



# *Saint Thomas the Apostle Church*

331 8<sup>th</sup> Street So. Brigantine, NJ

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

May 04, 2025

3rd Sunday of Easter



## **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](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)

**ASSUMPTION REGIONAL**

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL:** Galloway,  
609-652-7134 [www.arcs.org](http://www.arcs.org)

**Principal:** Joanne McKnight

### **DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:**

Mary Jane Kelso,  
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**DEADLINE - WED., 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 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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<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 3</b>
8:30AM	<b>Michael Maiorano</b> <i>by Roseann</i>
4:00PM	<b>Joe Kelso, Sr.</b> <i>by Joe &amp; MJ Kelso</i> <b>LaMarr Gable</b> <i>by Roseann &amp; Anthony DiMaggio</i> <b>Anna M. Quader</b> <i>by Daughter Joanne &amp; Family</i> <b>Katie Quinlan</b> <i>by George &amp; Beckie Kuhl</i> <b>Elizabeth Kraynik</b> <i>by Friend Laurene</i> <b>Carol Graham</b> <i>by Joanna Guglielmo</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 4</b>
8:00AM	<b>Bernard Patrick O'Connor, Jr.</b> <i>by Kathe &amp; John Murray</i>
9:30AM	<b>Ken Schwab</b> <i>by Joe &amp; MJ Kelso</i> <b>Joseph Guglielmo</b> <i>by Bob &amp; Lynn McCarthy</i> <b>Albert Staffieri</b> <i>by Connie Primrau</i> <b>Harrison Klaiss &amp; Family</b> <i>by Mackey Family</i> <b>Andrew &amp; Dorothy Kulick</b> <b>James Ruggiano</b> <i>by Nick D'Annunzio</i> <b>Joe DeGovann</b> <i>by Family</i> 11:00AM <b>Salvatore Italiano</b> <i>by Wife &amp; Children</i>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 5</b>
8:30AM	<b>Damon Galmin, Jr.</b> <i>by Trish &amp; Jim Levins</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>May 6</b>
8:30AM	<b>LaMarr Gable</b> <i>by Stan &amp; Alicia Seksinsky</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May 7</b>
8:30AM	<b>Tom Park</b> <i>by Friend</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>May 8</b>
8:30AM	<b>Shirley Sabatini</b> <i>by Mike &amp; Gail Gallagher</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 9</b>
8:30AM	<b>Joseph Migatz, Jr.</b> <i>by Trish &amp; Jim Levins</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 10</b>
8:30AM	<b>Bernard O'Connor, Jr.</b> <i>by Maryellen &amp; Bernie O'Connor</i>
4:00PM	<b>Gregory Nacios</b> <i>by Marcia &amp; Ron Williams</i> <b>Joyce &amp; Charlie Romeo</b> <i>by Marcia &amp; Ron Williams</i> <b>LaMarr Gable</b> <i>by Joe &amp; MJ Kelso</i> <b>Mary Ann DeJulius</b> <i>by Roseann &amp; Anthony DiMaggio</i> <b>Joan Welsh</b> <i>by Kathleen Schlotterback</i> <b>Mary Shuster</b> <i>by Kathleen Schlotterback</i> <b>Peter Besrutschko</b> <i>by Barbara Jaffe</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 11</b>
8:00AM	<b>Vincenza &amp; Thomas Gervasio</b> <i>by Daughter</i> <b>Dolores R. Seidelmann</b> <i>by Husband &amp; Daughter</i> 9:30AM <b>Maria Culmone</b> <i>by Elena Italiano</i> 11:00AM <b>Mariantonia &amp; Giuseppina</b> <i>by Anna &amp; Family</i> <b>John T. Daniels, Sr.</b> <i>by Ret. Capt. James V. &amp; Amy Daniels</i> <b>Frances Greiman</b> <i>by Kathe &amp; John Murray</i> <b>Robert Burns</b> <i>by Women's Club of St. Thomas</i> <b>Albert Staffieri</b> <i>by Marissa &amp; Al Staffieri</i> <b>Crocifissa &amp; Anna Italiano</b> <i>by Elena Italiano</i>



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

"...Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.'" John 21:17

How often in Stewardship do you actually say the words "I love you" to Jesus, to family members, or to friends? We are made to be in a relationship with God and each other. Sincerely telling someone that you love them is the best gift you can give them because it comes from your heart. You are giving them the gift of yourself. We all were made by love and for love. Tell someone you love them every day.

**Collections for:  
April 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Offertory: \$ 7,617.00**  
**E-Giving: \$ 2,393.00**  
**School: \$ 1,111.00**  
**\$ 11,121.00**



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 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 YOUR RECENTLY DECEASED:

**Michael Moyer, Mary Jane White, Melanie King Hudson**  
Please keep their families in your prayers.

### FOR OUR SICK:

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

### 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, 1st Lt. Aidan Crosby, 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 care we give to those entrusted to us flows from the Lord's love for us and in an expression of our love for the Lord. Give thanks for the privilege of caring for those entrusted to you.

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### Ministry Schedule May 10<sup>th</sup> & May 11<sup>th</sup>

	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
<b>SAT. 4:00PM</b>	Fr. Ed	F. Burbridge	F. Streeper, B. DeLucry, J. D'Ascenzo
<b>SUN. 8:00AM</b>	Msgr. Morgan	J. Robbins	B. O'Connor, G. Espinoza, K. Mogan
<b>SUN. 9:30AM</b>	Fr. Ed	M. Dougherty	R. Pagoulatos, P. Zuber, M. Brindisi
<b>SUN. 11:00AM</b>	Bishop Joseph Williams	J. Murray, K. Murray	Deacon, T. Tomlin, L. Flanagan

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

## ***A Message from Our Pastor***

Dear Parishioners,

We are so happy that Bishop Joseph Williams will be able to preside at our Confirmation on Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at the 11:00am mass. He has heard good things about Brigantine and is looking forward to coming. We will have nineteen being confirmed. This year, we have both quantity and quality in our Confirmation class. They are very well prepared!

You are welcome to attend, however, it is going to be very crowded. There will be over 125 people who will come for the Confirmation, plus our usual parishioners who attend the 11:00am mass. We will open up St. Philip Hall for the overflow. The mass will be longer than usual!

Our 9:30am mass will not have music. We will move the mass along. Our goal is to have all cars out of the parking lot by 10:15am, that way we will have time to set up everything that has to be done for the Confirmation mass.

Confirmation is always a great event in our parish. Our young people will be fully initiated into the Catholic Church. They will receive a fuller expression of the Holy Spirit. This is a great reason to rejoice.

Sincerely,

*Fr. Ed Maher*



### ***CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED THEIR 1<sup>ST</sup> HOLY COMMUNION ON MAY 3<sup>RD</sup>***

***Dallas Abbruscato***

***Tripp Cioci***

***Eva Cox***

***Mason Dougherty***

***Blake Harden***

***Isaac Howell***

***Danni Pursell***

***Harper Schaffer***

***Isabella Triolo***

## **What's Happening**

**May 04** Confirmation Practice after 11:00am Mass

**May 06** Rosary 7:00pm  
Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:30pm (Hall)

**May 07** Women's Club Meeting 6:30pm (Hall)

### **SOCIAL EVENTS MEETING**

A Social Events Meeting will be held on **Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Parish Meeting Room**. This meeting will be to discuss the final preparations for the Night at the Races event. All are invited to attend. We hope to see you there.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** must be received in the office by **WEDNESDAY, 10 days prior** to the weekend of publication. They may also be emailed to [bulletin@stabrig.org](mailto:bulletin@stabrig.org).

**BULLETIN INSERT REQUESTS** must be received in the office **3 WEEKS** prior to the publication date. Once approval is granted, the requesting group will be responsible for putting the inserts into the bulletins when they are delivered. Thank you for your cooperation.



**MAY**

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**SATURDAY**

**TICKETS \$25 - ON SALE NOW IN THE  
PARISH OFFICE & AFTER ALL  
WEEKEND MASSES**

**Tickets are \$25 each and include a  
dinner buffet. BYOB**

**St. Philip Hall, Doors open @ 5:00pm**

**BASKET RAFFLE with amazing gifts  
including: Michael Kors Bag, Eagles Package  
(Large Shirt, XL Shirt & Coffee Mug),  
Bella Russo Bags, LB One Restaurant Gift Cert.  
w/ bottle of wine, Phillies Package (4 Phillies  
Game Tickets, 2025 Team Calendar, Baseball,  
Coffee Mug, and Baseball Cap)**



**The Women's Club  
A caring community of Christian  
Women within our Church**

**Greetings to all Women's Club members.**

We will hold our next meeting on **May 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.,  
in St. Philip Hall.** Our April meeting was well attended.  
The WCST collected Easter basket items for our com-  
munity shut-ins and others in need. Please come out  
and join us for our May meeting. As always, new mem-  
bers are always welcome.



OUR JOURNEY  
*United* IN **HOPE**

Your Catholic Ministries Appeal gift promotes discipleship among the youth and young adults of the Diocese of Camden through evangelization activities and leadership development. Your gift enables our young people to participate in Summer in the City, the Diocesan Youth Congress, Catholic Scouting, Theology on Tap and campus ministry programs in area universities.

**Support the 2025 South Jersey  
Catholic Ministries Appeal**

[www.camdendiocese.org/sjcma](http://www.camdendiocese.org/sjcma)



### **2025 Baby Bottle Campaign**

The Respect Life Ministry of St. Thomas will be handing out baby bottles to be filled with coins, cash or checks, after all morning masses over Mother's Day weekend (May 10 - 11). The bottles will be collected on Father's Day weekend (June 14 - 15). All donations collected will go to the Jersey Shore Women's Center to help mothers and children in need. If you have questions or need more information, call Kathy Mulvenna at 609-266-2268.

St. Thomas continues to support **"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 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.

— Upcoming Ordination —



ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

Nickolas  
Naticchione

Saturday, May 10, 2025 | 10:30 AM

SAINT JAMES CHURCH  
HOLY TRINITY PARISH  
6415 ATLANTIC AVE, VENTNOR CITY, NJ 08406



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— Upcoming Ordination —



ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Rev. Mr. Timothy Mulranen  
&  
Rev. Mr. Thomas Piro

Saturday, May 17, 2025 | 10:30 AM

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH  
MARY, MOTHER OF MERCY PARISH  
500 GREENTREE RD, GLASSBORO, NJ 08028



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Knights of  
Columbus®

**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.

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National at  
RENAULT WINERY

**GOLF & DINNER  
FUNDRAISER  
MAY 19, 2025**

Supporting



**DON'T GOLF?  
YOU CAN ATTEND THE  
DINNER ONLY FOR  
\$50PP**

**9:30am to 7:00PM**

**\$250 SINGLE PLAYER**

**\$1000 FOURSOME TEAM**

\*both options include box lunch and  
Dinner at RENAULT WINERY

Visit website below to:

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Text  
JSWC-Golf1  
to 833-755-6550  
to view Information Website  
from your phone

**Contact Mike for more info or questions at  
215-262-5726**

### 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)

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**Diocese of Camden Addiction Hotline:**

**1-855-5HOPE4U**