

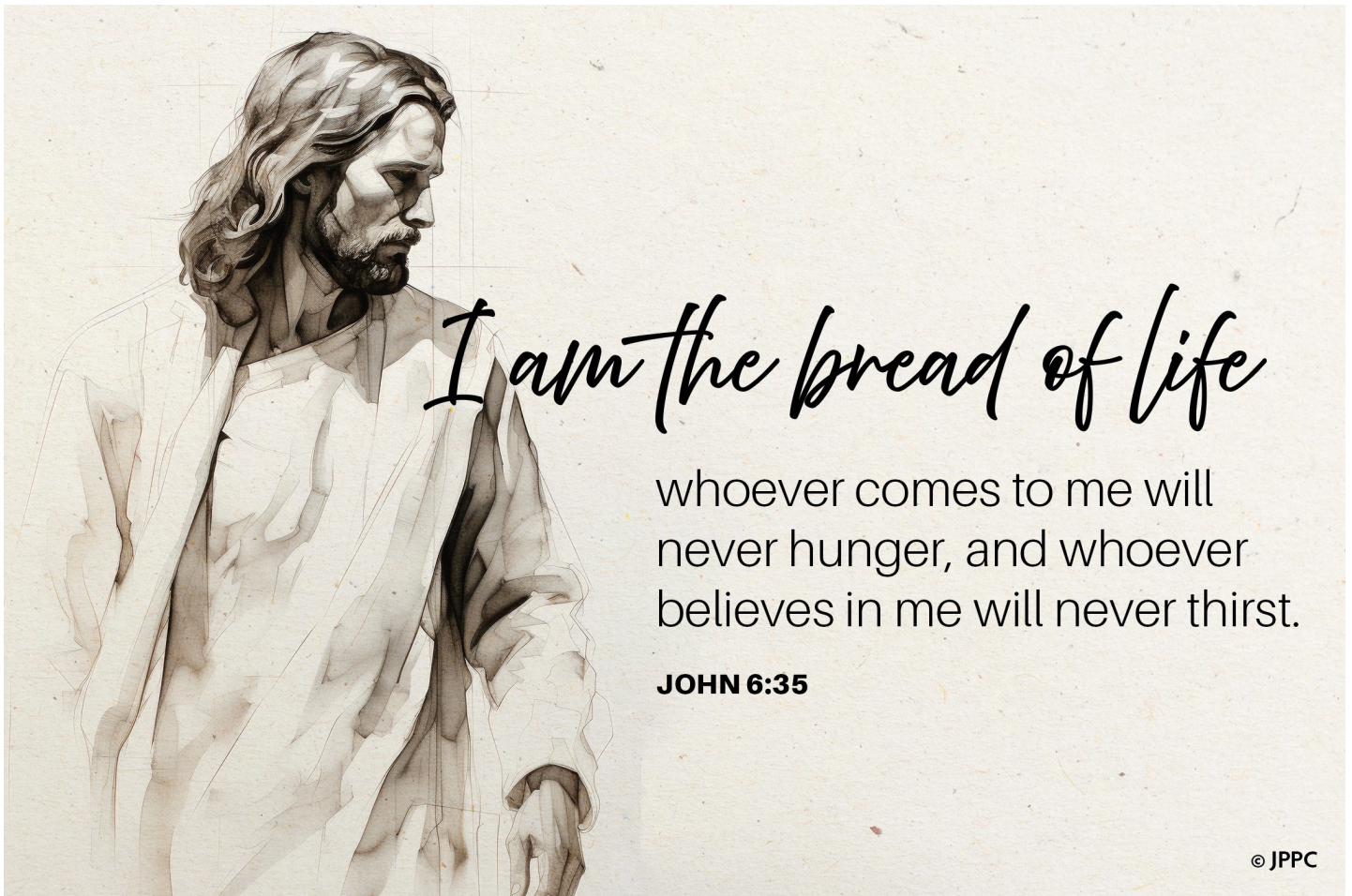
Saint Thomas the Apostle Church

331 8th Street So. Brigantine, NJ

www.stthomasbrigantine.org

"Lord, You have come to the Seashore..."

August 4, 2024
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time



I am the bread of life

whoever comes to me will
never hunger, and whoever
believes in me will never thirst.

JOHN 6:35

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SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

SAT: 4:00PM

SUN: 7, 8, 9:30 & 11:00AM

SUN. EVENING: 5:30PM

WEEKDAYS

MON. - SAT.: 8:30AM

CONFESSION

Saturday: 3PM

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

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www.arcs.org

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DEADLINE- FRIDAY, 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. Call the parish office for further information and registration.

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 will be distributed on the Baptismal Font side of the church, please seat yourself accordingly.

Mass Intentions 
FOR THE WEEK

Saturday	August 3
8:30AM	Robert Lawler, IV by <i>Eleanor McKelvey</i>
4:00PM	John Lee by <i>Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Price</i> Maryann Turra by <i>Friends</i> Buzz Nembirkow by <i>George & Beckie Kuhl</i> Theresa Karbach by <i>Frances Leonetti Holloway</i>
Sunday	August 4
7:00AM	Michael & Dolores Stella by <i>Family</i> Mary MacCagnano by <i>Anthony & Deb Phillips</i> Robert Mariotti by <i>Sharon Bell</i> Philomena Arena by <i>Brig. Historical Society</i> Robert Flanagan by <i>John & Marie Hillman</i> Anthony Vinci by <i>Anna DiGiacomo</i> Michael Lavin by <i>Family</i>
8:00AM	
9:30AM	
11:00AM	
5:30PM	
Monday	August 5
8:30AM	Camila Hanson by <i>Family</i>
Tuesday	August 6
8:30AM	Dolores R. Seidelmann by <i>Husband & Daughter</i>
Wednesday	August 7
8:30AM	Michael Lange, Sr. by <i>Shindle Family</i>
Thursday	August 8
8:30AM	Margaret DiFranks by <i>Albert & Josephine Staffieri</i>
Friday	August 9
8:30AM	Rita Bordoni by <i>Marie & John Hillman</i>
Saturday	August 10
8:30AM	Elaine Kelly by <i>Judy Wall</i> Brownie by <i>Judy Wall</i> Jack Parker by <i>Cynthia & Jim Kay</i> Helen Novak by <i>Gerry Botwinick & Ken Shulman</i> Doris Lappin by <i>Gerry Botwinick & Ken Shulman</i> Eileen Burger by <i>Susan Martin</i> Florence Long by <i>Nancy & Jerry Highberger</i>
4:00PM	
Sunday	August 11
7:00AM	Marie Andaloro by <i>Anthony & Deb Phillips</i>
8:00AM	Philomena Arena by <i>Barb & Joe Cawley</i> Sally Sooy by <i>McKenna Family</i> Leonard Nowack by <i>Julia DeSimone</i> Wendel Williams by <i>John Hillman</i> Peter Feshuk by <i>John & Marie Hillman</i> Dr. Carl J. Minnitti, Sr. by <i>John & Eileen Tuffy</i>
9:30AM	
11:00AM	
5:30PM	

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.

Reminder:

There will be a Social Events Meeting at **6:30pm on Thursday, August 8th**. All are invited to attend.



“What you do after you say you believe”

“Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus, will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not.” Exodus 16:4

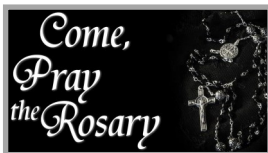
When the Israelites gathered more than their daily portion of manna, the surplus became wormy and rotten. In the same way today, self-reliance, pride and ego lead to hoarding and excessive surplus of goods and money. Living a Stewardship lifestyle helps us discern our “wants” from our “needs”. Living a grateful and generous lifestyle reminds us that God will provide all that we need and that we have plenty to share.

**Collections for:
July 27^h & 28th**

Offertory: \$11,818.00
E-Giving: \$ 1,854.00
School: \$ 1,672.00
\$ 15,344.00



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.



Rosary for Peace

Come join us every **Tuesday at 7pm** as we gather and pray the Rosary.
All are welcome.

Prayer Requests



FOR ALL OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:

Please keep their families in your prayers.

FOR OUR SICK:

Armand Savino, Claudette Liberto, Steve Steranko, M. Mazzoni, Marie Twist, Kristina McDaniel, Jim Covert, Aurora Mary Gross, Celine Powell, Zoe Rodriguez, Diane Certo, Melanie Hudson, LaMarr Gable, Jim Schwab, Brody Pomager, Joanne Miller, Presley McBride, Diane & Charles Kuczynski, Robert Darin, Michael Feldman, Dominic Delia, Loretta Smith, Carol Graham, Madeline Harvey, Ronald DiPinto, Joseph Guglielmo, James Ruggiano, Wyatt Joseph O'Brien, Joseph Saunders, Andy Papp, Stacie Williams

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, 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

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

The bread of life discourse from John's Gospel offers striking images of Jesus promising food that endures for eternal life. Imagine what it will feel like to live in a place where our needs are always satisfied. The people long for this bread now - so Jesus promises "Whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." How can we encounter Jesus in this life as we await the glory of the world to come? We can encounter people who are hungry and thirsty, for in the suffering is where Jesus reveals the divine presence. Sign up to volunteer at your local meal program.

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Ministry Schedule August 10th & 11th

Mass	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
SAT. 4:00PM	Fr. Ed	M. Stinson	P. Lipari, M. Stinson, W. Litwinczuk
SUN. 7:00AM	Msgr. Pashley	E. Stafford	G. & M. Gallagher, D. Phillips
SUN. 8:00AM	Fr. Bob	F. Burbridge	A. Solari, K. Mogan, G. Espinoza
SUN. 9:30AM	Fr. Ed	J. Levins	M. Brindisi, P. Zuber, G. Scutti
SUN. 11:00AM	Msgr. Morgan	J. Murray	Deacon, L. Flanagan, T. Tomlin, J. Murray
SUN. 5:30PM	Msgr. Leighton	B. Bologa	B. DeLucry

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



**SOUTH JERSEY
CATHOLIC
MINISTRIES
APPEAL**

**2024 APPEAL:
"THROUGH HIM AND FOR HIM"**

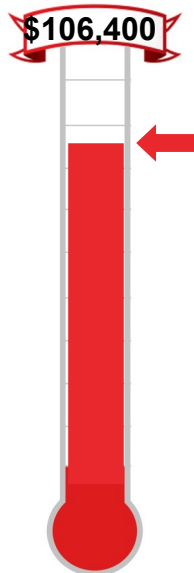
OUR PARISH GOAL IS: \$106,400

Our Parish has raised **\$ 83,098.50** to date,
which is **78.1%** of our goal.

Thank you for your continued support!



Scan here to make your gift online!



**COLLECTION FOR
THE BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF
THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

NEXT WEEKEND- AUGUST 10TH & 11TH

For over 100 years, the critical infrastructure of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC has served it well. However, time has a way of taking its toll. Updating can no longer be delayed; it must be done to preserve the integrity of that magnificent structure. The proposed renewal project includes the modernization of heating and cooling systems which are essential for the 365 day-a-year ministry that the staff of the Basilica provides.

Catholics around the country are being asked for their support. The National Shrine relies on the generosity of donors as it is neither a Cathedral nor a parish church.

Thank you for your continued generosity.



REGISTRATION 2024 - 2025

\$80⁰⁰ - Individual

\$140⁰⁰ - Family

RETURNING STUDENTS:

Registration forms were mailed this week. Please return forms and tuition payment to the Parish Office by September 10th. A late fee will be applied after September 10th.

NEW STUDENTS:

Please pick up a registration form at the Parish Office during business hours. The completed forms and tuition fees are due by September 10th.

Classes begin on Monday, Sept. 16th.

Grades 1 thru 4 attend 4pm - 5pm

Grades 5 thru 8 attend 6pm - 7pm



CAMDEN DIOCESAN SURVEY

Disciple Maker Index (DMI)

SURVEY IS NOW ACTIVE!

July 30th - August 25th

The first step in helping St. Thomas the Apostle Parish assess our greatest strengths and opportunities is to complete the **Disciple Maker Index (DMI) survey today!** Share your perspective now to help strengthen St. Thomas the Apostle Parish and better prepare us for the future - as we seek to grow in missionary discipleship!

The link is:

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/bckcc5>

If you prefer a paper copy, you may pick up your survey after daily and Sunday Masses. They will be located at the entrances of the church. To submit the completed survey, please drop them in the locked wooden box located under the poor box at the main entrance.

***** If you need assistance completing the survey online, please stop by the parish office during business hours and a staff member will log you in and assist you as needed. *****

**Congratulations to Our Parishioners
Celebrating August Anniversaries**

Our prayers and best wishes go with you as you continue to live your vows.



Sylvia & Gil Scutti, 56 Years
Kimberly & Richard Budney, 26 Years

PLEASE NOTE

SCRIPTURE STUDY

Please be aware that our monthly **Scripture Study WILL NOT** be held in August. We will resume on Wednesday, September 11th.

Knights of Columbus

Location: 601 Bayshore Ave.
SATURDAY: Hours: 8:00am - 1:00pm

We have items for every room of your house. Also, 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 soon.**

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 ext. 102** and leave your name and contact number and your call will be returned.

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 9:30 mass **WILL NOT** be held over the summer months due to the overflow into St. Philip Hall. The **Kids Bulletin and Step by Step Weekly Activity Worksheets** will be available each weekend during June, July, and August in the vestibule, parking lot side entrance, and in St. Philip Hall.



- Aug. 6 Rosary 7:00pm
- Aug. 8 Social Events Meeting 6:30pm (Hall)
- Aug. 14 Blessing of the Sea (following 6:30pm Mass)
- Aug. 16 Chicken BBQ



THANK YOU!

A huge THANK YOU to all parishioners and visitors who participated in our 2024 Baby Bottle Drive in support of Moms (and families) in Need at the Jersey Shore Women's Center. Your overwhelmingly generous donations are very much appreciated and will assist the center in providing necessary resources to those they serve. God Bless all of you for continuing to foster a culture of life at the Jersey Shore and demonstrating our **love for the unborn.**

Friendly Reminders



ST. THOMAS PARKING LOT

With the arrival of summer, we welcome all our returning and new visitors to St. Thomas Parish. With the higher attendance, please be mindful of the parking lot entrances and exits to prevent traffic backup.

1. ENTER thru 7th Street only.
2. All vehicles face 8th Street.
3. Pull up to the car in front of you as close as possible.
4. EXIT ONLY onto 8th Street.
5. DO NOT BLOCK the handicap lane next to the church.

Thank you for everyone's cooperation in this very important matter. Together, we can do it

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

St. Thomas Parish Annual "FAMOUS" Chicken BBQ

Friday, August 16th - 5:00pm til dusk

"A fun time for the whole family"

Cost: \$25⁰⁰ per platter

Chicken Platters by Rode's Caterers

(1/2 Chicken, corn on the cob, potato salad & dessert)

**Platter Tickets are available after all weekend Masses
and in the Parish Office during business hours.**

Additional food items available for purchase: Hot Dogs, Burgers, Cold Drinks & Beer

Music by DJ Mike Riordan
Children's Game Area with water slide
Basket Raffle and more!!!



For more information, contact the parish office at 609-266-2123
or Mike@Brindisibuilders.com

CHICKEN BBQ BASKET DONATIONS



We ask that all items in the basket are new and have a suggested retail value. Your name will be displayed on the basket at the time of the raffle.

Pre-made baskets and items to be included in baskets to be made by the committee may be dropped off at the parish office during regular business hours. Mon-Thurs. 9am - 4pm and Fri. 9am - 1pm.



"It's a Shore Thing!"

**MORE CHANCES TO WIN
10 PRIZES EACH: 5% OF TICKET SALES**

COST: \$20. PER TICKET

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE!

**SPECIAL: WHEN YOU PURCHASE THREE
TICKETS AT ONE TIME,
YOUR NAME WILL BE PLACED INTO A SPECIAL
DRAWING FOR A
\$200 DOCK'S OYSTER HOUSE GIFT CERTIFICATE**

DRAWING: AT THE PARISH BBQ

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16TH, 7PM

Winner need not be present to win.