

Saint Thomas the Apostle Church

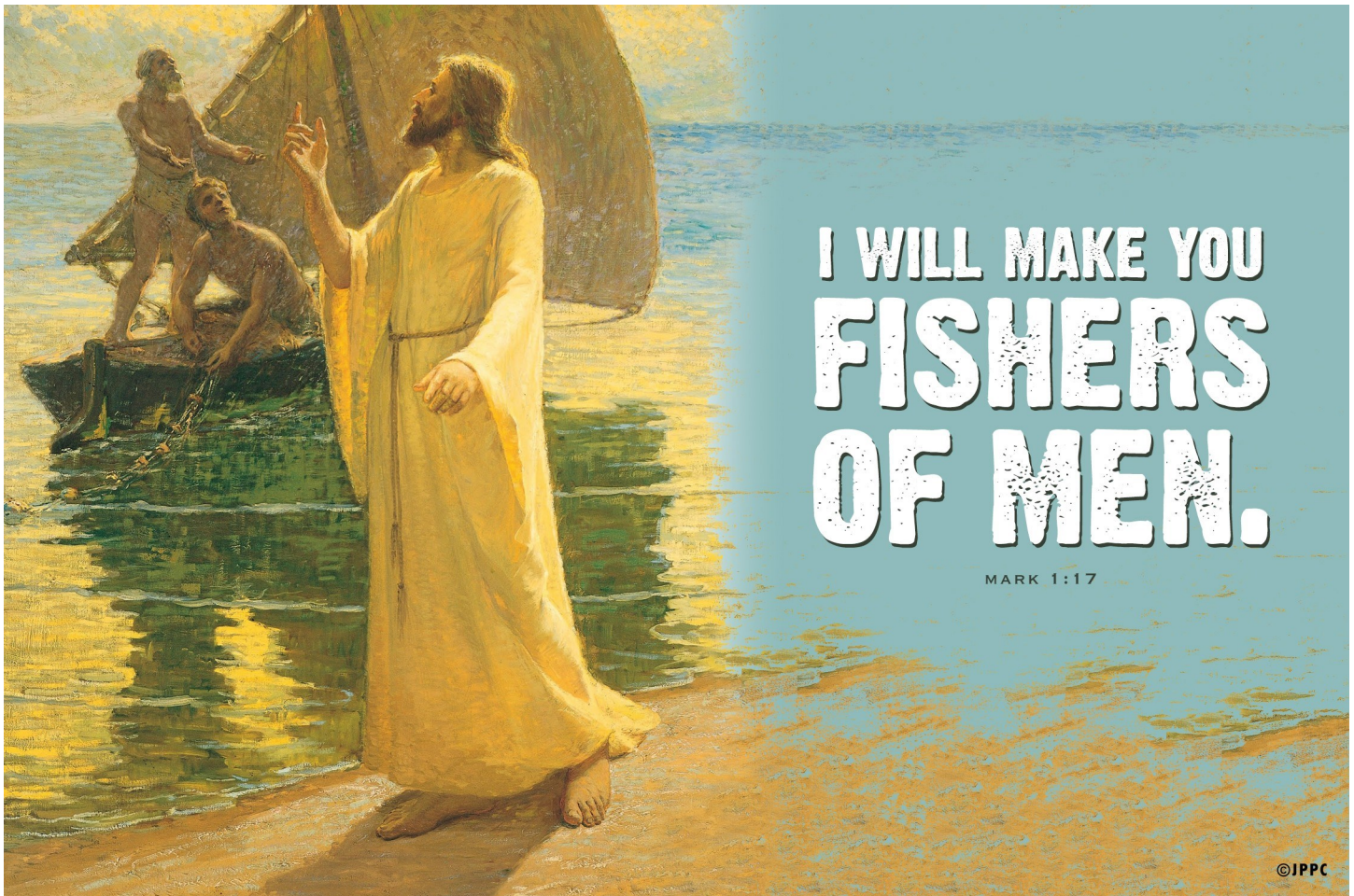
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www.stthomasbrigantine.org

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

January 21, 2024

3rd 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

ASSUMPTION REGIONAL
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609-652-7134

www.arcs.org

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Mary Jane Kelso,
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EDUCATION: Deacon Len Long
Deb Widmann & Mary Pizza

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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.

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday

8:30AM
4:00PM

January 20

Linden Wineland, Jr. by Lange Family
Hugh Hilferty by Roy Sutton
Louis Borkowski by Diane Borkowski
Christian Borkowski by Diane Borkowski
Roland Massaroni by Cesare & Cathy Rotondi

Sunday

8:00AM

January 21

Marie Mogan by Mogan Family
Lou Marchesani, Jr. by Toni & Andy Solari
Ralph & Mary Gervasio by Anne Grove
Catherine Daddario by Diane & Andrew Litecky
Joseph Rifice, III by Pat Jackson & Family
Lilian Dillon by LaMar Buffington

Monday

8:30AM

January 22

Paul & Diana Orillio by Friend Colleen

Tuesday

8:30AM

January 23

Louis Marchesani, Jr. by Ralph & Nancy Gattis

Wednesday

8:30AM

January 24

Angela Burbridge by Family

Thursday

8:30AM

January 25

Louis Marchesani, Jr. by Joe Migatz

Friday

8:30AM

January 26

Ed Rehill by Roey & Family

Saturday

8:30AM
4:00PM

January 27

Gerald Miller by John & Diane Wybranski
Lynda Sutton by Roy Sutton
Patricia Johnston by Sheila Daily
Lynda Sutton by Alice Spragers
Stella Stockham by Sister

Sunday

8:00AM
9:30AM
11:00AM

January 28

Alex Zavala by Linda Camerota
Michael Esposito, Jr. by Pontillo Family
John T. Daniels, Jr. by Capt.(Ret) James V. Daniels & Family
Nick Stabile by Lynne & Bob Flanagan
Michael Esposito by Kathe & John Murray

Weekly Devotions

Rosary: Mon. - Fri. : after 8:30am Mass
Saturday: 8:10am
Tuesday: 7PM

Miraculous Medal Novena: Wednesday
Divine Mercy Chaplet: Friday



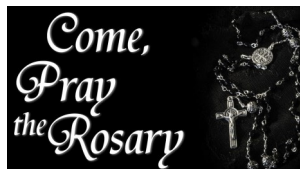
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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



In Honor of:

Joseph & Helen Stefanick
by
Family



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"

"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." Mark 1:17

Jesus's call to "follow me" is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are "ready" or have everything in order. Good Stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren't always going to go according to our schedule, but that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

Collections for: January 13th & 14th

Offertory: \$7,103.00

E-Giving: \$1,309.00

School: \$1,323.00

\$9,735.00



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.



HOSPITALITY SUNDAY



Hospitality Sunday is today, Sunday, January 21st after all morning Masses. All are welcome to enjoy a cup of coffee, doughnut and friendly conversation. Also, our nursing ministry will be available for complimentary blood pressure screenings.

Prayer Requests



FOR ALL OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:

David Worthington, Jimmy Bell, Kenneth Price, Frank Ciaccio

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, 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, Douglas Boehme, Sr., Colleen Brown, Richard Wilson

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

Jesus called Simon, Andrew, James and John to leave their places of work along the seashore and follow him. Together they would begin a new profession—or rather, a new vocation—that entailed serving the people of God and making known the Good News. Many Christians may wish that Jesus would tap them on the shoulder and invite them into something new. Perhaps their current job does not pay enough to support a family. Maybe the employee's gifts are not being used to the fullest, or they are being asked to do unethical tasks. Parishes cannot employ everyone, but they can extend intentional invitations to be part of different ministries that align with a member's gifts and talents.

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Ministry Schedule January 27th & 28th

Mass	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
SAT. 4:00PM	Fr. Ed	M. Stinson	F. Streeper, B. DeLucry, J. D'Ascenzo
SUN. 8:00AM	Msgr. Morgan	B. Bologna	G.Espinoza, B. O'Connor, B. Ferris
SUN. 9:30AM	Msgr. Pashley	R. Barone	J. Staffieri, M. Brindisi, G. Scutti
SUN. 11:00AM	Fr. Ed	J. Murray	Deacon, F. Sucharski, R. Wilson

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



WEEK 2

1/08/24	632	Colleen Manley	\$ 50.00
1/09/24	122	Marta Rives	\$ 50.00
1/10/24	360	Carol Pancoast	\$ 50.00
1/11/24	270	Andrew Gdonski	\$ 50.00
1/12/24	246	Joann Murphy	\$ 50.00
1/13/24	439	Arthur Murray	\$ 50.00
1/14/24	438	James Dooling	\$ 50.00

Congratulations to our Week 2 winners!

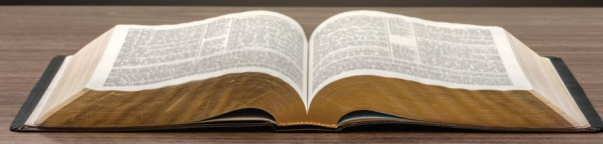
Congratulations to Our Parishioners Celebrating January Anniversaries

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

Religious Education



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**.

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.

What's Happening

- Jan. 21 Hospitality Sunday after morning Masses (Hall)
- Jan. 22 CCD Classes 4:00pm -7:00pm
KoC Free Throw Contest 6:30 - 8:30pm (CER)
- Jan. 23 Rosary 7:00pm
- Jan. 27 Reconciliation 10:00am (2nd Grade)
- Jan. 29 CCD Classes 4:00 - 7:00pm
- Jan. 30 Rosary 7:00pm
- Feb. 05 CCD Classes 4:00pm - 7:00pm
- Feb. 06 Rosary 7:00pm
Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:30pm (Hall)
- Feb. 07 Women's Club Meeting 6:30pm (Hall)
- Feb. 10 Confirmation Retreat 9:00am - 12noon (PMR)
- Feb. 11 Sweetheart Breakfast after all morning Masses



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.

SWEETHEART BREAKFAST

Sunday, February 11th
after each morning Mass 8:00, 9:30 &
11:00am
(in St. Philip Hall)

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a
 "Sweetheart Breakfast" in honor of
Valentine's Day.



Breakfast includes: Pancakes,
 sausage, bagels & drinks.

\$8⁰⁰ per adult & \$4⁰⁰ per child.

Each lady will receive a favor for
 Valentine's Day.

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.

Explore OUR PREK AND KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

JOIN US FOR WELCOME WEDNESDAYS
 (1/10, 1/24, 2/7, 2/21, 2/28)
 OR SCHEDULE A PRIVATE TOUR!

CONTACT US
adowney@arcsalloway.org
 609-652-7134

PREK3
 Students are learning the Pledge of Allegiance, recognizing letters, numbers, shapes, colors, capable of writing their names, mastering using safety scissors, prayers, virtues and so much more.

PREK4
 Our preschool program is designed to prepare students for Kindergarten and provide the structural foundation for success in years to come. Our preschool curriculum is centered on guiding and developing your child's growth spiritually, socially, emotionally and academically. We encourage independence and strive to build their self-esteem.

KINDERGARTEN
 Our Kindergarten is a place where your child will grow as a reader, writer, and problem solver. In Kindergarten your child will be encouraged to become a confident learner and independent student.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW Championship



Boys and Girls, Ages 9-14

Location: **Brigantine Beach Community Center, 265 42nd Street**

Date: **Monday, January 22, 2024** Time: **6:30 to 8:30 pm**

Sponsor: **Knights of Columbus, Brigantine Council #7020**

Contact: **Gil - 609-870-5427**

Please note: Entrants may compete in only one local competition.

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



CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. MARY
2001 SPRINGDALE RD., CHERRY HILL, NJ 08003



Sanctity of Life

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024
12:15PM (CHURCH)



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



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 will be held February 16 - 18, 2024 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.



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

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