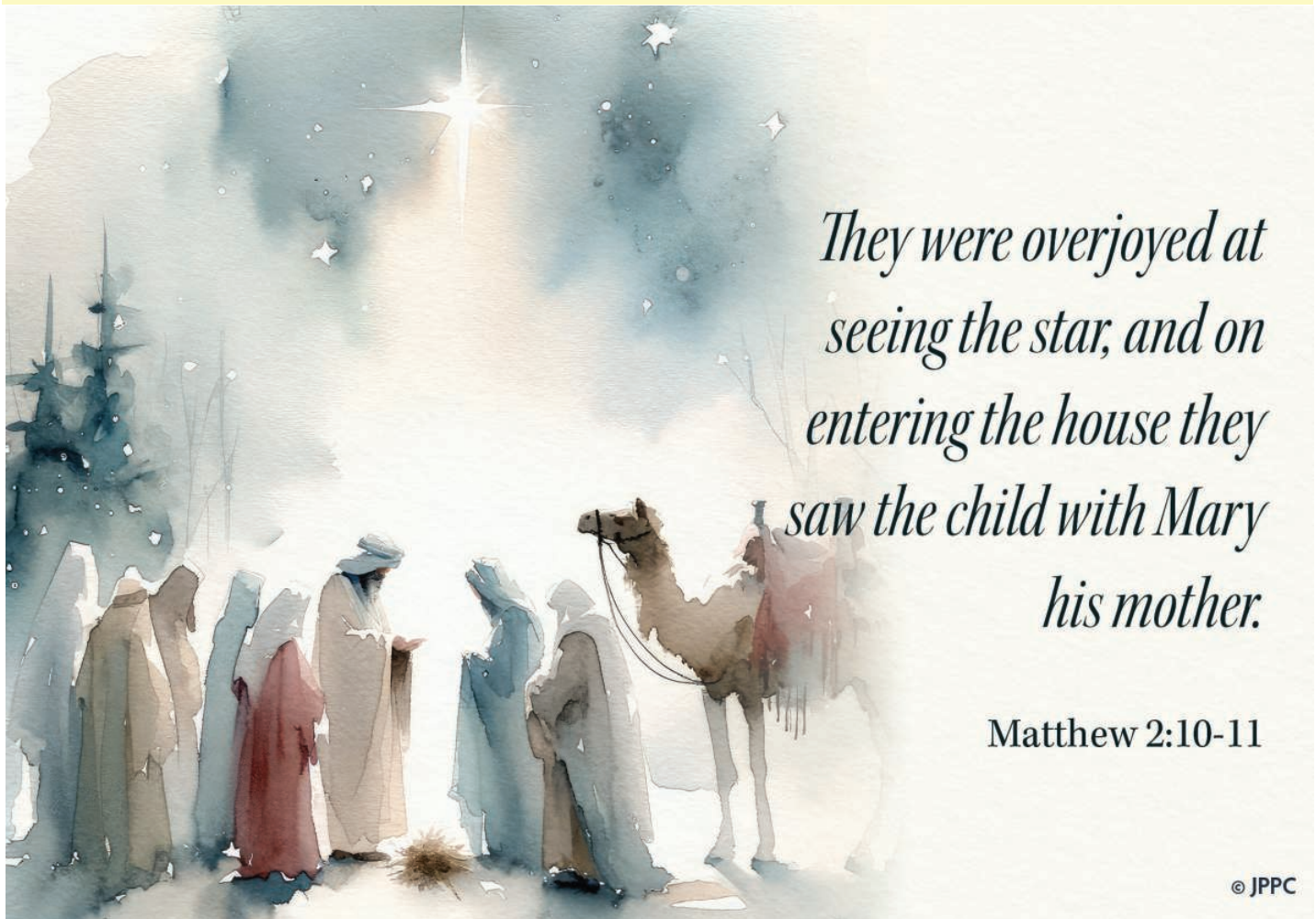




SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*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.*

Feast of the Epiphany—January 5, 2025

PARISH INFORMATION: January 5, 2025

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

Mass and Sacrament Schedule

Rev. Steven Bertonazzi, Administrator

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Rev. Hugh Bradley—hugh.bradley@camdendiocese.org

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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 Venafrá Administrative Assistant

Trish Best Administrative Assistant

Rosemary Fearon Office Volunteer

MaryAnn Mercer Office Volunteer

Denise Bolognese Bookkeeper

Linda Roseboro-Brown Bereavement Coordinator

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Nick Tyrell Maintenance

PARISH OFFICE

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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 - 3:00pm

The Office closes 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 first step in planning your wedding is best begun 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

BULLETIN SUBMISSION DATES

Submit announcements to be published in the bulletin to tbest@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org or to the Parish Office by the end of day Monday of the week prior to the weekend bulletin issue requested.

Please submit **flyers** to be copied and inserted into the bulletins to 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 (YouTube)**
11:00 AM—SJ

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

No Special Needs Mass in January

Daily Masses:

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

Thursday: 9AM Holy Saviour Church

Adoration: Thursdays: After 9:00am Mass— 8pm (HS)

RECONCILIATION:

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

BAPTISMS: Call the Parish Office to schedule.

OCIA: Tuesdays at 7PM in Parish Office

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The Sanctuary candle at Holy Saviour burns for the intention of Mary Van Note requested by her husband and family.

Contact the office if you would like to dedicate a Sanctuary Candle to illuminate the Tabernacle for a week with your intention for a loved one.



Pray for Our Parishioners:

Lorraine Alexander	Heather Frisoli	Julia Nigro Slater
Arline Barski	Emma Grace	Laz Orosze
Nancy Barone	Violet Harden	Olive Osler
Charlie Bates	Steve Hardseski	Elise Principato
Helen Berger	Sarah Jacob	Eric Roseboro
James Beierschmitt	Teresa Jermyrn	Susan Ratajski
Michael Cavallo	Evan Kendendine	Joseph Sandone
Nancy Caruso	William Kinnee	Pat Schoenborn
Ed Charlton, Sr.	Ali Kite	Richard Schoenborn
Anthony Corrado	Baby Violet	Linda Simpkins
Joseph DeShayes	Kozuhowski	Michael Skabla
Walt Eife	Nina Lopes	Dennis Siwak
Adam Forziati	Eliane Loumeau	Constance
Cathie Fleming	John Macauley	Steinhagen
David Ford	Barbara Maddon	Kathy Smith
Charlene French	Annie Martella	John Tomik
Adam Frisoli	Nicholas Matyas	Michael Travis
	Michael McAdoo	Barbara Vollrath
	Matthew McCann	Craig Wilke
	Erin DeVoe Moran	Myra Worrell
	Natale Mullen	Margaret Zimmer-

JOIN THE ROSARY GROUP TO PRAY THE ROSARY AFTER THE 9AM MASS DAILY TO PRAY FOR YOUR INTENTIONS AND TO PRAY FOR THE SICK

Intentions for this week's Masses

Saturday, January 4

4(HS) Evelyn Kenny r/b Fr. Bertonazzi & STC Parish
Charles Halll r/b Fr. Bertonazzi & STC Parish

Sunday, January 5

8(HS) For the People of the Parish

9:30 Lorraine Rudderow r/b Kernan Family
Rose DeMarinis r/b her daughters

11(SJ) For the People of the Parish

11(HS) Deceased member of the Almeida Family

Monday, January 6

9 Beverly Sheridan r/b Sheridan Family

Tuesday, January 7

9 Phyllis Wilson r/b her husband, John

Wednesday, January 8

9 For the People of the Parish

Thursday, January 9

9 (HS) Patricia Houghkirk r/b Kernan Family

Friday, January 10

9 For the People of the Parish

Saturday, January 11

4 (HS) Joseph & Carrole Fearon r/b family
Brenda Jarger r/b Eileen & Pablo

Sunday, January 12

8(HS) For the People of the Parish

9:30(SJ) For the People of the Parish

11(SJ) In Thanksgiving for 55 yrs of love & commitment r/b Jim & Mickey Steinitz

11(HS) Deceased members of the Bradley Family

ADORATION

Thursday at Holy Saviour Church 9:30am - 8pm
Silent Adoration 9:30am - 5pm
Rosary. Benediction 7PM — 8PM

Pray for Our Military

SGT Alex Coutinho, US Space Force
Michael Gregg, USMC
Ensign Alex Licorish, RN, USN
Miguel Ingram, Pvt. 1st Class US Army
Ensign Margaret McKernan USN
LT Patrick J. McKernan, USN
Johnny A. Santiago, Sgt. 1st Class

1st Lieut. Kayleigh Migaletti, RN, SAF
Salena Silvaria, NAC/AW,
Nathan Tiefenthaler L. Corp

Pray also for the Families of our Military who will not have their loved ones Home for the Holidays.

Reflection for January 5, 2025 Feast of the Epiphany

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

It truly is “the most wonderful time of the year” and this story of the Visit of the Wise Men is yet another lyrical element of the Christmas story. Into the drab stable cave come these Gentile visitors from the Orient richly dressed in vibrant colors. Whatever is of gold in their garb catches the light of the fire there. We can also hear the tinkling of the bells on the camel harness as the stately animals make their moves. They are a stark contrast to the locals gathered.

Analyzing Matthew’s story, a bit makes us wonder. How many visitors were there? Three or thirteen? After all, it’s the number of gifts they brought that makes us compute the group size. Along the way, these exotic visitors became the Three Kings. Tradition further conferred names on them: Caspar (who is made black), Balthazar and Melchior in the Western Church.

Their gifts became highly significant. Gold highlights the kingship of Jesus. The frankincense His divinity. The Myrrh, an embalming fluid no less, stands for Christ’s redemptive suffering. We can see that this story is more than meets the eye.

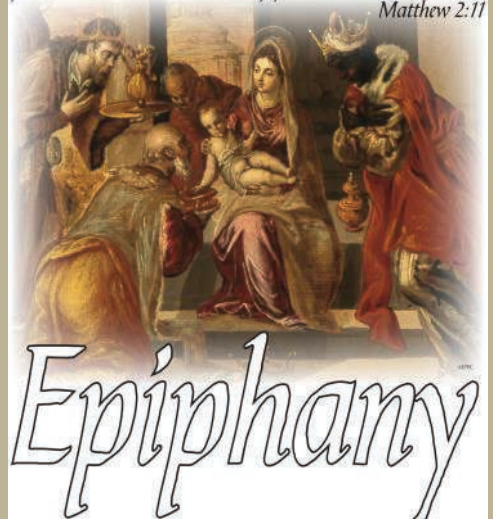
Remembering that Matthew wrote his gospel for Jewish converts to Christianity, we must recognize his main point: Jesus came for Gentiles as well as Jews. He is the designated Savior of all mankind. This last aspect of the story had to be a challenge for Matthew’s readers. They had a long tradition behind their generally accepted belief that Yahweh God had chosen them as His people. That is true even in our own time. But this was a choice that had to call for expansion. Otherwise, God is rendered too small. Believers in the myriad Gentile gods had to know that paradise was an option for them that entailed belief in the one supreme Lord.

We contemporary believers must maintain an immense respect for the children of Abraham. After all, as the Roman Canon declares: “Abraham (is) our father in faith.” The baby Jesus came to us as a Jew. The Blessed Mother and St. Joseph were good practicing Jews. So were most of Our Lord’s closest early followers. Anti-antisemitism has no place in a Christian heart. That evil threatens the beautiful poetry of this feast on this first Sunday of the new year. The axiom is true: “Wise men still seek Him.”

*“We three kings of Orient are
Bearing gifts, we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.”*

On coming to the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him.

Matthew 2:11



PARISH AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Stewards Give

They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.” - MATTHEW 2:11 What gifts do Christian Stewards give to the Lord? Pope St. Gregory said that these three gifts represent what we should give God every day. Gold – we should reflect Christ’s wisdom in all our relationships. Frankincense – represents our daily prayer and adoration to God. Myrrh – is a symbol of our daily sacrifices that we unite with Jesus for the sake of others.

Joseph House November Donations

NOTE: No Sandwich Making in January.

MORE USHERS ARE NEEDED TO SERVE AT MASS

Are you a parishioner looking for a way to meaningfully participate in the Mass at St. Teresa of Calcutta? Please consider becoming a Greeter/Usher at your Mass. In this role, you’d help to distribute parish bulletins at the start of Mass, help gather the collections, and assist in the flow for the Eucharist and you can be a friendly person welcoming parishioners. Please contact Jim Ely at jsely@verizon.net.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

We continue to support the Ronald McDonald House by collecting soda and beer tabs as well as Campbell soup lids/tabs and cat can lids/tabs. Anything with a Tab on it we can use. Drop your tabs off now because I will be making a drop off soon. No later than Jan. 3rd. Drop your "collections" at our Council Hall (front or back door[s]).



We also collect new or used stamps to buy children's books/coloring books for children in South America. A senior home in FL does the book donations, we simply provide the stamps.

These too can be dropped off at our Council Hall or at 5 Brittin Ave, Audubon, NJ 08106.

SAVE THE DATES or SEE THE FLYERS in the Vestibules for more information:

- **Jubilee of Hope Year 2025 Kickoff Mass** - 1/5 2pm **Camden Basilica**
- **Men’s Club Meeting**—Jan. 13, 2025
- **Hygiene Kit Drive**—Jan 23, 2025
- **Extraordinary minister of Holy Communion Training** 1/25
- **Vitality Calls of Joy** available anytime
- **Parish Health Ministry Survey**—Scan QR Code on Flyer in Vestibule

EVENTS AROUND US—See Flyers

*Sanctity of Life Mass- 1/22, 12:15 Cherry Hill

***University of Notre Dame Chorale Concert -1-10 St. Isaac Jogues, Marlton, 7pm**

*Franciscan Day of Service—1/25

*Joe Conklin Comedy Show—2/8, 7pm

NEW PARISH NEWSLETTER

As part of an ongoing mission to inform parishioners of events and special occasions that have occurred at St. Teresa of Calcutta we issued a Parish newsletter. Copies of this newsletter can be found in the back of both churches, as well as through the QR code found here.



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

For help in times of emergency on our parish number **856-858-1444**.

Food Pantry: Hours: Mon.— Wed. 10AM – 12 noon

Volunteers –discussion meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month in McDaid meeting room. **After January**, join our sandwich making on the 3rd Monday of each month.

Thank you for your donations of food for the homeless!

Gift card donations for Aldi are greatly appreciated.

PARISH NEWS AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Now Available

Planning Guide for A Catholic Funeral



South Jersey Catholic Cemeteries now offers a new interactive, online guide called, *A Planning Guide for A Catholic Funeral*. This guide provides information about a Catholic funeral, and it allows you to provide details about your wishes for your funeral, including your vigil, funeral Mass and committal service. Secondly, it allows you to fill in the document providing pertinent information such as personal and family history, legal and financial information, social media and additional considerations that will be needed at the time of your passing. Your completed guide will help to alleviate stress for you and your family, and it will make your wishes known. This free guide is available at South Jersey Catholic Cemeteries' website where you can download it to your computer, and then fill in your information. We encourage you to visit <https://southjerseycatholiccemeteries.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/SJCC-Planning-Guide-for-Catholic-Funeral-Interactive-Sept-2024.pdf> and look over the guide. We are sure you will find it helpful! If you need additional information, our staff can be reached at 855-MyPrePlan (855-697-7375).



PRIVATE DAY OF PRAYER



Wednesday, January 22, 2025
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. ~ \$25

On the Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of the Unborn, spend a quiet day praying for the intention of the right to life from conception until natural death. Throughout the day, there will be periods of communal prayer for this very special intention. Lunch is provided.

Villa Maria by the Sea Retreat Center
101 11th Street, Stone Harbor, NJ 08247
Register by January 15 by calling 609-964-7700 or
visit www.VMbytheSea.com

YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES (POST CANA) Fall Event Schedule

If you're a young married couple, we'd love to see you at our upcoming events this fall/winter!
If you have kids, they are welcome to all events:

- Monday, Jan. 6, 6 pm: **Epiphany party**
- Sunday, Jan. 26, after the 9:30 Mass: **Coffee & donuts social** in McLaughlin Hall

Use the QR Code to join our email list.

We host some events at home, so we'll share address information with those who join the email list.

Host: Post Cana Young Married Couples



**Hope
for a
Better
Marriage**

Helping marriages heal and grow.
Over 100,000 couples helped.
**The Retrouvaille
Marriage Program**

Weekend programs in
February, August, and
October in Malvern PA
HelpOurMarriage.org
215-766-3944



PARISH AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Stephen Ministers are available to assist parishioners through difficult times. Please pray for our Stephen Ministers and those to whom they minister. You may either contact the office for an appointment or for more information email Jack Callaghan or Pat O'Connor: stephenministry@stteresaoofcaltanjanj.org

VITALity CATHOLIC HEALTHCARE

As a New Year begins, VITALity Catholic Healthcare Services is available to support you with your health and well-being needs. VITALity is committed to bringing new life and spirit into the hearts of those we cherish the most – our elderly and disabled, along with their families and caregivers. Below is a list of our outreach services.

Care Coordination and Consultation – Our nurses and social workers are well-versed in the health and well-being programs and services available throughout South Jersey to connect individuals based on need as well as to help with paperwork and applications. Call our **Resource and Referral Help Line** at 1-888-268-4825 for assistance.

Hospital Chaplaincy Program – In 18 hospitals in South Jersey, this ministry provides a priest to administer the Sacrament of the Sick and Sacrament of Penance, while pastoral care by a deacon, a woman religious and/or a lay minister offer Holy Communion, prayers and spiritual resources to patients and their families.

Ministry With the Deaf & Persons with Disabilities – This ministry helps to create an environment of acceptance and inclusion in parish communities for all those with special needs and their families as well as connect to appropriate services and resources that families need to support their loved ones with disabilities.

Parish Nursing – There are 33 Parish Nurse ministries in the Diocese educating, bringing resources to their parish community by way of organizing flu shot clinics, health fairs, blood drives and blood pressure clinics. The Parish Nurse ministry works to empower parishioners to attain physical, spiritual, and emotional wellness.

Senior Ministry - This ministry supports older adults with healthy aging in body, mind and spirit through social opportunities, important health information, and programs and events to enhance and encourage living Life to the Fullest.

Stephen Ministry - Trained Stephen Ministers in parishes throughout the Diocese all pledge to remain steadfast in their mission to walk with others through listening, prayer and offering emotional and spiritual support, providing one-on-one confidential Christian care to members of our parishes and communities.

To learn more about any of our services or request support, call 1-888-268-4825 or visit www.vitality.camdendiocese.org.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE– JAN. 11-12

Mass	LECTOR	EM	SACRISTAN
4:00	S. Loumeau	Deacon Leo–Preach	A or N Remetz
8:00	L. Franck	Deacon Rocks–Preach	Barry Steele
9:30	T. Qualli	Deacon Leo– Preach	MA Mercer
11:00	J. Ely	Deacon Leo– Preach	L. Roseboro–Brown

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING

The Diocese is offering training for everyone interested in becoming a **Eucharistic Minister**. It starts **January 25**. See the **Parish Office** for the **Registration form**.

MEN'S CLUB MEETING

Join us for the next Men's Club meeting on **Monday, January 13th at 8 pm** at McLaughlin Hall. We invite the men of the parish to join us. For more information, please reach out to stteresamensclub@yahoo.com or call/text Josh Wiener at 609-502-3539.

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. Call Michele Santiago at: 609-598-1787 or grandmarose73@yahoo.com

SENIOR'S MINISTRY

This is a Parish outreach program to assist people who are shut-in either at home or in a nursing home. Our Mission is to assist the parish's senior citizens who need companionship and support. We contact family members of shut-ins, visit nursing homes and private residences to see where we can be of assistance. Contact **Ed Charlton** by text at 215-284-1365 or echarlto53@gmail.com

Pilgrimage to Poland The Land of Saints In the Footsteps of St. John Paul II, St. Faustina & St. Maximilian Kolbe
September 29 –October 7, 2025 Join Father Robert Hughes for a nine-day tour of Poland and see the sites that tell the stories of St. John Paul II, St. Faustina, St. Maximilian Kolbe and more. Visit the cities of Warsaw, Niepokalanow (Franciscan Monastery of St. Maximilian), Swinice Warckie (St. Faustina), Czestochowa, Wadowice (Birthplace of John Paul II), Krakow (Poland's Royal Capital), Zakopane (John Paul's mountain retreat), Auschwitz, Lagiewniki (Shrine of Divine Mercy) and Wieliczka (Europe's oldest salt mine). The cost of this round-trip is \$5,178 per person, double occupancy (\$999 supplement for a limited number of single rooms). For more information contact Fr. Hughes at Robert.Hughes@camdendiocese.org.

Life-Long Faith Formation

Faith Formation

Daniela Perez
856-858-0298

dperez@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

Coffee & Faith Sharing

Co-led by Barry Steele & Daniela Perez



Wednesdays at 10AM in McLaughlin Hall

Join fellow Parishioners for a meaningful morning of faith, fellowship, and sharing on the Gospel

All ages are welcome

Bibles are not required

No Faith Sharing on the first Wednesdays of the month

St. Teresa of Calcutta Young Adult Group (18-39)

Faith & Fellowship Night

New Year, New Opportunities to Grow in Faith

January 8 | 8:15-9:15 PM

McLaughlin Hall

744 Atlantic Ave., Collingswood, NJ 08108



Hygiene Kit Drive

The Sisters of Saint Joseph Refugee Housing Project and Neighborhood Center are in need of hygiene kits.

There are adult & children hygiene kits that are needed.

Please consider donating the any of the following items:

Adult Hygiene Kits:

- Individually wrapped toothbrush
- toothpaste
- deodorant
- bars of soap
- razors
- bottles of shampoo
- comb or brush
- menstrual pads



Child Hygiene Kits:

- Individually wrapped kids' sized toothbrush
- kid friendly toothpaste
- floss
- kid-friendly shampoo
- kid-friendly body wash
- comb or brush
- band-aids (preferably with color/pattern)

Hygiene kits will be made on Thursday, January 23

at 7 PM in the School Cafeteria

All are welcome to attend.

Items can be dropped off or amazon delivered to the parish office, dropped off during Faith Formation, or brought on 1/23

If you have any questions please contact dperez@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

SCHEDULE

STC YOUTH GROUP
9TH-12TH GRADES

01/29	8PM-9PM MCLAUGHLIN HALL
02/19	8PM-9PM MCLAUGHLIN HALL
03/12	8PM-9PM MCLAUGHLIN HALL
04/09	8-9PM MCLAUGHLIN HALL

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
DPEREZ@STTERESAOFALCUTTANJ.ORG

Family Mass:

- **January 26**— 4th Grade Family Mass
- **February 9**— 5th Grade Family Mass
- **March 9**— 6th Grade Family Mass
- **April 13**— 8th Grade Family Mass

All Family Masses are held at the 11 AM at St. John's

Join us for fellowship and refreshments after Mass in the cafeteria.



Hi, I'm Francine Fernandes—a lifelong member of St. Teresa's, Camden Catholic High alum, and a pre-med student at the Catholic University of America. This March, I've been blessed with the opportunity to serve as a medical volunteer in Panama with Global Medical Brigades, providing healthcare to remote, impoverished communities.

Our mission? To spread God's love through sustainable healthcare and medical care for those in need.

I need your help to make this possible! Donations of any amount will go directly toward providing free medical care and supplies for those we serve. Your generosity helps change lives.

Scan the QR code below to donate or reach out if you have any questions. Thank you for supporting this mission of faith and service.



francinefmaria@gmail.com

Thank you



Masses of Welcome and Inclusion

Every Sunday The Mass is signed in American Sign Language (ASL) for Deaf Members of the Church and voiced for hearing members of the Church. **11:00AM Mass at Holy Saviour Church**, (St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish), 50 Emerald Avenue, Westmont, NJ (GPS: use Haddon Township).

2nd Weekend of the Month

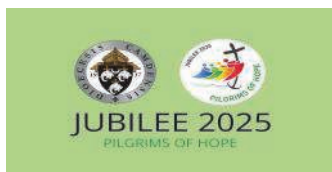
St. Andrew the Apostle, 27 Kresson-Gibbsboro Road. Gibbsboro, NJ. Mainstream Mass Saturday, 4:30pm Mass
Holy Eucharist Parish 344 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill, NJ Mainstream Mass Sunday (Oct. - Apr.) 9:45AM
For more information, please contact Fr. Hugh Bradley: hugh.bradley@camdendiocese.org.

HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT



JUBILEE 2025: PILGRIMS OF HOPE
DIOCESE OF CAMDEN INFORMATION GUIDE

<https://www.camdendiocese.org/wp-content/>



**Bishop Sullivan to celebrate
Jubilee 2025 Diocesan Opening Mass
January 5, 2025 @ 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm**

Throughout the world, the Opening of **Jubilee Year 2025** began on the feast of the Holy Family, Sunday, **Dec. 29, 2024** and continues throughout the year.

Bishop Dennis Sullivan will celebrate a **Jubilee 2025 Opening Mass on the feast of the Epiphany, Sunday, Jan. 5, 2025** at 2 p.m. in the **Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception**, 642 Market St., Camden. **All are welcome.** See the link above for the prayers, schedule, and the guide with suggestions to celebrate the Jubilee throughout the year.

THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.
May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the
whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.
May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.
Amen

Franciscus



Call to Worship



January 5, 2025

ENTRANCE HYMN: "O Come All Ye Faithful" Breaking Bread: 102

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

ADESTE FIDELES
Arranged by Tom Booth

Verses



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
2. † Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, †
3. † Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing, †
4. *Ad - é - ste fi - dé - les, láe - ti tri - um - phán - tes, Ve -*



1. come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
2. Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove!
3. Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n;
4. *ní - te, ve - ní - te in Béth - le - hem.*



1. Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
2. Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;
3. Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;
4. *Na - tum vi - dé - te Re - gem an - ge - ló - rum.*

Refrain



O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, O
Ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus, ve - ní - te, a - do - ré - mus, ve -



come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord! } O come, let us a -
ní - te, a - do - ré - mus Dó - mi-num.



dore him! O come, yes come, let us a - dore him!

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MASS READINGS—January 5, 2025

The Epiphany of the Lord

FIRST READING :

[Isaiah 60:1-6](#)

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.

Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

[Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13](#)

SECOND READING:

[Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6](#)

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are co-heirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

GOSPEL:

[Matthew 2:1-12](#)

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet:

*And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people Israel."*

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

CREED: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father, through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation, he came down from heaven.

At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man", all bow.

And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

WE THREE KINGS

KINGS OF ORIENT

Verses



1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; Bear - ing gifts we
2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, Gold I bring to
3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I: In - cense owns a
4. Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume Breathes a life of
5. Glo - rious now, be - hold him a - rise, King and God and



1. tra - verse a - far Field and foun - tain, Moor and moun - tain,
2. crown him a - gain; King for - ev - er, Ceas - ing nev - er
3. De - i - ty nigh; Pray'r and prais - ing Glad - ly rais - ing,
4. gath - er - ing gloom; Sor - r'wing, sigh - ing, Bleed - ing, dy - ing,
5. Sac - ri - fice; "Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!"

Refrain



1. Fol - low - ing yon - der star. O star of won - der,
2. O - ver us all to reign.
3. Wor - ship him God on high.
4. Sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
5. Sounds through the earth and skies.



star of night, Star with roy - al beau - ty bright, West - ward



lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to the per - fect light.

Text: 88 44 6 with refrain; based on Matthew 2:1-11.

Text and music: *Carols, Hymns and Songs*, 1863; John H. Hopkins Jr., 1820-1891, alt.

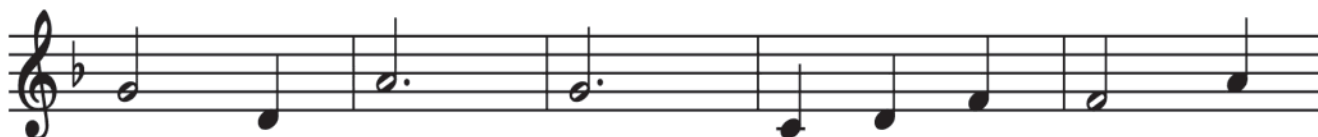
MANY AND GREAT

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.

GO, TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

GO TELL IT

Refrain



Go, tell it on the moun - tain, O-ver the hills and ev - 'ry -
where; Go, tell it on the moun - tain That Je - sus Christ is born.

Verses



1. While shep-herds kept their watch-ing O'er si - lent flocks by night,
2. The shep-herds feared and trem-bled When high a - bove the earth
3. And lo, when they had heard it, They all bowed down and prayed;
4. Down in a low - ly man - ger The hum - ble Christ was born,

to Refrain



1. Be - hold, through-out the heav-ens There shone a ho - ly light.
2. Rang out the an - gel cho - rus That hailed our Sav - ior's birth.
3. They trav - eled on to - geth - er To where the Babe was laid.
4. And God sent us sal - va - tion That bless - ed Christ-mas morn.

Text: 76 76 with refrain; fr. *American Negro Songs and Spirituals*, 1940; John W. Work, Jr., 1872–1925, alt.
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