

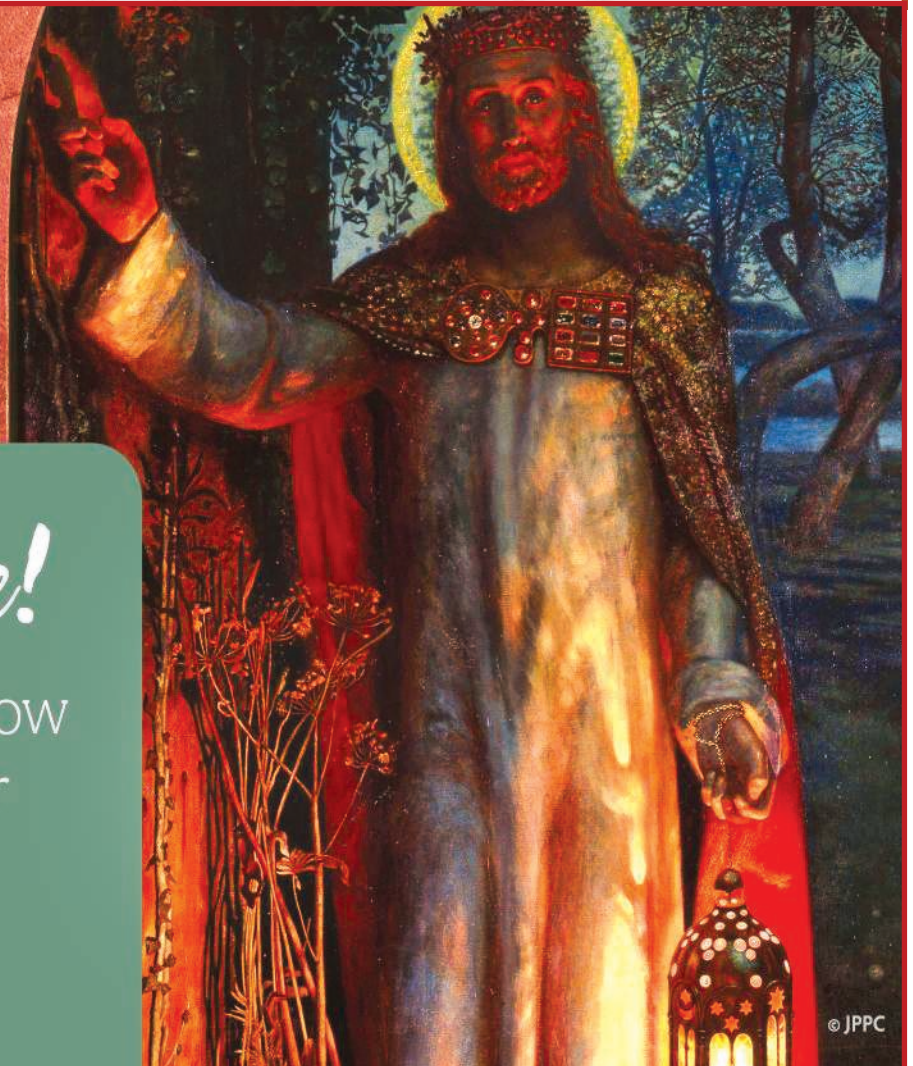


SAINT
TERESA
OF
CALCUTTA
PARISH

Stay awake!

For you do not know
on which day your
Lord will come.

Matthew 24:42



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First Sunday of Advent

November 30, 2025

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.*

PARISH INFORMATION: November 30, 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

Rev. Steven Bertonazzi, Pastor

sbertonazzi@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

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

Director of Deaf Ministry &

Part-time Parochial Vicar

James Rocks Permanent Deacon (retired)

Nelson Remetz Director of Safe Environment

Leo Howitz Permanent Deacon

Barry Steele Permanent Deacon

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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 - 4pm

Friday: 9:00am - 3pm

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 will be given when you call). Please call the office to register.

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 (SJ): 809 Park Ave.,
Collingswood, NJ 08108

HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH (HS): 50 Emerald Ave.,
Haddon Township, NJ 08108

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4:00 PM—HS

Sunday: 8:00 AM—HS

Sunday: 9:30AM - SJ **Live streamed (YouTube)**

Sunday: 11 AM - SJ

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

Youtube Link: <https://www.youtube.com/@saintteresaofcalcutta2622>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100009626887681>

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 or **anytime by appointment.**

BAPTISMS: Call the Parish Office to schedule.

OCIA: Tuesdays at 7PM in Parish Office

AROUND THE PARISH

Christmas Tree Assembly 4
Special Intention Christmas Tree Lighting 4
Christmas Concert 5

SANCTUARY CANDLES

The 7 day Sanctuary candles burn at Holy Saviour for **Edmund Haughey** requested by his family. At St John 's church it burns for **Robert Green** requested by the **Howitz Family**.



To dedicate a candle, contact the office.

**Next Sunday there will be a Special Collection
for the Retired Religious.**

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Arline Barski	Evan Kendendine	Carolyn Olshan
Nancy Barone	Louis Kenerly	Elise Principato
James Beierschmitt	William Kinee	Jim Rinier
Karen Campbell	Ali Kite	Catherine Rocks
Nancy Caruso	Karen Kowal	Eric Roseboro
Anthony Corado	Baby Violet Kozuhowski	Tracy Roseboro
Joseph DeShayes	Christian Legere	Dean Russell
Suzanne Ficara	David Leva	Mary Russell
Adam Forziati	Eliane Loumeau	Joseph Sandone
Charlene French	Cassidy Lovett	Pat Schoenborn
Rose Harden	Matthew McCann	Dennis Siwak
Sarah Jacob	Sister Josefina Mendez	Constance Steinhagen
Sheila Kendall	Allie Miller	Lillian Skabla
	Erin DeVoe Moran	John Tomik
	Natalie Mullen	Dominick Venafr

Pray for Our Military and for Their Families

SGT Alex Coutinho, USSpace Force	LT Patrick J. McKernan, USN
Michael Gregg, USMC	Johnny A. Santiago, Sgt. 1st Class
Ensign Alex Licorish, RN, USN	1st Lieut. Kayleigh Migaledi,
Miguel Ingram, Pvt. 1st Class US	RN, SAF
Army	Salena Silvaria, NAC/AW
Lt Margaret M. McKernan USN	Nathan Tiefenthaler L. Corp

For the First Sunday in Advent, remember to gather
around and say a prayer as you
light the first candle in the Advent Wreath.



Intentions for this week's Masses

Saturday, Nov 29

4pm(HS) Intentions of Danny & Virginia French on their 50th
Wedding Anniversary r/b their family.
Michael Gallagher r/b Hal & Sharon Schwalm & Family

Sunday, Nov 30

8am(HS) For the People of the Parish
930am(SJ) Catherine & Henry Joseph Jr r/b the family
11am(SJ) Celebration of the Baptism of Vincenzo Luca Rotella
r/b Fr Bertonazzi & STC Parish
For the intention of Sr. Denise on the occasion of
her Jubilee r/b Michael & Barbara Swain
Msgr. Martin Joseph Mannion r/b the Tsikitas family
Christine Hill r/b George Holston
Edward Michael Gundersen r/b Erin Anderson
Nicholas Paoline r/b his Mother

11am(HS) For the Intentions of the Deaf community

Monday, Dec 1

9am(SJ) Bill McCormick r/b his Family

Tuesday, Dec 2

9am(SJ) Andrew Jurewicz r/b Margaret Way

Wednesday, Dec 3

9am(SJ) Carol Bakey r/b Pat Bakey

Thursday, Dec 4

9am(SJ) For the intentions of Erin DeVoe Moran & her kidney
donor r/b Jane DeVoe & Family

Friday, Dec 5

9am(SJ) Msgr. Martin Joseph Mannion r/b the Gregg Family

Saturday, Dec 6

4pm(HS) Estelle Rago r/b Sandra Finio
Celebration of the 40th wedding anniversary for Elena
& Luis Gongora
Anthony Venafr r/b the Venafr family

Sunday, Dec 7

8am(HS) G. William Hall r/b Terri & Bill Hall
930am(SJ) For the People of the Parish
11am(SJ) Jerome M. Sheehen r/b the Sheehan Family
Rev. A.I. Cataudo, OP r/b the Kernan Family
Eugene & Margaret Kernan r/b the Kernan Family
For the intentions of Cathy Kernan r/b Kernan Family
Celebration of the Baptism of Maxwell Edward
Tamburini r/b Fr Bertonazzi & STC Parish
Msgr. M. Joseph Mannion r/b Pauline Montes & Ruiz
Family
11am(HS) For the Intentions of the Deaf community
Mass is celebrated in ASL & Voice Interpreted

PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY

After the 9am Mass, join with fellow parishioners to
pray the Rosary.

ADORATION

Thursday at Holy Saviour Church 9:30am-8pm

Silent Adoration 9:30am-5pm
Rosary, Benediction 7pm to 8pm

First Sunday of Advent

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

The little season of Advent comes upon us like the poet Carl Sandburg's "Fog." That is, "on little cat's feet." For us as Americans, we have the echo in our ears of lively table talk at the family Thanksgiving dinner, followed by the clatter of clean dinnerware returning to cabinets. Suddenly it is time to prepare for Christmas!

On one level, I daresay the popular one, this means a flurry of list-making, and shopping and decorating and baking. All that is to the good as far as it goes. But on the deeper level, I daresay the spiritual level, or the Church's level, Christmas prep involves a recall of all that God did for us in the time after the Fall from Eden to the Infant's cry in the manger.

We had been a lost race. Alienated from God. Disconnected from each other to a large degree. Needing outside help. Yearning for leadership. Wishing for interior peace. In a world lit only by fire each night, we were definitely locked in "darkness," as St. Paul describes it. Needing light and a way out.

This First Sunday of Advent invites us to pause right here and think about the implications of being in darkness. Just recall the awful "time of crime" in recent months. Murder of children in a Catholic church. Slaying of a young woman on a train. Assassination of a young leader on a Utah campus. Then there is the personal sin that vexes our consciences until we make that good Confession. Advent wants us to remember such things so that we can appreciate the Divine relief that came with our Redeemer, Jesus Christ.

Slow down amid the cultural rushing. Take the time for private prayer. Listen to the chosen Scripture passages for the season. Learn to be "Watchful," as Jesus instructs. Then the meaning will be truer as you and your loved ones gather around the parish creche, or the one at home. And there are always stories, like this one:

Once upon a time, as the great day approached, a mother was telling her little ones the beautiful story of Christmas. They even tried their voices on some of the usual carols. After one song, four-year-old Tommy blurted out: "Mommy, wasn't it nice for the shepherds to get all cleaned up before they went to see the baby Jesus?" "What do you mean, Tommy?" she asked. "Well," he explained, "we just sang the song 'While shepherds washed their socks by night.'"

God love you and give you Advent peace.

"Stewardship Corner"

Thank you for your financial support of our Parish. The Offertory Collection is the total amount which includes the combined "In Pew" and Electronic Giving totals.

Current Month: October 2025

Offertory: \$47,425

Surplus / Deficit** **-\$5,081**

Fiscal Year to Date *

Offertory: \$185,900

Surplus/Deficit** **-\$79,718**

* Fiscal year runs from July 1—June 30

** Indicates, compared to our expenses, whether the parish is ahead or behind of the total needed to sustain a thriving parish.

This information is provided by the Parish Finance Committee

PARISH INFORMATION

AN ADVENT EVENT FOR EVERYONE

In early Advent, we gather as a parish family to prepare for Christmas in a very special way. Everyone has a chance to place their **special intentions** on a slip of paper, then inside an ornament, and that ornament on a tree.

Amid reflection and prayer, there is **music, caroling and hot chocolate**. In lighting this Christmas tree, we anticipate the Prince of Peace by praying for each other's special intentions as well as our own. Best of all, that's just the start of caring for each other's spiritual hopes and aspirations right through Advent until Christmas Day – and beyond.

Please Join Us for **EITHER OR BOTH** Special Intention Christmas Tree Lightings, Spread the Word, and Invite Anyone You Like.

Wednesday, December 3, 2025 at

Holy Saviour 7:00 pm

Thursday, December 4, 2025 at

St. John's 7:00 PM

Faith In Action Ministry



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

For help in times of emergency use this
parish number **856-858-1444**.

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

Volunteers –Normally discussion meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month in McDaid meeting room. Sandwich Collection will be held on the third Monday of the month at the Good Shepherd parking lot; 6:30-7:30pm.

Please help. There is a **huge increase** in the **Food Pantry's clients**, so **the inventory is being depleted**.

Whatever you can donate from the following list will be a **blessing** for those to whom we provide food:

Specific items needed:

Pasta and pasta sauce

Canned: corn, soup, fruit, spam, tuna,

Chef Boyardee Ravioli, coffee.

Cookies, Pancake mix and Syrup

Peanut butter and jelly

A donation of a gift card for Aldi's helps significantly.

Thank you for your generous donations.

Volunteers Needed to Assist the Men's Club to Assemble the Altar Christmas Trees & Creches

Join the Men's Club on Saturday, December 13, 9am, to help assemble the Altar Christmas trees with white lights at **St. John's church**. We welcome others to join us. Help us set up the outdoor Creche too! On Saturday **Dec. 20 at 9am**, please join us to assemble the trees and outdoor creche at **Holy Saviour church**. It's a great opportunity for Faith Formation students. For questions: **Josh Weiner** stteresamensclub@yahoo.com

Young Married Couples (Post Cana) Fall Event Schedule

Come join us for Coffee & donuts social! We meet the last Sunday of each month after the 9:30am mass, in McLaughlin Hall: **November 30th, (we skip December) & January 25th.** More events to come!

To join our email list serve, email n.mcgill.gardner@gmail.com or use the **QR code** below. Some members host some events at their home and then we have outings also.



K of C: CAN TABS & STAMP COLLECTIONS

We appreciate your dropping your can tabs and stamps at our Council Hall (front or back doors] or **in the box at church**.

Receiving regular mail with real stamps is not as common place now with emails and online services, so we appreciate you cutting out the stamps for this good cause.



FALL INTO online giving

Parish Giving
simple. secure. convenient.

Scan QR Code with your smartphone for easy online giving registration

Simplify your Sunday morning routine and start giving online!
Log on to: stteresamensclub.org, click on the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration steps.

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 215-284-1365 or echarlto53@gmail.com.

PARISH INFORMATION

Next Weekend's Minister Schedule-Dec 6-7

MASS	LECTOR	EM	SACRISTAN
4pm HS	P Lipperini	D Barry	T/P Howell
8am HS	R Coutinho	Deacon Rocks	R Fearon
9:30am SJ	E Charlton	Deacon Leo	L Roseboro-Brown
11amSJ	B Hensler	Deacon Barry	M Warrington

Attention: Lectors

Lector Workbooks for the 2025-26 Liturgical Year are available for pickup in Saint John's Sacristy & Holy Saviour Sacristy. Thank you for serving as Lectors.

DONATIONS FOR CATHEDRAL KITCHEN & JOSEPH HOUSE

Thanks to your generosity, for Cathedral Kitchen we donated: 880 sandwiches, 8 bags of oranges, 4 bags of apples, 3 cases of water, 2 boxes of snacks, 1 box of cookies.

For Joseph House we donated: 120 sandwiches, 1 case water, 1 box of snacks.

With people struggling so much, your efforts and your food donations are greatly appreciated!

SANDWICH MAKING EVENT

Monday, December 15, 2025, 6:30-7:30 pm
Good Shepherd Cafeteria

Bring your meat (turkey or beef boloney), cheese, and bread to make sandwiches that will be donated to Cathedral Kitchen and Joseph's House. Donations of bottled water, fresh fruit, or individually packaged snacks are greatly appreciated, as well. Sandwiches may also be pre-made and dropped off **between 6:30 and 7:30 on December 15th.**



PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR
3RD ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS CONCERT
with the
Tri-County Symphonic Band

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14
7:00PM
ST. JOHN CHURCH
809 Park Avenue
Collingswood, NJ

TICKET PURCHASE

- \$15 per person; kids under 12 free
- Purchase after Masses starting weekend after Thanksgiving or call parish office (856) 858-0298
- Doors open at 6:15 PM

STEPHEN MINISTRY Do You Know Someone Going through a Difficult Time?



Stephen Ministry is a group of highly trained lay ministers throughout the Diocese of Camden ready to provide care to those in need. They 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@stteresaoofcalttanj.org

For those out of the area, for more information and to find a Stephen Ministry near you, please visit <https://vitality.camdendiocese.org/stephen-ministry/> or contact Sebastian Salas at 1-856-583-6123.



Calls of JOY!

A friendly voice and caring connection

What is Calls of JOY?

Calls of JOY is an uplifting start to your week. This free program brings meaningful conversations, compassionate listening, and social connection right to you over the phone. Every call is confidential with the intent to brighten your day

To start your week with connection, care, and conversation:

- ♥ Call us at 856-583-6123
- ♥ Scan the QR code to the right
- ♥ Or, visit: vitality.camdendiocese.org/calls-of-joy-program/



JOY is just a phone call away!



PARISH, COMMUNITY & DIOCESAN INFORMATION

- ◇ **1st Way Baby Bottle Collection**—11/29 & 30th.
- ◇ **Men's Club Adopt a Family Nominations**— ASAP
- ◇ **Cinema Divina Lectio In Motion**—12/12, 4pm, Villa Maria
- ◇ **Tri-County Symphonic Band Christmas Concert**—12/14, 7pm
- ◇ **Eucharistic Minister Training**: 12/13, 8:30am
- ◇ **Lector Training**—1/13 & 1/21 or 22.

*If you would like a flyer emailed to you, email Trish.
Tbest@StTeresaofCalcuttaNJ.org.*

Your Assistance, Please!

Did you know that your parish Men's Club has been "adopting" parish (and previously Good Shepherd School) families to help make the Christmas season bright? If you answered "No", then we have done our job in keeping this initiative private out of respect for the families we help. To achieve this, only a select very few members who run the **Adopt-A-Family** project will ever know which families we are assisting. But that means we **need your help** to be effective. We mention this not to seek plaudits, but **families**. In a time when the cost of everyday items has risen as family budgets get tighter, **perhaps you know a family heading into a difficult holiday season**. We would love to **help**, and no less so if that **family is yours**.

In the past, we have assisted with **gifts for the children, a night out for the family, and some gift cards** for food shopping. Please tell any officer or member of the Men's Club that you know of such a family, and we'll handle it discreetly from there. One way to reach out is by email: stteresamensclub@yahoo.com.

Help us help someone have less worry this Christmas season!

Men's Club Corner

The Men's Club will reconvene to discuss another year of service to our parish and greater community at our next meeting on **Monday, December 15 at 8pm at McLaughlin Hall**. All parish **men** 21 years or over in age are welcome to join us.

We are always open for new members.

Please reach out to stteresamensclub@yahoo.com or Josh Wiener at 609-502-3539 with any questions.

Parish Eblasts for Special Announcements

If you are **not** receiving **parish emails**, contact Sharon Schwalm at sschwalm@prodigy.net or 856-854-4125.

CASSEROLES FOR THOSE IN NEED

The Justice and Life committee continues to collect and distribute **casseroles made by parishioners and the meals are given to St. Joseph's House to support the homeless guests**. The prepared casseroles may be dropped off at the Parish office.

1ST WAY BABY BOTTLE COLLECTION

The 1st Way Baby Bottle **Collection is today**. Donations support the 1st Way Pregnancy Center in West Collingswood. Donations can be made in cash or checks made payable to 1st Way of West Collingswood. Please **return the bottles** by weekend.

Thank you for your generosity to 1st Way Pregnancy Center.

Stewards Readiness

"Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come." MATTHEW 24:42

Stewards who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and you begin to see God's active presence in your life. You grow in gratitude, each day, for all that we have been given.

Christmas Reconciliation Schedule

Tuesday, December 16, 2025

at St. John's Church

4 to 5pm and 7 to 8pm

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

If you are a trained Lector or Eucharistic Minister and not receiving the scheduling emails, then please let Trish know your contact info and at which masses you would prefer to serve.

Anyone wishing to update their Mass preferences, contact: Trish@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org or 856-858-0298.

TRAINING— Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Extraordinary Minister of the Holy Communion Training: Saturday, Dec. 13th, 8:30am to 12:30pm, at Our Lady of Peace Parish. The Parish covers the fee.

For Lector training: **January 13, zoom, 6:30-8:30pm and in person either Jan. 21 or 22, 6:30 to 8:30pm**. The church covers the registration cost. As an (EM) Extraordinary Minister of Communion you may chose to serve at Masses or to serve the homebound or those in hospitals.

To register, either stop in the office or contact tbest@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org for the forms for both trainings.

NEXT K of C HOAGIE SALE IS DEC 6

Friends of Santa Maria Council 1443 - Knights of Columbus Fall Hoagie Sales! Santa Maria Hall 350 Crystal Lake Ave., Haddon Twp, **Saturday, Dec 6**. Cost is still \$5. Ready by 06:30 (back door) 8am (street). The proceeds are used to help our community.

THANK YOU for our success; it's not possible without you!
Remaining hoagie sale dates: **Dec 20**.

Life-Long Faith Formation

Register for Faith Formation!



CALCUTTA CREW

The new youth group at St. Teresa of Calcutta. All meetings held in McLaughlin Hall. All students in Grades 6-12 are welcome!

5:30PM to 7PM on:
12/14

Contact James Bardo
(jbardo@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org) with
questions



Coffee & Faith Sharing

Co-led by Deacon Barry Steele & James Bardo



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 to attend!
No Faith Sharing on the first Wednesdays of the month

Questions? Contact
jbardo@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

OCIA

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?
WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE
CATHOLIC FAITH?**

**REGISTRATION IS ONGOING. CLASSES
ARE ON SUNDAYS AT 12:15PM IN THE
PARISH OFFICE**

Contact

**Jim Ely at jsely56@gmail.com
or call (856)858-0298**

Sandwich Making

Dates:
December 15
February 16
March 16

Time and Place: 6:30-7:30PM in the cafeteria

All are invited!

Join us in making sandwiches and placemats!

Please bring:

- Sliced bread (white or wheat)
- Sliced turkey or beef bologna (no pork)
- Cheese

Taize Prayer Service

**Tuesday, December 9th at 7PM in St.
John's Church**



contact jbardo@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

OFFICE OF THE MINISTRY WITH THE DEAF AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION

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.



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STRENGTHENING FAMILIES

5 PROTECTIVE FACTORS

- parental resilience
- understanding child development
- concrete support
- social support
- social-emotional competence of children

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Is your family facing crises regularly? Could your family be better equipped to handle day-to-day stress?

Join us for a weekly, two-hour, program to get to know your family on a deeper level and to learn more about important factors that support and protect you and your children.

This program allows youth (ages 7 to 17) and parents to express themselves in a safe, supportive space, and to help children be successful all the rest of their lives!

A free meal is provided at every session. Childcare is available for those 6 years of age and under.

This program is provided by Catholic Charities and funded by the Camden County Board of Commissioners and the Camden County Addiction Awareness Task Force.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

FOR FAMILIES

- Increases family unity
- Improves family management and organization
- Decreases family conflict

FOR PARENTS

- Increases parenting skills
- Increases marital communication
- Decreases stress, depression, and substance abuse

FOR CHILDREN

- Increases social skills and cooperation
- Improves school performance
- Reduces misconduct and aggression
- Reduces depression and anxiety
- Dramatically reduces tobacco, alcohol, and other drug use

For additional substance use and mental health information, contact the Camden County Office of Mental Health & Addiction 856-374-6361

To learn more about or to schedule a Strengthening Families Program Catholic Charities | 856-342-4057



Call to Worship



Entrance Hymn: "People Look East", Breaking Bread #43

PEOPLE, LOOK EAST

BESANÇON



1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near Of the
2. Fur - rows, be glad, though earth is bare. One more
3. Stars, keep the watch when night is dim. One more
4. An - gels, an - nounce on this great feast: Him who



1. crown - ing of the year. Make your house fair as you are
2. seed is plant - ed there; Give up your strength the seed to
3. light the bowl shall brim. Shin - ing be - yond the frost - y
4. com - eth from the East. Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley



1. a - ble. Trim the hearth and set the ta - ble. Peo - ple, look
2. nour - ish, That in course the flow'r may flour - ish. Peo - ple, look
3. weath - er, Bright as sun and moon to - geth - er. Peo - ple, look
4. hum - ming With the word, the Lord is com - ing. Peo - ple, look



1. East, and sing to - day: Love, the Guest, is on the way.
2. East, and sing to - day: Love, the Rose, is on the way.
3. East, and sing to - day: Love, the Star, is on the way.
4. East, and sing to - day: Love, the Lord, is on the way.

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TO FIND THE NEW MASS PARTS, SINCE THEY ARE NOT LISTED IN THE MUSIC BOOK,
SEARCH ON YOUTUBE FOR "MASS FOR OUR LADY" BY STEVEN WARNER.

First Sunday of Advent

FIRST READING:

Isaiah 2:1-5

This is what Isaiah, son of Amoz, saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come, the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest mountain and raised above the hills. All nations shall stream toward it; many peoples shall come and say: "Come, let us climb the LORD's mountain, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may instruct us in his ways, and we may walk in his paths." For from Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and impose terms on many peoples. They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; one nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Psalms 122:1-9

SECOND READING:

Romans 13:11-14

Brothers and sisters: You know the time; it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep. For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed; the night is advanced, the day is at hand. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves properly as in the day, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in promiscuity and lust, not in rivalry and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the desires of the flesh.

GOSPEL:

Matthew 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples: "As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. In those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark. They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away. So will it be also at the coming of the Son of Man. Two men will be out in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken, and one will be left. Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come. Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour of night when the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and not let his house be broken into. So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

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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.

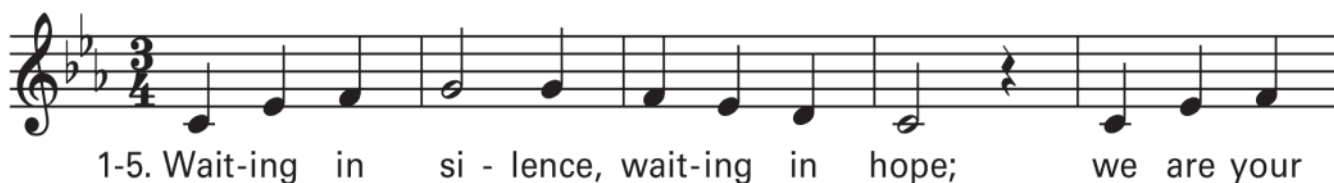
At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man", all bow.

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.

WAITING IN SILENCE

Carey Landry



1. peo-ple, we long for you, Lord. God ev - er with us, Em - man - u -
2. peo-ple, we trust in your love. O Sun of Jus - tice, true Prince of
3. peo-ple, Lord, we seek your truth. Wis - dom In - car - nate, teach us your
4. peo-ple, we long for new life. O Key of Da - vid, o - pen our
5. peo-ple, our hearts thirst for you. Flow - er of Jes - se, bloom in our



1. el, Come, Lord Je - sus,
 2. Peace, Come with your jus - tice, Lord,
 3. way; Show us the path of life,
 4. hearts. Give us new vi - sion, Lord,
 5. midst. Make us your gar - den, Lord,
- Ma-ra - na - tha!

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BEYOND THE MOON AND STARS

Dan Schutte

Refrain



Be-yond the moon and stars, as deep as night, so great our
hun-ger, Lord, to see your light. The spar-row finds her home
be-neath your wing. So may we come to rest where an-gels

Verses



sing.

1. Our eyes have longed to see	your lov - ing
2. Your roads have led us, Lord,	'cross des - ert
3. Up - on our dark-ness, Lord,	a light has
4. With shin - ing star at night,	and cloud by
5. When life's great jour - ney ends,	and day is

to Refrain



1. face,	to live with - in your courts	for all our days.
2. sand.	We place our hopes and dreams	with - in your hand.
3. shone.	You chose to dwell with us	in flesh and bone.
4. day,	you brought us here to see	your love's dis - play.
5. done,	then may our eyes be - hold	your Ho - ly One.

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SOON AND VERY SOON

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1. Soon and ver - y soon, We are going to see the King;
 2. No more cry-ing there, We are going to see the King;
 3. No more dy-ing there, We are going to see the King;



1. Soon and ver - y soon, We are going to see the King;
 2. No more cry-ing there, We are going to see the King;
 3. No more dy-ing there, We are going to see the King;



1. Soon and ver - y soon, We are going to see the King;
 2. No more cry-ing there, We are going to see the King;
 3. No more dy-ing there, We are going to see the King; } Hal-le-



1-3. lu - jah! Hal-le - lu - jah! We're going to see the King.

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