SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH



Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 8th, 2026

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

PARISH INFORMATION

Welcome to St. 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,** for example, when issuing letters in connection with sponsorship of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony, and for letters of reference. **Kindly notify the office if your contact information 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
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Rev. Hugh Bradley—hbradley@stteresaofcalcuttanj.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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MaryAnn Mercer	Office Volunteer
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PARISH OFFICE

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856-858-0298
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Facebook Name: Teresa Calcutta
Faith Formation Office: 856-858-0298, Ext. 19
PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 4pm
Friday: 9:00am - 4pm
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

Regular Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:00 PM - HS
Sunday: 8:00 AM - HS
Sunday: 9:30 AM - SJ Live streamed (YouTube)
Sunday: 11:00 AM - SJ
Sunday: 11:00 AM - HS in American Sign Language and Voice Interpreted for those with 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: Sunday 12:15pm

AROUND THE PARISH

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The 7-day Sanctuary Candle at St. John's burns for the people of the parish. At Holy Saviour burns for Mary VanNote requested by her husband and family.

Please pray for these intentions.

This week there will be only one collection. Next week we'll have a special collection for Human Development. Thank you for your generosity.

Pray for the welfare of our Military and for Their Families



MSgt Alex Coutinho, US Space Force
Lt. Alex Licorish, RN, USN
Sgt. 1st class Johnny A. Santiago
Major Kayleigh Migaleddi, SAF, RN
Master Chief Lucas Leadem, USN
Lt Margaret M McKernan, USN
Michael Gregg, USMC
Pvt 1st Class Miguel Ingram, US Army
Nathan Tiefenthaler, L. Corp
LT. Patrick J. McKernan, USN
Salena Silvaria, NAC/AW
Captain Sean Homburger, US Army

For changes to this list, email: tbest@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org



PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY

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

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."
Mt 18:20

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

Silent Adoration - 9:30am to 7pm
Rosary, Benediction - 7pm to 8pm
Jesus is Calling You!
Call Larry Gatti (609) 238-7272 to sign up.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Monica Baldasano
James Beierschmitt
Bernadette Celino
John Celino
Barbara Cooper
Joseph DeShayes
Nola Durborow
Walt Elfe
Coty Fogel
Adam Forziati
Charlene French
Rose Harden
Brian Haughey
Sarah Jacob
Frank Kaehler
Sheila Kendall
Evan Kendendine
Rose Kenerly
William Kinee
Ali Kite
Violet Kozuhowski
Christian Legere
David Leva
Cassidy Lovett
Matthew McCann
Diane McCarthy
Ryan Paul Milano
Allie Miller
Jane Mooney
Erin DeVoe Moran
Natalie Mullen
Carolyn Olshan
Elise Principato
Jim Rinier
Catherine Rocks
Eric Roseboro
Tracy Roseboro
Bernadette Rossi
Dean Russell
Mary Russell
Joseph Sandone
Pat Schoenborn
Carol Schuler
N.P. Singh
Lilian Skabla
Peggy Steelman
Constance Steinhagen
Dominick Venafra
John Zelina
Karen Zuczek

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Nov 7
4pm(HS) Eliane Loumeau r/b Richard Smith
James Gerard O'Connor r/b Jean Bruno
Steven Kerins r/b Tom & Loretta Hauber

Sunday, Nov 8
8am(HS) For the People of the Parish
9:30am(SJ) Maria Duca r/b Bob & MaryAnn Mercer
Patricia Joseph Brodwater r/b the Lafferty family
Intentions of William Kinee on his 100th birthday r/b his Family
Danny Strobel r/b Joanna McGill-Gardner
Dennis E. Williams, Sr r/b the Chiumento family
Bernard F. Gatti, Sr r/b the Chiumento family
David Sulvetta r/b Fr Bertonazzi & STC Parish
11am(SJ) Raymond Karcher r/b Fr Bertonazzi & STC Parish
11am(HS) Intentions of Katherine Bradley r/b the Bradley family

Monday, Nov 9
9am(SJ) For the People of the Parish

Tuesday, Nov 10
9am(SJ) For the People of the Parish

Wednesday, Nov 11
9am(SJ) For the People of the Parish

Thursday, Nov 12
9am(HS) For the People of the Parish

Friday, Nov 13
9am(SJ) Lorraine Rudderow r/b her family

Saturday, Nov 14
4pm(HS) Theresa Murphy r/b the Cunning family
Susan White r/b Sylvia Loumeau
Mary VanNote r/b her husband & family
Eliane Loumeau r/b Rolland, Gracy Coutinho & family

Sunday, Nov 15
8am(HS) Stanley Ollek, Jr r/b Paula & Eileen Whitman
9:30am(SJ) Caroline Cattani r/b Patrick & Cheryl Hall
Celebration of the Baptism of June Eileen McNevin r/b Fr Bertonazzi & STC Parish
Nancy Barone r/b Michael, Helen, and Tyler
Eliane Loumeau r/b Michele Santiago
Etta Keebler r/b Robert & Lisa Ridgway
Maria Gallo Fureman r/b Patrick & Cheryl Hall
11am(HS) Frank Cloud r/b Katherine & Fr Hugh

Thanksgiving Day Mass- 9am at St. John's Church

Thanksgiving Dinner Food Blessing

Bring some of your food to be blessed at our Thanksgiving Day morning Mass, 9 AM at St. John.

Adoration Announcement

November 12th Adoration will be from 9:30am-4pm.
No Adoration on Thanksgiving Day.

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deacon Leo Howitz

In today's Gospel we have a parable exclusively found in the Gospel of Matthew. We have all heard this story many times, but if you are anything like me, you could never figure out the meaning. Jesus is talking to a Jewish audience and for them to understand, He compares it to something they were familiar with...a wedding feast.

Ancient Jewish weddings, from what we know, took a great deal of time. They started with a betrothal. Here the bride and groom would get married, but they would not live together or consummate the marriage. Instead, the groom would go and build a home for his bride. After that he would organize the wedding feast and, as you can guess, it took a while. When everything was set there would be a great weeklong wedding feast.

When the groom had everything set, he would send word to his entourage which included the bridesmaids and there would be a procession to the house for the feast. The bridesmaids were simply to wait and be ready to light the way if it happened at night.

So here is where the story takes some unexpected twists. The five that were not ready asked the five that were ready for a little help; they needed some oil for their lamps. But they would not help. Instead, they tell them to go to the store and buy some. How are they to do this at midnight? Not like today where we have stores open 24 hours, and the procession was usually not far from the house anyway, so was it necessary to go at all?

The second twist is that after the maids get their oil and they go to the house, the groom tells them he does not know them. This is weird; at any wedding would you not allow the friends of the bride inside? So, we have these two twists — what does the oil for the lamp and the denial of access into the house really mean?

There is obviously some symbolism here. Jesus usually compared things to a wedding or a wedding feast, but what is it? We find out at the end of the story. Jesus is talking about the final judgement. 'Watch, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.'

The bridesmaids are symbolic for us; we can either be prepared or not. The five wise virgins are prepared and the other five are not. The ones prepared are welcomed into the kingdom of God — heaven; the other five are excluded — hell. This is how we know hell: it is simply the absence of God.

Notice the wording. "I do not know you." The significance is that we are to have a relationship with Jesus. We must know Him and be in communion with Him. We can do many good works, and they are important, but what is more important is this relationship. It centers around us being just like Jesus and constantly doing the Will of the Father.

Think about this: they are all virgins, abstaining from the earthly pleasures of life, a big sacrifice, but half of them were still rejected; it is not enough. The lamps are how we shine. The oil is what makes the lamps shine. The more oil, or good deeds, the better.

Now connect this with the first reading, which is from the Book of Wisdom. This is the key: in all that we do we should seek the Wisdom of God; through Wisdom, we figure out the good works we need to do. And Wisdom is usually referred to as a woman: 'she is easily found by those who seek her. He who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty, for he will find her sitting at his gates.'

What is the one thing that we all know is so important, but if you are anything like me, you don't do as well as we should? This is morning prayers. Seek the Lord each morning, start and plan your day around Him. That personal relationship Jesus desires to have with us is found in seeking Lady Wisdom. We are all called to this deep personal relationship with Jesus and only through prayer can we do this.

Through prayer comes wisdom, the truth of God himself. Your personal relationship with Jesus lies in the wisdom we obtain through prayer. Contemplating on God, figuring out how we can do His Holy Will, is how we find the path Jesus has exclusively for us. And each of us is different; it is personal for each of us. Only through prayer can we figure out the way to have enough oil for our lamps to shine before all.

God Bless,

Deacon Leo

PARISH INFORMATION

Stewards Alert

Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour. - MATTHEW 25:13

Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We've all said, "I'll do it later when I have time." Unfortunately, too many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus' call to stewardship is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. How is God calling you to use your gifts today? Don't delay. None of us is guaranteed tomorrow.

A Spirituality for Our Times: That All May Be One

The Sisters of Saint Joseph live and work so that all people may be united with God and with one another. They follow a spiritual path (a spirituality) that has guided them since 1650 in bringing the dream of Jesus, that all may be one *(John 17:21)*, to greater fullness. This mission is as much needed today as it was in 1650. Their spiritual path, so rooted in the Gospel, continues to guide not only the Sisters, but also their Associates in Mission. **Associates in Mission** are women and men who share the same desire to deepen relationship with God, with one another and all people without distinction. Associates live the mission in the ordinary circumstances of their lives, transforming lives and our culture one relationship at a time. Currently, there are over 400 lay women and men affiliated with the Philadelphia Sisters of Saint Joseph. They can be found in NJ, PA, DE, GA, NC and scattered throughout other states.

Are you interested in learning what inspires today's lay women and men to live as Associates in Mission? Do you desire to be with others in deepening your relationship with God and living in ways that are unifying? Then, come find out more! The Sisters at Christ Our Light invite you to an information session on Saturday, November 14 from 10 to 11:30 AM in the Parish Center (St. Mary Room).

If possible, let us know you are coming. Just contact any Sister of Saint Joseph or send an email to Sister Dolores Clerico at dclerico@gmail.com. All are welcome!

Mass for the Care of Creation

Fr. Bertonazzi will celebrate a Mass for the Care of Creation on Monday, ***November 23rd at 7pm at Holy Saviour Church.*** During this season of Thanksgiving we are called to give thanks for all the blessings God has provided for us. The Care for Creation Team is pleased to host this Mass. Please mark you calendar and join us in praying prayers of Gratitude for our gardeners, farmers, harvesters and all the resources of our Mother Earth.

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@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org**

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

Parish Coat Drive

Dropoff: Sun., Nov. 8: 8AM—2PM
Holy Saviour McDaid Hall
(corner of Virginia and Cambridge Aves)

The Social Action Ministry will be collecting used and new coats for children and young adults only on Sunday, November 8th. Coats will be donated to St. Joseph's Pro Cathedral School in Camden as well as to some of our towns' local schools. Gloves, mittens, scarves and hats will also be appreciated. Please bring your donations to Holy Saviour's McDaid Hall (corner of Virginia and Cambridge Avenues) between 8am and 2pm. Use the door on Virginia Avenue. Coat Drive sign will be on the door. If you would like to donate coats but can't make it, contact Anne Remetz at 609-417-0267. Thank you!

<u>Immaculate Conception</u>

December 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, is a Holy Day of obligation.
Mass times are:
Monday, December 7 at 7 PM (Vigil Mass) at St. John
Tuesday, December 8 at 9 AM at St. John.
Tuesday, December 8 at 7 PM at Holy Saviour.

BABY BOTTLE DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus ask that you support this worthy Baby Bottle ministry that provides support to expectant Mothers with items they may need during this special time. Please take a bottle and fill with cash, coin or a check made out to **1st Way of W Collingswood.**

The Knights will be back to collect the bottles the weekends of **November 14th and the 21st**.

Thank you for your support.

SAVE THE DATES for our Special Intention Christmas Tree Lightings on December 2, 2026 (HS) and December 3, 2026 (SJ) at 7pm. Hosted by Faith in Action Ministry

PARISH & DIOCESAN INFORMATION

SAVE THE DATES or SEE THE FLYERS in

Vestibule for more information

◊ Baby Bottle Drive - return by—Nov 21st
◊ Synodal Listening Session "To Hear the Cry of the Earth and the Cry of the Poor"—Nov 8th
◊ Mulligan's Dine and Donate—Nov 10th
◊ Man UP—Nov 14
◊ Fair Trade Holiday Sale—Nov 21 & 22

PARISH 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: Sept/2026	Fiscal Year to Date *
Offertory: $59,962	Offertory: $162,823
Surplus/Deficit**$1,435	Surplus/Deficit**-$1,736

*** 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.**

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

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

Food Pantry Hours: Monday and Wednesday 10am –12noon

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

Monday, November 16, 2026
Monday, December 21, 2026
Monday February 15, 2027
Monday, March 15, 2027

Please bring bread, Turkey, Beef, Baloney, or PB&J to make the sandwiches. We will provide gloves and plastic bags.

6:30-7:30 pm, Good Shepherd Cafeteria

For the Food Pantry, **whatever you can donate** from the following list will be **blessing** for those to whom we a 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**

Hoagie Sale Knights of Columbus

Another Hoagie Sale on Nov 21st. Stop by early! Ready by 6:30 (back door) still only $5.

Santa Maria Council Hall 350 Crystal Lake Ave. Haddon Twp., NJ (across from the Taproom).

Next Weekend's Minister Schedule-Nov 14-15

MASS	LECTOR	EM	SACRISTAN
4pm HS	R Coutinho	Deacon Barry - Preach	N Remetz
8am HS	S Campbell	Deacon Rocks	R Fearon
9:30am SJ	J Weiner	Deacon Barry	MA Mercer
11am SJ	J Ely	Deacon Barry	M Warrington



Collection for SVDP Thanksgiving Basket Items

The Society of St. Vincent dePaul will be collecting the following food items for the Thanksgiving Baskets that will be distributed through our Food Pantry. Designated collection boxes will be placed in the vestibule of St. John's Church until the weekend of November 21/22, 2026

Instant Mashed Potatoes
Canned Yams
Macaroni and Cheese mixes
Jiffy Corn Bread/Muffin Mix
Canned Vegetables
Canned Fruit

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE A TURKEY, PLEASE CALL: Kim Gardine: 609-314-3245

Thank you for your generosity,
St. Teresa of Calcutta Conference of
The Society of St. Vincent dePaul

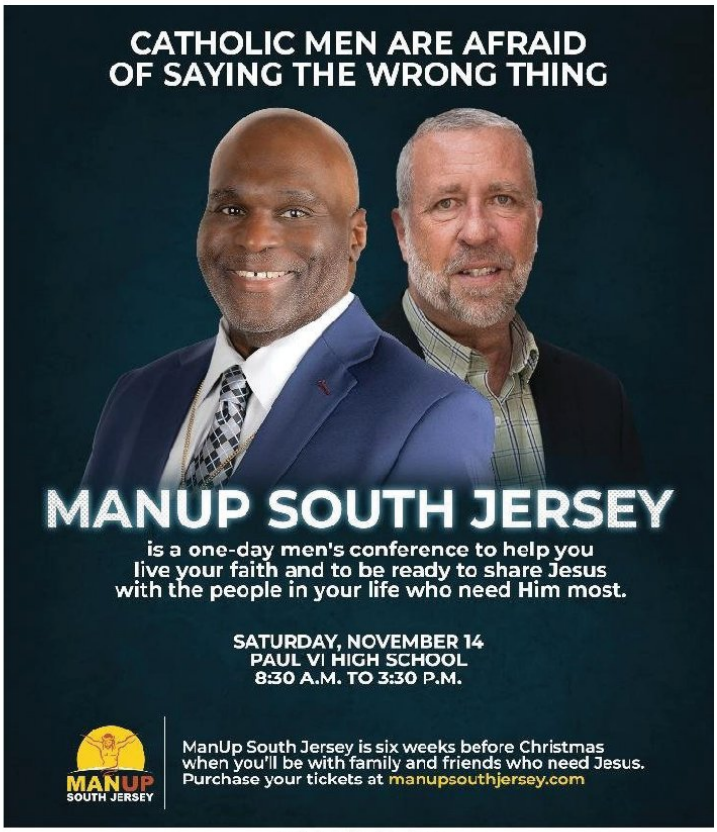
Men's Club Corner

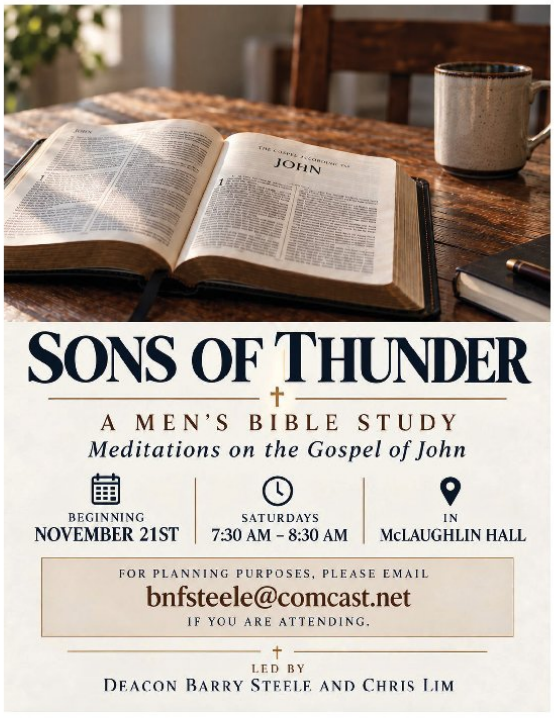
Our membership meeting will be held on Monday, November 9th, at 8pm in McLaughlin Hall. Food/beverage will be available at 7:30, so feel free to come early. Please rsvp to stteresamensclub@yahoo.com or call/text Josh Wiener at 609-502-3539.

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.*


Find Peace
this ADVENT!
A ONE-NIGHT PARISH MISSION
Prepare your heart for Christmas and discover true peace in Christ.
Join nationally known Catholic speaker, author, and radio host Gary Zimak for a special Advent parish mission that will help you prepare spiritually for the coming of Christ.
Wednesday, November 18
7:00 PM
Holy Saviour Church
St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish
50 Emerald Avenue
Haddon Township, NJ
FEATURED SPEAKER
GARY ZIMAK
CATHOLIC SPEAKER
AUTHOR & RADIO HOST
"The leading Catholic speaker on overcoming anxiety, worry, and stress."
Gary's practical, Scripture-based message will help you:
Make room for Jesus
Prepare spiritually for Christmas
Experience true Advent peace
All Are Welcome!
Invite family, friends, and neighbors.
FREE EVENT
NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED


CATHOLIC MEN ARE AFRAID OF SAYING THE WRONG THING
MANUP SOUTH JERSEY
is a one-day men's conference to help you live your faith and to be ready to share Jesus with the people in your life who need Him most.
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14
PAUL VI HIGH SCHOOL
8:30 A.M. TO 3:30 P.M.
MANUP SOUTH JERSEY
ManUp South Jersey is six weeks before Christmas when you'll be with family and friends who need Jesus.
Purchase your tickets at manupsouthjersey.com
2026 ManUp South Jersey Event Sponsor
WILDCAT SPORTS CENTER


SONS OF THUNDER
A MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
Meditations on the Gospel of John
BEGINNING NOVEMBER 21ST
SATURDAYS 7:30 AM – 8:30 AM
IN McLAUGHLIN HALL
FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, PLEASE EMAIL
bnfsteele@comcast.net
IF YOU ARE ATTENDING.
LED BY
DEACON BARRY STEELE AND CHRIS LIM


JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL
Christmas Concert
TRI-COUNTY SYMPHONIC BAND
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 7:30PM
ST JOHN CHURCH
809 PARK AVENUE, COLLINGSWOOD, NJ
SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH
ENTRY FEE $20 PER PERSON
FREE FOR KIDS 12 AND UNDER
DOORS OPEN AT 6:45PM
Purchase tickets after Mass or
Call the Parish Office at (856)858-0298

Life-Long Faith Formation



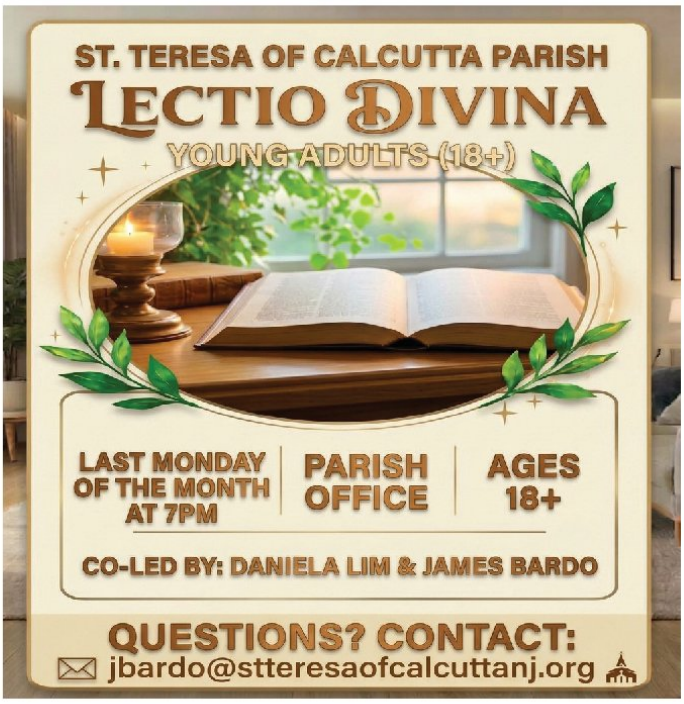


OCIA

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





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: hbradley@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org.

Men's Club Adopting a Family for Christmas

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 an email to stteresamensclub@yahoo.com. Help us help someone have one less worry this Christmas season.

The Well-Rounded Retiree Growth Group

Retired or approaching retirement? Join us for a monthly gathering as we explore the many dimensions of retirement—and discover purpose and meaning in this season of life. NEXT Session: Wednesday, December 1st at McLaughlin Hall | Doors open 9:45 AM | Session begins 10:00 AM. Light Refreshments will be provided, bring your own coffee. Questions? Stan Thompson: 609-519-9061

SPIRITED WORKS MEETING

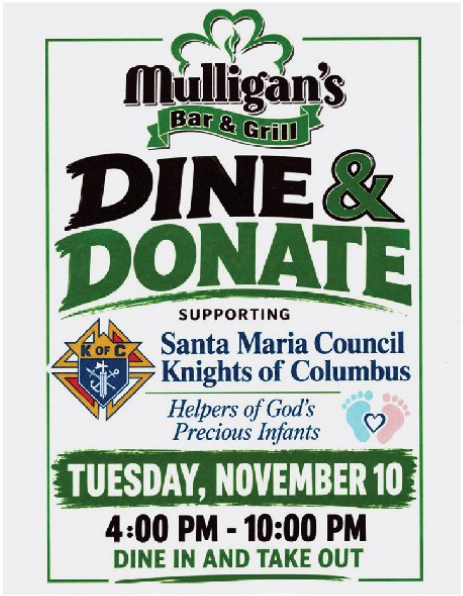
Friday Mornings - 7:20am to 8:30am—McLaughlin Hall

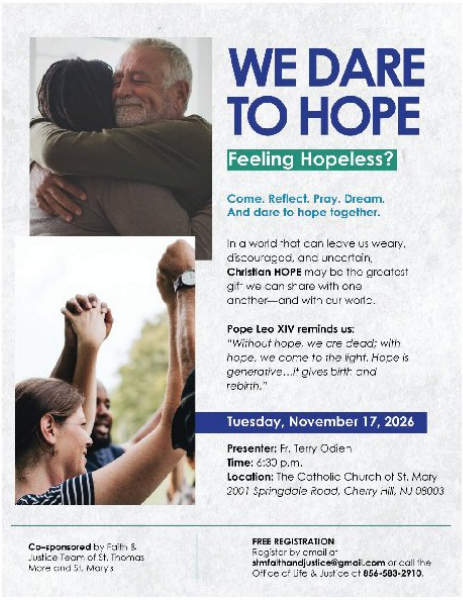
Joining the Spirited Works meeting is a truly unique opportunity for individuals who are searching for spiritual and personal growth through prayer, faith sharing, and service to the community. For information, contact PeteDunn@financialguide.com

Young Married Couples (Post Cana) Fall Schedule

Come join us for Coffee & donuts social! We meet the first Sunday of each month after the 9:30am mass, in McLaughlin Hall: December 6th.

To join our email list, click on this QR code:
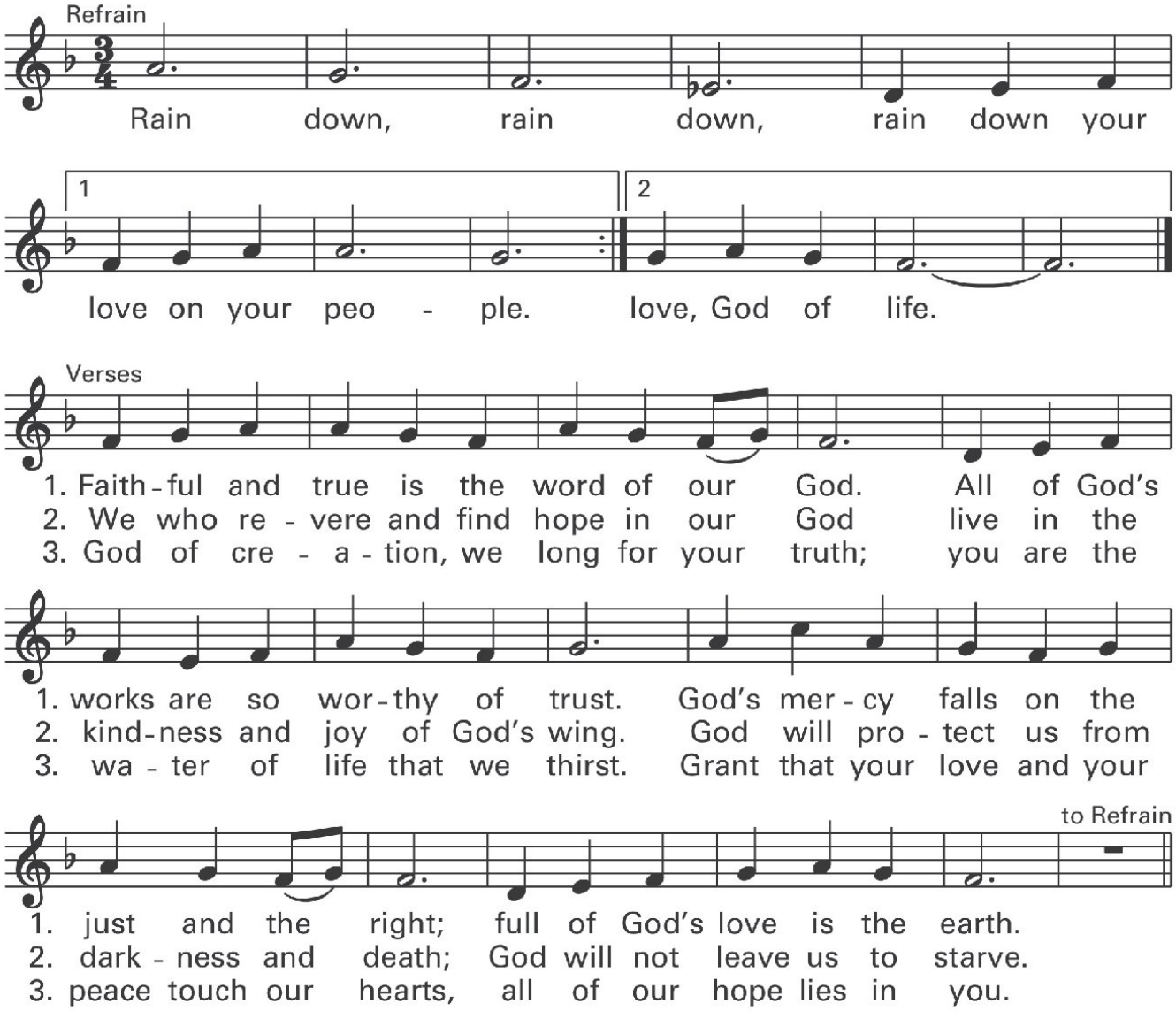




Call to Worship

Entrance Hymn: "Rain Down"

Rain Down

Jaime Cortez



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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: Wisdom 6:12-16

Resplendent and unfading is wisdom, and she is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known in anticipation of their desire; Whoever watches for her at dawn shall not be disappointed, for he shall find her sitting by his gate. For taking thought of wisdom is the perfection of prudence, and whoever for her sake keeps vigil shall quickly be free from care; because she makes her own rounds, seeking those worthy of her, and graciously appears to them in the ways, and meets them with all solicitude.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep. Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, console one another with these words.

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.' While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

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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.
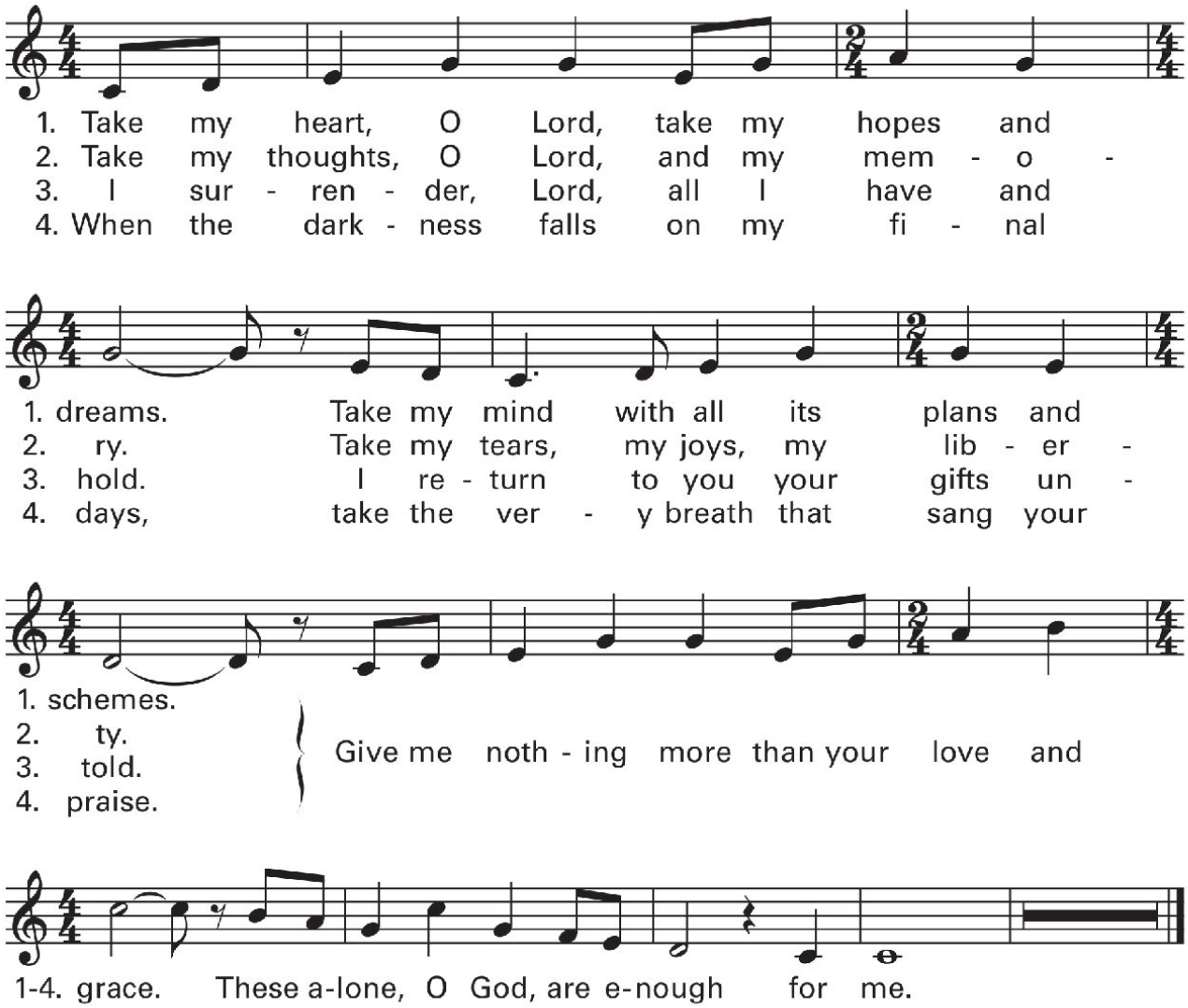
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom 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.



OFFERTORY: "These Alone are Enough"

These Alone Are Enough

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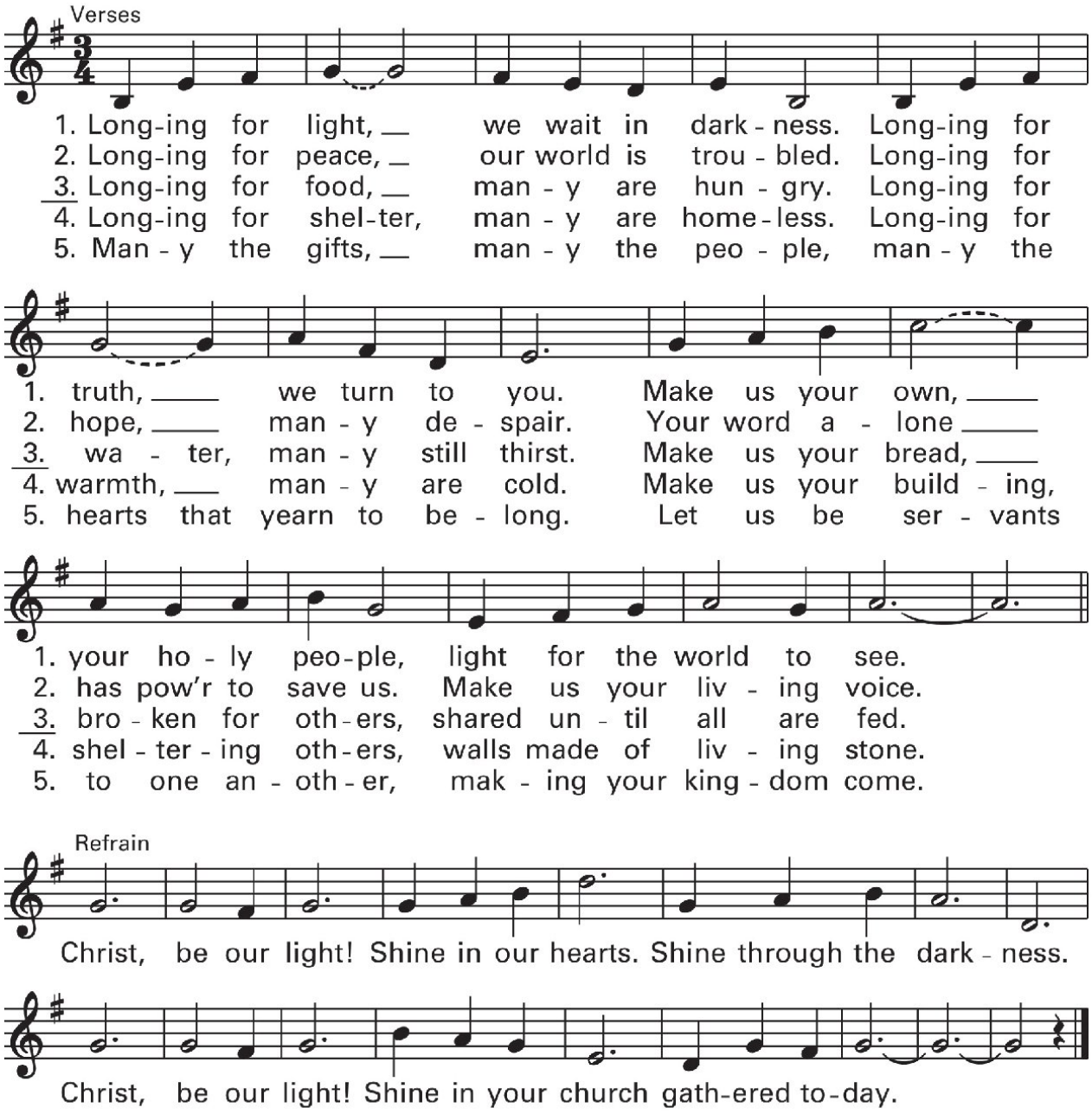
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Communion Hymn: "Christ Be Our Light"

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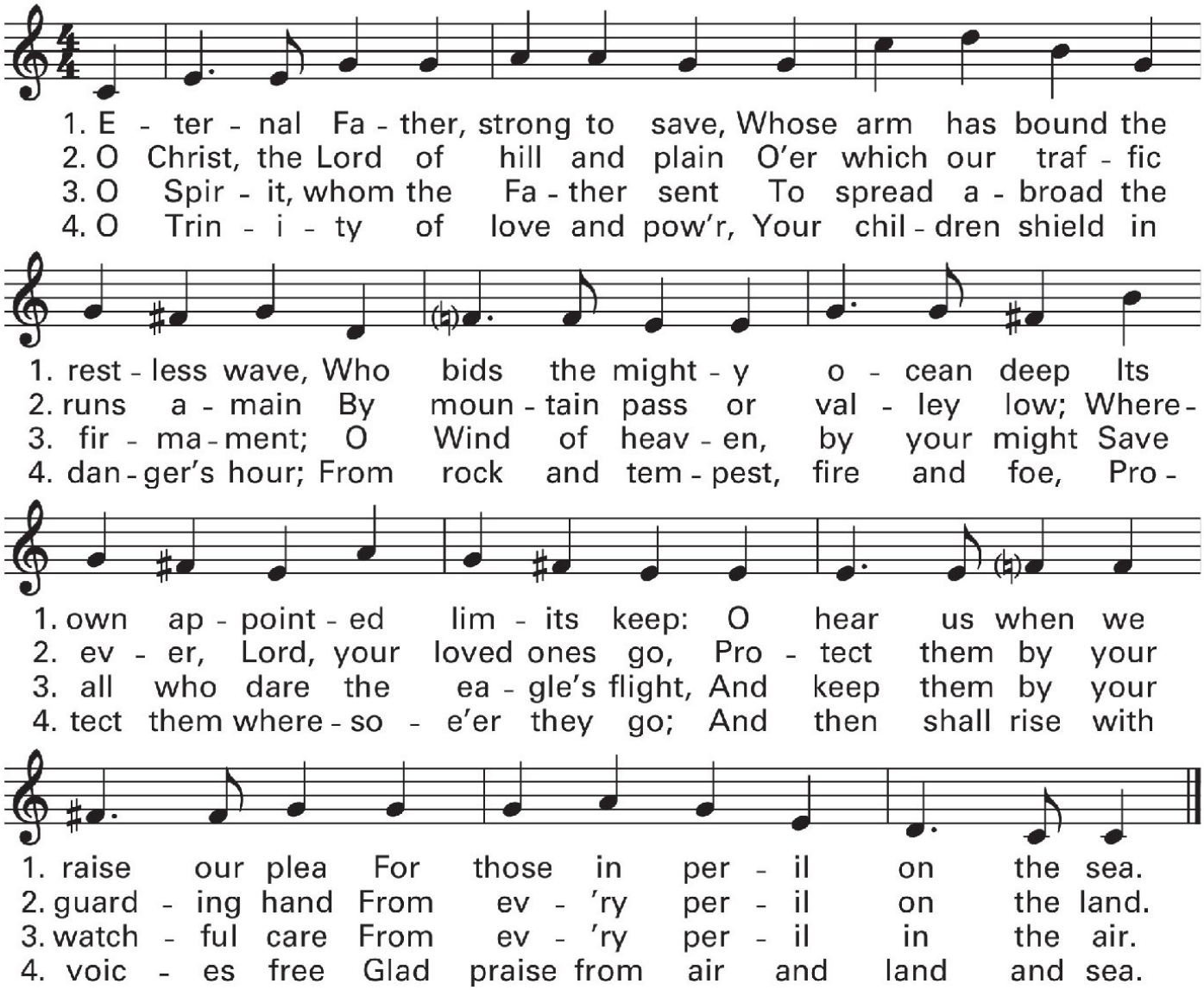


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Recessional Hymn: "Eternal Father Strong to Save"

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

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