



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

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 Canon 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 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)
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.

We now offer Low-Gluten Host for those suffering from celiac sprue disease
Elevator is located on the side of the Church near the Bell Tower

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY **OCTOBER 22**
 4:00 PM Frank & Eleanor Barlowski

SUNDAY **OCTOBER 23**
 6:45 AM Michael Zarzecki
 8:00 AM Jean DeGennaro
 9:30 AM Louis Lisa
 11:00 AM Raymond Barrett
 12:30 PM People of the Parish

MONDAY **OCTOBER 24**
 7:30 AM Marilyn Ballis
 8:15 AM William Gordon

TUESDAY **OCTOBER 25**
 7:30 AM Maria Wigdzinski
 8:15 AM Jim O'Keefe

WEDNESDAY **OCTOBER 26**
 7:30 AM Mary Maria Barnickel
 8:15 AM Mesgleski & Deegan Families

THURSDAY **OCTOBER 27**
 7:30 AM John Fcasni
 8:15 AM Alfred & Joan Fraraccio

FRIDAY **OCTOBER 28**
 7:30 AM Barbara Weber
 8:15 AM Geraldine Salerno

SATURDAY **OCTOBER 29**
 7:30 AM William Coogan
 8:15 AM Dominic Mittica
 4:00 PM Megleski & Deegan Families

SUNDAY **OCTOBER 30**
 6:45 AM People of the Parish
 8:00 AM Wesley Mulrean
 9:30 AM Peggy Giordano
 11:00 AM Lucy Rynkiewicz
 12:30 PM People of the Parish

For the Week of October 16, 2016



Church Sanctuary Candle is "In Loving Memory" Manuel Gonzalez

Chapel Sanctuary Candle is "Special Intentions"

Blessed Mother Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Carmine & Anna Melore

Sacred Heart Candle is "In Loving Memory" of Michael DeMita & Isabell & Lou Terranova

SUNDAY	OCTOBER 23	
<i>Masses</i>		Church
<i>Community Sunday</i>	After Masses	Parish Hall
<i>Baptism</i>	1:45 PM	Church
MONDAY	OCTOBER 24	
<i>Rosary for Life</i>	130PM	Daily Chapel
<i>CCD</i>	430 PM	Rooms A, B & C
<i>Cub Scouts</i>	630PM	Parish Hall
TUESDAY	OCTOBER 25	
<i>Bingo</i>	11:00 AM	Parish Hall
<i>CCD</i>	4:30 PM	Room C
<i>Children's Choir Practice</i>	630PM	Church
<i>Alanon</i>	7:00 PM	Parish Hall
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 26	
<i>Community Lunch</i>	12:00 PM	Parish Hall
<i>CCD</i>	4:30 PM	Room A
<i>Boy Scouts</i>	6:30 PM	Parish Hall
<i>Youth Choir.</i>	7:30 PM	Church
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 27	
<i>Bible Study</i>	9:45 AM	Parish Hall
<i>CCD</i>	4:30 PM	A & B
<i>Adult Choir</i>	7:15 PM	Church
<i>AA</i>	7:30 PM	Parish Hall
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 28	
<i>Parents Baptismal Formation Session</i>	7:00 PM	Church
<i>Life in the Spirit Seminar</i>	7:15 PM	Parish Hall
SATURDAY	OCTOBER 29	
<i>Vigil Mass</i>	4:00 PM	Church
<i>RCIA</i>	5:00 PM	Parish Hall

Readings for the Week

Monday: Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30

Thursday: Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 13:31-35

Friday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16

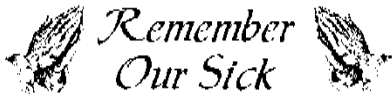
Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday: Wis 11:22 — 12:2; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; 2 Thes 1:11 — 2:2; Lk 19:1-10

"THE LORD HEAR THE CRY OF THE POOR"

 **Wedding Banns**

II. Sean Rodgers & Chelsea Buttacavoli

 **Remember Our Sick**

III. Bill Bradshaw

"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; *Pasquale Montemurno, John Trainor, Gregory Sullivan*

HOW WILL YOU BE REMEMBERED?

CREATE A LEGACY 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.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offering for the Week of October 16, 2016

Regular	\$10,992.34
On Line	\$937.00
Total	\$10,306.75

FAITH TO MOVE MOUNTAINS

*Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us
faith to move mountains.*

*We pray that you strengthen our faith,
so that every prayer on our lips
and every work of our hands
may give glory to your name.*

*Walk with us on the pathways of life,
Illumined by the light of your truth,
so that we may see with the eyes of faith
how hope lifts us up and how love always
leads us to you, who live and reign with the Father
and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.
Amen*

*Reflections for
The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



The second parable that Jesus tells in Luke 18 addresses attitude in prayer. In contrasting the prayer of the Pharisee with the prayer of the tax collector, Jesus teaches his disciples to pray in humility before God. Jesus again surprises his

listeners by showing the tax collector as the example of faith, rather than the Pharisee. Remember that Pharisees were members of a sect of Judaism active in Jesus' time. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for Jewish piety. If anyone would be a model for prayer, a Pharisee was a likely candidate. In contrast, Jesus offers the tax collector as a model for prayer. Tax collectors were collaborators with the Roman authorities in a system that allowed the tax collectors to line their own pockets by charging in excess of the defined taxes. Yet, in this parable, Jesus offers the humility of the tax collector as a model for the prayer of a disciple. The parable reminds us that when we pray, we must remember our need for God in our lives. If we are too full of ourselves, there is too little room for God's grace to work in us.

Loyola Press

NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE TWO COLLECTIONS. PLEASE PLACE YOUR REGULAR WEEKLY DONATION ENVELOPE IN THE FIRST BASKET AND THE ENVELOPE FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL IN THE SECOND BASKET.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS. ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK WEATHERHEAD YOUNG FUNERAL HOME

For bulletin advertising information, please call John Patrick Publishing Company 800-333-3166.

OCTOBER 23, 2016



For those who were unable to attend Mass last weekend, here is the text of my announcement:

The parish agency of the Visitation Relief Center, also known as the VRC, started almost 4 years ago in direct response to Hurricane Sandy relief efforts in the area. During that time, the VRC in cooperation with Catholic Charities helped hundreds of families in rebuilding efforts, provided advice in securing government aid, and offered material and spiritual support to lives devastated by the storm. Visitation parishioners and many local businesses and individuals, seeing the good being done by the Center, generously provided their time, talent and treasure to help. Since mid-2015, when other relief programs began shutting down, the VRC – in addition to its efforts helping those still in need of hurricane relief – began to “re-invent” itself by connecting young people and Christ. It was hoped that through it we could provide a long-term mission of showing our youth and young adults how they could put their faith in action: loving God by loving others through service. Thanks to the efforts of its Director, Christie Winters and her staff, the VRC made great progress towards achieving this goal and becoming a self-sustaining agency and has my heartfelt thanks.

A situation has developed between the VRC and the Office of Construction in the Township of Brick regarding deficiencies in the VRC building, a situation that will cause significant financial damage to Visitation Parish should it continue. After consultation with the parish Finance Council and on the advice of Bishop David O’Connell of Trenton, I must announce that operations at the Visitation Relief Center have ceased as of Friday October 14, 2016. A limited staff will remain for a while to oversee the de-mobilization effort and provide referrals to other services: civil and religious charities as well as the various St. Vincent de Paul Conferences in the area. This is effective until further notice and may be permanent. Also, while donations to the VRC have been suspended, donations to and the work of our own St. Vincent de Paul Society conference are unaffected.

I regret having to make this decision. I believe that, in addition to its aid to the needy, the VRC has been a vital way to bring and keep our young people active in their faith in a way that resonated with them. Of course, we will continue to discern and investigate ways to continue this necessary evangelization. I thank you for your attention. Please pray for those impacted by this development and pray for Visitation parish!

Fr. Ed

OCTOBER DINE TO DONATE PARTNER

Quaker Steak & Lube, Brick

Every Tuesday in October (4, 11, 18, 25) All day

NO COUPON NEEDED... BRING FLYER, SHOW ON PHONE, OR TELL SERVER

10% of your bill excluding tax, gratuity & alcohol will be donated to the Church of the Visitation Covering Fund (parking lot and carpet replacement).

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

IT’S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN IN

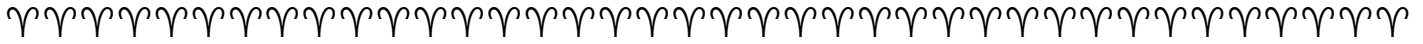
Come and allow Jesus Christ to establish, restore, and deepen that relationship with you. This seminar offers the presentation of the Gospel and the basic teaching about what the Lord is willing to do for all who come to Him. Speaking at Mass, Pope Francis said: “The Holy Spirit, opens the doors and invites us to bear witness to Jesus.” Let us make that a reality.

Please join us for the next four **Fridays**-beginning from 7:15 to 9:00 pm in the Visitation Parish Hall. Are you thirsting for an ever deeper relationship with God? Wanting to better understand the Holy Spirit and his role in your life? Longing to be more alive in your faith? You are invited to join us for music, prayer, live presentations and discussions on living life with the power of the Holy Spirit. We have an elevator for ease of access. Contact Paul Rollis at 732-255-2728 or email Dale Zanetti, Adult Faith Formation at dzanetti@visitationrcchurch.com.

OCTOBER 23, 2016

ARCHDIOCESE OF THE MILITARY

Every three years this special collection for the Archdiocese of the Military is taken up the weekend before Veterans' Day. This is scheduled for the weekend of November 5/6. Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated.

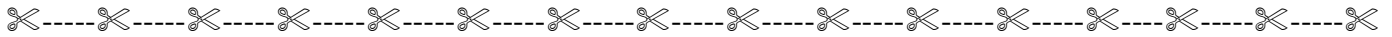


CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE TIME CHANGE

Our Children's Choir has changed the time for practice to Tuesday's from 6:30 to 7:00 PM in the Church Worship Space beginning October 25th. We will begin practicing our Christmas Music for our upcoming concert. We hope to see you there. For additional information contact Natalya at 732-477-7059 ext. 217.



Friday, December 9th at 7:30 PM, Saint Dominic Church for the renowned Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea conducted by Fr. Alphonse Stephenson. Don't miss your chance to welcome the holiday season with the spectacular sounds of the Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea.



GIFT AUCTION TEAM

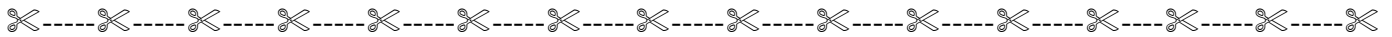
If you would like to become part of this energetic team please contact Betty Kilkenny at 732-475-0048, or e-mail EventTeam@visitationRCchurch.org or fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket. Let the fun begin!

- I would like to donate a gift(s) for use at the Auction
- I would like to help prepare for the Auction, (solicit gifts, make baskets, etc.)
- I would like to volunteer to help with the event on November 5, 2016

Name _____ Phone _____

E-Mail _____

I prefer to be contacted by: Phone E-mail
 The best time to contact me is: Morning Afternoon Evening



PROMISE TO PROTECT-PLEDGE TO HEAL



The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People and to its own policies and guidelines in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations 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: 1-800-296-2965 or via e-mail 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.



OCTOBER 23, 2016

**INSPIRING HARMONY
LAUGH, LEARN, CREATE, INSPIRE!**

Now coming to our Visitation R.C. Church!

Superhero Creation Lab!!

PreK & K Session:

Begins Tuesdays November 8th- December 13th
4:30pm-5:30pm

1st & 2nd Grade Session:

Begins Saturdays November 5th - December 10th
9:00am-10:00am



Drama Workshop!

3rd & 4th Grade Session:

Begins Thursdays November 3rd-
December 15th
6:00pm-7:00pm

5th & 6th Grade Session:

Begins Saturdays November 5th -
December 10th
10:30am-11:30

Superhero Creation Lab: In this program your child will create and become their own superhero by using a variety of games and learning activities which emphasize being a hero everyday life through acts of kindness and being a good citizen. Sample activities include the Hero Naming Game, obstacle courses, cape and mask creation, cognitive challenges, rewarded for good deeds they accomplish weekly and their very own superhero ID card! The class will nurture their self-confidence, teamwork skills and their creativity. While having so much fun they will never know they are learning!

Drama Workshops: In the drama workshops the students will be introduced to the tools of an actor and the skills of improvisation, which broadens creative thinking and problem solving. Through game based learning techniques, students will begin to learn and practice theatrical vocabulary along with the rules of performing. They will increase public speaking and effective story telling skills. This includes scene and character creation and development. Every learning element is presented as a game or creative play to institute a fun and exciting learning environment. The class is designed to build self-esteem while having lots of good goofy fun! There will be a small production at the end of the workshop for ALL the students to show off their skills.

All of the programs will support and interlace our Catholic faith. They will gain an understanding of the importance of everyday faith, involvement as a member of the Church and how Jesus and the saints shows us what it takes to be a true hero. They will be reminded how these heroes worked as friends and followers of Jesus to make our world a better place.

All classes are run by two very involved members of Visitation Church. Joanne is a cantor with our church, CCD teacher, led VBS and is involved with many other church projects. Marni is a CCD teacher and volunteer at VBS.

To register go to www.inspiringharmony.net or you can reach out to us at enspiritedjm@gmail.com or call 732-451-4884.

Flyers and registration forms will be sent home with CCD student

OCTOBER 23, 2016

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Family & Friends,

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

Mass times:

Monday, October 31, 7:00 PM

Tuesday, November 1, 7:30, 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM

All Souls Naming and Remembering Mass held on Wednesday, November 2 at 7:00 PM

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. Although always the case, we are reminded especially during this Jubilee Year of Mercy 2016 as established by Pope Francis, that our faith remains unwaveringly focused on God's mercy shown to our loved ones and continually extended to us. Your presence is the gathering of the spiritual Body of Christ where we become the real Body of Christ for and to one another. We encourage you to arrive early to include the names(s) of your loved one(s) in the Book of Remembrance.

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.

Sincerely,

Reverend Edward H. Blanchett

Pastor

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.

RECOVERY MINISTRY

St. Denis offers a Recovery Ministry dedicated to anyone recovering from any of life's challenges. You may be recovering from addiction to alcohol or a co-dependent relationship, fighting a gambling obsession, a child addicted to heroin, or anything in between. The point is that we are all affected by the struggles of life and may try to find solace in our favorite escape/addiction, or be close to someone spiraling out of control in their own escape/addiction. Join the St. Denis Recovery Ministry on Thursdays at 10 AM or 7 PM in St. Denis Church basement as we support one another while learning about recovery from life's difficulties using the Life Recovery Bible. This is a Christ-centered recovery through scripture support group and class. All are welcome. Call Laura C @ 848-333-7085 or email stdenisrecoveryministry@gmail.com Find us on FaceBook at St Denis Recovery Ministry.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION

The second collection on October 30th is for St. Vincent de Paul. This collection will also take the place of the usual monetary collection for Thanksgiving held in early November. Your generosity is greatly appreciated as we begin to prepare baskets for Thanksgiving for the less fortunate in our parish. Please check the bulletin for Turkey drop off dates. Thank you and God Bless
Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will repay him for his deed. Proverbs 19:17

HEALING MASS

All are welcome, on Saturday, October 29th at Sacred Heart Church in Bay Head for a healing mass at 8:30 am. Many of us are in need of extra prayers for illness, upcoming surgery, addiction, mental illness, caregiving, etc. The Anointing of the sick and special prayers will be administered at the end of mass. Please come and invite a friend light refreshments to follow in the hall. For further infocontact DawnRusinko@yahoo.com or call 732-899-1398.

REMINDER & COMMUNITY SUNDAY

Please join us downstairs for fellowship with new and old friends this Sunday, October 25 after all Masses.

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.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY PRAYER
BY POPE FRANCIS

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved. Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief. Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan women: "If you knew the gift of God!" You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified. You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God. Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind. We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.

SUPPER WITH THE SAINTS

For those who are hungry or in need of friendship, the last Tuesday (October 25) of each month join All Saints Church at 500 Lake Avenue, Bay Head for food and fellowship. Serving from 4:00~6:00 PM. For additional information call 732-892-5198.

That which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.
1 John 1:3

OCTOBER 23, 2016

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 vcottrell@visitationrcchurch.org*

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 vcottrell@visitationrcchurch.org*

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. – *Fr. Ed 732-477-9672, ext. 201*

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. **Adult Choir** assists and encourages the congregation in singing. Practice is on Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM in the Church. Adult choir sings on Sundays at 9:30 am Mass. **Youth Choir** welcomes all from ages 13 – 18 years of age to share their gift of music through songs and prayers. The Youth Groups sings on Sundays at 11:00 AM Mass.

Bell Choir is open to all ages. 732-477-9672, ext. 217 - *Natalya Bencivenga or nbencivenga@visitationrcchurch.org*

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 dzanetti@visitationrcchurch.org*

Education and Evangelization Ministries

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

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 Parish Hall. 732-477-9672 ext. 214 - *Dale Zanetti or dzanetti@visitationrcchurch.org*

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 dzanetti@visitationrcchurch.org*

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 ngrodberg@visitationrcchurch.org*

Prayer Groups

CHILDREN OF LIGHT CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP meets every Friday at 6:30 PM at the VRC 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*

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 lconroy2741@gmail.com*

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 732-477-7059 ext. 218 – *Deacon Salvatore Vicari 732-477-7059 ext. 103 Arnold Vicidomini*

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 Parish Hall on Tuesdays at 11:00 AM - 732-477-9672 ext. 201 – Tuesday *Cindy Maguire*
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-vcottrell@visitationrcchurch.org*

Social Concerns

COMMUNITY LUNCH (SOUP KITCHEN) provides lunch Wednesdays each week to members of the parish and community in the Parish Hall. 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 community. Hours of operation are Monday – Saturday 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM. 732-477-9672, ext. 160
VISITATION FOOD BANK accepts donations of nonperishable food at the VRC location and in Church. 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 practice's Tuesdays from 6:30 – 7:00 PM and sings once a month at the 11:00 AM Mass and performs at various community events. No tryouts are required. 732-477-9672 ext. 217 – *Natalya Bencivenga or nbencivenga@visitationrcchurch.org*
CYO BASKETBALL TEAM practices at Lake Riviera Middle School. They were the 2007 Ocean County CYO champs. 201-522-3679 – *Coach or doug_roman4@yahoo.com*
VISITATION ALTAR SERVERS TEAM provides assistance to the Priest in celebration of the Mass and other liturgical celebrations Open to all adults and boys and girls third grade and higher who have received their Holy Communion. 732-458-1492 - *Sue Straneri 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 – *Christie or cwinters@visitationrcchurch.org*

Temporal WelfareBUILDING 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. - *Fr. Ed* 732-477-9672, ext. 201
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-vcottrell@visitationrcchurch.org*

Organizations

AA MEETINGS are held on Thursdays at 7:30 PM in the Parish Hall.
ALANON MEETINGS are held Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall
CUB SCOUT PACK #38, sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society, meets on Mondays at 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall. No meeting during July & August. 732-451-0252 *Kim Gorman or 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 7:15 pm in the Parish Hall. There are no meeting July & August, however members still attend mass. 732-239-2449 – *Deacon Nick Straneri or deaconnick@visitationrcchurch.org*
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 and meet the Monday following the first Sunday at 11:30 AM in the Church Worship for the Rosary, followed by the meeting at 12:00 noon in the Parish Hall. There are no meeting July & August, however members still attend mass. 732-232-7132 – *Dee DeTuro or ddeturo@visitationrcchurch.org*

Bulletin Deadline

Bulletin & Announcement Deadline: Ten days prior to publication weekend as space allows.