



*Sunday, March 17, 2024—The Fifth Sunday in Lent*

**Emergency Information:** In the event that the Church and Parish Offices are closed due to inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances, please call the parish phone number or visit our website for updates and information. Please use your judgment when coming to Mass and remember that safety is the primary factor.

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

The Parish and Religious Education offices are open Monday through Friday from 8:30am until 3:30pm.

**Mass Schedule** - All Masses are available by live stream through our website.

Daily Mass - Monday through Friday: 8:30am

Saturday - 5:00pm

Sunday - 7:00am, 8:30am and 10:30am

**Little Children of God** - children's program takes place at the 10:30am Sunday Mass for children ages 3-7.

**The Church is open for daily prayer Monday through Friday. Access is through the parish office.**

**Confession:** Saturday at 4:00pm in the Church or by appointment by calling the parish office.

**St. Vincent de Paul Assistance Hotline: 732-370-0098**

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The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.



Dear Parish Family,

This week, we continue the series of Lenten reflections provided by the Vatican News Service on women in the early Church. Each installment is taken from Sr. Christine Schenk's work "Crispina and her Sisters: Women and Authority in the Early Church."



#### Fourth Century "Mothers of the Church"

Religious life as we know it today, both contemplative and active, has evolved over two millennia. In this third of four articles, Christine Schenk explores the contribution of prominent 4th century Christian women who founded monasteries, laying the foundation for the life now lived by women religious.

**By Christine Schenk, CSJ**

The 4th century began with a severe persecution against Christians, especially in the east. After invoking the Christian God and a protracted power struggle, Constantine became emperor in 324 AD.

The Church then rose to unprecedented heights of worldly power and influence, thanks to the imperial favor of Constantine, his sons, and his mother Helena. Churchmen also received extravagant benefices from aristocratic Christian women such as Olympias, Melania the Elder and Younger, and Paula.

Christian communities that had formerly met in large homes or buildings, now found themselves in sumptuous public surroundings. These changes exacerbated tensions about the public ministry of Christian women.

#### Changing role of women in the Church

The 4th century also saw a distressing tendency to symbolically associate the female sex with heresy, even though both Christian men and women were involved in the disparate interpretations of Christianity eventually labeled heretical.

Women were especially at risk of being labeled heretics and suspected of unchastity if they assumed the role of teacher. This is the ecclesial context within which 4th century "church mothers" lived and witnessed. What follows is a brief but significant chronology of their lives and the ways they—and their communities—exercised ecclesial authority in the early church.

#### Texts written by women

Literary information about 4th century women such as Marcella, Paula, Macrina, Melania the Elder, and Olympias comes primarily from learned churchmen (Jerome, Gregory of Nyssa, Palladius, and John Chrysostom) who wrote about them.

We do have two texts written by women: **Proba** and **Egeria**. **Proba** adapted Rome's much-loved Virgilian prose *cento* and retold the Christian story to evangelize aristocratic young men. She created a cross-cultural evangelizing tool that influenced Christian men and women for generations.

**Egeria** wrote a travel diary for her sisters, describing her journey to sacred sites in the East. On the way, she writes of meeting her "very dear friend, the holy deaconess Marthana," who governs a double monastery near St. Thecla's shrine (in Turkey). Marthana is a rare example of a female deacon exercising governing authority over both Christian men and women.

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While Basil in the East and Jerome in the West are frequently credited with the rise of monasticism, two women—Macrina and Marcella—began living this new Christian lifestyle well before the men.

**Macrina (327–379 CE)** founded a monastery at Annisa in Asia Minor, which became the prototype for a monastic rule written by her brother Basil.

Basil was later credited as the father of monasticism, yet Macrina is certainly its mother. Her authority as a spiritual director profoundly influenced her theologian brothers, Gregory and Basil, who crafted the doctrine of the Trinity.

**Marcella (325-410)** gathered women to study Scripture and pray in her aristocratic home on the Aventine Hill, fully forty years before Jerome arrived in Rome.

After Jerome returned to Jerusalem, Rome's priests would consult Marcella for help in clarifying biblical texts. She also engaged in public debate over the Originist controversy.

**Paula (347-404)** founded two monasteries in Bethlehem, one for women, and one for men. She turned the male monastery over to the monks where, thanks to her patronage, Jerome completed his translation of the Greek Bible into Latin. Jerome tells us that Paula's expertise in Hebrew exceeded his own.

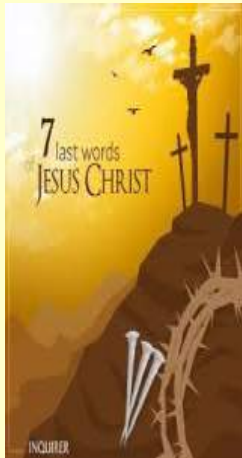
**Melania the Elder (350-410)** led a prominent churchman (Evagrius) back to his vow of celibacy and taught and converted men. She was instrumental in resolving a schism involving 400 monks at Antioch, "winning over every heretic that denied the Holy Spirit." She funded and co-founded a double monastery on the Mount of Olives where her communities engaged in scripture study, prayer, and charitable works.

**Olympias (368-408).** Ordained a deacon by Bishop Nectarius in Constantinople, Olympias used her vast family fortune to support the church and serve the poor. She founded a large monastery close to Hagia Sophia (Holy Wisdom, figure 1), where three female relatives were also ordained deacons. Roman women of senatorial families soon joined, and the number of women monastics grew to 250.

These are just a few examples of 4th century women whose communities are precursors to contemporary religious life. Their ecclesial witness and authority greatly influenced Christian communities of their time as well as those in times to come.

At a time when some churchmen forbade them to speak or teach publicly, and preferred they stay at home, there is evidence that there were Christian women in the fourth century who exercised authority, spoke up about important ecclesial issues, taught both men and women, and witnessed freely about the Christ with whom they had thrown in their lot.

*The material used for this article is largely drawn from the author's book, "Crispina and Her Sisters: Women and Authority in Early Christianity" (Fortress Press, 2017). Look for the fourth and final article in this series next week, which provides an analysis regarding what may have led early Christian women to be active contributors to the building of the church.*



Join us on **Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** for *The Seven Last Words of Christ*, a musical and spiritual reflection by Ven. Fulton Sheen on the seven last phrases that Jesus gave us from the cross. Before we enter the Triduum, the most beautiful and profound liturgies of our entire year, let us consider the final

words that Jesus left us from the cross and how they might sanctify the final days of our Lent.

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## Good Friday Fish Fry

March 29th, 2024  
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 \$15 Adult Meal  
 \$10 Children 6-17  
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**Dine-in**  
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The next monthly food drive pick up is **Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>** and will benefit the Jackson Food Pantry. Wish list items include personal hygiene products, cereal, tooth-paste, feminine products, soaps and general toiletries. Thank you for your continued support. Please do not leave perishables, clothing or household items in the Gathering Space.



***Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter Mass Schedule***

***Palm Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>***

Regular Weekend Schedule

Saturday—Confession at 4pm, Mass at 5pm

Sunday, 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:30am

*Palm will be available at all Masses*

***Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>***

Confession 12:00-1:00pm

Seven Last Words of Christ—7:00pm

Confession 7:00-8:00pm

***Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>—Holy Thursday***

*No Daily Mass*

Mass of the Lord's Supper—6:00pm

***Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>—Good Friday***

*No Daily Mass*

The Passion of the Lord—3:00pm

Confession from 1:00-3:00pm

***Saturday, March 30—Holy Saturday***

Blessing of the Food— 11:00am in Morello Hall

*No Confessions*

Easter Vigil—8:00pm

**Sunday, March 31, - Easter Sunday**

Regular Sunday Schedule

7:00am, 8:30am, and 10:30am

All Masses and liturgies will be available live stream

**Friday, March 22 Soup and Stations (Youth Group)**

6:00pm Soup in Morello Hall

7:00pm Stations in the Church

**Eucharistic Adoration from 9:00am-3:00pm**

Gonzaga Hall

Friday, March 22

**MASS INTENTIONS - March 17-24, 2024**

Sunday, March 17, 2024

- 7:00 a.m. **Teddy Domanski**, r/o Carol Domanski  
**Steven Patrick Carabuena**, r/o Holl Family
- 8:30 a.m. **Marie Brennan**, r/o Debi McCarthy  
**Andrea Maglione**, r/o Daugther, Gris
- 10:30 a.m. **Parishioners**

Monday, March 18, 2024

- 8:30 a.m. **Thomas Zarillo**, r/o Campbell Family

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

- 8:30 a.m. **Frances Lambusta**, r/o Rosie Raymond

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

- 8:30 a.m. **Sandra Claire Knorr**, r/o Dowling Family

Thursday, March 21, 2024

- 8:30 a.m. **Vincent Ignizio**, r/o Toni and Larry Marzorati

Friday, March 22, 2024

- 8:30 a.m. **Lucy Oiliverie**, r/o Ethna Reynolds  
**Anna DeMers**, r/o Maria DeMers

Saturday, March 23, 2024

- 5:00 p.m. **John P. Riso**, r/o Riso Family  
**Martin Scheuing**, r/o Linda and Michael Carrtigiano

Sunday, March 24, 2024

- 7:00 a.m. **Miller and Pahovich Families**, r/o Deby and Don Findley  
**Cheryl Bonocore**, r/o Her Husband
- 8:30 a.m. **Parishioners**
- 10:30 a.m. **Aida Dierking**, r/o Normajean and Vincent Cesario  
**Ed Coyle**, r/o Donna Sikorskaskas



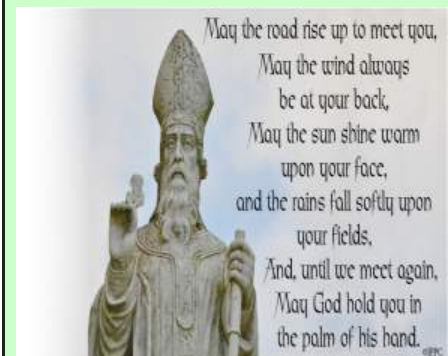
We welcome **Raymond and Nicole Torres, Patricia Davis and Virginia Quinn Laamanen and Edward Laamanen** to the parish. We are so happy you have joined us!

*Due to early transmission dates for the bulletin, collection totals for March will be reported in April.*

If you would like a statement of contributions for 2023, please contact the parish office. Statements are issued only upon request.



A **Required Minimum Distribution** is a simple way to make a gift to the parish. If you are 70 1/2 or older and own a traditional or Roth IRA, contact Sherri at extension 203 to inquire how to make a gift.

**Weekly Readings**

**Monday** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62 Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 Jn 8:1-11

**Tuesday** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

**Wednesday** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 Jn 8:31-42

**Thursday** Gn 17:3-9 Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Jn 8:51-59

**Friday** Jer 20:10-13 Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 Jn 10:31-42

**Saturday** Ez 37:21-28 Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 Jn 11:45-56

**Sunday** Is 50:4-7 Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 Phil 2:6-11 Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 and Mk 14:1-15:47 or Mk 15:1-39



*The Annual Enrollment is a beautiful gift for special times in life and for the eternal rest of our faithful departed. We are very happy to pray for you and your loved ones.*



The Annual Enrollment Mass is celebrated the First Friday of each month at 8:30am for a period of one (1) year—12 months.

James and Natalie McMahon, Richard Iacono, Arlene Hassler, Lonnie and Edie Cromwell, Religious Education and Youth Ministry Teams, Andrew Kuminski, Palumbo Family, Guldner Family, Owen McCabe, Steven Jarvas, James F. Gibbons, A. Leonard McLane, Florence McLane, Joseph Meehan, John Sean McGrath, Ann Wicks, Cunningham, Jacobs, Thezan, Theodore, Jourdan, Cabrol, Duplan and Butler Families, Emily Kloska, Isabel Wittke, Anthony Ritsua, Nancy Stillmen-Pender, Ron Larkin John Turloukis, Lillian Kurokowski Meyer, Concetta Gullo, Ana Maria Sauer, Meyer and Bridget Pincelli, Rosemarie Floor, Thomas Cetnar, Dolores Dickson, Thomas Sofield, Joseph LaScala, Carleen Launderville, Teresita Dionaldo, George Shem, Marcelina Cinco Cabal, Walter Heublein, Rosemarie DeFeo, Christine Dobson, Rosemary and Jack Acker. William Robb, Edward Caggiano, Lucy Oliverie, Manny Oliveira, Chad Vitello, Jill, Veronica A. Seitz, Ralph Orobono, Rev. Edwin Moran, C.P., Maryann Pucilowski, Pat O'Connor, Tim O'Connor, Mary Alico, Merced Loterena, Aida and James Dierking, Rose and Joseph Cesario, Peter Miluk, III, Teddy Domanski, Urban and Millo Families, Michael Matzo, Eileen and George Graziano, Carmela Vicidomini, Marie Pompa, Joseph G. Moroney, Mr. and Mrs. T. Mangan, Sr., Mary Mangan, Donald and Erin McLoughlin, Don and Maureen Gorny, Catherine and William McLoughlin, Evcan and Olivia Gorny, Stephanie Santora, Anthony Maresco, Pete Albany, Albert Holl, George Rivera, James F. Moran, Frank and Rose Hubit, Pitkethley, Kuhl, Quillinan, Walters Families, Connie Russo-Riley, Carol Germano, Michael Seyglinski, Rev. James Smith, Ana Y Lim, Domenica Simone, Regina and Vincent Amabile, Miriam Whalen, Jill, Danielle and Donovan Sarango, Steven Pirniak, Paul Emposinato, Ronald Brancaccio, Anna and Salvatore Carnemolla, Joseph, Josephine and Robert Brancaccio, Robert McCarthy, Stephen Casale, Jack Bassi, Linda Alm and Frances J. Brauner, Dennis J. Rapini, Jacqueliem Pomponio, Elizabeth Colavito, Anne Rapini, Sophie, Anthony and Ted Wojton, Leo Priola, Richard Smith, Michael Kelly, Mark Kelly, For Comfort and Peace, Robert Ketcham, Bob Oderio, Loretta Conway, Len and Ruth Konkowski, Joseph Leto, Eugene Murnane, William Richard Baber, Gardella Family, Knesel Family, Oderio Family, Donald Barreau, Donald G. Smith, Sr., Richard LoPresti, Joseph Gatti, Caroline Hiller, Lynn Carella, Anthony Lombardo, Dylan James Orrs, John P. Riso, Henry Cataldo, III, Joseph Malejki, Sharon Marie Cory, Michael John Riley, Ralph and Marie Aloi, Leone Charlotte Torres, Mary Henderson, Fr. William Holt, O.P., Barbara Bennett, Loretta and Oriel Cohen, Joan Herb, Ruth Nisay, Larry Wenzel, Olimpia DeJesus DeOliveira, John Stasny, Frank Jelley, Felicia Pugliese (Basiak), Richard Stack, Edith Lane, John Wilkens, Grace Marie Natoli, Angelo Mazzeo, Elaine Sobreira, A Special Intention, Connie and Anthony Giammona, Marion Maser, Mary Iacono, Amelia Cortes Serrano, Gerald "Jerry" Mann, Shirley Minger, Carl Kliemisch, Adrien Thomas, Lisa and Gerald Colangelo, Johnson and Tessa Boscarino, Marie Hamilton, Thomas Zarillo, Robert Fairhurst, David Anthony, Margaret McClure, Olimpia Regateira, Phyllis Silano, Andrea K. Lear, Dottie Sedor, Loretta Boutote, Virginia Duke, Maria Oliveira, Larry Houlihan, Steven M. Sloan, William McCarthy and Family, Boryshuk Family, Louise Jones, Maria Augusta Limas DeOliveira, Marie Zimbile, Marietta Sciascia, Cheryl Bonocore, Eugene Murnane, Robert Thorpe, Audrey Campbell, Donna Fichera, Neil McKeague, Palumbo Family, Guldner Family, Lamberti Sisters, Christopher Oliveira, Diane Humphrey



In the Catholic Church, the anointing of the sick is a sacrament that is administered to a Catholic "who, having reached the age of reason, begins to be in danger due to sickness or old age". There is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament. The Sacrament may be received at any time during a person's illness, especially before surgery or treatment. We suggest calling to receive the Sacrament *before* a person is in grave danger of death as it is not always possible to have a priest available at the actual time of death. If you would like to schedule the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for a loved one, please contact the parish office.



***Marian Charette, Christopher Higgins and Rosemary Angell***

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen*

**Devotional Lamps - Week of March 17-23 2024**

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn **For Our Parishioners**

The Blessed Mother Lamp will burn **For Those Living In Poverty**

The Holy Family Lamp will burn **For All Those In Parish Ministries**

**We honor and thank all those who have served our country. We're thankful for their service and dedication to our nation. Lord, bless and protect al those that have served and are serving our country. We pray that all Veterans may know your love for them.**

SSGT Nicole Marchitto  
RCT Patrick McBrid  
SSG Marcus Torre  
Capt. Cameron Lindsey

C4C Nicholas Accardi, AF  
CPT Chris Mision  
MJR Jason DiDomenico  
AFPVT Logan Moran

ENS 1st Class Michael Hennicke  
LT Scott Maraldo  
Capt. Zach Gould  
Capt. James Accardi

**INTERCESSORY PRAYERS** - *Lord of Life, you desire wholeness for your people. Be with those who ask for help. Please bring health, healing and hope to those in our community who ask for our prayers. Amen.*

Vocation Awareness, Stephen Maraldo, Donna Maglio, Brian Venables, A Special Intention, Peace on Earth, Raymond Mamazza Sr., Curtis Hart, Jodi Fletcher, Brian Cassidy, Charlotte Barnard, Melissa Couto, Barbara Sullivan, Robin Costa, Jack Collins, Judith Weaver, Theresa McGranahan, Pat Scimica, Lawrence Fitzsimmons, Carol Meltzer, Patricia Atkins, Christine Lanzaro, Angelina Valko, Brian Daly, Karen Cummings, Danny and Linda Paliaga, Judy Saal, Eric and Dick Lund, Charley DeMaio, Phil Wenz, Matthew Safran, Janice Pavis, William Raimondi, Kimmie Luke, Paige Luke, Jill Snow, Logan Martucci, Bertha Vihonsky, James Vihonsky, John Harsanyi, Margaret Sabo, Kaitlyn Krutulius, Christina Marie Fletcher, Laura Coyle, Sister Margaret Smith, Margaret Matthews, Fran Baker, Stephen and Kathleen Oleksy, John Scherer, Kyle Patrick Hurley, Amy Wroda, Meg Noone, Koren Dubbs, Thomas Fletcher, Jr., Sr., Olivia, John Mazzola, Pete & Joanne Hurley, Dolores Corsentino, Theresa Heublein, Roger Belli, Gennaro Pane, Donna Dinolfo, Rita Bloom, Maureen Jane McElwain, Rebecca DeBlois, Gary Renaldi, Ken Maus, Sarah Flanagan, Pauline Hahn, Maryann Lombardi, David Williams, Mary Ferguson, Adrian and Nelson Cruz, Baby T, Donald P. McCarthy, Michelle DeBlois, MJ Diehm, Eve, Carol Michnowicz, Owen Lamendola, Cameron Fletcher, Debra Uriarte, Gene Devito, Braeden Savage, Ellen DeBlois, Brian Jelnicki, Vinnie Caruso, Bernie Polatschek, Tom Martin, Barbara Hyer, Scott Hyer, Barbara Barreca, John Fitzpatrick, Jacob Heber, Djuro Blaskovic, Dale Eagan, Daniel D'Antonio, Eliana Fletcher, Dorothy Toneske, Rich Toneske, Kim Toneske, Anna Marie DeLeonardis, Sharon Schlesinger, Kristina Kostbar, Chrissy Safran, Frank Leccese, Norm Schoenig, Patricia Fountain, Groft Family, Matthew Rozlowski, Maryann Perkins, Ryan, Jackie Fleming, Debbie Scatuccio, Jacqueline Krutulius, Cassidy Krutulius, Gladys Murphy, Corinne Nepsha, Nathaniel Nepsha, Marilyn Zwarych, Ricky DeBlois, Gary D'Alessandro, Frank DiGiamo, Don and Kathy Sopko, Nicholas DeVito, Eileen Malter, Betty Dreyfuss, Louise Kolarsick, Diane Warner, Lorraine Godleski, M.E. Koval, Patricia Cappello, Greg Mann, Fran and Jim Guldner, Vincent Joliffe, Kathleen Scudieri, Rosalie Delapi, Sharon Christensen, Ruth Nisay, Christian Rivera, Sage Rivera, Cassie Jouban, Rob and Gina Zangrillo, Pam and Mike Mills, Pat Gallagher, Theresa Raimondi, Ann Rucando, Camille DeRosa, Jill, Louis Cuglielmelti, Kathy Perlson, Theresa Keim, Susan and Peter Miluk, Jr., Daniel DeVito, Jack Vreeland, Angelo Magri, Christopher Popp, John Fichera, Kristin Valetta, Jeanette Correa Schalen, Jordan Elkary, Carol Kakos, Richard Kakos, Valerie Behar, James McCarthy Ron Vivenzio, Andrea Mitreuter, Toni Marzorati, Andre Outten

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*Our goal of \$80,000 can only be achieved through your generosity. If you have not yet made a gift, pledge cards are still available in the Church, you can visit [www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholic-appeal](http://www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholic-appeal), or drop your gift off to the parish office. Remember, our parish receives a rebate of dollars collected if we reach our Annual Catholic Appeal goal. We will earn 15% of payments to goal and 50% of payments collected over goal. With your support, we hope to reach our goal.*

*Thank you and may God bless you!*

### ***Prayer to St. Michael***

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen

Your donations **DO** make a difference. Please see the recent note received from a Jackson neighbor:



*"Hello Everyone, The words, THANK YOU can not even touch the surface of my gratitude for your help. When I reached out for help with propane, it was the hardest thing I've ever had to do. Not once did I feel judged or looked down upon! I feel the arms of God wrap around me in the form of your volunteers. Thank you so much for your help and dedication to our community. God bless you all!"*

Vincentians serve cheerfully, listening to the needs and respecting all those who call for help. We assist in restoring their dignity and help them feel they are not alone. With your continued support, we are able to help our Jackson neighbors with rent, utilities, car repairs and unexpected expenses that might cause a family financial stress. We appreciate every donation received and ALL donations go to providing assistance. If you would like to make a donation, please use the monthly envelope or drop off a donation to the parish office, If you would like to become a member of this important ministry, call the parish office to find out how you can serve.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, 732-370-0098, so that together we can be a sign of God's love to the suffering and poor.

### ***Prayer for the Synod on Synodality***

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts: Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen





Please see below for reminders about upcoming events. To RSVP to any of the following, please contact Mrs. Jen Petrillo at 732-370-1515 ext. 311 or [jpetrillo@saintaloyusonline.org](mailto:jpetrillo@saintaloyusonline.org). Events are open to teens in grades 8 through 12. \*Please keep in mind that it is a diocesan policy that parents should be copied on e-mail communication between parish staff/volunteers and those under 18.

**“7 Potatoes” St. Patrick’s Day Party:** You may have heard of the Italian “7 Fishes” tradition for New Year’s Eve dinner. Well, this year for St. Patrick’s Day, we are having a “7 Potatoes” party for our AYM teens on Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm in the Youth Room! Teens are invited to bring a dish to share that features potatoes in some way. Feel free to be creative . . . it could be French fries, tater tots, gnocchi, sweet potato fries . . . as long as potatoes are a main ingredient. During our time together, we will learn about and celebrate the life of St. Patrick as we enjoy our potato treats. All those who are interested are asked to please RSVP by Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> (and please let us know what you plan to bring!).

**Soup and Stations:** On Friday, March 22nd, AYM will be sponsoring “Soup and Stations!” Soup will be served at 6:00 pm, and Stations of the Cross will start at 7:00 pm. Teen volunteers are needed to assist with the following:

- Bringing and serving a meatless soup (Any soup that is provided should arrive in a Crockpot.)
- Reading reflections as we pray the Stations of the Cross
- Cleaning up at the end of the event



All those who wish to participate are asked to please RSVP by Monday, March 18th.



**Knights Of Columbus**  
**Rev Mitchell J. Cetkowski**  
**Council 6201**



**Meets Every 1st & 3rd Friday 8:00pm**  
**401 Bartley Rd, Jackson**

**For Information on how to join, please Contact:**

**Chancellor Alan Neddill (609) 819-1301**  
**anedill48@hotmail.com**

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