



Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022



6TH SUNDAY
OF EASTER

“Peace I leave with you.”
- Jn 14:27a

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PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

Maris Stella Church
 5012 Dune Drive
 Avalon, NJ

Saturday: 5:00PM
(Confession: 4-4:30PM)

Sunday:
 7:30AM (no music)
 9:00AM
 11:00AM

Weekdays:
 8:00AM on
 Tues., Thurs., Sat.
 (Confession after Sat. AM
 Mass)

St. Paul Church
 9910 Third Avenue
 Stone Harbor, NJ

Saturday: 4:00PM
(Confession: 3-3:30PM)

Sunday:
 8:00AM
 10:00AM

Weekdays:
 8:00AM on
 Mon., Wed., Fri.

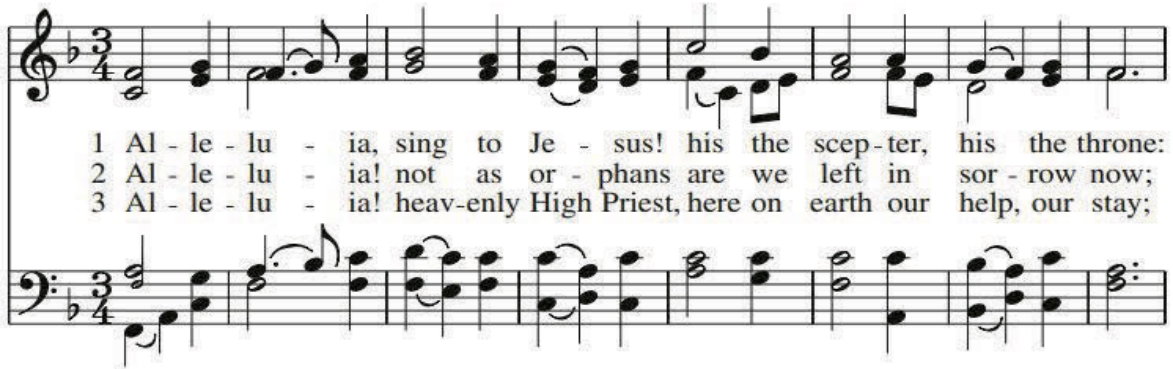
OUR SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE
WILL RESUME NEXT WEEKEND.

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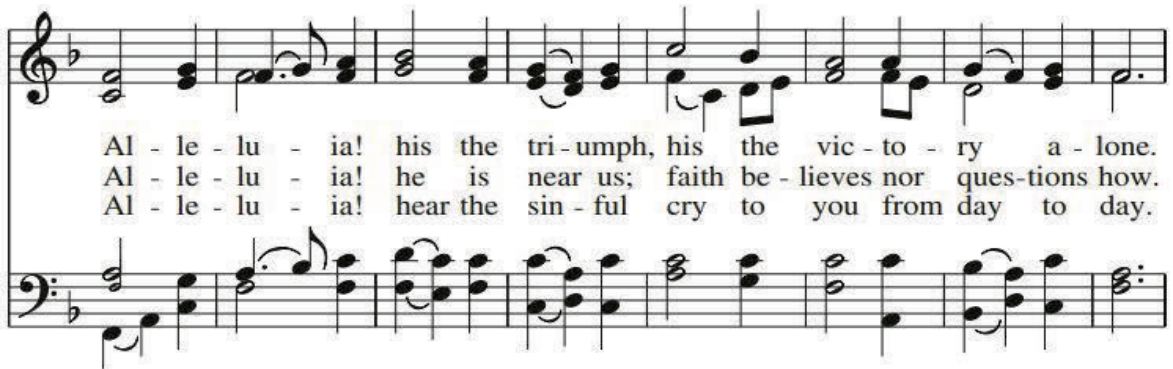
Readings & Music for May 22

GATHERING HYMN

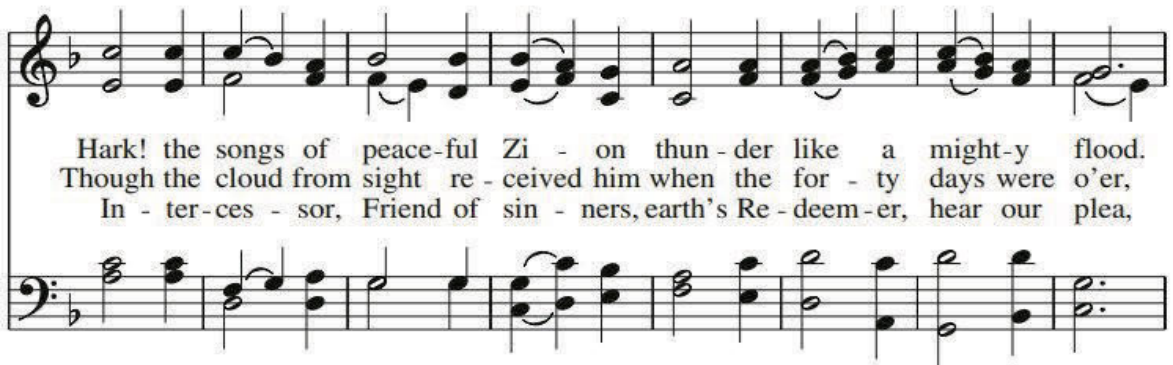
320 Alleluia, Sing to Jesus!



1 Al - le - lu - ia, sing to Je - sus! his the scep - ter, his the throne:
2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we left in sor - row now;
3 Al - le - lu - ia! heav - enly High Priest, here on earth our help, our stay;



Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone.
Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be - lieves nor ques - tions how.
Al - le - lu - ia! hear the sin - ful cry to you from day to day.



Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood.
Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er,
In - ter - ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er, hear our plea,



Je - sus, out of ev - ery na - tion, has re - deem - ed us by his blood.
shall our hearts for - get his prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"
where the songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.

WORDS: William C. Dix (1837-1898), alt.
MUSIC: Rowland H. Prichard (1811-1887); arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

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SPRINKLING RITE

RIVER OF GLORY

Dan Schutte

Refrain

Riv - er of glo - ry, springs of our birth, flood of God's
rich - es poured on the earth. We are born from the dark-ness
and clothed in the light! We are bathed in the glo - ry of
God! God, bathed in the glo - ry of God!

1-4 to Verses | Final

Verses

1. Foun-tain of mer - cy, grace flow - ing free, streams of sal -
2. Here there is ha - ven, heal - ing and health, joy for the
3. Bread for our jour - ney God will pro - vide. Hope for all
4. Dark - ness is ban - ished, night turned a - way. Christ is our

to Refrain

1. va - tion, spill - ing with love from a tree!
2. ask - ing, love in a - bun - dance of wealth!
3. a - ges, Je - sus, com - pan - ion and guide!
4. sun - light, lift - ing and lead - ing our way!

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READING I ACTS 15:1-2, 22-29

Some who had come down from Judea were instructing the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised according to the Mosaic practice, you cannot be saved." Because there arose no little dissension and debate by Paul and Barnabas with them, it was decided that Paul, Barnabas, and some of the others should go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and elders about this question.

The apostles and elders, in agreement with the whole church, decided to choose representatives and to send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. The ones chosen were Judas, who was called Barsabbas, and Silas, leaders among the brothers. This is the letter delivered by them:

"The apostles and the elders, your brothers, to the brothers in Antioch, Syria, and Cilicia of Gentile origin: greetings. Since we have heard that some of our number who went out without any mandate from us have upset you with their teachings and disturbed your peace of mind, we have with one accord decided to choose representatives and to send them to you along with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. So we are sending Judas and Silas who will also convey this same message by word of mouth: 'It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond these necessities, namely, to abstain from meat sacrificed to idols, from blood, from meats of strangled animals, and from unlawful marriage. If you keep free of these, you will be doing what is right. Farewell.'"

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8



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READING II REV 21:10-14, 22-23

The angel took me in spirit to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It gleamed with the splendor of God. Its radiance was like that of a precious stone, like jasper, clear as crystal. It had a massive, high wall, with twelve gates where twelve angels were stationed and on which names were inscribed, the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites. There were three gates facing east, three north, three south, and three west. The wall of the city had twelve courses of stones as its foundation, on which were inscribed the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw no temple in the city for its temple is the Lord God almighty and the Lamb. The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gave it light, and its lamp was the Lamb.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION JN 14:23

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Whoever loves Me will keep My word, says the Lord,
and My Father will love him and we will come to him.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL JN 14:23-29

Jesus said to His disciples: "Whoever loves Me will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not love Me does not keep My words; yet the word you hear is not Mine but that of the Father who sent Me.

"I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard Me tell you, 'I am going away and I will come back to you.' If you loved Me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe."

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven (*all bow*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN

We Walk by Faith

1., 5. We walk by faith, and not by sight: No
 2. We may not touch his hands and side, Nor
 3. Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief, And
 4. That when our life of faith is done In

gra - cious words we hear Of him who spoke as
 fol - low where he trod; Yet in his prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound; To call on you when
 realms of clear - er light We may be - hold you

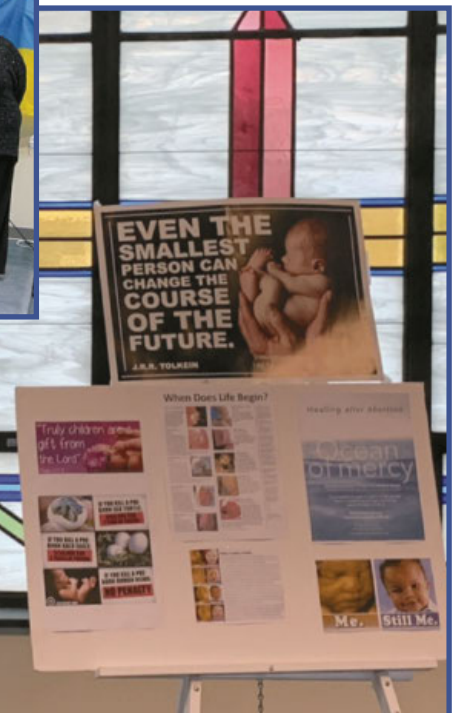
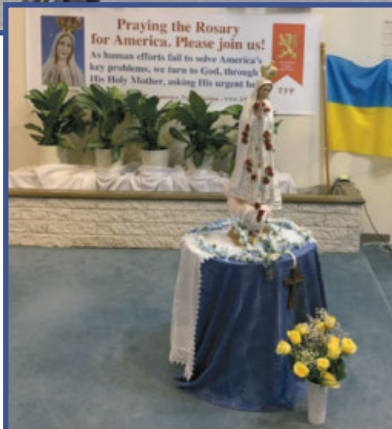
none e'er spoke, But we be - lieve him near.
 we re - joice, And cry "My Lord and God!"
 you are near, And seek where you are found:
 as you are In full and end - less sight.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810-1871, alt.
 Tune: SHANTI, CM; Marty Haugen, b.1950, © 1984, GIA Publications, Inc.



Thank you to all who joined us to pray for peace on May 14 at the America Needs Fatima Public Rosary.

Let us continue to pray for peace in the world.



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COMMUNION HYMN

BREAD OF ANGELS

Curtis Stephan



1. Bread of an - gels, we re - ceive you; with us
2. Cup of Mer - cy o - ver - flow - ing, fill us
3. Word in - car - nate, dwell with - in us; pierce our
4. Though un - wor - thy, we re - ceive you, sac - ra -



1. now a - bide. Pre - cious Je - sus, man - na of
2. with your grace; wine of pas - sion, O Son be -
3. hard - ened hearts. Ten - der Je - sus, Love so
4. ment di - vine. Bread of an - gels, ac - cept our



1. a - ges, with us now re - side.
2. got - ten, we flee to your em - brace.
3. gen - tle, nev - er let us part.
4. prais - es, let your glo - ry shine!



1. Pa - nis an - gé - li - cus fit pa - nis hó - mi - num,
2. O res mi - rá - bi - lis man - dú - cat Dó - mi - num,
3. Te, tri - na Dé - i - tas ú - na - que, pó - sci - mus,
4. Per tu - as sé - mi - tas duc nos quo tén - di - mus,



1. Dat pa - nis cáe - li - cus fi - gú - ris tér - mi - num.
3. Sic nos tu ví - si - ta, si - cut te có - lí - mus.



2. Pau - per, Pau - per, ser - vus, et hú - mi - lis.
4. lu - cem, Ad lu - cem quam in - há - bi - tas.

English text. Curtis Stephan. Latin text. *Panis angelicus* by St. Thomas Aquinas. 1227–1274.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I Love You above all things, And I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You Sacramentally, come at least Spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

An Act of "Spiritual Communion," where we unite ourselves to God through prayer, is a beautiful way to express to God our desire to be united with Him when we are unable to complete that union in the reception of Holy Communion.

SENDING FORTH HYMN

CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

DIADEMATA



1. Crown him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on his
2. Crown him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the
3. Crown him the Lord of love, Be - hold his hands and
4. Crown him the Lord of peace, Whose pow'r a scep - ter
5. Crown him the Lord of years, The ris - en Lord sub -



1. throne; Hark! how the heav'n - ly an - them drowns All
2. grave, And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For
3. side, Rich wounds yet vis - i - ble a - bove In
4. sways From pole to pole, that wars may cease, Ab -
5. lime, Cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, The



1. mu - sic but its own. A - wake, my soul, and sing
2. those he came to save. His glo - ries now we sing,
3. beau - ty glo - ri - fied. No an - gel in the sky
4. sorbed in prayer and praise. His reign shall know no end,
5. Mas - ter of all time. All hail, Re - deem - er, hail!



1. Of him who set us free, And hail him as your
2. Who died and rose on high, Who died, e - ter - nal
3. Can ful - ly bear that sight, But down - ward bends his
4. And round his pierc - ed feet Fair flow'rs of Par - a -
5. For you have died for me; Your praise and glo - ry



1. heav'n - ly King Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
2. life to bring, And lives that death may die.
3. burn - ing eye At mys - ter - ies so bright.
4. dise ex - tend Their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
5. shall not fail Through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

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 Music: George Elvey, 1816-1893.

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord.



Prayer to Saint 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.

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MASS INTENTIONS

MARIS STELLA CHURCH (MS), Avalon; ST PAUL CHURCH (SP), Stone Harbor;
SACRED HEART CHURCH (SH), Avalon

SATURDAY, MAY 21 *Saint Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs*

8:00AM (MS) Robert and Thelma Amses by Their Children

VIGIL

4:00PM (SP) Murphy-Ott Family by The Ott Family

5:00PM (MS) Margaret Petrucci Petrini by Sue & Mrs. Keen
Joseph Tipping by Sue & Mrs. Keen
Intentions of Sue Keen by Patrick & Eileen Walsh
John Primus by Mike & Cass Quinn
Robert Finley by Jerry & Sandra Finley

SUNDAY, MAY 22

7:30AM (MS) Rita Malinowski by Mike & Cass Quinn
8:00AM (STP) Tina Marie Salvesen by Byron & Joann Lavan
9:00AM (MS) Mike Gillin by Bill and Sarah Burns
10:00AM (STP) Ronald Holmes Kemly, Sr. by The Sons of American Legion, Squadron 331
11:00AM (MS) Paul Mitchell by John & Kathy Kuhn

MONDAY, MAY 23

8:00AM (STP) Marco Antonio Coletta by The Family

TUESDAY, MAY 24

8:00AM (MS) Maureen Corrigan by Joe & Terri Breslin

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25 *St Bede the Venerable; St Gregory VII; St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi*

8:00AM (STP) Ken Villano by Mary Reilly

THURSDAY, MAY 26

8:00AM (MS) Robert Watters, Sr. by Mike & Diane Dumsha

FRIDAY, MAY 27 *St Augustine of Canterbury*

8:00AM (STP) James J. Gillin, Jr. by Family

SATURDAY, MAY 28

8:00AM (MS) Thanksgiving to the Blessed Mother and Saint Rafael by Massimo & Carol Paris

VIGIL

4:00PM (SP) Dolores Tracey by Pat & Tori Daly
Barbara Froetscher by Leeward Trustees
5:00PM (MS) Joseph Breslin, Esq. by Terri & Joe Breslin
Katherine Shanley Carhart by Betty & Joe Driscoll
Charlotte Shanley Yingling by Betty & Joe Driscoll
Josephine Heintzelman by Sandra & John Buccella
Alan R. Cresta by The Berardelli Family
Joseph Tipping by Mike and Cass Quinn

SUNDAY, MAY 29

7:00AM (MS) Rose Dunn by Marty & Lynda Pagliughi
7:30AM (STP) Reverend Monsignor John Frey
8:15AM (MS) Charles M. Horan by Family
9:00AM (SP) Joseph Feeherey by Joan Piotrowski & Family
9:30AM (MS) Erik Burns by Bill & Kay Leahy
10:30AM (STP) Graziella Iacovino by Mary Miller
11:00AM (MS) Anne Conboy by Carol & John MacFeat
5:00PM (MS) Rose Wells by Marty & Lynda Pagliughi

Mass Intentions are accepted in the Parish Office.

St Brendan the Navigator Parish Mission Statement

Our Catholic community in Avalon and Stone Harbor, NJ is committed to implementing, following, and spreading the teachings of Jesus Christ. We also invite, welcome, and encourage each member of our community and visitors to actively participate with us in our Catholic Faith. Our community joyfully joins in celebrating the Eucharist and the sacraments, recognizing God in one another, and serving those in need. We remember and believe that we are all brothers and sisters, the children of our all-loving heavenly Father.



PRAYER OF ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT FOR THE SOULS IN

PURGATORY: *Eternal Father, I offer thee the most precious blood of thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my home and within my family. Amen.*

Prayer ought to be humble, fervent, resigned, persevering, and accompanied with great reverence. One should consider that he stands in the presence of a God, and speaks with a Lord before whom the angels tremble from awe and fear. – Saint Mary Magdalen de Pazzi

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Let us pray for: the unborn and their parents, the sick and the dying, the poor and the lonely, those persecuted for their faith, and all the faithful departed - especially those with no one else to pray for them.

Let us pray for: Pope Francis, Bishop Sullivan, all Priests, Deacons and Religious, for an increase in vocations, and for all those discerning a religious vocation.

Let us pray for: all first responders, and medical staffs as they selflessly put others before themselves.

Let us pray for: those serving in the military, their families, and our country.

Please pray for our sick: *Anthony Abbonizio, Rachel Walters Kahly, Weston Carmen, Roseann Giliberti, John Risley, Patty Boyd Bennett, Gary Bevan, Henry Hilt, Betty Keen, Bill Burns (SH), Pat Williams, Theresa Polak, Michelle Vidal, Sis Hilkert*

Let us pray for our deceased

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

Amen.

Lord hear our prayers.

Names will remain on the sick list for 3 months, and on the list of the deceased for 1 month.

* Please call or email the parish office to include the name of your loved one. Call 609-967-3746 or email frontdesk@stbrendanavalon.org. *

"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

One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit one's soul. Masses can be offered for: * a person who is deceased * a living person who is sick or suffering * on the occasion of a person's birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion * in thanksgiving * for a prayer intention

PARISH REGISTRATION:

Welcome new parishioners! We are blessed to have you share in this Eucharist Celebration. We invite you to become part of our parish family. Please contact the parish office to register with us.

BAPTISM:

Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements. Also, please note that **all parents who are scheduling Baptism for their child/children must attend a Baptismal Prep class if this is the first child they are having baptized.** The prep class is held each month for baptisms the following month. The classes are held on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7PM in Quinn Hall (St. Paul) in Stone Harbor. Classes will be instructed by Deacon Charlie Devlin. Please register for the class by calling the Parish Office 609-967-3746.

MARRIAGE:

Contact the Parish Office for availability and information. The common policy set by the Bishops of the Province of New Jersey requires a one year preparation for marriage.

DEVOTIONS

ADORATION

St. Paul Church: Wednesday evenings, 6-7PM
and First Friday 8:30AM - NOON

ROSARY GROUP

Maris Stella Church: Tuesday evenings, 7PM
The ROSARY is prayed before each daily Mass.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Maris Stella Church: Tuesday after Mass
St. Paul Church: Wednesday after Mass

OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

St. Paul Church: Daily 9AM - 4PM
Sacred Heart Church: Daily 9AM - 3PM
Maris Stella Church: *Saturday Only*, 9AM - 3PM

We are Live Streaming the Mass on Sundays at 9:00AM for those unable to attend Mass in person.

Please visit our website:

www.stbrendanavalon.org.

Additionally, a recording of this Mass can be found on our website throughout the day.

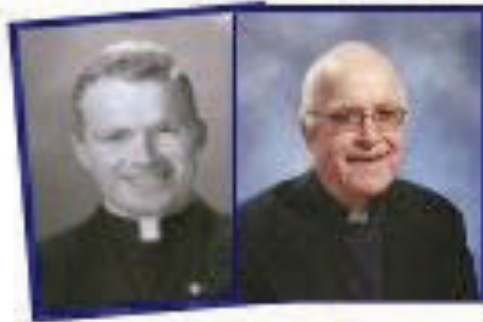


The Sanctuary Candle and Altar Flowers



may be in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. Please call the parish office at 609-967-3746.

**Please join us for a
60th Ordination Anniversary Celebration for
Msgr. Liam Quinn
Thursday, June 9, 2022**



**Mass of Thanksgiving
St. Paul Church --- 3:00 pm
Dinner Immediately Following
The Yacht Club of Stone Harbor
Cocktails 4:30 pm Dinner 5:30 pm**

Hors d'oeuvres

Salad

Choice of Entree

6 oz. Filet Mignon * Grilled Salmon* Chicken Parmesan

Dessert Coffee/Tea

Cash Bar

40.00pp

RSVP no later than June 2

Please return with payment to:

St. Brendan the Navigator Office, 5012 Dune Drive, Avalon, NJ 08202

Contact _____ Telephone _____ # in Party _____ Amt Enclosed _____

Filet Mignon _____ Grilled Salmon _____ Chicken Parm _____

Want to make a table of not more than 10? List names on reverse side.

PLEASE NOTE:

Our summer Mass schedule will begin next weekend. Please be advised that we will no longer have the 12:15PM Mass on Sundays.

DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE FAMILY RECIPE?

St. Brendan the Navigator is compiling a Parish Cookbook and we would love to include your family's favorite recipe(s). **Recipes are due by May 16th.**

Recipes can be mailed to the office, emailed to: datamanager@stbrendanavalon.org subject: recipe, or dropped off in the Recipe Box in gathering space of St. Paul or Maris Stella.

You can also pre-order your copies of SBN Parish Cookbook by email or phone. Cost is expected to be \$15 per book.

For more information call Michelle 609-830-2206 or email datamanager@stbrendanavalon.org.

PLEASE NOTE: In our Diocese, the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord has been permanently transferred from Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter to the following Sunday, effective this year.

The book for the 2022 season of Seven Mile Island University is:

UNDOING THE KNOTS—FIVE GENERATIONS OF AMERICAN CATHOLIC ANTI-BLACKNESS by Maureen H. O'Connell, Beacon Press, 2022, ISBN -13: 978-0-8070-1665-7.

Facilitated by Father Jack Baron, those interested in participating will gather at Maris Stella Church from 7:30-9:00PM on Wednesday July 20, 27, and August 3.

An Evening of Remembrance and Healing

Mass celebrated by Father Cadmus Mazzarella



For those who have suffered the loss of a child of any age through miscarriage, still-birth, abortion, SIDS, illness, overdose, suicide, disease or any untimely death.

We encourage and welcome all members of the family and friends affected by the loss of a child to join in this Mass of Celebration for the life that touched yours briefly, yet stays in your heart forever.

MONDAY, June 20, 2022, 6:00pm

Saint Ann RC Church
Notre Dame de la Mer Parish
2901 Atlantic Ave., Wildwood, NJ

Please Bring a Picture or Special Remembrance of Your Child (roses will be available to those who lost their child before birth)

Please contact Kathy @ (609) 828-1105 or email @ LTSDANZ@verizon.net to register and to have your child's name listed in our Mass booklet
Dessert reception in Chapel hall behind Church to follow Mass

BISHOP McHUGH
REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION INAUGURAL CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

EVENT DATE
JUNE 4, 2022, 1-4 PM
(RAIN DATE JUNE 5TH AT 1PM)

Contact:
Anita: 215-570-9623 or a_mcmahon@hotmail.com

All proceeds benefit the Bishop McHugh Athletic Association

PLAYERS: \$100 ticket includes a Team of 2, T-shirts, and a bottomless beer mug for each player.
Sign up for the tournament at: <http://app.scoreholio.com/link/aRqC>

SPECTATORS: \$25 ticket includes bottomless beer mug (bought the day of the event).
Payment accepted by cash or Venmo at the day of the event.
Must be 21 or older

50/50 RAFFLE

DOUBLE ELIMINATION

FESTIVAL STYLE EVENT
DJ, BBQ, Beer, & Baked Goods for purchase

CASH PRIZES

50 Year Reunion

BONNER PRENDIE CLASS OF 1972

Looking for All Alumni - Spread the News
Date: Friday, October 21, 2022 - Cost: \$100.00

Llanerch Country Club, Havertown
Update contact info at bonnerprendie72@gmail.com and
Check out Bonner Prendie Class of 1972 reunion on
Facebook for more.

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APRIL COLLECTIONS

April 2/3: In Pew: \$9,562.50 Online: \$895
April 9/10: In Pew: \$10,702.50 Online: \$1,180
April 16/17: In Pew: \$39,656.50 Online: \$1,827
(Easter Weekend)
April 23/24: In Pew: \$10,258.85 Online: \$9,200

Total in Pew: \$70,180.35 Total Online: \$13,102

Grand Total: \$83,282.35

Thank you for your stewardship. We are most grateful.

Ask the Parish Council a question or address any issue you have: parishcouncil@stbrendanavalon.org

We have exciting news!

St Brendan the Navigator recently updated our online giving services to better serve our parishioners. We are providing this option in addition to cash or check donations. You can still give through traditional methods, but now you can make recurring or one-time gifts online with a credit/debit card or electronic check, text a donation right from your phone or through our QR codes.

These programs are beneficial to you, in that you do not need to worry about having cash or check on hand at Mass or if you are away on vacation and it benefits the Parish by reducing the time needed to process donations and run financial reports.

To give online through our new platform, visit our giving page:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stbrendanavalon>.

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WHY DO WE DO THAT -CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED**RESPONDING TO GOD**

Abraham was asked to leave all he knew and loved for a strange land, with only abstract divine assurance that such a sacrifice would be worth it. Plenty of prophets protested against God's call, whether it was claiming they were too young (Jeremiah) or running away entirely, only to end up in a whale's belly (Jonah). St. Joseph was asked to do something very strange. He was asked to believe — on the word of an angelic appearance in a dream — that his betrothed was pregnant not from another man, but by a miraculous intervention of God. Then he was called to marry her.

Author Flannery O'Connor once wrote, "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you odd." Sometimes God's invitation might seem strange or challenging. It might require sacrifices we never expected to make. Our life might look different than we had always imagined. But as we all know, life throws its own curveballs, regardless of whether or not we're listening for God's will. Better, one would think, to be open to the promptings of God and to follow along the strange trails that they lead. We have the assurance that, eventually, we will find green pastures. ©LPi

LIVE THE LITURGY -INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Everyone wants to experience peace. When we look to the world to provide this for us, we can easily get disappointed. We associate peace with an absence of war and conflict, good relationships between neighbors and coworkers, the achievement of success and even the absence of noise! While all of these are worthy endeavors, pursuing them exclusively as a path to experiencing peace sets us up for failure. When we look for peace outside of ourselves, it will never be found. True and lasting peace is something that comes from within and not something we can produce on our own or receive from others. Peace is discovered when we experience an inner wholeness and harmony. It is born of a sense of connectedness with a God who is larger and greater than ourselves, gifting us with His presence. It is only the peace offered by the Risen Christ that can settle our hearts and calm our fears. Regardless of the degree of turmoil around us, this sense of completeness that Jesus gives anchors our boats and prevents us from sinking. ©LPi

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

GOSPEL: During his farewell discourse, Jesus reassured the disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit and the promise of divine peace. ***When do you experience God's presence this way in your life?***

SAINT OF THE WEEK –EXAMPLES OF OUR FAITH: Saint Mary Magdalen de' Pazzi | May 25

"Lament and count that day lost, in which you have not in some way denied yourself for the love of God."

Catherine received a religious upbringing. She was initially sent to a convent at age 14, but was taken back home by her family who opposed her religious vocation and wanted her to marry well. They eventually gave in, and Catherine became a Carmelite of the Ancient Observance at 16, taking the name Sister Mary Magdalen. Mystic. Led a hidden life of prayer and self-denial, praying particularly for the renewal of the Church and encouraging the sisters in holiness.

Come, Holy Spirit. Spirit of truth, You are the reward of the saints, the comforter of souls, light in the darkness, riches to the poor, treasure to lovers, food for the hungry, comfort to those who are wandering; to sum up, You are the one in whom all treasures are contained.

Come! As You descended upon Mary that the Word might become flesh, work in us through grace as You worked in her through nature and grace.

Come! Food of every chaste thought, fountain of all mercy, sum of all purity.

Come! Consume in us whatever prevents us from being consumed in You.

– from the writings of Saint Mary Magdalene de Pazzi

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