

# Saint Thomas the Apostle Church

331 8<sup>th</sup> Street So. Brigantine, NJ  
[www.stthomasbrigantine.org](http://www.stthomasbrigantine.org)

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

March 17, 2024

*The hour has come  
for the Son of Man  
to be glorified*

5th Sunday of Lent

**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.

**Mass Intentions**  
**FOR THE WEEK**



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| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>March 16</b>   |
| 8:30AM           | Elizabeth Maguire by Maguire Family   |
| 4:00PM           | Joseph Andolfi by Lea & Frank Sacco<br>Joseph Wasschutz by Aunt Pat & Mark<br>Rose Sayer by Mom & Mark<br>Yolanda Amaya Torres by Dulay Family<br>Ronald Vuillermet by Wife Phyllis   |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>March 17</b>   |
| 8:00AM           | Marie Mogan by Mogan Family<br>Joseph Rifice, III by Donna Malinowski<br>Philomena Arena by Bill & Kathy Bennett  |
| 9:30AM           | Dominic & Rachel Mazzulo by Raymond & Mary Heffner  |
| 11:00AM          | Deceased Members of Cawfield Family by David Cawfield   |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>March 18</b>   |
| 8:30AM           | Camila Hanson by Linda  |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>March 19</b>   |
| 8:30AM           | Ann Serale by Linda   |
| 6:30PM           | Parishioners of St. Thomas  |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>March 20</b>   |
| 8:30AM           | Baby Camila Hanson by LaMar Buffington  |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>March 21</b>   |
| 8:30AM           | Dolores Morello by Msgr. Pashley  |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>March 22</b>   |
| 8:30AM           | Celia Orlovski by Ava & Nicco   |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>March 23</b>   |
| 8:30AM           | Catherine Daddario by MaryEllen & Jeff Cameron<br>Socorro Solis Castillo by Dulay Family  |
| 4:00PM           | Rocco Bunting by Roy Sutton<br>Carmen Balsama by MaryLou & Jim Dooling<br>Pat Castellano by Turzanski Family  |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>March 24</b>   |
| 8:00AM           | Joan Bergiven by Bill & Mary Gallagher  |
| 9:30AM           | Louis Marchesani, Jr. by Marie & Mike Brindisi<br>Deceased DiJoseph Family Members by Janice & Ricchina<br>Eugene Marquis by Mike & Vicky Chubb<br>Barbara Bound by Parker Family<br>Diana & Paul McEvoy/Orillo by Children & Grandchildren |
| 11:00AM          | Vera Manning by Family  |

**MASS SCHEDULE**

- WEEKENDS**  
**SAT: 4:00PM**  
**SUN: 8, 9:30 & 11:00AM**
- WEEKDAYS**  
**MON. - SAT.: 8:30AM**  
**Tues. Evening 6:30PM**
- CONFESSION**  
**Saturday: 3PM**  
**or by appointment**  
**Wednesday Evening**  
**7:00 - 7:30PM**

**PASTOR: Fr. Edward Maher**  
[e.maher@stabrig.org](mailto: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](mailto:office@stabrig.org)

**BULLETIN EDITOR:**  
**Barb Cawley, ext. 102**  
[bulletin@stabrig.org](mailto:bulletin@stabrig.org)

**DEADLINE- FRIDAY, 10:00AM**



**“What you do after you say you believe”**

*“I will be their God and they shall be my people.” Jeremiah 31:33*

What does it mean to be God’s people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren’t “owners” of anything, we are merely “Stewards” of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors and for people we don’t know, just as God cares for each of us.

**Collections for: March 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Offertory: \$6,548.00**

**E-Giving: \$2,465.00**  
**\$9,013.00**

**Catholic Relief Services: \$1,520.00**



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.



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.

## Prayer Requests



### **FOR ALL OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:**

**Robert Long (Deacon Lenny’s Brother),  
Barbara Smaldore**

### **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 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, Brian Cavallari, Bill Whalen, Joanne Miller, Asha Freytag, Pat Marziano, Charles Kuczynski, Douglas Boehme, Sr., Colleen Brown, Mary Spence, Robert Moody, Shawna O’Brien Lee, Steve Long, Sally Sooy, Dominic Delia, Armand Savino

### **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**

Jesus understands that his hour is coming. The Son of God knows that fulfilling his saving mission means facing a brutal death on a cross. As we draw closer to Holy Week, and particularly to Good Friday, let us remember the many people in prisons who await their death at the hands of the government. The death penalty continues to end the lives of dozens of people in the U.S. prisons each year. Pope Francis said with regard to the death penalty, the Church is “firmly committed to calling its abolition worldwide.” Check out the advocacy work of Sr. Helen Prejean, who has dedicated her life to ending the death penalty.

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### **Ministry Schedule March 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>**

Mass	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
<b>SAT. 4:00PM</b>	Fr. Ed	F, Burbridge, M. Stinson	M. Stinson, B. DeLucry, J. D’Ascenzo
<b>SUN. 8:00AM</b>	Fr. Bob	L. Camerota, R. Barone	G. Gallagher, D. Phillips, A. Solari
<b>SUN. 9:30AM</b>	Msgr. Pashley	B. Bologa, J. Levins	J. Staffieri, M. Brindisi, G. Scutti
<b>SUN. 11:00AM</b>	Fr. Ed	J. Murray, E. Stafford	Deacon, F. Sucharski, R. Wilson

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

### **DURING LENT:**

**A MASS** will be celebrated **EVERY TUESDAY EVENING** during Lent at **6:30pm**, (beginning on February 20) followed by the Rosary at 7pm.

**CONFESSIONS** will be heard **every Saturday** at **3:00pm** and **Wednesday evening** during Lent from **7:00 - 7:30pm**.

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

**LENTEN BIBLE STUDY** will meet **every Wednesday** from Feb. 14th thru March 27th. at **9:15am** in the **Parish Meeting Room**. All are welcome to attend as we are always happy to welcome new members.

#### **Lenten Prayer Group February 16<sup>th</sup> thru March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Treat yourself this Lent!** Come explore the Sunday Scriptures in a faith sharing setting amongst fellow parishioners, with similar aspirations of drawing closer to God. Each **Friday during Lent**, we will assemble in the **Parish Meeting Room** (behind the rectory office) from **5:45pm to 7:00pm** to pour over the readings to discover anew their meaning for our lives. Music, meditation and commentary will guide us on our journey. **See you there!**

#### **Lenten Rules & Regulations:**

**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.

#### **Poor Man's Dinner**

**5:30-6:30pm - St. Philip Hall  
All are Welcome!**

#### **Holy Thursday:**

***In mercy, poverty is more abundant than wealth***

**Come share a meal with your fellow  
parishioners to remember the**

**Lord's Last Supper...  
A Great Meal of Fellowship**



### **HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2024**

#### **Passion (Palm) Sunday, March 24<sup>TH</sup>:**

Palm will be blessed and distributed at each Mass  
Saturday: 4PM

Sunday: 8AM, 9:30AM & 11AM

#### ***The Sacred Triduum***

#### **Holy Thursday, March 28<sup>TH</sup>:**

5:30PM Poor Mans Supper (Hall)

7PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration at the Altar of Repose until 10PM

#### **Good Friday, March 29<sup>TH</sup>:**

3PM Passion of the Lord  
and Holy Communion

#### **Holy Saturday, March 30<sup>TH</sup>:**

**7:30PM Easter Vigil (no 4PM Mass)**

Confessions: 10:30AM - 11:30AM

12 Noon: Blessing of Easter Food Baskets

#### **Easter Sunday, March 31<sup>ST</sup>:**

8AM, 9:30AM & 11AM

**The Lord is Risen, Alleluia**

***There will be NO MORNING Mass on  
Thursday, Friday or Saturday.***



Mar. 18 CCD Classes 4:00pm - 7:00pm

Mar. 19 Mass 6:30pm  
Rosary 7:00pm

Mar. 20 Scripture Study 9:15am (PMR)  
KoC Meeting (4<sup>th</sup> Degree) 6:00pm (Hall)  
Confession 7:00pm - 7:30pm

Mar. 22 Lenten Prayer Group 5:45pm - 7:00pm (PMR)  
Stations of the Cross 7:00pm Church

Mar. 25 CCD Classes 4:00pm - 7:00pm

Mar. 26 Mass 6:30pm  
Rosary 7:00pm



# ...and the WINNERS are...

## WEEK 10

3/04/24	045	Allison Schaeffer	\$ 50.00
3/05/24	557	Gary McCunney	\$ 50.00
3/06/24	642	Frank & Donna Paterek	\$ 50.00
3/07/24	294	Diane & Andrew Litecky	\$ 50.00
3/08/24	332	Eileen Hannigan	\$ 50.00
3/09/24	201	Bill Gallagher	\$ 50.00
3/10/24	188	Donna & Dan Stenderowicz	\$ 50.00

***Congratulations to our Week 10 winners!***



## CHRISM MASS WITH BISHOP SULLIVAN

**TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2024**  
OUR LADY OF HOPE  
BLACKWOOD

Bishop Dennis Sullivan celebrates the annual Chrism Mass on **Tuesday, March 26 at 3:30 p.m. at Saint Agnes Church, Our Lady of Hope Parish, in Blackwood.** All are welcome to attend the Mass!

During the Chrism Mass, Bishop Sullivan blesses oils for sacramental use throughout the diocese. The priests of the diocese also reaffirm their ordination vows at this Mass.

Also, watch the livestream:  
[facebook.com/CamdenDiocese](https://facebook.com/CamdenDiocese);  
[YouTube.com/camdendiocese](https://YouTube.com/camdendiocese)



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Retreat House  
*refresh, renew, rejoice*  
Since 1912

## MEN'S HOLY WEEK RETREAT

March 28th - 30th, 2024

Our 100th Anniversary

**If interested, contact  
Bob Quinn @ 609-713-2860**



## RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY



The annual baby needs drive will be held from **Sunday, February 11th through Sunday, March 24th** 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 Mulvena 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.



### ***Knights of Columbus*** ***(WILL BE OPENING NEXT SATURDAY,*** ***MARCH 23RD)***

**Location: 601 Bayshore Ave.**  
**Hours: 8:00am - 1:00pm**

We have items for every room of your house. Also, 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 soon.**

**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 ext. 102** and leave your name and contact number and your call will be returned.



### **"FR. ANTHONY'S PASTA DINNER FUNDRAISER"**

ST. GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA PARISH

1421 New Road, Northfield, NJ 08225

**TODAY, SUNDAY, MARCH 17**

**1:00 pm to 5:00 pm in the Parish Hall**

**Pre-Sale tickets** are available at the weekend Masses and at the Parish office Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. \$15 Adults, \$10 Children

**Tickets at the door: \$17 Adults, \$10 Children**

**Menu:** Pasta w/ Homemade Tomato Sauce and Meatballs, Sausage, Caesar Salad with Homemade Dressing, Homemade Dessert and Beverage. You can dine with us or you may purchase dinner to go! Come join us for an afternoon of delicious food, great company, music, and lots of fun! **For more information please call 609-646-5611.**

### **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**