

Parish of Saint Maximilian Kolbe

December 26, 2021

Merry
Christmas!

AND THE WORD BECAME FLESH

JOHN 1:14



On December 12, 13, and 14 our parish celebrated the tenth anniversary of 'our birth' under the patronage of Saint Maximilian Kolbe.

On Sunday, December 12, following the 5pm Mass, presenters from our *Life & Justice Ministry* called us to consider that just as Our Savior left Heaven to heal our wounded world, so too the members of our parish family have gone into the world as sources of comfort to so many.



On Monday, December 13, we had a Family Fun Night featuring "Ken the Magician & Jazzy Jen" who invited us to see that "magic is an illusion, but miracles are real."

On Tuesday, December 14, we celebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving followed by a special evening of celebration under the twinkling lights in Immaculata Hall reminding us of how our parishioners have gone into the world to bring light to those in darkness.



And most importantly, today we celebrate the true beginning of our parish family with the birth of the Lord Jesus. May you experience His light in the darkness, His comfort in need and awe in the miracle of His presence this Christmas Day, *Fr. Pete*

*I will thank you Lord in the assembly of your people
I will praise you before them all (Psalm 35:18)*



Mass Intentions

Church of The Resurrection

Saturday, December 25, 2021

8:00am For the People of the Parish, Living & Deceased

9:30am For the People of the Parish, Living & Deceased

Sunday, December 26, 2021

8:00am For Our Living & Deceased Parishioners

9:30am Lewis Licari by his sister, Denise Cisternino

11:00am Nick Zipparo by Bill & Lynda Zipparo

5:00pm Jim Arrow & Joseph Fonash by Dan & Mary Mealey

Tuesday, December 28, 2021

8:30am Peggy Wasiuta by Al & Josephine Pavlichko

Wednesday, December 29, 2021

8:30am Gina Richard by her loving mother, Joan Mottola

Thursday, December 30, 2021

8:30am JoAnn Slonieski by Karen & Nick LaRatta

Friday, December 31, 2021

8:30am Carol Helen Luken by Bob, Janis & Christina Smith

Rita Tomaselli by Fred & Kathleen Latella

Barbara Jansen by Kathy, Ray, Raymond & Elizabeth

Suzanne McCreesh by the Neighbors

4:00pm Bob Sampson by John & Jacque Olansen

Saturday, January 1, 2022

8:00am Patricia A. Wiseley by Marge Norman

JoAnn Slonieski by Dina

David Savarese by the Allen Family

Sunday, January 2, 2022

8:00am For Our Living & Deceased Parishioners

9:30am Edward B. Patroski, 5th Anniversary by Helen-Mary

11:00am JoAnn Slonieski by Carol Casano

5:00pm Patricia N. Buynak by the Gentilini Family

Church of the Resurrection

Saint Casimir Church

304 Clay Street

Woodbine, NJ 08270

Mass Schedule:

Saturday 5:30pm

Sunday 8:30am

Confession:

Saturday 5:15pm

Or by Appointment

Mass Schedule:

Daily Mass

Tues-Fri 8:30am

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am,*

11:00am, 5:00pm

Confession:

Wednesday 5:30-6:00pm

(except first Wednesday)

Saturday 3:00pm

Or by Appointment

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Saint Casimir Church

Saturday, December 25, 2021

8:30am For the People of the Parish, Living & Deceased

Sunday, December 26, 2021

8:30am Richard Miles by his Wife

Sunday, January 2, 2022

8:30am Marie Molchen by Claudia & Felicia



Resurrection Church

Friday, December 31, 2021

Feast of Solemnity of Mary,

Mother of God

4:00pm**

Saturday, January 1, 2022

Feast of Solemnity of Mary,

Mother of God

8:00am **

Resurrection Church & Saint Casimir

Saturday, January 1, 2022

Feast of the Epiphany

No Vigil Masses at 4pm or 5:30pm

Sunday, January 2, 2022

Feast of the Epiphany

Regular Sunday Mass Schedule

**In accord with the provisions of canon 1246 §2 of the Code of Canon Law, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has ruled: "Whenever January 1, the solemnity of Mary, Mother of God falls on a Saturday or on a Monday, the precept to attend Mass is abrogated" (www.usccb.org).

We hope you will celebrate this feast with us. It is not a holy day of obligation this year.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be **closed** on Friday, December 31 for New Year's Eve and will **reopen** on Monday, January 3, 2022.

Pray for our Military

Please pray for Sgt. Andre Alampiev, CMSgt Michael Allen, Devin Bradley, MK3 Michael Bryan, Francis Campbell, Matthew Catanoso, Bishop Joseph L. Coffey, Lt. Joseph D. Cotton, Jake Crowell, USCG James J. Duggan, MM2 Dominique P. Evans, Brandon Farrell, Brian Furey, PFC Christopher George Jr., Capt. Bill Griffin, Lt. Melissa Griffin, PFC Brent Gunsell, Michael Hagan, Jr., USCG Vinny Iannace, Jake Johnson, Zachary Johnson, Kevin Kennedy, Nicholas Kling, TSgt Bryan Lemmon, LCpl Austin Little, PFC Alicia Magill, Lt. Colonel Stephen Martenz, PFC Brendan Meyers (Reserves), LCpl. Andrew Morrill, 2nd Lt. Matthew Muller, David Matthew Murray, Douglas Philip Murray, PFC Jennifer Ocampo, Max O'Sullivan, Nick O'Sullivan, Ellen Pfeifle, Michael Quirk, PFC Matt Rash, 2nd L Nicholas Schalek, PFC, Lt. Colonel Matthew Speed, 1st Class Blake Taylor, Stephen Townsend, Jacob Williams and Tyler Williams. **Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord. Amen**

Pray for the Sick

Dustin Allegretto
Michael Bryan
Lois Colleluori
Iris Cooper
Lucille Costello
Joanne Countis
Joyce Dever
Shirley Fox
Therese Knight

Frederick Little
Max McElhatton
Cathy Prost
Nicholas Radano
Joseph Skutlin
Linda Skutlin
Mike Shimp
Jason Switek

May the Lord bring healing and renewed strength to all the sick and bless those who care for the sick. Amen



Please note that Father Pete's RCIA Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 4, 2022.

For more information, please go to our website at <https://www.saintmaxkolbe.com/rcia> or call the parish office at 609-390-0664.



Sacraments

Baptism: Third Sunday of the month. Call parish office to schedule at (609) 390-0664.

Marriage: Arrangements may be made with the pastor one year in advance. Call parish office to schedule an appointment.

First Communion & Confirmation: Please call the Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) Director, Agnes Bross at 609-390-2203.

RCIA Program & Anointing of the Sick: Call parish office.

Divine Mercy at the Parish of Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Jesus introduced the Chaplet of Divine Mercy through a vision granted to St. Faustina. To grow in trust in the mercy of Jesus, we first must pray and ask for it. As we receive mercy our trust in the Lord grows. The peace of our soul increases because our soul is not empty, but filled with God. When we allow His mercy to heal our hearts and fill us with new faith and confidence, we are able to be merciful to others. We become apostles of mercy, too.

The Divine Mercy Group will pray at Saint Casimir Church and Church of the Resurrection at 3:00pm every Wednesday. All are welcome to come.

Sisters of Saint Joseph Maxim #66

Expect difficulties and persevere until God shows you it is time to let go.

Maxim 66



- I treasure the Spirit's gift of courage living in me.
- I pray to stay in rhythm with God's timing.
- Look at how nature lives life just as it is meant to be.

Maxims are basic life principles to help guide us to grow in our love for God, our dear neighbor and our relationship with the earth. A different maxim will be displayed weekly for all of us to ponder and reflect on.

Life & Justice

From Pope Francis' encyclical, "Laudato Si'", we have received 7 goals to work on over the next 7 years. The last goal concerns "Community Engagement and Participatory Action". This calls for involving the wider public in the development of plans to prepare for changes affecting us, such as storm intensity, weather emergencies and sea level rise. Again we can look to Catholic Climate Covenant.org for more helpful information.

Sister Connie Trainor, SSJ



Parish & Community News



March for Life

**Friday, January 21, 2022
Washington, D.C.**

Cape May County & Atlantic County

6:30am: the bus will leave from the parking lot at the Church of the Resurrection. 200 Tuckahoe Road, Marmora.

7:00am: leave from shopping center parking lot, 3121 Fire Road, Egg Harbor Township, NJ.

11:00am: Stop at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception: Those who do not wish to march can stay at the Basilica for the day until the return of the bus home.

4:00 pm: leave from near the end of the March for Life route for return trip.

A freewill offering for the bus driver would be appreciated.

Contact: Tom Drinkard at (609)408-0299 or drinkardtc5@hotmail.com to reserve your seat and get trip details. (Bus chartered by Knights of Columbus Rev. Francis P. Araneo Chapter.)



A big shout out to the McMahon Agency of Ocean City for their generous donations to the SMK food pantry!

COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic at Saint Casimir

The Cape May County Department of Health is offering a Vaccine Clinic at Saint Casimir on

Tuesday, December 28 from 11:00am-1:00pm

For more information go to:

<https://capemaycountynj.gov/1525/Cape-May-Countys-COVID-19-And-Flu-Vaccine>

Saint Maximilian Kolbe Parish Food Pantries

Any non expired food items would be greatly appreciated! Needs of the week: laundry detergent, pasta sauce, peanut butter and canned beans.



Resurrection Church Food Pantry

A cart will be set up at the entrance to the Church of the Resurrection from, **9-5pm, Monday-Friday**. Please drop your donations during these times. The pantry is open to clients from 2-5pm on Wednesdays. Please remain in your cars and we will have people to help you.

Saint Casimir Church Food Pantry

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday, 9:00am-1:00pm.
609-861-5992.

Saint Casimir Thrift Shop

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday, 9:00am-1:00pm
609-861-5992

Please hold any donations for the thrift shop such as clothes and furniture until after January 1, 2022.

Parish Gift Cards Holiday Shopping

ShopRite, Acme, Crab Trap, Island Shore Chinese, Panzini's Pizza House (formerly Soprano's Pizzeria), Tuckahoe Inn, Mama Mia's and Reflections.

You can purchase cards from the parish office or by calling 609-390-0664. Thank you for your support!

12 Step Programs

Saint Casimir Church, Woodbine

St. Joseph's Building

Mondays at 10:00am

Thursdays at 5:30pm-Women's Group

Friday Evenings at 6:00pm



Church of the Resurrection, Marmora

Thursdays at 7:30pm in the Double Classroom

Please check with program sponsors before attending meetings to see if locations or times have changed.

Nar-Anon Family Groups

Nar-Anon Family Groups are a worldwide fellowship for those affected by someone else's addiction. As a twelve step program, we offer our help by sharing our experience, strength and hope.

Please contact Shelly at shellymacnj@gmail.com for more information.



Parish & Community News

Rediscover the Love in your Marriage!

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille, providing help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. Couples engage in sessions to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. The next program begins the weekend, **February 11-13, 2022** at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA.

For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.



Job Opportunities in our Area

The Camden Diocese has listed several job openings in the South Jersey area. Go to their website for information:

<https://www.camdendiocese.org/category/c555-human-resources/c467-employment/page/2/>

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 are held at Pope John Paul II Retreat Center, Vineland starting promptly at 8pm on Friday evening and closing by 3pm on Sunday. All meals and accommodations are included in the reservation fee of \$410.00.



Upcoming Weekends

March 11, 12 & 13, 2022

June 10, 11 & 12, 2022

August 12, 13 & 14, 2022

November 11, 12 & 13, 2022

Go to www.camdendiocese.org to register. For more info, call: 856-583-2904 or go to MarriagePrep@camdendiocese.org



2022 Pre-Cana Class

**Saint Brendan the Navigator Parish,
Saint Paul Church's Quinn Hall**

9910 3rd Avenue, Stone Harbor
8:45am-5:30pm

January 29, April 23, July 16, October 15

Registration required.

Please call:

609-287-9205 or 609-827-2127

Attention Snowbirds!

Please call the parish office if you need your envelopes stopped for the winter. Thanks!

609-390-0664



COME, CONSIDER THE CALL

"Young Adult Priesthood Discernment Group"



The "Young Adult Priesthood Discernment Group" will be meeting monthly. Vocations invites any young man between the ages 16-39 who has thought about the vocation to the priesthood to come and join the group to learn more about this great calling from God.

December 19, 2021

January 9, 2022

February 20, 2022

Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Office
135 N. White Horse Pike, Lindenwold, NJ
Please go to www.camdenpriest.org for more details.

All meetings are on Sundays from 2:00-3:30pm.

2021 Year End Contribution Letter

The IRS requires that charitable donation deductions be established by a letter from that charitable entity.

If you wish to receive an *End of the Year Contribution Statement* for your donation(s) to the parish in 2021, please complete the form below and return it in the collection basket.

If you have already submitted a request from the envelope company this form is not necessary.

Please mail me a copy of my 2021 contribution for IRS purposes.

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