



Business Manager

HANK PEKARSKY

Thank you for your generosity!

Weekly Collections 8/14/2023

Weekly collection	\$ 13,653.03
Parish Giving	\$ 6,872.36
E Catholic	\$ 800.00
Ave Maria	\$ 1,996.25
Youth	\$ 136.11
Children	\$ 164.97
Priest Retirement	\$ 25.00
Assumption	\$ 236.00
Mortgage	\$ 4.78

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Parish Office Hours

 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)

St. Mary School

www.stmaryes.org

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FR. JEFF KEGLEY

FROM THE PASTOR

JESUS IS LORD!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Here we are already in the middle to August and there is so much to write about in this pastor's column about our amazing (and very active) parish.

I would like to begin by thanking all the teachers and aids who worked so hard in the Radiant Joy Summer Faith Formation Program – you are all amazing. Special thanks to our parish new Catechetical Leader, Suzanne Pfirrman and new Assistant Catechetical Leader, Jessica Parks for your leadership in making Radiant Joy so successful. Our students and parents loved it! On the cover of the bulletin is a picture of the Radiant Joy Eucharistic Procession with 800 students following our Eucharistic Lord. Eucharistic Revival happened at Radiant Joy! Glory to God.

Last weekend, Will Boeschenstein, our new Life Teen Youth Minister spoke at the Sunday Masses soliciting help for Life Teen and EDGE youth ministry programs. He said that the antidote to teens being isolated in their rooms or on the screens and phones is Life Teen. "Life Teen is fun, community and focused on Jesus Christ." Will reminded us that all parishioners share in the responsibility to our teens, and everyone can serve somehow. We are looking for people to serve on Core Teams for Life Teen (high school) and EDGE (middle school) programs. Our teens need our help. Other ways of serving are donation of meals for Life Nights, Financial donations for meals, parents/parishioners setting up/serving/cleanup of the mealtime and whatever talent you have to help lead teens closer to Christ. For more information call the parish office.

The Bishop's Congress for the Eucharistic Revival has encouraged the "Invite One Back" initiative. Parishioners are asked to invite someone from their inner circle who have fallen away from the Church to join them at Mass or some time in Eucharistic Adoration. St. Mary's has designated the weekend of September 2nd and 3rd as "Invite on Back Weekend." All parishioners asked to prayerfully consider who you will invite back to church.

Also encouraged by the Bishop's Council for the Eucharistic Revival are Encounter Nights. Eucharistic Nights are beautiful evenings of Eucharistic Adoration, worship, teaching, testimony, healing, and Confessions. Our next Encounter Night will be Saturday, August 26th at 7:00pm at the Shrine of our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament. People of all ages are invited to attend.

On the weekend of Friday, August 25th and Saturday, August 26th, Encounter Ministries of New Jersey is hosting a summer retreat entitled: Impact 2023 that will be held in Euphemia Hall. In these dog days of summer, all are invited to refreshed to joy, love, and healing of Jesus Christ. To register for the retreat, please visit: www.dotccr.org.

Saint Mary School is ready to open for its 70^{th} school year this September. Students are still being accepted for the new academic year. Please call the school office for more information.

As I mentioned, we have a very active parish, let us pray for anointing of the Holy Spirit on all our work. More Lord!

In Jesus and Mary,

Father Jeff Kegley

Pastor

Mass Intentions - 20th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 19, 2023

- **5:00** Dick Jochums r/o Tom & Stephanie Wilkens
- 5:00 William Riley r/o Friends of the Family

Sunday, August 20, 2023

- 8:00 People of the Parish
- **10:00** Deceased Members of the Moore Family r/o The Gallagher Family
- **12:00** Louis Crisitello Sr. r/o Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Volastro
- 5:00 John Madsen Sr. r/o Ron & Elizabeth Askew

Monday, August 21, 2023

- 8:15 Frank Christiansen r/o Carol Christiansen
- 8:15 Bernadette Boner r/o Kathleen Dwyer
- 12:00 Marion Occhiuzzo r/o Anthony Panzica
- 12:00 Janice Alvino r/o Dorrie Ruane

Tuesday, August 22, 2023

- 8:15 John Laush r/o Irma Laush
- 8:15 Dolores & John Koerwer r/o Family
- **12:00** Betty & Tom Cusick r/o Family
- **12:00** Eleanor Reilly Dolan r/o The Graham Family

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

- 8:15 Anne Zeller r/o Daughter Francesca
- 8:15 Shirley K. Borello r/o Mary MacMahon
- 12:00 Rosemary Zeledon r/o Aunt Dorrie
- **12:00** Agnes McConway r/o Kathleen & Richard Moore

Thursday, August 24, 2023

- 8:15 Joanne Gordon r/o daughter Karen
- 8:15 Shirley K. Borello r/o Regina Begley
- 12:00 Miles Christopher Cannon r/o Loving Family
- 12:00 Irene Kaplan r/o Pat Ellis

Friday, August 25, 2023

- 8:15 Harry Brandshagen r/o Wife
- 8:15 William Casey r/o Pat & Sal Cino
- 12:00 Margaret O'Hare r/o Jerry & Kathy Matthew
- **12:00** Margaret O'Hare & Kevin O'Hare r/o Steve & Debbie McCarthy

Saturday, August 26, 2023

- **8:15** Deceased members of the Garvin & Brandshagen Families r/o Marilyn Schamber
- 8:15 Frank Mellina r/o Family
- 5:00 Elsie Capobianco r/o The Family
- 5:00 Adoration Roa r/o Her Loving Children

Sunday, August 27, 2023

- 8:00 Nancy Barone r/o Lenore Marrone & Louis Marotto
- 10:00 Marie Caswell r/o Brothers of TMIY
- 12:00 John LaRocca r/o Wife & 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

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

Rosemary Theresa Bohny Eloise Elizabeth Haviland Max Gerard Kessig Francesco Carmelo Ruisi Luciano David Ruisi

BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE

Mary Barbara Crowell Primo Santos

Sunday to Saturday Candles August 20, 2023 to August 26, 2023

Saint Mary, Mother of God Sanctuary Candle: Parish Staff

Adoration Chapel Candles:

Mary Ellen Ellis r/o Mother & Sister



Pope Francis: Twentieth Sunday on Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel (Mt 15:21-28) presents us a unique example of faith in Jesus' encounter with a Canaanite woman, a foreigner to the Jews. The scene unfolds as he is walking toward the cities of Tyre and Sidon, northwest of Galilee: it is here that the woman begs Jesus to heal her daughter, who — the Gospel says — "is severely possessed by a demon" (v. 22). The Lord, at first, seems not to hear this cry of pain, such that it causes the intervention of the disciples who intercede for her. Jesus' seeming indifference does not discourage this mother, who persists in her invocation.

This woman's inner strength, which enables her to overcome every obstacle, is to be found in her maternal love and in her faith that Jesus can grant her request. This makes me think of the strength of women. With their strength they are able to obtain great things. We have known many [such women]! We could say that it is love that stirs faith, and faith, for its part, becomes love's reward. Heartrending love for her daughter causes the woman to cry: "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David" (v. 22). And her untiring faith in Jesus allows her not to become discouraged even in the face of his initial rejection; thus the woman "knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me'" (v. 25).

In the end, before such persistence, Jesus was in awe, nearly astonished, by the faith of a pagan woman. Therefore he acquiesces, saying: "'O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.' And her daughter was healed instantly" (v. 28). Jesus points to this humble woman as a model of unwavering faith. Her persistence in beseeching Christ's intervention is incentive for us not to become discouraged, not to despair when we are burdened by life's difficult trials. The Lord does not turn away in the face of our needs and, if at times he seems insensitive to our requests for help, it is in order to put to the test and to strengthen our faith. We must continue to cry out like this woman: "Lord, help me! Lord, help me!". In this way, with perseverance and courage. This is the courage needed in prayer.

This Gospel episode helps us to understand that we all need to grow in faith and fortify our trust in Jesus. He can help us to find our way, when we have lost the compass of our journey; when the road no longer seems flat but rough and arduous; when it is hard to be faithful to our commitments. It is important to nourish our faith every day, by carefully listening to the Word of God, with the celebration of the Sacraments, with personal prayer as a "cry" to him — "Lord, help me!" — and with concrete acts of charity toward our neighbor.

Let us entrust ourselves to the Holy Spirit, so that he may help us to persevere in faith. The Spirit instills courage in the heart of believers; he gives our life and our Christian witness the power of conviction and persuasion; he helps us to overcome skepticism toward God and indifference toward our brothers and sisters.

May the Virgin Mary render us ever more aware of our need of the Lord and of his Spirit; may she obtain for us a strong faith, full of love, and a love capable of making itself a supplication, a courageous supplication to God.

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 MIDDLETLOWN, NEW JERSEY





Perpetual Eucharistic Adaration

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

Adorers are Needed!

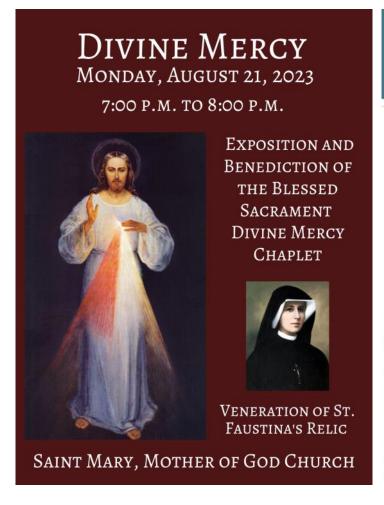
Come experience the peace and joy of an encounter with Jesus!

One more adorer is needed in these hours:

4am Friday 2am Friday 1pm Sunday 7am Saturday 2am Saturday 2pm Friday 3am Sunday 10am Sunday 3pm Monday 3am Tuesday 11am Sunday 3pm Saturday 3am Friday 11am Wednesday 5pm Saturday 4am Sunday 1pm Thursday 10pm Sunday

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







Information Night

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. at St. Leo The Great in the Good Shepherd Room (behind the Parish Center), located at 50 Hurleys Lane in Lincroft.

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: healingheartsfromdivorce@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

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-beforeseen 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.



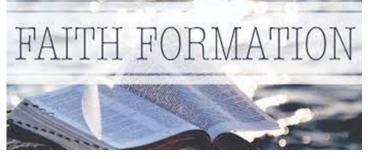


Sunday September 10, 2023 @ 5 PM Saint Mary Mother of God Church









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 Pfirrman at 732-671-0071, ext. 241, or lessica Parks at ext. 240.

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 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.

Angelica remind nations in network: CDA is ope gas and up a laver

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.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE

AMERICAS MEETINGS 6:30 - 9 PM

CHAPEL LOWER ROOM

CDA meets the following Wednesdays **2023** Dates:

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

Dec. 13

Pocketbook Bingo SAVE THE DATE - 10/28/23



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.

Please mark or write the donation amount on your envelopes.

Please mark whether the donation is cash or check.

Please write your envelope number on your check when not using your envelope.

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!

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.



Respect Life Ministry

Our Mission is to raise awareness and promote for all life—the unborn, elderly, and disabled. We do this through prayer, witness, and action.

Website: stmarynjrespectlife.org Email: stmarynjrespectlife@gmail.com

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!



Post Abortion Healing

The psychological and spiritual wounds of abortion can be deep and crippling. It can have a devastating effect, not only on the mother but also on the father, grandparents, and friends of the mother. Rachel's Vineyard is a chance to focus on this painful time in your life through a supportive and non-judgmental process, in an atmosphere of confidentiality, understanding, and compassion. If you have suffered through an abortion, you might consider attending one of our retreat weekends.

For more information contact:

RACHEL'S VINEYARD - NATIONAL HOTLINE 877-467-3463 For retreats call:

Trenton Diocese - Judy Warenkeiwicz at 732-536-6871 or email: JudyWaren543@msn.com

Newark Diocese - Cheryl Riley at Cheryl.Riley@rcan.org

Sister's of Life - 866-545-0075 or hopeandhealing@sistersoflife

Solutions Pregnancy & Health Center - 732-747-5454 (24 hours)

Lumina - 877-586-4621 or lumina@postabortionhelp.org

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 August 8th

August 8th September 12th October 10th 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

St. Mary's Chapel

26 Leonardville Rd, New Monmouth, NJ 07748





Upcoming Retreat September 23—24, 2023 Contact: Cheryl Riley

973-497-4350 Cheryl.riley@rcan.org

Spanish: elvinedoderaquelinfo@rcan.org

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 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, Carmelita 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, 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, Max 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, Consolacion Valenzuela, 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, Baby Wyatt Daniel Generoso

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

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

Study Theology at Georgian Court University!

All programs can be completed remotely. Master of Arts or a Graduate Certificate in Theology, with concentrations in Pastoral Ministry or Mercy Spirituality. Not sure? Take one or two classes on a non-matriculating basis to see if our programs are right for you. Generous financial aid available. New semester begins September 5, 2023. There is still time to apply. Contact department chair Johann M. Vento for more information: jvento@georgian.edu. We look forward to getting to know you and talking about your interest in studying theology.

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.