

# Saint Thomas the Apostle Church

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

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Please visit our website:  
[www.stthomasbrigantine.org](http://www.stthomasbrigantine.org)

May 22, 2022  
6th Sunday of Easter



## MASS SCHEDULE

### WEEKENDS

SAT: 4:00PM  
SUN: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00AM  
(9:30 livestreamed)

### WEEKDAYS

MON. - SAT.: 8:30AM

### CONFESSION

Saturday: 3PM  
or by appointment

**PASTOR:** Fr. Edward Maher

**PAROCHIAL VICAR:** Fr. Krzysztof Wtorek

**PERMANENT DEACON:** Deacon Len Long

**FAITH FORMATION &  
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**  
Deacon Len Long & Deb Widmann

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon. - Thurs.: 9:00AM - 4:00PM  
Friday 9:00AM - 1:00pm

### DIRECTOR OF MUSIC & LITURGY:

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**DEADLINE- Monday 10:00AM**

### ASSUMPTION REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL:

Galloway, 609-652-7134  
[www.arcs.org](http://www.arcs.org) Principal Joan Dollinger

**WELCOME TO  
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH**

**To Schedule Baptisms & Weddings**  
Please call the Parish Office.

**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. 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.

**Weekly Devotions**

**Rosary:** Mon. - Fri. : after 8:30am Mass

Saturday: 8:10am & Tuesday: 7PM

**Miraculous Medal Novena:** Monday

**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.

St. Thomas Church  
Brigantine



St. Thomas the Apostle  
Church of Brigantine, NJ

**Mass Intentions**

**6th Sunday of Easter**

**Saturday**

8:30AM  
4:00PM

**Sunday**

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

**Monday**

8:30AM

**Tuesday**

8:30AM

**Wednesday**

8:30AM

**Thursday**

8:30AM

**Friday**

8:30AM

**Saturday**

8:30AM  
4:00PM

**Sunday**

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

**May 21**

Dominic & Gloria Gervasio by Anne Grove  
Helen DeJulius by DoAnn & Roger Bernhammer  
Edward Mong by Madeline Harvey

**May 22**

Carmela Gentile by Dick & Toni Wilson  
Michael Foti by Leona Wharton  
Joseph Maiorano by Madeline Harvey  
Joseph Schreiner by Kowaleski Family  
Charles Bernhammer by Roseann & Anthony DiMaggio  
Angelo Barone by Coyle Family  
Gerald J. Highberger by Roger & DoAnn Bernhammer  
Lucila Baylon by Doh & MaryLou Dulay

**May 23**

Barbara Rosenberg by Coyle Family

**May 24**

Michael Stella by Joe Migatz

**May 25**

Jean Riviello by Millie Mortilite

**May 26**

Jerry Highberger, Jr. by LaMar Buffington

**May 27**

Gerald J. Highberger, Jr. by Jim & Lora Constantine

**May 28**

William Kohl, Jr. by Jim & Lora Constantine  
Johanna Laviano by Lou Laviano  
Marie Zizzamia by Lou Laviano  
Giacomo Squicciarri by Gail & Anthony Squicciarri  
Louis Borkowski by Ken Schulman & Geri Botwinick  
Valerie Ann Connolly by Jim & Lora Constantine

**May 29**

David Mitchell by Roy Sutton  
Joseph LaVecchio by Linda, Donna & Nicole Fegan  
Jerry Highberger, Jr. by Mike & Marie Brindisi  
Joe Maiorano by Joe & MJ Kelso  
Sam Marziano by Wife Pat  
Eleanor DeRosa by Kathe & John Murray



**Altar Flowers**

In Memory of:  
**Sue Lenahan**  
by  
**Linda**

**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.



Stewardship is a way of life based on the Gospel. As disciples, we are called to be faithful stewards of our time, talent and treasure. Thank you for your continued generosity and participation in our parish.

### Weekend of May 14th & 15th

Offertory: \$ 7,543.00  
E-Giving: \$ 1,519.00  
School: \$ 972.00  
**\$10,034.00**



### Interested in Online Giving?

To get started with online Giving, log onto our parish website: [stthomasbrigantine.org](http://stthomasbrigantine.org) and click on the **Parish Giving** button.

### Congratulations to Our Parishioners Celebrating May Anniversaries

**Jane & Will LaVerghetta, 67 Years**  
**Doris & Joe Gross, 62 Years**  
**Nancy & Ralph Gattis, 60 Years**  
**Toni & Dick Wilson, 55 Years**  
**Patty & Bob Ward, 41 Years**

Our prayers and best wishes go with you as you continue to live your vows.

If you are celebrating an anniversary and would like it to be published in the bulletin, please email: [bulletin@stabrig](mailto:bulletin@stabrig) with your name and number of years.

### Liturgy and Life

Jesus explains he is leaving and sending the Holy Spirit as an advocate. How lucky we are that Jesus left us in such good hands. There are many who are less fortunate trying to make it through the complex welfare system or immigration system. Even for someone of average intelligence and means to make it through the web of robo-messages and options to get to a live person to help when it comes to paying a bill, fighting a charge, or questioning an insurance claim is difficult. Recall this frustrating experience yourself, then be mindful of the elderly in your parish, or those whose English is a second language who may need your assistance.

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### FOR ALL OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:

Please keep their families in your prayers.

### FOR OUR SICK:

Maryann Atack, Derek Caster, Jim Covert, Erin Fender, Anthony Mauceri, Joan DiBona, Baby Aurora Gross, Lisa Lee, Ralph Lillie Family, Kitty Huegel, Beth LaSerre, Fran Byers, Melanie Caprio, Robert Moody, Armstrong Family, Celine Powell, Christian Afanador, Carol Graham, Richard Warren Marsdale, Frank DiBona, Ryan Ladd, Joan Orlando, Peter Staffieri, Christine Staffieri, Mary Seader, Kristina McDaniel, Dominic Delia, Benjamin Berkowitz, Gary Zimmerman, Donald Jarvela, Regis Goergen, Chris Britton, Mary Jane Burbridge, Joe Fumo, James Offit, Louise Frola, Linda Cullen, Jeffrey Geisler, Diane Kuczynski

### FOR THOSE WHO SERVE:

1st Lt. Robert Glanville, USMC, Maj. Jeffrey Moon, USAF  
Lt. Connor F. Burbridge, US Army, Sgt. Matt Krimm, US Army,  
Maj. Matt Valnoski, US Army, Cpl. Tristen T. Barry, USMC,  
Pvt. Austin Rehill, US Army, Cpl. Ronald DeWaal, USMC,  
Capt. Mark J. Marsella, USMC, PFC Jaryd Witkowski, US Army,

**Prayer Chain Network:** The network prays for the immediate needs of others. To make a confidential request, please contact Barry Scholcoff at 609-266-7888.

### Ministry Schedule May 28th & 29th

Mass	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
<b>SAT. 4:00PM</b>	Fr. Ed	M. Stinson	J. Kozub, M. Harvey
<b>SUN. 8:00AM</b>	Fr. Bob	P. Mohnack	A. Solari, D. Phillips, A. Grove
<b>SUN. 9:30AM</b>	Msgr. Morgan	J. Murray	J. Staffieri, M. Brindisi, J. D'Ascenzo
<b>SUN. 11:00AM</b>	Fr. Ed	B. Bologa	Deacon, F. Sucharski, T. Tomlin

**\*\*\*SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*\***

If you cannot attend, Please find a replacement. THANK YOU!



## 2022 APPEAL: "FROM MANY...ONE BODY"

*In the first letter to the Corinthians, Saint Paul reminds us "as a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ" and by extension so also his Church.*

Through the House of Charity – Bishop's Annual Appeal, we support those who bring hope throughout the six counties of the Diocese of Camden.

### **YOUR GIFT TO THE HOUSE OF CHARITY PROVIDES:**

#### **SOCIAL, COMMUNITY AND HEALTH CARE SERVICES**

Your generosity provides services through Catholic Charities offices in each county of South Jersey. VITALity's Hospital Chaplaincy is able to provide spiritual and emotional support to patients, their families and staff through your donations. Together, we offer support to the weak, vulnerable, and disenfranchised.

#### **EVANGELIZATION AND FAITH FORMATION**

Lay leadership training, intercultural ministries, ministry with the deaf and persons with disabilities, marriage enrichment, adult faith formation, liturgical catechesis and other evangelization efforts, along with your gifts, kindle the fire of faith into a bright beacon for all to see.

#### **YOUTH, YOUNG ADULT AND CAMPUS MINISTRIES**

Your donation enables programs like Summer in the City, Catholic Scouting, Theology on Tap, college campus ministries and Newman Centers, and support for a growing number of parish-based Youth Ministry programs and many more activities to build community and prepare our youth and young adults for the mission that God has chosen for them.

#### **VOCATIONS, SEMINARIAN & PERMANENT DIACONATE FORMATION, CARE OF PRIESTS**

Your support ensures that pastors and clergy continue to bring the light of Jesus into the world. Through prayers and support, we currently have 14 seminarians studying for the priesthood in the Diocese of Camden.

#### **CATHOLIC EDUCATION – "FORMING MINDS AND HEARTS IN GRACE"**

Catholic schools are an integral part of the teaching mission of the Church.

Catholic schools build faith, develop leadership ability and provide academic excellence in a safe environment.

Your gift will help keep tuition affordable for families to send children to schools that will support Catholic values, develop character and provide academic excellence.

#### **INCENTIVES FOR PARISH INITIATIVES**

When our parish collects its goal amount, up to 10% is returned to our parish for our local charitable needs. Additionally, 75% of all funds received above our parish goal will also be returned to our parish to foster our charitable and ministerial work

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**We invite all parishioners to participate in this important effort.  
During House of Charity Appeal Weekend, please make your sacrificial gift to help continue the  
mission of the Church here in the Diocese of Camden!**



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## *First Holy Communion*



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## FRIENDLY *Reminder*

### St. Thomas Parking Lot

With the arrival of spring, we are happy to be seeing higher attendance at each Mass and ask each of you to please be mindful of the parking lot entrances and exits to prevent traffic backup.

1. ENTER thru 7<sup>th</sup> Street only.
2. ALL vehicles face 8<sup>th</sup> Street.
3. Pull up to the next car in front of you as close as possible.
4. EXIT ONLY onto 8<sup>th</sup> Street.
5. DO NOT Block the handicap lane next to the church.

Thank you for everyone's cooperation in this very important matter. Together, we can do it!



May 24	Rosary 7pm
May 30	Parish Office Closed (Memorial Day)
May 31	Rosary 7pm
June 7	Rosary 7pm Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:30pm (hall)
June 8	Women's Club Meeting 6:30pm (hall)

### *WE ARE OPEN*

The **TOM PARK KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS STORE** is now **OPEN** for the 2022 season.

The store is now open every **Saturday** from  
**8:00am - 1:00pm**

We are located at **601 Bayshore Avenue**

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 or contact the parish office at **(609)266-2123 ext. 102** and leave your name and phone number. **We look forward to seeing you soon.**

### Assumption Regional Catholic School

Our annual May Mass and Crowning took place on Friday, May 13. It was a beautiful celebration of Mary, the Mother of God, and our mother, too. Our First Communicants and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders had a special part in the liturgy. It was a lovely day! We are grateful to Father Edward Maher for presiding at the liturgy, and to our 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders for preparing the liturgy.

### RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY



St. Thomas the Apostle Parish continues to support **"Moms in Need"** at the JERSEY SHORE WOMENS CENTER located at 335 E. Jimmie Leeds Road (Building 200) in Galloway. This 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 1-6); Pull Ups (Sizes 2T-5T); Wipes; Blankets; Crib Sheets; Gift Cards; Baby Toiletries (Shampoo, Lotion, Tylenol, Orajel, Diaper Rash Cream).

The center also accepts maternity clothing and donations of small portable baby items such as strollers, booster seats, pack n plays, toys and books. For more information or to schedule a donation pick up or drop off, call Brian or Kathy Mulvenna at 609-266-2268.

**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

**Diocese of Camden Addiction Hotline: 1-855-5HOPE4U**

**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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