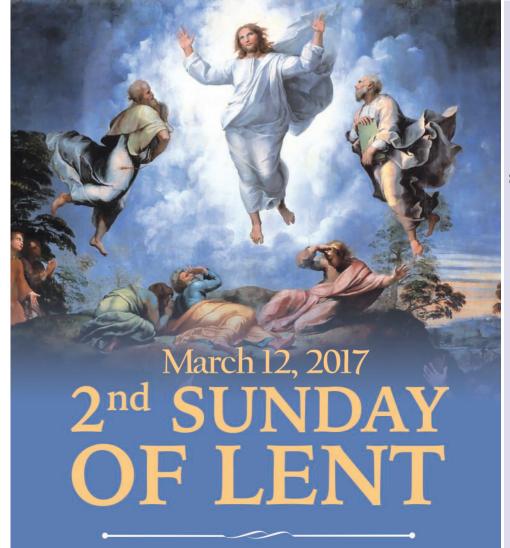
# *The Catholic Church of St. Mary* 2001 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003 (856) 424-1454 Fax (856) 424-8270



While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." —Mt 17:5

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### **OUR SACRAMENTAL LIFE**

Daily Mass: Monday-Friday: 8:00am (Chapel); Weekend Masses: 5:00pm (Sat.), 8:00am, 10:00am, 11:30am; Korean Mass: 5:00pm (Sunday)
Children's Liturgy of the Word: 5:00pm (Sat) & 10:00am (Sun)
Sacrament of Reconciliation : Sat.: 8:30am & 10:00-10:30am or by appt.
Eucharistic Adoration: Monday: 8:30am-1:15pm

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> Parish Office Hours Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:00pm

### CLERGY/STAFF

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Intercessory Prayer Line Do you have a special prayer intention? Please call Marie Bantivoglio at (856) 751-8803.

Our Parish Community extends a warm welcome to all our parishioners and visitors! If you would like to register as a member of our Parish Community, please contact the Parish Office at (856) 424-1454.

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Monday</b>	March 13, 2017					
8:00am	Joseph Izzo, Jr.					
	r/b Lou Amoriello					
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>March 14, 2017</u>					
8:00am	Gloria Marie Dawson					
	r/b the family					
<b>Wednesday</b>	March 15, 2017					
8:00am	Deceased members of the					
	Vogel & Muller families					
	r/b Jack Vogel					
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>March 16, 2017</u>					
8:00am	Helen Madison					
	r/b St. Mary Eucharistic Ministers					
<u>Friday</u>	<u>March 17, 2017</u>					
8:00am	Harry Schmidt					
	r/b Barbara Dollarton					
<u>Saturday</u>	March 18, 2017					
5:00pm	Thomas Lauletta					
	r/b Joanne Lauletta					
<b>3rd Sunday of I</b>	<u>Lent, March 19, 2017</u>					
8:00am	Elsie Mc Fadden					
	r/b Jan & Bob Rueppel					
10:00am	Evan Gray					
	r/b Maureen & Larry Jock					
	Tom Clark					
	r/b Jack Walsh					
	Stanley Mac Moran					
	r/b the Bligh & Linden families					
	Eva-Maria Kollat					
	r/b George & Annemarie Colborn					
11:30am	Edgar Fields (25th anniversary)					
	r/b the Fields' family					

### STEWARDSHIP



Ash Wednesday Collection-Church in Eastern Europe \$2,789 3/5 Regular Collection \$10,212 235 envelopes 3/5 Black/Native American Collection \$1,236 66 envelopes 3/5 Online Giving \$605 13 families

Thank you & God bless you for your generosity to our Church!

#### **Dispensation from Bishop Sullivan**

Catholics who are within the territory of the Diocese of Camden on St. Patrick's Day, Friday, March 17th are dispensed from the Lenten obligation to abstain from eating meat. Bishop asks us to instead make another appropriate sacrifice on the day itself or to abstain from meat on another weekday during the Second Week of Lent.



Please remember in your prayers our beloved deceased Eileen Daly and her family and friends.

### **ST. MARY MISSION STATEMENT**

We, the Catholic community of St. Mary, are empowered through Baptism, guided by the Gospel and nourished by the Eucharist. We serve the People of God through active participation in the mission and ministry of the Church. We are committed to an inclusive and compassionate living out of the Gospel in our daily lives.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY & OUR SICK**

**US Army**: Capt. Alex F. Katauskas, Ranger, Capt. Doug Sackett, PFC Christopher Vassey, Sgt. John David Vozzelli, Lt. Joseph Weston, Jr., Sgt. Deanna D'Ambrosio, SPC Christopher Hill; **US Navy**: E6 Bob Moeller, Ryan E. Gager, Lt. Grahm Gill, Joseph Cornell, Cmdr, JG, Michael C Rutcosky, Jr **USCG** Petty Officer Tim Edwards; **USAF**: MSgt. Tony Frieske, Zachary S Hensinger **USMC**: Daniel Gallemit, Thomas Grace, Adam Ardire, Holly Harrington, Cpl. Isaac Freese

Catherine Adelizzi, Baby John (Jack) William Adelizzi, Martin Alfano, Ruben N. Alvarez, Rita Anona, Anne Arauz, John & Mary Lou Baird, Tate Balcarek, Marie Bantivoglio, Elizabeth Belli, Mary Ann Blanco, Shirley Rios Brady, Jim Brady, Marybeth Brooks, Eileen Buroojy, Mark Celijewski, Anthony Ciarroccki, Matthew Ciancitto, Terri Cirillo, Grace Coen, Eve Contento, Jimmy Contento, Joe Conti, Ann Cowan, Josiah David, Julie Davis, Estelle De Lellis, Concetta Di Bella, Frank Dolan, Ricardo Domingo, Eileen Edwards, Jack Elliott, Catherine Faccine, Annette Ferraro, Frank Fieni, Mary Agnes Foldes, Susan Fries, Mary Anne Frye, Carol Gallagher, Matthew Gallagher, Baby Andrew Paul Glaser, Carole Grady, Anne Greco, Lexi Guerin, John Hagan, Christine Hallinan, Joseph L Hallinan, Arlene Harvey, Babies Liam & Kian Hawkey, Elinor Hayes, Josiah Heino, Dorothy Higham, Lucille Horton, Jake Howerd, Angie Jacob, Jacqueline Lamboy, Nick Lamparelli, Fred La Rosa, Nathan Levinson, Natalie Markiewicz, Liam Marino, Lydia Marrero, Christine Marsden, Jill Mehigan, Blasco Molle, Anthony & Michael Mosco, Tenaro Moulic, Zachariah Chase Murray, Rosemary Norman, Kathy Obchinetz, Eliza O'Neill, Stanley Pasternak, Vicky Peralta, Michael Piazza, Josephine Penna, Martin Piepoli, Patty Plunkett, Ed Polansky, Catherine Potts, Lori P., Heidi Holscher Pryal, Jean Rayner, William Roca, Joseph Ragusa, Robert Recupido, Samuel Richards, Eleanore Rinear, Sue Rodia, Thomas & Elizabeth Rosado, Patty & Dan Ruebeck, Greg Rueppel, Gloria Santone, Alecia Bauer-Sears, Kevin Schoen, Jean Schmitz, Michael Sepessy, Bena Shah, Adrian Shaw, Deacon Jim Smith & Grace Smith, Lorraine Stenella, Rose Tartamosa, John Thomas, James Thum, Lee Thurber, Charles Tobin, Jr., Joseph Tomkins, Teresa Wilson, Jean Vogt, John Volpe, Steve Weber, Lena Zanghi

The House of Charity Bishop's Annual Appeal seeks to raise

restricted funds in order to provide care, respect, justice, peace and dignity for souls in the Diocese of Camden. We ask that you prayerfully consider how this annual program provides solace, support and grace to thousands of your brothers and sisters in Christ and give, generously, in support of the 2017 House of Charity ensures the vitality of essential Diocesan ministries and programs that sustain the healing, teaching and redemptive Presence of Jesus Christ through the Diocese of Camden.

We would like to thank all who donated to the 2017 House of Charity Campaign. Our current total is \$64,545. We are approaching our Parish goal of \$106,947. There are still pledge cards in the pewsplease complete and return in the collection or to the Parish Office. Thank you!



Goal: \$106,947

Raised to Date: \$64,545



# WANT REAL CHANGE IN YOUR LIFE THIS LENT?





At a loss on how to examine your life in light of God's mercy? In a rut, using **just** the Ten Commandments? Take a fresh approach!

The following guide will help us deepen our understanding of sin in our lives and be more open to the transforming love of God in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Perhaps, sin isn't always in what we've done, but what we may have failed to do.... (Remember, a priest is available every Thursday evening in Lent, and on Saturday mornings too)

## Guide to Confession and Examination of Conscience Based on The Beatitudes

### Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

- □ Do I fear being poor, in spirit or otherwise, and prefer to be rich in money, brains or influence?
- $\Box$  Is my desire for poverty of spirit congruent with my lifestyle?
- □ Do I use the word of God to rationalize my lifestyle, or am I willing to have God's word criticize it?
- □ Do I cling to my own ideas, opinions and judgments, sometimes to the point of idolatry?
- $\Box$  Do I contribute my time, talent and money to the poor of the world?
- □ Do I make it my business to examine the causes of poverty in our world and work to eradicate unjust systems?

## Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

- □ Do I grieve over loneliness, despair, guilt and rejection in the lives of others?
- □ Am I willing to admit my own despondencies and need for comfort?
- □ Do I minister consolation and healing, or do I blandly encourage people to have courage, thereby avoiding the opportunity to mourn with another?
- □ Am I doing anything to dry the tears of those who mourn over war, poverty, hunger or injustice?

## Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

- □ Do I see any value in meekness or nonviolence?
- $\Box$  Do I cringe at the thought of being called meek?
- □ Do I understand nonviolence as a way to fight evil with good, and do I choose to live that way?
- □ How much are intimidation and force part of my lifestyle?
- $\hfill\square$  Do I work for nonviolent social change?
- $\Box$  Do I foster a cooperative spirit in my children?

## Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

- □ Have I kept myself ignorant of important current events that are manifestations of injustice?
- □ Are my energies and passions focused on Christ or are they scattered, disordered or divided?
- □ Am I honestly trying to improve the quality of life around me?
- □ Am I trying to improve the environment, racial relations, care for the unborn, sexual equality and the lives of the poor and destitute?
- □ Have I decided that I will not be satisfied until justice is fulfilled in my own life, within my family, my church, my community or my world?
- □ Have I let fear keep me silent when I should have spoken out against prejudice, injustice and violence?

## Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

- $\Box$  Do I operate on a double standard of expecting mercy but not wanting to grant it?
- $\Box$  Do I prefer the strict law and order approach, or that of mercy, tenderness and compassion?
- $\Box$  Are there places in my life where people are suffering because of me and my unforgiving attitude?
- $\hfill\square$  Am I devoid of a merciful spirit toward those I call an enemy?
- $\hfill\square$  What is my attitude toward capital punishment and ex-convicts?

# □ Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

- $\Box$  Am I trusting and trustful?
- □ Do I value living without pretense or am I usually fearful that someone will take advantage of me?
- $\hfill\square$  Am I open and honest about who I am and what I do?
- $\Box$  Do I deflect the attention and honor due to God and claim these things for myself?
- □ Have I been untrue to myself even a little, for advancement, money or the good opinion of others?
- $\Box$  Have I failed to take time for prayer, solitude and reflection?

# Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called children of God.

- $\hfill\square$  Am I eager for reconciliation or do I antagonize and yearn for revenge?
- $\hfill\square$  Do I think apologizing is a sign of weakness?
- □ Am I willing to be a bridge in family and community arguments?
- $\hfill\square$  Do I support violence in films, television and sports?
- $\hfill\square$  Have I studied peace and taken initiatives to stop violence and war?
- □ Have I read and do I support, the many official church statements against nuclear weapons & war?
- $\hfill\square$  Do I see the Christian vocation as one of peacemaker?
- $\hfill\square$  Is my presence a source of peace to those around me?

# Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely because of me.

- $\Box$  Do I criticize or ridicule those who suffer for their beliefs?
- $\Box$  Am I embarrassed to step out of the mainstream to stand up for a principle?
- □ Who are my heroes? Are there any among them who gave their lives without vengeance for what is true? Would I do the same?
- $\Box$  Do I worship security and fear costly discipleship?
- □ Have I called myself Christian without making my life a witness to the teachings of Jesus?
- $\Box$  Have I openly supported those who defend justice and give their lives for peace?

# Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.

- □ Do I live confident of the promises of Jesus?
- $\hfill\square$  Do I surrender to pessimism and anxiety?
- □ Do I perceive that there is a paradoxical victory in the cross of Jesus that breaks through power structures and conquers in peace and love?
- $\Box$  Have I become cynical rather than hopeful?





"Forever Young's 55+"

St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Date: Tuesday, March 14th Time: 1:00pm



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### Don't forget to wear your GREEN!

And come, enjoy the gentle singing styles of Jenny Grettner & Joe De Falco performing Irish & contemporary melodies.

Then, showcase your own talent by singing some traditional Irish tunes with us, too! Plentiful sweets, and best of all, the camaraderie and fun that we always have are sure to make this social treat for all.

Bring your BEST Smile... and your BEST Voice and join us! Questions? Contact Karen Young (609) 707-4989 "Remember everyone is Irish on St. Patrick's Day"

# THE 4<sup>™</sup> ANNUAL DIOCESE OF CAMDEN FOOD DRIVE | APRIL 2, 2017

## WHAT WE'RE COLLECTING FRUITS & VEGETABLES PROTEINS

Canned Vegetables Canned Vegetable Juice Canned Tomato Products Canned Spaghetti Sauce Canned Fruit Applesauce Canned Fruit Juice PROTEINS Canned Tuna Fish Canned Chicken Canned Soup Canned Beans Canned Chili Canned Beef Stew Peanut Butter



Donations can be dropped off at St. Mary Church Gathering Space on April 1st/2nd or participate in the Virtual Food Drive at camdendiocese.org/faithfull. Stay tuned for more information in next week's bulletin!

## Hurry, Call Now! Only a Few Seats Left!



Looking for a break into spring with laughter & music? Then, you'll love

**"Menopause the Musical" at Caesars, in Atlantic City** *When: Wed., April 5<sup>th</sup>* 

Time: Depart: 10:30AM\*; Return: 6:30pm (\*We are asking that everyone be at St. Mary at 10:10AM)
What: An hour of outright hilarity & great music!
Cost: \$92 (Incl. the show, lunch & \$25 slot play.)
For info or to reserve, please contact Grayce Rando (856)
988-8110 or Barbara Dollarton (424-2739). All Aboard?

# JUNIOR CHOIR - J Easter Sunday 10:00am Mass

If your child is in grades 2 – 6, you can sign up. Rehearsals begin on March 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:15pm in the church. Contact Linda Rabic: ljrabic@comcast.net

### <u>ST. MARY'S BLOOD DRIVE LESS THAN</u> <u>THREE WEEKS AWAY!</u>

Our next Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for Thursday, March 30, 2017, in our Parish Hall, from 9:30AM until 7:30PM. A person needs to be only 16 years of age (with parental consent), be in relatively good health and weigh at least 110 pounds to be eligible to donate. There is no upper age limit. With some changes to the Red Cross Donation process at St. Mary's drives, combined with each donor's ability to complete the registration process via computer before arriving at the Drive, it should take less than one hour of your time to give the gift of life. To maintain an orderly flow and provide minimal disruption to the donation process, we ask that you register for an appointment time in advance. You may do so when called or emailed by our volunteers, after any Mass in the Gathering Space, or by phone to Ron Von Stetina at (856) 424-3051.

# "NIGHT AT THE RACES & Basket Raffle"

Sat., April 29, 2017 6:00pm at St. Mary Parish Hall \$25 per person (includes: delicious buffet from Lamberti's Tutti Toscani of Cherry Hill, wine & beer, & \$5 start up "play" money)

Half the proceeds will go to help the unfortunate. We already have received great prizes! Stay tuned for more details! Tickets will be sold after all weekend Masses and during the week, at the Parish Center. No one under 21 is permitted! Questions? Call (856) 424-1454.

Our committee is still collecting baskets and new items for our Basket Raffle. Please drop off any donations at the Parish Center. Thank you!



Cherry Hill Council #6173 of the Knights of Columbus wishes to thank our parish friends and council members and families for supporting our "Dining for Dollars" at Outback Steakhouse in Marlton. We had a great turnout, the food was delicious, fellowship, community, and laughter was abundant. We sincerely appreciate your generous support which helps us maintain our charitable works. Henry B Glover, Jr. - Grand Knight, Jerry Mc Menamin - Deputy Grand Knight & Event Coordinator

Ministry Schedule for March 18th/19th								
<u>Mass</u> <u>Time</u>	<u>Presider/</u> Deacon	<u>Music</u>	<u>Eucharistic</u>	Minister	Lector	<u>Altar Server</u>		
5:00 PM	Fr. Cesarone Deacon Bob	J. Nicastro J. Rabic	S. Amoriello (2) E. Yoo (4)	G.J. Esbrandt (1) L. Yoo (C)	J. Miller (A) P. Esbrandt (B)	T. Gonzalez M. Miraglia J. Walker		
8:00 AM	Fr. John	J. Neville J. Rabic T. Millan	R. Cowley (1) M. Dell (C) K. Sheerin (4)	G. Daniero (2) A. Makalintal (A)	V. Benigno (A) K. Benigno (B)	C. Cunningham V. Cunningham A. Cunningham		
10:00 AM	Fr. Ed	L. Rabic Adult Choir J. Rabic	F. Baratta (A) C. Desrochers (B) J. Olenick (1) B.Schul	S. Baratta (2) J. Plunkett (D) ze (C) J. Walsh (4)	M. Van Dyk T. Eleazar (B)	Langmuir Langmuir Langmuir		
11:30 AM	Fr. Ruggles Deacon Bob	L. Hurley J. Rabic	T. Alonzo (1) E. Ventura (4)	S. Palladinetti (2) V. Ventura (C)	L. Repici (B) B. Wayland (A)	R. Gorman H. Sullivan T. Sullivan		

### "Jesus is waiting...."

Every Thursday evening, during Lent, from 7:00pm-9:00pm, a priest will be available here in church for confessions? Plan to take advantage of this additional opportunity to be reconciled with the Lord...



"Et tu? What will you do?"

Will you be a peace-maker in your encounters with others? And "Pray for me. Don't forget!" Pope Francis

### **ATTENTION ST. MARY LECTORS!**

Schedules are now being formed for April-June. Please send your requests to Jeanne Marie at (609) 304-4178 or jste345480@comcast.net by Mon., March 13th! Thank you!

#### Spring into Fitness with Cindy!"

C'mon down to St. Mary Parish Hall, <u>every Thursday from 1:00 –2:00pm</u> & exercise with Cindy, a Cert. Arthritis Instructor/Personal Trainer. She makes one hour of cardio activity, strength building, balance work & meditative relaxation a fun experience! All activities can be done with or without the support of a chair. A free will donation is accepted. Questions? Call Karen Young, at (609) 707-4989.

### PARISH INFORMATION

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Celebrated on the 1st Sunday of the month at the 11:30am Mass, and on the 3rd Sunday at 12:30pm. Parents are required to attend a preparatory session. Please make arrangements in advance through the Parish Office.

**Visitation & Anointing of the Sick:** Please call the Parish Office if a family member is seriously ill, facing/recovering from surgery and would like to see a priest or receive the Anointing of the Sick. Holy Communion is also available to those who are homebound.

**Marriage:** Couples planning to marry will attend a marriage preparation program. Please contact the Parish Office one year in advance of the wedding date.

**Funerals:** The proper form of Church burial for a baptized Catholic is the Mass of Christian Burial, not a service at a funeral home. The Mass is the greatest prayer of the Church.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** The RCIA is a process of formation for full initiation into the Catholic Church. It is open to those never baptized, those baptized in another faith, and Catholics who have not received First Communion and Confirmation. For more information, please contact Kathleen Rando, Pastoral Associate.

**Liturgy Committee** meets the second Tuesday of the month (September through June) at 7:00pm in the Parish Office.

**Parish Pastoral Council** meets throughout the year as an advisory board to the Pastor. Next meeting: March 16, 2017 in the Parish Office Meeting Room. If you would like to address the Council, please email us.

Catholic Grade School: Resurrection Catholic School, 402 N. Kings Highway, Cherry Hill. Principal: Sister Lydia Etter, OSF, (856) 667-3034.

## **PARISH CALENDAR**

This Weekend, March 11th/12th Children's Liturgy of the Word during 5:00pm Mass & 10:00am Mass 11:00am Parish Family Breakfast (Hall) Monday, March 13th 8:30am-1:15pm Eucharistic Adoration 6:30pm R.C.I.A. (Meeting Room) 6:30pm-Rel Ed Level 8 Interviews Tuesday, March 14th 1:00pm "Forever Young 55+" Social (Hall) 4:30: Rel Ed Level 1 Class Rel Ed Lenten Communal Penance Service 4:30 & 6:30 (Church) 7:00pm Liturgy Meeting (Meeting Room) 8:00pm Knights of Columbus (Hall) Wednesday, March 15th 6:30pm Rel Ed Lenten Communal Penance Service 7:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (Church) Thursday, March 16th Recitation of the Rosary after 8:00am Mass (Chapel) 1:00pm Senior Exercise class (Hall) 4:15pm Jr. Choir Rehearsal (Church) 7:00pm Pastoral Council Mtg.(Meeting Room) Friday, March 17th 7:30pm Stations of the Cross (Church) Next Weekend, March 18th/19th 10:00am Mass RCIA First Scrutiny Children's Liturgy of the Word during 5:00pm Mass & 10:00am Mass Blood Pressure Rdgs. after 5:00pm, 8:00am, & 10:00am Mass Fair Trade Sales after all Masses Baptisms after the 11:30am Mass About 6:00pm Youth Group Meeting (Hall)

# STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, March 17th 7:30pm in the Church "Stations of the Cross for Today's Disciples"

Come to see your cross as a share in Jesus' cross each day







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