Mary, Mother of Mercy Parish



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Rev. Allain Caparas, Pastor

Together with Mary our Mother, our Community welcomes all to receive, live and share the Divine Mercy that comes from Jesus.



Welcome!

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you have not already done so, we ask that you register with us at the Parish Office. Parish registration helps us know who you are and better serve you. It also helps us to provide you with documents you may need (i.e. Certificate of Eligibility to be a Sponsor or Godparent).

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Sunday: Closed Monday - Thursday:10ам - 5рм Friday: 10ам - 3рм Saturday: Closed

MASS SCHEDULE & SITES

Saturday: 5:00PM OLL Sunday: 8:00AM OLL 9:30AM OLQP 11:00AM OLL Mon - Tue, Thu - Sat: 9AM OLQP Wed: 6:15PM OLL

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 9:30 - 10AM, OLQP; Saturday: 3:15 - 4:15PM, OLL; and by appointment.

Thank You!

Fr. Caparas wishes to express his thanks to all who made our Christmas celebration such a wonderful experience and occasion -- our priests, deacons, ministers, musicians, ushers, decorating committees, volunteers, Knights of Columbus, and staff. We would also like to thank our parishioners and members of our Filipino community for organizing the annual Missa De Gallo/Simbang Gabi during Advent. Lastly, the staff and the priests would also like to thank everyone who dropped off food, gifts, and cards during Christmas. Everyone's generosity and goodness have been overwhelming and greatly appreciated.





TICKET

Tickets on sale NOW : the DAILY HOT PICK RAFFLE

365 days of prizes * 365 chances to win

\$20/ticket

Weekly drawings will begin in January. Every ticket sold will be entered in every drawing (even if you have already won a prize!).

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AFTER MASSES & IN THE PARISH OFFICE.

MARCH FOR LIFE

The bus trip for the annual March for Life rally on **Friday, January 21** will leave from Our Lady of Lourdes at 8:00AM. The cost is \$35.00/ person. Contact Kevin Cassidy for more information at cassidyk39@outlook.com.



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STEWARDSHIP ~ what you do after you say you believe



UNDERSTANDING GRIEF

Mary Mother of Mercy Bereavement Committee

The Bereavement Committee at Mary, MoM has been established "to provide a listening ear and open heart in a compassionate and gentle environment to those grieving the loss of a loved one."

Our 2022 Winter Session is an 8/week program that will meet on Mondays from 7-8:30PM in Our Lady's Hall in Pitman. Upcoming sessions:

January 17, 24, 31, February 7, 14, 28, & March 7

PROTECTING the UNBORN CHILD from ABORTION

June this year may see history made if the U.S. Supreme Court overturns Roe v Wade, the decision that legalized the killing of the unborn child in 1973. Rallies and marches are planned this month:

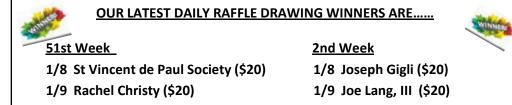
Friday, Jan. 21: RALLY, NOON National, Mall, Washington, DC; March to the Supreme Court following the Rally

Saturday, Jan. 22: NOON ROSARY Mullica HIII, Sidewalk at Friends Meeting House, corner of Rts. 77 and 45

BABY SHOWER to benefit National Life Center, Woodbury, NJ

February 12 & 13 and February 19 & 20

Mothers are in need of basic items for their babies. They don't have a single blanket or any type of clothing for their child. The National Life Center personally takes large bags of your donations right to the hospital after a baby has been born. With your donations a mother will have diapers, undershirts, and sleepers, as well as other basic needs you supply. Beginning next weekend, there will be a pack-nplay at Our Lady of Lourdes Church and a container at Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church for donations. This baby shower is sponsored by Ct. Blessed Katharine Drexel #2327, Catholic Daughters of the Americas. Thank you for your generously!



- 1/10 Jennifer Wisniewski (\$20)
- 1/11 Ben Costanzo (\$20)
- 1/12 Robert Harris (\$20)
- 1/13 Bill Capobianco (\$20)
- 1/14 Mary Laughlin (\$20)

1/10 Resie Weaver (\$20) 1/11 Bob Miller (\$20) 1/12 Gina Giglio (\$20) 1/13 Maggie Laughlin (\$20) 1/14 Roland & Rita Piccioi(\$20)



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 16, 2022

St. Helen's Separated and Divorced Ministry will be presenting a program, *Surviving Divorce*, starting on Wednesday, January 26, 7PM, in Mercy Hall. This 12 week program will provide a video, guide book, and discussion to support those who are separated, in the process of divorce or in post-divorce recovery. For more information and registration, please contact Denise Ciocco at 856-404-7009 or Jean Carson at 609-504-0416.





ANNUAL SUPER BOWL SUNDAY HOAGIES

Italian or American Hoagies - "Have it your way"

7" Hoagies—\$5.00/each

Pre-sales will be taken at all Masses the weekends of January 29 & 30 & February 5 & 6. Payment in cash or check, made out to K of C Council #6247.

Orders for pick-up at Our Lady Queen of Peace, will be available from 10:30 - 11AM on Sunday, February 13.

Orders for pick-up at Our Lady of Lourdes will be available from Noon - 12:30PM on Sunday, February 13th.

NOTE: A very limited number of hoagies will be available on Super Bowl Sunday.

Some of the charities supported by our profits are: St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry, Community Garden, Mary, MoM Golf tournament, Good Counsel S. Jersey-Riverside Home, Altar Server Stipends, Parish Youth retreats, and many more.

As always, thank you for your support!!

"As the family goes, so goes the nation, and so goes the whole world in which we live."

- Pope St. John Paul II

Saturday, January 22 is the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.

Let us pray that our government recognize the sanctity of every life and commit to protect the unborn.

NEW SANCTUARY ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR DEDICATION

This Christmas, as I'm sure you noticed, we introduced a new addition to the sanctuaries of both of our churches - an antependium.

An antependium is a frontal decorative piece that is used to "dress" the altar for the Mass. It is meant to emphasize the dignity and reverence owed to Christ at the Mass-especially in the Eucharist. We are grateful that several families from our parish have already come forward to purchase and dedicate the antependium, at both Our Lady of Lourdes and Queen of Peace churches.

However, there are other matching pieces that can be made and dedicated to someone's memory.

- •Altar Antependium (Queen of Peace & Our Lady of Lourdes) - Dedicated
- •Laced Altar Cloth (Queen of Peace) Dedicated
- •Laced Altar Cloth (Our Lady of Lourdes) Dedicated
- •Tabernacle Altar Cloth (Our Lady of Lourdes) -Dedicated

•Lectern/Ambo Frontal Piece (Queen of Peace) \$750.00 •Lectern/Ambo Frontal Piece (Our Lady of Lourdes) -Dedicated

•First Communion Kneeler Coverlet \$600.00-1/2 available for dedication \$300.00

If you are interested in donating any of these items for the parish and dedicating it to honor in memorial to a loved one, please contact Fr. Caparas at the parish office at (856) 881-0909.

Our Stars are Shining Parish Banquet

May 22, 2022

Come celebrate our Shining Stars and support Catholic Education!!! Auletto's Caterers, Almonesson Buffet Menu with something for everyone's taste Complimentary Beer & Wine for 3 Hours Win one of our Basket Raffles

Entertainment

SAVE THE DATE

LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION

UNDERSTAND, LIVE, & SHARE YOUR FAITH

Watch the Sunday Mass livestreamed on Facebook at 5PM on Saturday or after 6PM on Saturday at <u>Mary-MoM.com</u>.

LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION CONTACTS:

Shannon Cassidy, LFF Coordinator & Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - Age 3-6 scassidycqs@qmail.com

Tim Dempster, Whole Family Catechesis: marymomfamily@gmail.com

Stephanie Grossman, ECHO - 1-5 grade marymomecho@gmail.com

Sean Farrell, UND Echo Apprentice:

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SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION:

Information about all sacraments, as well as Godparent & Sponsor requirements, can be found on our website or by calling the Parish Office.

The *Sacrament of Penance* is offered on Saturdays: from 9:30 - 10AM at Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church, from 3:15 - 4:15PM at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, and by appointment.

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is available when someone is facing surgery or serious illness. Call the Parish Office during regular business hours to arrange. In an emergency, please call the Parish Office to request a priest to visit. [After regular Office Hours, call 589-0824.] ** Parishioners who are homebound due to age or illness, and are unable to attend Mass, can contact the Parish Office to make arrangements to receive Holy Communion.

The *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* (*RCIA*) is a process for adults interested in becoming Catholic, as well as adults who would like to complete the sacraments of initiation. "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

Reflect on His Words

The **Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study** will resume on Tuesday January 18 at 1pm in Our Lady's Hall, Pitman. This program will center on major and minor prophets of the Old Testament. In addition to your own Bible, this text will be used: Reddit, Paul L. (2008). Introduction to the Prophets. The price is \$30.00 (but don't stay away if you don't have money. We have funds!). Parish supply of books should be in late next week. Call first.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading:

Why does Isaiah use intimate marital imagery when explaining the relationship between God and people? Does love between human beings help you understand how much God loves people?

Second Reading:

Why do you think people are given talents like Van Gogh's and Bach's or spiritual gifts like the ones mentioned in the reading? Are they gifts for themselves alone or for sharing with others? Are they to be hidden away or used regularly? Should everyone have the same talents? Are you using whatever talents God gave you?

Gospel:

To Mary's, "they have no wine," Jesus' response was, "what concern is it to you or me?" Instead of backing off, Mary tells the servers to "do whatever He tells you." Mary trusted that He would somehow solve the problem. If this trust rates a 10, where would you put your trust when you "don't back off," but go to God with your concerns? liturgy.slu.edu

Spend some time with our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday from 4—6PM in Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

Father Caparas' Quotable Quotes

"Life with God is not immunity from difficulties, but peace within difficulties." ~ C.S. Lewis

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:

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.

FATHER CAPARAS' Q & A

If someone has done something warranting an automatic excommunication (like having an abortion), how can they come back into communion with the Church?

Assuming that the person who committed in participated in a grave or mortal act have met three conditions necessary for an automatic excommunication, namely: 1) It has to be identified as an act that can result in an excommunication (for example, abortion), 2) the person has to know that it is a grave and excommunicable offense, and 3) the person must willingly and freely choose to commit the act, despite the knowledge of the seriousness of the act, that individual may approach a priest, as they would as if going to Confession. The priest then will assign a penance proportional to seriousness of the act, and as the priest offers the Prayer of Absolution over the penitent, he would also add a special prayer lifting the bond of excommunication. Pope Francis recently granted a general permission to all the priests to be able to lift the bond of excommunication and offer absolution, he needed to receive a special and "secretive" permission (to protect the identity of the penitent) from his local bishop. To the best of my knowledge, this general permission from the Holy Father continues to be extended to all the priests of the Catholic Church.

GIFTS FOR EVERYBODY

- A Reflection by Eleonore Stump

- The Second Reading is about gifts of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is itself a gift of the Lord's; and when the Holy Spirit fills a person, then the Spirit brings with it other gifts as well.
- Some of these gifts are given only to some people. The gifts mentioned in the Second Reading are special gifts of this sort. But there are other gifts of the Holy Spirit that are not like this. They are given to everyone who lives in grace, and they are always present in every one of God's people.

You already have all that is most precious to you.

- The list of these gifts can be found in Isaiah 11:2-3. Traditionally, the Church has identified seven gifts of the Holy Spirit in this list. Four of them are gifts for the mind: wisdom, understanding, counsel, and knowledge. And three of them are gifts for the heart or will: piety, fortitude, and fear of the Lord.
- These ordinary gifts are like the roots of a great tree in the soul of a person. They nourish the soul, and they result in a person's flourishing, in his bearing fruit for the Lord.
- Because the gifts are in each of God's people always, so are the fruits of the Holy Spirit that arise from gifts. Traditionally, the Church has taken there to be twelve fruits of the Holy Spirit, a list developed from a slightly shorter list in Galatians 5:22-23.

The list of the fruits of the Holy Spirit begins with these five: love, joy, peace, patience, and long-suffering.

- A person who has the Holy Spirit dwelling in him has intimately united with Him his beloved Lord. And that is why love is the first fruit of the Holy Spirit. Joy follows, because of the presence of the beloved. And peace comes next. If you are your beloved's and He is yours (Song of Songs 2:16), then you can be at peace. You already have all that is most precious to you. And that is why you can have patience and long-suffering too. The hard things of the world are easier to endure if your love loves you and is with you.
- So some people have the gift of prophecy, and others don't. But no one of the Lord's people lacks love, joy, and peace. That is why the Lord says about His people, "by their fruits you will know them. (Mt 7:20)

JANUARY 16, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

VIGIL

5:00PM: Anne Mooney / Jack& Joan Mooney **SUNDAY** 8:00AM: Barbara Ann Galati / The Schoepflin Family 9:30AM: Mr. & Mrs. Frederick Tripp / Stan & Peg Urban 11:00AM: George Reilly / Gloria & Larry Liccketto John & Ann Murray / Their Children Joseph Gambino / Uncle Richard & Aunt Rita DiVirgilio Joseph Lang Sr. / The Bazikos-Dubinsky Family Marion Mazzotta / Her Family Michael J Boczar / Wife, Bertha Peter Lynch / Grant Schoenfeldt & Family Peter Lynch / MMOM Music Ministry Rose Profetto / Charlie & Rose Marie Garbarini Tim Luko / Wife, Marie **MONDAY** St. Anthony, Abbot g:ooAM: Thomas Anderson / Lucille Petrillo and family TUESDAY 9:00AM: Vincent Whitfield / The Family WEDNESDAY 6:15PM: The People of the Parish THURSDAY St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr 9:00AM: Mark Dilorio / Louise Dilorio FRIDAY St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr 9:00AM: Judy Carmolingo / Scott and Kathy Woodside SATURDAY Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn

Children 9:00AM: John H. Buckley / His Wife VIGIL 5:00pm: Edward Klevence

SUNDAY 8:00AM: Pedro Guimary 9:30AM: Vince Whitfield 11:00AM: Gerry Blaney, Harold and Dolores McGowan, Gerry Blaney, Helyn Ostroff, Kathleen Matteo, Patrick Murray, Peter Lynch, Veronica Downes, Zenaida Carpio

Mass Intentions are accepted in the Parish Office. Announced Mass requested donation is \$15; Unannounced \$10.

Scheduled Mass Intentions can be found on our website. (Click on Calendars, and then Scheduled Mass Intentions.)

"Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ." - St. Jerome

Readings for the week of January 16

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-3, 7-10/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11 Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 & 23/Mk 2:18-22 Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28 Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6 Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-13/Mk 3:7-12 Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2-4, 6 & 11/Mk 3:13-19 Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21 Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8-10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30/ Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please 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. As a parish family we remember all who



are struggling or suffering in mind, body, or spirit, especially those who have requested our prayers... Jonathan Aquino, Baby Bella Gloria, Baby Joseph, Ken Burrows, Caren C., JoAnn Capelli, Michelle Castro, Ed Claypoole, Ted Deal, Nicholas DeRose II, Debbie, Anne Ellena, Bill Ennis, Fran Field, Scott Garson, Elizabeth Gervasoni, Loretta Greathead, Baby Dominic Haas, David Hester, Jim Hillen, Rose Ann Humphreys, Lesley Johnson, Paul Kanigowski, Betty Leahan, John Leahan, Kenneth Loftis, Jr., M., J. M., Joan Macey, Rita Martinelli, Margaret McKay, Dolores O'Brien, Vera Paoletti, Jenn Potter, Delia Reno, Joe Reynolds, Terri Reynolds, The Salugao Family, Jim Soukup, Bob Taraska Jr., Rosa Tarzona, Greg Tasler, Marie Thompson, Frederick Tripp, Michael V., Kimberly Valinsky, John Vidal, L. Vidal, Michelle Vidal, Alex Walsh, Kent & Rose Rita Wiggins, Rick Worrell (Contact the Parish Office to add a name to this list for 3 months.)

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

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

Please pray for our military on active duty, their families, and our county; especially for those who have requested our prayers... Angelo Ballestamon (A), RJ Butic (A), Ron Dizon (A), Allyson Franchi (N), Caitlin Granadillos (A), Joseph Hagan (A), William Hagan (A), Angelina Hodson (MC), Dominic Hodson (MC), Matthew Kresge (N), Timothy D. LaBenz (N), Alfred T. Mackler (N), Matthew McGinley (N), Mason Naphy (MC), Troy Pierce (AF), Robert J. Rayca (A), Rocco Sangataldo (AF), Christopher Tasler (MC), James Vidal (A), John Vidal (AF)

> (Email the name and branch of service to MaryMomMedia@gmail.com.)

Our ProLife Intention: That the life of every human person, from conception to natural death, might be respected and protected in our laws. Lord, hear our prayers. Amen.

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The Sanctuary Candle in Our Lady of Lourdes Church this week is in loving memory of Michael J Boczar, and requested by His Family.

May you go forth in humility and love, open to God's grace and persistently proclaiming God's word.



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