

Saint Thomas the Apostle Church

331 8th Street So. Brigantine, NJ

www.stthomasbrigantine.org

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

October 20, 2024
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

For the Son of Man did not
come to be served but to
serve and to give his life as a
ransom for many.

MARK 10:45

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

SAT: 4:00PM

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

WEEKDAYS

MON. - SAT.: 8:30AM

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

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www.arcs.org

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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. Call the parish office for further information and registration.

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 will be distributed on the Baptismal Font side of the church, please seat yourself accordingly.

Mass Intentions 
FOR THE WEEK

- Saturday October 19**
8:30AM **Deceased Members of Konieczny & Gliwa Families** *by Jim*
4:00PM **Sally Sooy** *by Barbara Schaffer*
Buzz Newbirkow *by Gabe & Abby Baker*
Denise Caulfield *by Husband*
- Sunday October 20**
8:00AM **Sally Sooy** *by Bert & Jessie Estlow*
Robert Demeno *by McKee Family*
Don Fegan *by Andy & Toni Solari*
9:30AM **Calogero D. Maria** *by Crocifissa Iannello*
11:00AM **Frank Grove** *by Anne Grove*
- Monday October 21**
8:30AM **Kathleen Ciano** *by Family*
- Tuesday October 22**
8:30AM **Parishioners of St. Thomas**
- Wednesday October 23**
8:30AM **Parishioners of St. Thomas**
- Thursday October 24**
8:30AM **Hugh Braithwaite** *by Betsy & Michael Dougherty*
- Friday October 25**
8:30AM **Anne Migatz** *by Husband, Joe*
- Saturday October 26**
8:30AM **Al & Jessie Skowronski** *by Jim*
4:00PM **Giuseppa Genova** *by Elena & Family*
Anthony Ferrante *by Susanne Silvestri*
Jerry Kilroy *by George & Beckie Kuhl*
- Sunday October 27**
8:00AM **Philomena Arena** *by Deb & Ray Widmann*
9:30AM **Allana Smallwood** *by Kim & MJ*
James Sherlock *by Donald Mattessich*
Ardell Burnell *by Mr. & Mrs. Jerry & Nancy Highberger*
Marlene Degen Frank *& Carole Murray*
Denise Caulfield *by David Caulfield*

Weekly Devotions

Rosary: Mon. - Fri. : after 8:30am Mass
Saturday: 8:10am
Tuesday: 7PM

Miraculous Medal Novena: Wednesday
Divine Mercy Chaplet: Friday



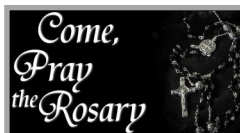
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

is every Friday from 9am-12noon. If there is a funeral, Adoration is held in the Parish Meeting Room, located behind the Rectory Office.



In Memory of:

Anne P. Migatz
by
Husband



Rosary for Peace

Come join us every **Tuesday at 7pm** as we gather and pray the Rosary. **All are welcome.**



“What you do after you say you believe”

“For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.” Mark 10:45

If you held a mirror up to your life, would it reflect God’s love and mercy? If you are struggling with this, try changing your attitude from “I want more” to “thank you God for everything you have given me, I have enough to share”. This change to Stewardship will bring you joy through service to others. Pray daily to become less self-centered and to become more God centered.

**Collections for:
Oct. 12th & Oct. 13th**

**Offertory: \$ 6,905.00
E-Giving: \$ 1,473.00
School: \$ 1,306.00
\$ 9,684.00**



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.



Additional Mass for All Saints Day

As All Saints Day rapidly approaches, we would like to remind everyone that an additional evening Mass has been added. The Mass will be held at **6:30pm** on the evening of **November 1st**. It is our hope that this makes it a little more convenient for families to attend.

Prayer Requests



FOR ALL OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:

John Bewley

Please keep their families in your prayers.

FOR OUR SICK:

Armand Savino, Claudette Liberto, Steve Steranko, M. Mazzoni, Marie Twist, Kristina McDaniel, Jim Covert, Aurora Mary Gross, Celine Powell, Zoe Rodriguez, Diane Certo, Melanie Hudson, LaMarr Gable, Jim Schwab, Brody Pomager, Joanne Miller, Presley McBride, Diane & Charles Kuczynski, Robert Darin, Michael Feldman, Dominic Delia, Loretta Smith, Carol Graham, Madeline Harvey, Ronald DiPinto, James Ruggiano, Wyatt Joseph O’Brien, Joseph Saunders, Andy Papp, Stacie Williams, Leah Loreaux, Annmarie Staffieri, Damon Galmin, Jr., John Gans, Dora Meyers, Mary Lou Lizun, Rob Moody, Joan Gamad, Dan Bordonaro, Jack Bordonaro, Marie Twist

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, 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

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 invites his disciples - and all of us - to break free from our worldly wants. He promises that the way of the cross, while challenging, will be the way of connection, growth, and ultimately eternal life. Each of us can likely relate to feeling insecure in some area of our lives, perhaps financially or relationally. Consider volunteering with a neighborhood organization that works to combat food or housing insecurities.

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Ministry Schedule October 26th & 27th

Mass	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
SAT. 4:00PM	Msgr. Pashley	E. Stafford	J. D’Ascenzo, B. DeLucry, M. Stinson
SUN. 8:00AM	Fr. Bob	J. Robbins	A. Solari, D. Phillips, K. Mogan
SUN. 9:30AM	Fr. Ed	J. Levins	R. Pagoulatos, M. Brindisi, P. Zuber
SUN. 11:00AM	Msgr. Morgan	J. Murray	Deacon, F. Sucharski, K. Murray

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

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.

Congratulations to Our Parishioners Celebrating October Anniversaries

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



Sue & Frank DeAngelis, 61 Years
Cathy & Cesare Rotondi, 55 Years
Marie & Mike Brindisi, 48 Years

What's Happening

Oct. 21 Religious Ed. Classes 4:00pm - 7:00pm
Oct. 22 Rosary 7:00pm
Oct. 28 Religious Ed. Classes 4:00pm - 7:00pm
Oct. 29 Rosary 7:00pm



Support Hurricane Helene Disaster Relief

CCUSA, as the official domestic disaster relief agency of the Catholic Church in the United States, has launched a dedicated Helene disaster relief campaign. All donations received for disaster aid will be allocated to the Catholic Charities agencies providing critical relief — including shelter, food and other humanitarian aid — to those most in need. To donate, please go to www.catholiccharities.org and click on hurricane relief.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Our music ministry is unique here at St. Thomas. We sing at all celebrations, including funerals. Members can make a commitment according to their own schedules. You do not have to commit to a particular Mass time. Instrumentalists are welcome, as well. To become a part of this beautiful ministry, please see **Mary Jane in the choir loft or email her at kelso.music@stabrig.org**.

INTERESTED BECOMING CATHOLIC???

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process in which adults become full, participating members of the Catholic Church. Participants, known as catechumens, go through a process of studying the Gospel, nurturing their relationship with God, becoming familiar with the Catholic teaching and practices, professing their faith in Jesus and the Church, and receiving the Sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Communion and Confirmation. Classes will be held at **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church**. For more information or to register, please contact **Deacon Len Long at 609-335-6470**.

**Thursday evenings 6:30pm - 8:00pm,
Starting on October 24th.**

Knights of Columbus

Location: 601 Bayshore Ave.

SATURDAY: 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.

BULLETIN DEADLINES

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.

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.



We just tied all the loose ends with the Chicken BBQ and want to thank everyone for their generosity with time, talent, and treasure in making this a very successful annual event. As Fr. Ed says, "Our Parish BBQ is a Community Builder".

Thank you to all our parishioners, businesses and visitors who donated baskets for our raffle. We appreciate your generosity.

- Aversa's Bakery**
- Bobby & Colleen Bell**
- Brigantine Bistro**
- Capellini Hair Studio**
- Casale al Mare**
- Cellar 32**
- Cordivari's**
- Elks**
- Ernest & Son**
- Finale Hair Salon**
- Gaby's Lollipops**
- Genie Salon**
- Jim's Jams**
- John & Kathe Murray**
- Josephine Staffieri**
- Lynne Flanagan**
- Marie LePera**
- Mariette Pennestri**
- Mary Ellen Mullens**
- Midge's Salon**
- Mike & Marie Brindisi**
- Mission Café**
- Ocean Beverage**
- Polar Bear Assn. (Tricia Cosgrove)**
- Richman's**
- Salty Sea Monkey**
- Sandy Jack's Deli**
- Smile Factory**
- Teal Tail**
- Ventnor Theater**
- VFW**

We would like to send a special thank you to **MaryPat and Richard Geppert** for donating all the hamburgers, hot dogs, and rolls. Also, our sponsors: **Keates - Plum Funeral Home, Brindisi Builders, and the Knights of Columbus #7020.**

RESPECT LIFE

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PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH
331 8TH STREET SOUTH, BRIGANTINE, NJ
Respect Life Ministry

Sunday, November 3, 2024 - 3:00 PM

- Holy Hour**
- Adoration**
- Litany**
- Rosary for the Unborn**



HOLY SPIRIT HIGH SCHOOL

Save the Date!

Fall Open House

Date: Monday, October 28th, 2024

Time: 6PM - 8PM

Location: HSHS Gymnasium

Spartan for a Day

Date: Friday, November 15th, 2024

Time: 8AM - 1PM

Come meet our dedicated staff, explore our programs, and see firsthand why Holy Spirit High School is the perfect place for your child to shine. We look forward to meeting your family and helping you explore all that we have to offer.

Come experience all that Holy Spirit High School has to offer and get a taste of the Spartan spirit! Mark your calendars and we can't wait to see you there!



Men's Spirituality Conference

"Strengthen the Man...Strengthen the Family"

November 9, 2024

Register Today

manupsouthjersey.com

This year's theme, "Strengthen the Man... Strengthen the Family" is a reminder that our male presence and influence helps to strengthen the faith life of our family.

ManUp South Jersey features nationally famous Catholic Speakers, Morning Prayer, Exhibitors, Inspiring Music, Eucharistic Adoration, Optional Breakouts, Breakfast, and Lunch.

Priests will also be available throughout the day for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Become the man that God created you to be! Join us on November 9th at the Conference Center, Paul VI High School in Haddon Heights, NJ.

Register Today!

manupsouthjersey.com

Enter Promo Code PB10 to Receive

a \$10.00 Discount

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.**

Planning Guide for A Catholic Funeral



A Planning Guide
For a Catholic Funeral

South Jersey Catholic Cemeteries now offers a new interactive, online guide called, *A Planning Guide for A Catholic Funeral*. This guide provides information about a Catholic funeral, and it allows you to provide details about your wishes for your funeral, including your vigil, funeral Mass and committal service. Secondly, it allows you to fill in the document providing pertinent information such as personal and family history, legal and financial information, social media and additional considerations that will be needed at the time of your passing. Your completed guide will help to alleviate stress for you and your family, and it will make your wishes known. This free guide is available at South Jersey Catholic Cemeteries' website where you can download it to your computer, and then fill in your information. We encourage you to visit <https://southjersecatholiccemeteries.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/SJCC-Planning-Guide-for-Catholic-Funeral-Interactive-Sept-2024.pdf> and look over the guide. We are sure you will find it helpful! If you need additional information, our staff can be reached at 855-MyPrePlan (855-697-7375).



SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC CEMETERIES
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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