



# 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.



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JUBILEE 2025:  
PILGRIMS OF HOPE



**February 16th, 2025**  
**6th 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

**Parish Business Offices**  
1500 Central Avenue, Suite 100  
North Wildwood, NJ 08260  
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### **Pastor**

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### **Parish Administrator**

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### **Parochial Vicar**

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### **Retired Weekend Assistant**

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### **Parish Catechetical Leader**

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### **Pastoral Associate - RCIA, Baptismal Preparation, and Weddings**

Deacon Jim Hallman.....x210 for information

### **Pastoral Associate**

Deacon Rich Roenbeck

### **Director of Music & Liturgy**

Mr. Jonathan Delgado.....x219  
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### **Spanish Apostolate Associate**

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### **Accounts Payable/Receivable Manager**

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gvaughn@notredamedelamer.org

### **Funeral Coordinator / Altar Servers**

Ms. Patricia Monaghan.....610-246-1079  
patmonaghan@aol.com

### **Maintenance Supervisor**

Mr. Jim Di Fazio

## Stewardship



**February 16, 2025**  
**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**  
**Stewards Proclaim**

*“Blessed are you when people hate you...exclude and insult you, and denounce your name...on account of the Son of Man.” - LUKE 6:22*

All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our Catholic faith. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad? Know that God is with you all the time; the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to live **Stewardship**. Proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations.

### **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 Friends,

I have mentioned in the past that a few years ago I had the opportunity to read *Everyone Leads* by Chris Lowney. It is an inspiring and interesting work on revitalizing the Catholic Church. And though it may not be everyone's cup of tea, one of the main points made in this book is the need to empower each other for leadership in the Church. You may not see yourself as a leader, especially within the church, but I invite you to reflect on who Jesus chose to lead his ministry. He chose simple men. He welcomed women. He recruited sinners and corrupt tax collectors. He even encouraged people who others avoided. None of Jesus' followers were really ready, but all were willing to say YES – yes, I will help you build your Church.

Today, more than ever before, Jesus needs you to say YES. Our universal Church faces many crises that impact us locally, too. While we each need to follow our own hearts, this is not the time to slip away from your parish or your relationship with God. The Parish of Notre Dame de la Mer openly welcomes the courageous collaboration of lay women and men. Over the past few years we have added many new members to parish leadership committees and liturgical ministry positions. We have established lay-ran bible studies and prayer groups, as well as other evangelizing opportunities. As the baptized, you are the Church, the People of God. By your baptism, you are called to lead and to bring your gifts to the Church and to each other. Ponder the Catechism's powerful assertion about the baptized: "By Baptism, they share in the priesthood of Christ, in his prophetic and royal mission". Together, we are called to lead the Catholic Church into the future so that our children and the next generations will come to know Christ in their lives.

If you don't know where to start, I have an excellent recommendation. Investigate the items I mentioned above and the ministries that we offer within the parish and our schools. Whether it be a liturgical ministry or a socializing/spiritual ministry. These opportunities are always a good jumping off point for involvement within your parish community. Perhaps, you even have a ministry that you would like to start within the parish. If so, give the parish office a call and we can schedule a meeting to discuss.

There are many ways to cultivate the seeds of faith and leadership our gracious Lord has planted in you. The important thing is to make a commitment to give just a bit of your time or to take one small step in trying something new. Notre Dame de la Mer is ready to welcome your unique way of living your faith.

I would like to take the opportunity to let you know that after much planning and discussion we are beginning a project to replace the flooring in the vestibules, sacristy, and choir room at St. Ann Church. The second phase of this project will be to redo the flooring in the main body of the church as well as the sanctuary. More info on that phase will follow. We are also currently working on a project to upgrade the lighting at Assumption Church.

In Christ,

Kevin



# Mass Intentions

## Saint Ann Church

**SATURDAY** February 15

4:30PM Rita DiBruno r/b Forever Young

**SUNDAY** February 16

10:30 AM Rita DiBruno r/b Lazarus House  
Andrzej Kaminski r/b Pat Monaghan  
Anthony Baiocchi r/b AnnaMarie Baiocchi  
Josephine Zampirri r/b Christine Wise  
Brian Joseph Corbett r/b The Corbett Family  
Anne Whartenby r/b Kathleen Schanz & Ellen Conly  
Thomas K. Fusco r/b Pam & Jeff Hogan  
Susan Cortese r/b William Mulhern  
Kathryn Grosse r/b Tom & Pat McGuigan  
Marlin McMaster r/b John Trainor

## Assumption Church

**SATURDAY** February 15

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

**SUNDAY** February 16

8:30 AM Pro Populo

**MONDAY** February 17

8:30 AM Susan Molezan r/b Dennis & Diana McGuigan

**TUESDAY** February 18

8:30 AM Veronica Black r/b Diane Libertella

**WEDNES.** February 19

8:30 AM Barbara Singer r/b Catherine & Rosemarie D'Imperio

**THURS.** February 20

8:30 AM Betty Sebzda r/b Sullivan Family

**FRIDAY** February 21

8:30 AM Robert Romano r/b John & Kelli Hullihan

**SATURDAY** February 22

8:30 AM Joan Maxwell r/b James & Matthew Maxwell

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



## Readings of the Week

### Reading I : Jeremiah 17:5-8

Happy are those who trust in God.

- The reading from Jeremiah draws a clear distinction between the person who trusts God and the one who trusts in human beings.
- Water is a significant aspect of the image.
- The passage presents a straightforward choice; trust God and live; trust flesh and die.

### Reading II : 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

Christ is raised from the dead.

- Paul stresses that Christ's resurrection initiated the resurrection of all those who believe in him.
- Belief in the resurrection of Christ demands belief that we will join him in risen life.
- We are called to abandon trust even in life itself and enter death without despair.

### Gospel : Luke 6:17, 20-26

Happy, blessed, are the poor, whose reward is great in heaven.

- Luke's Gospel portrays Jesus' special concern for the poor and vulnerable.
- In today's passage, Jesus pronounces blessing on the poor and woe to the rich.
- The poor know their only hope is in God.

## Family Reflection Corner

**Theme:** Trust in Jesus, the way to true happiness.

### 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:** How do you experience God's blessing in difficult times, when you are sad, hungry, or when friends reject you?

**Question for Youth:** How does trusting in God make a difference in your life?

**Question for Adults:** In today's Gospel, we are reminded that we will be either blessed or have woe done unto us. It's a challenging teaching! Which half of this Gospel reading applies to you?

**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:** Cass Briles r/b William Boyd and 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, Jim McCorriston, 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 Ruddy, 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...  
**Elizabeth Wilson**



**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](http://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



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### Volunteers Opportunity!

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

#### Liturgical Ministry Volunteers

#### 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](mailto: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](mailto:cpmvp1@gmail.com)  
Where: Monsignor Kelly Hall  
When: **March 2 at 3:00pm to March 4 at 1:00pm**



## 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 [cpmvpl@gmail.com](mailto:cpmvpl@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 [cpmvpl@gmail.com](mailto:cpmvpl@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](mailto: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** 1<sup>st</sup> 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”*

**Upcoming 2025 schedule**

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

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**Assumption Church at 6:30PM in Kelly Hall**

**Upcoming 2025 schedule**

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: [cpmvpl@gmail.com](mailto:cpmvpl@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](mailto:Ltsdanz@verizon.net)

609-828-1105



**NDDLM 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](http://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](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org) Find Healing on Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Weekends

***Lenten / Holy Week Schedule and Information***

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

**MARCH 5, 2025**

**Mass w/ Distribution of Ashes**

8:30 AM - Assumption Church

6:00 PM - St. Ann Church

**Distribution of Ashes with  
The Liturgy of the Word\***

4:00 PM - Assumption Church

\*Please note this is NOT A MASS

**LENTEN  
FASTING &  
ABSTINENCE**



**Fasting**

Ash Wednesday  
Good Friday

Ages 18-59

**Abstinence**

Every Friday  
during Lent

Ages 14+

**How do we fast?**

When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.





## 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 February 25**

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.

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Below are the December 2024 offerings of Villa Maria by the Sea Retreat Center, Stone Harbor, NJ! For more information or to register, visit [www.VMbytheSea.com](http://www.VMbytheSea.com) or call 609-964-7696

**Thursday, March 6**

**Begins 8:45 am \$60**

**H.O.P.E**—We will spend the day leaning into compassion for ourselves and others who are mourning/grieving in times of loss. Sister Anne will offer her experience with grief and loss and the ways to move through these challenges with H.O.P.E. Coffee and check-in begins at 8:45 am. The day includes Mass and lunch.



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## Music Ministry



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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 11<sup>th</sup>.

**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 12<sup>th</sup>.

**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 24<sup>th</sup>.

## Saint of the Week:

### Valentine, Martyr, d.c 269

The Romans did not want Christians in their city, so Christians served God in secret. Valentine loved God and God's people with his whole heart. He served other Christians by bringing food to those who were hiding from the Roman soldiers. He also cared for those who were sick and brought messages to those in hiding.

The custom for young men and women to choose each other as Valentines on this day is based on the popular medieval belief, recorded in literature as early as Chaucer that birds began to pair on this day. Early references to the custom were contained in a letter written in 1477 by Elizabeth Drews to a prospective bridegroom concerning her marriageable daughter, Margery, and Margery's letter which refers to him as "...my right well beloved Valentine." That is why his name is used for the notes of love given on his feast day.

**Feast Day:** February 14, Valentine's Day.

### Prayer/Message:

Since we know that "God is love," it seems appropriate that we should associate one of God's saints with love. We should remember, however, that God does not want us just to love those who are near to us. Jesus told us that we must love our enemies as well.



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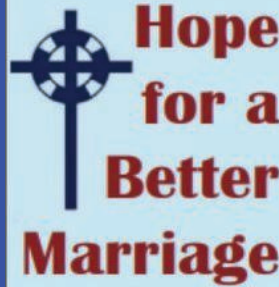
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**Classes will be held:** Tuesday 6:30-8pm on 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 2/25, 3/4  
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Patrice Chambers at [ricepatty14@yahoo.com](mailto:ricepatty14@yahoo.com)

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Email [friendsofryan.team@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofryan.team@gmail.com) for questions

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**When:** Saturday, April 5, 2025

6:00pm - 10:00pm

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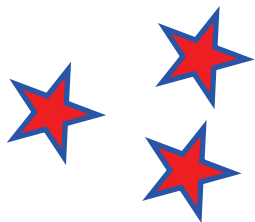
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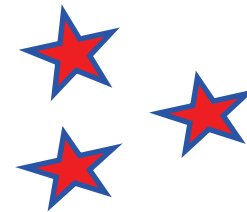
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## Religious Education



### Faith-Filled Events

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[Bustedhalo.com](http://Bustedhalo.com)  
[Dynamiccatholic.com](http://Dynamiccatholic.com)  
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### PREP

#### Parish Religious Education Program

Our Parish has a few choices for anyone wishing to receive their sacraments and become Catholic:

**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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