

# 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 29, 2024  
26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



## 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

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

Principal: Joanne McKnight

### DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:

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Deb Widmann & Mary Pizza

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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**

8:30AM  
4:00PM

**September 28**

**Betty & Roland Tilli** by Frank & Alba  
**Louis Borkowski** by Diane Borkowski  
**MaryLou Senkarik** by Family  
**Sally Sooy** by George & Beckie Kuhl  
**Gene Fanelli** by MaryJane Stenderowicz & Family

**Sunday**

8:00AM

**September 29**

**Philomena Arena** by Barbara Jaffe  
**Sally Sooy** by JoAnn Moyer  
**Mary MacCagnano** by Joe Rifice & Family  
**Donald Fegan** by Mary O'Rangers & Family  
**AnnaMae Turkavage** by Bob & Sally Turkavage  
**Scott Hugh McGovern** by Family

9:30AM

11:00AM

**Monday**

8:30AM

**September 30**

**Frank Grove** by Anne Grove

**Tuesday**

8:30AM

**October 1**

**Cousin Nancy** by LaMar Buffington

**Wednesday**

8:30AM

**October 2**

**Lorraine DiPillipo McCarty** by Esther Casale

**Thursday**

8:30AM

**October 3**

**Lisa Wilson** by Esther Casale

**Friday**

8:30AM

**October 4**

**Ursula & Dave Brinkerhoff** by Anne Grove

**Saturday**

8:30AM

**October 5**

**Michael Farrell** by Bonanni Family  
**Del Bartlett** by Joe & MJ Kelso  
**Barbara Smaldore** by LaMar & Family  
**Maria Mattessich** by Family  
**Theresa Cain** by LaMar & Family

4:00PM

**Sunday**

8:00AM

**October 6**

**Joseph J. Fumo, IV** by Fumo Family  
**Paul Durante** by Wife  
**Sally Sooy** by Riley Family  
**Kathleen Zuber** by Joe & MJ Kelso & Kim Urban  
**Lisa Wilson** by American Legion Ladies Aux. 396  
**Shirley Tohanczyn** by Norma Anderson  
**Claire Camera** by Coyle Family

9:30AM

11:00AM

**Welcome to Our Parish Family**



We warmly welcome the following children who were baptized during the month:

**Scotlynn Wren Williams**  
**James Charles McCusker, IV**  
**Dane William Mohnack**



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

“Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward.” Mark 9:41

We as Christian Stewards are made in God’s image and likeness. We tend to forget this. When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them? When others look at you, do they see the face of Jesus in you? When we realize that all lives matter to God, then gratitude and generosity become easier. Why? Because that’s the way we are made! We are one Body of Christ; when one of us is hurting, all of us feel the pain.

**Collections for:  
Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> & Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Offertory: \$ 9,098.00**  
**E-Giving: \$ 1,902.00**  
**School: \$ 1,216.00**  
**\$12,216.00**



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.



**DIOCESAN PRO-LIFE COLLECTION  
NEXT WEEKEND, OCTOBER 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>**

Next weekend, October 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, our second collection will be the annual diocesan Pro-Life collection. October is pro-life month and all donations will help support various programs throughout the diocese. Your support is greatly appreciated.

*Prayer Requests*



**FOR ALL OUR RECENTLY DECEASED:**

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

**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

**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.

**Ministry Schedule October 5th & 6th**

Mass	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
SAT. 4:00PM	Fr. Ed	R. Barone	J. D’Ascenzo, B. DeLucry, M. Stinson
SUN. 8:00AM	Fr. Ed	F. Burbridge	G. Gallagher, B. O’Connor, G. Espinoza
SUN. 9:30AM	Msgr. Pashley	J. Robbins	G. Scutti, R. Pagoulatos, J. Staffieri
SUN. 11:00AM	Msgr. Morgan	J. Levins	Deacon, R. Wilson, J. Murray

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



In Commemoration of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi

**Feast of St. Francis**

In honor of the Feast of St. Francis, the annual Blessing of the animals will take place **Next Sunday, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00pm** in the church parking lot. You are welcome to bring all your pets, but **They MUST BE leashed or contained** for their safety and for the safety of those around them.

**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\*\*\***



**DIOCESE OF CAMDEN**

It has come to attention of the Chancellor that Reverend Gustavo Agudelo is currently in the area and is offering retreats. Father Agudelo is not a priest in good standing and does not enjoy faculties within the Diocese of Camden. He is not permitted to offer Mass, hear confessions or to speak/preach within the diocese. **Should Father Agudelo contact you, please inform your pastor immediately.**

**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.**



**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**. **\*\*\*Class day and start date not yet confirmed\*\*\***



**The Women's Club**

**A caring community of Christian Women within our church**

Our next meeting will be October 2nd at 6:30 pm in St. Philip Hall. We will be collecting **new** stuffed animals for the Children's Superior Court. In addition, our trip to the Padre Pio Shrine will be Oct, 9, followed by a luncheon, remember to bring payment to the meeting.. New members are always welcome.

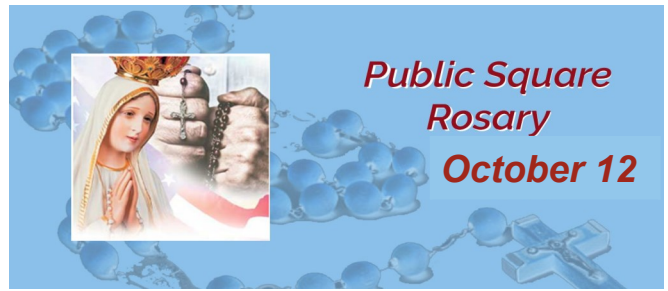
**Knights of Columbus**

**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.



**Public Square Rosary**

**October 12**

**Public Square Rosary Rally**

St. Thomas parishioners are invited to join in a Public Square Rosary Rally next **Saturday, October 12, at 12:00 noon** in the **front of the Blessed Mother Statue in the church parking lot**. This Public Square Rosary, sponsored by America Needs Fatima, will be one of over 22,000 rallies that will take place all across the United States that weekend. Please join us in offering reparation for the sins and offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and to fervently pray for the conversion of the United States.



**23<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL  
CAMDEN DIOCESAN  
BLUE  
MASS**

*"THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF SAINT MICHAEL, PROTECT ALL WHO WEAR UNIFORMS AND ALL OF US FROM VIOLENCE AND KEEP US SAFE."*  
BISHOP DENNIS J. SULLIVAN D.D. | EIGHTH BISHOP OF CAMDEN

JOIN THE DIOCESE OF CAMDEN IN HONORING  
LAW ENFORCEMENT & FIRST RESPONDERS  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 | 10:30 AM

ST. AGNES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
701 LITTLE GLOUCESTER ROAD  
BLACKWOOD, NEW JERSEY 08012

**RETROUVAILLE**  
A LIFE LINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

**RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE** Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held October 4 - 6 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC MEDICAL GUILD &  
VITALITY CATHOLIC HEALTHCARE SERVICES

*cordially invite you and your guests to the*

DIOCESE OF CAMDEN  
**WHITE  
MASS**


CELEBRANT COADJUTOR BISHOP JOSEPH WILLIAMS

HONORING DOCTORS, NURSES &  
ALL HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS  
SERVING SOUTH JERSEY

**OCT 13 10 AM** | THE CHAPEL AT  
VIRTUA OUR LADY OF LOURDES HOSPITAL  
1600 HADDON AVE. - CAMDEN, NJ  
RECEPTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE MASS

2024 SAINT LUKE AWARD RECIPIENT  
**DEACON GERARD JABLONOWSKI**

*Kindly RSVP for the reception by  
Friday, Oct. 11*  
VITALITY-EVENTS@CAMDENDIOCESE.ORG



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



Bishop Sullivan Leading Pilgrimage  
Saturday, October 26, 2024

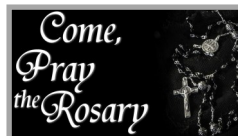
For more information or to register, please contact:

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



## Rosary for Peace



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

## 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

## 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**