Saint Thomas the Apostle Church

331 8th Street So. Brigantine, NJ 08203 www.stthomasbrigantine.org *"Lord, You have come to the Seashore…."*

> February 04, 2024 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

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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. 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 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

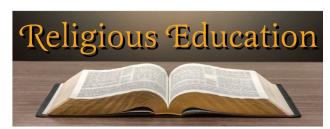


Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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



Saturday 8:30AM 4:00PM	February 3 Ursula & Dave Brinkerhoff by Anne Grove Rose Christidis by Mr. & Mrs. Cesare Rotondi Nick Stabile by George & Beckie Kuhl Dolores Fleisch by Mary & Bill Gallagher Patricia Castellano by Danielle Smith	
Sunday 8:00AM	February 4 Robert "Bobby" Bowen by Julie Tingle DeSimone Joseph Rifice, III by LaMar Buffington & Family	
9:30AM 11:00AM	Barbara Fullerton by Coyle Family Fred Schrandt by Mary Alice Noonan	
Monday 8:30AM	,	
Tuesday 8:30AM	February 6 Frank Culmone by Daughter	
Wednesday 8:30AM	February 7 Charles Robinson by Linda Nelson	
Thursday 8:30AM	February 8 Louis Marchesani, Jr. by Trish & Jim Levins	
Friday 8:30AM	February 9 Baby Camila Hanson by Marie & Mike Brindisi	
Saturday 8:30AM 4:00PM	February 10 Al Jackson by Family Jane Schwab by Joe & MJ Kelso Fr. John Franey by Mr. & Mrs. Tim Carroll Gorman Family by Elizabeth Gorman Roland Massaroni by Mr. & Mrs. Chris Rotondi	
Sunday 8:00AM 9:30AM 11:00AM	February 11 Louis Marchesani, Jr. by LaMar Buffington Virginia Keane by Steve Steranko Giuseppe Oratio Bonsignore by Sister Anna Nick Stabile by LaMar Buffington Jeremiah McDonald by Annie & Mark Weichman Michael Esposito by Michael & Jeanine DiNoia	



Dolores R. Seidelman by Husband & Daughter

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

On Saturday, February 10th from 9:00am - 12noon, there will be a mandatory Confirmation Retreat. All students making confirmation MUST ATTEND. The retreat will be held in the Parish Meeting Room, located behind the Rectory office.

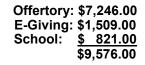


"What you do after you say you believe"

"Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, 'Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come." Mark 1:35, 38

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of Stewardship. Jesus gives His time to all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus takes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we are given the graces needed to do what He wishes us to do. Praying before acting is a great habit to develop.

Collections for: January 27th & 28th





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.



ASH WEDNESDAY (FEBRUARY 14th)

8:30am - Mass with ashes
12:00pm - Prayer Service with ashes
4:00pm - Prayer Service with ashes
6:30pm - Mass with ashes



FOR ALL OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:

Please keep their families in your prayers.

FOR OUR SICK:

Jim Covert, Celine Powell, Carol Graham, 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, Gail Squiccimarri, 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 Kulczyckyi, 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, Douglas Boehme, Sr., Colleen Brown, Richard Wilson, Mary Spence, Robert Moody, Shawna O'Brien Lee

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, 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

Scripture stories of Jesus tending to people who are sick, like Simon's mother-in-law in today's Gospel, raise natural questions about health care. Who has access to quality, affordable medical care—and who does not? Why are there such significant disparities in health care between white people and people of color? How can we advocate for more just and equitable health-care systems? The whole town lined up for the chance to be healed by Jesus—and Jesus cured them. No questions or requirements are recorded. Call your senators to advocate for quality, affordable health care for all people.

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Ministry Schedule February 10 ^m & 11 ^m							
Mass	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Minister				
SAT. 4:00PM	Fr. Ed	M. Stinson	J. D'Ascenzo, M. Stinson, F.Streeper				
SUN. 8:00AM	Fr. Ed	L. Camerota	G. Gallagher, B. O'Connor, B. Ferris				
SUN. 9:30AM	Msgr. Morgan	F. Burbridge	G. Scutti, P. Zuber, R. Pagoulatos				
SUN. 11:00AM	I. 11:00AM To Be Determined J. Murray		Deacon, J. & K. Murray				
*****SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE***** If you cannot attend, please find a replacement. THANK YOU!							

Is it normal aging? Is it dementia? Is it early alzheimers? MANDER BAR BAR BAR BAR BAR BAR BAR BAR BAR BA								
<i>week 4</i>								
1/22/24	136	Pat Parker	\$ 50.00	Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:30pm (Hall)				
1/23/24	193	Lindsay & Dan Stenderowicz	\$ 50.00	Feb. 07 Women's Club Meeting 6:30pm (Hall)				
1/24/24	500	Roey Rehill	\$ 50.00	Feb. 10 Confirmation Retreat 9:00am - 12noon (PMR) Feb. 11 Sweetheart Breakfast after all morning Masses				
1/25/24	149	Frank DeAngelis	\$ 50.00	Feb. 12 CCD Classes 4:00 - 7:00pm				
1/26/24	199	Morgan Stenderowicz	\$ 50.00	Feb. 13 Rosary 7:00pm				
1/27/24	749	Kristen Nealon	\$ 50.00	Feb. 14 Scripture Study 9:15am (PMR)				
1/28/24	594	Jim Bordonaro	\$ 50.00	12:00pm Service w/ ashes 4:00pm Service w/ ashes				

Congratulations to our Week 4 winners!

6:30pm Mass



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST RECONCILIATION PARTICIPANTS (01/27/2024)

Luca Anton Genesis Ceron-Castillo Claudia Cooke James Develin Levi Evans Matthew Gallagher Ava Gregorio Trace Harden Savannah Hunt Nell Kennedy Isla LePera Robert Mohr

SWEETHEART BREAKFAST Next Sunday, February 11th after each morning Mass 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am (in St. Philip Hall) The Knights of Columbus are sponsor ing a "Sweetheart Breakfast" in honor of Valentine's Day. Breakfast includes: Pancakes, sausage, bagels & drinks. \$8th per adult & \$4th per child. Each lady will receive a favor for Valentine's Day.

Children's Liturgy

Maya Ramirez Dominic Robinson

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.



The Women's Club A caring community of Christian Women within our Church

Greetings to all our Women's Club members! Our February meeting takes place on **Wednesday, February 7th at 6:30 p.m. in St. Philip Hall.** We will be assembling Valentine goody bags for the homebound members of our community. Please join us then and bring a friend with you. We always welcome new members.





St. Thomas continues to support "**Moms in Need**" at the Jersey Shore Women's Center in Galloway. This crisis pregnancy 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.



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

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