



**Sunday, December 24, 2023 - Fourth Sunday of Advent/Christmas**

**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.

**PARISH ADDRESS:**

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**Religious Education Office:** 732-370-1515

**Parish:** [www.saintalloysiusonline.org](http://www.saintalloysiusonline.org)

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

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

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

**Monday through Friday: 8:30am in Gonzaga Hall**  
**Weekend Masses are in the Church**

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.

**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](mailto: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-

I am feeling confused, is it Advent or Christmas????? Well, this Sunday it is both! This year Advent was the absolute shortest it can be. Normally a season of 4 weeks, this year it was only 3 weeks. Since we follow a solar calendar that is the way it goes. So, this Sunday morning is Advent, but Sunday night is Christmas Eve. The Church had to be decorated during the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of Advent as there would not be enough time between the last Mass of the Fourth Sunday of Advent and the first Mass of Christmas. Sunday Mass times are the same. Christmas Eve is 4pm and 6pm. Christmas Day Masses are 7:30am, 9am and 11am.

Merry Christmas to all!

Next week we run into the same issue with the Solemnity of the Holy Family and the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. Holy Days that fall on Saturdays and Mondays are not Solemnities of Obligation in the United States, with the exception of Christmas, which is always a Solemnity Holy Day of Obligation no matter what day it falls on.

Due to the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God falling on a Monday, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation in 2024. It remains a Solemnity and a Holy Day but not one of Obligation in 2024, but it will be a Solemnity of Obligation in 2025 since it will fall on a Tuesday. This year, there will only be one Mass on Monday, January 1, 2024 at 8:30am.

The Church calendar has many Solemnities, not all of them are obligatory but, all of them are Holy Days. The Universal Church observes as Solemn Holy Days of Obligation all Sundays of the year, Christmas, Epiphany, Ascension, Corpus Christi, Mary, the Holy Mother of God, Immaculate Conception, Assumption, St. Joseph, St. Peter & St. Paul and All Saints. The Code of Canon Law of the Latin Church #1246-1248 states, "The conference of Bishops can abolish certain holy days of obligation or transfer them to a Sunday with prior approval of the Holy See".

In the United States, we observe the following Solemn Holy Days of Obligation, all Sundays; Christmas, Mary, the Holy Mother of God, Assumption, Immaculate Conception and All Saints, unless (with the exception of Christmas) they fall on a Monday or Saturday. Some of the Solemn Holy Days of Obligation have been transferred to Sundays in the United States such as Epiphany, Ascension and Corpus Christi. Others are only observed as Holy Days but not of obligation, such as St. Joseph and SS. Peter and Paul.

Blessed and Happy New Year – Fr. Bambrick

### ***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.

### ***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



*Merry Christmas to you and your family!  
May God fill your life with love, joy and  
peace this Christmas and throughout the  
New Year.*

*Thank you for your unwavering support and service  
to our parish community.*

*Fr. Bambrick, Fr. RJ, Fr. McDevitt, Deacon Uku,  
Deacon Rene, Deacon Vin, the Parish and  
Religious Education Staff*



**Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24th**  
4:00pm and 6:00pm—in the Church

**Christmas Day, Monday, December 25th**  
7:30am, 9:00am and 11:00am—in the Church

***New Year's Day, January 1***  
***Mary, the Holy Mother of God***  
**A Solemnity not a Holy Day of Obligation**  
Monday, January 1—8:30am in the Church

***The parish and Religious Education offices  
will be closed Monday, December 25th and  
Tuesday, December 26th, Monday, January 1st  
and Tuesday, January 2nd.***



### ***Finding Your Way to Peace*** **Grief Support Group**

Grief can feel very lonely, even when you have loved ones around you. While grieving a loss is an inevitable part of life, there are ways to help cope with the pain, come to terms with your grief and eventually find your way to peace. Join us as we learn about the grieving process and explore ways that can help you heal. ***A six week Grief Support Group will meet every Tuesday from 1-3pm beginning January 9th through February 13th at the parish office.*** Participants are encouraged to attend all six sessions. Please register by calling the parish office at 732-370-0500 ext. 204



### ***WHY REGISTER?***

Every Catholic should be registered in a parish. Beside the active support and involvement that the registration enables, it provides a sense of belonging and identity in a parish community. In times of joy and in times of struggle, it is comforting to have the support of a faith family. There are many reasons to register:

- + Parish registration is a mandatory condition for many sacraments including Baptism and Matrimony. It is therefore important to register with us if you are a Jackson resident as soon as you start worshiping here. You are not automatically registered if you received sacraments here as a child, were married here or went to the school.
- + You may request verification letters to sponsor individuals for sacraments, receive sacraments yourself or your child (i.e. marriage, baptism).
- + You will receive end-of-the-year tax contribution statements if you use online giving, envelopes, checks or another identifier of contributions. Unfortunately, we can not issue statements if you 'throw cash in the basket'.
- + The Diocese will know that our parish has a healthy base of registered, supportive parishioners.
- + For Religious Education and sacramental preparation; families of those attending must be registered.

To register in the parish, please call or visit the parish office. A registration form can be emailed to you or downloaded from our website and returned to the parish office.

*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, Carmen Castaldo, Margaret Connors, Religious Education and Youth Ministry Teams, Tim O'Connor, Deacon John Wanat, Angela Maseo, Donna Fichera, Richard Williams, John Meyerle, Agatha Boruta, Ann Marie Kalad, Joseph C. Romaszka, Vikki McGlone and Family, The Yayak Family, Carol Kubicka, Jerome DiGiovanni, Ronald Devingo, Loretta Rodriguez, John Owens, Manuel Aneiros, Maria Infante, 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 Tourloulis, 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 Orbono, 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 Aloj, 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 Maseria, Mary Iacono, Amelia Cortes Serrano, Gerald "Jerry" Mann, Shirley Minger,

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.

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**St. Aloysius Live Stream Mass Schedule** via [www.saintaloyusonline.org](http://www.saintaloyusonline.org)—**SUNDAY MASSES ONLY**  
**Daily Mass - Monday through Friday: 8:30am**—in Gonzaga Chapel—no live stream available  
**Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00pm. Sunday at 7:00am, 8:30am and 10:30am** in the Church  
**Confessions: Saturday at 4:00 p.m. or by appointment by calling the Parish Office**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday, December 24, 2023

7:00 a.m. Our Parishioners  
 8:30 a.m. Maureen Murphy, r/o Rose Trasente  
 10:30 a.m. Catherine Pitkethley, r/o Family  
 4:00 p.m. Priest's Intention  
 6:00 p.m. Priest's Intention

Monday, December 25, 2023 – Christmas Day

7:30 a.m. Parishioners  
 9:00 a.m. Priest's Intention  
 11:00 a.m. Priest's Intention

Tuesday, December 26, 2023

8:30 a.m. Fortunato Remini, r/o Frances Remini

Wednesday, December 27, 2023

8:30 a.m. Kristen Litterio, r/o Penny Litterio

Thursday, December 28, 2023

8:30 a.m. MaryAnn Pucilowski, r/o Joseph Pucilowski

Friday, December 29, 2023

8:30 a.m. Tim O'Connor, r/o Pat O'Connor

Saturday, December 30, 2023

5:00 p.m. Thomas Sclafani, r/o Carol Madison

Sunday, December 31, 2023

7:00 a.m. Our Parishioners  
 8:30 a.m. John Sean McGrath, r/o Bivona Family  
 10:30 a.m. Maureen Murphy, r/o Ellen and Rory McGuire



We offer online giving which is easy and can be accessed from your phone! Use the QR code or visit our website.



Your consistent stewardship is appreciated.



**Offering Envelopes** Due to an early submission date, collection totals for December 17th and 24th will be reported at a later date.

If you did not receive offering envelopes and would like them, please stop into the parish office to pick up a starter set. Unfortunately, unmarked envelopes can not be left in the Gathering Space and must be picked up in person.

**Weekly Readings**

Monday, December 25, 2023 (Vigil) Is 62:1-5 Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 Acts 13:16-17, 22-25 Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25

Monday, December 25, 2023 (Night) Is 9:1-6 Ps 96: 1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 Ti 2:11-14 Lk 2:1-14

Monday, December 25, 2023 (Dawn) Is 62:11-12 Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12 Ti 3:4-7 Lk 2:15-20

Monday, December 25, 2023 (Day) Is 52:7-10 Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 Heb 1:1-6 Jn 1:1-18

Tuesday, December 26, 2023 Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59 Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17 Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday, December 27, 2023 1 Jn 1:1-4 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 Jn 20:1a and 2-8

Thursday, December 28, 2023 1 Jn 1:5—2:2 Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8 Mt 2:13-18

Friday, December 29, 2023 1 Jn 2:3-11 Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 Lk 2:22-35

Saturday, December 30, 2023 1 Jn 2:12-17 Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 Lk 2:36-40

Sunday, December 31, 2023 Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3 Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22, 39-40



*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*

***Dillon Michaels, Jonathan Spedding, James Diefendorf and Vincent Avino***

**Devotional Lamps - Week of December 24-30, 2023**

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn For **James F. Gibbons, r/o McLane and Gibbons Families**

The Blessed Mother Lamp will burn For **Leonard and Florence McLane, r/o McLane and Gibbons Families**

The Holy Family Lamp will burn For **Sara Musumeci, r/o Her Family**

**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

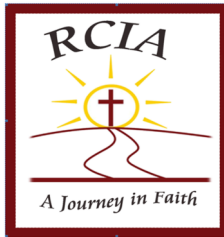
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CPT Chris Mision  
MJR Jason DiDomenico  
AFPVT Logan Moran

ENS 1st Class Michael Henniecke  
LT Scott Maraldo  
Capt. Zach Gould

**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, Audrey Campbell, Christine Lanzaro, Angelina Valko, Brian Daly, Marie Zimbile, 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 Krutulis, Christina Marie Fletcher, Laura Coyle, Sister Margaret Smith, Margaret Matthews, Fran Baker, Stephen and Kathleen Oleksy, Vinnie Gagliardi and 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 Dinoflo, 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, Robert Zrimski, 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 Safron, Frank Leccese, Norm Schoenig, Patricia Fountain, Groft Family, Matthew Rozlowski, Maryann Perkins, Ryan, Jackie Fleming, Debbie Scatuccio, Jacqueline Krutulis, Kassidy Krutulis, 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, Maryann Iuliano, Audrey Campbell, 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, Margaret McClure, Susan and Peter Miluk, Jr., Daniel DeVito, Jack Vreeland, Angelo Magri, Christopher Popp, John, Margaret McClure, Kristin Valetta

**Thank you for your prayers for all those on our Intercessory and Armed Forces prayer lists. To add or change information please contact the Parish Office.**



**INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC OR RECEIVING MISSED SACRAMENTS?**

*If you are considering becoming a Catholic, or you are a baptized Catholic who is considering completing your Sacraments of Initiation (Confirmation and Holy Eucharist), our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) process can help you.*


*The RCIA process is designed to offer you guidance and support in your spiritual journey towards a deepening relationship with Jesus. As you move forward through prayer, reflection, Scripture reading, storytelling, questioning, worshiping, and performing works of charity, RCIA members, along with the parish community, will accompany you on your faith journey.*

*To decide whether this path is right for you, please contact the parish office, where Fr. RJ or a trained RCIA team member will answer your questions. No immediate commitment is necessary at the time of initial inquiry.*

O COME LET US ADORE  
**YOUNG ADULT EVENT**  
 JANUARY 5TH FROM 7 PM TO 9 PM  
 AT ST. ALOYSIUS PARISH JACKSON, NJ

All young adults (18-39) are invited to attend for Eucharistic Adoration followed by Pizza & refreshments.

If you would like to join us please contact Jen Petrillo  
 732-370-1515 ext 311 or [jpetrillo@saintaloyusonline.org](mailto:jpetrillo@saintaloyusonline.org)



The next Altar Rosary Society Mass and meeting will be Sunday, January 7th weather permitting. The membership will be seated together at the 8:30am Mass and the meeting will follow in Morello Hall. All women of the parish are welcome.

**Parish Ministries**



- Altar Rosary Society**—meet 1st Sundays at the 8:30am Mass with meeting and fellowship afterward
- Book Study**—1st and 3rd Tuesday at 10:00am
- Bible Study**—Tuesdays at 2:30pm with Fr. RJ
- Greeters and Ushers**—several times throughout the year. Contact Sherri at the parish office.
- Altar Servers**—grades 5 and up—meet throughout the year.
- Liturgical Ministers (Readers and Eucharistic Ministers)** —meet several times throughout the year.
- Men's Group**—meet Saturdays at 6:30am in Morello Hall. Contact [dfurb@aol.com](mailto:dfurb@aol.com)
- Music Ministry**—adult choir meet Thursday at 7:00pm and Youth Choir meet Wednesday at 6:30pm
- Small Christian Communities**—meet at various homes. Contact Nancy at 732-928-1321.
- St. Vincent dePaul**—meet 4th Mondays at 7:00pm in Morello Hall.

*If you need additional information on any group, please contact the parish office.*



National Eucharistic Revival  
 My flesh for the life of the world

"The happiness you are seeking, the happiness you have a right to enjoy has a name and a face. It is Jesus of Nazareth, hidden in the Eucharist."  
 Pope Benedict XVI

**Food for Thought:** "Enrich your soul in the great goodness of God: The Father is your table, the Son is your food, and the Holy Spirit waits on you and then makes His dwelling in you." – St. Catherine of Siena

Do you doubt the Real Presence? Read about the Eucharistic Miracles. <https://www.osvnews.com/2021/09/10/do-you-doubt-the-real-presence-learn-about-these-eucharistic-miracles/>

To view the traveling Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit based on the works of the Blessed Carlos Acutis, here are upcoming locations:

- Dec. 12-Jan. 1, 2024—St. David the King, Princeton, NJ
- Jan. 2-15, 2024—Our Lady of Grace, Fairview, NJ
- Jan. 15-30, 2024— St. Denis Church, Manasquan, NJ





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.

**Epiphany Event:** On Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord! Teens are invited to join us for an afternoon of special events at our parish. Immediately after the 10:30 am Mass, there will be a Cantata concert with our parish's music ministry, followed by a luncheon in Morello Hall! The concert and luncheon are open to the whole parish, but we encourage our teens to attend and sit together. Right after the luncheon, teens will be invited to head over to the Youth Room for our AYM "White Elephant" gift exchange! Teens who wish to participate are asked to please bring a wrapped present (worth no more than \$10). We plan to finish up at 2:00 pm. Please RSVP by Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> if you wish to join us.

**DYC:** The annual Diocesan Youth Conference is coming up on Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at Red Bank Catholic High School! DYC is the Diocese of Trenton's annual gathering for all teens in grades 8 through 12. It provides a chance to be with fellow young Catholics and grow closer to Christ through dynamic presentations, prayer, music, activities, and more! This year's theme is "On Purpose." The advanced registration cost is \$25 per person. Please note that registration must be completed through your parish youth ministry leader. Parents/guardians who would like to register their son/daughter for DYC are asked to please contact Jen Petrillo no later than Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. Please note: For our group, the plan is for teens to be dropped off and picked up at RBC by a parent/guardian. Chaperones from our parish will meet our teens at RBC and accompany them throughout the event.



*Please stay tuned for more AYM Events in 2024!*



Many of you kindly and generously responded to the suggestion of donations to St. Vincent de Paul for the provision of rental and utility assistance, and meeting other basic needs of our neighbors in Jackson. These are some of the ways the ministry was able to help residents remain in their homes and provide for their families this holiday season:

- \* Provided heating oil to a disabled Army veteran
- \* Paid rent for a person in a recovery program at a Sober Living House
- \* Provided a gasoline gift card to a mother who transports her infant to Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) for therapy
- \* Paid rent for a single mother, freeing up her paycheck so she could make a tuition payment to nursing school, hoping to improve the lives of her three young children by working toward her degree
- \* Paid utility bills for a woman recuperating from surgery
- \* Made a car payment for a survivor of domestic abuse who had lost her second job, causing her to fall behind on her bills
- \* Provided a grocery store gift card to a man on a special diet who had no food
- \* Paid New Jersey Natural Gas so a resident could restore the heat in her apartment.

St. Vincent de Paul considers the requests received daily, year-round, by Jackson residents in need. It is a joy to be able to relieve their stress and share their burdens. Your support in the form of donations and prayers is sincerely appreciated.





Our beautiful new Church doors are available for dedication. Each door is available for \$15,000 and includes a plaque on our donation wall in the Gathering Space. If you would like to purchase a door or make a donation towards the purchase of a door, please complete the information below or call the parish office.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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