

Sunday, December 1, 2024—First Sunday of Advent

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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 - a children's program which takes place at the 10:30am 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 is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People and to its own policies and guidelines in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors.

If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan ABUSE HOTLINE: 1-888-296-2965 or via e-mail at abuse-line@dioceseoftrenton.org.

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,

Thank you to everyone, from the Men's Saturday Prayer Group, Knights of Columbus, St. Vincent de Paul Society, volunteers, those who donated complete dinners, those who gave gift cards, and those who prayerfully supported this charitable endeavor, all of you made the Thanksgiving Turkey Drive a great success last weekend.

This weekend we begin a new Church Liturgical Year, with the First Sunday of Advent. Advent is a semi-penitential season, thus the color violet; it is also a short season to prepare for the Nativity of the Lord on December 25th. Advent is composed of just 4 weeks, and is often really just 3.5 weeks most years. We mark the beginning of the Church year in expectant hope.

No one really knows the exact origins of Advent, but we know it is ancient with the first record of it coming to us from St. Gregory of Tours, who mentions in his "History of the Franks". His predecessor, St. Perpetuus (Bishop of Tours 480 AD), decreed a fast three times a week from the feast of St. Martin on November 11th until Christmas. In 567AD, the second Council of Tours decreed that monks had to fast from the beginning of December until Christmas; it was later extended to the laity and, once again, started on the Feast of St. Martin. Advent was then nicknamed as "St. Martins Lent", with the custom eventually spreading from France to England. St. Bede the Venerable mentions it in his History of the English Peoples.

Advent is also a time of waiting, waiting with the Blessed Virgin Mary in her final weeks of her pregnancy. Devotions to the Blessed Virgin are appropriate to this season, for we await with her the coming of the savior. St. Charles Borromeo reflected; "Beloved, now is the acceptable time spoken of by the Spirit, the day of salvation, peace and reconciliation: The great season of Advent. This is the time eagerly awaited by the patriarchs and the prophets, the time that holy Simeon rejoiced to see. This is the season that the Church always celebrated with special solemnity. We too should always observe it with faith and love, offering praise and thanksgiving to the Father for the mercy and love he has shown us in this mystery"

Friends, let us not fail to keep Advent. Our culture makes this a very busy and commercially prosperous season for merchants. The birth of the savior is commercialized in the crassest of ways. We can have nothing, buy nothing, decorate nothing, and still prayerfully meditate on the beauty of this holy season. Take some time quietly each day to prepare for Christmas. As in past years the parish is providing 'Magnificat" reflection booklets, and this year the Advent addition of 'The Word Among Us', we have the prayer apps, HALLOW and Amen, available as well. Our Director of Sacred Music is hosting the Diocesan Festival Choir's Presentation of Handel's Messiah this Advent on Sunday, December 8th; details are in the bulletin and on our website.

Peace and Good – Fr. Bambrick





The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation celebrated on Monday, December 9, 2024. Mass times are 8:30am, 12:00pm and 6:00pm.



Prayer to St Michael The Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen



If you have adopted a family for Christmas through the St. Vincent dePaul Society, we thank you for your generosity. If you would like to adopt a family, there is still time, just contact the parish office and we will try to match you with a family, Gift drop offs begin Monday, December 9th to Morello Hall between the hours of 9am and 3pm with some evening and weekend hours available. If you have any questions or need a specific time to drop off gifts, please contact the parish office.



The Giving Tree this year benefits Good Counsel Homes along with Jackson residents who contact St. Vincent dePaul needing help with rent, car repairs, heat, electric, food, clothing for children and

other essential expenditures. Gifts for Good Counsel Homes should be returned unwrapped with the tag no later than Friday, December 15th to the Gathering Space. St. Vincent dePaul tags with cards and donations may be returned to the parish office at any time. Please do not leave gift cards in the Gathering Space.



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Christmas Mass Schedule

Tuesday December 24th—Christmas Eve 4:00pm and 6:00pm

Wednesday, December 25th—Christmas Day 8:30am and 11:00am

Confessions—Saturdays at 4:00pm Sunday, December 22 at 12:00pm Monday, December 23 It 7:00pm 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.

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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.

MASS INTENTIONS

December 1-8, 2024

Sunday, December 1, 2024 7:00 a.m. **Parishioners**

8:30 a.m. Don Thomas Begina, r/o Maxine Crespi and Vincent Losinno

10:30 a.m. **Joseph Potts**, r/o Pat and Len **Andrew Marchuk**, r/o Tina Bayer

Monday, December 2, 2034

8:30 a.m. **Anthony Scotto,** r/o Richard and Julia Mensel **Carl Kliemisch,** Frank and Stacey Schear

Tuesday, December 3, 2024

8:30 a.m. Patrick Daly, r/o Marcella Daly

Wednesday, December 4, 2024

8:30 a.m. **John Cunningham**, r/o Maura and Greg **Valerie Curtis**, r/o Fredette Family

Thursday, December 5, 2024 – Thanksgiving Day

8:30 a.m. Aura Monroy, r/o Aura Anton

Friday, December 6, 2024 8:30 a.m. **Annual Enrollment**

Saturday, December 7, 2024

5:00 p.m. **Clo Malfatto,** r/o Paul and Stacey Romano

Stephen Symczak, r/o Ellen Devine

Sunday, December 8, 2024

7:00 a.m. Parishioners

8:30 a.m. **Joseph Favale,** r/o Debi and Ed Licciardi 10:30 a.m. **Aura Mercedes de Monroy**, r/o Eldin Anton

Carol Burgess, r/o Leto Family



November 4:

Offering: \$12,474.00 Online Giving: \$5.763.83 All Saints Day: \$2,646,42 All Souls Day: \$1,369.00

November 10:

Offering: \$11,537.75 Online Giving: \$5,997.93 Mortgage Reduction: \$4795.00

November 17:

Offering: \$10,951.45 Online Giving: \$5251.83



2024 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress:

Goal: \$80,000.00

Pledged: \$62,749.00 (78% of goal) **Paid:** \$60,252.00 (75% to goal)

Total Donors: 328 Total Gifts: 392 Average Gift: \$160.07

Estimated Rebate Due: Not Eligible

Yet

The Annual Catholic Appeal continues through the end of the 2024 calendar year. If you have not given as of yet, please make your gift today. Thank you to those who have already given. We appreciate your continued support.

Weekly Readings

Monday ls 2:1-5 Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9 Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday ls 11:1-10 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday ls 25:6-10a Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 Mt 15:29-37

Thursday ls 26:1-6 Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday ls 29:17-24 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Mt 9:27-31

Saturday ls 30:19-21, 23-26 Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday Bar 5:1-9 Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 Lk 3:1-6



RoseAnn Chiodo, Rosemarie Artale, Miriam Spinelli

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 December 1-7, 2024

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for *Our Parishioners*The Blessed Mother Lamp will burn for *Patrick Daly, r/o Marcella Daly*The Holy Family Lamp will burn for *An Increase in Vocations*

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 all 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 McBride SSG Marcus Torre Capt. Cameron Lindsey C4C Nicholas Accardi, AF CPT Chris Mision MJR Jason DiDomenico AFPVT Logan Moran Lt. Jr. Grade 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, Judy Saal, William Raimondi, Meg Noone, Pete & Joanne Hurley, Theresa Heublein, Roger Belli, Tom Martin, Jacob Heber, Jackie Fleming, Debbie Scatuccio, Jacqueline Krutulis, Kassidy Krutulis, Gladys Murphy, Corinne Nepsha, Nathanial Nepsha, Marilyn Zwarych, Ricky DeBlois, Gary D'Alessandro, Frank DiGiamo, Don and Kathy Sopko, Nicholas DeVito, Betty Dreyfuss, Louise Kolarsick, Diane Warner, Lorraine Godleski, M.E. Koval, Patricia Cappello, Greg Mann, Fran 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, Kathy Perlson, Theresa Keim, Susan Miluk, Daniel DeVito, Jack Vreeland, Angelo Magri, Christopher Popp, Kristin Valetta, Jeanette Correa Schalen, Jordan Elkary, Valerie Behar, James McCarthy, Andrea Mitreuter, Barbara Ziff, Peggy Connelly, John and Dolores Cosentino, Gary Gerlach, Iggy Antico, William Johnson, Louis Rivera, Linda McLane, Miriam Spinelli, Daffron Family, Barbara Griffin, Theresa Logan, Davy McClure, Paulette Aronstam, Donna Day, Vinny Day, Marge Sabo, John Narsany, James Vihonsky, Bertha Vihonsky, Karen Crimmins, Kaitlyn Krutulis, Logan Martucci, Louise Murnane, Deby Daoust, Laura Meltzer Potts, the Groft Family, Marietta Giordano, Maryann Lombardi, Truth and Loyalty to God and the Church, Michael Woodlock, Peggy Mulvehill, Austin Trezza, Lilliam Zumbado, Michael Tardio, Agnes Smith, School Administrators, Children and Faculty, Nunzio Masone, Vikki McGlone, Michelle Neuhaus, Margie Libonati, Viola Gatyas, Lynette Younker, Kathy Cronin, Robert and Annamarie Kowalewski. Barbara Owens

Thank you for your prayers for all those on our Intercessory and Armed Forces prayer lists. We have recently updated our list. If you would like to add or change information please contact the Parish Office.





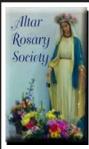
RETREAT INFORMATION—

December 6 - AN ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION - Reading and discussions from the Gospels of Matthew and Luke to prepare to celebrate the joy of the

birth of Jesus at Christmas. Lunch and Eucharistic Liturgy included. 9:00Am - 2:30PM. Presenter: Janice Santanello, Cost: \$65.

December 12 - QUIET BY THE FIRESIDE - Contemplation and reflection on Jesus, the Incarnate Word, in a quiet and prayerful environment. Christmas sing-along and refreshments after program. SPACE WILL BE LIMITED TO 40 PEOPLE.

Please call in advance for reservations. 5:00PM - 8:00PM (Presenters: Staff) Donation Please call St. Joseph By the Sea at 732-892-8494 to register or for additional information at www.sjbsea.org



The next meeting for the Altar Rosary Society will be Sunday, December 1st after the 8:30am Mass in Morello Hall. All ladies of the parish are welcome. For more information call Linda Dougherty at 908-309-4843.



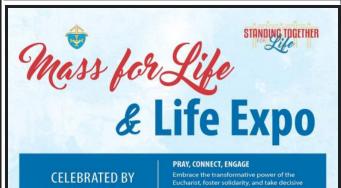
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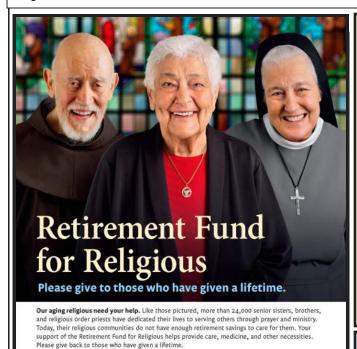
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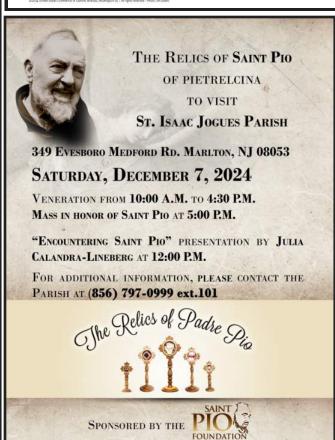
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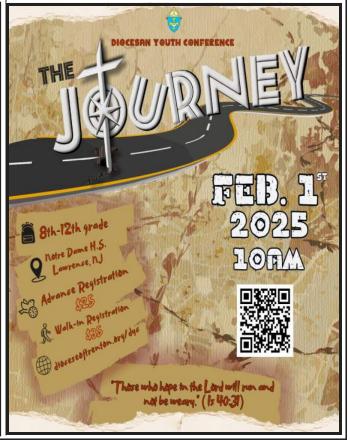
Please email the parish office with your updates.



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tion on how to make a donation, contact Sherri Kroesch at 732-370-0500 ext. 203 or at







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@saintaloysiusonline.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.

December AYM Gathering: "How well do you know your Mother?" On Sunday, December 8th, come join us for an afternoon of trivia based on the life and approved apparitions of the Blessed Mother, along with pizza and prayer, as we turn our minds and hearts to the Immaculate Conception. We will meet in the Gathering Space immediately following the 10:30 am Mass, and will head over to Morello Hall together. Pick up time is 1:00 pm. Please RSVP by December 5th.

Christmas Card Service Project: On Sunday, December 22nd, we will have our annual service project of making Christmas cards for Bartley Nursing Home residents. Teens are invited to attend the 10:30 am Mass, and then meet in the Gathering Space immediately following Mass so

that we can head into Morello Hall together. Light snacks will be served. Pick up time is 1:00 pm. Please RSVP by Thursday, December 19th.





CALLING ALL MUSICIANS!!!!!

Serve the Lord with all your heart, soul, and all your strength by serving Him through ministry.

Rehearsal times:

Youth Choir (singers ages 7-16) meet Wednesday from 6:15-7:15pm.

Adult Choir: Meet Wednesday from 7:30-9pm. We sing in harmony and prepare for special concerts. All are welcome.

Instrumental Ensemble—do you have an instrument covered in a closet that needs another chance? Consider playing a Church. Email Naomi if you are interested in joining the group at musicministry@saintaloysiusonline.org.



Bible Study—Join Fr. RJ **Tuesdays at 2:30pm** in the parish office to Break Open the Word and delve into Scripture.

Book Study—meets twice a month (2nd and 4th Tuesdays) at 10:00am in the parish office.



Catholic men are you looking to grow in your faith? Join the St. Aloysius Men's Group. We meet Saturday mornings from 7-8am in Morello Hall shar-

ing in fellowship and a faith building video. To register email David at dfurb@aol.com.

New to Walking with Purpose? Walking with Purpose is a Catholic Bible study for women that aims to bring women to a deeper personal relationship with Christ. Through personal study and small group discussions, the group helps to link our everyday challenges with solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church. At WWP, we believe that relationships matter, truth matters, and you matter! Our group meets on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm in Morello Hall. No previous bible study experience is needed and women of all seasons are invited. We have a rolling admission and there's always room for one more at the table! Questions? Call Pat at the parish office or email walkingwithpurposeklaudia@gmail.com.



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