

[www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org](http://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org)

Questions or if you would like to join, contact  
**Paul and Mary Kay Dunne at 610-724-6535**



**When:** Thursday, June 29

**Time:** 12:00PM - 5:00PM

**Where:** Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall

**Schedule an appointment:**

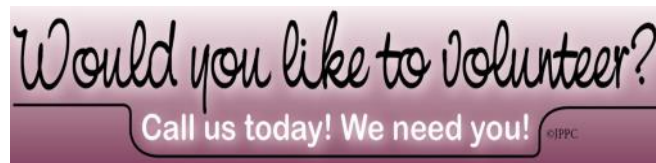
<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html>

### **Prayer to St. Michael**

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

## **OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Our Lady Star of Sea Needs Your Help**



### **Booth Volunteers needed for the 2023 Mercedes-Benz Car Raffle**

Join OLSOS volunteer team for our biggest fundraiser of the year. You can be a part of making it a success. This is a fun, easy way to meet other people in our community by ministering to the church.

**The booth is opened April through October and shifts are 2 hours a week.**

**If you would like to become part of our team, please call Martine Simonis 609-884-5312 x110**

**Volunteers have a chance to win \$200.00.**

### **"Burrs at the Beach"**

**34<sup>th</sup> Annual celebration, presented by the Alumni and Friends of West Philadelphia Catholic High School, will be held, rain or shine.**



**When:** Sunday, June 25

**Time:** 1:00PM - 7:00PM

**Where:** Kennan's Pub, North Wildwood

**Cost:** \$30.00

**Contact:** George Light 610-996-2015

Peg (Sheffield) Panichelli 610-420-0987

Tom McGinn 610-461-6241

**The Knights of Columbus will be collecting food and personal items next weekend June 24 - June 25 at all Masses. The**

**Food Pantry can also use paper goods (napkins, toilet paper, and paper towels). Bags will be available for your convenience. Please leave donations in the back of the church and make sure food items are not out of date. Please do not leave clothing. Thank you for your help.**



***The LORD is good: his kindness endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations. We are his people: the sheep of his flock.***