



**SAINT ALOYSIUS**  
CHURCH AND SCHOOL

*Sunday, December 29, 2024—The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*

**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: Website:** [www.saintaloyusonline.org](http://www.saintaloyusonline.org)

**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**

**PARISH STAFF:**

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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,

The Solemnity of Christmas brings families and friends together from far and wide. Some folks have families they were born into, while others form families with close friends for one reason or another. What is certain is that family is important to us regardless if it is one of birth or affection. Family life provides joy, connection, faith, values, morals, support and uplift to life.

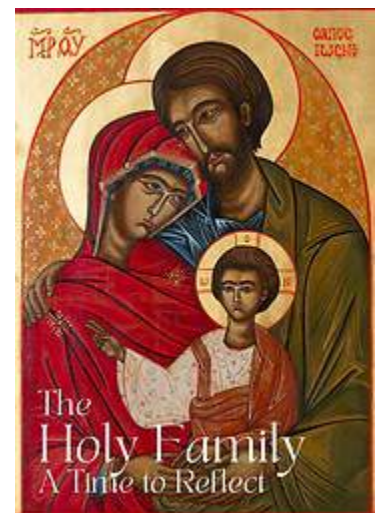
Following Christmas are a blizzard of feasts starting with December 26<sup>th</sup>, the Feast of St. Stephen, the first saint and martyr of the Church, followed by the youngest, and only Apostle not to die from Martyrdom, St. John the Evangelist, followed by the Holy Innocents, and then, today's Solemnity of the Holy Family. Thus, the liturgical year connects the dots from the birth of Jesus for a singular purpose, to die on the Cross and rise from the dead for our salvation, to the first person to willingly die for that faith then, the feast of the Holy Innocents, whom King Herod ordered killed in his vain attempt to stop Jesus before he even got started.

We then move on to this Solemnity of the Holy Family, celebrating Jesus, Mary, and Joseph and their domestic life, their example of love for one another, and their patience. The New Testament does not whitewash their domestic life. It highlights the ups and downs of their domestic life, it hints at the sorrow of Mary and Jesus when St. Joseph dies. Their family life mirrors our family life, theirs may have been more tranquil, but their joy is our joy, their struggle our struggle, their hopes our hopes. The Holy Family stands as a witness to all that is good about family life. They offer us a powerful example to inspire our own family journeys.

Pope St. John Paul II taught that "The future of humanity passes by way of the family." Pope Benedict XVI taught, "The family...is the 'patrimony of humanity'...it is the vital cell and pillar of society." Pope Francis teaches us the family is, "the fundamental cell of society" and the Synod on Synodality taught, "We remain firmly convinced that the family is a gift of God, the place where he reveals the power of his saving grace."

Jesus, Mary and Joseph Pray for our Families!

Peace and Good to you and your family – Fr. Bambrick





### New Year's Mass Schedule

Tuesday, December 31—New Year's Eve  
8:30am Daily Mass  
4:00pm Vigil Mass

Wednesday, January 1—New Year's Day  
8:30am Mass

No confessions on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day

*The Parish and Religious Education offices will be closed December 31st and January 1st*

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT**  
*A Musical Celebration for Epiphany*  
 PERFORMED BY THE ST. ALOYSIUS CHOIR & INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE  
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 5**  
**11:30AM**  
**ST. ALOYSIUS CHURCH**  
 935 BENNETTS MILLS RD JACKSON  
 No tickets required  
**Come and join us for a festive celebration of Little Christmas directly following the 10:30am Mass**



Welcome to our new parishioner *Lynn Pizzi and Paul Dehnz*. We are so happy you have joined us!

Have you been attending St. Aloysius 'for years' but never actually registered? Start the new year off right and register with our parish community. Forms are available in the parish office and Gathering Space of the Church. Registering helps us know you, minister to you, and keep you informed of upcoming parish events. Remember, only registered parishioners who are actively attending are eligible for Sponsor Letters for Baptism and Confirmation. If you are a Jackson resident and have been attending, we would love to meet you.

In an effort to keep our files correct, please notify us if:

- + You have a new phone number or address
- + You no longer have a land line phone and wish to register a cell phone number
- + Your children are out of school and need to register on their own
- + You have a new email address you would like on file and wish to be added to our email alert system

Please email or call the parish office with your updates



### 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



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.



***Leo Kleiner and Eletta Young***

*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 29-January 4, 2024**

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for ***Anthony Giammona, r/o by His Family***  
 The Blessed Mother Lamp will burn for ***Those Grieving the Loss of a Loved One***  
 The Holy Family Lamp will burn for ***Our Parishioners***

**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.**

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| SSGT Nicole Marchitto | C4C Nicholas Accardi, AF | Lt. Jr. Grade Michael Henniecke |
| RCT Patrick McBride   | CPT Chris Mision         | LT Scott Maraldo                |
| SSG Marcus Torre      | MJR Jason DiDomenico     | Capt. Zach Gould                |
| Capt. Cameron Lindsey | AFPVT Logan Moran        | 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, Cassidy Krutulis, Gladys Murphy, Corinne Nepsha, Nathaniel 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, Laurie Wroda, Louis Iacono, Diane Malgieri, Joe Musumeci

**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.**



**MASS INTENTIONS**  
*December 29, 2024-January 5, 2025*

Sunday, December 29, 2024

7:00 a.m. **Eileen Malter, r/o Stacey and Frank Schear**  
 8:30 a.m. **Mary Ristoro, r/o John and MaryAnn Thievon**  
 10:30 a.m. **Debra Flynn, r/o Janet LaGuardia**

Monday, December 30, 2034

8:30 a.m. **Thomas Sclafani, r/o Carol Madison**  
**Thomas Jordan, r/o John and Celeste Foley**

Tuesday, December 31, 2024

8:30 a.m. **Thomas Jordan, r/o Elaine and Danny Dunham**  
 4:00 p.m. **Priest's Intention**

Wednesday, January 1, 2025 – Nativity of the Lord, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

8:30 a.m. **Our Parishioners**

Thursday, January 2, 2025

8:30 a.m. **Rosemarie Artale, r/o Cliff Gletow**

Friday, January 3, 2024

8:30 a.m. **Annual Enrollment**

Saturday, January 4, 2024

5:00 p.m. **Martha and Anthony Elardo, r/o Jo-Ann Elardo**

Sunday, January 5, 2024

7:00 a.m. **Parishioners**  
 8:30 a.m. **Michael Contarino, r/o Ann and Philip Cipriano**  
 10:30 a.m. **Frank DelMonte, r/o Wife and Children**  
**Joann Cipolla, r/o Kelley and Kevin McGee**



**December 15:**  
 Offering: \$11,952.20  
 Online Giving: \$5,081.83



**2024 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress:**

**Goal:** \$80,000.00  
**Pledged:** \$65,377.00 (82% of goal)  
**Paid:** \$65,542.00 (81% to goal)  
**Total Donors:** 353  
**Total Gifts:** 428  
**Average Gift:** \$152.75  
**Estimated Rebate Due:** Not Eligible Yet



**A Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) (also**

**known as an IRA Charitable Roll-over)** is a simple way to make a gift. If you would like more information on how to make a QCD donation, contact Sherri Kroesch at 732-370-0500 ext. 203 or at [skroesch@saintaloyisiusonlineorg](mailto:skroesch@saintaloyisiusonlineorg).

**Weekly Readings**

**Monday** 1 Jn 2:12-17 Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 Lk 2:36-40  
**Tuesday** 1 Jn 2:18-21 Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 Jn 1:1-18  
**Wednesday** Nm 6:22-27 Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21  
**Thursday** 1 Jn 2:22-28 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Jn 1:19-28  
**Friday** 1 Jn 2:29-3:6 Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6 Jn 1:29-34  
**Saturday** 1 Jn 3:7-10 Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 Jn 1:35-42  
**Sunday** Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12



*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.*

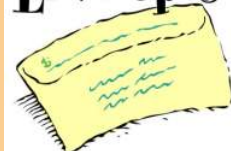
The Annual Enrollment Mass is celebrated the First Friday of each month at 8:30am for a period of one (1) year—12 months.

James and Natalie McMahon, Richard Iacono, Arlene Hassler, Religious Education and Youth Ministry Teams, Jill, Frank and Rose Hubit, 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, Carmine Merlucci, Neal Collenburg, Logan Family, Cunningham, Jacobs, Thesan, Theodore, Jourdan, McKenzie, Cabrol, Duplan and Butler Families, Francesca M. Bonucci, James O'Leary, John Flynn, Michael Cetta, Merced Lotrena, The Nowak Family, Virginia and Allen Walp, Chad Vitello, Maria and Belto Ristaino, John Owens, Anna Marie DeLeonardis, Quaglia Family, Marty Munroe, John and Donna Fichera, Peter Miluk, Jr., Alfred Nader (Dadasee), David LaRosa, Mario Garcia, Virginia Laschet, Patricia Fountain, Connie Russo-Riley, George Newman, Jr., Phyllis Vitiello, Ivan Sriwardena, Harry and Phyllis Gunasekara, Tina Rogers, Ivano John Bott, Juan Opa Torres, Joseph LaScala, Rev. Stanley Jarosz, Maryann Pucilowski, Aida and James Dierking, Rose and Joseph Cesario, Peter Miluk, III, Joseph G. Moroney, Donald and Erin McLoughlin, Don and Maureen Gorny, Evelyn and George Doerbecker. Gertrude and Eugene McLoughlin, Catherine and William McLoughlin, Evan and Olivia Gorny, Pete Albany, Jack Bassi, Des Fitzgerald, Loretta Conway, Carmela Vicidomini, Marie Pompa, Joseph Sumanski, James and Elisa Oliver, Frank and Pearl Szumianski, Thomas Cetnar, Urban and Millo Families, Michael Matzo, Walter Heublein, Eileen and George Graziano, Richard LoPresti, Edith and Ernesto Scalatempore, Jennie and John Tatulli, John, Lucy, Nick, Mary and George, Glenda Morisano, Michael Seyglinski, Raymond Magnussen, Ruth Nisay, Elena Salvato, Eileen and Don Malter, Robert McCarthy, Pat O'Connor and Tim O'Connor, Angelo Mazzeo, Dante Dedonno, Gilvo L. Gialanella, Steven Pirniak, Angelo Mazzeo, Antoinette Maria Puccio, Lynda J. Bradley Clay, Manny Oliveira, Joao Batista Abreu de Oliveira, Yedda Abreu de Oliveira, Maria de Lourdes Abreu, Joao C. Abreu, Cleisa Abreu Cantuaria, Linda Alm, Frances Brauner, John and Rose Jobst, Kathleen O'Connell, Miriam Whalen, Florence Spinello, Bernie Daquila, Pitkethley, Kuhl, Quillinan, Walters Families, Joanne and Keith Veltre, Kate Castell, Ronald Brancaccio, Anna and Salvatore Carnemolla, Joseph, Josephine and Bob Brancaccio, James D. Diefendorf, III, Mary Ann Borghi, Joseph S. Romano, Dorothy Theresa Maher, Cosmo (Gus) Mongiello, Fermina Lopez, James Migliori, Edna Parzygnat, Sophie, Anthony and Ted Wojton, Tracy Lee Papp-Hill, Walter Heublein, Frank Sandtner and Family, Anthony Sandtner and Family, Connie and Tony Gaiammona, Barbara Brennan, Miriam Spinelli, Rosemarie Artale, Joyce Elizabeth Mennella, Ana Librada Ramos, Enid Muraca, Paul V. Farley, Steve Yayac

Have you or a loved one missed out on some sacraments or do you know someone considering becoming Catholic? Our OCIA program is here to support you, with a dedicated community of catechists eager to help you prepare for the Sacraments of the Church and the joy of meeting the Lord. Let our team of faith-filled individuals assist you on this journey towards a deeper connection with your faith. Reach out to our parish office today for more information and take the first step towards enriching your spiritual life.



## Offering Envelopes



The 2025 Weekly Collection Envelopes have arrived and are ready for pick up in the Gathering Space. If you have not picked up your set, please do so ASAP. They will be removed for Christmas and those that are not picked up, will be removed from our census.

If you did not receive a set of envelopes and do not want to use our online giving option, stop by the parish office to receive your starter set. If you do not receive a starter set, you will not be on our envelope list; envelope sets are not mailed.



**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.

**Christian Book Study**—will take a break for the month of December and will resume meeting on **January 14th and 28th at 10:00am** in the parish office.



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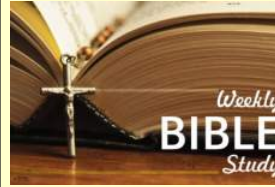
**Walking with Purpose** is a nationally recognized Catholic Women's Bible

Study great for women of all backgrounds: Young / Wise; Single / Married / Discerning; Stay at Home / Working / Retired; Catholic / non-Catholic; etc, and it doesn't even require any walking! Named because we are all walking through this journey of life and we all have a purpose!

**Opening Your Heart** will take you on an exciting journey closer to the heart of God, help you form a personal relationship with Christ, and help you find answers to life's biggest questions through the context of the Catholic faith.

Gift yourself the opportunity to set your pace to the beat of God's heart. Walking with Purpose meets **Thursdays at 7:00pm in Morello Hall. Our next meeting is January 9th.** We have a rolling admission and there's always room for one more at the table!

Call Pat at the parish office for more information or email Klaudia at walkingpurposek-laudia@gmail.com.



**Bible Study**—Join Fr. RJ **Tuesdays at 2:30pm** in the parish office to Break Open the Word and delve into Scripture. The group will break for Christmas and New Year's. We will resume Tuesday, January 7th at 2:30pm. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.



**Becoming a Man After God's Own Heart**

The Saint Aloysius Men's Group invites you to join us for **"That Man is You!"**

**That Man is You** is a men's faith building program that honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers.

**THAT MAN IS YOU! IS DESIGNED TO:**

- Meet men wherever they are in their spiritual lives and help them take one step further.
- Turn the hearts of fathers to their spouse and children.
- Form authentic leaders capable of transforming their families and greater society.
- Form bonds of friendship and fellowship that strengthen the parish community.
- Facilitate a personal encounter and relationship with Jesus Christ.

Join us Saturday mornings in Morello Hall for bagels, coffee and faith forming fellowship.

- 6:30-7am Bagels and Coffee
- 7:00-7:30 Video
- 7:30-8:00 Small Group discussions

For more information contact David at dfurb@aol.com



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@santalloysiusonline.org](mailto:jpetrillo@santalloysiusonline.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 5<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord! Teens are invited to join us for a special event at our parish. Immediately after the 10:30 am Mass, there will be a Cantata concert with our parish's music ministry. The concert is open to the whole parish, and we encourage our teens to attend and sit together. After the concert, teens will share a meal and then 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 1:30 pm. Please RSVP by Friday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> if you wish to join us.

**DYC:** The annual Diocesan Youth Conference is coming up on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am Notre Dame High School in Lawrenceville! 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 "The Journey." 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 23<sup>rd</sup>. *Please note: For our group, the plan is for teens to be dropped off and picked up at Notre Dame High School by a parent/guardian. Chaperones from our parish will meet our teens at Notre Dame and accompany them throughout the event.*

**Donation Collection for "Boxes of Joy:"** In preparation for the service project that will be a part of this year's Diocesan Youth Conference, parish youth groups are invited to collect items that will be included in "Boxes of Joy." "Boxes of Joy" is a program run by Cross Catholic Outreach that helps children in impoverished countries to experience God's love and learn about Jesus when they receive a special gift box. Many different items are needed, but our youth group will specifically be collecting new jump ropes and new toothbrushes before the 5:00 pm Mass on January 11<sup>th</sup>, and before the 10:30 am Mass on January 12<sup>th</sup>. Teens are needed to assist with organizing donations before each of those Masses, and all parishioners are invited to consider contributing a jump rope and/or toothbrush.



# Mass for Life & Life Expo

STANDING TOGETHER FOR LIFE

CELEBRATED BY



**Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M.**

**PRAY, CONNECT, ENGAGE**

Embrace the transformative power of the Eucharist, foster solidarity, and take decisive action to nurture a culture of life that honors every stage from womb to tomb.

**WHAT TO EXPECT:**

- Join us for a special Mass celebrated by Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M.
- Engage with local organizations dedicated to upholding and promoting human dignity throughout all stages of life.
- Enjoy delicious refreshments, fostering new friendships, and strengthening bonds within our community.

Friday  
**JANUARY 24**  
11:00AM

Co-Cathedral of  
St. Robert Bellarmine,  
Freehold

All are Welcome • No RSVP needed



For full information about the day's events, visit:  
[dioceseoftrenton.org/standing-together-for-life](http://dioceseoftrenton.org/standing-together-for-life)

DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE

# THE JOURNEY

**FEB. 1<sup>ST</sup> 2025 10AM**

8th-12th grade  
Notre Dame H.S. Lawrence, NJ

Advance Registration \$25  
Walk-In Registration \$35  
[dioceseoftrenton.org/dyc](http://dioceseoftrenton.org/dyc)

*Those who hope in the Lord will run and not be weary. (Is 40:31)*





Thank you to all those who made donations for our Christmas flowers. Your donations help offset the cost of the flowers and other items making our sanctuary beautiful. We plan to keep the Christmas poinsettias up as long as they last. Donations were made in memory and honor of:

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