

Saint Thomas the Apostle Church

331 8th Street So. Brigantine, NJ 08203

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

December 31, 2023

Feast of the Holy Family



**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 on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. One session of Baptism preparation is required prior to Baptism. Preparation sessions are held on the second Wednesday of the month in the Parish Meeting Room at 7:30pm. Registration required. Call the parish office.

Religious Education

Our Religious Education Program is for Grades 1st thru 8th. Grades 1 - 4 attend from 4pm - 5pm and 5 - 8 attend from 6pm - 7pm. Also, we have special programs for children & adults who would like to become Catholic or complete their sacraments.

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.

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

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday

8:30AM
4:00PM

December 30

Frank Kancso, III by Mr. & Mrs. George Riker
Anthony Cianfrani by LaMar Buffington
Richard Toole by Mary Fox

Sunday

8:00AM
9:30AM
11:00AM
4:00PM

December 31 (Feast of The Holy Family)

Parishioners of St. Thomas
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Joseph B. Price by Paul & Chris Mercurio
Vincent Pancari by Daughter

Monday

8:30AM

January 1 (Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God)

Fr. James Dabrowski by Sheila Daily

Tuesday

8:30AM

January 2

Jack Parker by Patricia Marrandino

Wednesday

8:30AM

January 3

Evelyn Sentore by Andy & Toni Solari

Thursday

8:30AM

January 4

Michael Bordonaro, Jr. by Luanne Klemm

Friday

8:30AM

January 5

Diane Hennessy by Mike & Luanne Manno

Saturday

8:30AM
4:00PM

January 6

Patricia B. Markey by Ken & Marge Schroeder
JoAnne C. Brophy by Mark Massi & Pat Hibbs
Charlie & Joyce Romeo by Ron & Marsha Williams
Richard Kraly by Pat Hibbs & Mark Massi
Joyce Corrigan by Family
Raymond Hofmann by Mark Massi & Pat Hibbs

Sunday

8:00AM

January 7 (Epiphany of The Lord)

Thomas Liska by George & Cookie Riker
Jack Parker by Barbara Efchak
Joseph Bianchino by Patrick & Carolyn Meehan
Elizabeth Maguire by Maguire Children
Catherine Dadario by Betty & Bob Simon
Charles Allen by Mr. & Mrs. Riker

9:30AM

11:00AM

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

DEACON: Len Long

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon.- Thurs.:

9:00AM - 4:00PM

Friday 9:00AM - 1:00pm

609-266-2123

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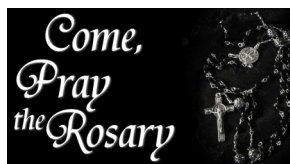


Special thanks to Helene Christian and Barb Cawley for making our church beautiful this Christmas Season. Your time and talents are appreciated more than words can say. Also, thank you to everyone for your generous Christmas flower donations, over \$2,000 was received. Your flower envelopes are on the altar so that your loved ones will be remembered throughout the Christmas Season.

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy of the Word has resumed at the 9:30 mass. Children attending K through 2nd grade are encouraged to participate. Adult volunteers are always needed and welcomed. Contact Kathy Mulvenna at 609-266-2268 if you'd like to join our dedicated team of Children's Liturgy catechists.

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.



Rosary for Peace

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

Congratulations to Our Parishioners Celebrating January Anniversaries

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



AnnMarie & Greg Hanson, 30 Years

Prayer Requests



FOR ALL OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:

Please keep their families in your prayers.

FOR OUR SICK:

Jim Covert, Celine Powell, Carol Graham, Steve Shincarick, Beth LaSerre, Fran Byers, Zoe Rodriguez, Madeline Harvey, Melanie Hudson, Jerry Kilroy, Cynthia Giordano, Matt Fannon, Logan Seitz, Kristina McDaniel, Aurora Mary Gross, Charlie Arsenault, Diana Certo, Pat Castellano, Gail Squicciarri, Salvatore Pantalone, Kevin Thurlow, John Bernard, James Ruggiano, Bob Erickson, Thomas Heath, Diane Anderson, Frank DiBona, Gilberta Rocha, LaMarr Gable, Gary Zimmerman, Marilyn Thoresen, Loretta Smith, George Kulczycki, Penny Walton, Brendan Garland, Ronald DiPinto, Brody Pomager, Katrina Yearicks, Diane Kuczynski, Barbara Smaldore, Brian Cavallari, Bill Whalen, Joanne Miller, Asha Freytag, Pat Marziano, Charles Kuczynski, Charles Gallagher, Douglas Boehme, Sr.

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, Pvt. Austin Rehill, US Army
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, USGC

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

Unfortunately, the Bible does not include many stories from Jesus' childhood. What was he like? How did he spend his days? Holy people like Anna and Simeon revered Jesus even as a baby. They recognized the great gifts of his being both now and in the years ahead. While being destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel is unique to Jesus, every child is born with inherent dignity and particular gifts. Children do not need to grow up to be worthy of respect. They are called by God exactly as they are. How does your parish celebrate the gifts of children? How are children invited to participate in the life of your community?

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Ministry Schedule January 6th & 7th

Mass	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
SAT. 4:00PM	Fr. Ed	Not Available	J. D'Ascenzo, F. Streeper, B. DeLucry
SUN. 8:00AM	Fr. Ed	Not Available	G. Gallagher, A. Solari, D. Phillips
SUN. 9:30AM	Msgr. Morgan	Not Available	J. Staffieri, P. Zuber, M. Brindisi
SUN. 11:00AM	To Be Determined	Not Available	Deacon, G. Shindle, R. Wilson

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

UPCOMING

Dec. 31st New Year's Eve Party 7:45pm
Jan. 1st New Year's Day Parish Office Closed
Jan. 2nd Rosary 7:00pm

Scripture Study

The Scripture Study group meets every second Wednesday of the month at 9:15am in the Parish Meeting Room. All are welcome to attend.

ARCS Regional Catholic School

You can purchase gift cards all year long from Assumption. There are hundreds of retailers that participate in the gift card program, such as ShopRite, Wawa, Walmart, Amazon, Acme etc.

To order or receive a full list of the retailers, please contact Janet Parker at 856-524-3491 or jpv0505@yahoo.com. When you purchase through us, Assumption School earns a percent of every dollar you spend. If you're shopping or eating at the stores/restaurants, why not help support our catholic school at no extra cost to you.

THERE'S A PLACE FOR US:

Jews, Catholics and the American Experience

An intriguing, comparative discussion of Judaism and Catholicism in the United States

Presented by Rabbi Sussman

Please join us for Rabbi Sussman's fascinating presentation on **Sunday, January 14, 2024 at 2:00pm at Temple Beth Shalom**. To register, please R.S.V.P. at <https://bit.ly/3REOz20> (no later than 1/12).

Temple Beth Shalom 4419 W. Brigantine Ave. 609-266-0403 office@seashul.org

This program is sponsored by the Marguarite Solomon Fund.

NEED A RIDE AROUND BRIGANTINE???

The Brigantine Community Center (CER) offers a free shuttle for any senior resident who cannot drive themselves. The driver will take you to your destination (in Brigantine only) and then take you back home. This shuttle is offered Monday through Friday, from 9:15 AM to 11:45 AM. Please call to reserve your ride at least 1-2 days before. (609) 264-7350 ext. 4

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

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



The Knights of Columbus welcomes men 18 and over to join their Council. **The Knights Council meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm in St. Philip Hall**. If you would like to become an online member of the Knights of Columbus, scan the QR Code with your phone and join now. You can also contact Grand Knight Dennis Reilly for additional information.



SCAN THE CODE AND JOIN NOW!
BRIGANTINE COUNCIL #7020

www.KoFC.org/JOINUS

