



SAINT MARY

SCHOOL

Inspired education from
pre-K to 8th grade



INSPIRING GREAT MINDS

How classical Catholic education builds essential skills every child needs





“In standardized tests, there is a right and a wrong answer, and that’s it. Classical Catholic education emphasizes questioning: Seek and find. Students are encouraged to think for themselves. There’s a lot of love in the process.”

– Kathryn Abbud
Second Grade Teacher
Saint Mary School

Did You Know?

Mistakes are an important part of the learning process. Fostered by experienced teachers, classical Catholic education provides a supportive, nonjudgmental environment for children to explore, make mistakes, and grow from the experience.

What is classical Catholic education?

Classical Catholic education has trained some of the greatest minds our world has ever known.

Grounded in the rich educational tradition of the Catholic Church, this teaching approach challenges students to think deeply, ask questions, and draw logical conclusions to develop important intellectual skills like reasoning and critical thinking. Beginning in the earliest grades, children develop into engaged students who truly love to learn.

This time-tested curriculum is experiencing a great resurgence at Catholic schools across the United States. There’s a growing recognition among educators and parents that school should be more about training young minds to think, rather than on rote memorization and test scores.

Read on to discover how a classical Catholic education will benefit your child.



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1. **Well-rounded Scholars.** Classical Catholic education introduces students—even at the youngest ages—to studies in classical literature, history, Latin, science, mathematics, and culture. Teachers emphasize the connections between subject areas that most schools tend to place in silos.
2. **Strong Voices.** A major aim of classical Catholic education is to help children find their voice. Teachers encourage students to ask questions and participate in lively discussions to share their knowledge.
3. **Joyful Learners.** When students are comfortable participating in class, they gain confidence and become more engaged, fostering a love of school and creating a culture of lifelong learning.
4. **Deep Thinkers.** Starting in the youngest grades, an emphasis on analytical thinking and debate prepares students for the challenges of high school, college, and life.
5. **Compassionate Citizens.** Faith is a central part of the classical Catholic curriculum. Students learn that God is present in all people and things. They are committed to shaping a more fair and just world.
6. **Successful Adults.** The rigor of classical Catholic education provides the foundation for a lifetime of success. Graduates are ready to excel at outstanding colleges and universities, and later, to lead in their careers and communities.

Why Latin?

At schools like Saint Mary, studies in Latin begin in kindergarten. Research shows that learning a second language boosts problem-solving, critical thinking, and listening—plus, it improves memory and concentration. Here's how Latin paves the way for future academic and career success:

Stronger Analytical Skills:

The logical structure of Latin provides the perfect framework to train the brain to think analytically.

Better Communicators:

More than half of English vocabulary is derived from Latin roots and 90 percent of English words longer than two syllables are Latin-based. Students with a strong background in Latin are effective communicators—a skill in high demand by employers today.

Higher SAT Scores:

Studies show that students who learn Latin for two or more years can score 140-160 points higher on the SAT than their peers.

Did You Know?

Many professions incorporate Latin vocabulary in the workplace. From medicine to law and science, Latin words help to organize and define complex topics. Students who have a strong working knowledge of Latin in elementary and high school have a head start when studying to become doctors, lawyers, and scientists.



Classical Catholic Education at Saint Mary School

Saint Mary School offers a dynamic classical Catholic curriculum integrating faith and reason for children in grades pre-K through eight. In our lively and interactive classrooms, children are encouraged to ask questions and debate important topics. Teachers also challenge students to read more and think for themselves as they explore and find their place in the world God has created.

Our teachers have participated in professional development training through the Institute for Catholic Liberal Education (ICLE), a leading resource for Catholic schools on the classical Catholic educational model. Over the past decade, ICLE has seen skyrocketing demand from schools across the nation seeking to renew their curricula. Schools that have transitioned to this model have reported increased enrollment, stronger parish communities, and higher standardized test scores.

As a result of this engaging and challenging educational approach, Saint Mary School is considered a preeminent Catholic school in the region. In fact, readers of the *Asbury Park Press* voted Saint Mary the best private elementary school in Monmouth County.

What About Test Scores?

At most schools, the goal for students is to achieve high grades. While test scores are important markers, schools like Saint Mary are more interested in fostering long-term intellectual growth than memorization of facts—many of which are forgotten right after the test.

That's why you won't find Saint Mary teachers and students preparing for weeks to take required standardized tests. The classical Catholic curriculum has already provided our students with the knowledge needed to achieve high scores.



Discover Saint Mary School.

Scan the QR code or call Principal Craig Palmer at (732) 671-0129 for more information about our outstanding academic programs in grades pre-K through 8.





JESUS IS LORD!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The summer months are passing by very quickly. Preparations for the 2023-24 school year at Saint Mary School are well underway. Last week I attended the National Conference of the Institute of Catholic Liberal Education at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, PA with Saint Mary School Principal Craig Palmer and Vice Principal Patrick Mullen. The conference is a gathering of mission-driven educators who are working passionately towards the renewal of Catholic education.

One of the major avenues of evangelization in our parish is Saint Mary School. For seventy years this September, Saint Mary School has answered the Lord's call to "go make Disciples" through its solid spiritually and academically rigorous curriculum that forms our students into solid citizens of this world and the next. As we continue to prepare our students for the challenges of being Catholics in our world, we are delving deeper into the riches of our Catholic tradition of wisdom and education.

Many have forgotten that the Catholic church is the originator of Liberal Arts education based on the Classical education of the ancient world. Up until the twentieth century an excellent education, whether at grammar, high school, or university level, was a liberal arts education. The true meaning of the word "liberal" is freeing. In the original Latin it means to be free to think, to explore, and to discover God's world and what man has made through the divine gift of intellect. St. Augustine, St. Thomas Aquinas, and many of the great thinkers and creators of Western history were formed in this manner.



At Saint Mary School we have renewed our commitment to a deeply enriching Catholic education by teaming up with the Institute for Catholic Liberal Education to provide our students with a Classical Catholic education. Our students are immersing themselves in the beauty of grammar, art, music, language, history, and science in a renewed way. They are learning Latin, studying philosophy, and discussing ethics as part of their regular education. Our faith, always important, is the foundation for all that we do, with Jesus as the meaning and reason for everything that we do.

Today education is a political hot button in our country. It is fair to say there are agendas and curricula in public schools that are not Catholic. That is why a traditional Catholic Liberal Arts Education is so important for our Catholic families. I would like to encourage all our parish families to consider Saint Mary School for their child(ren), spiritual, and academic formation.

Please call our principal, Mr. Craig Palmer, for more information about our school. Mr. Palmer can be reached at 732-671-0129, ext. 303.

Have a blessed week.

In Jesus and Mary,

Father Jeff Kegley





Business Manager

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Thank you for your generosity!

Weekly Collections 7/24/2023

Weekly collection	\$ 12,136.44
Parish Giving	\$ 7,524.38
E Catholic	\$ 250.00
Ave Maria	\$ 2,486.84
Youth	\$ 25.00
Children	\$ 186.08
Assessments	\$ 122.00
Priest Retirement	\$ 3,071.00

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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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Mass Intentions - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, July 29, 2023

- 5:00 Richard Fosko r/o Mikey Dunne
- 5:00 Salvatore Pantaleo r/o Ellen Poole

Sunday, July 30, 2023

- 8:00 Kenneth Ryan r/o Sansevere Family
- 10:00 Don Drake r/o The Drake Family
- 12:00 Marie Leesemann r/o Wingenfled Family
- 5:00 People of the Parish

Monday, July 31, 2023

- 8:15 In Loving Memory of John Garvin r/o Marilyn Schamber
- 8:15 Richard Rodrick r/o Michael & Cristin McCarthy
- 12:00 Special Intentions of Brian Faelnar on his birthday r/o Mom
- 12:00 Special Intentions of Marie & Gerd Stabbert r/o Pat & Tom Cusick

Tuesday, August 1, 2023

- 8:15 John Garvin r/o Daughter
- 8:15 Anna Paparella Capurso r/o Daughters
- 12:00 Bette Young r/o Ann Quinlan
- 12:00 Lorraine Lauricella r/o Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Schneider

Wednesday, August 2, 2023

- 8:15 Eileen McGee r/o Lorraine & Bill Lister
- 8:15 John Connelly r/o Francesca & Dean Graziano
- 12:00 Nancy Young r/o her sister Catherine
- 12:00 Theresa Hibell r/o Mr. & Mrs. William Hibell

Thursday, August 3, 2023

- 8:15 Ryan Herrlich r/o Capozzi Family
- 8:15 Agnes McConway r/o Robert Lauricella
- 12:00 Matthew Eckert r/o Family
- 12:00 Pauline Orfano r/o Maresca Family

Friday, August 4, 2023

- 8:15 William A. Schamber II r/o Marilyn Schamber
- 8:15 Thomas McEvilly r/o Steve & Debbie McCarthy
- 12:00 Anthony, Jack, & Frances Palmeri r/o Palmeri Family
- 12:00 Robert Fantine r/o Marianne & Sharon Ryback

Saturday, August 5, 2023

- 8:15 Eleanor Dolan r/o the Pfirrmann Family
- 8:15 Daniel Vito Honey Mar r/o Laura Siemientkowski & Jerry Kegley
- 5:00 Richard O'Connor Jr. r/o Kathy O'Connor
- 5:00 Bob Infantino Sr. r/o John & Joan Golba

Sunday, August 6, 2023

- 8:00 Special Intentions of Cathy Daniels r/o Lucille O'Connor
- 10:00 For those enrolled in the Monthly Memorial Mass
- 12:00 Patrick Hoey r/o The Gallagher 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.

Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament Shrine

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
svdp.stmarysmiddletown@gmail.com

Congratulations to the Newly Baptized

Pearl Samantha Bacque

BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE

Patrick Tomei	Raymond Kringdon
Hazel Tomei	Timothy Healy

Sunday to Saturday Candles
July 30, 2023 to August 5, 2023

Saint Mary, Mother of God Sanctuary Candle:
Raymond Kringdon r/o LaTourette Family

Adoration Chapel Candles:

In Loving Memory of Joseph Fiore r/o Source Family
Michael Kirby r/o His Loving Wife Barbara

Eucharistic Revival
ENCOUNTER

A NIGHT OF ADORATION
WORSHIP-CONFESSIONS-HEALING



Saturday, August 26, 2023 @ 7PM

**OUR LADY OF THE MOST
BLESSED SACRAMENT SHRINE**

26 LEONARDVILLE ROAD
MIDDLETOWN, NEW JERSEY

Eucharistic Revival - Behold Him! July Encounter Night





Pope Francis: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

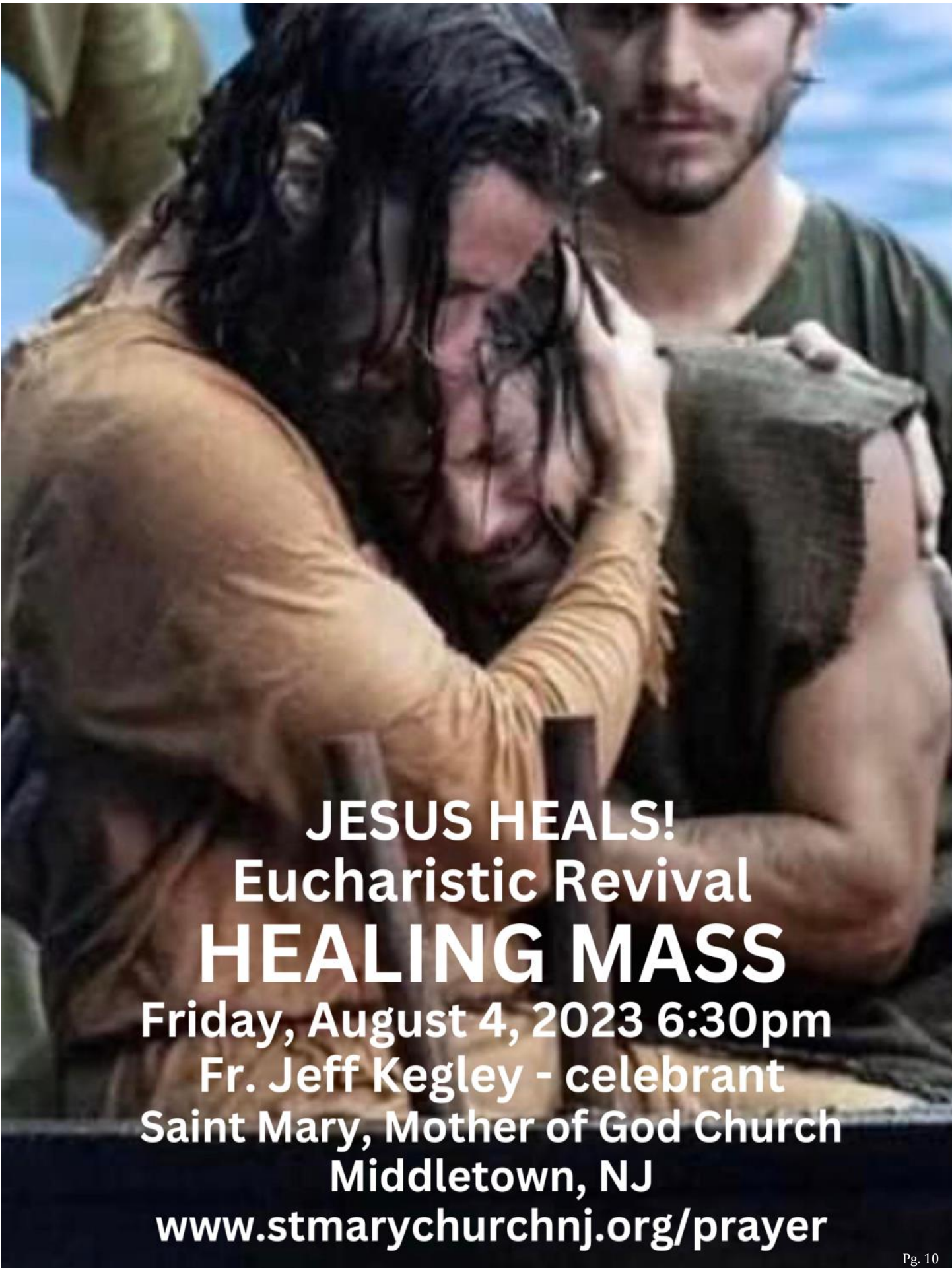
Jesus' parabolic discourse groups together seven parables in the 13th chapter of the Gospel of Matthew, and concludes with today's three parallel stories: *the hidden treasure* (v. 44), *the fine pearl* (vv. 45-46) and *the fishing net* (vv. 47-48). I will pause on the first two which highlight the protagonists' decision to sell everything in order to acquire what they have found. The first case has to do with a farmer who casually happens upon a hidden treasure in the field he is working. As the field is not his property, he must purchase it in order to take possession of the treasure: he therefore decides to risk all his possessions so as not to lose that truly exceptional opportunity. In the second case, there is a merchant of precious pearls; as an expert, he has spied a pearl of great value. He too decides to wager everything on that pearl, to the point of selling all the others.

These parallel stories highlight two characteristics regarding possession of the Kingdom of God: *searching* and *sacrifice*. It is true that the Kingdom of God is offered to all — it is a gift, it is a present, it is a grace — but it does not come on a silver platter: it requires dynamism; it is about searching, journeying, working hard. The attitude of *searching* is the essential condition for finding. The heart must burn with the desire to reach the valuable good, that is, the Kingdom of God which is made present in the person of Jesus. He is the hidden treasure; he is the pearl of great value. He is the fundamental discovery who can make a decisive change in our lives, filling it with meaning.

Faced with the unexpected discovery, both the farmer and the merchant realize that they are facing a unique opportunity which should not be missed; hence, they sell all that they own. Assessing the inestimable value of the treasure leads to a decision that also implies *sacrifice*, detachment and renunciation. When the treasure and the pearl are discovered, that is, when we have found the Lord, we must not let this discovery become barren, but rather sacrifice everything else in order to acquire it. It is not a question of disdaining the rest but of subordinating them to Jesus, putting him in first place; grace in first place. The disciple of Christ is not one who has deprived himself of something essential; he is one who has found much more: he has found the complete joy that only the Lord can give. It is the evangelical joy of the sick who have been healed; of the pardoned sinners, of the thief for whom the doors of heaven open.

The joy of the Gospel fills the heart and the entire life of those who encounter Jesus. Those who allow themselves to be saved by him are freed from sin, sadness, inner emptiness and isolation. With Jesus Christ, joy is always born and reborn (cf. Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*, n. 1). Today we are called to contemplate the joy of the farmer and the merchant in the parables. It is the joy of each of us when we discover the closeness and the comforting presence of Jesus in our lives. A presence which transforms the heart and opens us to the needs and the welcoming of our brothers, especially the weakest.

Let us pray for the intercession of the Virgin Mary so that each of us may know how to bear witness, in daily words and gestures, to the joy of having found the treasure of the Kingdom of God, that is, the love that the Father has given us through Jesus.



JESUS HEALS!
Eucharistic Revival
HEALING MASS

Friday, August 4, 2023 6:30pm
Fr. Jeff Kegley - celebrant
Saint Mary, Mother of God Church
Middletown, NJ
www.stmarychurchnj.org/prayer

Hymns Festival

at Saint Mary, Mother of God Church

*Sing to the Lord a New Song;
Sing to the Lord All the Earth. Psalm 96:1*

August 5, 2023
9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Register at www.stmarychurchnj.org/musicministry
All are welcome to attend the Hymns Festival!




PARISH OF SAINT MARY
MIDDLETOWN, NEW JERSEY

19 Cherry Tree Farm Road
Middletown, NJ 07748
www.stmarychurchnj.org





Registration is now open for our Traditional Religious Education Program from 1st to 8th grade. Classes start in September on either Tuesdays from 4:00 pm-5:15 pm or Wednesdays 6:00 pm-7:15 pm. Please visit our website to download the registration form at <https://stmarychurchnj.org>. You can find the form under Spiritual Growth, Formation, and then Faith Formation. Registration forms are also located outside the Parish Office window. The **deadline** to register is August 15th. We are also looking for teachers and aides to assist in our programs. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Suzanne Pfirman at 732-671-0071, ext. 241, or Jessica Parks at ext. 240.

BACKPACK COLLECTION

FOR CHILDREN AGES (5-12) TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO POOR FAMILIES

August 12-13 in the Narthex after all the Masses.




Other items that would be useful:
loose leaf paper, notebooks, crayons, markers, pencils, colored pencils, pencil sharpeners, glue, glue sticks, rulers, erasers, children's scissors, pencil cases, and highlighters.

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS EMAIL
KATHY PLATH GRIFF652@AOL.COM**


**GOD BLESS THE PEOPLE OF SAINT MARY'S FOR ALL
THAT YOU DO FOR THE POOREST OF THE POOR.**

DIVINE MERCY

MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023
7:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M.



EXPOSITION AND
BENEDICTION OF
THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT
DIVINE MERCY
CHAPLET



VENERATION OF ST.
FAUSTINA'S RELIC

SAINT MARY, MOTHER OF GOD CHURCH

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Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

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:

2am Friday

7am Saturday

1 pm Sunday

2am Saturday

10am Sunday

3am Sunday

11am Sunday

3am Friday

11am Wednesday

4am Sunday

1pm Wednesday

4am Friday

1pm Thursday



Sign up here! <http://adorationpro.org/marymiddletown>

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

LORD OF THE HARVEST, WE PETITION YOU AS YOU HAVE INSTRUCTED US TO ASK FOR MORE LABORERS TO SERVE IN THE VINEYARD OF YOUR CHURCH. YOU HAVE TOLD US THAT THE HARVEST IS RICH AND LABORERS ARE FEW AND WE EXPERIENCE THIS GREAT NEED IN THE FACE OF THE CHALLENGE OF THE NEW EVANGELIZATION. WE ASK THE HOLY SPIRIT TO INSPIRE YOUNG MEN TO SERIOUSLY CONSIDER VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD. HELP ALL OF US TO BE EFFECTIVE INSTRUMENTS TO ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT THOSE WHOM YOU ARE CALLING TO SERVE AND LEAD THE CHURCH IN THE FUTURE. LORD, YOU TOLD THE APOSTLES TO PUT OUT INTO THE DEEP. WE ASK FOR THE GRACE AND COURAGE TO ACCEPT YOUR CALL AS WE PRAY AND WORK FOR AN INCREASE IN VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD. WE ASK THIS IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST, THE GREAT HIGH PRIEST, AMEN.



Fall Program—Mondays

Sept. 18—Dec. 4, 2023

Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament Shrine

26 Leonardville Rd. , Middletown

Chapel Basement

St. Mary, Mother of God Church in Middletown is pleased to announce its continuing ministry entitled, "Surviving Divorce: Hope and Healing for the Catholic Family", a healing program being offered for divorced and/or separated Catholics.

If interested, please email: healingheartfromdivorce@gmail.com with your name and contact information, and one of the facilitators will get back in touch with you regarding all the details and will answer any questions you may have.

Visit: <https://www.mylifechangecoach.com/divorceministry> for more information about the program or call/text Michele Coppola Wilson at 201-753-8485.

Thank you for taking the first step toward healing!



IMPACT 2023

Meeting JESUS at the CROSSROADS

St. Mary Mother of God School
538 Church Street, Middletown NJ 07748

AUGUST 25 7:00 PM – 9:30 PM

AUGUST 26 9:30 AM – 4:30 PM

RENEWING FAITH, HOPE & DREAMS
FOR THE FUTURE

We know civilization is in crisis. We have come to a Crossroads, in our church, schools, families and the world. There is no going back to 'normal'. What we, as the body of Christ, decide in these never-before-seen times will impact generations for years to come.

~ Do you know your Mission? It is time to meet Jesus at the Crossroads. We are in the battle of our lives, and the lives of our children. What will our Impact be, and where will it land? Join us as we encounter Jesus; He is waiting at the Crossroads. Your Mission - if you choose to accept it - is ready.

The time is now.

Go to www.DOTCCR.org to register & for more information.

Presentation by:
Encounter Ministries of New Jersey &
Kingdom Firestarters



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 stmarynjrespectlife.org 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 13th

July 11th

August 8th

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

Our parish needs your Summer Financial Support - please don't forget us



EWTN founder Mother Angelica had a clever saying to remind viewers to mail their donations in support of her growing network: "Keep us between your gas and electric bill."

During the Summer months please consider making your weekly donations "on-line" to our wonderful parish.

make your on-line donations at www.stmarychurchnj.org/give

Grow in Your Faith!
Fall Courses from Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology

Interested in learning more about your faith? Learn more about graduate theological courses offered this Fall in Biblical Studies, Church History, Christian Ethics, Systematic Theology, Pastoral Theology, Spirituality, Evangelization, and Multicultural Catechesis.

For details, please email theology@shu.edu or call Elizabeth Vacchiano at (973) 761-9633.



Nocturnal Adoration-Aug. 4, 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

**Collection Counters
 Need your Help**



- #1** Please don't staple or tape your envelopes.
- #2** Please mark or write the donation amount on your envelopes.
- #3** Please mark whether the donation is cash or check.
- #4** Please write your envelope number on your check when not using your envelope.
- #5** Please write out a separate check when donating to the Ave Maria Fund or Mortgage.

**Thank you for your cooperation and continued support.
 May God Bless You!**

**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.

Congratulations to the SMS grade 5-8 winners of our CDA poetry, art, and essay contests! The theme this year, "We walk by faith, not by sight," was beautifully portrayed by the participants. We also congratulate our two grade 8 winners, Colin, and Luca, who received our CDA high school scholarships.

CDA meets the following Wednesdays

2023 Dates:

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



**Pocketbook Bingo
 SAVE THE DATE - 10/28/23**

**HELP WANTED!
 HEAD OF
 MAINTENANCE**

**Saint Mary,
 Mother of God
 Church & School**

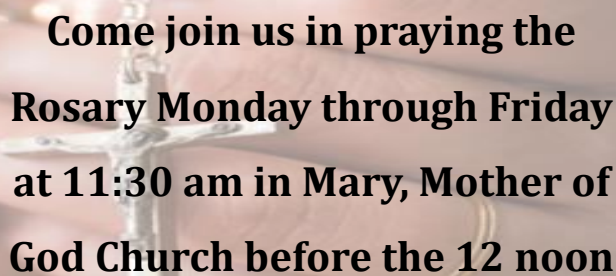
**More info call:
 Hank Pekarsky
 Business Manager
 732-671-0071
 Ext. 232**



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.



**Come join us in praying the
Rosary Monday through Friday
at 11:30 am in Mary, Mother of
God Church before the 12 noon**

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Dawn Anderson, Tom Ashe, Isagani Aquino, Carmelita Bautista, Carlo Bautista, Joe Bilotta, Gene Brennan, Angela Brummert, Giovanni Caccamo, Joseph Caccamo, MaryAnn Calamo, Manwella Camba, Colin Casey, Beatrice Catania, James Cavallo, Theresa Cavallo, John Chiarini, Mary Colasurdo, Pamela Collins, Kevin Conley, Emil DeMarco, June DeMarco, Eileen DiPietro, Bruce W. Doorly, Marie Duffy, Mary Ellen Ellis, Dr. Keith English, Lilian Esposito, 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, Kelly Marie Rodden, 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, Joan Wehner, 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 Corporal 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

The Diocese of Trenton's Department of Development is seeking a part-time Administrative Assistant to join our small and energetic team. This role primarily involves providing administrative support for the Annual Catholic Appeal and requires a strong focus on gift entry tasks. The position would be in person at the Chancery Office in Lawrenceville, NJ at 15 hours per week. Flexible on hours to be completed 5 days at 3 hours a day a week, or 3 days at 5 hours a day a week.

For more information visit:

<https://dioceseoftrenton.org/news/administrative-assistant-part-time>



WOMEN'S DISCIPLESHIP

Women's Discipleship is on summer break. Please watch the bulletin for the date, time, and location of our return! We have a wonderful

Eucharistic Ministry For the Homebound

Would you like to bring cheer to a homebound person by bringing Jesus to them? The need is great, and we can't do it without you. We are always in need of individuals to bring Communion on Sunday mornings to those who are unable to join us. Please pray about it. *If interested for more info or to sign up, please call Terry Ruane at: 908-461-1712.*

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.