

# Saint Thomas the Apostle Church

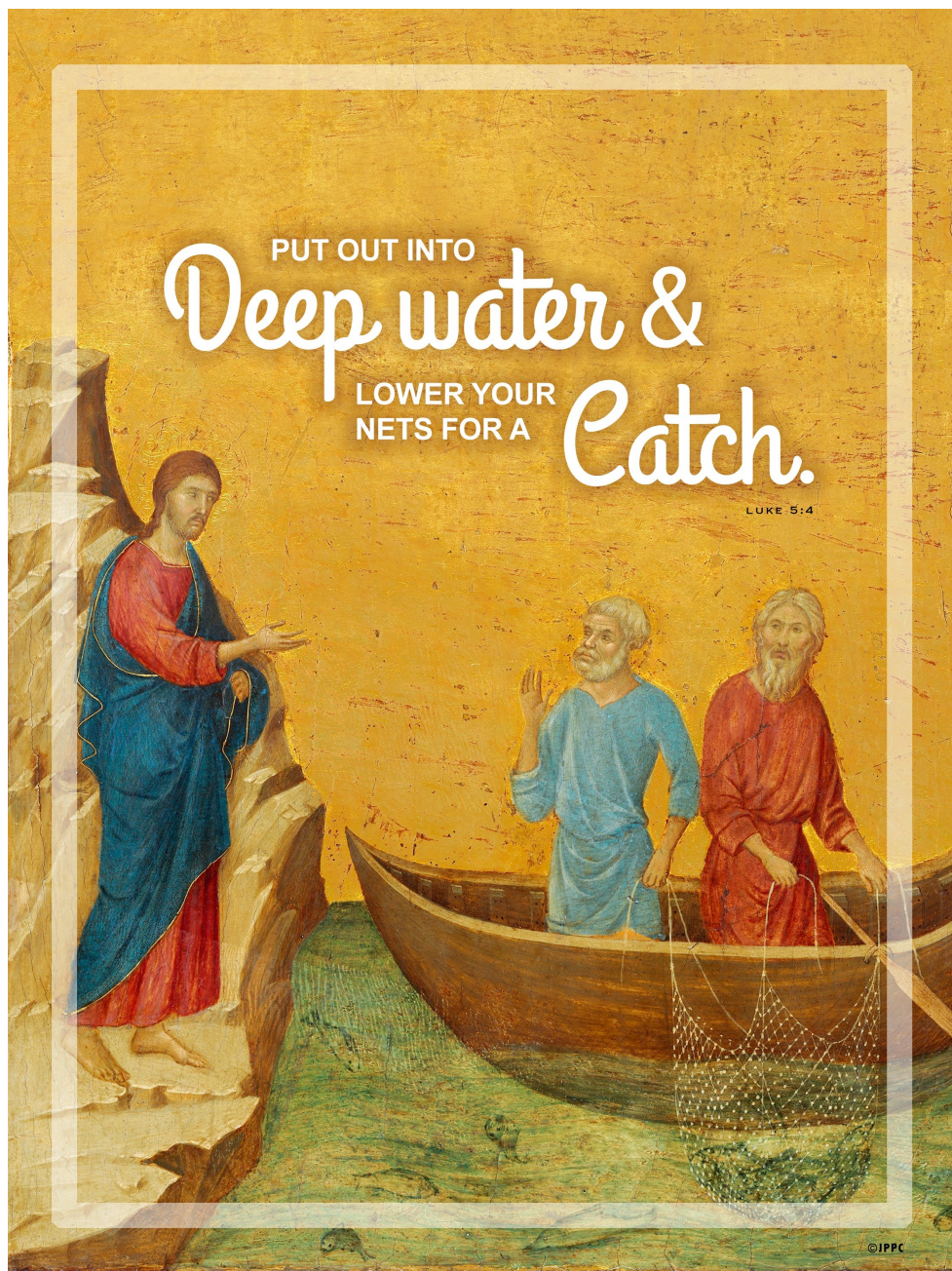
*"Lord, You have come  
to the Seashore...."*

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Please visit our website:  
[www.stthomasbrigantine.org](http://www.stthomasbrigantine.org)

February 6, 2022  
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

NATIONAL MARRIAGE  
WEEK  
FEBRUARY 7TH - 14TH



## MASS SCHEDULE

### WEEKENDS

SAT: 4:00PM  
SUN: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00AM  
(9:30 livestreamed)

### WEEKDAYS

MON. - SAT.: 8:30AM

### CONFESSION

Saturday: 3PM  
or by appointment

**PASTOR:** Fr. Edward Maher

**PAROCHIAL VICAR:** Fr. Krzysztof Wtorek

**PERMANENT DEACON:** Deacon Len Long

**FAITH FORMATION &  
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**  
Deacon Len Long & Deb Widmann

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon. - Thurs.: 9:00AM - 4:00PM  
Friday 9:00AM - 1:00pm  
[office@stabrig.org](mailto:office@stabrig.org)

### DIRECTOR OF MUSIC & LITURGY:

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**DEADLINE- Monday 10:00AM**

### ASSUMPTION REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL:

Galloway, 609-652-7134  
[www.arcs.org](http://www.arcs.org) Principal Joan Dollinger

**WELCOME TO  
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH**

**To Schedule Baptisms & Weddings**  
Please call the Parish Office.

**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. 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.**

**Altar Flowers**

This is a nice way to remember your loved ones. The donation is \$50. Contact the Parish Office.

**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:** Monday  
**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.

**Mass Intentions**

**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday**

8:30AM  
4:00PM

**February 5**

Joseph Anthony Falcone by Mogan Family  
Fred Gattis by LaMar Buffington  
Marie Mestichelli by Chris & Nick Lauria  
Mary E. Kelly by Mary & Bill Gallagher  
Edward Mong by Stinson Family  
Helen DeJulius by MaryAnn

**Sunday**

8:00AM

**February 6**

Elizabeth Maguire by Maguire Family  
Barbara Mullen by Barb & Joe Cawley  
Jane Schwab by Joe & MJ Kelso  
Edward Mong by Chris & Nick Lauria  
Susan Masino by Herman Family  
Frank Culmone by Daughter, Elena & Family

9:30AM

11:00AM

**Monday**

8:30AM

**February 7**

Michael Lange, Sr. by Rehill Family

**Tuesday**

8:30AM

**February 8**

Ryan Masterson by Anne Grove

**Wednesday**

8:30AM

**February 9**

Fred Gattis by Diane & Joe Hennessey

**Thursday**

8:30AM

**February 10**

Michael Lange, Sr. by Joe Maiorano, Sr.

**Friday**

8:30AM

**February 11**

Susan Masino by Jim & Trish Levins

**Saturday**

8:30AM  
4:00PM

**February 12**

Jack Hinke by Muccifori Family  
Warren Buffington by LaMar & Family  
Kevin Sforza by Anthony & Gail Squicciarri  
Fred Gattis by Pat Kowaleski

**Sunday**

8:00AM

**February 13**

Hazel Thornburg by Roy Sutton  
Lynda Sutton by Roy Sutton  
Alice Stinson by Manny Ketterer  
Lou Laviano by Gail & Mike Gallagher  
Nicholas Marchesani by Manny  
Marie & James Mackey by Mackey Grandchildren  
Michael Lange, Sr. by Joseph Maiorano, Jr.  
Susan Masino by Muccifori Family  
Manny Luz by Kathy & Bill Bennett

9:30AM

11:00AM

**Congratulations to Our Parishioners  
Celebrating February Anniversaries**

**Ed & Gloria Tedeschi, 50 years**

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

If you are celebrating an anniversary and would like it to be published in the bulletin, please email: [bulletin@stabrig.org](mailto:bulletin@stabrig.org) with your name and number of years.





Stewardship is a way of life based on the Gospel. As disciples, we are called to be faithful stewards of our time, talent and treasure. Thank you for your continued generosity and participation in our parish.

#### Weekend of January 29th & 30th

Offertory: \$ 2,394.00

E- Giving: \$ 1,184.00

\$ 3,578.00



#### Interested in Online Giving?

To get started with online Giving, log onto our parish website: [stthomasbrigantine.org](http://stthomasbrigantine.org) and click on the **Parish Giving** button.



#### IMPORTANT DIOCESAN NEWS

Due to the Omicron Variant Surge, we are encouraging parishioners to wear masks when attending Mass. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

#### Liturgy and Life

Today we hear stories of responding to God's call. Isaiah feels unworthy and is cleansed by the coal. In the Gospel, the fishermen are doing something futile and must listen and respond to different instructions. Responding to God's call demands listening, trust, and action. Are you being called to something new in your ministry or community? We can't be complacent. Educate yourself on a movement and see how it matches your beliefs. Volunteer your time.

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#### FOR ALL OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:

**Regina McHenry, Karen Walsh, Thomas Greenjack**  
Please keep their families in your prayers.

#### FOR OUR SICK:

Maryann Atack, Derek Caster, Jim Covert, Erin Fender, Anthony Mauceri, Joan DiBona, Joe Whitesell, Baby Aurora Gross, Theresa Mong, Lisa Lee, Ralph Lillie Family, Kitty Huegel, Beth LaSerre, Fran Byers, Melanie Caprio, Robert Moody, Armstrong Family, Celine Powell, Camilla Tremblay, Christian Afanador, Carol Graham, Richard Warren Marsdale, Frank DiBona, Ryan Ladd, Nicole Troiano, Thomas Pomager, Joan Orlando, Peter Staffieri, Christine Staffieri, Mary Seader, Kristina McDaniel, Dominic Delia, Benjamin Berkowitz, Gary Zimmerman, Brody Pomager, Kim Pomager, Donald Jarvela, Lynn Derman, Regis Goergen, John Lee

#### FOR THOSE WHO SERVE:

1st Lt. Robert Glanville, USMC, Maj. Jeffrey Moon, USAF  
Lt. Connor F. Burbridge, US Army, Sgt. Matt Krimm, US Army,  
Maj. Matt Valnoski, US Army, Cpl. Tristen T. Barry, USMC,  
Pvt. Austin Rehill, US Army, Cpl. Ronald DeWaal, USMC,  
Capt. Mark J. Marsella, USMC, PFC Jaryd Witkowski, US Army

**Prayer Chain Network:** The network prays for the immediate needs of others. To make a confidential request, please contact Barry Scholcoff at 609-266-7888.

#### Ministry Schedule February 12th & 13th

Mass	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
<b>SAT. 4:00PM</b>	Fr. Krzysztof	ML DiFranks	F. Streeper, B. DeLucry
<b>SUN. 8:00AM</b>	Fr. Bob	L. Camerota	A. Solari, D. Phillips, A. Grove
<b>SUN. 9:30AM</b>	Fr. Ed	J. Robbins	J. Staffieri, M. Harvey, R. Pagoulatos
<b>SUN. 11:00AM</b>	Fr. Krzysztof	J. Levins	Deacon, F. & J. Sucharski

If you cannot attend, Please find a replacement. **THANK YOU!**



## 2022 CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

### Week 6

1/31	661	Michael Mastrangelo	\$50.00
2/01	743	Ann King	\$50.00
2/02	592	Cecilia Pugliese	\$50.00
2/03	749	Richard Whelan	\$50.00
2/04	146	Jeff Galiardo	\$50.00
2/05	273	Bernadette Echardt	\$50.00
2/06	444	Carson Browne	\$50.00

*Congratulations to our winners for Week 6  
Thank you for your continued support.*

## MANDATORY CONFIRMATION RETREAT



All candidates for Confirmation **MUST** attend a retreat on **Saturday, February 12th** from **9:00am - 12:00pm** in **The Parish Meeting Room**.

Date of Confirmation **has not yet been set**.

### IMPORTANT DATES

- Feb 7th CCD Classes 4pm - 5pm & 6pm - 7pm
- Feb 8th Rosary 7pm
- Feb 12th Confirmation Retreat 9am - 12pm
- Feb 14th First Penance during CCD Class  
CCD Classes 4pm - 5pm & 6pm - 7pm



### MUSIC MINISTRY

Our music ministry is unique here at St. Thomas. We sing at all celebrations, including funerals. Members can make a commitment according to their own schedules. You do not have to commit to a particular Mass time. Instrumentalists are welcome, as well. To become a part of this beautiful ministry, please see **Mary Jane** in the choir loft or email her at [kelso.music@stabrig.org](mailto:kelso.music@stabrig.org).

### Missals available for the Liturgical year 2022

Missals will continue to be available for purchase for a \$5 donation. They are available in the church office, Little Catholic Shop or main foyer of the church. We are doing this to ensure the safety of all our parishioners and visitors due to Covid precautions.

**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.

## RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

A group of parishioners have come together in support of fostering a culture of life that cherishes and protects **every human life**. If you are interested in being a part of this timely ministry, contact Brian or Kathy Mulvenna at 609-266-2268 for more details on how you can get involved.



St. Thomas the Apostle Parish continues to support "Moms in Need" at the JERSEY SHORE WOMENS CENTER located at 335 E. Jimmie Leeds Road (Building 200) in Galloway. This 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 1-6); Pull Ups (Sizes 2T-5T); Wipes; Formula - Enfamil Gentlease (Purple Label); Blankets; Crib Sheets; Baby Bottles (Avent and Dr. Brown); Gift Cards (Target; Shoprite; Amazon; Walmart, Visa); Baby Toiletries (Shampoo, Lotion, Tylenol, Orajel, Diaper Rash Cream).

For more information or to schedule a donation pick up or drop off, call Brian or Kathy Mulvenna at 609-266-2268.

The center also accepts maternity clothing and donations of small portable baby items such as strollers, booster seats, pack n plays, toys and books.



## Diaper Drive – Catholic Charities, Diocese of Camden

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Camden welcomes all to participate in a diaper drive to help support babies and families who are facing financial hardship across all six counties of Southern New Jersey. Those who wish to participate may either:

1) Visit our online Amazon Wishlist, where you can purchase item(s) which will then automatically ship directly to our office.

2) Drop off diapers and/or baby wipes at any of our centers in South Jersey. We ask that you call the center in your county before dropping off any items. We also ask that only new and unopened packages be donated.

To view the online Amazon Wishlist, drop-off times and locations, or to view or download the flyer, please visit: [www.CatholicCharitiesCamden.org/diaper-drive](http://www.CatholicCharitiesCamden.org/diaper-drive)

The drive will be ongoing until further notice. Catholic Charities thanks you in advance for your generosity and support of babies and families!

## True Spirit Coalition

*Hunger Never Takes a Vacation*

1501 West Brigantine Avenue (609)266-7942  
Brigantine, NJ 08203

Donations of the following items would be appreciated.  
**All items must be new. NON EXPIRED FOOD ONLY**

**Boxed Cereal**  
**Nutritious Snacks**  
**Canned Soup**  
**Canned Vegetables**

Donations can be placed in the designated **food bank boxes** located in the Main Entrance foyer of the church. Your donations will be delivered to the True Spirit Coalition each week. **For more information, please call Eileen Robbins at 610-721-7438.**



## DIAPER DRIVE

*For babies & families in need across the Camden Diocese*

### OPTION 1: DROP-OFF

Please drop off diapers and/or baby wipes (new and unopened packages only) at any of our centers below between the hours of 9 AM and 4 PM, Monday - Friday; Please call ahead before dropping off!

**Atlantic County**  
9 N. Georgia Ave., Atlantic City, NJ  
609-345-3448

**Camden County**  
1845 Haddon Ave., Camden NJ  
856-342-4193

**Cape May County**  
1304 Rt. 47 S, Unit C1, Rio Grande, NJ  
609-886-2662

**Cumberland County**  
810 Montrose St., Vineland NJ  
856-691-1841

**Gloucester County**  
1200 N Delsea Dr., Suite 1, Westville NJ  
856-845-9200

**Salem County**  
114 State St. Penns Grove NJ  
856-299-1296



### OPTION 2: ORDER ONLINE!

If you want to donate diapers without making the trip, please feel free to view our Amazon Wishlist!

Simply select the item(s) you want to donate, and it will automatically be delivered to our office!

<https://amzn.to/3ry8Yrf>



Scan the QR code to visit the Wishlist!

All info:  
[CatholicCharitiesCamden.org/diaper-drive](http://CatholicCharitiesCamden.org/diaper-drive)



# EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

## PART-TIME BUSINESS MANAGER POSITION

**ST. JOSEPH CHURCH &  
ST. JOSEPH REGIONAL SCHOOL  
SOMERS PT, NJ**

Applicants should hold a bachelor's degree in business administration or a related field. Experience in human resources, facilities management or financial administration **is preferred**. Sound interpersonal and organizational skills is a must.

- 1.) Work in cooperation with other members of the parish and school staff.
- 2.) Supervise the financial operations of both entities; Work with bookkeeper in planning, implementing and monitoring annual church/school budgets/reports.
- 3.) Supervise and coordinate maintenance and repair of parish and school facilities.
- 4.) Serve as member of the Parish/School Finance Councils to coordinate all activities
- 5.) Perform other duties as assigned.

**Please submit a letter of interest, updated resume, and three references to [applicants@sirs.org](mailto:applicants@sirs.org). Applications are requested by February 21, 2022.**

### RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of February 11-13, 2022 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

### New & Improved Garden Permit Program

We are delighted to share a couple of improvements to our Garden Permit Program! First, in an effort to be more flexible and provide greater service, we have extended the Garden Permit to be a yearlong program. Additionally, we have added a new option, now called Garden Permit Prime, which gives families the option to select an enhanced landscape edging. The annual fee for the Garden Permit Prime is only \$50. The decision to offer both improvements is directly in response to feedback we have received from a number of our families. Of course, South Jersey Catholic Cemeteries continues to offer the standard Garden Permit Program which includes black plastic landscape edging. We are happy to confirm that the annual fee for this option remains at \$35. The Garden Permit Program allows for the planting of flowers in front of monument markers giving family members the ability to care for the final resting place of their loved one(s). These gardens are permitted under controlled circumstances and only where the spacing of the monuments allows for access of equipment. The Garden Permit Program begins every year on March 21, with the start of spring.

To learn more visit [SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org](http://SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org). Our staff can be reached by calling your local cemetery office or by calling 800-594-4980.



**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

**Diocese of Camden Addiction Hotline: 1-855-5HOPE4U**

**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](http://www.njveteranshelpline.org)  
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