



Notre Dame de la Mer Parish

www.notredamedelamer.org

Current Mass Schedule

See Page 5 for Year Round Schedule w/ Changes

St. Ann Church
2901 Atlantic Avenue
Wildwood

Saturday: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 10:30 AM*

Confessions

Saturday ~ 3:30 PM

*Livestream - on our Webpage or Facebook

Assumption Church
7101 Seaview Avenue
Wildwood Crest

Mon.- Sat.(Daily): 8:30 AM
Sunday: 8:30 AM

Confessions

Wed. & Friday ~ 9 AM-10 AM

Adoration:

Monday ~ Friday

See page 7 for details



Upcoming Special Parish Information

Traveling Statues of Mary: Reserve your date to take home either Our Lady of Fatima or Our Lady of Lourdes for a week. Please call the parish office

Ash Wednesday - March 5

8:30 AM at Assumption Church (Mass)
4:00PM at Assumption Church (Distribution, not a Mass)
6:00PM at St. Ann Church (Mass)

St. Patrick's Day Observance Mass:

Saturday, March 15th at St. Ann Church 10:00AM
Followed by the NW Parade and Celebration

Assumption Gift Shop: Only cash and check are accepted for payment.



HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT
JUBILEE 2025:
PILGRIMS OF HOPE



February 9th, 2025
5th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Notre Dame de la Mer Parish **Business Office Hours**

Monday through Thursday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Friday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

Closed Saturday, Sunday, Holy Days, & Civic Holidays.

Our Mission Statement

The love of Jesus Christ gathers us together to welcome and embrace all God's Children.

Staff Directory

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Maintenance Supervisor

Mr. Jim Di Fazio

Stewardship



February 9, 2025
5th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Stewards Minister

“Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?’ ‘Here I am,’ I said, ‘send me!’” - ISAIAH 6:8

Every day, in little ways and in big ways, God asks, “*Whom shall I send?*” Whether it is someone to take on a new **Stewardship** ministry, to give a friendly smile to a stranger or to say a word of encouragement to a friend, God constantly provides opportunities to help someone in need. God is always talking to us; we just need to pay more attention. When you hear God calling have the courage to walk through the door and say, “Here I am, Lord.”

Planned Giving

St. Francis of Assisi taught us that it is in giving that we receive. Please consider remembering your parish when planning your estate. You could continue to support your parish into the foreseeable future through your planned giving. Please call us to discuss the possibility of giving through stock gifts, charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder trusts, real estate gifts and life insurance gifts. Through your generosity the good works of the Church, her spiritual and corporal works of mercy will continue for years to come!



Technology is here to stay.

Everyday, more and more of life's everyday tasks are made easier and automatic through ever-evolving technology.

One way technology can make your life easier is signing up for online giving with Parish Giving™.

Please enroll today by visiting our parish website.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

Here on vacation? Want to donate but don't have any cash on hand?

It's fast, safe and secure.

No sign-up required. Click “pay now”

QR code will link you directly to our Parish Giving website



Dear Parishioner,

If you were to research the notion of “The Peter Principle” you would find it is ultimately just a theory first recognized by a Canadian educator named Dr. Laurence J. Peter. Admittedly light in his proposal, he wrote that in any corporate structure a person tends to be promoted until he or she gets to one rung above his or her level of competence. You can be the judge of whether or not this has happened where you work. I know it happens in the Church.

What I propose is “the St. Peter Principle,” It was initiated by the lovable man who become our first pope. Christ’s choice of him put Peter where he was most competent, as leader and bulwark against heresy. Yes, he was imperfect, but he always kept intact his beautiful humility. Evidence of this we have in today’s Gospel.

With transparent frustration, Peter resists Jesus’ command to lower the nets in deep water. “We’ve been at this all night, Lord!” he says. But out of respect for the carpenter’s son, He lowers the nets. When the miracle happens, Peter immediately kneels before Jesus and urges Him to leave sinful company.

Now just freeze the moment and savor it. Note both the power and the beauty. Here a rough and ready fisherman, tired from a hard night’s work, still manages to convert to a ready penitent. Please allow me to stretch this tidy conclusion with a more elusive one. Do you recognize the fact that all Peter, can just St. Peter, can be surprised by God? He frequently supplies something positive and wonderful in our lives, and we routinely forget those when we complain to Him about the inevitable negatives. I leave it to you to name them from your life experience so far.

I prefer it if you were to list the items you acknowledge on Thanksgiving morning. Things like meeting the person you eventually fall in love with enough to bind your life with theirs. This one is most appropriate to think about on this “World Day of Marriage” in our Church calendar. Or the happy diagnosis given one by the cancer specialist. Or the unexpected raise given you by the boss. Or the return to the faith by a non-practicing family member, to name a few. But note how the “St. Peter Principle” kicks in. It is your humility showing when you compose such a list. It urges you kneel and be grateful that God does not run away from you. Listen to the great Pope Gregory the Great: “God first gathered the unlearned, afterwards philosophers, nor has he taught fishermen by orators, but has subdued orators by fishermen.”

God love you and give you His peace.

Rev. Leonard Peterson



Mass Intentions

Saint Ann Church

SATURDAY February 8

4:30PM Alfred Kurtz, Jr. r/b Burke Family
Eamonn Hughes r/b Adrianna Ward
Mary Affronti r/b Carol D'Allessandro
Salvatore Donato r/b Ann Marie Baiocchi
Janet Harkins r/b Toni & John
Stephen Gazak r/b The Walsh Family
Frances Broughton r/b The Gallagher &
McDermott Families
Joann Vitola r/b Barbara McGee
Marlin McMaster r/b John & Carol
Ronald Lindemuth r/b Staff of Mulligans

SUNDAY February 9

10:30 AM Pro Populo

Assumption Church

SATURDAY February 8

8:30 AM Jack Holland r/b Fred Schweikert

SUNDAY February 9

8:30 AM Jack Holland r/b John & Kristen Davis
Ron Milewski r/b Forever Young
Kathleen Burke r/b Joe Lloyd
Roseann LoIacono r/b Rosemary, Grace, and
Steve DeRobertis
Jack Burke r/b Burke Family
Kevin Kelley r/b Shelley Galina
Amanda Holland r/b Holland Family
Eammon Hughes r/b Arianna Ward
Greg DiAntonio r/b Kreni & Jeff
Michael Mastriandelo r/b Deborah Cole &
Don Cancelliere

MONDAY February 10

8:30 AM Mary Louise Rostato King r/b Teri & Steve
Carey

TUESDAY February 11

8:30 AM John Fare r/b Darleen Devlin

WEDNES. February 12

8:30 AM Linda DeMento r/b Andy & Judy Orgonas

THURS. February 13

8:30 AM Thomas Kelhower r/b Thersa, Wife

FRIDAY February 14

8:30 AM Eleanor & Vincent DiPace r/b Daughter

SATURDAY February 15

8:30 AM Scott Orgonas r/b Andy & Judy Orgonas

Intentions will only be listed for the
current weekend masses and the
upcoming weekday masses.



Readings of the Week

Reading I : Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

Here I am! Send me.

- In the first reading, Isaiah gives an account of his prophetic call.
- Isaiah has a vision in which one of the seraphim touches his lips with a hot coal from the incense burner.
- This is a sign that his lips are cleansed to preach God's word.

Reading II : 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

The grace of God is with us always.

- The reading from 1 Corinthians precedes the Gospel of Mark and is the oldest statement of resurrection faith recorded.
- Paul presents the Gospel's general outline in the formal pattern of rabbinical tradition.
- For Paul, the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ is the culmination of things written long ago.

Gospel : Luke 5:1-11

The apostles were called and so are we.

- Today's Gospel story presents Luke's account of the call of the first disciples.
- In contrast to the story told by Matthew and Mark, here the disciples had a more resounding reason to respond to the call from Jesus.
- Simon Peter's response to the call reminds us of the response of Isaiah: "Leave me Lord. I am a sinful man."

Family Reflection Corner

Theme: We are continually invited to follow Jesus.

Breaking Open the Word

Suggested text for faith sharing: *Today's Gospel*

Step One: Listen to the Word

As you hear this reading, what words or phrases strike you? What in this reading touches your heart? What lingers in your memory?

Step Two: Look into Your Life

Question for Children: What is a way that you can follow Jesus?

Question for Youth: Following Jesus can mean leaving some things behind. What do you need to let go of to follow Jesus more fully in your life?

Question for Adults: When recently did God call you to do something that was difficult?

Funerals: To be arranged with the funeral director. Please call a funeral home of your choice.

Sacrament of the Sick: Anytime . Please call the office at 609.522.2709 .

Sanctuary Lamp: The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in loving memory of

St Ann: Betti McNamara r/b Husband

Assumption: Members of the Parish





“A Time To Be Healed...”

Carlo J Accardi, Sandra Accardi, Gerry Baily, John Bailey, Patricia Bastion ,Chuck Behle, Bernadette & Family, Victoria Bersani, John Berthcsi, Liam Blaney, Christina Bober, Alice Boyle, Nick Bonifante, Geraldine Buckley, Mary Ann Burke, Jackie Burroughs, Giuliana Burruezo, Matthew Bzwonariak, Leo Carano, Joseph Carfagno, Angela Carsillo, Jeanne Cassidy, Christine Cavaliere, Robert & Nancy Celebre, Don Chiancone, Carol Clark Korzeniowski, John Cleary, Patti Clifford, Joe Comdeica, Maureen (Peach) Cooper, David Cornell, Jim Cunningham, Bonnie Daniels, Al Deissroth, Dina DeLero, Dennis Devine, Niall Devlin, Nancy Dick, Jack DiPaola, Dianne Dooley, Gianna Dotzler, Joseph Dotzler, Fran Dougherty, John Dougherty, Bea Fadgen, Robert Fath, Patricia Foidl, Lucy Blue Freeling, Robert Friend, Isabella Fuscello, Linda Marie Gallo, Luke Gallo Sr, Margaret Gardner, Jr, Matt Girard, Michelina Giuliano, Rosa Giuliano, Robert & Rita Gloner, Eileen Golden, Mary Golden, Joanne Golley, Josie Gorman, Fran Grace , Kate Grassi, Jason Gushue, Mary Hallowell, Nadine Halp., Mike Harbison, Sloan Hart, Kevin Harvey, Joan Hearn, Drew Heimack, Charles (Buddy) Hemphill, Donna Hemphill, Justin Hennessy, Joseph Herrera, Theresa Hogan Pettit, Pete Horn, Neal Horrell, Joseph and Susan Hughs, Michael Iacona, Nick Iocco, Joe Inemer, Ron Isaacson, Dexter M James, Luke D Johns, Max Jordan, Dana Kane., Frank Keiser, Margaret Kilkenny, Ronnie & Barbara Klecz, Enzo Kramer, Michelle Lauriello, Charlotte Lawrence, Roger Lee, Joan Lentz, John Leonetti Sr, Daniel Long, Don Long, Ismael Lopez, Max Lopez, George Ludwig, Salvatore M. Larry, Michelle, Jeremy & Jessica Mankoff, Charles Marcinkiewicz, Stanley Marcinkiewicz, Christine Marcinkiewicz-Rose, Carmen Lidia Maldonado, James Maxwell, John MacDonald, Diane McDonald, Terry Mc Ardle, Thomas McAteer, Joan Mikulewicz, Phillip Mitchell, Louise Molczan, Sharon Monti, Bill Morey, Jr., Simon Mosaad, Sean Murphy, Lynn Nichols, Elizabeth O’Connor, Sonia O’Connor, Rose Osborn, Sherrie Owens, Lizzy Paredes , Brittany Peace, Marie Pellicore, Dave Pennock, Maria Perez, John Pyfer, John Pisani, Russ Pizzo, Gloria Porto, Diane Prout, Brent Reichenbach, Cass Ricci, Nicholas Ricci, Anthony Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Samantha Rogers., Mickayla Rohrer, Sandy Rudnick, Leona Rudy, Ed Ruth, Judy Saunders , Courtney Santarsiero, Heather Santoro, Maureen Samanns, Bailey Schafer, Theresa Sherwin, Bob Siciliano, Joe Simmon, Irene Simone, Jack Smithson, Kathy Snyder, Dan Spencer, Gene Spiegel, Joane Spiewak, Joseph Stever, Peter Subers, Sharon Tanelli, John Teti, Damien Tirello, Olivia Tirello, Frank Tarantella, Michelle Tarbotton-Rucci, Celia Troisi, Joseph J Troiano, Thomas Vanella, Michael Vitali, Kitty Vito, Rose Mary Walch, Regina Walsh, Tom Waring, Maureen Wilent, Dawn Herman Williams, Shelby Williams, Ronald Woods, Michael Yurescko, William Zaccagni

**Please let us know if we should remove any names.
609.522.2709, x.210**

In order to not put the names in on time limits it is important that we are updated when it comes time to remove a name.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

We remember those that have died. Especially,...
Vincent Marino



St. Jude Prayer Warriors

The Notre Dame de la Mer **PRAYER LINE** is operational. To place someone on the list, please call or text Karen at 609-602-6106. Leave the name of the person and prayer intention. If you would like to join the prayer line, call Karen. Our St. Jude Prayer Warriors are keeping all sick in their prayers.

**Our Year Round Mass Schedule with the Changes Throughout the Year
(Current Schedule in RED)**

Summer Schedule

-Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend-

St. Ann

Saturday: 5:00PM

Sunday: 7:00AM, 8:30AM, 10:30AM

Assumption

Daily Mass (Mon.-Sat.) 8:30AM

Saturday: 4:30PM

Sunday: 8:30AM, 10:30AM

Modified Summer Schedule

-The Weekend Following Labor Day through the Last Weekend in September-

St. Ann

Saturday: 5:00PM

Sunday: 8:30AM, 10:30AM

Assumption

Daily Mass (Mon.-Sat.) 8:30AM

Saturday: 4:30PM

Sunday: 8:30AM

Winter Schedule

-The First Weekend in October through the Weekend Before Memorial Day-

St. Ann

Saturday: 4:30PM

Sunday: 10:30AM

Assumption

Daily Mass (Mon.-Sat.) 8:30AM

Sunday: 8:30AM

Parish and Local Information



The Branches Outreach

The Branches Outreach is a grassroots 501(c)(3) non-profit providing social services and programs for vulnerable individuals in Cape May County with dignity and respect. We provide food, personal care necessities, and assistance with issues related to homelessness, poverty, mental health, and more. Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn! Donations can be made via our website at www.thebranchesoutreach.org or by check made out to The Branches Outreach, 201 Hirst

St. Gabriel Ministry

When an individual is confined to their home, it may be difficult to connect with those who love and care for them. Are you interested in lifting a person's spirits with an occasional phone call? If interested, call Karen at 609-602-6106



Volunteers Needed

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Volunteers Opportunity!

We are looking for a few specific volunteers in our parish family and liturgical ministries.

Parking Lot Help at St. Ann Church

If you are interested in getting involved give us a call to discuss some opportunities.

Please call the office or reach out to Sharon Mattia 609.522.2709, X.210 smattia@notredamedelamer.org

Parish and Local Information

Gluten-Free

Hosts are available for communion. You MUST see the sacristan in the sacristy **BEFORE** Mass begins. Any questions contact Jonathan Delgado at the office.



New to the Parish: Please register. Forms are available on our website under "About Us" or contact the parish office. Any changes such as a new phone number or email, please let us know. If **moving** out of the area, kindly notify the office.



Lazarus House

(Emergency Food Pantry)

"For I was hungry and you gave me food"

Lazarus House is located in the Living Waters Veterans Memorial Chapel at Burk & Pacific Aves in Wildwood, NJ We welcome all donations of food and new personal care items delivered to Lazarus House on Monday, Wednesday & Friday between 10AM & 12PM. Items can also be placed in the baskets by the doors of St Ann & Assumption Churches.

Lazarus House is a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization. All donations are tax-deductible. Monetary donations & bequests are welcome. Deceased loved ones are remembered on Lazarus House "Remembers" memorial wall for a minimum donation of \$25. Checks, gift cards, & cash can be dropped off at the pantry or mailed to: **Lazarus House, PO Box 1792, Wildwood, NJ 08260.**

For additional information, please contact Frank Stone, Director, at the pantry. Call 609-522-1500. Thank you for your continued support to feed the hungry.

40 Hours of Continuous Adoration

Notre Dame de la Mer invites each of you to participate in **The Parish's 4th annual 40 continuous Hours of Adoration Devotion.** This is a joyful and spiritual start to the 2025 Lenten season. During the 40 Hours we ask for commitments from those Adoring the Most Blessed Sacrament, who will be Guarding Him, that He be not alone. This is a wonderful way to start your Lenten season by giving up One-hour commitment. This is your Lenten season sacrifice. This is the source and summit of our Faith. To be in the presence of the King of the Universe and the Eucharist is the King!

For us to be successful we need two people per hour, from Sunday March 2nd at the 3PM, with the Exposition and Chaplet of Divine Mercy, through Tuesday March 4th at 1PM, concluding with Benediction and Mass. Followed with coffee and donuts in Kelly Hall.

Sign-up sheets, by hour, can be found in Kelly Hall, Assumption Church, and the Lobby at Saint Ann Church. Our success and continuation of 40 Hours Devotion is up to you.

"When Jesus returned, he approached his disciples and found them sleeping. And he said to Peter: **"So you were not able to keep vigil with me for One hour?"** MT26:40 Thank you and God Bless you.

Contact: Chuck Mirarchi, 215-284-2942, cpmvp1@gmail.com
Where: Monsignor Kelly Hall
When: **March 2nd, 3pm to March 4th, 1pm**



Prayer Opportunities

Holy Hour of Intercession

The Youth and Young Adults Office at the Diocese of Camden requested that parishes come together in Intercessory Prayers for our youth. With so many daily distractions and temptations negatively affecting the mind, body, soul and spirit of our young people, it is important that we pray for healthy interactions and correct moral values in their lives. We meet after the 8:30AM Mass 3rd Monday of month. At Assumption Church. [Next holy hour will be February 17](#)

~You Are Invited: Wednesday Night Rosary~

Every Wednesday night our group prays the rosary and re-lives each Scripture mystery at 7PM via the link below. Specific prayer intentions may be submitted via email & will be announced as you meditate on the rosary & scripture reading. If you have questions, contact Chuck Mirarchi cpmvp1@gmail.com or 215-284-2942 Hope to see you!

Join by Microsoft Teams by computer or phone
<https://teams.live.com/join/9349847848697>
(Best to use in Chrome, Google or Edge)

“Iron Sharpens Iron, and Men Sharpen Men”

MEN’S PRAYER GROUP

Contact Chuck Mirarchi at 215-284-2942 or cpmvp1@gmail.com

Men of the Catholic faith, NDDLDM has an active and vibrant men’s group exploring issues, we as Catholic men are confronted with. Our mission is to defend The Catholic faith. We are the **Men of the Messiah**.

We explore the secrets of the bible; Where sacraments are written and commanded us by Jesus; We learn how to fully understand the Eucharist; Why we love The Blessed Virgin Mary; The papacy, The confession of sins; Who are the Apostles and who are the Saints.

Notre Dame de la Mers men group, the **Men of the Messiah**, tackles issues of the day and allows men, fathers, sons' to defend their faith. We open every meeting praying the Rosary. We support the parish in other needs, when called upon.

All Men Are Welcome. We meet twice a month:

When: First and Third Saturday of the month, 9AM, following morning Mass.

Where: Monsignor Kelly Hall, Assumption Church.

When: Saturday, 9AM

Upcoming Schedule

Feb 15 - Rosary, Sign ups for 40 Hours Devotion, discussion on the Sacraments Jesus gave us.

March 1 and 2 - 40 Hours Devotion 3/2-3/4

March 15 - Rosary, discussion on the Sacraments Jesus gave us.

Coffee and Donuts are served.

Additional Parish and Community Information

Parish & Community Organizations

Knights of Columbus Our Lady of the Rosary Council #2572 Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 PM with the rosary said prior to meeting beginning at 6:40PM at the Council Home, 206 New York Ave, N. Wildwood. Contact: Joe Lloyd (Grand Knight) at 609-425-2255. For hall rentals call Linda Gorman 609-290-1158

Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians CMC Div-1

Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians Cape May County Div 1. Follow us on Facebook “LAOH CMC Div 1” or email: laohcmcl@gmail.com Or Pat Lang 856-217-4955

GROUP MEETINGS

Mary, Refuge of Sinners Prayer Group Wednesday after the 8:30 AM in St Joseph’s Room at Assumption.

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

“Good Grief” Bereavement Ministry



Have you lost someone you love?
Would you like to share your story and a cup of coffee/tea with a small group of friends?
How about just some quiet conversation?

St. Ann Church at 1:00PM

Held in the “old chapel”

2025 schedule

1/28, 2/11, 2/25, 3/11, 3/25, 4/8, 4/22, 5/13, 5/27, 6/10, 6/24, 7/8, 7/22, 8/12, 8/26, 9/9, 9/23/10/14, 10/28, 11/11, 11/25, 12/9, 12/23

Assumption Church at 6:30PM in Kelly Hall

2025 schedule

1/27, 2/24, 3/24, 4/28, 5/19, 6/23, 7/28, 8/25, 9/22, 10/27, 11/24, 12/22

Feel free to bring a friend.

Contact Nancy McGann 856.236.2265

Meet your team: Pat Monaghan, Carolyn Miller, Nancy McGann and Deacon Rich

Adoration

Adoration is Held:

Monday - Thursday

9:00 AM -1:00 PM

Friday

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM closing with

Divine Mercy at 3PM

WHERE: Assumption Church / Msgr. Kelly Hall.

Please sign-up so we have continuous coverage.

Sign-up sheets will be available after daily Mass.

See or contact Chuck Mirarchi for help signing up:

215-284-2942 or via email: cpmvp1@gmail.com



**Walking With Purpose
A Catholic Women's Bible Study**

"Discovering Our Dignity"

A study of Women in the Bible
We meet Wednesday's 9:15 -11:00 AM
Assumption Church @ Msgr. Kelly Hall

Please contact Kathy Woodside
for more information.

Ltsdanz@verizon.net

609-828-1105



NDDL M PARISH HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Thank you to those who have recently joined our Homebound Ministry. With the increase of homebound parishioners and the limited number of ministers /priests, we **welcome extraordinary ministers to join this fulfilling ministry.** Your visits to our homebound can be on a weekly, bi-monthly or monthly basis. If the Lord is calling you to this ministry, please contact Karen at 609-602-6106.

If you or your loved one is homebound and would like a visit and communion brought to them, please contact the office.
"... I was sick, and you took care of me,..." Matthew 25:26

RESPECT LIFE

**Building a culture that cherishes
and protects every human life.**

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

Respect Life Ministry strives to build a culture that supports and protects every human life through prayer, education and action by working to affirm the sacredness of life from the moment of conception to a natural death while also promoting the importance and sanctity of marriage and family.

Our Respect Life group meets the
first Monday of the month.

If you would like to join in the fight to respect life from conception until natural death, please contact:
Scott Woodside (scottwoodside76@gmail.com)
or **Chuck Mirarchi** (cpmvp1@gmail.com)

For additional information please find our in-depth resource page on the parish webpage.

www.notredamedelamer.org/pages/respect-life-ministry

**HEALING THE PAIN OF ABORTION
ONE WEEKEND AT A TIME**

Do not continue to live in shame, fear or numbness. Call our toll-free national hotline Rachel's Vineyard 877 HOPE 4 ME (877-467-3463), National Hotline for Abortion Recovery 866 -482-LIFE (866-482-5433) www.rachelsvineyard.org Find Healing on Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Weekends

**A BIBLICAL
WALK
THROUGH
THE MASS**



The Mass is nothing short of amazing. Through it, we encounter God in the most intimate way possible as we hear him speak to us in the Liturgy of the Word and as we receive him Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Holy Eucharist. In his video-based study *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*, Dr. Edward Sri explores the roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their profound significance. This fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love for and devotion to the Holy Eucharist.

Join us for *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass* in **Kelly Hall at Assumption Church** for 5 weekly session. Please call Donnamarie Sexton at 609-522-2709 ext 218 to register and order a book by 1/13/25. The books are \$26.95.

Classes will be held: Tuesday 6:30-8pm on 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 2/25, 3/4
Wednesday 11am-12:30pm on 2/5, 2/12, 2/19, 2/26, 3/5

A brief overview and book pick up will be held 1/28 at 6:30pm & 1/29 at 11am



Traveling Statues of Mary



Both of our worship sights now have a statue of Mary that we would like our parishioners to take home to pray with.

St. Ann's Church will be featuring *Our Lady of Fatima*, take her home to pray for peace.

Assumption Church will be featuring *Our Lady of Lourdes*, take her home to pray for healing.

Please call the office 609-522-2709 and schedule the statue to visit with you in your home. Drop off and pick up will be in the sacristy of each church after the Sunday morning mass.

Forever Young

FOREVER YOUNG MEMBERSHIP:

General meetings for Forever Young are held the fourth Tuesday of each month in Kelly Hall at Assumption Church in Wildwood Crest....meetings start at 11:30

The next general meeting will be on January 28

Doors will open at 11:15 and ALL ARE WELCOME (including NEW MEMBERS). There will be a short presentation by a local speaker, followed by lunch and our meeting. For more info. call Carol at 609-523-4246.

FOREVER YOUNG SENIOR BOWLING CLUB

The Forever Young Senior Bowling Club is undway. We bowl every Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. at Island Bowl New Jersey and Oak Avenues.

This is a mixed Social Club with no assigned teams and you can bowl any Tuesday that you are available.

If interested, contact Don Fasolo 267-825-0521 or Linda Fasolo 215-260-3669.



FOREVER YOUNG RETREAT

Forever Young is sponsoring a day of prayer at Villa Maria by the Sea Retreat Center located in Stone Harbor on **April 8**. Sister Emily Vincent Rebalsky, the program director at the Retreat Center, will direct our day. The day will begin at 8:30 a.m. with mass at 9 a.m. and conclude at 3 p.m. Hospitality after mass and lunch are included. The cost of the Retreat is \$60 with registration and payment due by March 25. For more information or to register, call Kay at 609-224-3229.

Catholic Grandparent's Ministry

The Catholic Grandparents ministry builds a community of support for grandparents and shares resources to pass on our faith to our families. Nex meetings will be held **Monday, February 24** after the 9AM daily mass at St John Neumann church on Townbank Rd, North Cape May. We look forward to seeing you for mass, fellowship, and prayer with our fellow grandparents.

For more info. please contact Mary Kay Dunne at 610-724-6535 or southjerseygrands@gmail.com



FOREVER YOUNG TRIP CRIMSON CANYONS



Departs September 4th, 2025

- *Las Vegas Start
- *Grand Canyon Nat'l Park
- *Bryce Canyon Nat'l Park
- *Zion Nat'l Park
- *Capitol Reef Nat'l Park
- *Arches Nat'l Park
- *Canyon Lands Nat'l Park
- *Grand Junction and Denver

FOR MORE INFO and EARLY BIRD:

Call Phyllis Bocelli at 609.425.9523
or email phyllisbocelli@gmail.com



JOIN FOREVER YOUNG TRIP TO LANCASTER

NOAH at SIGHT & SOUND THEATER

Thursday, June 12 2025

Cost: \$189/person

Includes: Transportation, preferred reserved seating on main floor, lunch at Hershey Farm Restaurant, meal/bus gratuities

Depart 9:30 AM

Return Home 8:30PM

For more information call:

Stephanie Devlin at 609.889.2888



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The Contemporary Ensemble Sings at the 8:30am Mass at The Assumption Church and once a month at St. Ann's Church. All instrumentalists and vocalists are welcome. Our rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-8:00pm in the Music Room located in Saint Ann Church. Our first rehearsal for the new season will be on Wednesday September 11th.

The Adult Choir sings at the 10:30am Mass at St. Ann Church and once a month at The Church of the Assumption. All are welcome. We rehearse on Thursday evenings from 7:00-9:00pm in the Music Room located in Saint Ann Church. Our first rehearsal for the new season will be on Thursday September 12th.

Our Children's Choir is open to any student in our Parish Family from grades 3-8. Rehearsals are held on Tuesday afternoons from 2:30-3:30pm in The Wildwood Catholic Academy Music Room. Our first rehearsal will be held on Tuesday afternoon September 24th.

Saint of the Week:

Apollonia, Virgin and Martyr (died 249)

Apollonia was martyred in Alexandria in the last year of the reign of Emperor Philip. A mob was killing Christians for not blaspheming God and worshiping false gods. The pagans beat her and knocked out all of her teeth. They dragged her out of the city, lit a great fire, and threatened to throw her into it unless she blasphemed God. She asked for a moment's delay, they released her, and she threw herself into the fire. Apollonia, a deaconess, is the patron saint of dentists. She is honored by dentists and invoked against toothache and all dental diseases.

Feast Day: While she is longer listed on the universal calendar of the Church, she is honored by dentists and others on **February 9th**

Apollonia's message today: Standing up for one's faith is easy only if that faith is strong. Faith will remain strong only if we ask God to give us the strength we need to face the many obstacles and temptations which cross our paths.



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Permanent Diaconate Information Session

The **Office of the Diaconate** is holding a meeting to provide information and answer questions concerning the life and ministry of a permanent deacon. If you, or someone you know, believe that Christ is calling you to serve the Church as a deacon please attend this meeting:

When: Tuesday, Feb. 18th from 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

Where: The Diaconate Center
Located at 133 N. 3rd St., Hammonton

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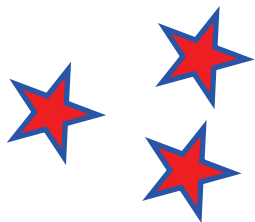
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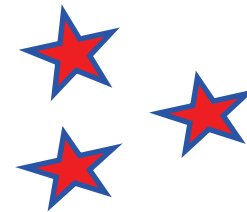
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PREP

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Children: 1st-8th graders have two choices:

School Year Family Catechesis: Which meets once a month to view lessons completed at home.

Summer Intensive: The 2nd & 3rd weeks in July Monday-Friday 8:30 am-12:00 pm.

Teens: 9-12th graders will be decided on an individual bases. Depending on the level of instruction needed.

Adults seeking the faith will be entered into the RCIA program. RCIA usually meets once a week starting in September and going through the Easter Season.

Confirmation Students DATES TO REMEMBER

February 22: Confirmation class at WCA 10-12
March 27: Confirmation Retreat at Marianist Family Retreat Center in Cape May Point. 4:30-8pm.
Confirmation: date to be announced from the Bishop's office.
Rehearsal: Will be the day before Confirmation

School Year Family Catechesis

Family Catechesis will start at 8:45 am with a light breakfast of coffee and cakes or cereal. Class begins promptly at 9:00 am. After class students and parents are to attend 10:30 am Mass at St. Ann Church. This is considered part of the class.

All students and at least one parent/guardian must be present at every class & event listed.
If you cannot attend let me know ASAP and a written note must be handed in.

Class Schedule:

9/22/24, 10/20/24, 11/17/24, 12/15/24, 1/12/25, 2/9/25
3/9/25, 4/6/25, 5/4/25, 6/1/25

*** Palm Sunday 4/13/25 at 10:15am St. Ann Church
*** May Procession 5/11/25 at 8:30 am Mass Assumption Church

First Holy Communion Students DATES TO REMEMBER

January 25: First Reconciliation Retreat at Assumption Church. There will be two time slots to choose from. 9-12 or 12:30-3:30.
February 12: First Reconciliation at Assumption Church at 6pm
April 12: First Communion Retreat at St. Ann Church. There will be two time slots to choose from. 9-12 or 12:30-3:30.
April 30: FHC Rehearsal at 6 pm in St. Ann church
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