

# Saint Thomas the Apostle Church

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[www.stthomasbrigantine.org](http://www.stthomasbrigantine.org)

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

January 7, 2024  
Epiphany of the Lord



## MASS SCHEDULE

### WEEKENDS

SAT: 4:00PM

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

### WEEKDAYS

MON. - SAT.: 8:30AM

### CONFESSION

Saturday: 3PM  
or by appointment

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

Friday 9:00AM - 1:00pm

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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 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

**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 Daddario by Betty & Bob Simon  
Charles Allen by Mr. & Mrs. Riker

**Monday**  
8:30AM

**January 8**

Patrick Scully by Maeve Leahy

**Tuesday**  
8:30AM

**January 9**

Anthony Gentile, Sr. by Daughter Carmel

**Wednesday**  
8:30AM

**January 10**

Jack Parker by Luanne Klemm

**Thursday**  
8:30AM

**January 11**

Eva Shultz by Anderson Family

**Friday**  
8:30AM

**January 12**

Thomas Widmeier by MaryEllen & Jeff Cameron

**Saturday**  
8:30AM  
4:00PM

**January 13**

Giulio Alberto Pacchione by Helen Pacchione  
James Harvey by Wife Madeline  
Barbara Jane Ballasy by Mary & Bill Gallagher  
Robert Simons by Jim & Lora Constantine  
Jamie O'Neill by Jim & Lora Constantine  
Gorman Family by Elizabeth Gorman

**Sunday**  
8:00AM  
9:30AM  
11:00AM

**January 14**

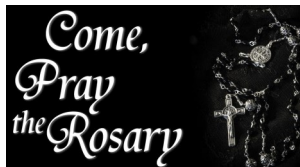
Ernestine H. Hummel by Joseph & JoAnne Frediani  
St. Thomas Parishioners  
Ethel Kum by Coyle Family  
Mary Carroll Dischinger by Paul & Chris Mercurio  
Ryan Gibson by Tom & Regina Muccifori  
MaryLou Senkarik by Family  
Stacey Porpora by Family

**Congratulations to Our Parishioners  
Celebrating January Anniversaries**

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



**Nancy & Bob Ferri, 50 Years**  
**AnnMarie & Greg Hanson, 30 Years**



**Rosary for Peace**

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



### "What you do after you say you believe"

"They fell down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." Matthew 2:11

Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, as Christian Stewards, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share!

**Collections for: December 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Offertory: \$4,605.00**  
**E-Giving: \$1,568.00**  
**School: \$ 485.00**  
**\$6,658.00**



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



### 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.

## 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 Squicimari, 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, Douglas Boehme, Sr., Colleen Brown

### 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

The Son of God came into this world with a target on his back. King Herod felt threatened by the newborn who was already being dubbed "king of the Jews." Mary and Joseph were already having trouble finding a place to give birth. Soon they would be on the run again. The experience of the Holy Family is not unlike the experience of many migrants today who flee violence and persecution in their homeland only to be faced with more adversity in their new country. Support the work of Catholic Charities and Catholic Legal Services, who advocate for more humane treatment of migrants.

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### Ministry Schedule January 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>

| Mass                | Presider         | Lector      | Eucharistic Minister                   |
|---------------------|------------------|-------------|--|
| <b>SAT. 4:00PM</b>  | Msgr. Pashley    | M. Stinson  | M. Stinson, F. Streeper, J. D'Ascenzo  |
| <b>SUN. 8:00AM</b>  | Msgr. Morgan     | J. Robbins  | G.Espinoza, B. O'Connor, B. Ferris     |
| <b>SUN. 9:30AM</b>  | To Be Determined | J. Levins   | R. Pagoulatos, J. Staffieri, G. Scutti |
| <b>SUN. 11:00AM</b> | Fr. Ed           | E. Stafford | Deacon, K. & J. Murray                 |

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



### The Women's Club

#### A caring community of Christian Women within our Church

Happy New Year to all our Women's Club members! Our first meeting of 2024 takes place on **Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in St. Philip Hall**. We will be collecting men's and women's underwear and socks for the Code Blue Shelter operated by the Sisters of the Renewal in Atlantic City at this meeting.



- Jan. 8 CCD Classes 4:00pm - 7:00pm
- Jan. 9 Rosary 7:00pm  
Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:30pm (Hall)
- Jan. 10 Scripture Study 9:15am (PMR)  
Women's Club Meeting 6:30pm (Hall)
- Jan. 15 NO CCD CLASSES (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)
- Jan. 16 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.

### 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**

### 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](mailto:office@seashul.org)

This program is sponsored by the Marguarite Solomon Fund.

### 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](mailto: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.*

### 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](http://www.njveteranshelpline.org)  
Sponsored by Rutgers NJ Dept. of Military Affairs

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



