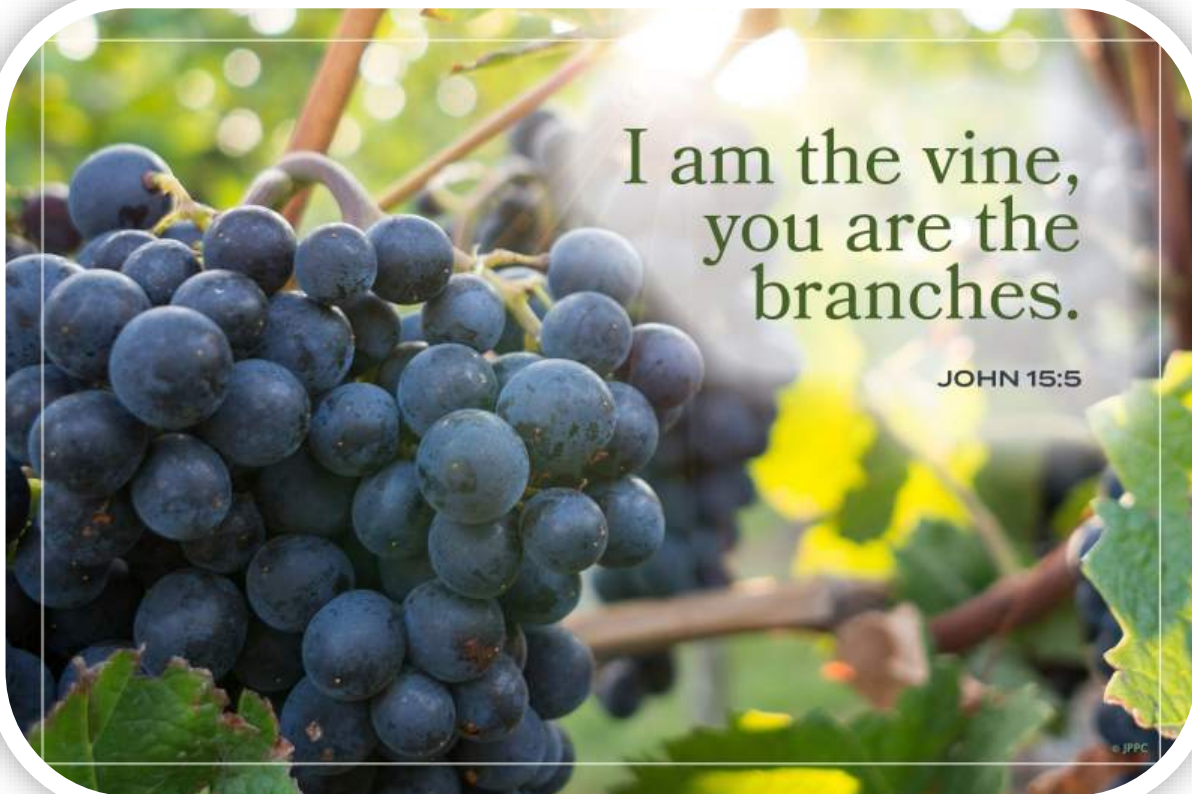




SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA MISSION STATEMENT

***We are the welcoming community of Saint Teresa of Calcutta
living our faith by endeavoring to follow her example
to see, share and be the light of Christ's love and compassion.***

Fifth Sunday of Easter: April 28, 2024

PARISH INFORMATION: 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER: APRIL 28, 2024

Welcome to Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish!

We are pleased to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a parish home we invite you to become part of our parish family and become fully involved in our life of prayer, education, service and community.

Registration: We invite all parishioners to register with the Parish. Registration helps us to serve you when issuing letters in connection with sponsorship of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony, and for letters of reference. Kindly notify the office if your address changes.

Anointing of the Sick: In case of serious illness or advanced age please call the parish office. For hospital cases, contact the hospital Chaplain.

Pastoral Care: Please call the parish office to have Communion brought to an ill or homebound family member.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Yvans Jazon, Pastor fjazon@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

Rev. Hugh Bradley hugh.bradley@camdendiocese.org

Director of Deaf Ministry &
Part-time Parochial Vicar

James Rocks	Permanent Deacon (retired)
Hal Schwalm	Director of Safe Environment
Leo Howitz	Permanent Deacon
Daniela Perez	Director of Faith Formation
Kate Chmelko	Director of Music
Cheryl Venafr	Administrative Assistant
Stephanie Campbell	Administrative Assistant
Rosemary Fearon	Office Volunteer
MaryAnn Mercer	Office Volunteer
Greg Bannister	Bookkeeper
Linda Roseboro-Brown	Bereavement Coordinator
Peter Baczewski	Maintenance
Nick Tyrell	Maintenance

PARISH OFFICE

809 Park Avenue, Collingswood, NJ 08108
856-858-0298

Emergency Number: 856-240-1132

Website: www.stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

Facebook Name: Teresa Calcutta

Faith Formation Office: 856-858-0298, Ext. 19

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00AM - 4:00PM
Friday: 9:00AM—3 PM

The Office is closed from 12 noon to 1PM for lunch.

Marriage: Couples contemplating marriage in the parish must contact the parish office to meet with a priest to begin the marriage preparation process. This is the first step in planning their wedding and needs to be done one year before the date of the wedding.

Baptisms: To arrange a Baptism, contact the Parish Office at least two weeks before the desired date of Baptism to make arrangements. Parents are required to attend a preparation class before the Baptism. Classes will be held at 7PM (Date will be given when you call). Please call the office to register.

BULLETIN SUBMISSION DATES

Announcements to be published in the bulletin need to be in the Parish Office by Monday at 12 noon, 6 days prior to the publication of the bulletin. Holidays require earlier dates. Please call office to check.

Flyer **inserts** need to be in the Parish Office by Wednesday at 12 noon, 11 days ahead of the desired bulletin date.

MASS & SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

ST. JOHN CHURCH: 809 Park Ave., Collingswood

HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH: 50 Emerald Ave.,
Haddon Township
Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:00 PM—HS

Sunday: 8:00 AM—HS

Sunday: 9:30 AM—SJ **Live streamed**

Sunday: 11:00 AM—SJ

Sunday: 11:00 AM—HS American Sign Language
and Voice Interpreted for the hearing

Daily Masses:

Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri.: 9:00 AM St. John Church
Thursday: 9AM Holy Saviour Church

Adoration: Thursdays: After 9:00 Mass until 8PM—HS

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 3:00-3:45 Holy Saviour Church

BAPTISMS: Call the Parish Office to schedule.

RCIA: Tuesdays at 7PM in Parish Office

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for our Stephen Ministers and those to whom they minister.

Those serving in the military:

Colin Bakey, USN	Ensign Margaret M. McKernan, USN
SGT Alex Coutinho, US Space Force	LT Ij Patrick J. McKernan, USN
Michael Gregg, USMC	Staff Sgt. Johnny A. Santiago, USA
Ensign Alex Licorish, RN, USN	1st Lieut. Kayleigh Migaledi, RN, SAF
Miguel Ingram, Pvt. 1st Class US Army	

Those who are sick:

Arline Barski	Liza Kopp
Nancy Barone	Andrew Leonard
Ed Charlton, Sr.	Eliane Loumeau
Anthony Corrado	Annie Martella
Walt Eife	Michael McAdoo
Adam Forziati	Matthew McCann
Charlene French	MaryAnn Mercer
Mike Gunning	Julia Nigro Slater
David Hammond	Eric Roseboro
Marge Howard	Pat Schoenborn
William Kinee	Richard Schoenborn
Ali Kite	Linda Simpkins
	Craig Wilke

ADORATION



- Thursdays at Holy Saviour Church 9:30AM - 8PM
- Silent Adoration 9:30AM –7PM
- Consecration to the Blessed Mother
- Rosary & Benediction 7PM—8PM

Come spend some quiet time with Jesus.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 27

4:00 Jennifer Walker Martin r/b Arlene Williams & Family
Elizabeth Penn r/b Fr. Yvans and STC Parish

Sunday, April 28

8:00 Pat Kernan r/b the Family

9:30 Parishioners of St Teresa of Calcutta

11:00 Intentions of members of Garden State Law Enforcement Officers' Association r/b Fr. Yvans and STC Parish

Celebration of the baptisms of Lucy Caitlin Bollendorf, Brynn Harper Murphy and Maeve Collins Solda r/b Fr. Yvans and STC Parish

Ronald Heath, Jr. r/b Fr. Yvans and STC Parish

Barbara Weight r/b Fr. Yvans and STC Parish

Helen C. Benson r/b Chris & Jessica Charlton

11:00 (HS) Catherine Giberson r/b the Deaf Community
Mass in ASL and Voice Interpreted

Monday, April 29

9:00 Intentions of Parishioners of STC

Tuesday, April 30

9:00 Joseph V. Cambronero r/b Jasmine Cambronero & Family

Wednesday, May 1

9:00 Romeo Belonia r/b his wife Judith

Thursday, May 2

9:00 (HS) Terry Kernan r/b the Family

Friday, May 3

9:00 Helena Zambrzycki (5th ann) r/b Mr. Y& Mrs. Joseph Forziati

Saturday, May 4

4:00 Pat Truran r/b Karen Watson, Henry Kulczynski and Families

Sunday, May 5

8:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa of Calcutta

9:30 Jack Hoban r/b Bob and MaryAnn Mercer
Elizabeth Miller-Soy r/b Bill and Terri Hall
Agnes Caruso r/b the Caruso Clan
Albert Rago r/b Sandra Finio
Anne McCarronn r/b Fr. Yvans and STC Parish

SANCTUARY CANDLE



The sanctuary candle will be burned this week in memory of:

Holy Saviour: Nick Barbato r/b Margaret Way

REFLECTION

Fifth Sunday of Easter: April 28, 2024

Way back in the mid 1960's, a Canadian communication theorist named Marshall McLuhan coined the phrase "The medium is the message." He proposed that a communication medium itself, not the messages it carries, should be the primary focus of study. He showed that artifacts such as media affect any society by their characteristics, or content.

All we have to do to get the "message" Our Lord Jesus preached is to observe Him striding across the pages of the New Testament to validate McLuhan's theory. Of course, we believers treasure His every word, and we can build our lives around them. But we can watch Him in our imaginations and see the very Word of God live His earthbound existence and conclude that He is truth itself. If only a nervous Pilate had waited for Jesus' answer to his question "What is truth?" on that fateful Friday long ago! But then we know that the procurator had proven unworthy of a response.

Today's beautiful yet profound self-identification of Jesus as the vine and we as the branches has reverberated down the centuries as a message to be treasured. Bold it was indeed, because Jesus was replacing a well-known description of Israel as a vine with Himself. We need not be wine merchants to grasp the meaning. The fact that Jesus was and is the perfect medium to express who God is and what He is about in His plan for salvation brings comfort to our Faith and enlivens our Hope.

What the resurrection of Jesus is the ultimate seal of approval from God the Father of all that Jesus said and did. In a time when "transparency" has become so necessary in the popular culture worn out by so much political scheming and even by questionable behavior of some senior Church prelates, we can rejoice in the straightforwardness of Jesus. He spoke the truth and lived it even when it was unpopular. Even when it invited hatred and inevitably crucifixion.

How do we maintain our connection with Jesus as branches in our time? How do we avoid the trap set by our contemporary culture to believe whatever the media touts as true? The answer is right before us in today's Gospel passage. "My Father is glorified when you bear much fruit and become my disciples." Bearing fruit becomes our job. Preserving true loyalty to Christ is the only way to "live and move and have our being." That in turn leads to our own resurrection. But do we get the message?

The story is told of a politician who, after receiving the proof of a portrait, was very angry with the photographer. He stormed back to the studio and arrived with these angry words: "This picture does not do me justice!" The photographer replied. "Sir, with a face like yours, you don't need justice, you need mercy!"

God love you and give you His peace.

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL PRAYER

Heavenly Father,
From the depths of your riches, you gave us your Son.
In the Eucharist, we have our spiritual sustenance and our focus.
Sustain us, guide us and bless us as we carry out our work, always mindful of our purpose.
For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Who with You and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns
One God forever and ever.
Amen.



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

One of the primary missions of our St. Vincent DePaul Society is to assist people in times of emergency. We respond to calls for help on our parish number **856-858-1444**.

The STC St. Vincent DePaul Society serves the needy in the following ways:

Food Pantry: Hours: Mondays and Wednesdays
10AM – 12 noon

Sandwich Making for Cathedral Kitchen—3rd Monday of each month

Sandwiches made in March: 100 to Joseph House, 630 to Cath. K. (including 300 from Faith Formation group), 4 bags apples

Next sandwich collection: Monday, May 20

Next discussion meeting: The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 21 in the school cafeteria until further notice.

Additional information about these ministries can be found on our website:

[www.stteresaofcalttanj.org/
ministries/outreach](http://www.stteresaofcalttanj.org/ministries/outreach)

SJ CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL: 2024 Through Him And For Him

Thank you to everyone who has responded to the South Jersey Catholic Ministry Appeal. **As of this week we have received \$81,075.00 from 163 families towards our goal of \$149,700.00. This 54.2% of our goal.** Your generosity is greatly appreciated and will support the vital programs in our parish and the diocese. Please prayerfully consider a gift to the South Jersey Catholic Ministry Appeal to help us reach our parish goal. Donations can be made by completing a pledge card, gift form or responding to the letter from Bishop Sullivan you received in the mail. The pledge cards are in the pews and gift forms are located at the doors of both churches.

Donations can also be made online as noted below through the link on the South Jersey Catholic Ministry Appeal website: www.Camdendiocese.org/SJCMA Thank you again for your generosity and support of the South Jersey Catholic Ministry Appeal.

Fr. Yvans Jazon, Pastor

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL COMMITTEE

The Eucharistic Revival Committee meets monthly at 6:30 PM in the Parish Office. Our committee is a ministry that was created to help restore devotion to adoration of the blessed Sacrament. We are working together to help people show reverence and love of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Our goal also is to promote Eucharistic Adoration in our parish at Holy Saviour Church every Thursday. We encourage others to attend events that help them to be in touch with the Lord. Currently we are planning the Corpus Christi procession, to be held on June 2. We invite you to join us as we work towards strengthening our parish's devotion to the Eucharist. For more information, please contact Loretta Hauber at 856-669-8494.

POST CANA GROUP EVENTS

Speaker Event:
Sunday, May 5th after 11:00 Mass
School Cafeteria

Barbecue: Sometime in June. Stay tuned.

SICK & MILITARY LIST UPDATE

In an effort to update our sick and military lists in the bulletin, **after the last weekend of this month, April 27-28, all names will be removed from the current lists.** If there is someone whom you want to remain on the list, or someone who is ill or in the military but not on the list, please email Stephanie at : scampbell@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org. or call the parish office. Your reply is counted on to ensure everyone is included. Thank you for your assistance!

32nd ANNUAL ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH GOLF OUTING

Brought to you by the Men's Club
Friday, May 24, 2024 at Ron Jaworski's
Valleybrook Golf Club

Registration: 12:00 pm / **Shotgun Start:** 1:00 pm
Golfers wanted: The cost is \$125 per golfer and includes 18 holes of golf, a box lunch, prize raffle tickets, and 50/50 drawing tickets. This event was a sell-out last year so please get your registration in sooner rather than later.

Sponsors wanted: Not a golfer but would like to support the event? Consider becoming a sponsor of the golf outing. Sponsorship levels are available from \$50 and up. All sponsors receive an ad in our golf outing program and ad book. All proceeds are utilized by the Men's Club to adopt families at Christmas, sponsor our parish sports teams, and assist other ministries and events throughout the parish.

Brochures for both golf and sponsor signups, along with contact information if you have questions, can be found in the back of both churches. There is no better way for you, your friends, and fellow parishioners to kickoff the Memorial Day Weekend.

All registration / sponsorship fees are due by
Friday, May 10th.

Climate Action Tips Strategies for Overcoming Fridge Blindness

Keep a roll of painter's tape and a Sharpie marker in the kitchen to label all containers with the dates they were cooked and went into the refrigerator. - Use the rule of "first in, first out" to keep the older items closer to the front of the fridge, or designate a specific shelf for food to be eaten first. - Stick a magnetic whiteboard prominently on the fridge to list available leftovers and/or any ingredients, such as fresh produce, that should be used up by a certain date.

5th Sunday of Easter Steward Goodness

"Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth." - 1 JOHN 3:18

Regarding our Catholic faith, do you "walk the talk?" Do your actions reflect what it means to be a good Steward? Are you an active participant at Sunday Mass? Are you joyful when participating in parish ministry? Do you give gratefully and generously with your financial support to your parish and other Church needs? If not, it's not too late to start.



BANNS OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

The Most Reverend Dennis J. Sullivan, D.D. announces that he intends to ordain Reverend Mister Ricardo Lozano Cruz to the Sacred Order of Presbyter on Saturday, the 18th day of May, 2024 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 642 Market Street, Camden, New Jersey.

The faithful of the Diocese of Camden are asked to pray for these men and for the young men of their parish who are being called by God to service in the Church. At the same time the faithful are obliged to reveal impediments to sacred orders, if they know of any, by contacting their pastor before the ordination in accord with the norms of cc. 1043 and 1051.2 of the Code of Canon Law.

Mary Immaculate, patroness of the Diocese of Camden, intercede for these men and for an increase in vocations to the priesthood here in South Jersey.



BANNS OF ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

The Most Reverend Dennis J. Sullivan, D.D. announces that he intends to ordain Mr. Timothy Stephen Mulranen and Mr. Thomas Kristopher Piro to the Sacred Order of Deacon on Saturday, the 11th day of May, 2024 at Saint Joseph Church, 126 44th Street, Sea Isle, New Jersey.

The faithful of the Diocese of Camden are asked to pray for these men and for the young men of their parish who are being called by God to service in the Church. At the same time the faithful are obliged to reveal impediments to sacred orders, if they know of any, by contacting their pastor before the ordination in accord with the norms of cc. 1043 and 1051.2 of the Code of Canon Law.

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DINNERS TO DOORSTEPS

We provide meals for people or families who are ill, disabled, living alone, parents of new babies, etc. We also provide meals for individuals and families who are struggling to put food on the table. **If you need help, please call Michele.** Everything is strictly confidential. **More Info.:** Contact Michele Santiago at : 609-598-1787 or email her at the following: grandmarose73@yahoo.com.

K OF C HOAGIE SALES

Santa Maria Council returning May 4th

Where: Crystal Lake Ave. Haddon Twp.

Remaining Dates: May 4 & 18; June 1, 15 & 29.

Ready by 7AM (back door) 8 AM (street).

Coast: Still \$5

THANK YOU! The Hoagie Team

Upcoming Parish Events

May Crowning: May 4, 4PM mass.

Lunch for First Communicants and Parents: April 28:

First Communion and May Crowning, May 5: 1PM Mass, St. John Church

Lunch for Confirmandi, parents & sponsors: May 11

Feast of the Ascension celebrated: Sunday, May 12

Pentecost Sunday: Sunday, May 19

Confirmation: Tues., May 21, 5PM, St. John Church

Feast of Corpus Christi and Procession: June 2

Summer Mass Schedule: Begins on June 9

Lunch to Honor Those 80 years old and up: June 9 after 10AM Mass

The 11AM Mass on Sunday, June 2 will be at Holy Saviour, not Saint John, and will be followed by the Corpus Christi procession. The route will begin outside Holy Saviour Church and continue around Haddon Township. **Additional information about these events will be forthcoming.**

May 4-5

MASS	LECTOR	EM	SACRISTAN
4:00	M/J Steinitz	M/J Steinitz	T/P Howell
8:00	J. Reed	Deacon Rocks	R. Fearon
9:30	J. Richards	J. Wills	T. Howitz
11 AM SJ	R. Kopp	Deacon Leo	L. Roseboro-Brown



Will return at a later date.

Life - Long Faith Formation

Faith Formation

Daniela Perez

856-858-0298 ext. 19

dperez@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org



There will be no Bible Study and Faith Sharing this Wednesday, May 1. The Bible Study and Faith Sharing will resume on Wednesday, May 8 at 10AM.

R U GOING TO RUTGERS-CAMDEN?

We are looking for leaders to revive the Catholic Campus Ministry

What we plan to do:

- Bible studies
- Newman Nights
- Guest speakers
- Service events
- And much more!



Please contact Chris Lim (math faculty at RU-C)

215-779-4000

chlim@camden.rutgers.edu

SUMMER in the CITY

AUGUST 11-17, 2024

This Week is for High School Students and may be used as service hours upon completion

The Summer in the City Program is a week-long service immersion experience. Participants will live and work with each other in service to the Gospel's call to put love in action. The combination of service at multiple work sites and reflection sessions offer young people the chance to use their talents and abilities to help their neighbors and increase their faith as well as awareness and understanding of the importance of the rights and dignity of the human person. Lodging will take place at Nazareth House in Cherry Hill.

Nazareth House | 300 Cuthbert Boulevard Cherry Hill, NJ 08002

Questions? Contact: Michael Sims
856-583-2910
 Michael.Sims@CamdenDiocese.org

REGISTRATION FEE
 fee covers meals, lodging and program materials
\$170

*REGISTRATION IS ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS - SPACE IS LIMITED

One step with the Virgin Mary

RETREAT FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS (AGED 17-33)

SATURDAY
4TH MAY 2024

- 10.00 AM WELCOME COFFEE AND REGISTRATION
- 10.30 AM THE VERGIN MARY: A DISCIPLE LISTENING
- MULTICULTURAL GALLERY
- PERSONAL PRAYER
- "WALKING" ROSARY
- 1 PM LUNCH
- 1.15 PM CONCLUSIVE SHARING
- 2.00 PM CONCLUSION



FRANCISCAN MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE INFANT JESUS



"MOTHER MARY JOSEPH" CENTER OF HOSPITALITY
 1215 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill, NJ
 (856)-428-8834 fmijcomeandsee@yahoo.com

2024-2025 Faith Formation Registration Is now available

Go to the parish website or contact Daniela Perez

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

VOLUNTEERS (AGES 13+) ARE NEEDED FOR OUR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ON JULY 8TH-11TH FROM 6PM-8PM. IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS INTERESTED IN PLEASE CONTACT DANIELA PEREZ.

Saint of the Week: St. Catherine of Siena (Feast Day: April 29)
 Patron Saint of Europe, Fire Prevention, & Italy

Catherine Benincasa's life epitomized complete surrender to Christ, evident from her early defiance against societal norms to her influential role within the Dominican Third Order. Despite facing opposition, she remained steadfast, advocating for causes such as the crusade against the Turks and unity within the Church during the Great Schism. Canonized in 1461 and recognized as a doctor of the Church alongside Teresa of Avila, her spiritual legacy endures through her writings in The Dialogue.



Office of Ministry with the Deaf and Persons with Disabilities

We believe that every child of God is uniquely created and inherently worthy of love, and so as we love him we also love all others. (John 13:34-35)

Special Needs Mass

Holy Savior Church in Westmont (St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish) celebrates a separate Sunday afternoon Special Needs Mass on the 4th Sunday of each month, especially for families with special needs children and adults.

This particular mass is sensory-friendly, a loving and open environment of acceptance and understanding allowing special needs families the opportunity to attend mass together.

Special Needs Masses March - August 2024

Please Note the schedule change for the Special Needs Family Mass that is regularly scheduled on the **4th Sunday of the month, 12:30pm, at Holy Savior Church (50 Emerald Avenue, Haddon Township).**

Again, if any questions about the Mass, or if you want to join our email-list, please contact **Fr. Hugh Bradley:** hugh.bradley@camdendiocese.org.

April 28 - Changed to April 21

May 26 - No Change

June 23 - changed to June 30

July 28 - No Change

August - No Change

Masses of Welcome and Inclusion Schedule

Every Sunday

11:00AM Mass at Holy Saviour Church

(St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish)

50 Emerald Avenue

Westmont, NJ (GPS: use Haddon Township).

The Mass is signed in American Sign Language (ASL) for Deaf Members of the Church and voiced for hearing members of the Church.

2nd Weekend of the Month

St. Andrew the Apostle

27 Kresson-Gibbsboro Road. Gibbsboro, NJ

Mainstream Mass Saturday, 4:30pm Mass

Holy Eucharist Parish

344 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill, NJ

Mainstream Mass Sunday (Oct. - Apr.) 9:45AM

For more information, please contact Fr. Hugh Bradley:

hugh.bradley@camdendiocese.org.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE PROJECT

Vince Guarnere, an 8th grade student at St. Rose of Lima School, modeled his service project on St. Nick's love of vulnerable children, and so he researched things sick children may want/need while staying in the hospital. He put together a whole Amazon wish list of items and solicited donations from many people. He collected over 300 items and donated them last weekend to CHOP at Virtua, Voorhees. Vince is a bit taken aback because he didn't think he'd get many donations. The staff at Virtua was, too. Thank you, Vince! We are all proud of you!



April 28: Alcoholism Awareness

The National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence chose April as Alcohol Awareness Month to increase both outreach and education about the causes and effects of alcoholism as well as the resources available to assist individuals and families experiencing the impacts of alcohol use disorder. Alcohol Use Disorder impacts nearly 15 million Americans (over the age of 18) directly – help is available.

If you or a loved one are experiencing potentially unsafe use of alcohol, please know you are not alone. You can connect with resources in a variety of ways:

- Reach NJ 24/7 Helpline: 1-844-REACH-NJ (1-844-732-2465)
- SAMHSA Treatment Referral Resources by Text: Text your five digit zip code to HELP4U (435748)
- NJ Searchable Treatment Database: <https://njsams.rutgers.edu/TreatmentDirectory/>
- Resources for Families: <https://nj.gov/humanservices/reachnj/families/index.shtml>
- Catholic Charities Addictions Healing Helpline: 1-800-342-4057
- Camden Diocese VITALITY Resource and Referral Hotline: 1-888-26VITALity (1-888-268-4825)

Around the Diocese

Needed: Leaders to revive Catholic Campus Ministry at Rutgers Camden. More Info: contact Chris Lim at 215-779-4000 or chlim@camden.rutgers.edu.

Mass of Welcome and Inclusion: Sunday, April 28 at 10:30 AM, St. Frances Cabrini Church, St. Damien Parish, Ocean City. **More Info.,** to Volunteer or RSVP call J. Kelly at 609-399-0648 X100 or email him at jkelly@stdamienparish.com.

Christ Our Light Summer Mission Trips: May 26—June 3 to David Kentucky and July 21-26 to stay and do service work in South Jersey. **More Info:** Contact jde-marco@christourlight.net or sgreen@christourlight.net.

Bus Trip to Sight & Sound Theater to see “Daniel”. Saturday, August 24. Hosted by St. Bartholomew Parish’s Ladies Guild. **More Info.:** Contact Geraldine Anderson at 856-283-6071 or St. Bart’s Rectory at 856-365-0573.

Inspiring Immigration Story :

Thurs., April 30, 6-7 PM, at Christ Our Light Church, Cherry Hill. Dr. Ali A. Houshmand, President of Rowan University will share his immigration story.

Training for Lector

- Tuesday, June 11, 2024, Zoom, 6:30—8:30 PM
- **In-Person Sessions: Choose 1**
Monday, June 17, 6:30—8:30
St. Damien Parish, St. Augustine Church
13th and Wesley, Ocean City, NJ **OR**
Tuesday, June 18, 6:30—8:30
St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish, St. John Church
809 Park Ave., Collingswood, NJ
- Registration forms are available in the Parish Office.
- ♦ Fee is paid by the parish for those who will actively serve as a parish lector.





Call to Worship

Fifth Sunday of Easter: April 28, 2024

ENTRANCE HYMN: "Three Days" *Breaking Bread* # 169

Gloria: Inside front cover of *Breaking Bread*

FIRST READING: Acts 9: 26-31

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple. Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus. He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem, and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord. He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists, but they tried to kill him. And when the brothers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him on his way to Tarsus. The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

SECOND READING: 1 John 3: 18-24

Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth. Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts before him in whatever our hearts condemn, for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence in God and receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us.

GOSPEL: John 15: 1-8

Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Creed: Inside front cover of *Breaking Bread*

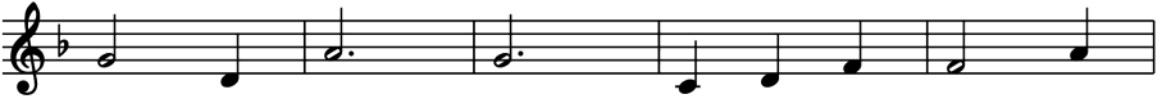
MANY AND GREAT

Ricky Manalo, CSP

Verses



1. Man - y and great are bear - ers of the Word: the Christ
 2. Man - y and great are seeds up - on the field: the hand
 3. Man - y and great are voic - es of de - spair: the rain
 4. Man - y and great are peb - bles in the sand: the sun



1. speaks; the heart seeks. Gath - ered as one, we
 2. sows; the seeds grow. Take now and eat the
 3. falls; the voice calls. Take now and drink the
 4. glows; the wind blows. Take now and spread the



1. lis - ten to the Word and share the meal of new birth.
 2. cov - e - nant ful - filled, the bread of prom - ise and life.
 3. wine of hope and care; our cup of bless - ing we share.
 4. Word to ev - 'ry land, the Word of good - ness and hope.

Refrain



The wheat grows from spring-time to fall; the wine flows; in



Christ we re - call the shar - ing of our lives with one and all.

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COMMUNION HYMN: "I Will Choose Christ" *Breaking Bread* #516

Refrain

I will choose Christ, I will choose love, I choose to serve.
I give my heart, I give my life, I give my all

1-3 to Verses Final
to you. to you. I give my all to you.

Verse 1

1. How man-y times must he call my name and show to
1. me that he is God? And as a ser-vant he
1. calls to me, "You must serve too."

Verse 2

2. Christ, my teach - er and heal - er, teach my
2. heart and heal my soul. And as I walk this
2. road with you, teach me to love.

Verse 3

3. As I look up-on your cross, so too
3. must I die with you. And with the death of my
3. own de - sires, I'll rise with you.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: "How Great Thou Art" *Breaking Bread* #432



1. O Lord my God, when I in awe - some
 2. When thru the woods and for - est glades I
 3. And when I think that God, His Son not
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla -

won - der Con - sid - er all the worlds Thy hands have
 wan - der And hear the birds sing sweet - ly in the
 spar - ing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it
 ma - tion And take me home, what joy shall fill my

made, I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing
 trees, When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
 in That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly
 heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -

thun - der, Thy pow'r thru - out the un - i - verse dis - played!
 gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze.
 bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin!
 ra - tion And there pro-claim, my God, how great Thou art!

Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to Thee; How great Thou

art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to

Thee; How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

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