



SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH



*Jorge Mario Bergoglio
December 17, 1936*

*Elected, Pope Francis
Bishop of Rome
March 13, 2013*

*Born to Eternal Life
April 21, 2025*

P O N T I F I C A T U S
Maximus

Second Sunday of Easter - April 27, 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.*

WELCOME

We are glad you are here

PARISH INFORMATION: April 27, 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

Rev. Steven Bertonazzi, Administrator

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Rev. Hugh Bradley—hugh.bradley@camdendiocese.org

Director of Deaf Ministry &

Part-time Parochial Vicar

James Rocks Permanent Deacon (retired)

Hal Schwalm Director of Safe Environment

Leo Howitz Permanent Deacon

Daniela Perez Director of Faith Formation

Kate Chmelko Director of Music

Cheryl Venafrá Administrative Assistant

Trish Best Administrative Assistant

Rosemary Fearon Office Volunteer

MaryAnn Mercer Office Volunteer

Denise Bolognese Bookkeeper

Linda Roseboro-Brown Bereavement Coordinator

Peter Baczewski Maintenance

Nick Tyrell Maintenance

PARISH OFFICE

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856-858-0298

Emergency Number: 856-240-1132

Website: www.stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

Facebook Name: Teresa Calcutta

Faith Formation Office: 856-858-0298, Ext. 19

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, NJ 08108

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

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The Sanctuary Candle

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week at Holy Saviour is for Edmund & Margaret Haughey requested by the family. At St. John's it is dedicated to the Parishioners of St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish.

To dedicate the candle, please contact the office.

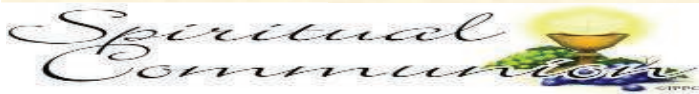
PRAY THE ROSARY IN COMMUNITY BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Join the Rosary group to pray the rosary after the 9AM Mass daily to pray for your intentions and/or to Pray for the sick & deceased.



ADORATION

Thursday at Holy Saviour Church 9:30am-8pm
Silent Adoration 9:30am-5pm
Rosary, Benediction 7PM-8PM



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

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, April 26

4m(HS) Nan McLaughlin r/b Bill for their anniversary
Colin M Murray r/b Brian & Maureen Holt
Edward Villano r/b his grandson

Sunday, April 27

8am(HS) Barbara Madden r/b Mrs. Catherine Kernan & Family
9:30(SJ) For the People of the Parish
11(SJ) Dan McCormick r/b the family
Ellen Procida r/b Eileen & Steve Baptiste
Debra Lord r/b Bina & Frank Marino
Edward Charlton, Sr r/b Fr Bertonazzi & STC Parish
11(HS) George C Cain r/b his daughter, Roseanne
Mass is celebrated in ASL & Voice Interpreted

Monday, April 28

9am(SJ) For the People of the Parish

Tuesday, April 29

9am(SJ) For the People of the Parish

Wednesday, April 30

9am(SJ) For the People of the Parish

Thursday, April 31

9am(HS) For the People of the Parish

Friday, May 1

9am(SJ) Helena Zambrzycki r/b Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Forziati

Saturday, May 2

4m(HS) Brian Roehr r/b Karen & Eric Borrelli
Jack Carpenter r/b Eileen Vorlander

Sunday, May 3

8am(HS) For the People of the Parish
9:30(SJ) Peter P. Donato, Jr. r/b Dominic Pucci & Denise Lovallo
Dolores Holston r/b Patricia Smith
Edward Charlton, Sr r/b the Schwalm family
11(SJ) Eleanor Joyce r/b her family
11(HS) Dennis T. Helmer r/b Mary and children
Mass is celebrated in ASL & Voice Interpreted

SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEK

This week there is a Special Collection for Catholic Home Missions. They support diocese across the US and its current former territories. Home mission dioceses are locations where Catholics are too few and, in many cases, too poor to support their great faith, often volunteering much time and talent to parishes that have no paid staff or resident clergy.

Prayer for our Military who sacrifice for our country:

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Bring them home safely. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Dear Parishioners of St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish,

This weekend the Mass of Christian burial was celebrated in Rome for Pope Francis. We join with the universal church in mourning his loss and praying for the repose of his soul. Here is a link for a **nine-day Novena in memory of Pope Francis** which I encourage everyone to pray.

Let us also pray for the successor to Pope Francis who will lead Holy Mother Church going forward. Please see the **following letter from the USCCB regarding his death**.

If you have questions, wish to talk about it, then please reach out to me.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Fr. Steven Bertonazzi

Scan QR for Novena



or email Trish@StteresaofCalcuttanj.org to request it emailed to you.



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Conference of
Catholic Bishops

Secretariat of
Divine Worship

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April 21, 2025

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

With great sadness the Church mourns the death of Pope Francis. From the very beginning of his pontificate, our Holy Father joyfully proclaimed the Gospel of God's merciful love, inviting the Church and the world to receive that mercy and to become its witnesses through personal accompaniment. He reminded the Church that she lives and works by listening and dialogue and for three years led her through a global process of synodality. In his personal care for the poor, the vulnerable, and those on the margins and peripheries of society, Francis embodied the Gospel's command to identify with and to serve the least of Christ's brothers and sisters (Mt 25:40), and through his teaching and action on integral ecology, he testified to the ways that all are called to care for humanity's common home. In the years to come, his service in the Chair of Peter will continue to nourish the unity of believers in faith and communion and to awaken the hearing of faith in all people of good will.

May God grant eternal rest to our late Supreme Pontiff, Francis, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Rev. Dustin P. Dought
Executive Director
USCCB Secretariat of Divine Worship

PARISH AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION



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

- **Spring Charity Raffle** –K of C, 5/2,5/23, & 6/6
- **Parish Golf Outing** - 5/23
- **Faith Formation Registration**—now open.

EVENTS AROUND US—See Flyers In Vestibules

- ◇ Divine Mercy Sunday Services—April 27, various churches
- ◇ Remembering the Innocent Mass—4/28 Christ the King
- ◇ Dine & Donate- PJ Whelihan's— 4/28
- ◇ Women's Prayer Breakfast, May 3, Sat 9:30am to 12pm
- ◇ Marian Retreat for Young Adults—May 10
- ◇ Feast of Our Lady of Fatima Outdoor Candelight Rosary—5/13, 8pm at COL
- ◇ Cathedral Bingo—June 7, & August 2

Camden Diocese Catholic Renewal DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY RETREAT DAY

APRIL 27th, 2025
12:30 - 4:00 pm

Any questions
please call
Colleen at (609)
703-7674 or
Tracey (856)
803-7967



Free Will Offering

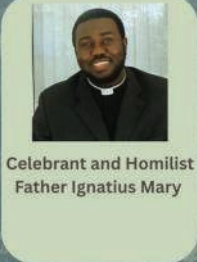


COMMEMORATING THE
CANONIZATION DAY OF
SAINT CARLOS ACUTIS



Location - 140 Broad
Street Swedesboro NJ
08085, St. Clare of
Assisi Parish (St.
Joseph's Church)

Adoration, Confession,
Mass, Divine Mercy
Chaplet, Eucharistic
Healing Service and Rite
of Exorcism on salt,
water, oil, candles, and
medals



Celebrant and Homilist
Father Ignatius Mary



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 .

A donation of a gift card for Aldi's helps significantly.

Casseroles can be dropped off at the Parish office during
normal business hours. This months collection of 180
sandwiches, 2 cases of water, 2 bags of apples, 1 bag of oranges,
2 large boxes of assorted snacks will go to the Cathedral
Kitchen.

Annual Sick and Military List Update

In an effort to update our sick and military lists in the
bulletin, **after this last weekend of this month,**
April 26-27, all names will be removed from the
current lists. For the people whom you want to re-
main on the list, or someone new who is ill or in the
military but not on the list, please email Trish at :
tbest@stteresaoofcalcuttanj.org or call the parish of-
fice and let us know. Your reply is counted on to en-
sure everyone is included. Thank you for your assis-
tance!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SPRING CHARITY RAFFLE

Tickets for the Knights' semi-annual **Charity Raffle**
are **SOLD OUT**. Thank you for your support.

There will be five drawings - **May 2nd , May 9th,**
May 23rd, and June 6th . All proceeds from the
Raffle are used to **support local charities.**

Any questions , please call either Mike, George or
Stan. Thank you!



To make your monthly donations online conven-
iently, please log onto www.parishgiving.org.

May God bless you abundantly for your offerings.

PARISH NEWS AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Ministers Schedule— May 3-4

MASS	LECTOR	EM	SACRISTAN
4pm SJ	S Loumeau	M Rausch	T/P Howell
8am HS	M Blake	Deacon Rocks	B Steele
9:30am SJ	S McGarrigle	Deacon Leo	MA Mercer
11am SJ	R Coutinho	J Belonia	T Howitz

ARE YOU OR YOUR CHILDREN CALLED TO BE AN ALTAR SERVER?
Both children, grade 3 and up, and adults are invited to be trained as altar servers. If interested, contact: Linda Roseboro-Brown at larb1953@gmail.com or Barry bnfsteale@comcast.net to be trained.

MEN'S CLUB

Save the date for these upcoming parish events :

- Friday, **May 23rd—Parish Golf Outing—Valleybrook Country Club**, registration 12pm, shotgun start 1pm. Wanted: Golfers, Sponsors, and Volunteers. Brochures can be found at the back of each church. McLaughlin Hall. All men of the parish are welcome.
Josh Wiener at 609-502-3539 teresamensclub@yahoo.com

Knights of Columbus Hoagie Sale

Our next Hoagie sale is on **Apr 26** at 350 Crystal Lake Ave. Haddon Twp. And again on May 10 & 24; Jun 7 & 14. Hoagies are still \$5 each! They are ready by 7am (back door), or 8am (street entrance).

TRAINING FOR LECTORS

Saturday May 3, 2025, 8:30am to 12pm, is the next training for Lectors. To register, either stop in the office or contact tbest@stteresaofofcalcuttanj.org for the form.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CAN TABS & STAMPS

Next drop off will be in June. We appreciate your dropping your can tabs & stamps at our Council Hall (front or back doors] or **in the box at church.**

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

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Our local campaign is now **365 campaign**. We keep vigil on the sidewalk outside 502 N Kings Hwy from Tuesdays-Fridays. Saturdays are added twice a year for 40 day periods during Lent and in the Fall. We do not judge but offer love and tangible support to mothers facing difficult situations. Go to www.40daysforlife.com/Cherryhill for more information and to register. By the abortion industry's own admission, our presence outside can result in up to a 75% no show rate for abortion appointments. Join our life saving team! Email Claire@helpersnj.org or call/text Claire at 856-313-9861.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Each year on the last day of the Easter Octave— the Church celebrates Sunday of Divine Mercy. On this day we contemplate the fullness of the Paschal Mystery—Christ's Passion, death, and Resurrection. The basis of the whole Easter Mystery is the merciful love of God. From the beginning of creation, throughout scripture, and most perfectly in the life, Passion, death and resurrection of his Son, Jesus, God has been revealed as love itself. In His infinite love for us, God desires nothing more than to forgive our sins and offer us His Mercy.

Jesus appeared to the humble Faustina Kowalska and asked that we celebrate the gift of His mercy today.

Banns of Ordination to the Diaconate

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The Most Reverend Joseph A. Williams, D.D. announces that he intends to ordain Mr. Nickolas Bruno Naticchione to the Sacred Order of Deacon on Saturday, the 10th day of May, 2025 at Holy Trinity Parish, Saint James Church, 6415 Atlantic Avenue, Ventnor, New Jersey.

The faithful of the Diocese of Camden are asked to pray for this young man and for the young men of their parish who is being called by God to service in the Church. At the same time the faithful are obliged to reveal impediments to sacred orders, if they know of any, by contacting their pastor before the ordination in accord with the norms of cc.1043 and 1051.2 of the Code of Canon Law.

Come join us for Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27th



Join us for a most memorable afternoon to commemorate the Feast of the Divine Mercy.

The day begins with Mass at Noon, followed by Adoration, Confessions, the Rosary, St. Faustina Stations of the Cross, Reflection on the life of Saint Faustina, and concluding with the Chanted Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm.

This is the perfect event to bring a friend or family member to for an inspiring and faith filled afternoon.

Saint Andrew the Apostle Church
27 Kresson-Gibbsboro Road
Gibbsboro, NJ 08026
(856) 784-3878
www.ChurchofStAndrews.org

SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC APPEAL OUR JOURNEY UNITED IN HOPE

We are very happy to announce that thanks to your generosity, we **have exceeded our 2025 South Jersey Catholic Ministry Appeal goal of \$122,100!!** As of this week we have raised \$128,764 from 167 families who very generously donated to the South Jersey Catholic Ministry Appeal campaign. We thank all of you who have supported us in this endeavor with your continued generosity and support!

Thank you and may God continue to bless you and your families.
Fr. Steven Bertonazzi,

An Evening of Remembrance and Healing

Mass celebrated by Father Carlo Santa Teresa



*And He Will Raise You Up
On Eagle's Wings...*

For those who have suffered the loss of a child of any age through miscarriage, still-birth, abortion, SIDS, illness, overdose, suicide, disease or any untimely death.

We encourage and welcome all members of the family and friends affected by the loss of this child to join in this Mass of celebration for the life that touched ours briefly, yet stays in our hearts forever.

MONDAY
May 12, 2025
7:00pm

Church of the Resurrection

St Maximilian Kolbe Parish
200 Tuckahoe Road, Marmora, NJ

*Please Bring a Picture or Special Remembrance of Your Child
(roses will be available to those who lost their child before birth)*

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL: Betty (609) 425-3553
or email at elizpearce@comcast.net

BINGO

AT THE CATHEDRAL

CASH PRIZES | FOOD | FUN

Must be 18+ to Attend

Saturdays in 2025: April 26, June 7, August 2

Cathedral Hall: 15 N. 7th St. Camden NJ 08102

Doors Open at 1pm Game Starts at 2:30pm



camdenecathedral.com



856-964-1550



Earnings to benefit the Cathedral Parish
License #: 69-1-34999

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 echarto53@gmail.com



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@stteresafcalcuttanjanj.org

Stewards Sent

"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'" (JOHN 20:21)

Peace – the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the apostles out into the world, so too, He sends his Stewards. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be compassionate and merciful; and not with just those who are our friends, but also with our "enemies." Think of someone in your life who you need to reconcile with. Call them right now or better yet, go visit them.

YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES (POST CANA)

- April 27 (Sunday) after 9:30am Mass: **Coffee & donuts social** in McLaughlin Hall
- May 3rd (Saturday) at 5pm: **Happy Hour** (Location TBD)
- May 25 (Sunday) after 9:30am Mass: **Coffee & donuts social** in McLaughlin Hall



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.

Life-Long Faith Formation

Daniela Perez, Faith Formation Director
Dperez@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

Faith Formation Registration for 2025–2026

Registration is now open on the parish website in both English and Spanish.
If you have any questions, please contact Daniela Perez.

The 2025 Jubilee of Young People

July 28 to August 3, 2025

To celebrate the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of the Lord, youth and young adults are invited to Rome for the international celebration of the Jubilee of Young People from Monday to Sunday, July 28 to August 3, 2025. During that week, youth and young adults from around the world will journey to the Eternal City for the pilgrimage experience of a lifetime.



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ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?
WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE
CATHOLIC FAITH?

Join us for OCIA
Sessions will be beginning soon!

Contact Daniela Perez at (856)858-0298 or
dperez@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

*"...According
to your Word"*
(Lk 1,38)

MARIAN RETREAT
FOR YOUTH
& YOUNG ADULTS

SATURDAY MAY 10
9AM – 3PM

FRANCISCAN MISSIONARY SISTERS
OF THE INFANT JESUS
1215 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill, NJ



Coffee & Faith Sharing

Co-led by Barry Steele & Daniela Perez



Wednesdays at 10AM in McLaughlin Hall

Join fellow Parishioners for a meaningful morning of faith, fellowship,
and sharing on the Gospel

All ages are welcome to attend!

No Faith Sharing on the first Wednesdays of the month

A Summer Week-long Catholic Family Vacation Retreat
Marianist Family Retreat Center – A Seaside Retreat
Cape May Point, NJ

Retreat weeks start each Monday **beginning June 23 till end of August**. Note: there is a special week for **Single-parent families**, July 14-19. Cost* for the week: **\$235pp ages 8+; \$160 ages 2-7; under 2 free.**

*Cost includes meals, room, program, beach access and more!

Financial Aid is available – see website for more details & photos. To sign up or for more information:

www.capemaymarianists.org or email:
mfrfc@capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829

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.



From Xavier Society for the Blind

With sadness, and in thanksgiving for his life and service, we join the world in mourning the passing of a humble servant to God and his flock. This week we have heard incredible stories of His Holiness and particularly of his dedication to people with disabilities. He met with many blind and visually impaired people from all over the world, including our own clients Carlos and Father Mike, pictured. He will be missed, but we are comforted to know that his legacy will endure.

For our clients interested in titles about the Holy Father, **check out the highlights below in audio and braille**. If you're interested in these or any of our titles, please reach out to Client Services Coordinator Saul Buchalter at 212-473-7800 or

email clientservices@xaviersocietyfortheblind.org.

- ♦ *Pilgrimage: My Search for the Real Pope Francis* by Mark Schriver
- ♦ *Against the Tide: The Radical Leadership of Pope Francis* by John L. Allen, Jr.
- ♦ *Go into the Streets! The Welcoming Church of Pope Francis* edited by Thomas Rausch, SJ and Richard Gaillardetz
- ♦ *7 Days with Pope Francis: An Audio Retreat with Francis' Teaching* by Fr. Anthony Ciorra
- ♦ *Faith is a Journey, Meditations for Pilgrims and Wayfarers* by Pope Francis
- ♦ *A Light in the Night: Meditations on Hope* by Pope Francis
- ♦ *Hope Does Not Disappoint (Spes non confundit): Bull of Indiction of the Ordinary Jubilee of the Year 2025* by Pope Francis

EXCLUSIVELY IN BRAILLE:

- ♦ *Jorge From Argentina: The Story of Pope Francis for Children* by Jaymie Stewart Wolfe
- ♦ *Let Us Dream: The Path to a Better Future* by Pope Francis and Austen Ivereigh
- ♦ *From Ignatius to Francis: The Jesuits in History* by Michael Walsh
- ♦ *Francis: Bishop of Rome* by Michael Collins
- ♦ *All the Pope's Saints: The Jesuits Who Shaped Pope Francis* by Sean Salai
- ♦ *The Francis Miracle: Inside the Transformation of the Pope and the Church* by John L. Allen, Jr.
- ♦ We have many, many papal encyclicals and other writings by Pope Francis available in braille and audio - from *Laudato Si'* and *Lumen Fidei* to *How to Pray the Rosary* and *Living the Beatitudes: Path to a Happy Life*. Give us a call at Xavier Society for the Blind 800-637-9193 or 212-473-7800 or reply to this email for more info.

Call to Worship

ENTRANCE HYMN: "Let Heaven Rejoice" Breaking Bread #586

LET HEAVEN REJOICE

Bob Dufford, SJ

Refrain

Let heav-en re-joyce and earth be glad; let all cre-a - tion sing. Let
chil-dren pro-claim through ev - 'ry land: "Ho - san - na to our King."

Verses 1-3

1. Sound the trum - pet in - to the night; the day of the Lord is
2. Rise in splen-dor; shake off your sleep; 7 put on your robes of
3. Raise your voic - es, be not a - fraid. Pro-claim it in ev - 'ry

to Refrain

1. near. Wake your peo - ple, lift your voice, pro-claim it to the world.
2. joy. And in the morn-ing you shall see the glo - ry of the Lord.
3. land. Christ has died, but he has ris - en; he will come a - gain.

Verse 4

4. Sing a new song un-to the Lord, whose la-bor has led us to life. With
4. grate-ful hearts and joy-ful danc-ing, play be-fore the Lord.

to Refrain

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2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER —April 27,2025

FIRST READING:

[Acts 5:12-16](#)

Many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles. They were all together in Solomon's portico. None of the others dared to join them, but the people esteemed them. Yet more than ever, believers in the Lord, great numbers of men and women, were added to them. Thus they even carried the sick out into the streets and laid them on cots and mats so that when Peter came by, at least his shadow might fall on one or another of them. A large number of people from the towns in the vicinity of Jerusalem also gathered, bringing the sick and those disturbed by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

[Psalms 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24](#)

SECOND READING:

[Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19](#)

I, John, your brother, who share with you the distress, the kingdom, and the endurance we have in Jesus, found myself on the island called Patmos because I proclaimed God's word and gave testimony to Jesus. I was caught up in spirit on the Lord's day and heard behind me a voice as loud as a trumpet, which said, "Write on a scroll what you see." Then I turned to see whose voice it was that spoke to me, and when I turned, I saw seven gold lampstands and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, wearing an ankle-length robe, with a gold sash around his chest.

When I caught sight of him, I fell down at his feet as though dead. He touched me with his right hand and said, "Do not be afraid. I am the first and the last, the one who lives. Once I was dead, but now I am alive forever and ever. I hold the keys to death and the netherworld. Write down, therefore, what you have seen, and what is happening, and what will happen afterwards."

GOSPEL:

[John 20:19-31](#)

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

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.

Offertory Hymn: "We Walk By Faith"

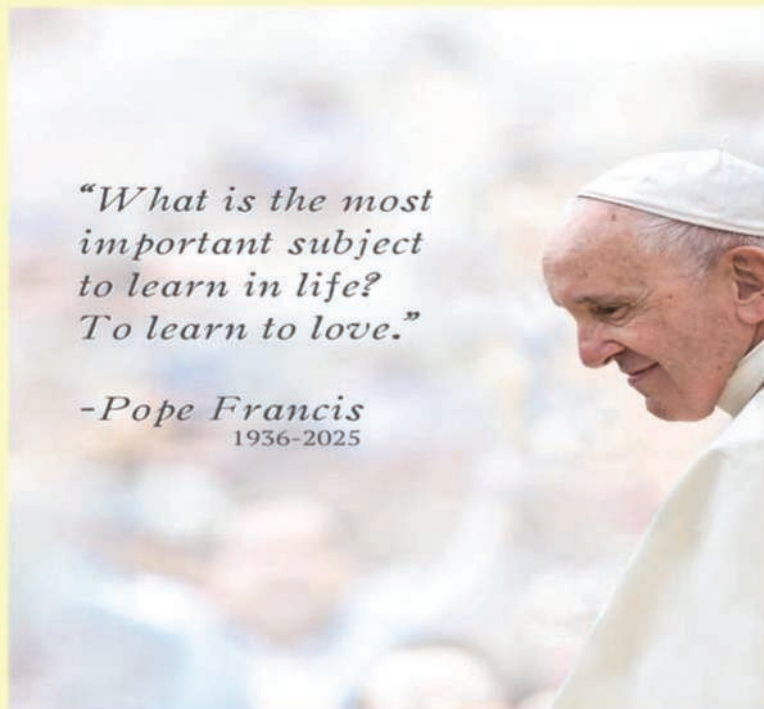
We Walk by Faith

1., 5. We walk by faith, and not by sight: No
2. We may not touch his hands and side, Nor
3. Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief, And
4. That when our life of faith is done In

gra - cious words we hear Of him who spoke as
fol - low where he trod; Yet in his prom - ise
may our faith a - bound; To call on you when
realms of clear - er light We may be - hold you

none e'er spoke, But we be - lieve him near.
we re - joice, And cry "My Lord and God!"
you are near, And seek where you are found:
as you are In full and end - less sight.

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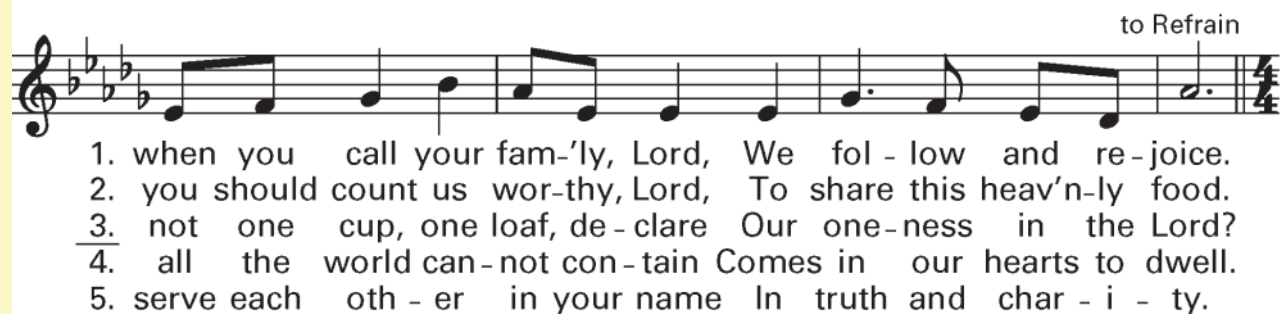
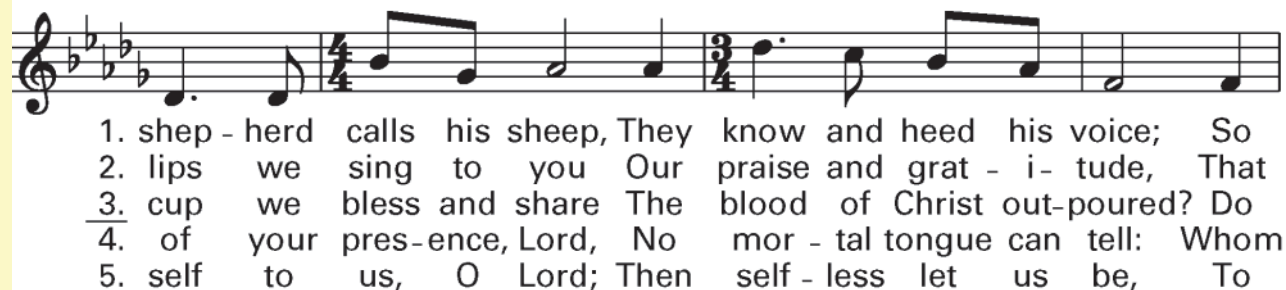
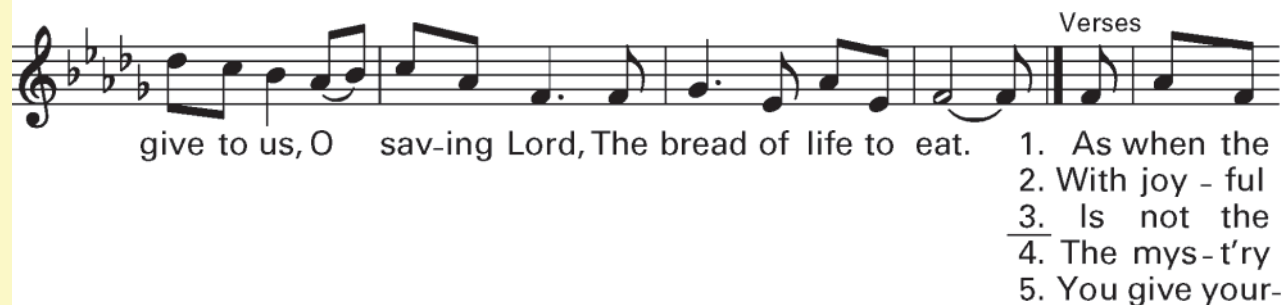


Upcoming Episcopal Celebrations

On Saturday, **May 10th**, Bishop Williams is to preside at the **Ordination** to the Diaconate, 10:30am, St. James, Margate.
On Saturday, **May 17th**, Bishop Williams is to preside at the **Ordination** to the Priesthood at 10:30am, Mother of Mercy.

GIFT OF FINEST WHEAT

Robert E. Kreutz



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JESUS IS RISEN

LASST UNS ERFREUEN



1. Je - sus is ris-en! Let us sing! Praise to the ev - er - liv - ing
2. On this most ho - ly day of days, Let us to- geth - er sing his
3. To God the Fa - ther let us sing, To God the Son, our ris - en



1. King! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise him in song, ye Ser - a -
2. praise! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Raise joy - ful voic - es to the
3. King! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! And e - qual - ly let us a -



1. phim! Praise him with joy, ye Cher - u - bim!)
2. sky! Sing out, ye heav - ens, in re - ply: } Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
3. dore The Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more! }



- 1-3. lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: LM with alleluias; Composite.

Music: Auserlesene, Catholische, Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Cologne, 1623.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

♦ The Apostles' Creed

♦ For each of the five decades - on each "Our Father" bead of the rosary, pray:

V. Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, soul and divinity of your dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,

R. in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On each of the 10 "Hail Mary" beads, pray:

V. For the sake of his sorrowful Passion,

R. have mercy on us and on the whole world.

♦ Conclusion—Repeat three times:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

♦ Closing Prayer

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.





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