

SAINT MARY, MOTHER OF GOD CHURCH



#### **Business Manager**

#### HANK PEKARSKY

#### Thank you for your generosity!

#### Weekly Collections 6/26/2023

Weekly collection	\$ 13,569.00
Parish Giving	\$ 6,373.57
E Catholic	\$ 368.00
Ave Maria	\$ 2,098.57
Youth	\$ 179.00
Children	\$ 200.46
Solemnity	\$ 10.00
Easter	\$ 35.00
Father's Day	\$ 69.78

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 Monday to Friday
 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM

 Saturday
 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

 Sunday
 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM

(Wednesdays close from 1 pm to 2 pm) (Thursdays close from 9 am to 10 am)

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#### FROM THE PASTOR

#### **JESUS IS LORD!**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It's hard to believe that we are already in the month of July. The pace of activity of most parishes slows down during the summer months, Saint Mary's however, remains very active in events to build our parish community while at the same time advancing the Kingdom of God. This year of Parish Eucharistic Revival has added an excitement to the focus of our planning for the summer. The purpose of the Year of Parish Revival is to discern how we might "heal, form, convert, unify, and send" our parishioners through a "rekindled relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist." (National Eucharistic Revival Leaders Playbook) Here are some events for the month of July that you are invited to, that will provide an opportunity for an *encounter* with our Eucharistic Lord! I pray you can attend some or all.

Next weekend, July 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>, Life Teen will be traveling to Franciscan University of Steubenville for the Annual Youth Conference. If high school teens are looking for a personal encounter with Jesus, Life Teen, and Franciscan University are the places to be. Please keep Father Mark, the Core Team, our teens, and myself in your prayers as we travel to Steubenville, Ohio to encounter Jesus at the Youth Conference.

Our monthly Healing Masses have been leading people to encounter our Eucharistic Lord for decades here at Saint Mary's. Our healing service is always celebrated in the Presence of our Eucharistic Lord with Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. This month, because of the trip to Franciscan University, the Healing Mass will be celebrated on the second Friday of the month, July 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Please invite someone who has fallen away from the Church to join you at the Healing Mass.

Two years ago, Bishop David O'Connell gave permission to welcome Encounter Ministries to our diocese and open the Encounter School of Ministry, New Jersey Campus here at Saint Mary's. This past May we graduated 53 students who completed the two-year, eight semesters of coursework and practicum. Encounter School of Ministry draws from the richness of our Catholic heritage as we seek to teach, equip, and activate disciples to demonstrate the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit in their spheres of influence. In conformity with the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Church. The new semester will begin in September. On the weekend of July 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Encounter School of Ministry will host the *Summer Intensive Weekend* which will present an introduction to year one of the school. All are invited to "come and see" what Encounter School of Ministry is all about. Register at <a href="https://www.DOTCCR.org">www.DOTCCR.org</a>.

On Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm, our parish will host our second "Encounter Night" in Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament Shrine. The Bishop's committee for the Eucharistic Revival recommends parish host the Encounter Nights every month. Our first Encounter Night was very powerful and anointed. Everyone felt and experienced the REAL Presence of Jesus. Join us for an evening of Adoration, Worship, Confession, Healing, and ENCOUNTER. Please invite someone who has fallen away from the Church to join you at the Encounter Night.

This week our great nation celebrates Independence Day. Please join our parish community on July 4<sup>th</sup> for the celebration of Holy Mass at 9:00 a.m. Have a blessed Fourth of July!

Have a blessed week!

In Jesus and Mary,

Taken Jos Keyley

Father Jeff Kegley Pastor 4

#### Mass Intentions - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Saturday, July 1 2023

5:00 Michael O'Keeffe r/o Rosann O'Keeffe

**5:00** Special Intentions of The Hourican Family r/o The Madeira Family

#### **Sunday, July 2, 2023**

8:00 Matthew Eckert r/o Family

**10:00** For Those Enrolled in the Monthly Memorial Mass

**12:00** Deceased members of Butler Family r/o The Gallagher Family

5:00 People of the Parish

#### Monday, July3, 2023

**8:15** William Sandifer r/o Suellen Phair-Back

**8:15** Ciriaco "Rocky" Granito r/o Gene Brennan

**12:00** Special Intentions of Marie & Gerd Stabbert r/o Pat & Tom Cusick

**12:00** Brendan Pender r/o Billy Verderosa & Family

#### Tuesday, July 4, 2023

9:00 Living and Deceased Members of St. Mary's

#### Wednesday, July 5, 2023

8:15 Nick Kroeper r/o Mary Pat Bolin

**8:15** Sean Kuehl r/o Suellen Phair-Back

**12:00** Edward Chandler r/o The Mullins Family

**12:00** Sister Anne Gerard Foley r/o Pat & Frank Seaman

#### Thursday, July 6, 2023

8:15 Til &Robert J. Phair r/o Suellen Phair-Back

**8:15** Rosaleen Guilfoyle r/o The McLaughlin Family

**12:00** Robert Fantine r/o Sean Patrick Moran

**12:00** John Paul Condon r/o Mr. & Mrs. William Hibell

#### Friday, July 7, 2023

8:15 John Paul Condon r/o Family

**8:15** Ron & Bob Francis Phair r/o Suellen Phair-Back

**12:00** Peter Kowal r/o Ellen & Mark Conroy

**12:00** Theresa O'Connell r/o Daniel & Marissa Liptak & Family

#### Saturday, July 8, 2023

8:15 Scott Collins r/o Spirit & Truth Family

**8:15** Jeanette Larson r/o The Mongeau Family

5:00 Edward Flynn r/o McCarthy Family

5:00 Eric Bal r/o Heimbuch Family

#### **Sunday, July 9, 2023**

**8:00** Special Intentions of Josephine Urgo & Dina Hinlicky r/o The Urgo Family

**10:00** Mary & Tom Ferrazzano & Angelo & Frances Chielli r/o Lorraine & Larry Chielli

**12:00** Colleen Moore r/o Moller Family

**5:00** People of the Parish

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saint Mary, Mother of God Church

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.

<u>Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament Shrine</u> Saturday 8:15 a.m.

#### **SACRAMENTS**

#### **RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS:**

Saturday 1:00 to 2:00pm & Thursday 3:30 to 4:30pm

**BAPTISM:** Every Sunday 1:30 pm Ceremony

#### **BAPTISM PREP CLASS:**

7 pm every 2nd Thursday of each month, in the Bulman Center To register call Ext. 221

**SACRAMENT of MARRIAGE & BAPTISM:** Ext. 222

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS** 

(RCIA): RCIA@stmarychurchnj.org

#### Saint Vincent DePaul Society

For assistance call: 732-671-4062 <a href="mailto:svdp.stmarysmiddletown@gmail.com">svdp.stmarysmiddletown@gmail.com</a>

#### **BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE**

Marie DeSaro

Margaret Lewis

Sunday to Saturday Candles July 2, 2023 to July 8, 2023

Saint Mary, Mother of God Sanctuary Candle: John P. Condon r/o His Loving Family

Adoration Chapel Candles:

Eleanor Petito r/o Sansone Family Nick Cuocco r/o Cugini's Staff



#### Pope Francis: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's liturgy presents to us the last lines of the missionary discourse in Chapter 10 of the Gospel of Matthew (cf. 10:37-42), by which Jesus instructs the 12 Apostles at the moment in which, for the first time, he sends them on mission to the villages of Galilee and Judea. In this final part, Jesus underscores two essential aspects for the life of a missionary disciple: the first, that his *bond with Jesus is stronger* than any other bond; the second, that the *missionary brings not himself, but Jesus*, and through Him the love of the heavenly Father. These two aspects are connected, because the more Jesus is at the centre of the heart and of the life of a disciple, the more this disciple is "transparent" to His presence. The two go hand in hand.

"He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me..." (v. 37), Jesus says. A father's affection, a mother's tenderness, the gentle friendship among brothers and sisters, all this, even while being very good and valid, cannot be placed before Christ. Not because he wants us to be heartless and ungrateful, but rather, on the contrary, because the condition of a disciple demands a priority relationship with the teacher. Any disciple, whether a layman or laywoman, a priest or a bishop: an all-absorbing relationship. Perhaps the first question that we must ask a Christian is: "Do you meet with Jesus? Do you pray to Jesus?". The relationship. One could almost paraphrase the Book of Genesis: Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and cleave to Jesus and the two shall become one (cf. Gen 2:24).

Those who allow themselves to be drawn into this bond of love and of life with the Lord Jesus become his representatives, his "ambassadors", above all in the way of being, of living. To the point that Jesus himself, in sending his disciples on mission, says to them: "He who receives you receives me, and he who receives me receives him who sent me" (Mt 10:40). It is important that the people be able to perceive that for that disciple Jesus is truly "the Lord"; He is truly the center of his or her life, the everything of life.

It does not matter then if, as for every human being, he or she has limitations and even makes mistakes — as long as he or she has the humility to recognize them; the important thing is that they not have a duplicitous heart — and this is dangerous. I am a Christian; I am a disciple of Jesus; I am a priest; I am a bishop, but I have a duplicitous heart. No, this is not okay. One must not have a duplicitous heart, but a simple, cohesive heart; [one must] not keep one foot in two shoes, but be honest with oneself and with others. Duplicity is not Christian. This is why Jesus prays to the Father so that the disciples may not fall prey to the worldly spirit. You are either with Jesus, with the spirit of Jesus, or you are with the spirit of the world.

Here our experience as priests teaches us something very beautiful, something very important: it is precisely this welcoming of the holy, faithful People of God; it is precisely that "cup of cold water" (v. 42) that the Lord speaks of today in the Gospel, given with affectionate faith, which helps you to be a good priest! There is a reciprocity in mission too: if you leave everything for Jesus, the people recognize the Lord in you; but at the same time it helps you to convert each day to him, so as to renew and purify yourself from compromises and to overcome temptations. The closer a priest is to the People of God, the closer will he feel to Jesus, and the closer a priest is to Jesus, the closer will he feel to the People of God.

The Virgin Mary felt in the first person what it means to love Jesus by separating herself from him, giving new meaning to family ties, beginning with faith in him. With her maternal intercession, may she help us to be free and happy missionaries of the Gospel.

# Eucharistic Revival ENCOUNTER

A NIGHT OF ADORATION WORSHIP - CONFESSION- HEALING



Saturday, July 22, 2023 7:00 pm Our Lady of the Most

Blessed Sacrament Shrine

26 Leonardville Road Middletown, New Jersey

## Eucharistic Revival - Behold Him! Encounter Night















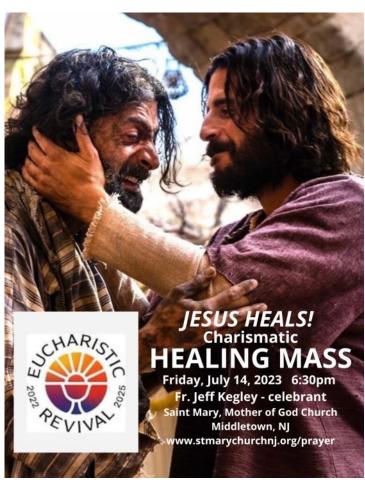
EXPERIENCE THE FIRST 4 QUARTERS OF THE ENCOUNTER SCHOOL OF MINISTRY IN JUST 2 DAYS

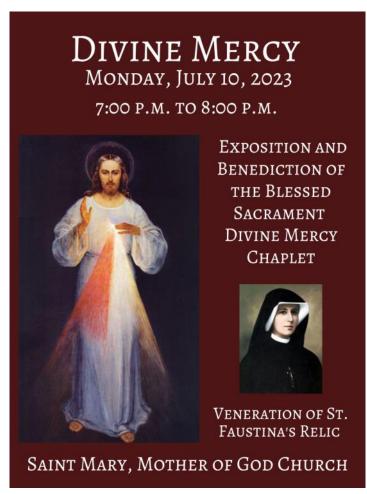
Drawing from the richness of our Catholic heritage, we seek to teach, equip and activate disciples to demonstrate the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit in their sphere of influence.

- 1 IDENTITY & TRANSFORMATION
- 3 POWER & HEALING
- 2 HEARING GOD'S
  VOICE & THE
  PROPHETIC GIFTS OF
  THE HOLY SPIRIT
- 4 & FREEDOM









## Happy Retirement PEGGY DUNNE



THIS AMAZING WOMEN RETIRED AS CATECHETICAL LEADER OF ST. MARY'S. HER LOVE FOR JESUS IS CONTAGIOUS AND SHE SHARED THAT SAME LOVE WITH ALL OUR STUDENTS IN OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM. PEGGY YOU ARE A GREAT BLESSING TO OUR PARISH. WHILE PEGGY RETIRED AS CATECHETICAL LEADER, SHE WILL STILL BE INVOLVED IN MINISTRY TO ADVANCE THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

THANK YOU PEGGY FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK AND FAITHFULNESS OVER THESE MANY YEARS.

GOD BLESS YOU+



#### **Respect Life Ministry**

The St. Mary Respect Life Ministry has been a part of the parish of St. Mary, Mother of God Church for years. Our mission is to raise awareness and promote respect for all life, and especially for the lives of those who are most vulnerable - the unborn, elderly and disabled. We do this in accordance with our Catholic faith, through prayer, witness, and action.

Some of our recent activities include a spiritual adoption program, baby bottle campaigns, a pro-life rosary rally, and pro-life holy hours. We participate with others in the March for Life, 40 Days for life, and other regional and national pro-life programs. We support local organizations like Birth Right and Good Counsel.

We hold a monthly meeting, and regular holy hours. To learn more about us go to our website at <a href="mailto:stmarynjrespectlife.org">stmarynjrespectlife.org</a> or email: Bill Large - blarge712@gmail.com

#### **Holy Hour**

St. Mary's Respect Life ministry invites to join us every second Tuesday from 7 - 8 pm at the St. Mary's Adoration Chapel. Our strongest weapon in this battle is prayer so please join us for exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary for Life, & Stations of the Cross for victims of abortion.

#### Respect Life Catholics United for Life

Join the Rosary Vigil for Life every Saturday, 9-10am at Planned Parenthood Abortion Facility, 69 E Newman Springs Rd, Shrewsbury

#### **Respect Life Donation Bin**

**Thank you** for the overwhelming response of donations! Donations needed are of diapers (sizes 4 -6), wipes, and lotions. These donations greatly help the women who have chosen life for their child. Please keep it coming!

## Holy Hour for Life

⊕ Exposition and
Benediction of the
Blessed Sacrament
⊕ Rosary for Life
⊕ Stations of the Cross
for victims of abortion

On December 12, 1531 Our Lady appeared to an Aztec man, St. Juan Diego, and requested that a shrine be built on Tepeyac hill. She gave him the miraculous image of her, seen above. Through her image nine million Aztecs were converted to Christ and abandoned the practice of human sacrifice.

Today Our Lady of Guadalupe is the patroness of the pro life movement, as we work to end the practice of human sacrifice through abortion and uphold the dignity of every human life.

Our strongest weapon in this battle is prayer. Please join us the second Tuesday of each month as we observe a Holy Hour for life.



## Tuesday June 13<sup>th</sup> July 11<sup>th</sup> August 8<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

#### St. Mary's Chapel 26 Leonardville Rd, New Monmouth, NJ 07748



### Pregnant, Need Help?

You are not alone. Here are some places you can get help in Monmouth Country.

#### **Birthright of Freehold**

41 East Main Street Freehold, NJ 07728 732-462-2888 800-550-4900

#### **Birthright of Red Bank**

294 Broad Street Red Bank, NJ 07701 732-747-7600 800-550-4900

#### **Solutions Pregnancy & Health Center**

837 Broad Street Shrewsbury, NJ 07702 732-747-5454



## Perpetual Eucharistic Adaration

OUR LADY OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT SHRINE OPEN - 24/7 26 LEONARDVILLE RD., NEW MONMOUTH, NJ

## Adorers are Needed!

Come experience the peace and joy of an encounter with Jesus!

#### One more adorer is needed in these hours:

12am Sunday

2am Thursday

2am Friday

2am Saturday

3am Sunday

3am Friday

4am Friday

10am Sunday

1pm Wednesday

1pm Thursday

1pm Sunday

2pm Saturday

7pm Saturday 11pm Wednesday



### Sign up here! http://adorationpro.org/marymiddletown

#### Touch-A-Truck

July 24 6pm – 9pm Mater Dei High School Parking Lot Cherry-Tree-Farm Road





## MISSION APPEAL FOR BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF ST. AGNES, TANZANIA.

Next Sunday we will have our annual Mission Appeal, assigned by our diocesan mission office. The mission community who will share their wonderful story with us are the Benedictine Sisters of St Agnes, located in Tanzanian, East Africa. They are a community of over 500 Sisters who serve in a wide variety of ministries and pastoral work in 13 dioceses in Tanzania. These include health care, care for orphans, schools from K- 12, technical training institutions and religious education programs. Please come prepared to generously assist this Community of dedicated Sisters who represent the face of Christ to those in most need. A special note about the Sisters' presentation: this year the mission office and our staff agreed that the Sisters would prepare a short video to be shown at all of our Masses, which they have done, and we know you will enjoy.

YouTube link: https://voutu.be/A-2esT R4Rc

## The following loved ones have been enrolled in the SAINT MARY MONTHLY MEMORIAL MASS SOCIETY

and will share in a special Mass celebrated on the first Sunday of each month at the 10:00 a.m.

Al Bevacqua, Jr. r/o The Anthony Family

Alfred Bevacqua, Jr. r/o DeSimone Family

Alfred Bevacqua, Jr. r/o Philomena Sweeney

Charles Edward Brancato, Jr. r/o Mr. & Mrs. Paul Panicali

Carmencita P. Cecilio r/o Lyn & Agus Baustista

Marieta P. Cecilio r/o Lyn & Agus Baustista

John Croddick, Sr. r/o Bart & Elena Falco

John Frederick Croddick r/o Renee Huntington-Hahn

Frank J. Cullery, Jr. r/o Don & Kathy Cunningham

Francis Xavier Delepine r/o Maureen Delepine & Family

Roseann Donnelly r/o The Mullins & Weiss Families

Ellen Fantry r/o James & Barbara Basmagy

Karyn R. Ferrise r/o Bonsignore Family

Erwin Hahn r/o Doug, Cathy & Michael Mattern

Maureen Frances Haigney r/o Renee Hahn

Alfred Hernandez r/o Lyn & Agus Baustista

Richard Melnick r/o Doug, Cathy & Michael Mattern

Frances Newsome r/o Anne & Angelo Pacifico

William O'Brien r/o The Chiarini Family

John J. Toughey, Jr. r/o Dennis Stewart & Family

Leonard Angelo Valenzuela r/o Lyn & Agus Baustista

Ann Williams r/o Dorrie Ruane & Family



#### Saint Mary's Travel Group

#### Wednesday August 16th Atlantic City Air

Show This fun day is arriving at the Tropicana Casino. That day only you receive \$5.00 in slot play. The Air show takes place across the boardwalk over the water. So exciting, features the USAF Thunderbirds and A Salute to Those that Serve. You can google for more information. Trip cost is \$33.00 per person which includes slot play, transportation, and driver gratuity. This trip always sells out fast. Hold your spot soon. Bus leaving at 9 am this day only.

Please contact Fran Timpanaro at <a href="mailto:Frannytip@gmail.com">Frannytip@gmail.com</a> Feel free to e-mail with any questions. After you have held your reservation with confirmation, mail in your payment to secure your spot.

Checks made payable to, St. Mary's Travel Group

Mail to: Fran Timpanaro

**48 Starr Court** 

**Atlantic Highlands, 07716** 

## CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS MEETINGS 6:30 - 9 PM CHAPEL LOWER ROOM

CDA is open to women age 18+. Please join us! Pick up a lavender flyer in the narthex or call Janet 732-977-6789 for membership info.

CDA meets the following Wednesdays

#### **2023 Dates:**

July 12, Sep. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Dec. 13

#### 2024 Dates:

Jan. 10, Feb. 14, Mar. 13, Apr. 10, May 8, Jun. 12, Jul. 10

Pocketbook Bingo SAVE THE DATE - 10/28/23





#### Nocturnal Adoration - July 7, 9 pm to 10 pm

Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament Shrine 26 Leonardville Rd., Middletown, NJ

Women & Men are invited. If you have any questions call Gene Brennan 732-687-3543

## HELP WANTED! HEAD OF MAINTENANCE

Saint Mary, Mother of God Church & School

More info call: Hank Pekarsky Business Manager 732-671-0071 Ext. 232



#### **Full time position**

#### St. Mary's Lost and Found

There is a lost & found closet in the Narthex.

Parishioners can approach ushers

after Mass for lost items.



### The Barn -the Poorest of the Poor "If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one." St. Mother Teresa

"The Barn" is looking for a volunteer to deliver food to Mother Teresa's Soup Kitchens and Franciscan Friars Of The Renewal. The volunteer would drive The Barn's pickup up truck one Saturday morning a month to Brooklyn, departing The Barn at 7 am, return by 11 am.

Please reply to BARNFORTHEPOOR@GMAIL.COM

#### **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Tom Ashe, Carlos Arevalo, Carlo Bautista, Joe Bilotta, Angela Brummert, Giovanni Caccamo, Joseph Caccamo, MaryAnn Calamo, Manwella Camba, Colin Casey, Beatrice Catania, James Cavallo, Theresa Cavallo, John Chiarini, Mary Colasurdo, Pamela Collins, Emil DeMarco, June DeMarco, Eileen DiPietro, Bruce W. Doorly, Marie Duffy, Mary Ellen Ellis, Dr. Keith English, Brian Flanagan, Tony Frazee, Dennis Gallagher, Barbara Gentilesco, Betty Hanson, Kathleen Hendrick, Donna Horel, Cassandra Huber, Gilda Kenney, Manny Konstantinidis, Mary Large, Anna Lauricella, Lorraine Lauricella, Jackie Lelesi, Mike Levy, Anthony Logaglio, Dawn Massey, Jason Massey, Carol Montella, Kathy Mumm, Allison Murray, Robert Murray, Vincent Mustachio, Mary O'Brien, Mariana Ocampo, Angela Orrego, Robert Patterson, Anthony Pelle, John Petersen, Rosemary Petersen, Francisco Ruffalo, Christa Russo, Betty Sanchez, Amparo Sanchez, Juan Carlos Sanchez, David Sague, Frank Scibetta, Michele Shinko, Tracy Spece, Darleen Striker, Susan & Anthony Tanski, Joan Urgo, Kathleen Vacca, Chris Vaughn, Barbara Woezer, Diane Worrell, Anthony Zito, Georgeanne, John, Bonnie FOR OUR CHILDREN: Brianna Orlando, Alexandria Iscaro, Addison Noelle Feirstein, Liam Joseph Kelly, John James Schultz Jr., Jake Wilson, Hunter Morris, Aria Mager, Bianca Grace Russo, Baby Harrison, Skylar Adinolfi

#### PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

Special Ops. Sgt. Tim Hayes

**U.S. Marines:** Pvt. Connor Winz, Staff Sgt. Michael J. Mangan, Ryan Trachman, Jonathan Alfano, Master Gunnery Sgt. C.T. Gregoire SFC, L/CPL Brian Healey, Lance Corporal Kyle Otterbine, Col. Christopher Cannon

**U.S. Navy:** Sgt. James A. Conklin, Col. Kevin Meisle, ETN3 Eric Borbely, LTJG Daniel Toth, Ensign, Captain Iraq; Lt Christopher Baum, ENS Elizabeth A. Millicker, ENS Victoria Millicker, Luke Zitzner E3CTR

**U.S. Air Force:** 3rd tour Iraq Josh Pershing, Tanay Mahadik deployed over seas

Army: 1st Lt. Evan Crowell, Wesley Briggs 2 tours in Iraq, stationed in Egypt, Army Reserve Louis Adamo, Army Ranger Staff Sergeant Craig Kubolka II 7th deployment to the Middle East, West Point Cadet Robert Manse III, PFC Noah Michalsky U.S. Coast Guard: Greg Charpek, George Martin Jr., H.M Ashley Thompson, James Chinnici, Jonathan Bagnato, Andrew Leroy

Please call the parish office to add someone to the prayer list. 732-671-0071 ext. 233



#### Mary Ellen Ellis needs your help!

Mary Ellen is a loving mother of two young children, James 9yo and Margo 3yo. She is also a devotedfiancé, an

amazing daughter, and a true friend to so many. Mary Ellen has, so many times, helped others in need and... Now she needs our help.

On December 27, 2022, Mary Ellen suffered cardiac arrest after contracting two strains of the Covid Virus simultaneously. She was revived and placed in a coma to help her recover. After awakening from the coma, it was apparent that she had suffered a traumatic brain injury. She continues to battle this terrible injury and come back to her children and fiancé, but she and her family need your help.

We are hosting a benefit for Mary Ellen on July 29, 2023, at the American Legion Post 338 at 860 Rt.36, Leonardo NJ. We are asking for any donation that you can make. We will be offering food, drinks, music, raffles, and prizes to celebrate Mary Ellen and help her with her medical bills and children's needs.

Please contact her sister Tricia - 732-996-8959 with any help that you can offer.

**THE DIOCESE OF TRENTON** is committed to the initiative outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People and to its own policies and guidelines regarding the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegation involving minors.

If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse Hotline: 1-888-296-2965 or via email at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org

The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.