

Saint Thomas the Apostle Church

331 8th Street So. Brigantine, NJ

www.stthomasbrigantine.org

Lent



Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 30, 2025

**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. Baptism preparation is required prior to Baptism. Preparation sessions are held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

Religious Education

Our Religious Education Program is for Grades 1st thru 8th and classes are held on Mondays from September - May. Registration begins in August.

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.

Low Gluten Communion

If you wish to receive a Gluten Free Host at Communion, please notify the sacristan serving Mass. Communion is distributed on the Baptismal Font side of the church.

BECOMING FULLY CATHOLIC

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

If you or someone you know is not fully initiated in the Catholic Church (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation), or a family member or friend has questions about becoming a Catholic, please contact **Deacon Len Long at 609-335-6470.**

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

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Saturday	March 29
8:30AM	Joe Migatz, Jr. by A Friend
4:00PM	LaMarr Gable by Ella & Molly Cermanski
	John Shannon by Mackey Family
	Joseph Silinskier by Wife Anne Marie & Family
	MaryAnn DeJulius by Donna & Jeff Piekarski
	James Ruggiano by Andy & Toni Solari
	Margaret & Howard Messick by Joanne & Family
	Irene Zuccaro by Tony & Gail
Sunday	March 30
8:00AM	Joe Migatz, Jr. by Jim & MaryLou Dooling
9:30AM	Maury Petrucci by Paul & Chris Mercurio
11:00AM	Joe Guglielmo by Women's Club of St. Thomas
	Robert DeWolfe, Jr. by Kathe & John Murray
	Charles J. Bendel by Turzanski Family
	Steve Xenakis by Coyle Family
	Barbara Gillespie by Annie & Mark Weichman
	Decd Mems of Conover Family by Barbara Dougherty
Monday	March 31
8:30AM	Dominic DiGiacomo by Family
Tuesday	April 1
8:30AM	LaMarr Gable by Women's Club of St. Thomas
6:30PM	Alice Stinson by Mackey Family
Wednesday	April 2
8:30AM	LaMarr Gable by James & Mary Barber
Thursday	April 3
8:30AM	Kathryn Graham Pashley by Son
Friday	April 4
8:30AM	Shirley Sabatini (Jim's Sis.) by Jim & Eileen Robbins
Saturday	April 5
8:30AM	Allen Discorfanio by Anne Grove
4:00PM	James Harvey by Wife Madeline
	Stephen Tomassi by Tomassi Family
	LaMarr Gable by Mary Accordino
	Kim Sutton by Mackey Family
	MaryAnn DeJulius by John McManus
Sunday	April 6
8:00AM	Joe Guglielmo by Toni & Dick Wilson
	Joseph Migatz, Jr. by Jim & Eileen Robbins
	George Paul Dorsey by Anne Grove
	Celine Powell by Mike & Gail Gallagher
	Patricia & Herb Raulfs by Richard & Gerry Michelfelder
	Jacqueline Seaman by Bert & Jessie Estlow
9:30AM	Giuseppe Calabro by Granddaughter & Family
11:00AM	Vito Pizzo by Family



"What you do after you say you believe"

"No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan." Joshua 5:12

Over the forty years that the Israelites journeyed through the desert, God provided them with manna to eat. As soon as they were able to enjoy the fruits of the Promised Land the manna ceased. Likewise, God's blessings to us may change over the years but it is important to trust that God will always provide his Stewards with all that we need,

**Collections for:
March 22nd & 23rd**

**Offertory: \$ 8,526.00
E-Giving: \$ 1,945.00
School: \$ 1,032.00
\$11,503.00**

*Please remember **St. Thomas the Apostle**
in your Estate Planning.*



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.



Children's Liturgy 9:30am Mass

If you have young children, know that they are welcome at Mass! We have a special liturgy for kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade students every Sunday at 9:30am Mass. The Liturgy of the Word is taught to the children in words they can understand. We look forward to seeing and teaching your children.

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:

Armand Savino, Claudette Liberto, Steve Steranko, Marie Twist, Kristina McDaniel, Jim Covert, Aurora Mary Gross, John Gans, Zoe Rodriguez, Melanie Hudson, Jim Schwab, Brody Pomager, Joanne Miller, Leah Loreaux, Diane & Charles Kuczynski, Robert Darin, Michael Feldman, Dominic Delia, Loretta Smith, Carol Graham, Madeline Harvey, Ronald DiPinto, Dora Meyers, Cheryl Kenney, Rob Moody, Fran Vanzant, Diane Anderson, Wyatt Joseph O'Brien, Joseph Saunders, Andy Papp, Dan Bordonaro, Jack Bordonaro, Joe Cawley, Robert Granieri, Jimmy Olizo, Forest Castellanie, Tom Gullone, Wesley Winkler, Stephanie Dehnhard, Jeannie Stanton

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, Staff 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, USCG, Sgt. Robert McAllister, US Army, Ofc. Vincent J. Barone, US Navy, Sgt. Michael Lange III, 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

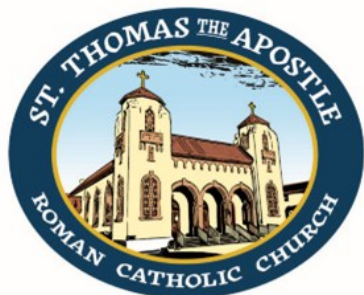
The familiar parable of the prodigal son is Jesus' response to the Pharisees and scribes who are scandalized that Jesus shares meals with tax collectors and sinners. Their complaints seem to parallel the older son's objection to the feast offered by the Father upon the younger son's return. As the Father welcomes both of his sons to the feast, God draws us together, saints and sinners in need of mercy, in the Eucharist we share.

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Ministry Schedule April 5th & April 6^h

	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
SAT. 4:00PM	Msgr. Pashley	M. Stinson	F. Streeper, M. Stinson, B. DeLucry
SUN. 8:00AM	Fr. Ed	B. Bologna	G. Gallagher, D. Phillips, A. Solari
SUN. 9:30AM	Msgr. Morgan	J. Levins	M. Brindisi, R. Pagoulatos, P. Zuber
SUN. 11:00AM	Fr. Ed	R Barone	Deacon, F. Sucharski, L. Flanagan

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



MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

SAT: 4:00PM

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

WEEKDAYS

MON. - SAT.: 8:30AM

TUES. EVENINGS: 6:30PM

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
CATHOLIC SCHOOL:** Galloway,
609-652-7134 www.arcs.org
Principal: Joanne McKnight



Envelopes for Easter Flower donations in remembrance of loved ones can be found in the entrances to the church. The envelopes will be placed on the Altar during the Easter Season. Thank you and God Bless you for your continued support and generosity.

What's Happening

Mar. 31 Religious Ed. Classes 4:00pm - 7:00pm

Apr. 01 Mass 6:30pm

Rosary 7:00pm

Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:30pm (Hall)

Apr. 02 Scripture Study 9:15am (PMR)

Women's Club Meeting 6:30pm (Hall)

Apr. 04 Stations of the Cross 7:00pm (Church)

The Women's Club of St. Thomas

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

Greetings to all Women's Club members.

We will hold our next meeting on **April 2, at 6:30 p.m., in St. Philip Hall.** Our March meeting was well received, as we welcomed many new faces. During this time of Lent, the evening was dedicated to a Night of Reflection. As always, new members are welcome to join our club.



DURING LENT:

A MASS will be celebrated **EVERY TUESDAY EVENING** during Lent at **6:30pm**, (beginning on March 11) followed by the Rosary at 7pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Friday evening at 7:00pm in the Church during Lent.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY will meet **every Wednesday** from March 5th thru April 16th at 9:15am in the Parish Meeting Room. All are welcome to attend as we are always happy to welcome new members.

Lenten Guidelines:

Weekdays of Lent: There is no obligation to fast. However, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

Days of Abstinence: (All Fridays in Lent) All who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday: These are days of Fast and Abstinence from meat. There is a limit of one full meal on these days for all between the ages of 18 and 59.

Easter Duty Obligation: After they have received their First Holy Communion, Catholics are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season.



**Knights of
Columbus®**

NOW OPEN FOR THE SEASON

Knights of Columbus

Location: 601 Bayshore Ave.

SATURDAY: Hours: 8:00am - 1:00pm

We have items for every room of your house. Also, we have seasonal decorations. Remember, if you have gently used items (**except clothing and shoes**), that you wish to donate, please drop them off during business hours. **We look forward to seeing you**

Please be advised that ALL DONATIONS MUST BE DROPPED OFF AT 601 BAYSHORE AVE. DURING BUSINESS HOURS. Any questions or concerns, please contact the parish office at **609-266-2123** and leave your name and contact number and your call will be returned.

**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

1st Saturday Reflection Day

With the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal



Date: April 5, 2025

Time: 10am-1pm

Location: St. Michael Church,
Atlantic City

Eucharistic Adoration, Confession,
Meditation on the Mysteries of the
Rosary, Holy Mass 12 noon

**We Are
HIRING**

2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

Certified Pre-K Teacher

Qualifications:

- ✓ Enjoy working with children
- ✓ Possess a valid teaching certification for elementary education.

Send your resume, cover letter, and references to: tyrrell.amy@olssac.org

Recent teacher education graduates and retired teachers are encouraged to apply.

Have Questions or would like more info?

609.345.0648



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:

Cereal, Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce

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.**

HOLY SPIRIT MOTHER'S GUILD

SUMMER RAFFLE CONTEST

DRAWING MAY 13

\$20 PER CHANCE

1st 1^{ST PRIZE} - BAREFOOT BLAST! 2 - 4 DAY GENERAL ADMISSION TICKETS, 1 - 4 DAY BEACH PARKING PASS, MERCHANDISE BUNDLE: T-SHIRT, HAT, STICKER PACKET, AND KOOZIE PLUS 2- \$100 VISA GIFT CARDS. \$1100 VALUE

2nd 2^{ND PRIZE} - PHILLIES PHUN! TICKETS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 @ 7:15 VS THE METS, 6 TICKETS FOR SECTION 116, CLEAR STADIUM BAG, PHILLIE GEAR, \$100 VISA GIFT CARD. \$850 VALUE.

3rd 3^{RD PRIZE} - BEACH BLAST! BEACH CHAIR, YETI SOFT COOLER, INFLATABLE STANDUP PADDLEBOARD, 2 YETI TUMBLERS, 2 BEACH TOWELS, SOUL BERRY GIFT CARD ERNEST AND SONS GIFT CARD. \$800 VALUE.

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Holy Week Masses
South Jersey Catholic Cemeteries

*Please join us in celebrating our
Masses in our chapel mausoleums!
Masses will begin at 10 AM*

Monday | April 14

Sacred Heart Cemetery, Vineland
Holy Cross Cemetery, Mays Landing

Tuesday | April 15

All Saints Cemetery, Newfield
Calvary Cemetery, Cherry Hill
New St. Mary Cemetery, Bellmawr

For more information, visit
SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org



Golf and Dinner Fundraiser
Jersey Shore Women's Center - Galloway
Renault Winery Golf - May 19th 9:30-6:00
Mass - Lunch - Golf - Dinner - Prizes - Fun

The JSWC provides support to all women and their families in a loving environment, connecting them to the resources and services they need. Through all stages of a woman's life, we walk alongside her, providing education and promoting healthy families.

More information and registration at

go.dojiggy.io/jswc25

Questions?

Contact Mike Dougherty at 215-262-5726

**The Way of
St. James on
the Road to Life**
for Seniors and
their Families



*Enjoy the quiet and simplicity of nature on this pilgrimage.
The day begins with morning prayer, followed by
a 2.5 mile walk, Mass and lunch.*

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY



The annual baby needs drive will be held from **Sunday, March 9th through Sunday, April 13th** in support of **MOMS in NEED** at the Jersey Shore Women's Center in Galloway. This pregnancy resource center provides support to all women and their families in a loving environment, connecting them to the resources they need.

The center's current needs are Diapers - Size 4-7; Pull Ups - Size 2-3T to 5-6T; Baby Wipes; New Infant & Toddler Clothing - Size 9 months - 5T; Hooded Bath Towels & Washcloths; Crib & Bassinet Sheets; Receiving Blankets; Humidifiers.

Donations can be placed in the Pack n Play located in the front of the church on the parking lot side. For more information on how you can support the Jersey Shore Women's Center or assistance with a donation drop off or pick up, call Brian or Kathy Mulvenna at 609-266-2268.

Gift Cards (Target, Walmart, Amazon) are also appreciated and can be inserted into the labeled drop box next to the pack n play.

Saturday
April 26, 2025
9:00 a.m - 1:00 p.m

► Check-in starts
at 8:00 a.m

Starting at Holy Trinity Parish
St. James Church, Ventnor, NJ

To register
scan the QR or
call 856-583-6121



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