



# Notre Dame de la Mer Parish

[www.notredamedelamer.org](http://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

### Sung Stations of the Cross:

Every Friday of Lent (Starting March 7) 6:00PM at Assumption Church

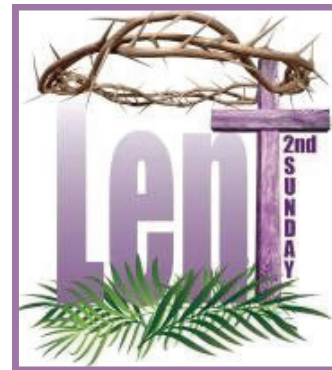
### St. Patrick's Day Observance Mass:

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

### Lent / Holy Week / Easter Schedule

Please see schedule in the bulletin pg. 12

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



*March 16, 2025*  
*2nd Sunday*  
*Of Lent*

## **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**  
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### **Pastor**

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

Deacon Jim Hallman.....x222

### **Pastoral Associate**

Deacon Rich Roenbeck

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### **Maintenance Supervisor**

Mr. Jim Di Fazio

## Stewardship



**March 16, 2025**  
**2nd Sunday of Lent**  
**Grateful Stewardship**

*"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." - GENESIS 15:7*

Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses, and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether your home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do you show your gratitude to God for the home He has given you? Do you make a **Stewards** sacrifice of any kind? Do you return any of your finances to God, investing in your eternal home just as you invest in your earthly home?

### **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 items like **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!

For more info call us at 609.522.2709 or you can visit [www.camdenlegacy.org](http://www.camdenlegacy.org) to see options.



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.

Sign up for our Parish Electronic Giving platform

*It's fast, safe and secure*

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

No sign-up required. Click "Give as Guest"



QR code will link you directly to our Parish Giving website

Dear Friend,

St. Patrick, known for his missionary work in Ireland, brought the Catholic faith to the Irish people. His dedication, faith, and tireless efforts in spreading Christianity serve as an inspiring example for us all. St. Patrick's Day falls on a Monday this year. However, this weekend will be filled with plenty of opportunities to observe and celebrate. In doing so, we can embrace this Catholic heritage and faithfully observe the holiday through acts of Catholic stewardship, particularly as we are in the midst of the Lenten season. Here are some ways to celebrate St. Patrick's Day in a spiritually meaningful and stewardship-focused manner:

**Attend Mass:** Try to make attending Mass a central part of your St. Patrick's Day celebration in the future. St. Patrick's commitment to the Catholic faith should inspire us to come together in worship and prayer, reaffirming our own faith.

**Learn About St. Patrick:** Take some time to learn about the life and work of St. Patrick, his dedication to God, and his legendary missionary efforts. *St. Patrick of Ireland: A Biography, by Phillip Freeman* is a phenomenal book to do just that. Reflect on how his example can guide your own faith journey.

**Share Your Faith:** Just as St. Patrick shared his faith with the people of Ireland, take this opportunity to share your faith with others. Engage in conversations about Catholicism and encourage open dialogue about your beliefs with others.

**Acts of Charity:** St. Patrick's Day falls during Lent. It can always serve as a time for acts of charity. Donate to a Catholic charity or mission, support a local food bank, or participate in community service to help those in need. These acts of love and generosity reflect St. Patrick's dedication to serving others.

**Celebrate Irish Culture and Tradition:** While celebrating Irish culture is an integral part of the day, do so in a manner that respects your faith. Enjoy traditional Irish music, dance, and cuisine, but do not lose sight of the spiritual significance of the holiday.

**Stewardship Commitments:** Use St. Patrick's Day to renew your commitment to Catholic stewardship. Reflect on how you can contribute your time, talents, and treasure to support our parish, school and the broader Catholic community.

By celebrating St. Patrick's Day in a way that aligns with Catholic teachings and focuses on stewardship, we can honor the legacy of St. Patrick and his dedication to spreading the Catholic faith. **Let us remember that the core of St. Patrick's work was to bring the light of Christ to the people of Ireland**, and we can continue to share the love and teachings of Christ with those around us. May this St. Patrick's Day be a time of faith, reflection, service, and a wee bit of fun, as we observe this special day in the familial histories of so many of us, during the season of Lent.

With gratitude,

Kevin



# Mass Intentions

## Saint Ann Church

**SATURDAY** March 15

**10:00AM** Jack Connelly r/b Kathleen  
Thomas Burke r/b MaryAnn Finnegan

**4:30PM** Mary Affronti r/b Marianne & Marie

**SUNDAY** March 16

**10:30 AM** Rita DiBruno r/b Joe & Mike Tighe  
Donald McMullin r/b Family  
Michael Sanborn r/b Rich & Sharon Mattia  
Jean McMullan r/b Megan McMullan  
Bill Cole r/b The Bolle Family  
Marlin McMaster r/b John Trainor  
Jack Connelly r/b Kathleen  
Frances Fiore r/b Barbara Fiore  
Fred Nicolai r/b Wife, Carol  
Jack Zarra r/b Flynn Family

## Assumption Church

**SATURDAY** March 15

**8:30 AM** Elaine Faia r/b Gerardo & Sheila Faia

**SUNDAY** March 16

**8:30 AM** Pro Populo

**MONDAY** March 17

**8:30 AM** Ed McClain r/b Nettie

**TUESDAY** March 18

**8:30 AM** John Street r/b Tom McGonagle

**WEDNES.** March 19

**8:30 AM** Sean Keeney r/b Sister

**THURS.** March 20

**8:30 AM** Michael Stoddard r/b Optimal Behavior Health

**FRIDAY** March 21

**8:30 AM** Robert Romano r/b Forever Young

**SATURDAY** March 22

**8:30 AM** Fioramanti Borda r/b Wife & Children

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



## Readings of the Week

### Reading I : Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

God makes a covenant with Abram.

- In the reading from Genesis, God promises Abram many descendants.
- God seals the covenant with Abram by appearing as a flaming torch between the carcasses of the sacrificial animals.
- This was symbolic because the ancient way of sealing an agreement was for both parties to walk between the split bodies of sacrificial animals.

### Reading II : Philippians 3:17-4:1 or Philippians 3:20-4:1

Christ will transform us.

- In the second reading, Paul encourages the Philippians to trust God and wait.
- Those who lose faith search for immediate gains.
- Those who wait for God's promises will share in Jesus' glory.

### Gospel : Luke 9:28b-36

As Jesus prayed, He was transformed.

- Immediately after Jesus told the disciples that he would suffer, die, and rise again, he takes a select group of them to a mountain to pray.
- While on the mountain, Jesus reveals his divine identity to Peter, John and James.
- Peter, captivated by the transformation of Jesus, wanted the scene to last.

## Family Reflection Corner

**Theme:** Lent calls us to transform our lives.

### 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:** Jesus invites you to be close to him, to see him with clear eyes. What is Jesus like as a friend?

**Question for Youth:** What do you most want God to help you with?

**Question for Adults:** Sometimes we can see Christ with clear eyes, as the disciples did on that mountain. Share about such a time in your own life.

**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 the week of March 16- March 22 in loving memory of:

**St Ann:** All Parish Ministers, Ministries, and Families

**Assumption:** Raymond Henderson r/b Mary Henderson





“A Time To Be Healed...”

**ANNOUNCEMENT:**

After many discussions, we are changing the way we receive and list names for the “Sick List”.

Names are listed in chronological order as they are received....newest to oldest. Names will remain on the list for one year unless we are notified before that time to remove the name. You can simply call to add the name back to the list if necessary.

**Most Recent Additions:**

Mike Seidenburg  
Marcella Profitt  
Michael Hallman

**Current List:**

Baby Michael Weinhardt, Rose Osborne, Frank Tarantella, Geri Baiochi, Mary Kenny-Lee, Al Deissroth, Frank Barnat, Jerry McNamara, Brian Zaikowski, Patricia Bastion, William Zaccagni, John Baily, Fran Grace, John Berthsci, Luciana Magueri, Pat McGuire, Charlotte Lawrence, Mary Hallowell, Dave Pennock, Dennis Devine, Lizzy Parades, Dina DeLero, Jason Gushue, Chuck Behle, Margaret Gardner, Maryann Burke, Bea Fadgen, Judy Saunders, Kitty Vito, Joseph Hughes, Susan Hughes

Please call 609.522.2709, x210 to let us know to add a name to the sick prayer list or if we should remove any names.



**LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER**

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

Carol M. Dean  
Valentine Lanoce  
Nancy West  
Elizabeth Louise Wilson

William Hoffbaker  
Mary Jane Latella



**prayerNETWORK**

**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



**Volunteers Needed**

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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)**



### NEW SOCK DRIVE

(for men, women, and children)

**FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup> – MARCH 17<sup>TH</sup>**

Please place socks in bins in the back of the church

#### Socks will be donated to:

**Rowan University Street Medicine Organization to help those in need in Camden.**

**\*Cathedral Kitchen-Camden \* The Branches Center of Rio Grande & Lazarus House \***

Contact:

Patrice Chambers at [ricepatty14@yahoo.com](mailto:ricepatty14@yahoo.com)



## 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.



**DROP OFF AT YOUR LOCAL CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
MARCH 15-16, 2025

#### ITEMS IN MOST NEED:

- > CANNED CHICKEN/TUNA
- > CANNED VEGETABLES
- > CANNED SOUPS
- > CANNED FRUIT
- > CANNED BEEF STEW/ CHILI
- > MACARONI AND CHEESE (BOX)
- > PASTA WITH CANNED SAUCE
- > DRIED MASHED POTATOES (BOX)
- > CEREAL/RICE
- > COFFEE AND TEA

A Diocese of Camden Food Drive Sponsored by:



All Collected Food Stays Local for **Lazarus House Emergency Food Pantry**

**THIS WEEKEND**

Feel Free to take Bags or Food to Lazarus House

Burke & Pacific Avenues

## 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 March 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.

This Lent and Spring season, we have some dynamic topics and speakers set to help us understand majors catholic issues facing men.

Our speakers over the next 3 months are Deacon Jim Hallman, Joe Flood Jr., and Rich Maggi.

When: 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month, 9AM  
Where: Monsignor Kelly Hall, Assumption Church.

### Upcoming Schedule:

**March 15:** Rosary & Discussion -First Sunday of Lent

**April 5:** Rosary & Stations of the Cross

**April 19:** Rosary & Gifts of the Holy Spirit

**May 3:** Rosary & The Saints

**May 17:** Fatima May Procession



## 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.

## ATTENTION Notre Dame de la Mer Parishioners

### Message Regarding Daily Eucharistic Adoration

Location: Monsignor Kelly Hall at Assumption Church



### **FACT: WE ARE AT RISK OF LOSING DAILY ADORATION.**

In order to preserve this most precious gift, we urgently need commitments from pray-ers for one (1) hour during the times listed on the schedule below to ensure continuous coverage.

### Weekly Adoration Schedule:

**Monday to Thursday: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

**(16 needed)**

**Friday: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

**(6 needed)**

Please check your schedules and consider signing up for an hour. We need three (3) pray-ers for each hour. Please contact Chuck Mirarchi at 215-284-2942 or Carol Wagner at 609-760-2666 or sign the schedules posted at either church. **Your role in this is invaluable.**

## 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)

*Additional Parish and  
Community Information*



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

*Fearless & Free* is the next book in our Women's bible study. This is a quick 6 week study and perfect for new comers. Classes begin 4/23 from 9:15– 11:00 am at Assumption Church in Kelly Hall.

*This book is for any woman confronting the reality that life isn't easy. The cost is \$25*

For more information contact Kathy Woodside 609-828-1105. To register and order a book contact Donnamarie Sexton 609-522-2709 ext 218



**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

**Please join us on a Spiritual Journey to  
Consecrate our parish to the Eucharist.**

33 Days to Eucharistic Glory isn't just another book. It is an invitation to participate in a sacred journey– a spiritual pilgrimage. It is a guide that will lead you to the essence of what it means to be Catholic... and it will change your life and our parish in the most marvelous of ways.

***The Consecration to the Eucharist will be Divine Mercy Sunday  
April 27, in St. Ann Church at the 10:30 am Mass.***

For anyone who wants to participate more fully in this journey to Consecration the parish has purchased a limited amount of books. These books consist of small daily readings and can be easily read at home during the 33 Days prior to the Consecration date.

If you want to go even deeper into this spiritual journey I will be having meetings once a week leading up to the Consecration. There will be two sessions to chose from. Tuesday nights at 6:30 pm or Wednesday mornings at 11:00 am both at Assumption Church in Kelly Hall.

These sessions will begin 3/25 at 6:30 pm and 3/36 at 11:00 am. The books will be given out after each mass on 3/22 & 3/23. I recommend reserving a book by calling Donnamarie Sexton at 609-522-2709 ext 218.







## 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 March 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

Passing on the faith is a beautiful vocation for all Grandparents and allows their families to become closer to God. The Catholic Grandparents ministry builds a community of support for grandparents and shares resources to pass on our faith to our families. Next 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



### **"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**

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**

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

### FOREVER YOUNG TRIP TO LANCASTER

**NOAH at SIGHT & SOUND THEATER**

**Thursday, June 12 2025**

**Cost: \$189/person**

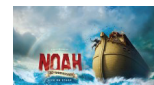
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#### **Cape May Trolley and Physick House Tour**

When – Tuesday, May 13

Time – Trolley will leave at 10:00am...Meet at 9:45am

Where – Meet at the Physick House parking lot (limited parking, please car pool)

Cost - \$28

The tour combines a guided tour by trolley of Cape May's Historic District and a guided tour of the Physick House Museum, providing an in-depth look into Cape May history and architecture. Learn why Cape May is the only National Historic Landmark City in the nation as you appreciate the details of Cape May's unique Victorian streetscapes via trolley and take a guided tour of the first and second floors of the 1879 Physick House Museum, for a detailed look at Victorian architecture and the period.

For information or to sign-up for the trip, call Kay at 609 224-3229. The deadline to sign-up is Tuesday, April 22.

## Baptism, Marriage & RCIA



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## Music Ministry



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If you are interested in joining our **Music Ministry Family** here at Notre Dame de la Mer Please contact our Music Director Jonathan Delgado at the Parish office 609-522-2709 ext 219.

**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:

### Peter, Apostle, Pope and Martyr (d.c. 64)

Even the great saints need God's forgiveness and grace. Peter, like the rest of us, turned away from Jesus for a time. He was a son of John and the brother of Andrew, but as a leading disciple of Christ, he famously denied even knowing him! Nonetheless, Christ built his Church on Peter, as his rock. And after the Resurrection, in a wonderful scene on the beach, Jesus invited Peter to reconciliation and forgiveness, and asked him to "feed my sheep." This feast is called the Chair of Saint Peter and commemorates Christ handing over the leadership of the Church to Saint Peter and his successors. We celebrate the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul on June 29.

**Feast Day:** A feast on February 22 is called the Chair of St. Peter and commemorates Christ handing over the leadership of the Church to St. Peter and his successors. We celebrate the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul on June 29.

**Peter's message today:** Peter provides a good example of Jesus' love for us. Peter denied Jesus three times, yet Jesus still loved Peter and did not withhold the position he had promised. Likewise, Jesus loves us and forgives us our sins when ask his forgiveness.



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**REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE**

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## Miscellaneous Parish and Greater Community Information

### EM for Hospital Visit

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### Contemplative Prayer Retreat

March 21 - 23

Spirituality of Knitting & Needle-crafting Retreat

March 28 - 30

### Retreat Offerings

Below are the upcoming Retreat 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



**Wednesday, April 2 Begins 8:45am \$60**

**Forgiveness, The Other Side of Love** - Today, more than ever, forgiveness is needed in our world. What is forgiveness? How does one forgive? What are the obstacles to forgiveness? These questions will be explored on this conference day. In addition, modern day examples of people who have forgiven will be presented, reflecting the power of God in such actions. Coffee and check-in begins at 8:45 am. The day includes Mass and lunch

families that  
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## Lenten and Easter Season Information

### LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE



#### **Fasting**

Ash Wednesday  
Good Friday

Ages 18-59

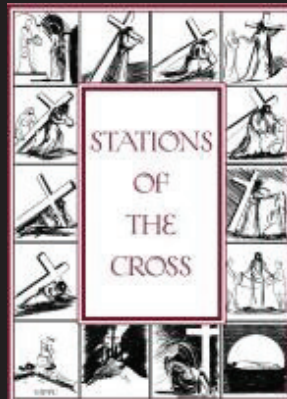
#### **Abstinence**

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.



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[dsexton@notredamedelamer.org](mailto:dsexton@notredamedelamer.org)

### Lenten and Holy Week / Easter Schedule:

#### Communal Penance Service

Wednesday, April 9

6:00PM at Assumption Church

#### Palm Sunday Weekend

*Palms Distributed at all Masses*

Saturday, April 12 at 4:30, St. Ann

Sunday, April 13 at 8:30, Assumption

Sunday, April 13 at 10:30, St. Ann (Process w/Palm)

#### Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday, April 17: 6:00PM at Assumption

Good Friday, April 18: 3:00PM at Assumption

Holy Saturday, April 19:

*Blessing Food Baskets ~12:00PM at St. Ann*

*Easter Vigil ~ 8:00PM at Assumption*

#### Easter Sunday, April 20

8:30 at both Assumption and St. Ann

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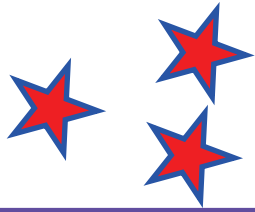
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### Faith-Filled Events

Has your child completed their 6 Faith-Filled Events?  
Check out the Liturgy Corner of our bulletin or some  
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[Bustedhalo.com](http://Bustedhalo.com)  
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[Lifelongcatechesis.osv.com](http://Lifelongcatechesis.osv.com)  
Hallo app  
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You can turn anything you do into a Faith-Filled  
Event by inviting God to join you through prayer!

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God is not dead, Miracles from Heaven,  
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### School Year Family Catechesis

Family Catechesis will start at 8:45 am with a light  
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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:

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

**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

**May 3:** First Holy Communion at 10 am in St. Ann  
Church

### Confirmation Students DATES TO REMEMBER

**March 27:** Confirmation Retreat at Marianist Family  
Retreat Center in Cape May Point. 4:30-8pm.

**Confirmation:** May 6 at 5pm. Parents, Sponsors and  
Students need to be at Assumption by 4:30 pm.

**Rehearsal:** May 5 at 6pm in Assumption church



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