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

Closed for Religious and
Civic Holidays & Holydays



Letter from Father Yvans Jazon

Dear Parishioners,

The fourth Sunday of Easter is traditionally known as Good Shepherd Sunday. This is also the "World Day of Prayer for Vocations". This week let us voice our prayers to the Lord to send more Vocations to his Church for the fulfillment of his peoples' Spiritual needs. The liturgy for this weekend has clearly described the role of the shepherds of God's flock in the Church. Good Shepherd Sunday reminds us that Jesus is our Shepherd who devotedly and kindly takes care of his flock. His role as our shepherd is to feed, nurture, comfort, correct, and protect his flock. Most of the time we imagine God as an authoritarian figure but the liturgy of this weekend invites us to HAVE another experience of God who guides and helps us to grow.

What are the figures of a good shepherd in the bible? The good shepherd lives for his sheep. That means there is a mutual dependency. However, the shepherd is unique vis-a-vis his sheep. Jesus as a good shepherd knows all his sheep. He said in John 10:14, "I'm the good shepherd, I know my sheep and they know me." For the Lord, each and every one of us is unique and physically irreplaceable. This is the reason why he will never abandon us, even though we close our ears or follow our own path in life instead of allowing Him to lead and guide our way. No matter how many times one gets lost or wanders from the path of righteousness the good shepherd is still there to rescue and to bring us back to life and to a safe place. We always sing the beautiful song of Psalm 23 "the Lord is my shepherd there is nothing I shall want". One may have his or her own personal struggles but God does not exclude you because you are weak or struggling. Instead, He wants you to hear His voice. In John 10:27 He said "my sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me". When we listen to the voice of Jesus Christ we receive the advice necessary to continue on the journey. We also receive the important messages that lead and guide us in the right way and good direction. Jesus will not abandon us even though we get hurt on our journey or we are in distress because of life's circumstances. In the book of Ezekiel 34:16 the Lord promises: "I will search for the lost and bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak... I will shepherd the flock with justice".

This responsibility is also entrusted to each one of us in our own mission. For instance, those entrusted to our care, as priests, doctors, nurses, and other missions that we have in our community. The Gospel and the readings for this fourth Sunday of Easter give us comforts and challenges. 1) Comfort because the message helps us to remember that God is always there for us. 2) Challenge is that pastors and lay people alike, should be good shepherds to those entrusted to their care. We become good shepherds by loving those entrusted to us when we pray for them, spending our time and talents for their welfare, and guarding them against physical and spiritual dangers.

We need to hear and follow the voice of our shepherds through their homilies, Bible classes, counseling, and advice. This gospel not only invites the shepherd to devote his life to the sheep but for the sheep to listen to the voice of the shepherd. This aspect invites us to remain good sheep in the fold of Jesus. Our local parish is our sheepfold, and our pastors are our shepherds. As the good sheep of the parish, parishioners are expected to receive the spiritual food their pastors provide by regular participation in the Holy Mass; by frequenting the Sacraments; and by attending prayer services, renewal programs, and missions. The parishioners, as good sheep, should cooperate with their pastors by giving them positive suggestions for the welfare of the parish, by encouraging them in their duties, by lovingly offering them constructive criticism not to destroy their reputation, but to encourage them to become better shepherds. Let's continue to pray and encourage our parish community to pray for vocations to priestly ministry and religious life, so that we may have more good shepherds to lead, feed and protect the Catholic community.

May God bless you and Happy Good Shepherd Sunday,
Fr. Yvans

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.



Day of Recollection

Notre Dame de la Mer parish is having a day of Recollection at the Marianist Family Retreat Center in Cape May Point on Wednesday, April 27, 2016. Donation is \$25, which includes breakfast and lunch. If interested call Eva Lista 609-522-3070.



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New Parish Webpage and Social Media Resources

Please VISIT, LIKE, and FOLLOW our sites for Parish Happenings

Mercy Talk

On Wednesday, April 27, 2016 in Kelly Hall at 6:30 we will present the second of our Parish Mercy Talks. Mrs. Carolyn Miller will speak on "Mercy & the Parables". The evening will begin with a cover dish. The parish will supply the meat and the drink and we are asking those who attend to bring a cover dish in the following way.

Using the first letter of your last name
A-H- is asked to bring a POTATO, RICE OR PASTA
I-P- is asked to bring a VEGETABLE
R-Z is asked to bring a DESSERT

Please join us for an inspiring, spiritual talk and for some friendship!



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 the parish offices.

Registration deadline is May 27, 2016.



Mark your calendar our next monthly meeting will be **Tuesday, April 26, 2016** at Kelly Hall, Wildwood Crest. Meeting will begin at 12:00 Noon.

Would you (both men and women) like to spend some time with the Lord? Please join the "Forever Young" senior group at the Sisters of St. Joseph Retreat House at Cape May Point on Tuesday, May 24, 2016 at 9:45 AM. The day will follow like this: Eucharistic Liturgy at 10:00 AM, followed by a coffee break at 10:45 AM, then we'll have Input - Part I at 11:15 AM - presented by Sister Mary Ann Mulzet SSJ, followed by a Reflection period at 11:30 AM. At 12:15 PM we'll have time for sharing, followed by lunch. After lunch at 1:30 PM, we'll have Input - Part II, again presented by Sister Mary Ann; reflection time will follow at 1:45 PM. At 2:30 PM we will have time for sharing followed by a Closing Ritual. The cost is \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members. Reservations and payment are due by Friday, May 19, 2016. Call Kay 609-729-5773.

Stewards Filled with the Holy Spirit



*"The disciple were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit."
Acts 13:52*

Because the disciples heard Our Lord's call, they were able to spread the Gospel message with strength and vitality. **Stewards**, too, can experience that same joy if we take time to open our hearts, listen to God, ask for His direction and allow the Holy Spirit to guide our lives and our decisions.

Thank you for your generosity.

Misericordiae Vultus

Once again Pope Francis' Letter will speak of something he has already done for us during this past Lent. He has sent us "Missionaries of Mercy". Perhaps you have heard of them or their "whereabouts"- if not yet- their paths may cross ours soon. and so.... *Grace, mercy, and peace to all who are continuing to reflect seriously, engage prayerfully and act boldly on Pope Francis' letter which challenges us to be..... "Merciful like the Father". (MV14)*

Pope Francis continues,,,,,,,"During Lent of this Holy Year, I intend to send out Missionaries of Mercy. They will be a sign of the Church's maternal solicitude for the People of God, enabling them to enter the profound richness of this mystery so fundamental to the faith. There will be priest to whom I will grant the authority to pardon even those sins reserved to the Holy See, so that the breadth of their mandate as confessors will be even clearer. They will be, above all, living signs of the Father's readiness to welcome those in search of his pardon. They will be missionaries of mercy because they will be facilitators of a truly human encounter, a source of liberation, rich with responsibility for overcoming obstacles and taking up the new life of Baptism again.

They will be led in their mission by the words of the Apostle: "For God has consigned all men to disobedience, that he may have mercy upon all" (Rom 11:32). Everyone, in fact, without exception, is called to embrace the call to mercy. May these Missionaries live this call with the assurance that they can fix their eyes on Jesus, "the merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God" (Heb 2:17).

I ask my brother Bishops to invite and welcome these Missionaries so that they can be, above all, persuasive preachers of mercy. May individual dioceses organize "missions to the people" in such a way that these Missionaries may be heralds of joy and forgiveness. Bishops are asked to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with their people so that the time of grace made possible by the Jubilee Year makes if possible for many of God's sons and daughters to take up once again the journey to the Father's house'. May pastors, especially during the liturgical season of Lent, be diligent in calling back the faithful "to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace" (Heb 4:16). May the message of mercy reach everyone, and may no one be indifferent to the call to experience mercy. (18)



Give us Your JUNK

May 7, 2016

**accepting donations to
support Wildwood Catholic**

**Call Tara 609-780-1181 to
schedule drop off or pick up**



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.



Lazarus House

(Emergency Food Pantry)

"For I was hungry and you gave me food..."

Thank you for your kind donations to Lazarus House emergency food pantry. We welcome all donations of food delivered to Lazarus House on any Monday, Wednesday or Friday between 10:00 AM and 12:00 noon, or placed in one of the baskets at the doors of the churches. All donations to poor boxes, plus cash, checks, gift cards or in memory of someone, or bequests identified for Lazarus House, in any collection, or sent to the parish offices, go directly to help provided food and other essentials for those in need in our community. We are always in need of cereal, pasta, tuna fish, peanut butter, hot chocolate, oatmeal, canned stews, pasta sauce and chili. Thank you. For questions or additional information contact: Frank Stone 609-729-7217.



Come Grow With US!
Registration for 2016 - 2017 is happening now!
Call today to reserve your child's spot for next year.
Preschool 4 all day program has a few openings, don't delay, call today!
Call Julie Roche @522.2704 or roche@capetrinitycatholic.org
We are a school for critical thinking, based on gospel values and the promotion of academic excellence.
Habla espanol!

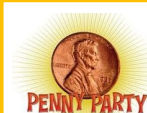


Car Raffle Volunteers

Do you like to people watch and enjoy the sounds of the ocean? We are in need of volunteers to sell car raffle tickets on the boardwalk. Are you available to help our parish's major fundraiser which supports our two schools: Cape Trinity Catholic and Wildwood Catholic High School? ***Any time you can give is appreciated.*** Please contact Pat Manning at 609-522-2709 x210 or pmanning@notredamedelamer.org.

Mass of Remembrance & Healing

A Mass of Remembrance & Healing will be celebrated by Msgr. Michael Mannion on Mon., May 9 – 7:00 p.m. at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church, 200 Tuckahoe Road, Marmora, for those who have suffered the loss of a child of any age through miscarriage, still-birth, abortion, SIDS, illness, disease, or any untimely death. We encourage and welcome all members of the family and friends affected by the loss of this beloved child to join in this Mass of celebration for the precious life that touched ours briefly, yet stays in our hearts forever! (Please bring a picture or special remembrance of your child. Roses will be available for those who have lost their child before birth.) For more information, please call: Betty at 609-425-3553 or email at elizpearce@comcast.net



The Ladies for the Knights, North Wildwood are sponsoring an annual penny party on Sunday, April 24, 2016 at the Knights of Columbus hall, 206 North New York Avenue, North Wildwood, NJ. Doors will open at noon. There is a \$1.00 admission charge per person. Refreshments will be for sale. In addition there will a tombola table and cake sale. Baby coaches and strollers will not be permitted inside the hall. As always your help and ongoing support is greatly appreciated.

Cape Trinity Catholic Presents



April 28th & 29th at 7:00 PM
Saturday, April 30th 1:30 PM

FREE for children up to 14 years old
\$5.00 for All Others

Tickets can be purchased at the school in advance or on show day!

Bring you friends and family!
Don't miss what has been called
"the perfect musical comedy"

Cape Trinity Catholic School
1500 Central Avenue
North Wildwood
609-522-2704

Liturgy & Prayers

SATURDAY April 16

4:30 PM Eleanor M. Kimball r/b Mary Kurtz

Assumption Church

4:30 PM Dr. John Incarvito r/b his Wife, Dottie
 St. Ann Jim Pellicore r/b Marie & Marianne
 Church Walter Everitt r/b his Family
 Margaret Schmidt r/b Rich Spinetta
 William Knox r/b John & Regina Mc Coy

SUNDAY April 17

8:30 AM William Mc Cutchin r/b his wife, Kay
 Helen Mottershead r/b Laura Turner
 10:30 AM Kathy Carfagno r/b Jim & Dotty Jordan
 Joseph P Killen r/b his Family
 7:00 PM For Our Parishioners

MONDAY April 18

7:00 AM Judy Ann Brummett r/b Bill Wolf
 8:30 AM Carmen Bersani r/b Bonnie, Theresa & Vicky

TUESDAY April 19

7:00 AM Fred Preece r/b Bill Wolf
 8:30 AM Intentions of Peggy Vercio r/b A Friend

WEDNES. April 20

7:00 AM No Intention
 8:30 AM No Intention

THURSDAY April 21

7:00 AM Luke Gallo r/b his Mom
 8:30 AM Louis Celenza

FRIDAY April 22

7:00 AM Mary Provence
 8:30 AM No Intention

SATURDAY April 23

4:30 PM Joe Burke r/b his Family
 Assumption Matt Diana r/b his Wife, Stella
 Church Eleanor Kimball r/b Helen & Loy Ehlers
 Madeline Levin r/b Clint Rose, Jr.
 4:30 PM Edwin Brunell r/b Don & Faith Brunell
 St. Ann Nick Herman r/b Theresa Neill
 Church Florence Mc Cann r/b Pat Matthews

Our Deceased

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Jean Archer and John Wickham.



Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp at the Assumption Church is lit this week for William Mc Cutchin r/b his Wife, Kay and at St. Ann Church for Luke Gallo r/b his Mom, Bobbie



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

THOSE WHO ARE ILL- John Barkovitch, Isoletta Batten, Victoria Bersani, Christian Buscham, Joseph Carfagno, Dolores Catalano, Maggie Chase, Don Chiancone, Betty Collins, Stumpy Countiss, Jean Cunningham, Angie Dabbingino, Dan Elkins, Fran Feketics, Jean Feketics, Ken Ford, Linda Gallo, Helen Garagosa, Joanne Golley, Ann Grasso, David Grasso, Maggie Hartley, Drew Heimack, John D. Howe, Janet Johnson, Jessica Karabian, Patricia Kedra, Barbara Klecz, 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 Pagliacetti, Valerie Biedzian Parr, Brittany Peace, Halina Poznanska, Cecelia Puerta, Mamie Reed, Tom Ribnick, Tony Robinson, Pat Rooney, Luigi Rovar, Rose Salvitelli, Noel Sanesae, Jane Scarano, Michael Bailey Schafer, Steven Seeberger, Baby Tommy Seibert, Carol Seibert, Michael Schaefer, Leanna Shortall, Jess Silver, 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.**

SAVE THE DATE

SUNDAY APRIL 24, 2016

CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY PRESENTS



"SWING INTO SPRING"

32ND ANNUAL LUNCHEON

GRAND HOTEL-BALLROOM

1045 Beach Ave, C.M

11:30 AM – 3 PM

Luncheon Tickets - \$35

Contact Kay – 609-729-5773

Luncheon – Cash Bar – Prizes – Raffles

ENTERTAINMENT – PHILLY FRIENDS