

Church of the Visitation

755 Mantoloking Road, Brick, N. J. 08723



Welcome!

The entire parish community extends a warm welcome to all visitors and new parishioners

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday: 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
Closed for Lunch 12:30 to 1:30 PM
Saturday and Sunday: 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM

Parish Registration

The Church of the Visitation is obliged to serve and minister to all baptized Catholics living in our local area. **PLEASE REGISTER** – it assists the staff in knowing you as a parishioner, providing for your needs, informing you of parish programs and activities, and utilizing your gifts and talents in service of the Church and one another. Envelopes for weekly contributions are available to you once you are registered. Please contact Deacon Sal Vicari at ext. 218 to register.

Sacramental Sponsor Certificates

The following is required by Cannon Law to be a Catholic Godparent/Sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. 1. Be at least 16 years of age. 2. Have completed the Sacraments of the Initiation. (Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation) 3. Be a registered and active parishioner living a life of faith. If married, have a marriage that is canonically valid and recognized by the Catholic Church.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Weekend: Saturday 4:00 and 5:30 PM
Sunday: 6:45, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM
Daily: Monday-Saturday 7:30 and 8:15 AM (Daily Chapel)
Monday Evenings: 7:30 PM
Holy Days: See Current Bulletin
Holy Hour: First Fri. of the month 7:00 to 8:00 PM (Church)

Baptism

Parents or legal guardians are encouraged to register 2 months in advance to schedule a baptism. Parents and Guardians are required and sponsors are encouraged to attend the Baptismal Formation Session prior to the Baptism. Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays following the 12:30 Mass at 1:45 PM. Please contact Deacon Sal Vicari at ext. 218 to make arrangements.

Marriages

The Sacrament of Marriage requires a time of spiritual preparation. According to the Common Policy adopted by the Bishops of New Jersey, this preparation requires sessions with a priest or deacon, Focus review and attendance at a Marriage Preparation Programs such as Pre Cana. Therefore couples should make arrangements with the Church at least 1 year before the planned wedding date and finalizing any social plans. Couples must also verify freedom to marry before dates and arrangements can be made. Please contact Deacon Sal Vicari at ext. 218 to make arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick

Please notify the Parish Office when serious illness occurs and when the sick, aged, or incapacitated are confined to home for extended period. In an emergency call Parish office anytime.

Penance/Reconciliation

Saturday from 3:15 to 3:45PM in the Church or anytime by appointment. A Penance Service is held during Advent and Lent.

Religious Education (CCD)

Our Religious Education and sacramental preparation for our children meets on Sunday from 9:15 to 10:30 AM in Lake Riviera Middle School, weekday classes in the Church Rectory. Pre~registration is required. Please call Nancy Grodberg at 732-477-5217.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

This is the process by which adults become full, active, participating members of the Catholic Church. Please call Dale Zanetti at ext. 214 for more information.

Elevator is located on the side of the Church near the Bell Tower

"I LOVE YOU, LORD, MY STRENGTH"



SATURDAY	OCTOBER 25
4:00 PM	Frank Barlowski/req. Family
5:30 PM	Rose Dempsey/req. Maureen & Jerry
SUNDAY	OCTOBER 26
6:45 AM	Teddy Gelesky/req. Family
8:00 AM	Genieve & Bernard Maloney/req. The Manzo Family
9:30 AM	Ray Barrett/req. Wife
11:00 AM	Lucy Rynkiewicz/req. Daughter Chris B.
12:30 PM	People of the Parish
MONDAY	OCTOBER 27
7:30 AM	Theresa Stansberry/req. Dee Deturo
8:15 AM	Orsola Di Carlo Gervasio/req. Fr. Al
7:30 PM	Edith Harrison/req. Pat & Lucille Gallagher
TUESDAY	OCTOBER 28
7:30 AM	John Addabbo/req. Adryenne
8:15 AM	John Addabbo/req. Monday Morning Group
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 29
7:30 AM	John Addabbo/req. Niece, Sylvia
8:15 AM	Joseph Luongo/req. Marion Dellanno
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 30
7:30 AM	Vincent Brown /req. V.R.C.
8:15 AM	Roger Jennings/req. Arlene & Bob Petroski
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 31
7:30 AM	Richard Murtagh/req. Nancy Grodberg
8:15 AM	Tom Dellanno/req. Wife, Marion
5:00 PM	Wesley Mulrean/req. Dad & Family
7:00 PM	Irene Gelesky/req. Loving Mom
SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 1
7:30 AM	Anthony Manino/req. Family
8:15 AM	Janet Nasatka/req. Family
4:00 PM	Emil & Luetta Capone/req. Daughter, Rosemary Russell
5:30 PM	James & Anne Mc Ternan/req. James & Helen Mc Ternan
SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 2
6:45 AM	People of the Parish
8:00 AM	Living & Dec'd. Members of the Rosary Altar Society
9:30 AM	Amato & Petrome Families/req. John Amato
11:00 AM	Louis & Isabel/req. Robert & Estelle Di Bello
12:30 PM	Romo;o Lechic/req. Wife, Maria

SUNDAY	OCTOBER 26	LOCATION
Community Sunday	After All Masses	Auditorium
Caregivers Recruitment	8:00	Auditorium Aux.
C.C.D. Classes	9:15 AM	Lake Riviera MS
MONDAY	OCTOBER 27	
M M & Saint Jude Novena	8:15 AM	Daily Chapel
Rosary For Life	1:30 PM	Daily Chapel
CCD Classes	4:30 & 6:30 PM	Parish Rooms. A, B & C
Children's Choir	6:15 PM	Church
Cub Scouts	6:30 PM	Auditorium
Cub Scouts	6:30 PM	Old Church
M M & Saint Jude Novena	7:30 PM	Daily Chapel
TUESDAY	OCTOBER 28	
Bingo	11:00 AM	Auditorium
CCD Classes	4:30 & 6:30 PM	Parish Rooms. A, B & C
Boy Scouts	6:30 PM	Old Church
Finance Council Meeting	7:00 PM	Daily Chapel
Children of the Light Meeting	7:15 PM	Parish Room B
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 29	
Community Lunch	12:00 PM	Auditorium
CCD Classes	4:30 & 6:30 PM	Parish Rooms. A, B & C
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 30	
Bible Study	9:45 AM	Auditorium
CCD Classes	4:30 & 6:30 PM	Parish Rooms. A, B & C
Adult Choir	7:15 PM	Church
AA	7:30 PM	Auditorium
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 31	
DRP Meeting	1:00 PM	Parish Room B
Children of the Light Prayer	7:00 PM	Parish Room A
Bingo	7:30 PM	Auditorium
SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 1	
R.C.I.A. Teaching	4:00 PM	Auditorium

Readings for the week

OCT. 26 SUN. Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Exodus 22:20-26 First Thessalonians 1:5-10 Matthew 22:34-40

OCT. 27 MON. Weekday
Ephesians 4:32--5:8 Luke 13:10-17

OCT. 28 TUES. Saints Simon and Jude, apostles
Ephesians 2:19-22 Luke 6:12-16

OCT. 29 WED. Weekday
Ephesians 6:1-9 Luke 13:22-30

OCT. 30 THUR. Weekday
Ephesians 6:10-20 Luke 13:31-35

OCT. 31 FRI. Weekday
Philippians 1:1-11 Luke 14:1-6

NOV. 1 SAT. All Saints
Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14 First John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12

For the Week of October 26, 2014



Church Sanctuary Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Deegan, Mesgleski & Greenberg Families/req. The Deegan Family
Chapel Sanctuary Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Frank Barlowski/req. Children
Sacred Heart Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Michael Demita & Isabelle Terranova/req. Gloria
Blessed Mother Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Lucy Rynkiewicz/req. Daughter, Chris

"I LOVE YOU, LORD, MY STRENGTH"


Wedding Banns

Jesse Brantly & Meghan Morrison



- I. Teresa Knight, Al Fraraccio
- III. Florence Wilkowski
- IV. Anthony Mancini

"REMEMBERING OUR SICK" LIST IS FOR THOSE PARISHIONERS WHO ARE IN NEED OF SPECIAL PRAYERS. THEY WILL REMAIN ON THE LIST FOR FOUR WEEKS. IF EXTENDED PRAYERS ARE NEEDED, PLEASE CONTACT VISITATIONS PRAYER CHAIN AT 848-373-4239.

 *In Your Charity* please pray for the happy repose of the souls of deceased members of the Parish, your friends, relatives and benefactors especially; *Consuelo Kock, Donald Smith, Carol Auriemma*



HOW WILL YOU BE REMEMBERED?

Please consider "Creating a Legacy" that will last for generations to come. When you remember Church of the Visitation in your will, you will help to provide for the many organizations and ministries after you are gone. For more information, please contact the Parish office at 732-477-7059 ext. 216.

GIFT AUCTION TEAMS FORMING

We are in the process of forming teams to prepare for the November 8, 2014 gift auction. If you think would enjoy being part of this energetic team, please contact Cindy Maguire at 732-330-4111. Let the fun begin!!

COMMUNITY LUNCHEON

The Community Luncheon is open every Wednesday 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. The third Wednesday of the month we will serve our hot luncheon; on the remaining Wednesdays of the month we will serve soup, salads or sandwiches.

Reflections for the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



This week's Gospel follows close behind the Gospel read last Sunday. It is the last of three questions put to Jesus by Jewish religious leaders who are trying to trick him into saying something that might get him arrested. This reminds us that the context for today's reading is the mounting tension between Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem.

The Herodians and the Pharisees asked the first question, which was about taxes. The Sadducees asked the second question, which was about the Resurrection (see Matthew 22:22-33). The third question, considered in today's Gospel, is asked by a Pharisee who asks Jesus about the greatest of the commandments.

The question requires Jesus to interpret the Law of Moses. The Mosaic Law consists of the Ten Commandments and many additional rules, numbering over six hundred. Adherence to the Mosaic Law, for a devout Jew, is an expression of faithfulness to God's covenant with Israel. The ranking of the Commandments was regularly debated among the teachers of the Law.

Jesus answers the Pharisees' question with a two-fold summary. Jesus says that all of the commandments can be summarized in two commandments: love God and love your neighbor. Both of these were central elements of the religious tradition Jesus learned from his Jewish community. Indeed these continue to be central aspects of contemporary Jewish religious understanding. Jesus' response to his questioners proposed an integral connection between these two aspects of the Jewish Law. Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbor. *Loyola Press*

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**NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE
ONE COLLECTION.**

"I LOVE YOU, LORD, MY STRENGTH"

Dear Parishioners,

On Saturday, November 1st we commemorate the Feast of All Saints. This is a day in Church life where we remember the example of the Saints.

Mass times:

Friday, October 31st at 5:00 and 7:00 PM

Saturday November 1st at 7:30 and 8:15 AM.

All Masses will be held in the church.

All Souls Naming and Remembering Mass held Monday, November 3rd at 7:00 PM
(please note change in Mass time). This is a time to celebrate the memories of those we love who are sharing in Jesus' promise of eternal life so that we may feel their presence during this special Mass. We recall all those who have died and received services from Visitation Parish in the last calendar year. Your presence is the gathering of the spiritual Body of Christ. We become the real Body of Christ for and to one another.

An envelope is included in your donation packets and at the doors of the church for you to list the names of the deceased loved ones you would like remembered in prayer and thanksgiving. In addition to the remembrance at Mass on November 3rd they will be remembered at the 7:30 or 8:15 AM Mass for a nine day novena, from November 3rd and continuing thru November 12 (excluding November 9).

*Plan to join us for our **All Souls Evening of Naming and Remembering Mass**. If you are unable to attend in person, please join us in prayer as we remember all of our deceased. You may also "send in" your prayer intentions. The envelopes will remain on display at all Masses during the month of November.*

Throughout the month of November *we reflect on and reaffirm our belief in Christ's Resurrection and remember our deceased relatives and friends. We all have fond memories of our deceased loved ones. These memories are always with us as we go about our daily lives. It is important that we do not allow these memories to fade into the past.*

Sincerely,

Fr. Al

P.S. Please return your intentions by dropping the envelope in the collection basket at Mass, by bringing the envelope to the Parish Office or by mailing it.



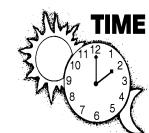
RCIA CORNER

XIV ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS ON THE FAMILY (2015)

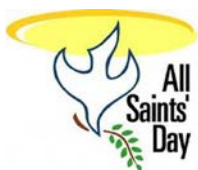
The most recent Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops was held in 2012 (XIII Ordinary General Assembly on the New Evangelization for the Transmission of the Christian Faith) This Synod will mark the 50th anniversary of the Synod of Bishops. "Jesus Christ reveals the mystery and vocation of the family" (Vatican News, press conference. . . to present the *Instrumentum Laboris* for the III Extraordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops). The XIV Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops will continue the work of the III Extraordinary General Assembly by "reflecting further on the points discussed so as to formulate appropriate pastoral guidelines" for the pastoral care of the person and the family (*Instrumentum Laboris*, III Extraordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops).



50/50 TICKETS are available in the vestibule of the Church. The drawing for October will take place after the 12:30 Mass on Sunday, October 26 in the church auditorium during the Community Sunday gathering.



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd AT 2:00 AM. DON'T FORGET TO SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK.



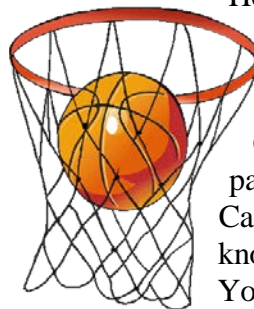
ALL SAINTS

Saturday, November 1st we commemorate the Feast of All Saints. This is a day in Church life where we remember the example of the Saints. **This**

year it is not a Holy Day of Obligation, however it remains a Holy Day. Mass times will be Friday, October 31, 5:00. and Saturday, November 1, 7:00 & 8:15 AM. These masses will be held in the church.

"Come to me, all who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord". Matthew 5:1-12a

CYO BASKETBALL COACH NEEDED



Here is a rewarding opportunity to take some time from your fall and winter months and volunteer as a member of the Church of the Visitation. The parish is a proud member of the Catholic Youth Organization, also known as CYO. The Catholic Youth Organization is a youth organization developed upon youth development and providing our youth the opportunity to be a part of something positive, rewarding, and fun. Visitation Church has been a member of the Ocean County CYO Basketball league for many years. Here's a little more information on this very educational, fun, and competitive league.

The Ocean County CYO Basketball League is comprised of five basketball teams throughout Ocean County. Student-athletes from grades nine through twelve (High School grade levels) have the opportunity to partake in this exciting league. The focus of the league is on sportsmanship, teamwork, social/emotional development, and community responsibilities. The league teams consist of the following: Visitation of Brick, St. Joseph's of Toms River, St. Veronica's of Howell, St. Mary's of Barnegat, and St. Francis of Long Beach Island. Each season is comprised of twelve regular season games, pending director approval, and a guaranteed bid to the County Playoffs. The top three teams from the county then go on to compete for the CYO State Tournament, which includes the top three finishers from Bergen County, Burlington County, and Monmouth County.

Due to specific limitations, this league is a travel league. Unfortunately, no transportation is provided by the league or churches. Therefore, student-athletes, parents/guardians or relatives of the team members are encouraged to transport players to and from the games. This gives families and friends a great opportunity to come out and support their players.

If you have an interest in becoming a Volunteer Coach for the 2014-2015 Ocean County CYO Basketball team please contact Michael Fattibene at 732-581-0987 or via email at fattibene.mj@gmail.com.

CAUTION

REPAIR WORK TO BEGIN

Please be careful of the scaffolding in the parking lot by the church sacristy beginning the week of October 27th. It has been discovered that bricks are coming loose on the chimney and repairs need to be made as quickly as possible.

CHURCH OF THE VISITATION A WELCOMING PARISH

*Jesus calls us to love so all may come to Him!
Let Us Put On A Happy Face And Welcome
All Who Pass Through Our Doors
Be courteous, loving and smile;
yes even in the parking lot!*

“A TRIBUTE TO THE MAN IN BLACK – JOHNNY CASH!”

The St. Vincent de Paul Society conference of St Martha’s and St. Peter’s invite you to join the fun at “a tribute to the man in black – Johnny Cash” featuring Michael Patrick’s ring of fire band on Friday, November 14, 2014 from 7:00 to 10:30 p.m. at St. Martha’s Church on Herbertsville Road in Point Pleasant. The tickets are \$20 each and the evening will include wonderful music, refreshments, BYOB, desserts, and optional dancing. The society will use the proceeds to continue to help the needy in our area. Tickets are available by calling the hotline at 732-295-3630 X 33. Leave a message for Johnny Cash tickets and someone will return your call.

MOVING?

Please inform the rector y office if you are moving out of the area or if you have a change of address, so we can update our records. Thank you!

LOST & FOUND

We are working **very hard** to beautify the church. **Please** help us by **NOT** putting anything such as prayer cards or booklets on the window sills. There are wooden stands in the narthex (vestibule) of the church for this purpose. Also, there are lost and found baskets in the narthex for any miscellaneous items found in the church.

We need your help to maintain a beautiful and clean worship space.

PEACE BE WITH YOU



It has been a practice for many of us to shake hands with our neighbors in church during the sign of the peace. For those who feel uncomfortable with the shaking of hands, an alternative form for the sign of peace maybe instituted; instead of a hand shake, a smile and a bow of the head with the words, “*Peace of Christ be with you*” would be acceptable.

ANNUAL ART & CRAFT SHOW



St. Joseph Rosary Altar Society is sponsoring its 26th Annual Art & Craft Show on Saturday, Nov. 1, 2014, from 9:00-3:00 at Donovan Catholic High School, Hooper Ave., Toms River. Adults \$2.00, Children: Free!

Over 70 fantastic & unique crafters to choose from. Have lunch at Joe’s Cafe, and take home some baked goods from Mary’s Bake shop.

STELLA MARIS RETREAT CENTER

November 5, 9:30 AM—3 PM—Contemplating everything and everyone. Day of Reflection \$50.00 per person.

November 5, 7-9PM—Carrying Sunday into Monday: How to build a functioning workplace spirituality. Free will offering.

November 7-9—Discipleship in John: An invitation to see—Weekend Retreat. \$235.00 per person.

To register or for information call 732-229-0602 or E-mail: retreats@stellamarisretreatcenter.com.

GIVE THE GIFT OF WARMTH



The Respect Life Ministry along with St. Vincent de Paul will once again be collecting winter coats, jackets, hats, gloves and blankets for the needy through the month of October. Men's coats are especially in need. These items may be brought to St. Vincent de Paul Monday-Saturday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30.

Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord and He will repay him for his deed Proverbs 19:17



**Caregiver Volunteers
of Central Jersey**

**HELPING THE OLDER MEMBERS OF YOUR
CONGREGATION AND COMMUNITY**

There are many older people living in our congregation...in our neighborhood...who are in need of a little help to continue living with dignity and independence at home. Caregiver Volunteers can make a difference in the lives of these older people and your help is needed. Some are lonely and simply need a friendly visit once a week, perhaps over a cup of tea. Others may need a volunteer to food shop or transport to a doctor's appointment.

If you can spare just a few minutes or hours a week, you can be involved in this significant ministry. An orientation for new volunteers will be led by Mary Malagiere of Caregiver Volunteers of Central Jersey. Two sessions will be held right at Visitation Parish Rectory, lower level on: Wednesday, November 5 and Saturday, November 8th @ 10 am

Visitation parishioners who are also Caregiver Volunteers will be with us on Saturday October 25 and Sunday, October 26 to answer your questions about this important and vital ministry in our community.

Please contact the Caregiver Volunteers of Central Jersey office at (732)-505-CARE (2273) for additional information and to register for this significant ministry.

Caring for People by People who Care

**Join Us For Coffee,
Donuts and Conversation**



COMMUNITY SUNDAY

is this Sunday, October 26 after all Masses and will be hosted by the Music Ministry. Please join us downstairs for fellowship with new and old friends.

Vocational discernment groups meet to assist young men who are discerning the possibility that God may be calling them to a life of priestly ministry. These groups are designed to explore a priestly vocation with other like-minded men through prayer and sharing vocation stories and experiences. The group meetings aren't meant to convince anyone that the priesthood is their vocation. They are designed to assist you in discovering if the priesthood is your true vocation and build your relationship with God along the way.

If you are a faithful, single, roman Catholic man, between the ages of 18-40, and are asking yourself whether God is calling you to be a priest, you are encouraged to attend the discernment meeting which will be held on October 26 from 4.00 to 6.00pm at St. Gregory the Great Parish, 4620 Nottingham Way, Hamilton, NJ. Join Rev. Michael McClane & Rev. Tom Vala as they share their experience of the priesthood.

Please register with the Diocese of Trenton Vocation Office at vocations@diocesoftrenton.org or by calling 609-406-7449. Join us for prayer, sharing of vocation stories and concluding with a great meal and conversation. It's an exciting time as you discover and respond to His invitation.

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us? And I said "Here I am. Send me!" ~ Isaiah 6:8



CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY



Complimentary Thanksgiving Dinner, Thursday, November 27, 2014 1:00 at Church of the Epiphany, Located at 615 Thiele Road, Brick. Meal delivery available. For additional information and reservation call 732-458-0220.

OCTOBER 26, 2014



2014-2015 INFLUENZA CAMPAIGN

The Ocean County Health Department is pleased to offer chronic disease screening and prevention services in addition to seasonal influenza (flu) and pneumonia vaccinations during this year's flu shot campaign. Clinic services will be held Monday, November 3, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in the Church Auditorium and will include:

- *Influenza (Flu) Vaccination
- *Pneumonia Vaccination
- *Blood Pressure Screening
- *Stroke Risk Assessment
- *Osteoporosis Screening
- *Shingles Vaccination
- *Tdap Vaccination (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis)
- *Lead Poisoning Prevention Education.

While the screenings and education are free of charge, vaccinations do include a fee which may be less depending on your current insurance status:

- *Influenza \$20.00
- *Tdap \$20.00
- *Pneumonia \$20.00
- *Shingles \$180.00

For questions about services offered, please call 732-341-9700 ext. 7604.

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**FR. AL AND STAFF WISH ALL OUR GHOSTS AND GOBLINS  
A HAPPY AND SAFE HALLOWEEN**

**THE PUMPKIN PRAYER**

*Dear God,*

**As I carve my pumpkin help me say this prayer:**

***Open my mind so I can learn about you;***

(cut the top of the pumpkin) Colossians 3:2

***Take away all my sin and forgive me for the wrong things I do;***

(clean out the inside) I John 1:9

Open my eyes so Your love I will see

(cut eyes shaped like hearts) Psalms 34:8

***I'm sorry for turning up my nose to all You've given me;***

(cut a nose in the shape of a cross) Psalms 92: 1

***Open my ears so Your word I will hear;***

(cut ears shaped like the bible) Isaiah 55:3

***Open my mouth so I can tell others You're near.***

(cut the mouth in the shape of a fish) Psalms 118: 17

**Let Your light shine in all I say and do! Matthew 5:16**

**Amen**



**MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS**

**Liturgical Ministries**

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** see Youth Ministry

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION** distributes Holy Communion at Masses, as well as to the homebound, hospitalized, nursing home, and Senior Housing residents. 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Vicki Cottrell or Vicki@visitationchurch.com*

**LECTORS** enhance the community's celebration of the Mass by meaningful reading of God's Word and by providing direction and overviews during the Liturgy. 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Vicki Cottrell or vicki@visitationchurch.com*

**LITURGY TEAM** meets monthly to plan liturgical and worship services that are meaningful and spiritual.

**ART AND ENVIRONMENT TEAM** visually enhances the celebration of the Mass by providing decorations that highlight the liturgical seasons. 732-477-9672, ext. 201 – *Fr. Al or fral@visitationchurch.com*

**MUSIC MINISTRY** spiritually enhances the celebration of the Liturgy. We are always seeking individuals who would like to share their gift of music through songs and prayers. 732-477-9672, ext. 217 - *Natalya Bencivenga or natalie@visitationchurch.com*

**USHERS** promote hospitality by assisting parishioners, taking up collections and preparing Offertory gifts for presentation at Mass. 732-262-4186 – *Kathy Cifelli*

**VISITATION ALTAR SERVERS TEAM** see Youth Ministry

**Sacrament Preparation**

**BAPTISMAL TEAM** assists the Priests and Deacons with Baptismal Formation Sessions, as well as the actual ceremony. 732-477-9028 - *Donna Stawicki or SewSimple@aol.com*

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)** is the process used to welcome those who wish to complete some or all of the sacraments of initiation in the Church. 732-477-9672, ext. 214 - *Dale Zanetti or dale@visitationchurch.com*

**Education and Evangelization Ministries**

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION** provides educational and growth opportunities for parish adults. 732-477-9672, ext. 214 - *Dale Zanetti or dale@visitationchurch.com*

**BIBLE SHARING** offers day sessions to all who wish to deepen their understanding of Scripture. Meetings are held on Thursdays at 9:45 AM in the Church Auditorium. No meeting during July & August. 732-477-9672 ext. 214 - *Dale Zanetti or dale@visitationchurch.com*

**EVANGELIZATION TEAM** promotes and fosters evangelization in all ministries by reaching out and encouraging all to live life as active Catholics. 732-477-9672, ext. 218 - *Deacon Salvatore Vicari or ext. 214 - Dale Zanetti or dale@visitationchurch.com*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD)** meets on Sunday from 9:15 to 10:30 AM in the Lake Riviera Middle School and weekdays in the church rectory during the school year. Pre-registration is required. 732-477-5217- *Nancy Grodberg or nancy@visitationchurch.com*

**Prayer Groups**

**CHILDREN OF LIGHT CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP** meets every Friday at 7:00 PM in Parish Room C to pray and work for spiritual renewal. 732-255-2728 - *Paul Rollis or paulr63@juno.com*

**ROYAL HEART OF JESUS & MARY CATHOLIC PRAYER GROUP** meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM in the Parish Room A. All are welcome. 732-742-2600 – *Joellen Arrabito – 732-262-3938 – Mary Casella or mnick123@aol.com*

**PRAYER CHAIN** is for anyone who feels the need for prayer or would like to join the group. 848-373-4239.

**Pastoral Care Ministries**

**BEREAVEMENT TEAM** provides support and meets Spring and Fall. 732-477-9672, ext. 221- *Deacon Richard Johnston*. On-going support to grieving families is available- *Linda Conroy 908-902-2741 or lconroy58@verizon.net*

**FUNERAL LITURGY MINISTRY** helps plan liturgy for funeral masses. 732-367-5329 – *Rosemary Russell*.

**VISITATION CAREGIVERS** provide supportive services to the frail elderly and homebound in our community such as friendly visits, food shopping, transportation to medical appointments and respite care for families. 732-505-2273 ext. 211- *Mary Malagiere or marym@caregivervolunteers.org*

**Services**

**ANNULMENT TEAMS** are available to assist a parishioner in rectifying his/her marital status in accordance with the law of the Catholic Church and enable parish members to participate in a full Christian life. 848-333-2671- *Eleanor Troiano ~ 732-477-7059* ext. 218 – *Deacon Salvatore Vicari*

**SPIRITUAL DIRECTION** is offered to anyone in the community who yearns to deepen their relationship with God. 732-477-9672, ext.221 *Deacon Richard Johnston*

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### **Social Ministries/Activities**

**BINGO** is held in the church auditorium on Tuesdays at 11:00 AM and Fridays at 7:30 PM 732-477-9672 ext. 201 – Tuesday *Cindy Maguire*; Friday - *Anna Tortoriello*

**EVENT DEVELOPMENT TEAM** meets as needed to develop and implement social activities (such as the Gift Auction and Wine Tasting/Art Auction) for the purpose of raising money for the building fund. 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Vicki Cottrell-vicki@visitationchurch.com*

### **Social Concerns**

**COMMUNITY LUNCH (SOUP KITCHEN)** provides lunch Wednesdays each week to members of the parish and community. 732-255-2835 - *Isabel Kronicz or fkronicz@comcast.net*

**RESPECT LIFE** focuses on pro-life issues and needs through education and support of other organizations in support of pro-life issues. The group gathers every Monday in the church at 1:30 PM to recite the Rosary. 732-262-2047 – *Charles Pocher*

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** operates the Thrift Shop in the old church and manages the funds from the poor boxes to assist the needy in our parish and the surrounding area. 732-477-9672, ext. 160. Thrift Shop hours of operation are Monday thru Saturday. 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM.

**VISITATION FOOD BANK** accepts donations of nonperishable food at the VRC location. These donations assist the hungry of our community. 732-746-3456 - *Visitation Relief Center*

### **Youth Ministries/Activities**

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** welcomes all from 3 to 12 years of age to share their love for Jesus through music. The choir sings monthly at the 12:30 PM Mass and performs at various community events. No tryouts are required. 732-477-9672 ext. 217 - *Jim Daniels*

**CYO BASKETBALL TEAM** practices at Lake Riviera Middle School. They were the 2007 Ocean County CYO champs. 732-581-0987 – *Coach Mike Fattibene or fattibene@kean.edu*

**VISITATION ALTAR SERVERS TEAM** provides assistance to the Priest in celebration of the Mass and other liturgical celebrations Open to all boys and girls third grade and higher who have received their Holy Communion. 732-458-1492 - *Sue Stranieri or stranieri.sue@gmail.com*

**VISITATION TEEN MINISTRY** provides a safe place for high school teenagers to come together, meet new people, and have fun while serving God and the community. For additional information please contact 732-477-7059 ext. 105 – *Marie Bottazzi or youthministry@visitationchurch.com*

### **Temporal Welfare**

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS TEAM** works to improve and enhance the appearance and safety of the existing church, former church, rectory building, and the associated grounds. The goal of this team is to adhere to all current safety and building codes and ensure that the house of God is maintained in an appropriate manner. 732-477-0028 – *Fr. Al or fral@visitationchurch.com*

**FINANCE COUNCIL** oversees the financial aspects of the parish 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Karen Smith*

**FUTURES TEAM** assesses and implements the needs of the parish to ensure that we are prepared for the future. The various teams coordinate all activities pertaining to the development of the Faith Formation Center. 732-477-9672, ext. 216 - *Vicki Cottrell-vicki@visitationchurch.com*

### **Organizations**

**AA MEETINGS** are held on Thursdays at 8:00 PM in the church auditorium.

**CUB SCOUT PACK #38**, sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society, meets on Mondays & Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in the auditorium & Wednesday & Thursdays at 6:30 in the old church. No meeting during July & August. 732-451-0252 or *Kim Gorman-kimmyg627@aol.com*

**BOY SCOUT TROOP #38**, sponsored by the Holy Name Society, meets Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in the old church. 732-262-8977 - *Matt Powell or matthewapowell@verizon.net*

**HOLY NAME OF JESUS SOCIETY** promotes respect for the Holy Name of Jesus and His Holy Catholic Church. Society members attend the 8:00 AM Mass the second Sunday of the month and meet the Tuesday following the second Sunday at 7:00 pm in the Auditorium. There are no meeting July & August, however members still attend mass. 732-477-8456 – *Paul Hegadorn or paulhegadorn@verizon.net*

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #836** work with the local parish and contribute many hours of volunteer work to our community annually. They meet the first and third Wednesdays of each month at the Council Home on the corner of Cedarbridge Avenue and Route 70 East.

**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY** honors the Blessed Virgin Mary to secure her patronage through the daily recitation of the Rosary for the spiritual benefit of the parish community. Members attend the 8:00 AM Mass on the first Sunday of the month. The Monday following the first Sunday of the month they meet at 11:30 AM in the Church Worship for the Rosary. The meeting will follow at 12:00 noon in the Church Auditorium. There are no meeting July & August, however members still attend mass. 732-232-7132 – *Dee DeTuro or deed@visitationchurch.com*

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