



Saint Thomas the Apostle Church

331 8th Street So. Brigantine, NJ

www.stthomasbrigantine.org

April 27, 2025

Divine Mercy Sunday



MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

SAT: 4:00PM

SUN: 8, 9:30 & 11:00AM

WEEKDAYS

MON. - SAT.: 8:30AM

CONFESSION

Saturday: 3PM
or by appointment

PASTOR: Fr. Edward Maher
e.maher@stabrig.org

PERMANENT DEACON: Len Long

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

609-266-2123

Mon.- Thurs.: 9:00AM - 4:00PM

Friday 9:00AM - 1:00pm

office@stabrig.org

ASSUMPTION REGIONAL

CATHOLIC SCHOOL: Galloway,
609-652-7134 www.arcs.org

Principal: Joanne McKnight

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Mary Jane Kelso,
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DEADLINE - WED., 10:00AM

**WELCOME TO
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH
To Schedule Baptisms & Weddings**

Please call the Parish Office.
(609) 266-2123 Ext. 3

Baptisms

Baptisms are held after the 11:00am Mass on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. Baptism preparation is required prior to Baptism. Preparation sessions are held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

Religious Education

Our Religious Education Program is for Grades 1st thru 8th and classes are held on Mondays from September - May. Registration begins in August.

Care of the Sick

The Parish Office may be called any time for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. A Priest or Eucharistic Minister will administer the Eucharist to those who are homebound, **Our local hospitals also have a catholic priest available.**

**St. Dismas Ministry
"Helping People Anonymously"**

This ministry is available to anyone in Brigantine who feels overwhelmed by financial burdens and needs a helping hand. If you are in need of assistance, an application from the Parish Office must be completed first. The application is anonymous and if approved, short-term help will be provided. Please call the Parish Office.

Low Gluten Communion

If you wish to receive a Gluten Free Host at Communion, please notify the sacristan serving Mass. Communion is distributed on the Baptismal Font side of the church.

BECOMING FULLY CATHOLIC

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

If you or someone you know is not fully initiated in the Catholic Church (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation), or a family member or friend has questions about becoming a Catholic, please contact **Deacon Len Long at 609-335-6470.**

Weekly Devotions

Rosary: Mon. - Fri. : after 8:30am Mass
Saturday: 8:10am
Tuesday: 7PM

Miraculous Medal Novena: Wednesday
Divine Mercy Chaplet: Friday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:
is every Friday from 9am-12noon. If there is a funeral, Adoration is held in the Parish Meeting Room, located behind the Rectory Office.

Mass Intentions

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Saturday	April 26
8:30AM	Ursula Gervasio <i>by Anne Grove</i>
4:00PM	Johnny Bewley <i>by George & Beckie Kuhl</i> LaMarr Gable <i>by Fran Streeper</i> James Ruggiano <i>by Kathe & John Murray</i> Pauline J. Hooper <i>by McCormick Family</i> Antoinette Virgilio <i>by Jim & Lora Constantine</i>
Sunday	April 27
8:00AM	Joe Migatz, Jr. <i>by Joe & Barb Cawley</i> Shirley Sabatini <i>by Andrea Pelosi - DeCoons & Denise Ponte</i> MaryAnn Crilley <i>by Sal & Chris Colombo</i> Charles Guenther <i>by Toni & Dick Wilson</i> Bernie Beck <i>by Toni & Dick Wilson</i> Jacqueline Seaman <i>by George & Loretta Henry</i> Pat Sweeney <i>by George Schilling & Patti Reale</i> Joe Guglielmo <i>by Charles & Barbara Cooper</i>
9:30AM	
11:00AM	
Monday	April 28
8:30AM	Frank A. Grove <i>by Anne Grove</i>
Tuesday	April 29
8:30AM	Shirley Sabatini <i>by LaMar Buffington</i>
Wednesday	April 30
8:30AM	Dolores R. Seidelmann <i>by Husband & Daughter</i>
Thursday	May 1
8:30AM	Wilfred Pashley <i>by Son</i>
Friday	May 2
8:30AM	Dominic & Gloria Gervasio <i>by Anne Grove</i>
Saturday	May 3
8:30AM	Michael Maiorano <i>by Roseann</i> Joe Kelso, Sr. <i>by Joe & MJ Kelso</i> LaMarr Gable <i>by Roseann & Anthony DiMaggio</i> Anna M. Quader <i>by Daughter Joanne & Family</i> Katie Quinlan <i>by George & Beckie Kuhl</i> Elizabeth Kraynik <i>by Friend Laurene</i> Carol Graham <i>by Joanna Guglielmo</i>
4:00PM	
Sunday	May 4
8:00AM	Bernard Patrick O'Connor <i>by Kathe & John Murray</i> Ken Schwab <i>by Joe & MJ Kelso</i> Joseph Guglielmo <i>by Bob & Lynn McCarthy</i> Albert Staffieri <i>by Connie Primrau</i> Harrison Klaiss & Family <i>by Mackey Family</i> Andrew & Dorothy Kulick James Ruggiano <i>by Nick D'Annunzio</i> Joe DeGovann <i>by Family</i> Salvatore Italiano <i>by Wife & Children</i>
9:30AM	
11:00AM	



"What you do after you say you believe"

"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'" John 20:21

Peace - the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the apostles out into the world, so too, He sends his Stewards. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be compassionate and merciful; and not with just those who are our friends, but also with our "enemies." Think of someone in your life who you need to reconcile with. Call them right now or better yet, go visit them.

Collections for: April 19th & 20th

Easter: \$ 27,191.00
E-Giving: \$ 2,635.00
\$ 29,826.00

Good Friday: \$1,527.00



To get started with online Giving, log onto our parish website: stthomasbrigantine.org and click on the **Parish Giving** button or click on the QR code.



Children's Liturgy 9:30am Mass

If you have young children, know that they are welcome at Mass! We have a special liturgy for kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade students every Sunday at 9:30am Mass. The Liturgy of the Word is taught to the children in words they can understand. We look forward to seeing and teaching your children.

Weekly Children's Activity Worksheets are available at the main entrance of the church and the hall. There are two age appropriate sheets: Step by Step (Pre-school to 2nd Grade) and the Kids Bulletin (Age 8/up), please take one for your child.

Prayer Requests



FOR ALL OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:

Please keep their families in your prayers.

FOR OUR SICK:

Armand Savino, Claudette Liberto, Marie Twist, John Gans, Kristina McDaniel, Jim Covert, Aurora Mary Gross, Andy Papp, Zoe Rodriguez, Melanie Hudson, Jim Schwab, Brody Pomager, Joanne Miller, Leah Loreaux, Diane & Charles Kuczynski, Robert Darin, Michael Feldman, Dominic Delia, Loretta Smith, Madeline Harvey, Ronald DiPinto, Dora Meyers, Joe Cawley, Cheryl Kenney, Rob Moody, Fran Vanzant, Diane Anderson, Wyatt Joseph O'Brien, Joseph Saunders, Robert Granieri, Wesley Winkler, Jimmy Olizo, Forest Castellanie, Tom Gullone, Jeannie Stanton, Stephanie Dehnhard, Steven Pirolli, Joe Olin, Ann Marie Alaburdo

FOR THOSE WHO SERVE:

Capt. Robert Glanville, USMC, Maj. Jeffrey Moon, USAF,
Sgt. Matt Krimm, US Army, Maj. Matt Valnoski, US Army,
Cpl. Tristen T. Barry, USMC, Staff Sgt. Ronald DeWaal, USMC,
PFC Jaryd Witkowski, US Army, Pvt. Matt Rehill, US Army,
Ofc. Stephen D. Vanzant, US Navy,
Lt. Cmdr. Tim Kerley, US Navy, FN Brendan E. Mackey, USCG,
Sgt. Robert McAllister, US Army, 1st Lt. Aidan Crosby, US Army,
Ofc. Vincent J. Barone, US Navy
Sgt. Michael Lange III, US Army

Prayer Chain Network: The network prays for the immediate needs of others. To make a confidential request, please contact Renata Rynkiewicz at 609-705-9144

Liturgy and Life

Again and again, Jesus says, "Peace be with you." As in today's Gospel, this gift of peace is connected with the power of the Holy Spirit and the mandate that God's mercy be shared with others. Share the gift of peace with someone who is expressing doubt about God's love and mercy by offering your presence and words of reassurance. Learn more about Catholic peacemaking efforts, such as Pax Christi, USA: Consider how you might contribute to peacemaking efforts locally.

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Ministry Schedule May 3rd & May 4th

	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
SAT. 4:00PM	Fr. Ed		F. Streeper, J. D'Ascenzo, M. Stinson
SUN. 8:00AM	To Be Determined		G. Gallagher, A. Solari, D. Phillips
SUN. 9:30AM	Fr. Ed		R. Pagoulatos, P. Zuber, M. Brindisi
SUN. 11:00AM	Msgr. Morgan		Deacon, R. Wilson., T. Tomlin

*******SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE******* If you cannot attend, please find a replacement. THANK YOU!



Divine Mercy Sunday

The Parish will be celebrating this beautiful event **today, Sunday, April 27, 2025**, inspired by Saint Faustina Kowalski, **starting at 2 PM**.

The painting of Jesus that she inspired will be shown, and a short talk of her devotions, to trust in God's endless goodness, and to show mercy onto others, will be discussed by Deacon Len. He will also lead in the reading of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

There will be **confessions at 2 PM**, and the **Hour of Mercy at 3 PM**. Confessions at this time are very important and will be spoken about.

The Knights of Columbus will participate in this Holy event and provide Divine Mercy Cards to all who participate.

Welcome to Our Parish Family



We warmly welcome the following children who were baptized during the month of April:

Arya Carmella Pandya

Rite of Reception into the Catholic Church

At the Easter Vigil, we welcomed and congratulate

Chase Lizewski and Jayden Godown
into the Catholic Church.



Apr. 28 1st Holy Communion Practice 4:00pm - 5:30pm

Apr. 29 Rosary 7:00pm

May 03 1st Holy Communion 10:00am

May 04 Confirmation Practice after 11:00am Mass

May 06 Rosary 7:00pm

Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:30pm (Hall)



December 17, 1936 - April 21, 2025

Statement from Bishop Williams

Together with Bishop Emeritus Dennis Sullivan, the priests, deacons, religious, and faithful of the Diocese of Camden, I join in mourning the passing of Pope Francis. We pray that after completing his 88-year pilgrimage of faith on this earth, he may return to the house of the Father.

Throughout his ministry as universal pastor, Pope Francis – born Jorge Mario Bergoglio – selflessly and untiringly served the Church with the tenderness of Jesus, the Good Shepherd.

I will never forget the joy his election as the first Latin American Pope brought to the Latino people I was serving in south Minneapolis, at the time. They were deeply touched by his simplicity and humility and saw their culture lifted up in his ascension to the See of Peter.

His writings on the joy of evangelization made my heart sing and helped to transform the parishes I served. He wanted pastors to have “the smell of the sheep” and encouraged all the faithful, by word and example, to “go out” to the peripheries of society and the Church with mercy for the troubled and abandoned. He dreamed of a Church that was poor, transparent, listening and that “walked together.” I believe he died having brought us closer to that dream.

In every phase of his long life, Pope Francis remained a steadfast follower of Jesus Christ. May he now enjoy the fullness of the eternal life he so fervently hoped for. Requiescat in pace.

Amen.

Most Reverend Joseph A. Williams, D.D.
Bishop of Camden

HOLY SPIRIT MOTHER'S GUILD

SUMMER RAFFLE CONTEST

DRAWING MAY 13

\$20 PER CHANCE

1st 1ST PRIZE - BAREFOOT BLAST! 2 - 4 DAY GENERAL ADMISSION TICKETS, 1 - 4 DAY BEACH PARKING PASS, MERCHANDISE BUNDLE: T-SHIRT, HAT, STICKER PACKET, AND KOOZIE PLUS 2- \$100 VISA GIFT CARDS. \$1100 VALUE

2nd 2ND PRIZE - PHILLIES PHUN! TICKETS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 @ 7:15 VS THE METS, 6 TICKETS FOR SECTION 116, CLEAR STADIUM BAG, PHILLIE GEAR, \$100 VISA GIFT CARD. \$850 VALUE.

3rd 3RD PRIZE - BEACH BLAST! BEACH CHAIR, YETI SOFT COOLER, INFLATABLE STANDUP PADDLEBOARD, 2 YETI TUMBLERS, 2 BEACH TOWELS, SOUL BERRY GIFT CARD ERNEST AND SONS GIFT CARD. \$800 VALUE.

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Many times seniors and others need help but don't want to ask. **Our St. Dismas Ministry** is ready to help **Brigantine Residents** who are overwhelmed by financial burdens. Also, we can often set them up with a routine food order from the True Spirit Coalition.

All contacts are in strict confidence. If you know of someone that may need our help, please give them the contact information below or if you would rather, give their name to us and we will handle it very discretely.

Contact: Eileen Robbins 610-721-7438



Knights of Columbus

Knights of Columbus

Location: 601 Bayshore Ave.

SATURDAY: Hours: 8:00am - 1:00pm

We have items for every room of your house. Also, we have seasonal decorations. Remember, if you have gently used items (**except clothing and shoes**), that you wish to donate, please drop them off during business hours. **We look forward to seeing you**

Please be advised that ALL DONATIONS MUST BE DROPPED OFF AT 601 BAYSHORE AVE. DURING BUSINESS HOURS. Any questions or concerns, please contact the parish office at **609-266-2123** and leave your name and contact number and your call will be returned.



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SATURDAY

TICKETS \$25 - ON SALE BEGINNING APRIL 26TH & 27TH AFTER MASSES

Tickets are \$25 each and include a dinner buffet. BYOB

St. Philip Hall, Doors open @ 5:00pm

BASKET RAFFLE with amazing gifts

Vineyard National at RENAULT WINERY

GOLF & DINNER FUNDRAISER

MAY 19, 2025

SUPPORTING jersey shore WOMEN'S CENTER

DON'T GOLF? YOU CAN ATTEND THE DINNER ONLY FOR \$50PP

9:30am to 7:00PM

\$250 SINGLE PLAYER \$1000 FOURSOME TEAM

*both options include box lunch and Dinner at RENAULT WINERY

Visit website below to:

- *Register for Golf
- *Dinner Only
- *Make a donation

<https://go.dojiggy.io/jswc25>

Text JSWC-Golf1 to 833-755-6550 to view Information Website from your phone

Contact Mike for more info or questions at 215-262-5726



St. Thomas continues to support “Moms in Need” at the Jersey Shore Women’s Center in Galloway. This pregnancy resource center provides support to all women and their families, in a loving environment, connecting them to the resources and services they need.

CURRENT NEEDS:

Diapers– Size 3-7; Wipes; Shampoo, Lotion, Diaper Rash Cream; Sheets; Infant, Toddler (2-5) and Maternity Clothing (new or GENTLY used).

Donations can be placed in the **white basket** outside the confessional in the vestibule.

The center is always in need of bassinets and small portable baby items such as strollers, booster seats, pack n plays and high chairs. These items can be taken to the Community Presbyterian Church Thrift Store on Saturdays from 9am-12noon or call Brian & Kathy Mulvenna at 609-266-2268 to schedule donation pick up or drop off.

— Upcoming Ordination —



ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Rev. Mr. Timothy Mulranen
&
Rev. Mr. Thomas Piro

Saturday, May 17, 2025 | 10:30 AM

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH
MARY, MOTHER OF MERCY PARISH
500 GREENTREE RD, GLASSBORO, NJ 08028



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— Upcoming Ordination —



ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

Nickolas
Naticchione

Saturday, May 10, 2025 | 10:30 AM

SAINT JAMES CHURCH
HOLY TRINITY PARISH
6415 ATLANTIC AVE, VENTNOR CITY, NJ 08406



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Important Phone Numbers

Addictions Healing HELP-LINE: 856-342-4057

Catholic Charities Clinical Services: 1-866-862-2166

NJ Hotline for Addiction: Dial 211.

This is an information and referral service that connects you with substance use disorder and support services

National Suicide Prevention Helpline: 800-273-8255

NJ Veterans Hotline for Suicide Prevention

“Life doesn’t have to be a battlefield.”

Confidential Peer Support for NJ Veterans

1-866-838-7654 or www.njveteranshelpline.org

Sponsored by Rutgers NJ Dept. of Military Affairs

Diocese of Camden Addiction Hotline:

1-855-5HOPE4U