



SAINT
TERESA
OF
CALCUTTA
PARISH



A good tree does not bear
rotten fruit, nor does a rotten
tree bear good fruit.

Luke 6:43

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Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
March 2, 2025

SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*We are the welcoming community of Saint Teresa of Calcutta
living our faith by endeavoring to follow her example
to see, share and be the light of Christ's love and compassion.*

PARISH INFORMATION: March 2, 2025

Welcome to Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish!

We are pleased to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a parish home, we invite you to become part of our parish family and become fully involved in our life of prayer, education, service and community.

Registration: We invite all parishioners to register with the Parish. Registration helps us to serve you when issuing letters in connection with sponsorship of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony, and for letters of reference. Kindly notify the office if your address changes.

Anointing of the Sick: In case of serious illness or advanced age please call the parish office. For hospital cases, contact the hospital Chaplain.

Pastoral Care: Please call the parish office to have Communion brought to an ill or homebound family member.

PARISH STAFF

Mass and Sacrament Schedule

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Cheryl Venafrá Administrative Assistant

Trish Best Administrative Assistant

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PARISH OFFICE

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 4:00pm

Friday: 9:00am - 3:00pm

The Office closes from 12 noon to 1PM for lunch.

Marriage: Couples contemplating marriage in the parish must contact the parish office to meet with a priest to begin the marriage preparation process. This first step in planning your wedding is best begun one year before the date of the wedding.

Baptisms: To arrange a Baptism, contact the Parish Office at least two weeks before the desired date of Baptism to make arrangements. Parents are required to attend a preparation class before the Baptism. Classes will be held at 7PM (Date will be given when you call). Please call the office to register.

BULLETIN SUBMISSION DATES

Submit announcements to be published in the bulletin to tbest@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org or to the Parish Office by the end of day Monday of the week prior to the weekend bulletin issue requested.

Please submit **flyers** to be copied and inserted into the bulletins to the Parish Office by Wednesday at 12 noon, 11 days ahead of the desired bulletin date.

MASS & SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

ST. JOHN CHURCH (SJ): 809 Park Ave., Collingswood

HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH (HS): 50 Emerald Ave.,
Haddon Township

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:00 PM—HS

Sunday: 8:00 AM—HS

Sunday: 9:30 AM - SJ **Live streamed (YouTube)**
11:00 AM—SJ

Sunday: 11:00 AM—HS American Sign Language
and Voice Interpreted for the hearing

Daily Masses:

Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri.: 9:00 AM St. John Church
Thursday: 9AM Holy Saviour Church

Adoration: Thursdays: After 9:00am Mass— 8pm (HS)

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 3:00-3:45 Holy Saviour Church

BAPTISMS: Call the Parish Office to schedule.

OCIA: Tuesdays at 7PM in Parish Office

AROUND THE PARISH

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The Sanctuary Candle

It burns this week at Holy Saviour church for **Sean Campe** at the request of the **Campe Family**.

Contact the office if you would like to dedicate a Sanctuary Candle to illuminate the Tabernacle for a week with your intention for you, a loved one or friend.

Special collection March 5th for Central & Eastern Europe



Lent begins

March 5th.

Additional Masses and a Communion service are listed in the Mass Intention Schedule on this page.



ADORATION Thursday at Holy Saviour

Church 9:30am - 8pm

Silent Adoration 9:30am - 5pm

Rosary. Benediction 7PM-8PM

PRAY FOR OUR SICK:	Violet Harden	Catherine Rocks
Lorraine Alexander	Steve Hardski	Eric Roseboro
Arlene Barski	Sarah Jacob	Susan Ratajski
Nancy Barone	Teresa Jermyn	Joseph Sandone
Charlie Bates	Evan Kendendine	Pat Schoenborn
Helen Berger	William Kinee	Richard Schoenborn
James Beierschmitt	Ali Kite	Linda Simpkins
Michael Cavallo	Baby Violet Kozuhowski	Michael Skabla
Nancy Caruso	Nina Lopes	Dennis Siwak
Ed Charlton, Sr.	Eliane Loumeau	Constance
Anthony Corrado	John Macauley	Steinhagen
Joseph DeShayes	Annie Martella	Kathy Smith
Walt Eife	Nicholas Matyas	John Tomik
Suzanne Ficara	Michael McAdoo	Michael Travis
Cathie Fleming	Matthew McCann	Dominick Venafr
David Ford	The Miller Family	Barbara Vollrath
Adam Forziati	Erin DeVoe Moran	Craig Wilke
Charlene French	Natale Mullen	The Williams Family
Adam Frisoli	Julia Nigro Slater	Myra Worrell
Heather Frisoli	Laz Orosze	Margaret Zimmerman
Emma Grace	Elise Principato	

Pray for Our Military

SGT Alex Coutinho, US Space Force	LT Patrick J. McKernan, USN
Michael Gregg, USMC	Johnny A. Santiago, Sgt. 1st Class
Ensign Alex Licorish, RN, USN	1st Lieut. Kayleigh Migaledi, RN, SAF
Miguel Ingram, Pvt. 1st Class US Army	Salena Silvaria, NAC/AW,
Ensign Margaret McKernan USN	Nathan Tiefenthaler L. Corp

Intentions for this week's Masses

Saturday, March 1

- 4(HS)** Rosario Como r/b Richard & June Kasilowski
 Danica Campanale r/b Ed Johnson Family
 Celebration of the Baptism of Madeline Cecilia
 Gilbert, Thomas Richard Smith & Roemi
 Isabella Smith r/b Fr. Bertonazzi & STC Parish

Sunday, March 2

- 8(HS)** For the People of the Parish
9:30(SJ) Rosario Como r/b STC Parish Council
 Kathleen Leimkuhler r/b Ed & Theresa Charlton
 Paul Dickel r/b Edward Maguire
 Alberto DiBartolomeo r/b Fr. Bertonazzi & STC Parish
 Frank Pucci r/b Dominic Pucci
 Sarah Grossi r/b Tom & Linda Smith
 Salvatore Nardello r/b Denise Lovallo & Dominic Pucci
11(SJ) Colin Murray r/b the Potenza Family
11(HS) Celebration of the Baptism of Luka Thomas Busanic r/b Fr. Bertonazzi & STC Parish
 Mass is celebrated in ASL and English

Monday, March 3

- 9am(SJ)** Ronald Belonia r/b STC Rosary Group

Tuesday, March 4

- 9(SJ)** Matthew Orth r/b Terri and Bill Hall

Wednesday, March 5 — ASH Wednesday

- 7am(HS)** For the People of the Parish
9am(SJ) For the People of the Parish
12pm(SJ) Communion Service & Ashes (No Mass)
7pm(SJ) For the People of the Parish

Thursday, March 6

- 7am(HS)** For the People of the Parish
9 (HS) For the People of the Parish

Friday, March 7

- 7am(HS)** For the People of the Parish
9(SJ) For the People of the Parish
7pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 8

- 4pm(HS)** Celebration of the Baptism of Lukas Ryder Ward &
 Callen David Belza r/b Fr. Bertonazzi & STC
 Florence Scrautou r/b "Tito"

Sunday, March 9

- 8am(HS)** Marcella Chambers r/b Stan & Suzanne Ollek
9:30(SJ) For the People of the Parish
11(SJ) Family Mass — 6th Grade
 Kathleen Leimkuhler r/b Duborow & Thelma Repass
 For the intention of Alec Handza r/b Sandra Finio
 Paul Dickel r/b St Teresa of Calcutta Men's Club
 Colin Murray r/b Fr. Bertonazzi & STC Parish
 Rev. Paul Harte r/b Patrick & Andrea Weisgerber
11(HS) Mass is celebrated in ASL and English

There will be a special collection next week for Catholic Missions among the **Black & Native Americans**.

Bulletin Reflection for the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Every Christmas season my family journeys to local farms to tag our perfect Christmas tree. We walk up and down the rows of firs searching for the most perfectly shaped, fat, full, and healthy looking tree. There are usually an abundance of options, which speaks to the husbandry of the caretakers of the farm. We always come away with a lovely tree.

I've also traveled on country roads and seen what appears to be abandoned fields of firs. I'm sure you've noticed them too. The trees look ragged, spindly, out of proportion to what we identify as that lovely Christmas tree. Tall grass grows around them and weeds wind their way up the trunks. Clearly these trees, perhaps planted with high hopes, were ignored early on. Left to their own inclinations, they stand stunted and ugly in the fields.

It is not much of a stretch to see the parallel to this illustration in today's readings. I am especially taken by the line in our first reading from Sirach. "The fruit of the tree shows the care it has had." Later Jesus speaks of the fruit as indication of the kind and quality of the tree. So my reflection today revolves around two related questions.

First, what kind of farmers are we? How well are we caring for the trees on our farm (the people in our lives)? Clearly I am referring to us all as "spiritual farmers" for we certainly know how to care for others' physical necessities. But Jesus is talking about the quality of a persons *interior* life. "A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good; but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil." Thus it is important to reflect on how we are contributing to the overall spiritual health of our family and friends. Do we see the task of spiritual nourishment (and that will mean different things with different people) as our baptismal responsibility? If farmers want to have beautifully shaped Christmas trees they need to be attentive to each tree. If we want our children and grandchildren, friends, and other family members to be alive in Christ, we have to encourage them to stay connected to the Lord and the Church so that they can grow into the people God wants them to be. And we need to be authentic role models.

That leads me to my second question, which is perhaps even more vital because it is a necessary prerequisite for the first. It is hard to care for the trees if the farmers are not up to the task themselves. And it is difficult to encourage others' faith formation if we have not made the effort for ourselves. Left to our own inclinations, what are we doing to nurture and strengthen our own faith lives?

And this is where the analogy ends, for we are not sad, helpless, Christmas tree wannabes, waiting to be watered and pruned in a forgotten field. No, we are people with agency, with intention, with ability to make decisions about how we use our time, energy, and talents. We need to avail ourselves of the richness of our Catholic faith by celebrating the Sacraments, especially Eucharist and Reconciliation, becoming involved with a parish ministry, reading and studying about our faith, joining a parish spiritual growth group, and by finding ways to give of ourselves to those in need.

Perhaps It is time to decide to grow and bear fruit that will last.

Peace be with you, Pat Lipperini



SJ CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL PRAYER

Heavenly Father,
In this time of planning and service, we ask that you bring us hope. Hope that will renew us in this journey to build up the Church in South Jersey. Accept and use our Stewardship to the South Jersey Catholic Ministries Appeal in the same way you multiplied the loaves and fishes to feed a multitude.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who with You and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns One God forever and ever. Amen.



South Jersey Catholic Appeal OUR JOURNEY UNITED IN HOPE

Thank you to everyone who responded to the South Jersey Catholic Ministry Appeal. As of this week we have received \$38,561.00 from 77 families towards our goal of \$122,100.00. This 31.6% of our goal. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and will support the vital programs in our parish and the diocese to assist and bring hope to those in need. Once we reach our goal 10% is returned to our parish. Additionally, 75% of any amount received over our goal will be returned to our parish. Please prayerfully consider a gift to the South Jersey Catholic Ministry Appeal to help us reach our parish goal. Donations can be made by completing a pledge card, gift form or responding to the letter from Bishop Sullivan you received in the mail. The pledge cards are in the pews and gift forms are located at the doors of both churches. Donations can also be made online as noted below through the link on the South Jersey Catholic Ministry Appeal website: www.Camdendiocese.org/SJCMA

**Thank you again for your generosity and support of the
South Jersey Catholic Ministry Appeal.**

Upcoming Episcopal Celebrations

We expect that the transition from Bishop Sullivan to Bishop Williams will take place on Monday,
March 17th, Bishop Sullivan's 80th birthday.

A celebration of **Bishop Sullivan's birthday and his many accomplishments** over more than twelve years of his service as the Bishop of Camden will take place on **Sunday, March 16th**. Bishop Sullivan will preside at a **2:00 PM Mass in the Church of Saint Agnes, Our Lady of Hope Parish, Blackwood**. This Mass is **open to general public**.

On Monday, **March 17th, Bishop Williams** will celebrate the **12:05 PM Mass in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception**. All are welcome to participate in that Mass.

On Tuesday, **April 15th, Bishop Williams** will celebrate the **Chrism Mass at 3:30 PM at Saint Agnes Church**.

St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish Presents

MINISTRY FAIR

Are you interested in becoming more engaged with our parish or helping the impoverished or underserved in our community?



SUNDAY, MARCH 2
10:30 AM-12:45 PM
LOCATION: CAFETERIA
100 LEES AVE,
COLLINGSWOOD, NJ 08108

- Learn more about our ministries & what they offer
- Many are looking for new members
- There are many opportunities
- Everyone is welcome!

"The Church needs your momentum, your intuitions, your faith."
- Pope Francis



Retreat Opportunities with the Sisters of Saint Joseph

The Sisters of St. Joseph offer Directed Prayer Retreats for women at St. Joseph by-the-Sea Retreat House in Sea Isle City. Sr Claire McNichol is directing retreat March 20-27 and April 10-14. To register: seaislereservation@gmail.com.

For more information check out the website or contact Sister Claire 732-331-5264

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Thank You to our Men's Club

Our parish has been a generous contributor to the Stamp and soda/beer tab collection(s). We want to offer a special Thank You to the Men's Club who have done an exceptional job contributing. Please continue your good work for both these ministries. The folks at Ronald McDonald House cannot believe the amount we have donated in the past 6 months. JJ Butil, K of C Santa Maria Council Stamp and soda/beer tab Chairman

CAN TABS & STAMPS

Drop your "collections" at our Council Hall (front or back door[s]) or in the box at church.

STAMPS can be dropped into the boxes in vestibules at church.

For previous issues of the Bulletin, visit our website and click on the link.

SAVE THE DATES or SEE THE FLYERS in the Vestibules for more information:

- **Ministry Fair**—3/2, 10:30am to 12:45am, Good Shepherd Cafeteria
- **Ash Wednesday**—3/5
- **Faith Full Food Drive** 3/15-16
- **Stations of the Cross**—begin 3/7 & every Friday
- **Seeds of HOPE -Praying for God's Creation -** 3 Sundays -March 9, March 23, April 6 HS- 3-4pm
- **A Love Supreme - 60th anniversary, 3/31**

EVENTS AROUND US—See Flyers

- ◇ Catholic Charities Diaper Drive
- ◇ Feast of St Casimir Polish Dinner St Max Kolbe 3-02
- ◇ Hope with Hospitality Dinner- 3/6, 6pm Sapphire Grand
- ◇ Tuck Everlasting—3-7,8,9,14,15,16 Camden Catholic HS
- ◇ Jubilee 2025 Taizé Lenten Service Deanery 2 on 3-13
- ◇ Caring for Parents With Dementia—3/13
- ◇ Engagement Encounter Retreat- 3/14 to 16
- ◇ Bus Trip—Noah 30th Anniversary Live-3/19 St Bridget
- ◇ Encountering Jesus in the Marginalized - 3/20, 7pm COL
- ◇ SJ Men's Emmaus Retreat—3/28 to 3/30

NEW PARISH NEWSLETTER

As part of an ongoing mission to inform parishioners of events and special occasions that have occurred at St. Teresa of Calcutta we issued a Parish newsletter. Copies of this newsletter can be found in the back of both churches, as well as through the QR code found here.



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

For help in times of emergency on our parish number **856-858-1444**.

Food Pantry: Hours: Mon.— Wed. 10AM – 12pm

Volunteers –Discussion meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month in McDaid meeting room (3/18). Please join our sandwich making on the 3rd Monday of each month starting 3/17 from 6:30pm to 7:30pm.

Gift card donations for Aldi are greatly appreciated.

We gathered **560 sandwiches, 2 cases of water, 3 large boxes of snacks, 3 bags of oranges.** From these 160 sandwiches went to St. Joseph House and the rest to Cathedral Kitchen.

Thank you confirmandi candidates for your help!

PARISH NEWS AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Sacristans Needed

Additional sacristans are needed to set up for our weekend Masses at both churches, Holy Saviour and St. John's on a **regular basis or as a substitute**. Training will be provided.

We are short three sacristans some weeks and our regular Sacristans are filling in taking extra masses. We also need **substitutes** who live in Haddon Twp. as well as in Collingswood.

Being a Sacristan is a **rewarding** experience as we get to prepare the vessels used at Mass and spend some quiet time with the Lord. It is also an opportunity to meet and get to know our parishioners.

Please give **prayerful consideration** of this opportunity to serve our parish. If you have questions or are interested in being a sacristan, please contact the Parish Office.



Catholic Star Herald Online

If you would like to read the Catholic Star Herald online, visit: www.catholicstarherald.org

Stations of the Cross

Beginning Friday, March 7th, the Stations of the Cross will begin at 7pm at St. John's church. For some Fridays we will have a guest speaker to give a short talk and they will start at 6:45pm. Check the bulletin for future weeks information on speakers.

Come and join us.

**JOIN THE ROSARY GROUP TO PRAY THE ROSARY
AFTER THE 9AM MASS DAILY TO PRAY FOR YOUR
INTENTIONS AND TO PRAY FOR THE SICK**

FaithFULL Food Drive

This year, the Diocese of Camden is hosting its 12th Annual **FaithFULL Food Drive on March 15th and 16th**. This drive will benefit our parish food pantry, local ecumenical pantries, and Catholic Charities. Here is a list of non-perishable food items:

Canned Tuna	Canned Chicken
Canned Pasta Sauce	Canned Fruit
meals	Breakfast Cereal
Canned Beef	Tomato Sauce
Spam	

Thank you for your generosity!



Lenten Days of Fast and Abstinence

Days of Fast

Catholics between the ages of 18-59 are bound to the mandate to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting entails eating one "normal" meal and two smaller meals.

Days of Abstinence

Catholics ages 14 and up are to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays during Lent.

It takes courage to enter your story for healing & hope.



Sacred Story
HEALING THE HEART WOUNDS



8-WEEK VIRTUAL STORY GROUPS BEGIN APRIL 24
Learn how your core stories lay the groundwork for how you live, love & relate.

TUESDAYS 7:30 - 9 PM ET **or** **THURSDAYS** 1:00 - 2:30 PM ET

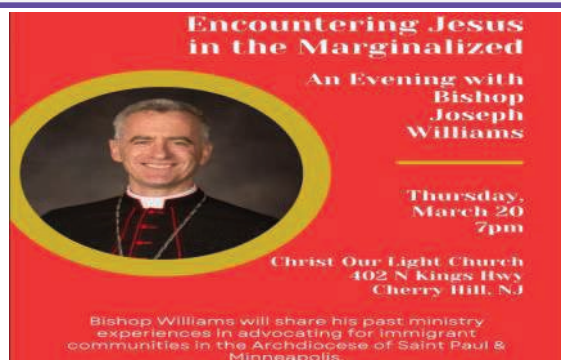
*Hosted by You Are Made New & led by Allender-trained Story Guide Elizabeth Leon.
Registration Fee is \$479 for 8 sessions. Groups are limited to 5 participants.
Scan code to register. Questions? email onegratefulgirl@verizon.net*

PARISH AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Men's Club

The Men's Club would like to **congratulate our 4 parish basketball teams for successful regular seasons and wish them the best in the playoffs.** Men's Club member **Bob Hensler** has been instrumental in growing the parish team program since the Good Shepherd School closed. **The Men's Club is honored to support the teams by providing all the uniforms, league fees, tournament fees, and referee fees throughout the season so there is no cost to our parish families.** This expenditure alone can cost upward of \$3000-\$6000 per season.

Our next Men's Club meeting will be **Monday, March 10th, 8pm in McLaughlin Hall.** All men of the parish are welcome. For more information, reach out to stteresamensclub@yahoo.com or call/text Josh Wiener at 609-502-3539.



Steward Uniqueness

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit." - LUKE 6:43

Are you using your gifts in the way God intended? Have you asked God how He would like you to use them? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God has called you to Stewardship to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Stephen Ministers are available to assist parishioners through difficult times. Please pray for our Stephen Ministers and those to whom they minister. You may either contact the office for an appointment or for more information email Jack Callaghan or Pat O'Connor: stephenministry@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

MINISTRY SCHEDULE – MARCH 5, ASH WED

Mass	LECTOR	EM	SACRISTAN
7am	B Steele	L Giorgio	B Steele
9SJ	D Olsen	Deacon Rocks, J Belonia	MA Mercer
12SJ	P Lipperini	M Santiago, A & L Micciche	MA Mercer
7pmSJ	S McGarrigle	Deacon Leo, L Hauber & B Steele	B Steele

MINISTRY SCHEDULE – MARCH 8-9

Mass	LECTOR	EM	SACRISTAN
4:00	S Loumeau	Deacon Leo—Preach	B Steele
8:00	T Qualli	Deacon Rocks, Deacon Leo—Preach	P Moran
9:30	J. Weiner	Deacon Leo - Preach	MA Mercer
11 SJ	K Smith	Deacon Leo—Preach	T Howitz

Saint Mary's Church Blood Drive

Thursday, March 20, 9:30am to 7:30pm

Register at redcrossblood.org.

Use Sponsor Code: Saint Mary RCC.

Located in the Parish Hall at 2001 Springdale Rd, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003



DINNERS TO DOORSTEPS



We provide **meals** for people or families who are ill, disabled, living alone, parents of new babies, etc. We also provide meals for **individuals and families** who are struggling

to put food on the table. Call Michele Santiago at: 609-598-1787 or grandmarose73@yahoo.com.

Thank you to all who prepare meals and deliver them.

SENIOR'S MINISTRY

This is a Parish outreach program to assist people who are **shut-in either at home or in a nursing home.** Our Mission is to **assist the parish's senior citizens who need companionship and support.** We contact family members of shut-ins, visit nursing homes and private residences to see where we can be of assistance. Contact **Ed Charlton** by text 215-284-1365 or echarlto53@gmail.com

Praying with HOPE for God's Creation

**3 Sundays in Lent-March 9, March 23, April 6
Holy Saviour Church 3-4 pm.**

**Our call to prayer is in recognition of our
Jubilee Year of Hope
and preparation for the**

**10th Anniversary of Pope Francis' encyclical,
Laudato Si: Caring for our Common Home.**

For more info, contact Sr. Claire.

Life-Long Faith Formation

MARDI GRAS EVENING



MUMMERS, MUSIC, FOOD AND FUN
POTLUCK DINNER | FREE-WILL DONATION

MARCH

4TH

Tuesday

CAFETERIA

100 Lees Ave, Collingswood, NJ 08108

Begins at 6:00 PM

EASTER EGG HUNT DONATIONS NEEDED

Help bring joy to the children of Little Diomed
Island and the village of Stebbins, Alaska, this
Easter!

We are collecting supplies for an Easter Egg Hunt,
including plastic eggs, wrapped chocolate eggs
(such as Hershey Kisses), and marshmallow
chicks and rabbits. These items can be found at
Dollar Stores.

Donations are needed by March 16 to ensure they
arrive in time for Easter.

Items can be dropped off at the parish office, back
of both churches, and during Faith Formation



ST. KATHARINE DREXEL

FEAST DAY: MARCH 3

Born in 1858 in Philadelphia, St. Katharine Drexel came from a wealthy family but chose a life of service to the poor. Inspired by her parents' faith and charity, she dedicated herself to helping Native American and African American communities. After meeting Pope Leo XIII, she founded the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament and established missions, schools, and churches across the U.S.

Her greatest achievement was founding Xavier University in New Orleans, the first Catholic university for African Americans. Despite facing opposition, she remained committed to her mission. Canonized in 2000, her legacy of faith and justice continues to inspire.

How can I incorporate prayer and reflection into my
service to others, as Saint Katharine Drexel did in her
later years?

7th-12th Grade Youth Choir Rehearsals:

- Thursday, March 6th
- Tuesday, April 8th

All rehearsals will take place from 7-8PM at
St. John's Church. The Choir will be singing
during the 11 AM Family Mass.

For more information contact Kate
Chmelko at

kchmelko@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

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Catholic Climate Covenant

Seeds of Hope: Caring for God's Creation

We can all "do small things with great love"
- St. Teresa of Calcutta

March 13 2025
6:30-8:30 PM

St. Teresa of Calcutta
Parish
(Good Shepherd School
Cafeteria)
100 Lees Ave,
Collingswood, NJ 08108

Please bring your own
water bottle



RSVP
requested, not
required



Come Serve at Joseph's House:

All 7th-12th graders are invited to help serve
at Joseph's House on Saturday, March 15th
from 9:30-11:30AM.

555 Atlantic Ave., Camden, NJ 08104

If you are interested please contact Daniela
Perez: dperez@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

OFFICE OF THE MINISTRY WITH THE DEAF AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES & Community Information

Masses of Welcome and Inclusion

Every Sunday The Mass is signed in American Sign Language (ASL) for Deaf Members of the Church and voiced for hearing members of the Church. **11:00AM Mass at Holy Saviour Church**, (St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish), 50 Emerald Avenue, Westmont, NJ (GPS: use Haddon Township).

2nd Weekend of the Month

St. Andrew the Apostle, 27 Kresson-Gibbsboro Road. Gibbsboro, NJ. Mainstream Mass Saturday, 4:30pm Mass
Holy Eucharist Parish 344 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill, NJ Mainstream Mass Sunday (Oct. - Apr.) 9:45AM
For more information, please contact Fr. Hugh Bradley: hugh.bradley@camdendiocese.org.



YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES (POST CANA)

If you're a young married couple, we'd love to see you at our upcoming events this winter/spring! If you have children, they are welcome to all events:

- March 22 (Saturday) at 10am: **Philadelphia Zoo Trip** (inquire for free tickets!)
- March 30 (Sunday) after 9:30am Mass: **Coffee & donuts social** in McLaughlin Hall
- April 13 (Sunday) at 12noon: **Palm Sunday Party** (join list serve for address)
- 4/27 (Sunday) after 9:30am Mass: **Coffee & donuts social** in McLaughlin Hall

We host some events at home, so we'll share address information with those who join the email list. Scan the QR code for more information. Hosted by: Post Cana Young Married Couples



Caregiving for Parents with Dementia

All are welcome to join us for a special presentation!

**Thursday, March 13
7 - 8 p.m.**

Location:
St. Anthony of Padua Church Hall 285 Route 206,
Hammondon, NJ 08037

Light refreshments will be provided by the parish
To RSVP: Parish Office - (609) 704-5945

Presentation includes:

- Overview of Dementia
- Dementia Caregiving Challenges & Recommendations
- Support and tips for Caregivers
- Resources available
- Q&A

Presenter:

- Mimi Schallie, RN, MSN MBA
- Director, Care Coordination and Consultation & Resource and Referral Help Line

Hosted by:

- VITALity Catholic Healthcare Services
- St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Parish, Hammondon, NJ 08037

VITALity Catholic Healthcare Services
4311 Market Street, Camden, NJ 08102
www.vitalitycamdendiocese.org

Employment Opportunity

If you want to join the dedicated and faithful staff at the **Sacred Heart Residence in Cherry Hill** – the independent living center for the **retired priests** of the Diocese of Camden – a position for **housekeeper/cook** is available.

This **fulltime** position, during daytime hours, focuses primarily on the housekeeping responsibilities at this beautiful and tranquil center where faith and work are equally important. If interested or for more information please go online to:

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Call to Worship



ENTRANCE HYMN: "Gather Us In" Breaking Bread: 320

GATHER US IN

Marty Haugen

1. Here in this place new light is stream-ing,
2. We are the young— our lives are a mys - t'ry,
3. Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter,
4. Not in the dark of build - ings con - fin - ing,

Now is the dark - ness van - ished a - way,
We are the old— who yearn for your face,
Here we will take the bread of new birth,
Not in some heav - en, light - years a - way, But

See in this space our fears and our dream - ings,
We have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
Here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
here in this place the new light is shin - ing,

Brought here to you in the light of this day.
Called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
Call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
Now is the King - dom, now is the day.

Gath - er us in— the lost and for - sak - en,
Gath - er us in— the rich and the haugh - ty,
Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion,
Gath - er us in and hold us for ev - er,

Gath - er us in— the blind and the lame;
Gath - er us in— the proud and the strong;
Give us to eat the bread that is you;
Gath - er us in and make us your own;

Call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
Give us a heart so meek and so low - ly,
Nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
Gath - er us in— all peo - ples to - geth - er,

We shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
Give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
Lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
Fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

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Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS READINGS

FIRST READING :

[Sirach 27:4-7](#)

When a sieve is shaken, the husks appear; so do one's faults when one speaks. As the test of what the potter molds is in the furnace, so in tribulation is the test of the just. The fruit of a tree shows the care it has had; so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he speaks, for it is then that people are tested.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

[Psalm 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16](#)

SECOND READING:

[1 Corinthians 15:54-58](#)

Brothers and sisters: When this which is corruptible clothes itself with incorruptibility and this which is mortal clothes itself with immortality, then the word that is written shall come about:

Death is swallowed up in victory.

Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

GOSPEL:

[Luke 6:39-45](#)

Jesus told his disciples a parable, "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher. Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own? How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye? You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother's eye.

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks."

CREED: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father, through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation, he came down from heaven.

At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man", all bow.

And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.





SEEK YE FIRST

Karen Lafferty



1. Seek ye ___ first the king - dom of God and his
2. Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you; seek, and
3. You do not live by bread ___ a - lone, but by



1. righ - teous - ness, And all these things shall be
2. ye shall ___ find; Knock, and it shall be ___
3. ev - 'ry ___ word That pro - ceeds from the



1. add - ed un - to you. }
 2. o - pened un - to you. }
 3. mouth ___ of ___ God. }
- Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.

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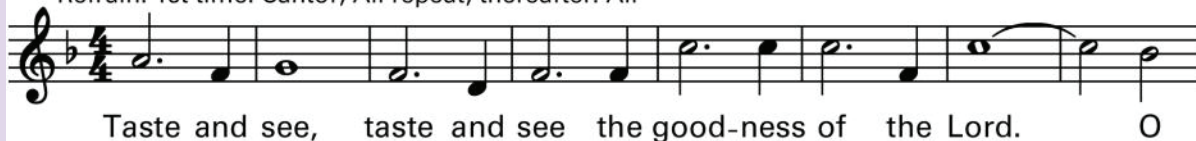
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Communion Hymn: "Taste And See" Breaking Bread 337

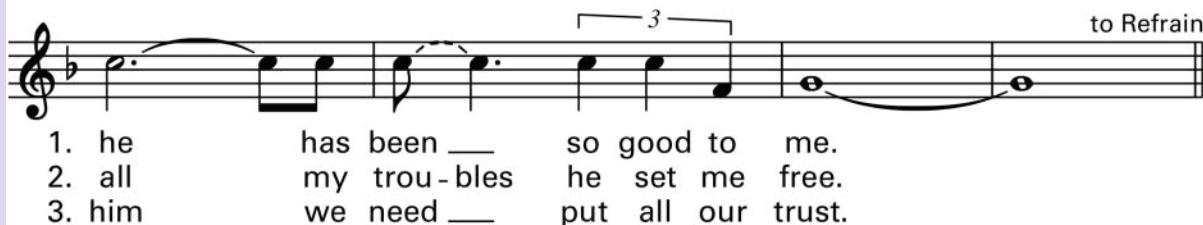
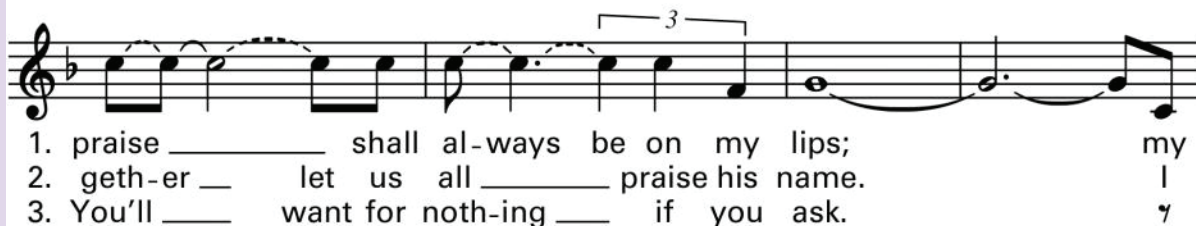
TASTE AND SEE

James E. Moore, Jr.

Refrain: 1st time: Cantor, All repeat; thereafter: All



Verses: Cantor



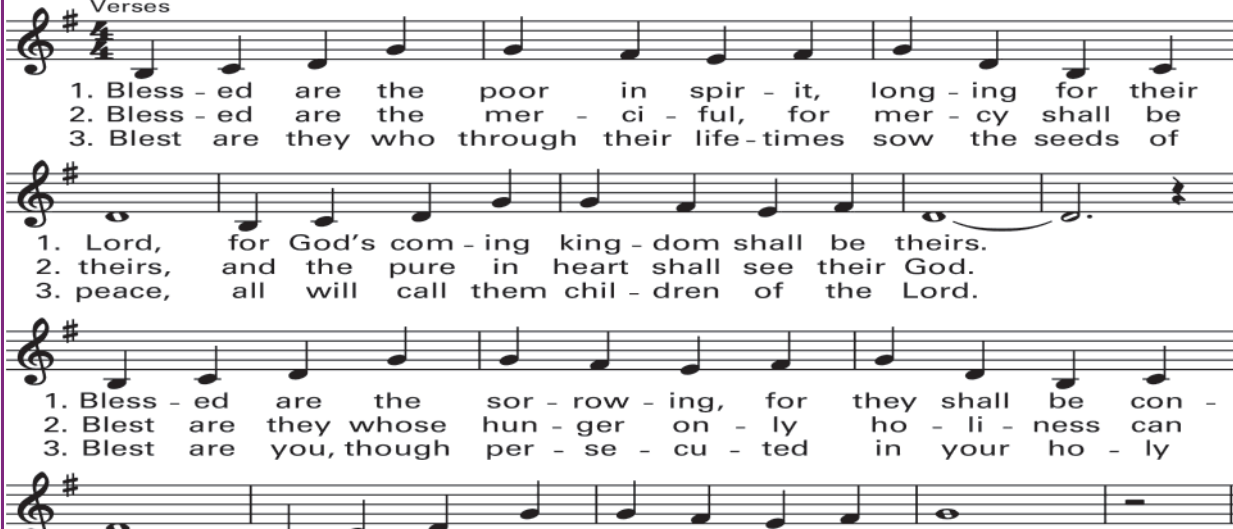
to Refrain

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LEAD ME, LORD

John D. Becker

Verses



1. Bless - ed are the poor in spir - it, long - ing for their
 2. Bless - ed are the mer - ci - ful, for mer - cy shall be
 3. Blest are they who through their life-times sow the seeds of

1. Lord, for God's com - ing king - dom shall be theirs.
 2. theirs, and the pure in heart shall see their God.
 3. peace, all will call them chil - dren of the Lord.

1. Bless - ed are the sor - row - ing, for they shall be con -
 2. Blest are they whose hun - ger on - ly ho - li - ness can
 3. Blest are you, though per - se - cu - ted in your ho - ly

1. soled, and the meek shall come to rule the world.
 2. fill, for I say they shall be sat - is - fied.
 3. life, for in heav - en, great is your re - ward.

Refrain



Lead me, Lord, lead me, Lord, by the light of truth to
 seek and to find the nar-row way. Be my way;
 be my truth; be my life, my Lord, and lead me, Lord, to -

1-2 to Verses Final
 day. day. And lead me, Lord, to - day.

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