## Mary, Mother of Mercy Parish

Our Lady of Lourdes Church & Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church 500 Greentree Road, Glassboro

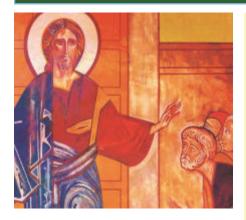
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Rev. Allain Caparas, Pastor

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: 10AM - 5PM

Friday: 10AM - 3PM Saturday: Closed

#### MASS SCHEDULE & SITES

5:00pm *OLL* Saturday: 8:00am *OLL* Sunday:

9:30am *OLOP* 

11:00am *OLL* 

Mon - Tue, Thu - Sat: 9AM OLOP

Wed: 6:15рм *OLL* 

#### RECONCILIATION

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

#### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainly of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away. ©LPi







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Weekly drawings have begun. 337 more chances to win!! 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.

# "YOU ASPIRE TO GREAT THINGS? BEGIN WITH LITTLE ONES."

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#### SERVING OUR PARISH

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Msgr. James Tracy, Retired
Deacon Kevin Laughlin
Deacon John Luko
Deacon Anthony Petillo
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#### PARISH MINISTRIES

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Welcoming Committee

**STEWARDSHIP** ~ what you do after you say you believe

#### **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.



#### to benefit National Life Center, Woodbury, NJ

February 12 & 13 and February 19 & 20

Mothers are in need of basic items for their babies. 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. There is a pack-n-play 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!* 

#### OUR LATEST DAILY RAFFLE DRAWING WINNERS ARE......



#### 3rd Week

1/15 Dora Shipley \$20
1/16 James D. Cancglin \$20
1/17 The Liscio Family \$20
1/18 Ginny Radcliffe \$20
1/19 Doris Dixon \$20
1/20 Lauren Merrell \$20
1/21 May Cunningham \$20

**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**

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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!!

In an effort to keep everyone safe and healthy, the Rosary Altar Society has decided to postpone their Covered-Dish Supper this month. Please watch the bulletin for un update when meetings will resume.

CONSECRATION TO SAINT JOSEPH February 14—March 19

Consecration after the 9AM Mass at Our Lady, Queen of Peace Church.

#### Bus Trip to see David

at Sight & Sound Theater, Lancaster,  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{PA}}$ 

Tuesday, April 5, 2022



Time: Bus will leave OLL at 9AM & return at approx. 7:30PM

Cost: \$140/person—includes: bus, show ticket, & Shady Maple Buffet

Contact: Sandy at 215-292-4215 for more info.

Registration forms are available in the Parish Office.

Registration Deadline: March 30—limited seating

#### **COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**

Loving someone struggling with addiction can be very difficult, painful, and chaotic. A community relief group can help by offering peer support for anyone affected by drug addiction – individuals and family members. Join us on online or in-person Saturday mornings at 9:30am. We meet at The Church of Incarnation, 240 Main Street, Mantua. For those how would like to attend (or just listen) online, the Zoom meeting link is: https://zoom.us/j/99624003781? pwd=dlFveGZCTml2a3drR25tU1phTThzdz09 All are welcome to attend. For more information, call Bill Dougherty 609-617-9959.

# Our Stars are Shining Parish Banquet

May 22, 2022

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#### **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
Mary-MoM.com.

#### **Reflect on His Words**

"It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone."

-Luke 4:4

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

#### **LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION CONTACTS:**

**Shannon Cassidy,** LFF Coordinator & Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - Age 3-6 <a href="mailto:scassidycgs@gmail.com">scassidycgs@gmail.com</a>

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**Sean Farrell,** *UND Echo Apprentice:* apprentice.mmom@gmail.com

#### **QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK**

#### First Reading:

Ezra and Nehemiah were the religious and political leaders of Judah in the mid-5th century BC. They grounded their leadership in Scripture ("the book of the law.") What role does sacred Scripture have in guiding your life?

#### **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.

#### **Second Reading:**

Paul used the human body as an analogy for the "many parts" of the Christian community in Corinth that should unite as the "one body" of Christ. *In what ways do you find this a challenging vision for community?* 

#### Gospel:

Today's reading contains both the opening prologue to the Gospel of Luke and the initial reaction to Jesus' return to His hometown of Nazareth. Luke is the only Evangelist to provide us with a prologue outlining his motivation to write his Gospel. *What details do you find most interesting from Luke's prologue?* ©LPi

#### **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

Children will have the opportunity to enjoy the Liturgy of the Word, geared to youth, on the 2nd Sunday at Our Lady of Lourdes Church and the 4th Sunday at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church.

We are excited to be able to offer this opportunity to our children.

#### Father Caparas' Quotable Quotes

"Being a Christian is less about cautiously avoiding sin than about courageously and actively doing God's will." ~ Dietrich Boenhoffer

#### 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.

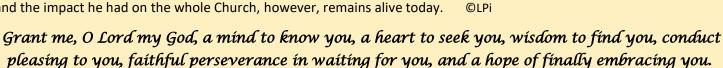
AQUINAS

#### SAINT OF THE WEEK – EXAMPLES OF OUR FAITH St. Thomas Aguinas | January 28

One of the most famous members of the Dominican Order, St. Thomas Aquinas (1225 – 1274) is well-known by many for his theological work, "The Summa Theologiae." Born in Italy, his mother wanted him to become a Benedictine and had high hopes that he would eventually become abbot of Monte Cassino, where he spent much of his youth. To change his vocation, she had him kidnapped by his brothers on his way to Paris at the age of 19. He spent two years in their captivity. Despite this, nothing could shake him from his vocation to become a Dominican priest and he was eventually released. Once free, he went to Paris and then to Cologne, where he finished his studies with Albert the Great.

His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, encompasses his writings. The Summa Theologiae, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology.

The patron saint of teachers, theologians and students, St. Thomas Aquinas died in 1274. His life and the impact he had on the whole Church, however, remains alive today. ©LPi





Question: Is it right to sue someone? Isn't it a way of getting revenge?

Answer: Revenge is inflicting harm for harm's sake, the idea of an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, and then some. There is often a fine line between justice and mercy, between compensation and forgiveness. Unfortunately, things can happen to us that cause harm, suffering, and damage, regardless of people's intentions. When someone is hurt, especially in such a way that special care or treatment is required, the cost of that care needs to be paid.

In a perfect world, those with special needs, handicaps, or disabilities would find the help and care they need, including those who are injured or hurt. But justice is not always forthcoming, and people are not always fair. So, using the legal system to right a wrong is sometimes the only option.

In some cases, it is the only way that people can get the help they need and deserve. However, frivolous lawsuits, or 'fishing for money' is not only unfair, but immoral as well. The law is there to protect people and making use of it when necessary is a good thing. ©LPi

#### Catholic Trivia—Around the World

- 1) How many Catholics are there in the world? a. a million b. 600 million c. a billion+
- 2) What continent has the largest Catholic population?
- 3) How many Catholic priests are there around the globe? a. 50,000+ b. 4000,000+ c. a million
- 4) What country boasts the largest Catholic population?
- 5) In what country is the Vatican Advanced Technology Telescope?
- 6) Outside the Vatican, what city is home the highest number of relics?

(Find answers on page 6.)

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

**VIGIL** 

5:00PM: Edward Klevence / His Family

**3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** 

SUNDAY

8:00AM: Pedro Guimary / Juana Lopez

9:30AM: Vince Whitfield / KOC Pitman Council 11:00AM: Gerry Blaney / Susan and Michael Rans

Gerry Blaney / Alison Rans

Harold and Dolores McGowan / Their Children

Helyn Ostroff / Irene and Andy Savicky
Kathleen Matteo / The Monahan Family
Patrick Murray / Wife and Family
Peter Lynch / Mystery Players

**Veronica Downes** / The McGoldrick Family **Zenaida Carpio** / Kevin and Mary Laughlin

MONDAY St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

g:ooAM: Intentions of Clare Walsh-Greenberg / Mom, Dad & Alex

**TUESDAY** The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle

9:00AM: Edward S. Polocz Sr. / Wife, Joan
WEDNESDAY Sts. Timothy & Titus, Bishops

6:15PM: The People of the Parish
THURSDAY St. Angela Merici, Virgin
9:00AM: Genalyn Marcos / Mother, Nelia

FRIDAY St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church

9:00AM: Steve Puglia / Scott and Kathy Woodside

SATURDAY BVM

9:00AM: Kathleen "Babe" Bottaro / Harry and Susan Coyle

VIGIL

5:00pm: Margaret Gallagher

<u>SUNDAY</u>

8:00AM: Adriana Guimary

9:30AM: Deceased members of KOC #6247

11:00AM: Clare and Matt Greenberg, Don Bagin, Jerry Benfer,

Josephine Matta & Charles Imbimbo, Lorraine Walsh, Pasquale Rossi, Salvatore and Rita Scarpato, Tim Luko

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 23

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

Monday: Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18 Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8/Ps 89:4-5, 27-30/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-5, 11-14/Mk 4:21-25 Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-17/Mk 4:35-41 Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-6, 15-17/1 Cor 12:31—

13:13/Lk 4:21-30

#### 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... Ken Burrows, Caren C., JoAnn Capelli, Ed Claypoole, Nicholas DeRose II, Debbie, Anne Ellena, Bill Ennis, Loretta Greathead, Jim Hillen, Rose Ann Humphreys, Lesley Johnson, John Leahan, Kenneth Loftis, Jr., Rita Martinelli, Vera Paoletti, Jenn Potter, Delia Reno, Joe Reynolds, Terri Reynolds, Jim Soukup, Bob Taraska Jr., Rosa Tarzona, Greg Tasler, Frederick Tripp, Michael V., 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 Pro-Life 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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#### Trivia answers:

1) Answer c.: 1.34 billion

2) South America has 310,536,000 Catholics

3) Answer b.: 414,336

4) Brazil

5) The high-powered telescope is on Mount Graham near Tucson, Arizona.

St. Anthony's Chapel in the Troy section of Pittsburgh has
 5,000 relics, including ones from Mary Magdalene and
 St. John the Baptist.

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