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Closed for Religious and Civic Holidays & Holydays



Letter from Father Yvans

Dear Parishioner,

A little boy greets his father as he returns from work with a question: "Daddy, how much do you make an hour?" The father is surprised and says, "Look, son, not even your mother knows. Don't bother me now, I'm tired." "But Daddy, just tell me please! How much do you make an hour?" the boy insists. The father finally gives up and replies, "Twenty dollars." "Okay, Daddy," the boy continues, "Could you loan me ten dollars?" The father yells at him, "So that was the reason you asked how much I earn, right? Now, go to sleep and don't bother me anymore!" At night the father thinks over what he said and starts feeling guilty. Maybe his son needed to buy something. Finally, he goes to his son's room. "Are you asleep, son?" asks the father. "No, Daddy. Why?" replies the boy. "Here's the money you asked for earlier," the father said. "Thanks, Daddy!" replies the boy and receives the money. Then he reaches under his pillow and brings out some more money. "Now I have enough! Now I have twenty dollars!" says the boy to his father, "Daddy, could you sell me one hour of your time?" Today's readings have a message for this man and for all of us, and the message is that we need to invest more of our time in our family life.

The notion of "family" as a nuclear unit is pretty much a product of the twentieth century. The Holy Family, of course, is a far from "typical" family. Therefore, we need to consider the principles of the Holy Family as models for every Christian family. It is always good for families to be present and available for each other. A happy household is where everyone feels included and able to share their strengths for the welfare and the benefit of all. When we think about family, we can picture interaction, relationship, safety, and trust. When a family develops these Christian characteristics; that leads each member to play an active role where prayerful dialogue and spiritual activities take place. Families become holy when Christ Jesus is present and invited to be part of the family's everyday life. We know the saying "a family who prays together stays together". Similarly, Jesus becomes truly present in a family when all the members live in the Christian spirit of sacrifice. This happens when mutual understanding, mutual support and mutual respect are applied in all the conversations and actions of the family.

My brothers and Sisters, the church gives us the possibility to celebrate Jesus, Mary, and Joseph who are models of our families. Through this sacred feast, the church encourages us to look the Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph as a vital source of inspiration. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (2223) gives the following advice to the parents: "Parents have the first responsibility for the education of their children. They bear witness to this responsibility first by creating a home where tenderness, forgiveness, respect, fidelity, and loving service are the rule. The home is well suited for education in the virtues. This requires an apprenticeship in self-denial, sound judgment, and self-mastery - the preconditions of all true freedom. Parents should teach their children to subordinate the 'material and instinctual dimensions to interior and spiritual ones.' The CCC adds: "Parents have a grave responsibility to give good example to their children." (2223).

Each family, like the family of Jesus, is called to holiness. Jesus Christ instituted two sacraments that are two important elements in that call to Holiness: the sacrament of priesthood and the sacrament of marriage. Through the sacrament of priesthood, Jesus sanctifies the priest as well as his parish. Similarly, by the sacrament of marriage, Jesus sanctifies not only the spouses but also the entire family. On the Feast of the only perfect Family that ever lived on this earth, all parents might examine themselves and see how well they are fulfilling the grave responsibility, which God has placed on them. As they heard during their marriage ceremony: "children are a gift from God to you." Children serve as the joy of their parents' young years and the help and comfort of their old age, but above and beyond that, they are a gift for which their parents are accountable before God, as they must, in the end, return these, His children, to Him.

Let us pray for the grace of caring for one another in our own families, for each member of the parish family, and for all families of the universal Church. May God bless all your families in the New Year.

I wish you all a happy and blessed New Year.

Fr. Yvans



Important Notice to Daily Morning Mass attendees at Notre Dame de la Mer Parish!

Keeping everyone safe is our main concern and in order to accomplish this we ask that you please follow the procedure below when weather is not favorable in the morning to attend Mass:

Please listen to the radio to see if Cape Trinity Catholic School or Wildwood Catholic High School is closed-if the schools are closed there will be no morning mass. (This is for the 7:00 AM and 8:30 AM Mass.

Please know that we want you safe to be able to return to the family of Notre Dame de la Mer Parish when the weather permits. Do not take chances that are not necessary. We understand and we know that God understands.



Wildwood Catholic High School Crusader Club



LUCK OF THE IRISH CASH RAFFLE

To benefit the Academic and Athletic Programs at Wildwood Catholic High School

Drawing on St. Patrick's Day March 17th, 2016 at 2pm

at WCHS 1500 Central Ave. North Wildwood, NJ 08260

\$50 for 1 ticket \$100 for 3 tickets Go in together with family and friends to purchase multiple tickets!



Grand prize 35% Second prize 10% Third prize 5%

Maximum of 1500 tickets being sold

Mail check made payable to WCHS Crusaders with your name, address, and phone number and we will mail your tickets to you!



Gift Cards

GET YOUR GIFT CARDS AT CTC! Cape Trinity Catholic (1500 Central) sells Gift Cards

year round and every school day from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. How convenient is that! We stock gift cards for over 50 stores and restaurants and can special order hundreds more! These are the same gift cards you've seen at local stores. They won't cost you an extra cent and we raise money on every gift card we sell-please tell your friends and family and buy your gift cards for shopping and gift giving from CTC! Look for the red CTC Gift Card packet in the back of the churches! In it you will find order forms for the gift cards we stock plus the special order gift card list and holiday order dates. Payment of cash or check is accepted. Email joannemesser@gmail.com or call the school office at 609-522-2704 with any questions. Thank you for your support!



Gift Shop

The gift shop at Assumption Church is available before and after our Masses at that location or by calling Betty at 609-675-

5146. We are currently offering 50% off all Christmas items. Spend \$20 and receive a free tote bag.

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.

2016 March for Life in Washington, D.C.

A bus will leave Our Lady of the Angels Church on Friday, January 22, 2016 at 6:45 AM. The bus will make a second passenger pickup a 7:00 AM at the Garden State Parkway Mile Post 18 Service Area. The bus will start the trip back from Washington, D.C. at about 4:00 PM and will arrive back in Cape May Court House at about 8:00 PM. Contact bus cocaptains Steve Atzert 609-465-7765 or satzert1@verizon.net or Alvin Westerland 609-374-0499 to reserve your seat or if you have any questions.

Crusade for Excellence



Wildwood Catholic High School has pursued a Crusade of Excellence since 1948. Today WCHS is stronger than ever with increasing enrollment, enhanced curriculum and improved facilities; all of this occurring in a faith-filled environment.

We invite you to be a part of our success. Our ANNUAL APPEAL is an ongoing campaign. Four times a year the school newspaper. The Crusader X Press, is sent to about 5000 recipients. Every dollar is important and is greatly appreciated. Wildwood Catholic is the only Catholic high school in the county. Without your assistance, we may not be able to fulfill our promise to future students who want to have a Catholic education.

Each month a Mass is celebrated for the intentions of all who support WCHS. Be a part of our Crusade for Excellence.

School newspapers are available at the back of the church or call the school to receive your copy.

Stewards Love Family



"See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are." (1 John 3:1A)

During this season of giving, let us remember that the most important gift we received—being children of God. As God's children, it's important that as Stewards we express our love for others as well. Tell your spouse, children and other family member and friends that you love them, frequently.

Your Gift of Treasure

December 13,2015 collection came to \$12,741.00 Last year's collection came to \$12,803.00

Thank you for your generosity.



Cub Pack 184

Cub Pack 184 is still accepting boys; grades K thru 5th grade who would like to join the fun of scouting, please call Dan Petela @609-780-0581 or email

mac1150@verizon.net.



Bus Trip to Philadelphia

Tuesday, January 19, 2016 ~ Treasures of the Vatican & St. Rita of Cascia's

Shrine ~ \$98 per person. Trip includes: Transportation, entrance to the Franklin Institutes "Vatican Splendors", visit to St. Rita's Shrine and lunch. Trip departs St. Ann's at 8:00 AM. For information call Rose Leone 856 -797-1888 or Joe Tighe 609-522-3362 or register at Miracles Fitness Gym in Rio Grande.





Congratulations to Allie Fiore (pictured on right) who placed first in the North Wildwood 'Veterans of Foreign Wars' Post 5941 Patriotic Pen essay contest. Marina Zolna, a fellow eighth grade student placed second. The essay themes, decided yearly by the national VFW Commander were distributed to schools at the start of the school year. All essays were submitted by November 1. Many thanks to Mr. Joe Orlando, Commander of Post 5941, dedicated veteran and volunteer. First place winners were honored at a dinner and received a monetary prize.



Happy New Year

CTC's *Annual Fund* report for 2014-2015 has been published. Sister Sheila is grateful for the many donations that *Annual Fund* provides. Thank you for your support of

Cape Trinity Catholic School and please continue to keep our students and faculty in your prayers during the peaceful time of Christmas.

Our Churches Look Beautiful

Our thanks is extended to you for contributing toward the beautiful flowers which decorate our altars and churches this Christmas. We also appreciate all that was done by so many people who volunteered their time and helped to allow the rest of us enjoy the beautiful Christmas experience and decorations.

IRS Statement for 2015 Contribution

If any parishioner would like a statement of contribution to the church for 2015, please complete the form to below and return it to the parish center or drop it into the collection basket.

Please mail me a copy of my 2015 contributions for IRS purposes.

Name:		
Address:		
Envelope No.	Phone No.	



Additional Christmas Flower Donations



Bada, Conboy & Clark Families r/b M/M Joseph Bada, Jr.

Carol Berardo r/b Mr. Robert Berardo

Carmen Bersani r/b Mrs. Bonnie Bersani

Borneman Family r/b Mr. Ed Borneman

Lena E. Bower, Dec'd Members of Jenner & Bower Families r/b

M/M William Bower

Adelyn Bradley r/b M/M William Bradley

Robert "Rocky" Bryan r/b Mrs. Robert Bryan

Our Parents r/b M/M Lawrence Campanale

Fred Carbone r/b Mrs. Anna Carbone

Provence & Chambers Families r/b M/M James Chambers

Lentz & Chestnut Families r/b Mrs. Roseanne Chestnut

Jean & Henry Cieplinski, Anna & Edward Donnelly r/b M/M

Henry Cieplinski

Rudolph & Christine D'Alesio r/b Ms Gerry D'Alesio

Christopher D'Ambra r/b M/M Anthony D'Ambra

De Feo Family r/b Miss Gloria De Feo

Bernadette De Long r/b M/M Joseph De Long

Del Corio & Taraschi Families r/b M/M Frank Del Corio

Loved Ones r/b Mrs. Veronica Furev

Philip L. Gaughan r/b Mrs. Kathleen Gaughan

Dec'd Members of Grassi Family r/b Mr. Paul Grassi

Humphreys & Grasso Families r/b M/M David Grasso

Loved Ones r/b M/M Michael Hanson

Eileen (Hoban) Creelman r/b M/M Francis Hoban

Dec'd Family Members r/b M/M Edward Hughes

Mary Jane Hunt r/b M/M Thomas Hunt

Loved One r/b M/M Daniel Martin

Margaret Thomas r/b M/M David Masterson

Ed Mc Clain, Mary & Dom Cartelano, Mary & James Mc Clain r/b

Mrs. Natalie Mc Clain

Loved Ones r/b Mrs. Catherine Mc Dermond

Florence Mink r/b Mr. James Mink

Anna G. Mucchetti r/b Mr. Domenic Mucchetti

Mary Naylor r/b Ms Theresa Naylor

Dec'd Members Leonard & Orlando Families r/b M/M Joseph

Orlando

William J. Osborn, Stanzio & Carmela Del Corio, Ralph & Frances

Osborn r/b Mrs. Rose Osborn

William & Margaret Petercsak, Barbara & John Tuner, Margicin &

Petercsak Families r/b Mr. William Petercsak

Ace & Stella Pinto, Helen & Joseph Lynch, Sr. r/b Ms Debbie

Pinto

John & Josephine Pojedinec r/b Ms Janet Pojedinec

Quattrone Family r/b M/M Joseph Quattrone

Elena & Chris Quinn r/b Mr. John Quinn

Bob Rahn r/b Mrs. Denise Rahn

Loved Ones r/b M/M Joseph Routhier

Charlie Schaffer r/b Mrs. Eleanor Schaffer

Nick & Ellen Panico, Dominic & Helen Dippolito r/b Ms

Patricia Scharff & Vince Dippolito

Tony Sittineri r/b Mrs. Mary Sittineri

Alfredo & Teresa Taglialatela, Clara Mattera r/b Ms Christina Taglia-

latela

Dec'd Members Visalli & Lempka Families r/b M/M Joseph Visalli Wackerman, Ciao & Mc Sloy Families r/b M/M Joseph Wackerman

Joseph F. Woods, Jr. r/b Ms Barbara Woods

James "OB" Young, Sandra Beck-Mc Grew, George T. Beck r/b Mrs.

Jamie Young

A Family Prayer

O <u>God</u> of goodness and mercy, to Thy fatherly guidance we commend our family, our household and all our belongings. We commit all to Thy love and keeping; do Thou fill this house with Thy blessings even as Thou didst fill the holy House of <u>Nazareth</u> with Thy presence. Keep far from us, above all else, the blemish of sin, and do Thou alone reign in our midst by Thy law, by Thy most holy love and by the exercise of every <u>Christian</u> virtue. Let each one of us obey Thee, love Thee and set himself to follow in his own <u>life</u> Thine example, that of Mary, Thy Mother and our Mother most loving, and that of Thy blameless guardian, Saint Joseph.

Protect us and our house from all evils and misfortunes, but grant that we may be ever resigned to Thy divine <u>will</u> even in the sorrows which it shall please Thee to send us. Finally give unto all of us the <u>grace</u>to live in perfect <u>harmony</u> and in the fullness of love toward our neighbor. Grant that every one of us may deserve by a holy <u>life</u> the comfort of Thy holy <u>Sacraments</u> at the hour of death. O Jesus, bless us and protect us.

O Mary, Mother of grace and of mercy, defend us against the wicked spirit, reconcile us with Thy Son, commit us to His keeping, that so we may be made worthy of His promises.

Saint Joseph, foster-father of our Savior, guardian of His holy Mother, head of the Holy Family, intercede for us, bless us and defend our home at all times.

Saint Michael, defend us against all the evil cunning of hell.

saint Gabriel, make us to understand the holy will of God.

Saint Raphael, preserve us from all sickness and from every danger to our lives.

Our holy Guardian Angels, keep our feet safely on the path of salvation both day and night.

Our holy Patrons, pray for us before the throne of God.

Yea, bless this house, O <u>God</u> the Father, who hast created us; O <u>God</u> the Son, who hast suffered for us upon the holy Cross, and Thou, O Holy Spirit, who hast sanctified us in holy Baptism. May the one <u>God</u> in three divine Persons preserve our bodies, purify our minds, direct our hearts and bring us all to everlasting life.

Glory be to the Father, glory be to the Son, glory be to the Holy Ghost! Amen

Liturgy & Prayers

4:30 PM Ed & Mary Ann Katz r/b Family

Assumption
Church Stratoti Family r/b Leon & Stephanie

4:30 PM Dr. John Incarvito r/b his wife, Dottie

St. Ann Luke Gallo r/b his Mom
Church Jack Weigand r/b Bobbie Gall

Leanh & Cociolia Sharm r/b Family

Joseph & Cecialia Sharp r/b Family Josephine Tomarchio r/b Bob Kilgore

SUNDAY December 27

8:30 AM Edward Mallon r/b Anthony, Nancy &

Melissa & SJAB Staff

10:30 AM Bill Henfey r/b Family

Joey Berthcsi r/b Poppy & Nanny Jack Peiffer r/b Johnny & FAB

Frank A Musselman r/b Johnny & FAB

Harvey Forsyth r//b Family

7:00 PM For Our Parishioners

MONDAY December 28 7:00 AM No Mass

8:30 AM Alfred Vecchiarelli r/b Wife & Children

TUESDAY December 29 7:00 AM No Mass

8:30 AM Alfed Kurtz, Sr. r/b his wife, Mary

WEDNES. December 30 7:00 AM No Mass

8:30 AM Borneman Family r/b Ed Borneman

THURSDAY December 31 7:00 AM No Mass

8:30 AM Alice Whelan r/b The Holland Family

4:30 PM Solemnity of Mary Vigil Mass

St. Ann Church

7:00 PM Solemnity of Mary Vigil Mass

St. Ann Church (Spanish)

FRIDAY January 1

8:30 AM For Our Parishioners

Assumption Church

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp at the Assumption Church is lit this week for Joe Burke r/b his family. and at St. Ann Church for Special Intentions of Berthesi & Karabian

Families

SATURDAY January 2

4:30 PM Josephine Corino r/b Rose Osborne & Family

Assumption Church

4:30 PM Diane Robinson r/b Mary Jane, Cara & Suzanne St. Ann Kathy Mc Conney Boyce r/b Aunt, Joan Leonard

Church



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO ARE ILL-

Thomas Ankrua, Jean Archer, Isoletta Batten, Edward Bauman, Melissa Bauman, Jacob Bouren, Robin Brown, Jack Burke,

Thomas Burke, Jr., Christian Buscham,

Betty Campbell, Kathleen Cantwell, Joseph Carfagno, Maggie Chase, Don Chiancone, Betty Collins, Patricia Cook, Stumpy Countiss, Jean Cunningham, Angie Dabbingino, Kathryn D'Amico, Tyler Dodson, Dolores Dorman, Dan Elkins, Bette Engblom, Ginny Feltwell, Fran Feketics, Jean Feketics, Mary Fioravante, James Futrell, Helen Garagosa, Jennifer Graber, Ann Grasso, David Grasso, Marie Grecia, Maggie Hartley, Drew Heimack, Nick Herman, Sr., Janet Johnson, Kelly Joyce, Jessica Karabian, Eleanor Kimball, Henry Koreniowski, Jean Kottea, Yvonne Kukielka, Lois Lauriello, Amanda Long, Charles Long, Elizabeth Love, Rose Mattera, Mary McCall, Francis McCullough, Dolly Mc Gee, Mark McKee, Marge McMullen, Mary Ann Metzger, Janet Meyer, Helen Mihal, Kathleen Miller, Krista Mote, Marie Murphy, Lynn Nichols, Frank Niemczak, Tim O'Leary, Sr., Genevieve Oliver, Tom Olsen, Madison Pagliaccetti, Brittany Peace, Karen Prendergast, Kimberly Prendergast, 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, Jeff Silver, Eileen Simone, Catherine Simone, Lorraine Sirianni, Sally Smith, Donald Staffieri, Joe Stella, Tom Stephano, Laura Stuart, Harry Taylor, John & Jennifer Tipton, Stacey Tipton, Cheryl Tolen, Luke Trask, Marie Tumolo, Brian Uetz, Colleen Veireck, 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.

New Year's Mass Schedule

New Year's Eve Thursday, December 31st St. Ann Church.......4:30 PM St. Ann Church (Spanish) 7:00 PM

New Year's Day Friday, January 1st

Church of the Assumption 8:30 AM



