

# Church of *Our Lady Star of the Sea*

Administered by the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales • [www.oblates.org](http://www.oblates.org)

The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time • September 10, 2023

## Current Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00, 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, (Live Stream as well),

11:00am, 6:00pm

St. Agnes, Cape May Point

Sunday: 8:30am

Wednesday: 8:30am

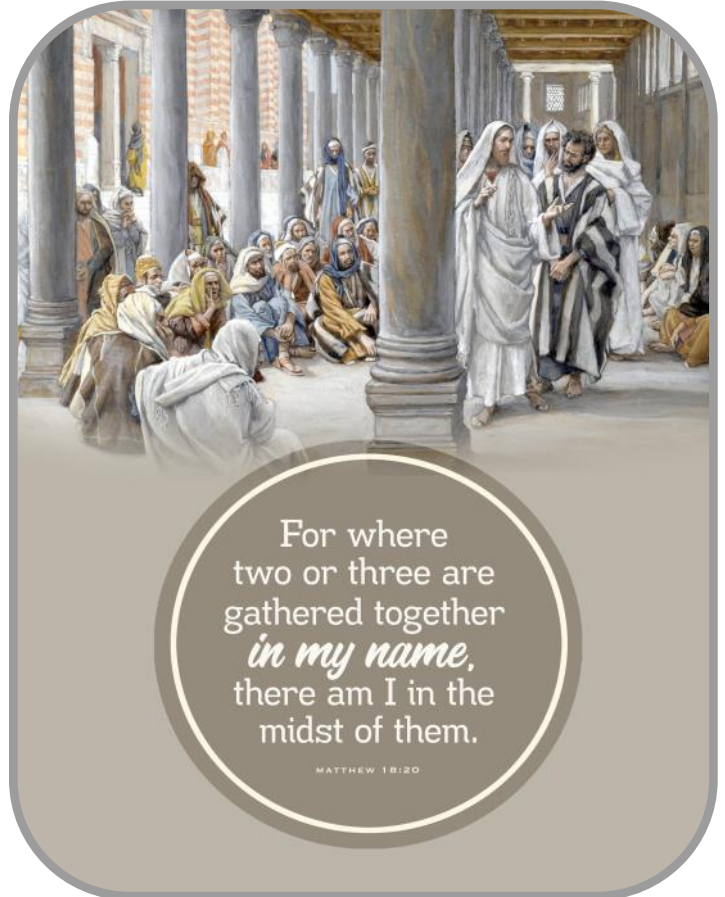
Daily Mass: Monday - Friday @ 11:00am  
(Star of the Sea)

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, September 9

- 4:00p** Margaret & Charles Martin r/b Charlotte Martin  
Bill & Amanda Williamson r/b The Bogle Family  
Lucy Corn r/b Mike & Rebecca Whipple  
**5:30p** For the People of the Parish

### SUNDAY, September 10

- 8:00a** Ints. of Florence Larkin r/b Nancy McNamee  
**9:30a** Dorothea W. Moore r/b Denise & Michael Doyle  
Ints. of Joseph & Patricia DiNicola r/b Amanda Mazzoni  
Ints. of Rita Linnington r/b Angelo Randazzo  
Denis Rendler r/b Kenneth & Joan Kryst  
Kevin Supka r/b His Beach Friends  
**11:00a** Father Jim Collins 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv. r/b Angelo Randazzo  
**6:00p** Robert Szejner r/b Bernard & Barbara Hodgdon

### St. Agnes, Cape May Point

- 8:30a** Rose & Romeo Turco r/b Their Family  
Margaret 22<sup>nd</sup> Anniv. & Bill Patton, Mary Gallagher, & Irma Plunkett r/b Anne Marie Patton

### MONDAY, September 11

- 11:00a** Frank & Catherine Bogle r/b The Bogle Family

### TUESDAY, September 12

- 11:00a** Joseph Peel r/b His Wife

### WEDNESDAY, September 13

- 11:00a** Bernard "Buddy" Logan r/b MiMi & Chris Wood

### St. Agnes

- 8:30a** Bertram Barnsby r/b Roger & Dani Barnsby

### THURSDAY, September 14

- 11:00a** Josephine DiFilippo 1st r/b Her Children

### FRIDAY, September 15

- 11:00a** Kristen Waryas 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv. r/b Dani & Roger Barnsby



**The Sanctuary Candle  
burns this week  
In Memory  
of  
Bernard McNamee  
r/b  
Nancy McNamee & Family**

# Welcome to Our New Pastor

Father John Dolan, OSFS

Father John will be installed as the new pastor of Our Lady Star of the Sea by Bishop Sullivan of the Diocese of Camden this weekend September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023.



The event will be livestreamed from the 5:30PM Mass on Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>.

There will be a reception held Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> after the 11:00AM Mass in our Parish Hall.

Please feel free to stop by to say hello to Father John as we wish him well on this new assignment.

## STAFF DIRECTORY

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[parish@ladystarofthesea.org](mailto:parish@ladystarofthesea.org)

## SALESIAN REFLECTION

### The 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (9/10/2023)

The Scriptures today focus on our responsibility as members of the community of the Church.

We heard St. Paul tell us that the commandments can be summed up in one: *"You shall love your neighbor as yourself."* As Paul sees it: *"Anyone who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law."* Paul sees love as the debt that binds us together as a community.

The Scriptures have presented two aspects of love for our consideration. The first Paul considers as obvious: *"Love never does any wrong to the neighbor."* **Christian love is not a feeling; it's choosing a manner of living with others that does good to them.**

That's the reason why Francis de Sales encourages us to be conscious of God's presence and grace often each day and to direct our intention as we begin each new activity of our day.

This practice is meant to assist us in choosing to do good to one another - to love - and so avoid doing wrong to one another as we go about daily living in community. Our recent General Chapters have encouraged us to spend some time prayerfully considering the early Jerusalem community described in the Acts of the Apostles and using it as a model for our daily living as Oblates. Each of these practices is meant to assist us in choosing the loving things to say and do as we go about our day.

Today's Gospel presents a second aspect of love - the mutual responsibility we have for each other as members of the community. We are responsible for supporting one another in our practice of love. There may be times when that responsibility will call us to correct a member who strays or is having a bad influence on the larger group. Our concern in this situation should be marked by our love and by the care we take to admonish such a person in as private a way as possible. Mutual love and support must be our only reason for speaking up.

In this way we are building up the community, not destroying it.

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**May the words of today's Scriptures strengthen us in our resolve to grow in a loving attitude toward all we say and do each day. In this way, Jesus is better able to live once again in our love for one another.**

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

### New Mass Schedule Begins This Weekend

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

**Sunday:** 8:00, 9:30 (Live Streamed as well), &  
11:00AM  
6:00PM

**St. Agnes: Sunday, 8:30AM**

**Wednesday, 8:30AM**



### 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 provided.

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

Mass and confession will also be available.

### CAMDEN DIOCESE CATHOLIC RENEWAL

September  
15th, 16th, & 17th 2023

**Holy Spirit High School**  
500 South New Rd.  
Absecon, NJ 08201



**Speakers**  
Fr. Rene Canales  
Fr. Jim Blount, SOLT  
Fr. Franklin Opara  
Additional Speakers  
to Be Announced

**And the Word Became Flesh and Dwelt Among Us**

John 1:14

• **Event will include:**  
Mass, Confession,  
Teachings, Music,  
Healing Service and a  
Eucharist procession.

**TICKETS:**  
Adults - \$65.00  
Seniors - \$60.00  
Teens - \$10.00  
12 yrs. & under - Free

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

Colleen(609) 703-7880 Tracy(856) 803-7967 Sheila(609) 652-7729





## SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

### 2023 APPEAL: "FOR THE LIFE OF THE WORLD"

In every way, the work of our ministries emanates from the Eucharist. As Saint John Paul II said, "The Eucharist is the heart of the Church. Where Eucharistic life flourishes, there the life of the church will blossom." The Eucharist is the true presence of Jesus Christ, it is the spiritual food that gives us strength to carry out His work each day and everything we do as Catholics emanates from that.

The theme of this year's campaign, "For the Life of the World," reminds us that our spiritual sustenance and community are rooted in the Eucharist, in Christ. Your individual gift to this Appeal will become one of many that unites and builds up the one Body of Christ. Through our various ministries across the diocese your gift is shared and brings comfort, relief, encouragement and support to many.

Simply complete the form below, drop in the collection basket or mail directly to the Parish Office.



SOUTH JERSEY  
CATHOLIC  
MINISTRIES  
APPEAL

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Parish OLSS - CM

**Parish Use Only**  
Affix Label Here or:

New Donor is a: ☐ Member ☐ Visitor

**Yes!** I would like to support the South Jersey Catholic Ministries Appeal  
with a: (Please check all that apply)

- ☐ **One Time** Gift of: \_\_\_\_\_ By: ☐ Check ☐ Credit Card  
☐ **A Pledge** with Installments (details below)  
☐ or see other side for my selection

*Pledge Information if Applicable*

Total Pledged Gift: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Monthly Installments: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I have included the first installment by check today:

Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Check Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please use a number of installments that conclude by March of next year  
Please make checks payable to "South Jersey Catholic Ministries Appeal"*

*Credit Card information for One-Time Gift or Installment Payments:*

☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard ☐ AmEx ☐ Discover

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CSV Code: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Parish Office, please call me for the above information.

I have already made my gift:

☐ Through my workplace giving program. ☐ Directly to the Pastor

☐ I am not able to make a pledge at this time

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parish Office Mailing Address:**  
**520 Lafayette Street**  
**Cape May, NJ 08204**

**You can also visit our Website,**  
**[www.ladystarofthesea.org](http://www.ladystarofthesea.org),**  
**for a quick link to donate**  
**from the homepage**

## 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!



## Our Parish Bible Study



**When:** Tuesday mornings @ 9:00AM

**Date:** Sept. 26 - Nov. 7

**Study:** Christian belief in the Holy Spirit as the Third Person of the Trinity was not officially defined by the church until the fourth century. But centuries earlier, the Hebrew Scriptures and the New Testament were already describing the action and presence of God's Spirit. In the ***Holy Spirit in the Bible***, we will unpack key scripture passages, exploring the activity of the Spirit at creation, within Israel, in the ministry of Jesus and the early church, and at the end of time. The role of the Holy Spirit in our personal and spiritual lives is also explored.

Class registration will be closed at 20 applicants.

**Cost:** \$20.00 to cover the cost of the books

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**Registration Form - Attention Sister Maria**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Drop this form off at the Parish Center or mail to Sister Maria (520 Lafayette St., Cape May )

## Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Religious Education Program

Our PREP will begin this year on Catechetical Sunday, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>. All children who attend must be registered in the program before that Sunday. Classes are on Sunday mornings 9:45 AM and end with the 11 AM Mass.



Children are required to be in the program for 2 years before they make their First Communion. Registration fees are used to cover the cost of textbooks, classroom supplies and other resources.

The cost for one child is	\$100.00
For the second child is	\$ 80.00
For the third child is	\$ 20.00
.. the rest of the family comes free.	

New families may register in the parish office. Former students will receive this information by mail.

**Early Bird Special: If registered by September 10<sup>th</sup> please deduct \$5.00 from the cost of each student.**



cordially invites all  
**NONAGENARIANS**  
and **CENTENARIANS**  
to join us at Mass.

As we recognize, honor and celebrate those age 90 and beyond. Reception to follow.

**Sunday, October 1, 2023 - 11:30 AM**

Christ the Good Shepherd Parish  
St. Isidore the Farmer Church  
1655 Magnolia Road, Vineland, NJ

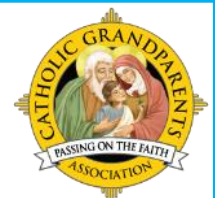
**RSVP by September 26, 2023**  
[VITALity-Events@camdendiocese.org](mailto:VITALity-Events@camdendiocese.org)  
Christine Willard: (856) 583-6121

All grandparents are welcome and encouraged to attend the next **St. John Neumann's Catholic Grandparents meeting.**

**When:** Monday, Sept. 18 @9:30AM

**Where:** St. John of God, North Cape May

This new ministry strives to build a community of support for grandparents and assist their efforts in passing on our faith to our families. For more information visit:



<https://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org>  
**Contact:** Mary Kay Dunne@ 610-724-6535



**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

**HEALING EMBRACE**

**Healing Embrace is a community of those who have experienced or are experiencing any kind of cancer and their caregivers. We meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month.**

**Next meeting:** September 21, 2023

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

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

**Contact:** Dani, flyhome@icloud.com or  
call 609-898-4431

**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 Weekend:** 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

**Family Promise**

Family Promise of Cape May County strives to keep Homeless Families together during their



time of crisis by providing safe shelter, meals and the support of those services needed to educate, encourage and empower our guest families. Star of the Sea Parish is a buddy congregation with the Cape May United Methodist Church. We share a commitment to provide a meal for the families in the program just four times a year. Please feel free to visit us at the Family Promise Day Center, 505 Townbank Road in North Cape May and learn of volunteer and participation opportunities.

**For more information, contact Loretta:**  
zipwcm@comcast.net.

**Pro-Life Retreat**



**When:** Sun., Sept. 24, 2023

**Where:** Our Lady of Sorrows Church,  
Linwood

**Time:** 12:30 Lunch, 2:00 Holy Hour,  
3:00 Sunday Mass for the  
Unborn with Celebrant -  
Father Jim Hutchins

**Cost:** \$6.00 donation

**RSVP:** Dianne Leo 609-287-3521 or  
dianneandniles2@comcast.net

**Lectors**

**Saturday - September 9**

4:00p J. Fahy  
5:30p G. Kucher

**Sunday - September 10**

8:00a R. Crouthamel  
9:30a A. Piro  
11:00a T. Konz  
6:00p M. Stewart

**St. Agnes, Cape May Point**

8:30a S. Curtis 1. S. Yerk 2. B. Schiffbauer

**Extraordinary Ministers**

**Saturday - September 9**

4:00p 1. J. Walls 2. M. Schuhl 3. M. McCormick 4. D. Dix

**Sunday - September 10**

8:00a 1. C. Crouthamel 2. V. DiRenzo-Adams 3. P. Motz  
4. E. Krause  
9:30a 1. A. Kufta 2. P. Dillon 3. MR. Piro 4. T. Morris  
11:00a 1. J. Foreman 2. J. Foreman 3. C. Tobin  
4. N. Minchew  
6:00p 1. J. McCaney 2. B. Cummings 3. L. Bogle 4. P. Bogle



**SOUTH JERSEY  
CATHOLIC  
MINISTRIES  
APPEAL**

Parish Goal: \$129,300.00

Total as of July 31, 2023: \$ 69,811.00

% of Goal: 54%

**Weekly Contributions ~ August 26 -27, 2023**

<b>Ordinary Income</b>	<b>Ordinary Expenses</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection</b>
<b>\$17,042.00</b>	<b>\$18,645.55</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.**



## 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\*:**

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

**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 on Sunday after the last morning mass, 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.

**HEALING EMBRACE** is a community of those who have experienced or are experiencing any kind of cancer and their caregivers. We meet on the third Thursday of every month from 4:00 - 5:30PM in the Parish Hall, and we welcome all regardless of faith or parish affiliation. For more information or to join the group, call Dani at (609)898-4431 or email her at [flyhome@icloud.com](mailto:flyhome@icloud.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 John Dolan, 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**

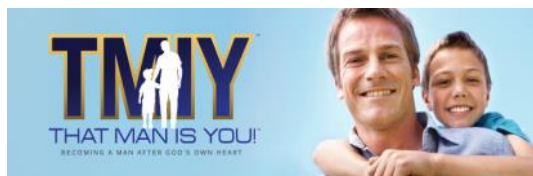
The life of a child is a promise of the future, but for many children, their future is at risk. With that in mind and if you would like to make a difference in the life of a child in need in our county, please consider becoming a member of the Christ Child Society of Cape May County. We invite you to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



"That Man is You" (TMIY) is resuming this fall. **The first weekly session theme "I Beg You" will be on Monday, Sept. 11 in the Parish Hall, Father McGivney Room.** Past speaker Mark Hartfiel returns. You are called to grow up in spiritual maturity, leadership, and love. To use life giving words and your witness to society to help make it whole again. Men of Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish come join us at 7:00PM for the opening social with refreshments

DIOCESE OF CAMDEN'S OFFICE OF FAMILY & YOUTH

*Diocesan*  
**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**  
*Mass*



**SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH**  
591 NEW JERSEY AVE | ABSECON, NJ 08201

If this year 2023, if you and your spouse are celebrating a milestone Wedding Anniversary of 25, 50, 60, 70 or more years, please join us for this special celebration and Mass.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2023**  
MASS 3 PM | LIGHT RECEPTION WILL FOLLOW IN PARISH HALL



Please register with your parish secretary by 9/8/2023 deadline.  
For more information please contact:  
Jose. Rodriguez@camdendiocese.org | 856-364-1172

**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.





**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, Mary Elbertson, Helene Frederico, Rita Linnington, Diane McCrostie, Joseph Brian O'Connor, Mary Pilla, Jacob & Jaxson Rivera, Marie Roberts, Jim Rochford, Mary Rothwein, Anna Mae Ryan

## OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

**"Volunteers in Medicine" provides free healthcare for our neighbors** in need and relies on volunteers to man the clinic. The Clinic is located at 423 No. Route 9 in CMCH. We need volunteers to assist with scheduling, patient registration, nursing, the Thrift Store and Community Garden. Want to know more? If you can spare a few hours a week **please contact:**



Anne Marie at 609-778-2707 or  
[volunteercmc@vimsj.org](mailto:volunteercmc@vimsj.org)

## Bereavement Support Group

**"God supports us in all our troubles, so that we are able to come to the support of one another."** 2 Corinthians 1:4

Come! Join with others who have lost a loved one in the last 5 - 12 months. Receive and offer support through prayer and sharing common experiences. The sessions will be held in the DeSales Room at the rear of the Parish Hall.

Sessions begin on Tues., Sept. 12 - Oct. 17 2023 from 1:00 - 3:00 PM. This six week group will be a blessing for you.

**To register please contact:**

Suzanne Jenkins 609-675-8630) or  
Martine Simonis 609-884-5312 x110

**GOD KNOWS**  
*when to send you exactly what you need.*



**Come have lunch and learn about this 62 acre working farm.**

**When:** Wed., Sept. 27, 2023

**Time:** 12:00 - 2:00PM

**Where:** Beach Plum Farm  
140 Stevens St.

West Cape May

**Lunch:** Available to purchase from their "kitchen".



**Picnic tables reserved for us.**

**Need a ride:** Call Martine 609-884-5312 x110

**To Register:** Call Martine 609-884-5312 x110

**Limit:** 45

## K of C SOCIAL DINNER

**St. Mary's Council 6202, Our Lady Star of the Sea**

All councils welcome. Knights with spouse or guest & Knights' widows. Knights may Invite male Catholic guests with spouse.



**When:** Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Place:** Alfe's Italian Restaurant,  
3401 New Jersey Avenue, Wildwood.

**Time:** 6PM Cocktails (cash bar) followed by dinner.

**Entrees:** Veal Marsala, Shrimp Scampi, Linguine and mussels Red, Stuffed Shells.

**Cost:** \$25 per person for 4 course dinner, includes gratuity ~ pay at the table, cash only.

**RESERVATIONS are REQUIRED.**

**Contact:** Rick Greenfield at [rickgreenfield@comcast.net](mailto:rickgreenfield@comcast.net) or 609-408-3323.

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to Serve

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NOV 11  
SATURDAY

DOORS OPEN - 7:30 AM  
CONFERENCE ENDS - 3:15 PM

FATHER DANIEL RHODE

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

POPE FRANCIS

MARK FORESTER

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