

A large, three-dimensional cross made of green palm fronds is centered on a vibrant red background. The cross is formed by two thick palm fronds intersecting at the center, with a thinner frond wrapped around the intersection. The lighting creates soft shadows, giving the cross a sense of depth. The background has a subtle, darker red gradient.

Palm

Saint Thomas the Apostle Church

331 8th Street So. Brigantine, NJ
www.stthomasbrigantine.org

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

March 24, 2024

Sunday

**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



Saturday	March 23
8:30AM	Catherine Daddario by MaryEllen & Jeff Cameron
4:00PM	Socorro Solis Castillo by Dulay Family Rocco Bunting by Roy Sutton Carmen Balsama by MaryLou & Jim Dooling Pat Castellano by Turzanski Family
Sunday	March 24
8:00AM	Joan Bergiven by Bill & Mary Gallagher
9:30AM	Louis Marchesani, Jr. by Marie & Mike Brindisi Deceased DiJoseph Family Members by Janice & Ricchina Eugene Marquis by Mike & Vicky Chubb Barbara Bound by Parker Family Diana & Paul McEvoy/Orillo by Children & Grandchildren Vera Manning by Family
11:00AM	
Monday	March 25
8:30AM	Joseph Rifice, III by Lou Marchesani
Tuesday	March 26
8:30AM	Victoria Vandenberg by Mom
6:30PM	Parishioners of St. Thomas
Wednesday	March 27
8:30AM	Madeleine Vasturia by MaryEllen & Jeff Cameron
Thursday	March 28 (Holy Thursday)
8:30AM	NO MORNING MASS
7:00PM	Stephen Tomassi by Family
Friday	March 29 (Good Friday)
8:30AM	NO MORNING MASS
3:00PM	Passion Service with Holy Communion
Saturday	March 30 (Holy Saturday)
8:30AM	NO MORNING MASS
7:30PM	Dominic DiGiacomo by Family Isabel Zambrana by Joe & MJ Kelso
Sunday	March 31 (Easter Sunday)
8:00AM	Thomas Cahill by Manny Ketterer
9:30AM	Bonsignore Family by Anna
11:00AM	Italiano Family by Elena Italiano Culmone Family by Elena Italiano Ernest & Kathleen Chubb by Family AnnaMay McAlinden by Annie & Mark Weichman Patricia Castellano by Women's Club of St. Thomas

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

PERMANENT DEACON: Len Long

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
609-266-2123
Mon.- Thurs.: 9:00AM - 4:00PM
Friday 9:00AM - 1:00pm
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DEADLINE- FRIDAY, 10:00AM



“What you do after you say you believe”

“Pilate again said to them, ‘Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?’ And they cried out again, ‘Crucify him.’”
Mark 15:12-13

Jesus told us “whatever you do for the least of my brother, you do for me.” Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone. Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Every day we pass by someone in need. Pray for the strength and courage to live Stewardship by being the answer to someone’s prayer.

Collections for: March 16th & 17th

Offertory: \$6,785.00
E-Giving: \$ 1912.00
School: \$1,053.00
\$9,750.00



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.



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:

Carmella Bramilla, Lorraine Latzko
Please keep their families in your prayers.

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

As the crowds honor Jesus’ presence with shouts of “Hosanna!” and waves of branches, Jesus knows his time on earth is almost up. How did Jesus feel? What anxieties gnawed at him? Even the Son of God cries out in agony and asks to be saved from this painful hour. The journey toward death can be a frightening and lonely process for many. While we journey with Jesus toward his death this week, we are invited to remember the many people currently on their deathbeds. Let us pray that they may be received into the loving embrace of God at their times of death. May they know of God’s great love for them and soon experience the joys of life everlasting.

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Ministry Schedule March 30th & 31st

Mass	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
SAT. 7:30PM	Fr. Ed	F, Burbridge, B. Bologna	Deacon, B. DeLucry
SUN. 8:00AM	Fr. Bob	L. Camerota	G. Espinoza, B. O’Connor, K. Mogan
SUN. 9:30AM	Fr. Ed	R. Pennestri	P. Zuber, G. Scutti, J. Staffieri
SUN. 11:00AM	Msgr. Pashley	J. Murray	R. Wilson, L. Flanagan

*******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**.

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 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**

Knowing that hatred stalked his life, on the night before he died, Jesus gathered his apostles and shared his table with them. How the memory of that night must have marked their lives! There would be fellowship and food with the Lord after the resurrection, but the meal that created the nascent church came the night before he died. It was then, in his abasement and indigence, that Jesus proclaimed the resurgence of Israel's covenant with her ever faithful Lord. He broke bread and spoke of his body, ready to be broken. He shared a chalice with them, sealing a new covenant in his blood about to be shed.



HOLY WEEK

HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2024

The Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday, March 28TH:

5:30PM Poor Mans Supper (Hall)

7PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration at the Altar of Repose until 10PM

Good Friday, March 29TH:

3PM Passion of the Lord
and Holy Communion

Holy Saturday, March 30TH:

7:30PM Easter Vigil (NO 4PM MASS)

Confessions: 10:30AM - 11:30AM

12 Noon: Blessing of Easter Food Baskets

Easter Sunday, March 31ST:

8AM, 9:30AM & 11AM

The Lord is Risen, Alleluia

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

**What's
Happening**

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

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

Mar. 27 Scripture Study 9:15am (PMR)
Confession 7:00pm - 7:30pm

Mar. 28 Poor Man's Supper 5:30pm (Hall)
Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00pm

Mar. 29 Passion Service 3:00pm

Mar. 30 Confessions 10:30am - 11:30am
Easter Basket Blessing 12Noon
Easter Vigil Mass 7:30pm **(NO 4:00PM MASS)**



Week 11

3/11/24	446	Mary DeMarco	\$ 50.00
3/12/24	004	Michelle Caccavo	\$ 50.00
3/13/24	288	Marguerite Tucker	\$ 50.00
3/14/24	191	Maddie & Sean Stenderowicz	\$ 50.00
3/15/24	303	Karen Reilly	\$ 50.00
3/16/24	124	Marta Rives	\$ 50.00
3/17/24	433	Joseph Guglielmo	\$ 100.00

Congratulations to our Week 11 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;
YouTube.com/camdendiocese



Malvern
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**





Divine Mercy Sunday

The Parish will be celebrating this beautiful event on **Sunday, April 7, 2024**, inspired by Saint Faustina Kowalski., **starting at 2 PM.**

The painting of Jesus that she inspired will be shown, and a short talk of her devotions, to trust in God's endless goodness, and to show mercy onto others, will be discussed by Deacon Len. He will also lead in the reading of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

There will be **confessions at 2 PM**, and the Hour of Mercy at 3 PM. Confessions at this time are very important and will be spoken about.

The Knights of Columbus will participate in this Holy event and provide Divine Mercy Cards to all who participate.

NOW OPEN!

Knights of Columbus

**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.



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.

1st Saturday Reflection Day with the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal



**Date: April 6, 2024
Time: 10am - 1pm
Location: St. Michael Church,
Atlantic City
Guest Speaker: Fr. Stephen, CFR
Eucharistic Adoration,
Confession and Meditation on the
Mysteries of the Rosary.
Holy Mass at 12 noon**

For more info: www.franciscansisterscfr.com/st-michael

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**