

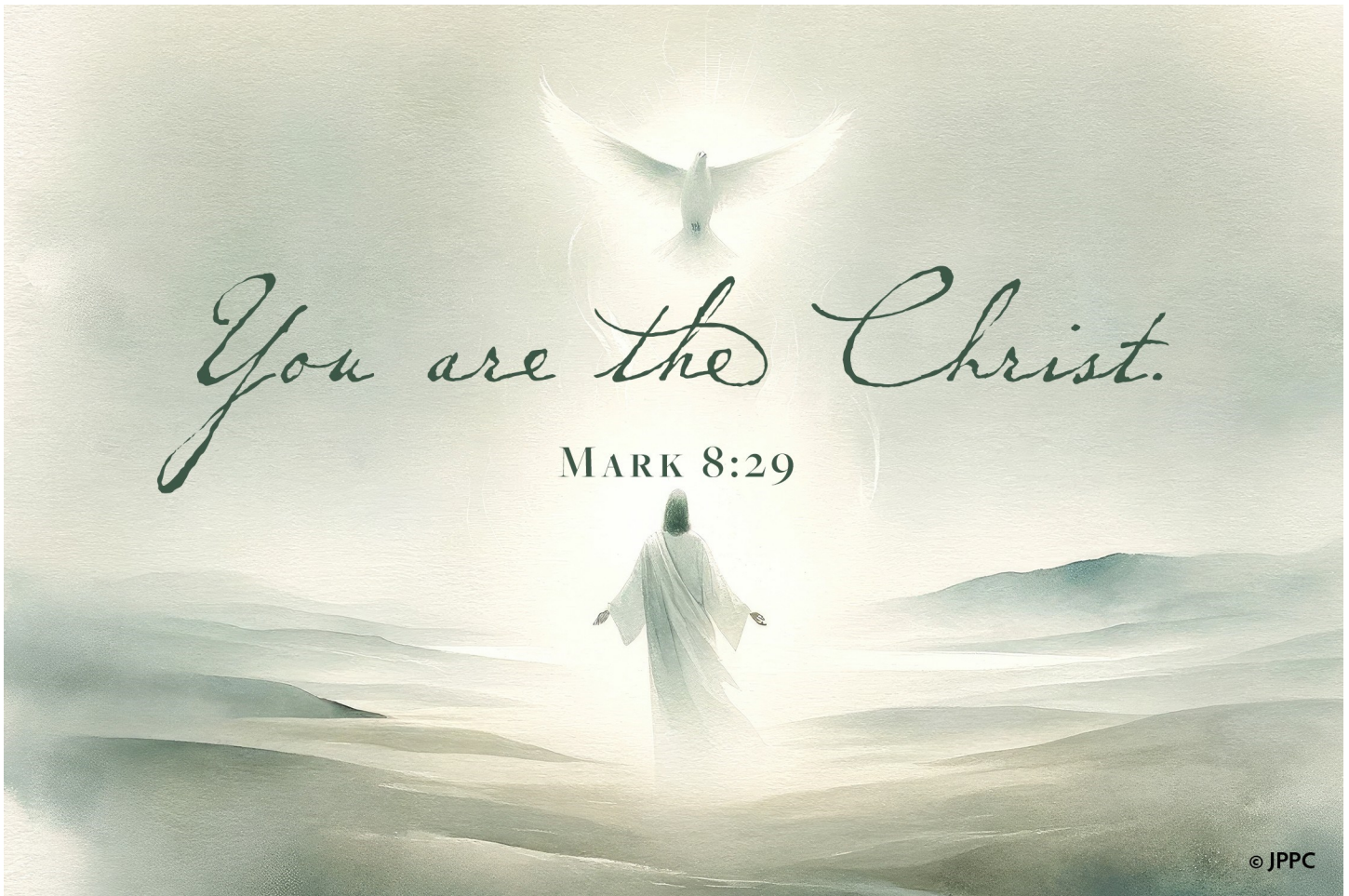
# Saint Thomas the Apostle Church

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

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

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

September 15, 2024  
24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



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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](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

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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.

**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 September 14**  
8:30AM Nancy Yocum *by The Wangos*  
4:00PM Elaine King *by Joe & MJ Kelso*  
Thomas Park *by Family*  
Peter Kling *by Family*  
Violetta Redondo Pagtakhan  
*by BabyLou S. Dulay & Family*
- Sunday September 15**  
8:00AM Dolores R. Seidelmann *by Husband & Daughter*  
9:30AM Gaspare & Orazio Bonsignore *by Anna & Family*  
Helen Kelso *by Joe & MJ Kelso*  
Jean Stretch *by Rita & Mike*  
Kathleen Zuber *by LaMar Buffington*  
John Lee *by Paul & Chris Mercurio*  
11:00AM Joseph Gatta *by Marcella & Michael Pettorossi*
- Monday September 16**  
8:30AM Kimberly Ann Sacco *by Esther Casale*
- Tuesday September 17**  
Bob Nelson *by Linda*
- Wednesday September 18**  
8:30AM Robert Long *by LaMar & Family*
- Thursday September 19**  
8:30AM Philomena Arena *by DiGiacomo Family*
- Friday September 20**  
8:30AM Elizabeth Maguire *by Maguire Children*
- Saturday September 21**  
8:30AM Henry Hank Cieslak *by Tom & Bridget Volpe*  
4:00PM Lori Zaro *by Betsy & Mike Dougherty*  
John Lee *by Trendler Family*  
Philomena Arena *by George Schilling & Patti Reale*  
Sally Sooy *by Barbara Schaffer*  
Marie DePersia *by Carl & Irene Minniti*
- Sunday September 22**  
8:00AM Anthony Vinci *by George & Mildred Crognale*  
9:30AM Dora K. Gregovski  
*by Dominic Pucci & Denise Lovallo*  
11:00AM Philomena Arena *by Sunshine Bingo Friends*  
George Giangeruso *by Dayle Dudek*  
Barbara Smaldore *by St. Thomas Choir*  
Mike White *by Annie & Mark Weichman*  
Robert Long *by Anne Grove*  
Dr. Carl J. Minniti, Sr. *by Elena Italiano & Family*

**In Memory of:**

**Bob Nelson**  
**by**  
**Linda**





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

“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” Mark 8:34

Living a Stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for my own life, but for the lives of others as well. We realize that our gifts are not intended for ourselves, rather they are meant to be shared with others. “Taking up my cross” means doing things when someone else needs me and not when it’s convenient for me.

**Collections for:  
Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> & Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Offertory: \$ 9,533.00**  
**E-Giving: \$ 2,700.00**  
**School: \$ 1,182.00**  
**\$13,415.00**



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.



**BULLETIN DEADLINES**

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*Prayer Requests*



**FOR ALL OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:**

**Anna DiGiacomo**

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, Joseph Guglielmo, James Ruggiano, Wyatt Joseph O’Brien, Joseph Saunders, Andy Papp, Stacie Williams, Leah Loreaux, Annmarie Staffieri, Damon Galmin, Jr., John Gans

**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 raises questions of identity in today’s Gospel: Who do people say I am? Who do you say that I am? His questions point to the reality that much of our identities get shaped by other people. In addition to our individual characteristics, we may identify as a parent, teammate, coworker, partner, or friend. These identities are often sources of deep meaning - and at times, profound heartache. Relationships are messy. In abusive situations, one person may wrongly tell another that they are useless or bothersome. It can be difficult not to internalize verbal insults about our identity. Affirm the identities of three people you encounter today. Affirm something about your own identity as well.

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**Ministry Schedule September 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Mass	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
SAT. 4:00PM	Fr. Ed	M. Stinson	M. Stinson, B. DeLucry, P. Lipari
SUN. 8:00AM	Msgr. Morgan	J. Robbins	G. Gallagher, B. O’Connor, G. Espinoza
SUN. 9:30AM	Msgr. Pashley	J. Levins	P. Zuber, M. Brindisi, R. Pagoulatos
SUN. 11:00AM	Fr. Ed	R. Barone	Deacon, L. Flanagan, T. Tomlin

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



**SOUTH JERSEY  
CATHOLIC  
MINISTRIES  
APPEAL**

**2024 APPEAL:  
"THROUGH HIM AND FOR HIM"**

**OUR PARISH GOAL IS: \$106,400**

Our Parish has raised **\$ 94,688.50** to date,  
which is **89%** of our goal.

**Thank you for your continued support!**



Scan here to make your gift online!

## What's Happening

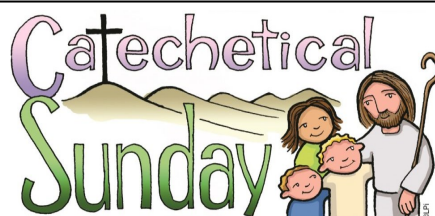
- Sept. 15 Catechetical Sunday 9:30am Mass
- Sept. 16 Religious Ed. Classes begin 4:00pm - 7:00pm
- Sept. 17 Rosary 7:00pm
- Sept. 23 Religious Ed. Classes 4:00pm - 7:00pm
- Sept. 24 Rosary 7:00pm



**Classes begin tomorrow,  
Monday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>.**

**Grades 1 thru 4 attend 4pm - 5pm**

**Grades 5 thru 8 attend 6pm - 7pm**



**"Lord, when did we see you hungry"**

Our theme reflects our call to missionary discipleship. As St. John Paul II reminded us: The universal call to holiness is closely linked to the universal call to mission. Every member of the faithful is called to holiness and to mission. We are called to be the eucharist by word and action to our brothers and sisters in Christ. Our times cry out for this kind of holiness, one inflamed by the ardent determination to bring as many of our brothers and sisters as possible to Christ.

### ***A Prayer for Catechists***

Loving Father, we pray today for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church. Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love you.

### **OUR 2024-2025 CATECHISTS**

- Nancy Ferri, 1st Grade**
- Kathy Mulvenna, 2nd Grade**
- Denise Rose, 3rd Grade**
- Kelly Carruolo, 4th Grade**
- Sheila Daily, 5th Grade**
- Chris Quinn, 6th Grade**
- Robert Nyland, 7th Grade**
- Jim Mackey, 8th Grade**

### **OUR CHILDREN'S LITURGY CATECHISTS**

- Jack Boyle, Trudi McDevitt, Pat Miller,  
Joanna Guglielmo, and Kathy Mulvenna**

### **Children's Liturgy Resumes Sept. 22nd**

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** has resumed at the 9:30 mass. Children attending Kindergarten, 1st and 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.

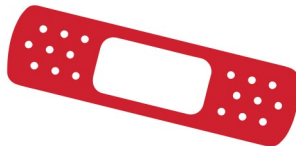
**Congratulations to Our Parishioners  
Celebrating September Anniversaries**

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



*Helena & James Coffey, 65 Years*  
*Trish & Jim Levins, 63 Years*  
*Linda & Jim Glasgow, 62 Years*  
*Josephine & Albert Staffieri, 60 Years*  
*Toni and Andy Solari, 59 Years*  
*Roseann & Anthony DiMaggio, 57 Years*  
*Karin & Patrick Schiavone, 56 Years*  
*Cathy & Frank Sucharski, 52 Years*  
*Linda & John DiJoseph, 47 Years*  
*Terry & Paul Tomlin, 46 Years*  
*Linda & Dave McDermott, 33 Years*  
*Christine & Peter Staffieri, 17 Years*

**FLU VACCINE CLINIC**



**Sponsored by ACME Pharmacy (Ventnor)**

**When: Tuesday, October 1, 2024**

**Time: 9:00am to 11:30am**

**Where: St. Thomas Church (St. Philip Hall)  
331 8th Street South**

**Please bring your Medicare B and  
Prescription cards.**

**\*\*SENIOR DOSE WILL BE ADMINISTERED\*\***

***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.

**BRIGANTINE COMMUNITY  
PRAYER BREAKFAST**

**DATE: Saturday, October 5th**

**TIME: 9:00am - 11:00am**

**WHERE: St. Philip Hall @ St. Thomas Church**

**SPEAKER: Eric Alexander, a renowned speaker  
and the author of The Summit: Faith Beyond  
Everest's Death Zone.**

**COST: \$25. Tickets will be available after all  
weekend Masses.**



**CELEBRATING OUR  
CENTENARIANS AND NONAGENARIANS**



**SUNDAY  
SEPTEMBER 29  
11:30 AM MASS  
RECEPTION  
TO FOLLOW**

**MASS & RECEPTION TO HONOR THOSE AGE 90 AND BEYOND  
WHO LIVE THEIR LIFE TO THE FULLEST!**

**CHRIST THE GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH  
SAINT ISIDORE THE FARMER CHURCH  
1655 MAGNOLIA ROAD | VINELAND, NJ**



RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 25, 2024  
VITALITY-EVENTS@CAMENDIOCESE.ORG  
CHRISTINE WILLARD AT 856-583-6121  
OR SCAN THE CODE TO RSVP ONLINE



## Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Date: Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024

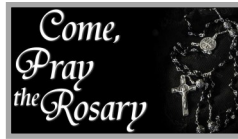
Time: 3:00pm

Where: Church of the Holy Family  
226 Hurffville Road  
Sewell, NJ 08080

Milestone Wedding Anniversary Mass for couples celebrating 25, 50, 60, 70 or more years in the year 2024.

**REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE BY OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**

For information:  
AnnMarie.Ours@camdendiocese.org



## Rosary for Peace

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

## 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**

# Diocesan Marian Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine Washington, DC



Bishop Sullivan Leading Pilgrimage

Saturday, October 26, 2024

For more information or to register, please contact:

Deacon Len Long @ 609-335-6470

- Explore and spend prayer time at the Basilica
- Confession available
- Concert of Sacred Music
- Large Catholic Gift Shop and Book Store
- Holy Mass with Bishop Sullivan in the Great Upper Church

