

## Parish Offices

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x215

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x211

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x217

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x218

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### Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday  
8:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Or anytime by appointment

Closed for Religious and  
Civic Holidays & Holydays



## Letter Father Yvans Jazon

Dear Parishioners,

As we journey to celebrate Jesus at Easter, we continue to open our heart to be with him on the cross. Certainly, we have experienced a great Lenten Season with our spiritual life lifted on high. I hope everyone takes the time to go to confession. Easter is two weeks away; therefore, there is still time to reconcile with the Lord in order to prepare ourselves fully to celebrate one of the greatest feasts in our Catholic Faith "our Lord's resurrection". This weekend, we are reflecting on the gospel where a woman was accused of being caught in adultery. She was led to Jesus to be condemned and she was subjected to be stoned to death. She would also be served as an opportunity for the scribes and the Pharisees to set up questions that would challenge Jesus' teaching. However, in the story we can see she had a special encounter with someone who does not judge her but who understands her sorrow and her pain. She met someone whom she would never forget. This encounter was a great moment that led her to change her life forever. As she waited to hear Jesus' verdict, she knew that she was guilty. She had already passed the judgment on herself and she accepted Jesus' right to do the same. Perfectly understanding the secret intentions of her self-righteous accusers and the helplessness of the repentant sinner, Jesus gave his verdict: "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Jesus turned the accusers' attention back on themselves and made them realize that they too were sinners. St. Augustine puts Jesus' stand as follows: "Let this woman be punished, but not by sinners; let the law be applied, but not by its transgressors." The woman was brought to a place of reparation of her reputation, the place of forgiveness and the place of reconciliation with the society and the Lord. Pope Francis calls on all of us Catholic Christians to be in perfect reconciliation to our God in this Jubilee year of Mercy. His message to all of us Christians spoke clearly to bring compassion as a part of our daily spiritual lives. He stated: "For all of us, then, the season of Lent in this Jubilee Year is a favorable time to overcome our existential alienation by listening to God's word and by practicing the works of mercy. In the corporal works of mercy, we touch the flesh of Christ in our brothers and sisters who need to be fed, clothed, sheltered, visited; and through the spiritual works of mercy counsel, instruction, forgiveness, admonishment and prayer, we touch more directly our own sinfulness". Yet, the Lord does not look at our sins or our past life but he wants a contrite heart as the psalmist stated in psalm 51 which is a prayer of contrition: "Sacrifice to God is a broken spirit, a broken contrite heart you never scorn". The gospel for this Sunday is a great lesson for us as Jesus calls on each one of us to be responsible for our sins and accept our guilt so we receive forgiveness. The readings also encourage us to reflect seriously on the ultimate example of God's compassionate love for us. My brothers and sisters, the most important aspect of our lives is to obey God's commandments with our body, mind and spirit. When we fail to comply with God's law, we act against Him and His creation. May the blessing of the compassionate God be upon you.

Fr. Yvans Jazon



## Parish Activities

**Mary, Refuge of Sinners Prayer Group** Wednesday after 8: 30 AM Mass at Assumption Church in Msgr. Kelly Hall. Begins 9/30/2015.

**Franciscan Fraternity of Divine Mercy** welcomes you every 3rd Sunday of each month at St. Elizabeth Seton Church, Absecon. All are welcome. For information call Tom Stephano @729-6284.

**Knights of Columbus** Our Lady of the Rosary Council #2572 Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of the month at 8:00 PM at the Council Home, 206 New York Ave, N. Wildwood.

**Columbian Squires Circle #558** a Catholic Young men's organization for ages 11 thru 16. Contact Dan DeMaio 729-1427 or Tom Connelly 408-6398.

**Forever Young** meets the fourth Tuesday of the month at 12:00 Noon at Kelly Hall for lunch and program.

**Legion of Mary** Tuesday at 11:00 AM in St. Ann Chapel

**Adoration** is held every Thursday after the 7:00 AM Mass until Noon at St. Ann Church.

**Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction** 1st Friday of the month 3:00 PM at Assumption Church.

**Rosary for World Peace** 1st Saturday of the month 4:00 PM at St. Ann Church.



## Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training

If you are interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, there will be a special training session held at Wildwood Catholic High School in the Doherty Room on Tuesday March 15<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am-2:00pm. Please pray about this ministry and give Jonathan Delgado a call at the Parish Office (609-522-2709, ext 219) anytime, and he will get you pointed in the right direction to register for this training session. Your prayerful consideration is appreciated!



## FOREVER YOUNG Presents a 3 day / 2 night trip to Washington, DC With a visit to the World War II Memorial June 9-11, 2016

### Package Includes:

- 2 nights accommodations in the Washington, DC area
- 2 breakfasts
- 2 dinners
- **Guided city tour of Washington, DC** to view famous sites
- **Visit to the Smithsonian Institute**
- **Visit the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception**
- Baggage handling, hotel taxes and meal gratuities
- Motorcoach transportation included.

**Price \$350.00 per person double occupancy  
\$50 per person initial deposit with reservation.  
Final Payment is due April 20, 2016  
Call Phyllis Bocelli 609-425-9523**

## Chrism Mass 2016

Bishop Sullivan invites the faithful of the diocese to join him and his priests for the Chrism Mass at 3:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at St. Agnes Church/Our Lady of Hope Parish in Blackwood. The Chrism Mass is a celebration of the priesthood and the occasion at which the bishop consecrates the sacred oils used in the sacramental life of the Church. Your presence and prayerful support will be greatly appreciated.

## Holy Hour to pray for Vocations

The Office of Vocations has scheduled Holy Hours for Vocations called **First Thursdays** throughout the diocese. Every month, a different deanery will host a Holy Hour to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Our deanery's Holy Hour will be on Thursday, April 7, 2016 at Divine Mercy Parish, Vineland, beginning at 7:00 PM. "Pray...pray...pray to the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Please come - your presence and your prayers are most important to this cause as we all work together in the work of vocations.



## LENTEN SCHEDULE

### Stations of the Cross

6:30 P.M. – Friday evenings at Assumption Church

### Masses

#### Weekday

7:00 A.M. Mass at St. Ann Church (Chapel)  
8:30 A.M. Mass at Assumption Church (Kelly Hall)

#### Weekend

Saturday 4:30 P.M. Mass at Assumption Church  
and 4:30 P.M. at St. Ann Church  
Sunday 8:30 A.M. at Assumption Church  
and 10:30 A.M. at St. Ann Church  
Sunday evening at 7:00 P.M. Mass (in Spanish)  
at St. Ann Church

### Confessions

Saturday – 3:30 P.M. – Assumption Church  
Saturday – 3:30 P.M. – St. Ann Church

### Communal Penance Service

Monday, March 14, 2016  
6:30 P.M. Assumption Church



The Mercy Works theme for March is "Feed the Hungry." As disciples of Christ and members of His Church, we are all called upon to be His healing hands, extending mercy and love to those among us who are ill or infirmed.

One great way to feed the hungry this month and all year round: Donate non-perishable food items to a local food pantry. For more information; check the Diocese of Camden's Home and Parish Healthcare Services, contact VITALity Catholic Healthcare Services at 856-583-6423.



## Pilgrimage to Divine Mercy Shrine

Stockbridge, MA

Saturday, April 2, 2016

Cost \$55.00 per person (adults or children)

Seats are limited ~ call Parish Office 609-522-2709 x210 for reservations

5:30 ~ Departure from Wildwood Catholic Parking Lot

8:30 ~ Return to Wildwood Catholic Parking Lot

Coffee & doughnuts will be served on the bus!

A spiritual, fun trip!!

## Stewards Detach Themselves



Parish Stewardship

*"For His sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ..." (Philippians 3:8b)*

The first commandments says that we shall not put other gods before the Lord. True Stewards detach themselves from material possessions and consider them "rubbish". It strengthens our relationship with Jesus and allows us to live more freely and joyfully.

*Thank you for your generosity.*



## Ecumenical Lenten Soup Lecture Supper

During Lent 2016 the churches of the "Wildwoods" will be sponsoring the "Wednesday Lenten Soup Lecture Suppers". The suppers will take place at a different church each of the five Wednesdays of Lent. Those who attend will gather for a simple meal of a hearty soup and bread and dessert with a hot or cold drink. The meal will be celebrated at 6:30 p.m. and a 30 to 45 minute presentation will follow.

Please come and take part in the series.  
March 16, 2016—North Wildwood United Methodist Church, Central Avenue, North Wildwood, NJ



## Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

If in this calendar year (01/01/16 through 12/31/16), you are celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary of 25, 50, 60 or 70 years or more of marriage, please join us in celebrating on SUNDAY, June 19, at 3:30 p.m. Mass in Northfield, at St. Bernadette Church, St. Gianna Beretta Molla Parish. Bishop Sullivan will be the celebrant.

A light reception will follow in the parish hall. Registration forms are available in the back of the church or at parish offices.

**Registration deadline is May 27, 2016.**

## Misericordiae Vultus

*Grace, mercy, and peace to all who continue to prayerfully reflect on Pope Francis' letter. In his words, "...so they may contemplate the face of mercy."(4)*

*Pope Francis continues,,,,,,,,, "The Evangelist reminds us of the teaching of Jesus who says, 'Be merciful just as your Father is merciful' (Lk 6:36). It is a programme of life as demanding as it is rich with joy and peace. Jesus's command is directed to anyone willing to listen to his voice (cf. Lk 6:27). In order to be capable of mercy, therefore, we must first of all dispose ourselves to listen to the Word of God. This means rediscovering the value of silence in order to meditate on the Word that comes to us. In this way, it will be possible to contemplate God's mercy and adopt it as our lifestyle.*

*The practice of pilgrimage has a special place in the Holy Year, because it represents the journey each of us makes in this life. Life itself is a pilgrimage, and the human being is a viator, a pilgrim traveling along the road, making his way to the desired destination. Similarly, to reach the Holy Door in Rome or in any other place in the world (ours is in Cape May - others are listed in the Star Herald) everyone, each according to his or her ability, will have to make a pilgrimage. This will be a sign that mercy is also a goal to reach and requires dedication and sacrifice. May pilgrimage be an impetus to conversion: by crossing the threshold of the Holy Door, we will find the strength to embrace God's mercy and dedicate ourselves to being merciful with others as the Father has been with us." (13-14)*

*Once again we pause from the text to really listen with our hearts to Francis pleading and prayer for us.... Silence (being alone with God) and then pilgrimage (action to do what we are called to do.) Reading the Misericordiae Vultus is only our first step-we need to stop and privately pray over it again and again so that .... "it will be possible to contemplate God's mercy and adopt it as our lifestyle" In these few remaining weeks of Lent let us put habits of "pieces" of silence into our lives..... "and dedicate ourselves to being merciful with others as the Father has been with us". (14) "Lives can change when habits change". (Matthew Kelly)*

## Annual Fish Fry

Our Annual Fish Fry Dinner will take place on Friday, March 11th and Friday March 18th at the Vegas Diner, 14th & New Jersey Avenues, North Wildwood 4:00 to 7:30 PM Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children tickets are available at the Parish Office and will be sold at the door.



Our monthly meeting will be Tuesday, March 22nd at 12:00 Noon in Kelly hall.



**Wildwood Catholic High School**  
**Crusader Club**



**Luck of the Irish Ca\$h Raffle**  
 To Benefit the Academic and Athletic Programs at Wildwood Catholic High School  
 Drawing at 1500 Central Ave North Wildwood NJ 08260 on  
 March 17, 2016 at 2:00pm

**Please make checks payable to: WCHS Crusaders and send to 1500 Central Ave with a return address and your tickets will be mailed to you or see any WCHS Parent to purchase**

Grand Prize 35% 2nd Prize 10% **\$50.00 for 1 ticket or**  
 3rd Prize 5% **\$100 for 3 tickets**  
 Maximum 1500 Tickets being sold  
 NJ ID #954-6-23305 RL#480

**Taxpayer Alert!**  
**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!**

Every child transferring from a private school to a public school impacts your taxes. This request for increased transportation funding is minimal compared to the impact of transfers due to lack of available transportation.

Please call, write, or email the office of Governor Christie and ask him to increase the per-pupil allotment for nonpublic school transportation in his 2017 budget.

Mailing Address:

The Honorable Chris Christie  
 Governor of the State of New Jersey  
 The State House  
 P.O. Box 001  
 Trenton, NJ 08625

Phone: (609) 292-6000

Email: <http://www.nj.gov/governor/contact/>

NJCC Voter Voice System:

<https://votervoice.net/NJCC/Campaigns/43871/Respond>

(you can simply add your signature to the sample letter)

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. THE FUTURE OF OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS DEPENDS ON ALL OF US!**

**SUMMER INTENSIVE 2016**  
**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

The Summer Intensive Program for the summer of 2016 will run from **July 25, 2016 to August 5, 2016**. The classes will start daily at 8:30 AM and conclude at 12:00 noon. For more information please call AnnaMae at the office at 609-522-2709 x218 to request a registration form. Please leave a message if I am not in the office when you call. Thank you.



**Closing the Gap**

The word “radical” means *to get to the root of things*. Jesus was a radical. Jesus was interested in getting deep down to the root of things. He was interested in what was essential- not the topping but the heart of the matter....the core, the root, the truth. His life and teachings are a radical invitation to come beyond what most of us have settled for in our every day lives. He wants us to get down to the core of what matters- my personal relationship with Him.

Lent is the time to close the “Gap” between my life and the life Jesus invites me to live in the Gospel. There are many ways to get close to Jesus. Some are simple and can be practiced in the flow of everyday activity, while others require a time and place set apart from the busy, noisy, world. But they all require time and effort. Here are four practical daily ways to “Rediscover Jesus”.

**Read the four Gospels** - over and over again for 15 minutes each day.

**Practice the Prayer Process** - This is a simple process designed to help you enter into a daily conversation with Jesus. (page 123 )

**Deny yourself** - Find a handful of small ways to deny yourself each day.

**Practice Spontaneous Prayer**- Talk to Jesus as the events of your day unfolds.

Lives change when habits change...begin a brand new day. Resist any temptation to put it off. Close the relationship gap between you and Jesus.. (taken from Mathew Kelly’s book *Rediscover Jesus* pages 112-115.)



**Electronic Giving**

Electronic or “e-Giving” is available to parishioners and friends of Notre Dame de la Mer Parish. It’s easy to set up, and YOU have complete control of how and what you donate to the parish. It’s convenient, consistent, secure and insures privacy. To register, and set up your personal account, **go to Notre Dame de la Mer Parish Web Page and click on the link on the front page.**

Please follow the directions. And if you’re interested, coupon slips can be printed so you have something to place in the collection baskets. If you have questions, or concerns, there is a FAQ section that should help you in your decision. Be sure to visit Parish Pay. Thank you for your generosity.

**Pray For Our Deceased**

**Anne Skocki, Santo Cardile, Eleanor Kimball**

## Liturgy & Prayers

**SATURDAY** *March 12*

**4:30 PM** **Dec'd Members of Serpe Family**  
*Assumption Church* r/b Maggie & Anthony Serpe  
**John Mc Grody, Jr.** r/b Family  
**Joe & Peg Mc Garrie** r/b Family

**4:30 PM** **Dr. John Incarvito** r/b His Wife, Dottie  
*St. Ann Church* **Lucy Wall** r/b Don & Faith Brunell  
**Walter Everitt** r/b Family  
**Nicholas Herman, Sr.** r/b Carl & Betty O'Hala

**SUNDAY** *March 13*

**8:30 AM** **Intentions of Robert Mc Ginn**  
**Josephine Corino** r/b Joan Troiano  
**Anita Martorano** r/b Mary Rossi  
**10:30 AM** **Jim Pellicore** r/b Little Flower Alumnae  
 Association Cape May County  
**John Amenhauser** r/b Tom & Kathy Melchiorre  
**Barbara Hunger** r/b Parson Family  
**Judy Brennan** r/b Blue Ocean Realty  
**Charles Slider** r/b Chris Borkowski  
**7:00 PM** **For Our Parishioners**

**MONDAY** *March 14*

**7:00 AM** **Thomas Kelhower** r/b His Wife, Theresa  
**8:30 AM** **Alice Borneman** r/b Ed

**TUESDAY** *March 15*

**7:00 AM** **Living Members of J. Anderson Family**  
**8:30 AM** **Carmela Catanese** r/b Prayer Group

**WEDNES.** *March 16*

**7:00 AM** **Living Members of R. Jermyn Family**  
**8:30 AM** **Ginny Young** r/b Family

**THURSDAY** *March 17*

**7:00 AM** **William Provence**  
**8:30 AM** **Ed Mc Clain** r/b his Wife, Nettie

**FRIDAY** *March 18*

**7:00 AM** **Living Members of C. Anderson Family**  
**8:30 AM** **Larry Mc Monagle** r/b his Wife

**SATURDAY** *March 19*

**4:30 PM** **Deceased Members of Emanuel Family**  
*Assumption Church* r/b Maggie & Anthony Serpe  
**Deceased Members of Knapp Family**  
 r/b Maggie & Anthony Serpe  
**Living Members of G. Vesper Family**

**4:30 PM**  
*St. Ann Church*

**Living & Dec'd Members of Leonard & Mc Keown Families** r/b Joan Leonard  
**Elijah Joseph Ulbrich** r/b Donna & Ed Koehler  
**Chuck O'Brien** r/b his Wife, Nancy  
**Bernie Mc Namee** r/b the Winsett Family  
**Frank Musselman** r/b Uncle John & Aunt Fran



**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS  
 THOSE WHO ARE ILL-**

Jean Archer, Isoletta Batten, Christian Buscham, Joseph Carfagno, Maggie Chase, Don Chiancone, Betty Collins, Stumpy Countiss, Jean Cunningham, Angie Dabbingino, Dan Elkins, Fran Feketics, Jean Feketics, Linda Gallo, Helen Garagosa, Joanne Golley, Ann Grasso, David Grasso, Maggie Hartley, Drew Heimack, John D. Howe, Janet Johnson, Jessica Karabian, Eleanor Kimball, Henry Korzeniowski, Lois Lauriello, Elizabeth Love, Joanne Lynch, Rose Mattera, Dolly Mc Gee, Mark McKee, Marge McMullin, Mary Ann Metzger, Krista Monte, Marie Murphy, Mimi Jean Myra, Lynn Nichols, Bob Necker, Frank Niemczak, Tim O'Leary, Sr., Ramona Oliver, Madison Pagliaccetti, Valerie Biedzian Parr, Halina Poznanska, Cecelia Puerta, Mamie Reed, Tom Ribnicky, Tony Robinson, Pat Rooney, Luigi Rovar, Rose Salvitelli, Jane Scarano, Michael Bailey Schafer, Steven Seeberger, Baby Tommy Seibert, Carol Seibert, Michael Schaefer, Leanna Shortall, Sally Smith, Joe Stella, Tom Stephano, Laura Stuart, Roger Thompson, Jr., John & Jennifer Tipton, Stacey Tipton, Cheryl Tolen, Luke Trask, Brian Uetz, Marissa Vinni, David Wardius, Frank Werba, Dawn Herman Williams. **Also, anyone who wishes to receive Communion may also call the parish offices. Names will remain on the sick list for three months.**

**Pasta Festival**  
**Wildwood Catholic High School**  
**Sunday, March 13**  
**4:00pm to 7:00pm**

Enjoy a pasta buffet served with  
 Caesar Salad & Dessert



**Wildwood Catholic High School**  
**School presents**  
**"Snoopy the Musical"**  
**March 13 - 2 pm**  
**Join us for a Pasta Dinner / Show combination ticket**  
**\$25 (dinner immediately following show)**

**Wildwood Catholic High School**  
**15th Street Cafeteria Entrance**  
**Children (under age 10) ~ \$7.50 Adults \$15.00**

**Tickets available at the door**



**Sanctuary Lamp**

The Sanctuary Lamp at the Assumption Church is lit this week for Our Parishioners and at St. Ann Church for Nick Herman, Sr. r/b Lorraine Celinski & Family