

# Church of *Our Lady Star of the Sea*

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**The 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time • September 21, 2025**

## Current Mass Schedule

**Saturday:** 4:00pm, 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

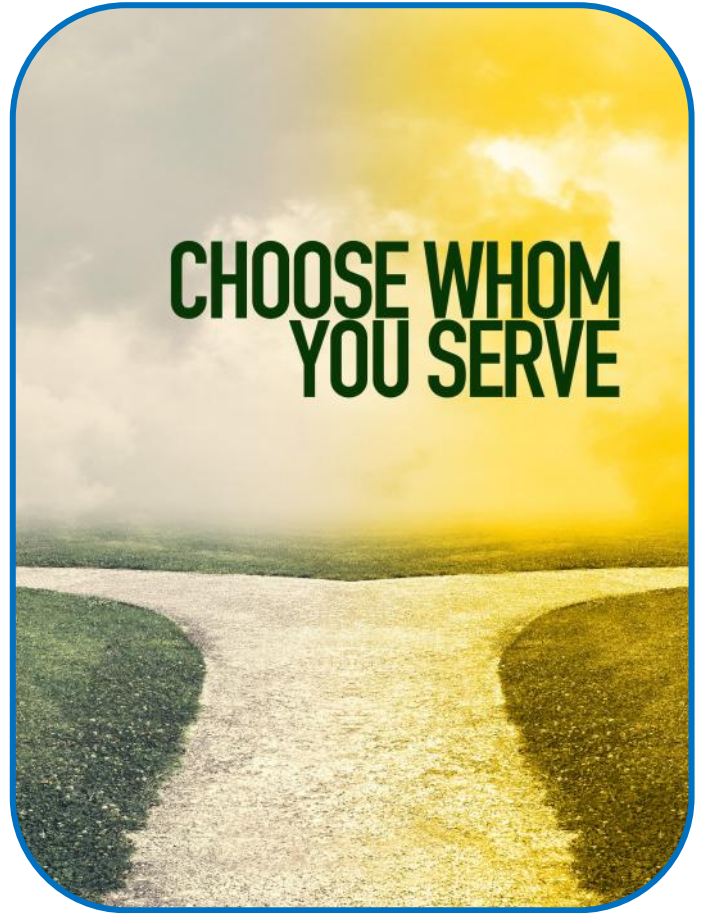
**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of Each Month:** Mass @ 9:00am

**Church open for Private Prayer:**

Mon.- Fri. 9:30am - 4:00pm

**Parish Office Hours:** Monday through Friday

9:00am - 12:00pm and 1:00pm - 4:00pm



## 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.*

# LITURGY

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, September 20

**4:00p** Regina McDevitt r/b Bob McDevitt

**5:30p** For the People of the Parish

### SUNDAY, September 21

**8:00a** George Catanese r/b Jim & Kim Ford

**9:30a** Ints. of the McAuley Family r/b The McAuley Family  
Stephen M. Verica r/b Julie & Danny Sheehy

Anne Henry r/b Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Pilla

Theresa Coyne r/b Her Children

Frank Reis r/b John & Toni Reynolds

Hugh Robertson r/b Barbara, Jane & Stephanie

**11:00a** James Mooney r/b Geri Sparacio

**6:00p** Frank & Catherine Bogle r/b The Bogle Family

### St. Agnes, Cape May Point

**8:30a** Dianne Salfi r/b Nora Mulvaney & Kathy Marcello

### MONDAY, September 22

**11:00a** John & Mildred Gaynor r/b Carol Gaynor

### TUESDAY, September 23

**11:00a** John & Mildred Gaynor r/b Carol Gaynor

### WEDNESDAY, September 24

**11:00a** Michael Hayko r/b Mary Lou Hayko

### St. Agnes, Cape May Point

**8:30a** Bill & Billy Thomas r/b Maryann

### THURSDAY, September 25

**11:00a** Rose Hancock 5<sup>th</sup> Anniv. r/b Kathy Marcello

### FRIDAY, September 26

**11:00a** Ronald Reszler r/b Mary Reed & Janet Scannell



**The Altar Flowers  
This Week at  
Our Lady Star of the Sea  
are  
In Loving Memory  
of Raymond Paradise  
r/b The Victorian  
Towers Community**

## STAFF DIRECTORY

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1:00pm - 4:00pm

609-884-5312 • Fax: 609-542-9702

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

### **Stewardship: what you do after you say you believe**

*"No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth)." Luke 16:13*

Jesus knows that for many of us, God and money run "neck and neck" as top priority. Is money a "god" that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. **Giving money through Stewardship frees us from becoming a slave to money. It increases our dependence on God and our trust that God will provide all that we need.**

## SALESIAN REFLECTION

The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (9/21/2025)

We heard the Lord speak very clearly through the prophet Amos in today's first reading: **God cares for the needy and the poor.**

He will not forget any injustices we may do to them. Each person is God's child; he asks to look at each person as a brother or sister. That is how he wants us to live together.

We heard St. Paul urge us to pray for civil authorities. We are to pray that they will be good leaders, concerned for the good of each person. This helps us to live together peacefully and productively. Leaders are to promote the common good, respecting the rights of all, especially the less influential, and encouraging everyone to care for one another.

Our prayers are very needed today.

You and I know just how enterprising the worldly can be in protecting themselves and their fortunes. Jesus is encouraging us to be just as enterprising about living by Gospel values in our daily lives. It's so easy to buy into the greed we see all around us. **Jesus warns us: you can't serve two masters.**

This weekend has offered us an opportunity to reflect on gospel values in married life and in our community living. It is our hope and prayer that you will choose to listen for the voice of God in each other and in the Church and choose to serve our God who is loving and compassionate to all of us. If each of us will take the time to listen in prayer each day, we will have the strength and courage

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we will need to be enterprising in gospel ways - ways that will reflect the love and compassion of God to each of our brothers and sisters.

An Oblate of St. Francis de Sales



**The Sanctuary Candle  
burns this week  
In Memory  
of  
John F. Krimmel  
Always with us  
r/b  
Mom, Dad and Jul**



## Blessing of the ANIMALS

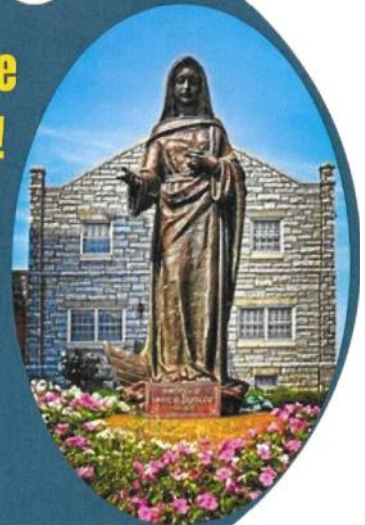
People all over the world will celebrate the Feast Day of the Patron Saint of Animals, Saint Francis of Assisi. In remembrance of St. Francis' love for all creatures, we invite you to bring your pets whether they are furry, feathered, scaly, or hairy. **Father John will offer a special blessing and sprinkle them with holy water. All pets are welcome to attend.**

**When:** Fri., Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> after the 11:00AM Mass

**Where:** Grass patch on the Ocean St. side of the Church

## Join us for the Living Rosary!

- Tuesday, October 7, 2025, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary
- 10:00 AM
- Outside at Mary's Garden
- Bring your Rosary








## 2025 APPEAL: "Our Journey United in Hope"

By supporting the *Catholic Ministries Appeal*, you are supporting many programs and ministries of the Diocese of Camden. These ministries serve the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of the hungry and challenged. When we support the *Catholic Ministries Appeal*, we shine a light of hope throughout the Catholic community of South Jersey. This year's theme: "Our Journey United in Hope" connects to the Jubilee Year, themed "Pilgrims of Hope." It reflects our commitment to walk this path together grounded in the hope and love that Christ gives us.

Pope Francis said, "During the Holy Year, we are called to be tangible signs of hope for those of our brothers and sisters who experience hardships of any kind." Our brothers and sisters include the sick, the young, the poor, the elderly, and many others. By supporting the Catholic Ministries Appeal, we provide that tangible sign of hope. Every contribution helps us build a stronger Church renewed in hope.

✂ *Simply complete and return the card below during next weekend's mass or mail directly to the Parish office.*

<div style="text-align: center;">  <p><b>SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL</b></p> </div> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Street Address _____</p> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____</p> <p>Phone _____</p> <p>Email _____</p> <p>Parish <u>OLSS - CM</u></p>	<p><b>Yes! I would like to support the South Jersey Catholic Ministries Appeal with a: (Please check all that apply)</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>One Time Gift of:</b> _____ By: <input type="checkbox"/> Check <input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>A Pledge</b> with Installments (details below)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> or see other side for my selection</p> <p style="text-align: center; background-color: #002060; color: white; padding: 2px;"><i>Pledge Information if Applicable</i></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Total Pledged Gift: _____</td> <td style="width: 40%;"># of Monthly Installments: _____</td> </tr> </table> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I have included the first installment by check today:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Check Number: _____</td> <td style="width: 40%;">Check Date: _____</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Please use a number of installments that <b>conclude by March of next year</b> Please make checks payable to <b>"South Jersey Catholic Ministries Appeal"</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; background-color: #002060; color: white; padding: 2px;"><i>Credit Card information for One-Time Gift or Installment Payments:</i></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;"><input type="checkbox"/> VISA</td> <td style="width: 25%;"><input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard</td> <td style="width: 25%;"><input type="checkbox"/> AmEx</td> <td style="width: 25%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Discover</td> </tr> </table> <p>Name on Card: _____</p> <p>Card Number: _____</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Expiration Date: _____</td> <td style="width: 40%;">CSV Code: _____</td> </tr> </table> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Parish Office, please call me for the above information.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">I have already made my gift:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Through my workplace giving program. <input type="checkbox"/> Directly to the Pastor</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am not able to make a pledge at this time</p> <p>Signed: _____ Date: _____</p>	Total Pledged Gift: _____	# of Monthly Installments: _____	Check Number: _____	Check Date: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> VISA	<input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard	<input type="checkbox"/> AmEx	<input type="checkbox"/> Discover	Expiration Date: _____	CSV Code: _____
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**Parish Use Only**

Affix Label Here or:

New Donor is a:	<input type="checkbox"/> Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Visitor
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## Weekly Contributions ~ Sept. 6 - Sept. 7, 2025

Ordinary Income	Expenses	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection
\$20,341.00	\$23,993.28	\$2,914.00
		Catholic University

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. You can also scan the QR code below to donate.**



OUR JOURNEY  
*United in* **HOPE**



**Goal:** \$147,300.00

**As of 9/3/25:** \$71,423.27

**% of Goal:** 48%

**Balance Remaining:**

\$ 75,876.73

### *Encountering God at the Sea*

#### *A Journey of Contemplative Prayer*

Facilitated by Joan Dollinger, Pastoral Associate

Contemplative prayer is using our minds and hearts to recognize God's presence and fix our gaze on God. It seeks to achieve a union with God and is characterized by quiet, stillness, and simply resting in God's presence.

Join us for a five-week series as we explore contemplative prayer practices designed to bring us closer to God.

Thursday, October 16, 23 and 30; November 6 and 20

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

de Sales Room

Donation: \$15

Limit: 12

Please register by contacting Joan Dollinger:

609-884-5312 Ex. 109 or [jdollinger@ladystarofthesea.org](mailto:jdollinger@ladystarofthesea.org)

Survivors & Thrivers is a community of women who have experienced or are experiencing any kind of cancer.

**Next meeting:** Oct. 9, 2025 ~ 4:00 - 5:00PM

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

**Contact:** Dani, [flyhome@icloud.com](mailto:flyhome@icloud.com) or call 609-898-4431



## *The Gift of Altar Flowers* *Our Lady Star of the Sea or St. Agnes Chapel*

**You may choose to sponsor Altar Flowers at St. Agnes Chapel or Our Lady Star of the Sea. St. Agnes will be open on weekends through Sept. 2025.**



Beautiful altar flowers may be sponsored in memory, honor or celebration of someone special to you. The sponsor and honoree will be included in the weekly Bulletin. The donation for weekly altar flowers is \$75.00. A request for a specific week should be made in advance (sorry, no flower donations during Lent, Easter, Advent or Christmas). The donation form can be found on our website under the Current Events Tab. Click on the form, complete and return the donation to the Parish Office. Thank you for your consideration and for supporting Our Lady Star of the Sea Church.

### Lectors

#### Saturday - September 27

4:00p G. Kucher  
5:30p M. McDevitt

#### Sunday - September 28

8:00a K. Ford  
9:30a T. Morris  
11:00a T. Konz  
6:00p S. Holland

### St. Agnes, Cape May Point

**Sunday: 8:30a** B. Hodgdon 1. D. Barnsby 2. AM. Patton 3. B. Conner

### Eucharistic Ministers

#### Saturday - September 27

4:00p 1. N. Mulvaney 2. M. Schuhl 3. D. Dix 4. M. Pelligrine  
5:30p 1. D. O'Conner 2. J. Preis 3. H. Frederick 4. F. Boyle

#### Sunday - September 28

8:00a 1. J. Ford 2. ML. Hayko 3. J. Krefski 4. S. Tarrant  
9:30a 1. J. McFadden 2. A. Kufta 3. R. Gensel 4. D. Bostard  
11:00a 1. N. Minchew 2. N. Konz 3. J. Foreman 4. J. Foreman  
6:00p 1. F. Bianco 2. K. Brown 3. B. Cummings 4. D. Smith

**Simply Soup** is a concrete (delicious and nutritious) expression of our parish mission: **"where one can feel the loving embrace of God."** Our work is directed to "feeding the hungry" as our Lord asks in the Gospel.




The soup is made fresh each month in the kitchen in our Parish Hall. Volunteers prepare, package, and deliver the soup. For this work of mercy, donations came in other forms as well. This money was used for pots, pans, kitchenware, produce and soup package materials. Several local businesses contributed by offering produce for free or at a reduced price. A special thank you to Tony's Produce in the Villas who provides us with our fresh vegetables monthly

We will continue the mission. We invite your participation. Our first soup dates are October 7<sup>th</sup> after the 11:00AM Mass, and October 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM.

**"Many hands make work light."**

**Contact: Alice or Joseph Scala at (609)884-5452 for further information.**





## FAMILY CATECHESIS COMES TO PREP! (PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM!) GRADES 1 - 7

As the primary educators of their children, family catechesis is a model for parents to take a more active role in the faith formation of their children.

- Combines parish-based group meetings twice a month with at-home sessions to reinforce learning and cater to individual family schedules.
- Uses engaging experiences, including videos, audio, and interactive elements, to help children connect with their faith.
- The parish provides resources, guidance, and a community to support families on their faith journey.
- Benefits: deepens faith, builds family bonds, empowers parents, creates a domestic church.

Registration fees are used to cover the cost of textbooks, classroom supplies, technology, and other resources.

One child: \$115.00  
Second child: \$85.00  
Third child: \$45.00  
...the rest of the family comes free.  
If paid by September 19, deduct \$5.00 from the cost of each child.

PREP begins on Sunday, October 5 at 9:15 AM for children and parents.  
Sunday, October 19 will be children.

Sessions will alternate between parents/children and children.

For registration information, contact Joan Dollinger at [jdollinger@ladystarofthesea.org](mailto:jdollinger@ladystarofthesea.org) or 609-884-5312 Ex. 109



**CVAC**  
Citizens/Veterans Advisory Committee  
P.O. Box 133, Villas NJ 08251 609-425-8608 | [www.cvaccapemay.com](http://www.cvaccapemay.com)

**SAVE THE DATE: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2025**

**CVAC PRESENTS**

## VETERAN'S BENEFITS & HEALTH FAIR

- OVER 60 TABLES OF VETERAN'S RESOURCES
- WALK-IN CLINIC TO APPLY FOR AND CHECK ON YOUR BENEFITS
- FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH
- KEYNOTE SPEAKER: RALPH GALATI - VIETNAM POW

**OPEN TO ALL VETERANS AND VETERAN'S FAMILIES**

**WILWOOD CONVENTION CENTER**  
4501 BOARDWALK AVE  
WILWOOD, NJ  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**FREE SCREENINGS & INFORMATION SEMINARS**  
**YOU SERVED US, NOW LET US SERVE YOU!**

**FREE PARKING**




## CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER

Presented by Carolyn Rebalsky, RN, MSN (retired)

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2025**  
**8:45 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - \$65**

Are you serving as a caregiver for a loved one?

- Discover strategies for your own well-being and balance.
- Gain insights into forgiving yourself for the tough aspects of caregiving.
- Learn to care for yourself so that you can continue to care for others.
- Coffee and check-in begin at 8:45 a.m.
- The day includes Mass and lunch.




**\*You may opt to stay overnight the evening of Tuesday, October 28, for an additional \$100. Dinner at 5:00 PM is included.**

Villa Maria by the Sea Retreat Center  
101 111th Street, Stone Harbor, NJ 08247  
Register by October 20th  
at [www.VMbytheSea.com](http://www.VMbytheSea.com) or call 609-964-7700

## JOIN BISHOP JOSEPH WILLIAMS IN CELEBRATING OUR CENTENARIANS, NONAGENARIANS AND OCTOGENARIANS



**SUNDAY  
OCTOBER 5  
11:30 AM MASS**  
RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

**A BEAUTIFUL MASS & RECEPTION DEDICATED TO THOSE AGE 80 AND BEYOND WHO LIVE THEIR LIFE TO THE FULLEST!**

*"The Jubilee we are now celebrating helps us to realize that hope is a constant source of joy, whatever our age."*  
Pope Leo XIV

**CHRIST THE GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH  
SAINT ISIDORE THE FARMER CHURCH  
1655 MAGNOLIA ROAD | VINELAND**

RSVP by September 29, 2025  
[vitality-events@camdandioocese.org](mailto:vitality-events@camdandioocese.org)  
Contact Christine Willard at 856-583-6121 or scan the QR code




**VITALity**  
Catholic Healthcare Services  
A HEALTHCARE MINISTRY OF THE DIOCESE OF CAMDEN



## 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

### CURRENTLY ENROLLING GRADES PREK-12



**WILDWOOD  
CATHOLIC  
ACADEMY**

*Nurturing Hearts and Minds by the Light of Christ*

South Jersey's first and only PreK-Grade 12 Catholic Academy  
Wholesome, Faith-Based Learning

Discover the many opportunities we offer, including our academic and extracurricular programs, financial aid, a transportation, and scholarships.



### SCHEDULE A VISIT

**Plan a Shadow Day or a School Visit**

Call 609-522-7257 or email [l.zuccarello@wildwoodcatholicacademy.org](mailto:l.zuccarello@wildwoodcatholicacademy.org)

Find out more online under Upper Division Admissions:  
[www.wildwoodcatholicacademy.org](http://www.wildwoodcatholicacademy.org)

1500 Central Avenue, North Wildwood, NJ 08260  
609-522-7257



Scan to inquire  
about enrolling!



## 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 four times a year. 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 and the request should be made to the captain at least TWO days before the appointment. Please do not call our volunteers directly.** We are unable to transport wheelchairs. **This week's captain is Sister Nancy. Her number is 609-408-2549.**



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 Martine Simonis 609-884-5312 x 110.**

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.



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

**THE LEGION OF MARY** meets Mondays at 9:15AM in the de Sales 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.



**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, Michael McGovern (Chair), Donna Wicker (Vice Chair), Janet Kerney, Jeanne McFadden, Jim McHugh, Danielle Rechner, Susan Tarrant, Joe Bogle, and Richard Turco.

**Parish Finance Council:** Joe Bogle, Patrick Holden, Kathy Parker, Jon Miles, Kevin O'Neill

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES** held **Sundays 9:15AM - 11:30** which includes going to the 10:30 Mass. Contact Joan Dollinger 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 [SouthJerseyCatholic-Cemeteries.org](http://SouthJerseyCatholic-Cemeteries.org) or call 855-MyPrePlan (855-697-7375).





**In Search of Truth:  
The Life and Legacy of Edith  
Stein**



**When:** November 5

**What:** Edith Stein, St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, OCD was a Jewish scholar who converted to Catholicism and died in Auschwitz as a Carmelite nun. She was always in search of Truth. During our time together, we will explore Edith's fascinating life, a little of her philosophy, and some of her practical suggestions for holiness. Mass and lunch are included.

**Contact:** 609-964-7695 or visit  
<https://www.vmbythesea.com/retreats/>

## Special Notice

**As of 9/13, we will lock the Ocean Street side doors once Mass has begun. If someone arrives after Mass has started, they will need to enter through the main front door of the Church. Please be advised that anyone can exit any door at any time.**



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609-884-5312 ext. 110**



**MEN'S SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE**  
**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2025**

**Join Us For This One-Day Life Changing Event!**

**"We Are Called To Be Men of Faith  
and Pilgrims of Hope"**

Along with amazing speakers, enjoy opportunities for adoration, confession,  
inspiring music and spiritual reflection.

And don't miss breakfast, lunch, and an array of exhibitors.



**Most Rev. Joseph Williams**  
Ninth Bishop Of Camden NJ



**Chris Stefanick**  
Author, Speaker, TV Host



**Most Rev. Dennis Sullivan**  
Bishop Emeritus of Camden NJ



**Eddie Morris**  
A Man Of Faith, Hope, and Action



**Deacon Steve Javie**  
Former NBA Referee

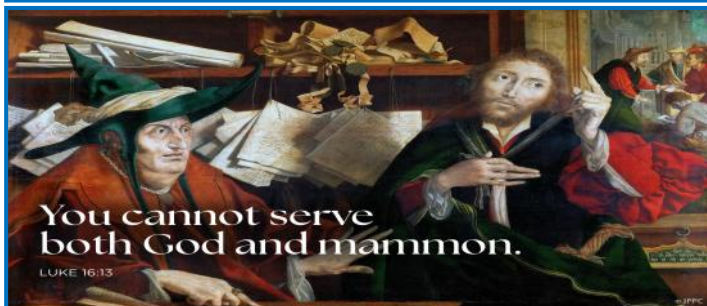


**Tom Kendzia**  
OCP Musician, Composer, Author

Paul VI Conference Center | 901 Hopkins Road, Haddonfield NJ  
Registration and Breakfast Begin at 7:30 Conference Ends at 3:30



Tickets and Information  
[MANUPSOUTHJERSEY.COM](http://MANUPSOUTHJERSEY.COM)



**You cannot serve  
both God and mammon.**

LUKE 16:13

## ARE YOU....

- **SOMEONE OF ANOTHER FAITH WHO WISHES TO BECOME CATHOLIC?**
- **SOMEONE WHO WAS BAPTIZED IN ANOTHER CHRISTIAN DEMONINATION AND NOW DESIRES TO BE A MEMBER OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?**
- **SOMEONE WHO WAS BAPTIZED CATHOLIC, BUT NEVER RECEIVED FIRST HOLY COMMUNION OR CONFIRMATION?**

**IF YOU ANSWERED YES TO ANY OF THESE QUESTIONS, JOIN  
US IN THE OCIA PROGRAM (ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION  
OF ADULTS) AT OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA.**

**PLEASE CONTACT JOAN DOLLINGER, PASTORAL ASSOCIATE FOR LIFELONG  
FORMATION AT [JDOLLINGER@LADYSTAROFTHESEA.ORG](mailto:JDOLLINGER@LADYSTAROFTHESEA.ORG) OR 609-884-5412 EX.  
109**

**OCIA WILL BEGIN IN OCTOBER.**





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

Carolina Abbamondi, Michael Beshel, Colin Canconnon, Philip Carroll, Maureen Crystal, Mary Elbertson, Maria Enos, Harry W. Finnegan, Kevin Hassett, Lydia Inderweis, Peter Iurato, Scott Jamerson, Peg Jaskot, Sr., Edna Leifheit, Tricia Kraemer, Noel Mascio, Sr. Kay McTague, Mary Pilla, Jovita Ramos, Patrick Romett, Mary Rothwein, Arthur Schwerdt, Barbara Sharp, Dillon Sheehy, Joseph Slawek



***"We have loved them during life; let us not abandon them in death, until we have conducted them by our prayers into the House of the Lord."*** St. Ambrose

**Tina Fisher  
Dolores Ellen Vandegrift**



### **The Four Leadership Roles of Men**

This session explores the four leadership roles of men, fruits of those roles fulfilled, the foundation for the future, marriage and finding peace in the balance.

**Join us on Monday evening September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00PM in the McGiveny Room in the Parish Hall.**

**Contact: Gregg Rudinski (267)810-9631 or [dasher0705@proton.me](mailto:dasher0705@proton.me)**



**Come explore the magical world of Monarch Butterflies.**

**When:** Wednesday, Sept. 24

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

**Where:** Nature Center

1600 Delaware Ave., Cape May

**Lunch:** Brown Bag

**Program:** Monarch Butterflies ~ Life History  
Cultural significance, Tagging process,  
Conservation challenges,  
Migration patterns



### **WIN A 2025 MERCEDES-BENZ!**

Feeling lucky? Enter our car raffle today for a chance to win a brand-new Mercedes-Benz!



**Tickets:** Just \$5.00

**Draw Date:** October 19, 2025

**Buy tickets at:** Car raffle booth or [www.ladystarofthesea.org](http://www.ladystarofthesea.org)

**All proceeds support Catholic Education, Church Restoration & Operating Expenses**

**Drive in style. Win with pride.**



**Knights of  
Columbus**



**The Knights of Columbus – St. Mary's Council #6202** are sponsoring a fundraiser raffle, **Forks & Corks of the Cape**, a multi-course dinner and wine pairing for six guests. Participating restaurants are Oyster Bay Restaurant & Bar, Peter Shields Inn & Restaurant, The Pier House, The Shore Club and the Washington Inn & Wine Bar. The raffle is limited to just 500 tickets with five (5) chances to win a gourmet feast. The donation per ticket is \$25.00. Delectable drawings will take place on October 7, 2025.

### **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 7, 2025.

**Place:** Alfe's Italian Seafood Restaurant, Wildwood.

**Time:** 5:30 PM Cocktails (cash bar) followed by dinner

**Entrees:** Shrimp Scampi, Linguine & Clam Sauce (Red), Chicken Marsala, and Veal Parmigiana.

**Cost:** \$30 per person for 4 course dinner, includes gratuity ~ pay at the table, cash only.

**RESERVATIONS are REQUIRED.**

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

### **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.**