

Church of the Sacred Heart



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Together we foster a welcoming spirit of unity while honoring our diversity which leads to a graced harmony among us since Christ is the center of all we are and do.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ January 16, 2022

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life. Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love. God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

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SACRED HEART CHURCH
PARISH INFORMATION

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103 Fourth Street, Riverton, NJ 08077-1205

Monday through Friday

8:30 am — 12:00 noon & 1:00 pm — 4:00 pm

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Tuesday through Friday

12:30 pm — 4:30 pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays

2:30 pm — 3:30 pm

GENERAL INFORMATION

NEW PARISHIONERS

Are always welcome, please register at the parish office.

MOVING?

Please notify us if you are moving out of the parish or changing your address or telephone number.

BAPTISMS

Please call the rectory as soon as possible to make arrangements.

Parish registration must be confirmed and eligibility certificates

for Catholic Godparents must be presented. Godparent and

sponsor certificates may be obtained by those who have received

all Sacraments in the Catholic Church. **CALL LESLIE AT 829-**

0090 x 10.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made at the rectory at least **ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE.** Please contact us to receive guidelines for the celebration of marriage.



Monday, January 17, 2022

8:00 am **Daniel Campbell**
r/o The Ehrhardt Family

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

8:00 am **Sue Horan**
r/o Her Family
Giovanna Salvo
r/o Kay Mufalli & Family
Deceased Members of the
Catholic Daughters
r/o Catholic Daughters

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

8:00 am **Communion Service**

Thursday, January 20, 2021

8:00 am **Tony Garbett**
r/o His Wife, Therese

Friday, January 21, 2022

8:00 am **Joan Lynch**
r/o Mary Jo Callahan
Chuck Mufalli
r/o His Wife, Kay

Saturday, January 22, 2022

8:00 am **Glenn & Camille Jackson**
r/o Their Family
Kathleen Herron
r/o The Herron Family
Bishop John M. Smith
r/o Sacred Heart Parish

4:00 pm **Roger Dugan**
r/o Melanie Klesch
Dot Tierney
r/o Dolores Burke

Sunday, January 23, 2022

7:30 am **Joan Lynch**
r/o Rob & Sharon Rickus
& Family
9:30 am **Florence Klein**
r/o Suzanne Cairns Wells
11:30 am **Joe Vanak**
r/o The Ehrhardt Family

**Please remember to be reverent
in Church before the Blessed Sacrament.**



**PLEASE PRAY
FOR OUR DEARLY DEPARTED
AND THEIR FAMILIES**

Warren Ferry, Connie Kelley, Angela Cheesman, Kate Salamon, Gennaro DiRe, Anna Anthony, Daniel Lyons, Maryanne Wagner, Michaelene Sutton, Christine Kowalski, Raymond Tubic, Jr., Michael Schneider, Pat MacCord, Dennis Mundy, Jennie Giampaolo, Edward Diamond, Walter Biernacki, Bernice Dunn, Hon. Terrence McStravick, Henry Sincavage, Theresa Cotter, Cecilia Angst, Jimmy Morrissey, Joanne Lavin, Mildred Greisamer, Patricia McGinnis, Suzanne Allen, Leo Kilcourse, Margaret Conlow, Alice Anderson, JoAnn Kline, John Baxter, Rosalie Mascio, Charles O'Malley, Vincent Perkins, Chief Ed DeLussey, Christian Gonzalez, Phyllis Jung, Daniel Campbell, Florence Klein, Caroline Shontz, Helen McGee, Rita Leone, Joseph Vanak, Helen Gilbert, Marie Bloomquist, Marie Rota, Joanne Nesemeier, Pat Pellegrino, Rick Dudzic, Jeanne Max, Liane Stafford, Debra Burns, France Carmondy, Mary Ann Lattore, Jim Nachman, Sarah Jane Zimmermann, Patrick O'Neill, Sr., June Gill, Sophie Maduzio, Vincent Trolla, John McInerney, Jr., Maria Bozicek, Russell DiLeo, Rick Muraresku, Baby Daniel Evans, Gerald Mulcahy, Mary Vandy, Robert Happe, Ralph Pepe, Carol Hosey, Mary Gillette, Michael Vagnoni, Eric Johnstone, Margaret Hefler, Ruth Yearly, Joan Lynch and Jean Duschek



**PLEASE PRAY FOR
OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND**

Linda Agosti, Patricia Baxter, Margaret (Peg) Brooks, Doug Budroe, Bert Cahill, Jr, Tom Cairns III, Dorothy Clinton, Diana Comerford, Sharon Connor, Esther DiLeonardo, Tanya DiMaio, Rosemary DiTaranto, Deacon Joe Donadieu, Ruth Donadieu, Diane Donnelly, Fr. George Dudak, Kathy Ellis, Elizabeth Falkiewicz, Marianne Ford, Stephanie Forker, Nicole Funkhouser, Marianne Gasper, Glenn Godwin, Joe Gross, Marlie & Megan Guicheteau, Jamie Hall, Maddie Harris, Eric & Sasha Hayes, Mary Hayes, Gerald Higgins, Glenn D. Jackson, Vernon Jenkins, Madison Jones, John Jordan, Marie Kenkelen, Marybeth Kennedy, Ellena Klein, Regina Kurtz, Matthew Laverty, Willow Laverty, Joe Leahy, David MacWilliams, Molly Maerten, Travis Martin, Bill Max, William McGonigal, Ashley McKeon, Mary Meeks, Amanda Milewski, Melissa Milewski, Mary Moynahan, Shawn Mulvihill, Rick Muraresku, Marty O'Halloran, Millie Opperman, Judy Palait, Mary Theresa Pepper, Joseph & Mary Ellen Raday, Chris Reteneller, Marty Schindwein, Michael Stanley Schneider, Linda Sekula, Charles & Susan Sharpe, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Ed Siemietkoski, Gwen Smith, Rob M. Smith, Joanne Soden, Carol Spence, Nicole Stavely, Millie Flannery Strohm, Tim Svitak, Eileen Thress, Amy Tuccillo, Paul Ugolick, Gigi Urbano, Donna Van Hoy, Bob Venango, Richard Wark, Dennis Willoughby and Jamie Willoughby

If you or a family member would like prayers during Mass from our parishioners please call the parish office.



Care of the sick: If a family member is sick or homebound and would like to receive Communion please contact Dawn Vermes at 856-979-5107.

Parish Mission

In preparation for our Parish Mission in March we will need volunteers in areas of publicity, hospitality, liturgical ministers and possibly child care.

It will be a success when many of us take part, please consider and call Fran at 856-829-1836.

Save the Dates
Parish Mission
March 12th thru 15th

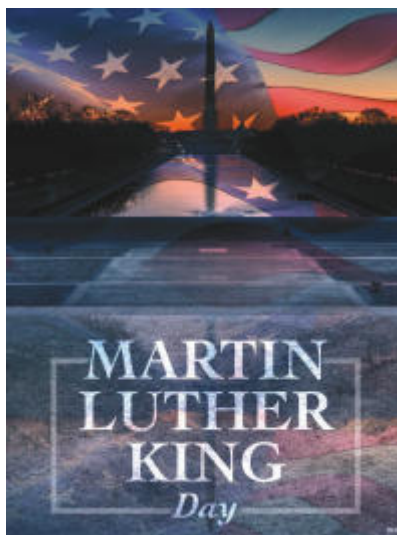
WEEKEND MUSIC – JANUARY 16TH

- 421** Church of God, Elect and Glorious
- 516** Holy Wisdom, Lamp of Learning
- 353** One Love Released
- 541** O God Beyond All Praising

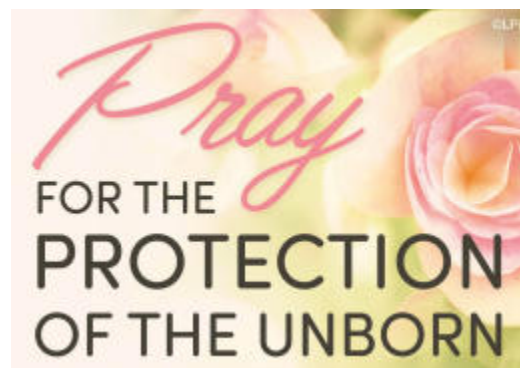


Hymns for the 9:30am Mass with the Guitar Group

- 560** O Bless the Lord
- 417** In Christ Alone
Holy Spirit
- 657** One Lord



**The Parish
Offices will be
closed on
Monday,
January 17th in
observance of
Martin Luther
King Day.**



FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

January 9, 2022

\$10,080.00

Electronic giving for December 2021

\$9,899.00

Thank you very much to all of you who have been kind enough to drop off or mail in your weekly offerings.

Please remember Sacred Heart in your Last Will and Testament

Father Chuck's Homily:

How many of you, whether you are a child now, or were a child once, how many of you have received what I call the 'Mommy look?' You know, when mother tells you to do something, and you either don't do it, or like Jesus today say that's not my job? And you get the look? And next thing you know you're doing what she asked you to do, sometimes as fast as you can. Now how many of you mothers have GIVEN the Mommy look?

I bring that up because today the Gospel passage, while about the first Miracle at Cana, it also tells us as much about Mary and her relationship with Jesus as it does about the miracle. I can imagine today Mary giving Jesus the mommy look. Nowhere else in the scriptures are Mary and Jesus shown as a normal family in a normal relationship. She tells him to do something, he says that's not my business she gives him the look and tells the servants – "do what he says". Doesn't argue, doesn't complain, doesn't throw a guilt trip . . .yet. . . she just lets him know that he WILL do what she asks because it is the right thing to do.

Mary is the Mommy and Jesus, who about 30 and not married, is still the kid. My late secretary Betty used to say that Mom was an acronym for Mean Old Mother.

But what is it that happens today, what the lesson we can draw? Mary brings a problem to Jesus, and he solves it. Whether or not he hesitated or dragged his feet, in the end he solved it. We Catholics and the eastern orthodox Churches, are often criticized for the importance we give to the Blessed Mother and how we pray through her, even though there is this passage that directly supports our practice of praying through her and the other saints – intercessory prayer. We ask them to bring our prayers and needs to Jesus who will answer, and remember sometimes the answer is no, or, if not no, then yes but not the way we want. We may not get this job, but we may get that one. Does Mary answer the prayers? Does Dorothea, or Anthony, or Gertrude or Symphorian, Swiadeck, Sidbert or Quiriac? No, but they help us with THEIR prayers, just as Mary helped the newly married couple in today's reading.

As one author wrote: "'Woman, how does your concern affect me?'" This question is often cited by some Protestants to refute Catholic devotion to Mary. Of course, as Catholics we know that in addressing her as 'woman' Jesus is not only using a standard way of speaking for His time, but was universalizing Mary's role in salvation history, identifying her both as the New Eve and looking forward to her role at the crucifixion and later in the Book of Revelation. We know that, even though He hesitates, Jesus relents and performs the desired miracle, thereby marking the start of His ministry and confirming His mother's intercessory role. But there's an even simpler reason why the Protestant interpretation is so wrong: Jesus did not actually say that to His mother. The original Greek in a literal translation says: 'Woman, what is that to me and to you?' This reflects the Greek. This seemingly minor change in translations has immense ramifications. Suddenly, rather than seeming like a rift between Jesus and Mary, Jesus' words make it seem like they are in this together. A fair paraphrase of their words might go something like: How should we intervene? What should we do about this? His response thus intensifies Mary's intercessory role. Rather than balking at it and only later giving in to her request, Jesus affirms Mary's participation in His redemptive mission."

So today, in addition to reminding us of his first miracle at Cana, we have a very good reminder about our practice of intercessory prayer: bringing the needs of others to Jesus, sometimes with the help of Mary and the saints. Because if we ask our friends on earth to pray for us, then why wouldn't we also ask our friends in heaven?

Good Sunday to you!

Well, winter has set in with a vengeance, hasn't it? I hope you are all keeping warm and safe. There's not much to report this week – things have quieted down now that the weather has turned cold and the holidays are over. We're in the lull (gratefully so after the past few months!). I want to take a moment to thank our parishioner who came out and helped John shovel out the Church.

The Church has left the Christmas Season behind and enter Ordinary Time. "Ordinary" meaning not one of the big Church seasons: Advent/Christmas/ Lent/ Easter. Ordinary Time is broken into two parts: between the baptism of the Lord and Ash Wednesday and between Pentecost and Advent. We wear green as a symbol of hope and rebirth. The length of OT varies from year to year, depending on when the major feasts, especially Easter, occur. Ash Wednesday this year will be on March 2, so about 6 weeks from now. Time does fly. Odd how it crept when we were younger and flies when we're older, isn't it?

We've been having a couple of issues lately with the Extraordinary Ministers of Communion. Not all of them have reported into the sacristy before Mass starts. Often I'm not sure if I even have any in the congregation. So, I am asking, again, for them to report into the sacristy and check their names off the list on the counter. Also, they need to come forward DURING THE SIGN OF PEACE. If they wait until the Lamb of God, then others assume there are none and get up to volunteer and we end up with a crowd in the sanctuary. Also, the same situation occurs if they sit too far back in the Church. So, I am asking them: 1. Sign in ahead of Mass; 2. Sit farther forward; 3. Come up during the Sign of Peace. Also, when in the sanctuary and I genuflect to the chalice and host, please bow with me and step forward as I drink from the cup.

We had a monkey wrench thrown into our Mission plans for Lent. Our Mission priest is ill (not COVID) and so we have two options: either find someone on short notice, or delay the Mission until a later date. Fran and I will confer and make a decision soon.

There's still time if you want a souvenir roof tile from the Old School Building, give us call to reserve.

And, last, our Christmas Collection is just under \$40,000.00. THANK YOU!!

I pray you have a safe and blessed week . . .stay warm! Father Chuck

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

January 22nd - January 23rd ~ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

	4:00pm	7:30am	9:30am	11:30am
Father/Deacons Preaching	Father	Deacon	Deacon	Father
Cantors	Linda Mundy		Nancy Forte Choir	Nicole Peak
Lectors	Joe Threston	Ken Smith	Scott Rader	Rob Rodolico
Extraordinary Ministers	Dolores Burke Bridget Hagstoz	John Hall Betty Weinert	Janice Egan Dan Silberstein	Ron Jackson Phyllis Manoloris

That's A Lot of Wine!



These are typical of the water jars used, therefore you would draw out because these are too heavy to be poured.

Through the prophet Isaiah the Lord speaks to us both individually and collectively. He speaks of us as the Church being the bride of Christ called into His glory. But let us not miss our Almighty Father speaking to us individually and hear what He wills for us.

He calls you by a new name. He wants to make you a crown held by the Lord. But most of all He takes delight in you! So much so that He wants to be as a Bridegroom to you, who cares, loves, protects, renews and rejoices in you.

Just prior to today's reading in Isaiah 62 is the last two verses of Isaiah 61:10-11, "I rejoice heartily in the Lord, in my God is the joy of my soul; For He has clothed me with a robe of salvation, and wrapped me in a mantle of justice."

See, the Lord has given us the holy attire to come and worship Him. He has given us salvation and called us to His very righteousness. Being forgiven, renewed, and set free we humbly worship Him in His Righteousness.

Coming ever closer and deeper in relationship with Him, the Spirit of God burst forth with life within us, pouring out His gifts for the building up of others. No matter what gifts you may have if they are used in the Love of Christ they bring about more and more life within each of us individually and within the Church.

What I just described may seem too ideal and you may have been thinking this is not what you have been experiencing. Well, many times on our journey we might relate to this bride and groom at Cana running out of wine. But we do have a God who cares about everything in our lives and knows exactly what we need. In my own life I experienced that my God knows what I need even before I do.

When God supplies our needs according to His riches in glory, he does not go small. I have no idea how big the wedding was in Cana but even if there were 200 people they would not use all the wine that Jesus supplied. Jesus provided 180 gallons of the finest of wine in addition to what was already consumed. In today's standards we would very generously use 50 gallons of wine for 500 people. So if this wedding was 200 people it could easily go on for a week and still have wine left.

But Jesus is still doing this today. When our hearts or lives are out of wine and we come to Him as His mother did; knowing His love and concern for us and with expectation, He will pour out new wine for us lavishly.

Fran Stinsman

Come Unto Me

Bob Hurd

Come, come unto me; I will make you a jewel. Precious and rare the glory you'll bear in the crown of God.

There are deeds you alone must do; there are words only you can say. Trust in me, and do not tremble, for I go with you to show you the way.

From the dawn of creation, from the tree on Calvary, I chose you and gave my life to be my own, to be my delight.

Attention Extraordinary Ministers, Lectors and Volunteers

If you have not picked up a book in the Sacristy, please do so. They are in a box and they are gift wrapped. Thank you for all you do for Sacred Heart.

We go together like
Coffee & Donuts

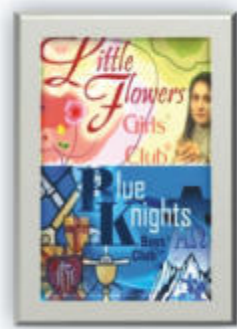


This Sunday after the 7:30 and 9:30 AM Mass in the gym.

We will need men to help break down the tables and put chairs away. Many hands make light work. Thank you in advance to anyone who can help.

God’s Followers and Little Flowers and Blue Knights will be meeting Friday, January 21st

Little Flowers and Blue Knights



Open to all kids in K-3rd grades to learn more about our great faith in a fun way! Join us in the Family Center Room 6 January 21st from 5:30-7:00pm. For more information please call Ashling at 201-725-1464 or email:

ashlinglyons@yahoo.com


God’s Followers



Students from 4th-7th grades are welcome to join us in the Family Center gym January 21st 5:30-7:00pm for fun and fellowship!

Please call Erin Foley with any questions-856-229-3285 for God’s Followers.



Diocesan Youth Conference



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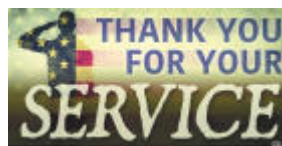
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A PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY



Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior... Amen.

Catholic Daughters are on the road again. A trip



planned is to see *David* at Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA on Wednesday, April 20, 2022, for more information and reservations regarding the trip please call Marie Russo at 856-829-1999. **Cost is \$135. Deposit is requested by Monday, January 17, 2022.**

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A trip to Doolans in Spring Lake, NJ is scheduled for St. Patrick's Day, Thursday, March 17, 2022. Trip includes one hour open bar plus extra wine hour, complete luncheon, choice of one of three entrees, dessert, coffee/tea plus a show and transportation, snacks and gratuities including driver tip. The is \$105 pp. Deposit upon registration is due by January 7th and the balance due by February 1st. Call Marie at 856-829-1999.

Catholic Daughters will be collecting baby items again for 1st Way of Burlington co. Let's help these moms who chose life!

Items needed are baby clothing, baby blankets, diapers, formula, baby cereal, baby towels, shampoo, etc. They only accept donations for the babies. The only adult clothing they will accept is maternity clothing. Please place donations in the side altar closest to the ramp. We thank you in advance for your generosity!

It Takes All Kinds

"If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness." Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint. But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom. Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all. Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word? Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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St. Sebastian | January 20

Not much is known about the life of St. Sebastian (256 – 287), except that he was a Roman martyr whose name has been mentioned throughout history since early 350. We see St. Sebastian many times in art, especially from iconic paintings from Guido Reni, Andrea Mantegna and Hendrick ter Brugghen. Historical scholars now agree that a spiritual story has the beloved saint entering the Roman army because only there could he assist Christian martyrs without arousing suspicion on himself. Eventually he was found out, brought before Emperor Diocletian and delivered to Mauritanian archers to be shot to death. Pierced with arrows, he was left for dead, but managed to survive. He recovered from his wounds but still refused to leave. One day, St. Sebastian took up a position near where the emperor was to pass. He confronted the emperor, condemning him for his cruelty to Christians. This time the sentence of death was carried out, and St. Sebastian was beaten to death with clubs. Today he is the patron saint of athletes.



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Faithful Departed

Question:

How can we pray for the dead throughout the year?

Answer:

We commemorate the faithful departed on November 2nd each year. However, we can and should continue to pray for the dead. Our growth in Christian perfection takes a long time. At the time of our death, many of us might not be saints yet. But God, in His mercy, allows for those who love Him to experience purification after death. Our word for that state is Purgatory. It's the antechamber of heaven, so to speak. We know we're getting in the house, but we're not quite ready to go all the way in. There's rain to shake off our coats and dirt that's clogging our shoes.

Here on earth, we can pray for the souls in Purgatory. One way is to request that your parish offer a Mass for the intention of a specific loved one. We can also remember the departed in our daily prayers. Just as we have special intentions for family and friends here on earth, we can pray for those who have died. It's also a good act of Christian charity to pray for the forgotten, those who have no one else to pray for them. God knows who they are!

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A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held February 4 – 6, 2022. Please apply ASAP as space is limited. Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco). Visit us at: www.wwme.org for more information.

Location: Holiday Inn - Princeton - Princeton, NJ
Contact: Ruth & Tom De Falco
Contact Phone: 732-904-9636



Offerings at Francis House of Prayer

Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center
 84 Walnford Road ~ Allentown, NJ 08501
 609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net

Please check www.FHOP.org for registration, directions and for our other offerings! All programs will be offered online and in person unless otherwise indicated.

**Claim Your Light/Find Your Voice
 Thursday, February 3rd ~ 9:30am to noon**

Ever feel as though you are running on empty? You are not alone! Come join in a mid-morning retreat and fill your spiritual gas tank with the energy hidden in the back-to-back feasts of the Presentation of Jesus and St. Blaise. Renewed by God’s presence, go forth and be God’s light and God’s voice in our world. Donation: \$20.

**Valentine’s Celebration for couples
 In-Person Only**

**Sunday, February 13th ~ 11am to 1:00pm
 Liturgy at 11:00am**

This year our Valentine Celebration takes a different shape. We begin with Mass at 11:00am which will include the renewal of marriage vows. We follow with a delicious lunch. Donation: Love Offering.



RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE - Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of February 11-13, 2022 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

A Prayer for the Unborn

Heavenly Father, in Your love for us, protect against the wickedness of the devil, those helpless little ones to whom You have given the gift of life. Touch with pity the hearts of those women pregnant in our world today we are not thinking of motherhood. Help them to see that the child they carry is made in Your image, as well as theirs, made for eternal life. Dispel their fear of selfishness and give them true womanly hearts to love their babies and give them birth and all the needed care that a mother can give. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen

 **PUZZLE**
 Find the two identical jars.



 **MISSION**
 What does Jesus tell you to do in his word, the Bible? Find out by reading the Bible for 15 minutes a day with your family. You could start by reading Luke.

SACRED HEART WOMEN'S RETREAT
APRIL 8th – 10th, 2022
MARIS STELLA RETREAT CENTER
HARVEY CEDARS, LONG BEACH ISLAND



THE BASIN AND THE TOWEL

John 13:1-17

Please join us as we spend a weekend in the 'Upper Room' with Jesus in the final hours before His Passion.

Come for an evening, overnight or the entire weekend. Single rooms are available. For more information, please contact Kathy Portella at 609-230-1938 and/or email her at kathyp319@yahoo.com

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