

Fourth Sunday of Lent
Laetare Sunday
10 March 2024

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	8:00 AM	March 10
	10:30 AM	
Monday	8:00 AM	March 11
Tuesday	8:00 AM	March 12
Wednesday	7:30 PM	March 13
Thursday	8:00 AM	March 14
Friday	8:00 AM	March 15
Saturday	8:00 AM	March 16
	5:00 PM	

Lessons of Sundays of Lent



SUNDAYS *****	BREVIARY LESSONS *****	MOTIVE OF MASS *****
First Sunday of Lent *****	(The thought of Isaac is superseded by that of Lent) *****	Christ in the desert *****
Second Sunday of Lent *****	History of Jacob *****	Christ the True Jacob *****
Third Sunday of Lent *****	History of Joseph *****	Christ the True Joseph *****
Fourth Sunday of Lent	History of Moses	Christ the True Moses

LITURGICAL READINGS

Sunday	March 10	I Class
	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT – Laetare Sunday	
	<i>Readings: Galatians 4, 22-31 & John 6, 1-15</i>	
	5:00 PM Saturday Anticipated Mass	
	8:00 AM Low Mass	
	10:30 AM High Mass	
	Confessions 7:15 AM to 7:55 AM & 9:45 to 10:25 AM	
Monday	March 11	III Class
	Monday of the Fourth Week of Lent	
	<i>Readings: 3 Kings 3, 16-28 & John 2, 13-25</i>	
	8:00 AM Mass	
	<i>Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM</i>	
Tuesday	March 12	III Class
	Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Lent	
	<i>Comm. Saint Gregory the Great, Pontiff, Confessor, Doctor</i>	
	<i>Readings: Exodus 32, 7-14 & John 7, 14-31</i>	
	8:00 AM Mass	
	<i>Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM</i>	
Wednesday	March 13	III Class
	Wednesday of the Fourth Week of Lent	
	<i>Readings: Ezekiel 36, 23-28 & John 9, 1-38</i>	
	7:30 PM Mass	
	<i>Confessions 6:50 PM to 7:20 PM</i>	
Thursday	March 14	III Class
	Thursday of the Fourth Week of Lent	
	<i>Readings: 4 Kings 4, 25-38 & Luke 7, 11-16</i>	
	8:00 AM Mass	
	<i>Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM</i>	
Friday	March 15	III Class
	Friday of the Fourth Week of Lent	
	<i>Readings: 3 Kings 17, 17-24 & John 11, 1-45</i>	
	8:00 AM Mass	
	<i>Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM</i>	
	7:00 PM Stations of the Cross & Benediction	
Saturday	March 16	III Class
	Saturday of the Fourth Week of Lent	
	<i>Readings: Isaias 49, 8-15 & John 8, 12-20</i>	
	8:00 AM Mass	
	<i>Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM</i>	

St. Joseph Novena

The Saint Joseph Novena
 begins on March 11
 and continues through the
 Feast of Saint Joseph
 on March 19.





The Feast of Saint Joseph,
Spouse of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
March 19

There will be a
Choral High Mass
on Tuesday, March 19
at 7:30 PM.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS
AND BENEDICTION
AT 7:00 PM
EVERY FRIDAY EVENING
DURING LENT



The Diocesan Rice Bowl
Collection will take place
after the conclusion of Lent.

For over 40 years, Operation Rice Bowl has called participants to pray with their families; fast in solidarity with those who hunger; learn about the challenges of poverty overseas, and give sacrificial contributions to those in need. Everyone is encouraged to put aside a sacrificial donation each week during Lent, and to bring that donation in at the conclusion of the season. Perhaps you can give up a cup of coffee, soda, or a snack; place the money you would have spent in an envelope to be given for the Rice Bowl Collection. Each sacrifice is an act of Charity that will benefit those who have so little and know real, physical hunger.

Please be generous.

A Note from Father Pasley:

If you would like to follow the daily readings in Matins during Lent, or even begin to pray parts of the Divine Office, these two sites are perfect.

On the internet you can access www.divinumofficium.com. You could also save this on the screen of your iPhone. You would choose the 1960 rubrics, regular mode and English as a second language, unless of course you speak Magyar.

The other is an APP for iPhone or smart phone. In APPs on your phone, just search for **Breviarium Meum**. Download it and you are set to go. Click the settings symbol on the bottom left of your phone – parallel translation – English. Turn off, Dominus vobiscum. Why?

When you say the Office alone you do not say
V. Dominus Vobiscum R. Et cum Spiritu tuo,
but V. Domine, exaudi orationem meum
R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

CHORAL MASS SCHEDULE

Feast of Saint Joseph

Tuesday, March 19, 7:30 PM



Holy Thursday

Thursday, March 28, 7:30 PM



Good Friday

Friday, March 29, 3:00 PM



Easter Vigil

Saturday, March 30, 6:00 PM



Easter Sunday

Sunday, March 31, 10:30 AM



Ascension of Our Lord

Thursday, May 9, 7:30 PM



Vigil of Pentecost

Saturday, May 18, 5:00 PM



Pentecost Sunday

Sunday, May 19, 10:30 AM



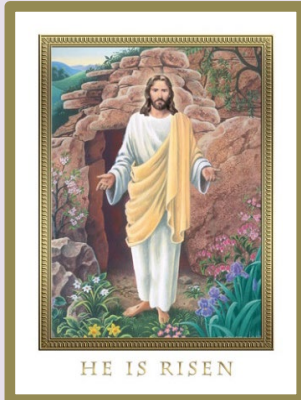
External Solemnity of Corpus Christi

Sunday, June 2, 10:30 AM



External Solemnity of the Sacred Heart

Sunday, June 9, 10:30 AM



Easter Spiritual Bouquet Mass Cards

If you would like to include your living or deceased loved ones in our Easter Mass Intentions, Easter Spiritual Bouquet Mass Cards are available in the Narthex. A free will donation is accepted.

HOLY WEEK 2024

Palm Sunday

Saturday, March 23

5:00 PM Anticipated Mass

Sunday, March 24

8:00 AM Low Mass

10:30 AM Solemn Procession
and High Mass (No Benediction)

(Confessions 45 minutes before each Mass)

Monday, March 25 – 8:00 AM Mass

Tuesday, March 26 – 8:00 AM Mass

(Confessions 30 minutes before each Mass)

Spy Wednesday, March 27 – 7:30 PM Mass

(Confessions 6:30 PM – 7:25 PM)

Holy Thursday – March 28

6:30 PM to 7:25 PM – Confessions

7:30 PM - Mass of the Lord's Supper
and Procession to the Repository

Adoration at the Repository until 11:00 PM

Good Friday – March 29

2:00 PM to 2:55 PM – Confessions

3:00 PM – Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday

7:00 PM – Stations of the Cross and

Blessing with the Relic of the True Cross

Holy Saturday – March 30

No 8:00 AM Mass, Tenebrae, or 5:00 PM Mass

5:00 PM to 5:55 PM – Confessions

6:00 PM – The Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY – March 31

8:00 AM Low Mass

10:30 AM – High Mass & Benediction

(Confessions 45 minutes before each Mass)

Please Note:

On certain days Confessions begin earlier than listed. It is always best to arrive extra early for Confession to avoid a longer wait.



Laetare Sunday - Rejoice!

*On this special Sunday which falls in the middle of Lent, a small respite is permitted in the somber penitential season in order to encourage the faithful with the promise of the joy of the resurrection. Rose colored vestments are worn, flowers may adorn the altar and music is permitted. The Fourth Sunday of Lent is also known as “**Laetare Sunday**” from the opening prayers of the Introit of the Mass,*

**“Laetare Jerusalem”:
“Rejoice, O Jerusalem”.**

It is sometimes called “Dominica de Rosa” (Rose Sunday) because of the color of the vestments and the tradition dating from the ancient Church in which the popes carried and blessed a golden rose on this day. The Golden Rose symbolizes Christ the King of all creation in resplendent glory. The blessed rose was sent to a special church, shrine, or individual favored by the pope. On Laetare Sunday, like Gaudete Sunday in Advent, we can rejoice in the proximity of the fulfillment of the Lord’s promise.



At that time Jesus went over the Sea of Galilee, which is that of Tiberius: and a great multitude followed Him, because they saw the miracles which He did on them that were diseased. Jesus therefore went up into a mountain: and there He sat with His disciples. Now the Pasch, the festival day of the Jews, was near at hand. When Jesus therefore had lifted up His eyes, and seen that a very great multitude cometh to Him, He said to Philip: Whence shall we buy bread that these may eat? And this He said to try him: for He Himself knew what He would do. Philip answered Him: Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one may take a little. One of His disciples, Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, saith to Him: There is a boy here that hath five barley loaves and two what fishes: but what are these among so many? Then Jesus said: Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. The men therefore sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks, He distributed to them that were set down: in like manner also of the fishes, as much as they would. And when they were filled, He said to His disciples: Gather up the fragments that remain, lest they be lost. They gathered up therefore, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which remained over and above to them that had eaten. Now those men, when they had seen what a miracle Jesus had done, said: This is of a truth the prophet that is to come into the world. Jesus therefore when He knew that they would come to take Him by force and make Him king, fled again into the mountain, Himself alone.

John 6, 1-15



1962 Discipline For Lenten Fasting

1. Every Day of Lent (except each Sunday and First Class Feast) is a day of fast.
2. **Complete Abstinence and Fast** are observed on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent and Holy Saturday morning – Complete abstinence means no meat or soup or gravy made from meat. Fast means one full meal and two small meals. The two small meals added together should not equal the amount of the main meal. Fast also includes no eating between meals, but liquids, including milk and juice are allowed.
3. **Partial Abstinence and Fast** are observed on all other days not mentioned above – Partial Abstinence means that you can eat meat at the principal meal only. The two small meals are meatless. Fast is the same as above including not eating between meals.
4. Beer and wine are allowed, but no hard alcohol.
5. Days of fast apply to those over 21 and under 59.
6. Laws of fasting and abstinence are not binding on those with medical conditions or those whose ability to work would be impaired.
7. Fasting and abstinence are not observed on Sundays and First Class Feasts. The Class I Feast during Lent this year is Saint Joseph Day, on March 19. The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary on March 25 falls on Monday of Holy Week this year, and will be transferred to April 8.
8. These rules no longer bind under pain of sin, unless one, after deep reflection, binds oneself in a promise to God. This should not be taken lightly.

Modern Discipline – Code of Canon Law 1983

Fasting and complete abstinence are limited to Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Complete abstinence (no meat, or soup or gravy made from meat) is obligatory for all Fridays of Lent. All over 14 must abstain. Fasting is obligatory between the ages of 18 and 59. These bare minimum rules are binding under pain of sin.

Lenten Corporal or External Practices

Take less of what you like and more of what you dislike at meals today.

Take nothing to drink between meals.

Do not use seasoning on your food today.

Do not use any sweeteners with your food or drinks today.

Avoid listening to the radio or iPod at all today.

Take nothing to eat between meals today.

Avoid any TV or videos; instead read the Passion of Christ in your Bible

Take only one helping of each item at meals today.

Spiritual or Internal Fast Practices

- Don't do any unnecessary talking; instead, say little aspirations throughout the day.
- Exercise your patience today in all things.
- Don't make any complaints today.
- Restrain any anger, and go out of your way to be kind to the person who caused your anger.
- Don't be distracted with someone else's business.
- Avoid any gossip today. Instead say an extra Rosary to overcome this great fault.
- When asked to do something extra do so with a joyful and pleasant attitude today.
- Speak in a pleasant tone to everyone today.
- Avoid using the phone today.
- Avoid all emails and favorite Blogs on the computer for a day.
- Tell the truth in all your dealings today.
- Avoid any vanity or self-seeking today.

Spiritual Practices: Virtues & Good Works

- Attend Daily Mass / or at least read your Missal every day and make a spiritual Communion
- Attend Stations of the Cross/ Retreat days/ Parish Mission/ Eucharistic Adoration
- Say Vespers every Sunday at home
- Practice humility today in all your actions.
- Be generous today; help someone in need.
- Look for ways to be helpful throughout the day.
- Do a job that needs to be done without being asked.
- Be courageous; walk away from any impure situations today.
- Don't be at all idle today. Always be doing something for others or for your spiritual growth.
- Go out of your way today to help or talk to someone who is usually difficult.
- Volunteer for an extra job today.
- Say an extra Rosary today for the conversion of a sinner.
- Make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament.
- Visit someone who is sick or lonesome today. Offer to say the Rosary with them.
- Make a pledge to the House of Charity and follow through with it.



Saint Joseph Novena Prayers

OPENING PRAYER

(All Kneel)

Priest: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

People: Amen.

Priest and People: O God Who in Your divine providence / was pleased to choose Blessed Joseph / to be the Spouse of Your Most Holy Mother / grant, we beseech You that we may have him for our intercessor in Heaven / whom we venerate as our most holy protector on earth. / Who lives and reigns / world without end. Amen.

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Priest and People: To you Blessed Joseph / we turn in our affliction and with hearts filled with confidence / we ask you to take us under your protection. / By that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Mother of God / and by that fatherly love / with which you loved the Child Jesus / we humbly pray / that you will look down upon that inheritance which Jesus Christ purchased by His Blood / and by your power and strength / aid us in our necessities.

Defend most watchful Guardian of the Holy Family / the chosen offspring of Jesus Christ. / Keep from us most loving Father / all error and corruption. / Aid us from on high / most valiant defender / in this conflict with the powers of darkness. / And as you rescued the Child Jesus / from the peril of His life / so now defend God's Holy Church / from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity. / Shield us under your patronage that imitating your example and strengthened by your help / we may live a holy life / die a happy death / and enjoy to everlasting happiness in Heaven. Amen.

SPECIAL PRAYER OF PETITION

Priest and People: Glorious Saint Joseph / by the prompt obedience you showed to the will of God / I beseech you to obtain for me from Jesus / the grace to obey all the divine commands. / Filled with confidence in your mighty power / I plead with you to ask the Child Jesus / to give me the blessings and favors I now desire / if they are in accordance with His holy will. / ***(Here pause to mention your needs.)*** Guard my soul from all its enemies / so that I may always / but especially at the hour of death / enjoy the company of Jesus and Mary. / Dear Saint Joseph / help me to lead a blameless life / and keep me safe / under your protection. Amen.

SAINT JOSEPH'S MEMORARE

Priest and People: Remember most pure Spouse of Mary ever Virgin / my loving Protector, Saint Joseph / that never has it been heard / that any one invoked your protection / and asked your help without being consoled. / Confidently I come before you. / I fervently recommend myself to you. / Despise not my prayer / Foster Father of Our Redeemer / but in your pity answer it. Amen.



SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

2024 APPEAL: *“Through Him and For Him”*

By supporting the *Catholic Ministries Appeal*, you are supporting those who comprise the programs and ministries of the Diocese of Camden. These ministries serve the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of the hungry and challenged. When we support the *Catholic Ministries Appeal*, we can bring the light of hope to those in the Catholic community of South Jersey.

In every way, the work of our ministries emanates from the Eucharist. As Saint John Paul II said, “The Eucharist is the heart of the Church. Where Eucharistic life flourishes, there the life of the church will blossom.” The Eucharist is the true presence of Jesus Christ, it is the spiritual food that gives us strength to carry out His work each day and everything we do as Catholics emanates from that.

This year’s theme: “Through Him and For Him” continues our focus on the nation-wide Eucharist Revival and reminds us that “in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself.”

through Him & for Him



SOUTH JERSEY
CATHOLIC
MINISTRIES
APPEAL

Our Parish Goal for 2024 is
\$59,800

Our Pledges and Donations so far:

\$18, 225

Thank you!

PLEASE remember

to return your Easter Flower Donation
Envelope before Palm Sunday.

Your generous donations help to
defray the cost of decorating the Church
for Easter.





MATER ECCLESIAE

Men's

Three Hearts Pilgrimage October 2024

Contact

Paul Pagano

(732) 674-6073

pmpagano@hotmail.com



Mater Ecclesiae Men's Pilgrimage

What: Three Hearts Pilgrimage—35 mile walking pilgrimage

When: October 9th-14th, 2024—Walking Days are 11th and 12th

Where: Oklahoma—Ending at Clear Creek Benedictine Abbey

Who: 2000+ pilgrims from all over the country

Wednesday

- Fly from Newark/Philadelphia to Tulsa
- Natural Falls State Park—Yurt camping

Thursday

- Flexible morning—Small hike to waterfall
- Report to pilgrimage camp #1 by 2pm—Tent camping

Friday

- Walk all day—23 miles. Arrive at camp #2—Tent camping

Saturday

- Walk until 2pm—12.5 miles. High Mass at Benedictine Abbey
- Sequoyah State Park—Lodge or Bunkhouse

Sunday

- Mass at the Abbey
- Sequoyah State Park Recreation/Recovery Day

Monday

- Fly home

Rough Cost Estimate Per Person—\$1350

- Flight with seat assignment and luggage—\$525
- Car Rental—\$150
- Pilgrimage Registration—\$75
- Three nights lodging—\$200
- Three breakfasts/Four lunches/Three dinners—\$325
- Potential Sunday Boat Rental—\$75
- * **There are ways to get this cost a bit lower. Let's talk.**

Each pilgrim is responsible for his own breakfast and lunch on Friday and Saturday during the pilgrimage. The organizers provide water and a basic dinner. Pilgrims supply tents, backpacks, sleeping bags, and other camp needs.

High School CCD Class Schedule

All Classes meet 9:15 AM to 10:15 AM.

September 17, 2023

October 15, 2023

November 19, 2023

December 17, 2023

January 7, 2024

February 18, 2024

March 17, 2024

April 21, 2024

May 19, 2024

Inclement Weather Advisory



The winter weather during the month March can be very unpredictable, so if we have snow, ice or severe weather, please check the Mater Ecclesiae Facebook page for **event** cancellations.

NO CELL PHONES ALLOWED IN CHURCH



Mater Ecclesiae is a Cell-Phone-Free Church.

Every Catholic has the right to worship and attend Holy Mass without distraction. Cell phones are prohibited inside the Church. Please leave all cell phones in your car.



Upcoming Choral Masses

The following Choral Masses are still available. If you would like to sponsor a Mass, please contact the Rectory Office: 856-753-3408 or email secretary@materecclesiae.org.

Friday, March 29	3:00 PM	Good Friday	\$500.00
Thursday, May 9	7:30 PM	Ascension Of Our Lord	\$500.00





FaithFULL Food Drive

SUNDAY | MARCH 17, 2024



WHAT WE'RE COLLECTING:

It's requested that parishioners donate non expired food only. Please aim for healthy 'no salt added,' 'low-sodium,' and whole grain options. Below please find the most needed items for those experiencing food insecurity.

- > CANNED BEANS
- > DRIED PASTA AND RICE
- > CANNED SPAGHETTI SAUCE
- > COOKING OILS AND VINEGARS
- > CANNED FRUIT | FRUIT CUPS
- > PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY
- > CANNED AND HEARTY SOUPS
- > DRIED MASHED POTATO



DIOCESE OF CAMDEN





February 14-March 24
40 DAYS FOR LIFE®

BE A LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS!

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers!

With God's help, here are the proven results in 30 coordinated campaigns:

- Over **20,000 babies** saved from abortion
- Over **200 abortion** workers converted
- Over **100 abortion** centers closed

Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community:

Vigil location: On the sidewalk outside Cherry Hill Women's Center, 502 N Kings Highway, Cherry Hill NJ 08034

Vigil hours: 7am-7pm, Tuesdays-Saturdays

Local contact: Claire Howson: for further information text or call 856-313-9861 or email claire@helpersnj.org

Learn more ... join our team and **SAVE LIVES!** Register and sign the Statement of Peace by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below:

www.40daysforlife.com/cherryhill

CCD Calendar

2023-2024

GRADES K-4	GRADES 5-8	HIGH SCHOOL
September 10, 2023	September 17, 2023	September 17, 2023
October 8, 2023	October 15, 2023	October 15, 2023
November 12, 2023	November 19, 2023	November 19, 2023
December 10, 2023	December 17, 2023	December 17, 2023
January 14, 2024	January 21, 2024	**January 7, 2024**
February 11, 2024	February 18, 2024	February 18, 2024
March 3, 2024	March 17, 2024	March 17, 2024
April 14, 2024	April 21, 2024	April 21, 2024
May 5, 2024	May 19, 2024	May 19, 2024
CLASSES MEET 9:15 AM —10:15 AM		
Please note the Calendar may be revised if needed.		

Important Dates to Remember

40 Hours Devotion	Friday-Sunday, October 6, 7, 8, 2023
All Saints Party	Sunday, November 5, 2023
St. Nicholas Party	Sunday, December 3, 2023
First Holy Communion	Saturday, May 4, 2024 at 10:30 AM
May Crowning	Sunday, May 5, 2024 at 10:30 AM
Confirmation 2024	Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 5:00 PM


**HELP TO DEFRAY THE INCREASED
WINTER EXPENSES AT MATER ECCLESIAE**

Each winter, our South Jersey Gas bill (for our heating systems) balloons to an average of \$2,000 from November through April. We must also pay to have our driveways, parking lot, and sidewalks cleared of snow and ice during inclement weather.

Please use the envelopes shown below to donate towards these expenses.

If **everyone donated just \$1 per week**, we could put a dent in these increased expenses.

(USING THESE ENVELOPES ASSURES THAT THE DONATIONS WILL BE USED TO PAY FOR HEATING AND WINTER EXPENSES.)



MY SPECIAL OFFERING
FOR WINTER EXPENSES

Name _____
Address _____
Env. # _____ Amount \$ _____

F. J. REMEY CO.



Fuel Offering

NAME (PLEASE PRINT) _____
ADDRESS _____ ENV. NO. _____
AMOUNT \$ _____

F. J. REMEY CO.

BLESSING OF RELIGIOUS OBJECTS

**The April Date will be skipped.
The next date is June 1.**

Father Pasley will bless religious objects on the First Saturday **every other month** in **Bishop DiMarzio Hall** immediately following the 8:00 AM Mass.

The Blessings will take place on the FIRST SATURDAY of the month, every other month, at 9 AM after the morning Mass. Please place your objects on the proper table in the Sacred Heart Meeting Room, before Mass. Also, the brown scapular of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel has a special blessing and has its own designated spot. All other scapulars should be placed on the religious object table. Thank you for placing the proper importance upon our Catholic Sacramentals.

Please note: *Holy Water will not be blessed on these days. (It is not possible to properly bless water when it is already in bottles.) Holy Water is always available in the Holy Water font in the Narthex which is refilled weekly. Please contact Father Pasley if a special blessing is requested.*

The option for Online Memorial Donations is included on our OSV Online Giving Website. The direct link to the Memorial Donations Fund is:

<https://osvhub.com/mater-ecclesiae/funds/memorial-donations>

Please include in "Notes" the intention of your donation.

**PLEASE DO NOT TAPE ANYTHING
TO THE CHURCH'S DOORS!**

THEY ARE NEWLY REFINISHED!

THE ADHESIVE TAPE CAUSES A REACTION WITH THE TOP COAT ON THE OAK DOORS. IT LEAVES A GUMMY, STICKY RESIDUE THAT WILL RUIN THE NEW FINISH ON THE DOORS.

Thank you,
Father Pasley



*Check Out These Great Catholic Sites and
Learn More About All Things
Traditional Catholic:*

You Tube: Sensus Fidelium
&
SensusTraditionis.org



MATER'S WORDS OF WISDOM

IF YOU EMPTY IT,
FILL IT
IF YOU OPEN IT,
CLOSE IT
IF YOU DIRTY IT,
CLEAN IT
IF YOU SPILL IT,
WIPE IT UP
IF YOU MOVE IT,
PUT IT BACK
IF YOU BORROW IT,
RETURN IT
IF YOU TURN IT ON,
TURN IT OFF
IF YOU UNLOCK IT,
LOCK IT

Safety Reminder!

Children under the
age of 18
must be supervised
by their own parent
or parents
at all times.

Letters of Eligibility for Sponsors / Godparents at Baptism and Confirmation

If you are asked to be a Godparent for a Baptism or Confirmation at another Catholic parish, they will require a Letter of Eligibility from Mater Ecclesiae.

To receive a Letter of Eligibility you must meet the following requirements:

1. You must be a registered member of Mater Ecclesiae in good standing.
2. You must be at least 16 years old.
3. You must have received the Sacraments of Initiation.
4. You must be a **practicing** Catholic and **eligible** to be a Godparent.

To receive a Letter of Eligibility, please contact The Rectory Office as soon as you are asked to be a sponsor. Do not wait until the last minute!

Email: secretary@materecclesiae.org
Or 856-753-3408

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass Schedule

8:00 AM

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday

7:30 PM

Wednesday - followed by St. Jude Novena

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 PM

Saturday Anticipated Mass (counts for Sunday Mass)

Sunday

8:00 AM Low Mass
10:30 AM High Mass

First Friday Schedule:

7:30 AM Confessions
8:00 AM Mass followed by
All Day Adoration
3:00 PM Benediction



Secure ❖ Safe ❖ Efficient

Please prayerfully consider giving online.

Online Giving is an ideal way to support Mater Ecclesiae. This option makes use of current technology and security standards and allows you to easily set up recurring contributions.

Online Giving Parishioner Benefits

- **Secure and confidential.** No need to share payment information with the church office.
- **Efficient.** Set up direct withdrawals from your checking or savings account.
- **Simple.** Start, stop or change your contributions any time.
- **Convenient.** No need to write a check or have cash available.
- **Remote flexibility.** You can give from anywhere anytime.

Online Giving is a convenient tool for you to use, and we strongly support both Online Giving and Offering Envelopes for contributions. Online Giving is the electronic way to participate in weekly offertory.

Start giving online today!

1. Visit our church website at www.materlatin.org and click on the Online Giving link.
2. Create an account.
3. Schedule your recurring gifts.



Diocese of Camden
Office of Child and Youth Protection



VIRTUS® Training

The safe environment training program for adults is VIRTUS® Protecting God’s Children. This replaces CAP.

If you have **never** been fingerprinted for the Diocese of Camden and you have **never** attended a CAP session, you are considered a “first time user.”

First time registrants need to go on the Diocese of Camden website, www.camdendiocese.org, click on the VIRTUS link located at the bottom of the website and follow the directions.

If you have been fingerprinted for the Diocese of Camden and/or you have attended a CAP session in the past, you are considered to have an existing account. For instructions, contact your parish safe environment coordinator at the rectory office: 856-753-3408 or email Safe.Env@materecclesiae.org



What is the best way to contact the Rectory Office?

Send an email! It is quick and easy!

If you don’t know the correct email address, Go to our website: www.materlatin.org.

Click the **CONTACT** button under the picture of the church. Fill in your information and click send.

You don’t have to remember how to spell Mater Ecclesiae, you don’t have to know that our address is “.org”, not “.com”! Your message will be sent to our email.

Please note that our voicemail system is sometimes unreliable. The most common problems we have when trying to retrieve phone messages are:

- Poor reception with phone static and background noise that obscures the caller’s voice making the message unintelligible.
- If the message is too long it can cut off before the caller leaves a callback number.
- If the caller does not speak clearly, the message can be indecipherable.

An Email has many advantages:

- It is a written record that is delivered quickly.
- It can be forwarded to the appropriate person.
- It can be archived for future reference.
- It allows for quick and efficient follow-up.



BULLETIN DEADLINES

ATTENTION All MATER ECCLESIAE PARISHIONERS, GROUPS & APOSTOLATES!

Bulletin Announcements are due in the Rectory Office by Monday, 9 AM, according to the chart listed below. Last minute, late submissions cannot be accommodated. Please plan ahead!



UPCOMING BULLETIN DEADLINES:

<u>Bulletin Date</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
March 31 & April 7	March 11

Announcements must be submitted in writing or through Email to: secretary@materecclesiae.org.

Phone calls cannot be accepted for Bulletin Announcements!

All announcements must be approved by Father Pasley.

Thank you.


Please Note:

The Mater Ecclesiae Weekly Bulletin is printed in the Rectory Office.

We Do Not Have an Outside Publisher!



Our Lady of Perpetual Help

 **MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP,**
grant that I may ever invoke your
powerful name which is the
safeguard of the living and the salvation of
the dying.

O pure Virgin Mary, let your name be
henceforth ever on my lips.

Whenever I call on you by name, hasten to
help me.

When I speak your sacred name or even
think of you, what consolation and
confidence, what sweetness and emotion fill
my soul!

I thank God for having given you so sweet,
powerful, and lovely a name for my good.

Let my love for you prompt me ever to
greet you as Mother of Perpetual Help.

Recommended by Father Pasley: Websites and Blogs

Mass Propers, Booklets, and Divine Office

1. Missalemeum.com
2. Extraordinaryform.com
3. DivinumOfficium.com
4. Breviarium Meum (found on App Store)

Traditional Sunday Vespers with musical notation

5. Gregorian-chant-hymns.com

Traditional Compline with musical notation – changes each day

6. Bbloom.github.io/compline/

General good Traditional Commentary

7. OnePeterFive.com
8. Rorate-caeli.blogspot.com
9. LifeSiteNews.com

Liturgical – Run by the Church Music Association of America (CMAA)

10. NewLiturgicalMovement.com

A collection of Catholic homilies, apologetic videos, & other resources to grow in the One True Faith.

11. Sensus Fidelium – YouTube

Attention All CCD Parents— Latin Prayers

Father Pasley has introduced the requirement that our CCD students begin to learn the basic Catholic Prayers in Latin, so that the prayers will be mastered by the time they receive Confirmation.

Due to Covid limiting the CCD classes in 2020, we are reminding our parents that the Latin Prayers should be introduced and taught at home as part of the CCD Homeschool Program.

Here are recommended resources for your use:

Latin Prayer Resources for CCD Parents

How to pray Latin Prayers:

Dr. Taylor Marshall hosts a WEBINAR on four Latin prayers: the Sign of the Cross, the Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, and table blessing ("Bless Us O Lord") in Latin.

https://youtu.be/_mpBl6V4TLY

You can find the worksheets here:

<http://newsaintthomas.com/latin/>

Parish Membership

New Parishioners are requested to register at the Rectory Office as soon as possible. Registration forms are available at the Forms Center and from the office. Please notify the office of address or phone number changes so that our records are updated.

Thank you.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email: _____

Please check one:

- New Registration: *Please mail a Registration Form*
- Change of Address
- New Phone Number/Email
- Please send Collection Envelopes

*Please cut out and place in Collection Basket
or mail to the Rectory Office*



We must continue
to pray
for the Church:

*Mary, Mother of the Church,
pray for us.*

*Maria, Mater Ecclesiae,
Ora pro Nobis.*

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Please sign up for First Friday All Day Adoration. You do not have to sign up to come to Adoration. The sign up is to ensure we have coverage for the entire day.

7:30 AM Confessions

8:00 AM First Friday Mass

9:00 AM Holy Hour

Followed by All Day Adoration

3:00 PM Benediction

Parishioners can now sign up in advance.
The link will be the same each month.

To Sign up for First Friday Adoration,
follow the link on our Facebook page or
website, or

Copy this link to sign up:

<https://signup.com/go/opZWdHG>

Note: You will NOT need to register an
account or keep a password and the Signup
site does not share your email address with
anyone.

If you have any questions,
please email
Michael Phelps at
matersignup@gmail.com

Saint Michael the Archangel

Patron Saint of Police and Law Enforcement



**SAINT MICHAEL THE
ARCHANGEL,**
defend us in battle;
be our protection against
the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him,
we humbly pray: and do thou,
O Prince of the Heavenly Host,
by the power of God,
thrust down into hell Satan
and all the evil spirits
who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

CCD CALENDAR

2024		
GRADES K-4	GRADES 5-8	High School
January 14	January 21	January 7
February 11	February 18	February 18
March 3	March 17	March 17
April 14	April 21	April 21
May 5	May 19	May 19
<p><u>First Holy Communion</u> Saturday, May 4, 10:30 AM</p> <p><u>May Crowning</u> Sunday, May 5, 10:30 AM</p> <p><u>Confirmation</u> Tuesday, May 7, 5:00 PM</p>		

Classes Meet 9:15 AM to 10:15 AM

*Students in grades K-4 will meet their teacher in Bishop DiMarzio Hall, line up and proceed to their classroom. They will be dismissed to their parents in the Hall at the end of CCD Class. Grades 5-12 will go directly to their classroom and enter **ONLY** if their teacher is in the room. If they arrive early and the teacher is not present, students must **quietly** line up in the hall outside of their door and wait until their teacher arrives. Students are never to enter the classroom if the teacher is not present.*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #12833



Meetings are held on the 1st Monday of the month at 8 PM in the Knights Room. The Scriptural Rosary and Prayer for

Vocations are said at 7:30 PM in the Church. New members are welcome. The Scriptural Rosary can be found on their website: www.KofC12833.org.

FEDERATION OF NORTH AMERICAN EXPLORERS

A Catholic outdoor adventure group for boys and girls ages 6 to 17. We meet two Thursdays a month and one Saturday a month here at Mater. Please visit our Facebook page 1st North Star FNE or call 848-226-5515 for more information.

NEW CANDLE STIPEND

Inflation has impacted the cost of our Devotional 7 Day Candles. Our candle supplier increased the cost of the candles by 38%. Shipping costs doubled last year. As a result, for the first time in 23 years, we have to raise the stipend to \$4 to cover the increase. The new stipend will begin after Easter.

YOUNG ADULT LEGION OF MARY

If you are a young adult between the ages of 18 and 29 and are looking for a Catholic group to share your Faith, evangelize, and have fun with, consider joining the Legion of Mary! Our Praesidium is called Virgo Fidelis (Virgin Most Faithful). We are devoted to Our Blessed Mother whose goal is to bring souls to Christ through evangelization under her mantle. To join us or find out more information, please call Emily Kraus at 856-214-6985. We hope to hear from you!

DISCALCED CARMELITE SOCIETY OF MATER ECCLESIAE



The Disalced Carmelite Society of Mater Ecclesiae is a Contemplative Third Order of the Disalced Carmelites. Our vocation is not a social one, but one of prayer. Our duty is to be Obedient to the Church and our Superiors. Meetings are open to parishioners only who are 24 years of age and older or admitted by our Spiritual Director, Rev. Robert C. Pasley. Formation is a journey lasting about 6 years. If you are interested in discerning your vocation to the Disalced Carmelites and would like additional information, or if you are in need of prayers, please contact one of the council members below.

- Nancy Hilbert OCD, Professed:
609-505-7102 or nanhil@verizon.com
- Monica Lenthe OCD, Professed:
856-383-0326 or Monica430@comcast.net

PRAYER CHAIN FOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS & INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Mater Ecclesiae parishioners who have a need for intercessory prayers or who wish to commit to participate in our Prayer Chain should contact Lou DiLoreto at 609-304-4911 or sifulou@comcast.net.

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8:00AM
Wednesday at 7:30PM

Sunday Mass Schedule

<u>Saturday Anticipated Mass</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
5:00 PM	8:00AM Low Mass 10:30AM High Mass

First Friday Schedule

7:30 AM Confessions
8:00 AM Mass followed by All Day Adoration
3:00 PM Benediction

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Please continue to support Mater Ecclesiae.
Our mission must continue; with your help, it will!

Thank you for your generous support of Mater Ecclesiae.

AROUND THE DIOCESE



Catholic Engaged Encounter is a weekend away with other engaged couples which allows plenty of time alone as a couple to dialogue honestly and intensively about your prospective life together.

Ideas presented by a team of married couples and a priest or deacon stimulate personal reflection and private couple dialogue. Topics for discussion include: strengths and weaknesses, desires, ambitions, goals, attitudes about money, sexuality, children, family, your role in the church and society. The Sunday Mass celebration is an important part of the program.

Engaged Encounter Weekends are held at Nazareth House in Cherry Hill, NJ. All weekends begin promptly at 8:00 p.m., Friday evening, and close by 3:00 p.m. Sunday afternoon.

Upcoming Weekends

May 3, 4, & 5, 2024

October 18, 19, & 20, 2024

Registration for Engaged Encounter

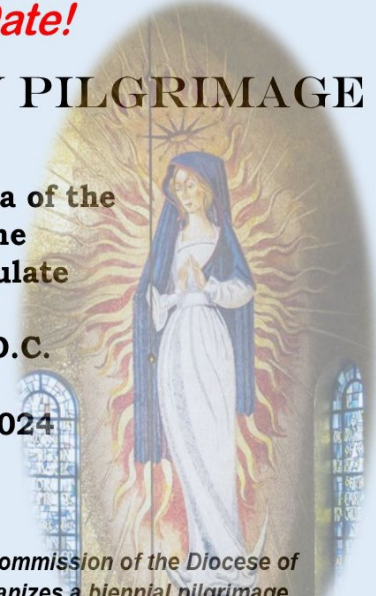
The registration fee of \$410 for Catholic Engaged Encounter includes lodging, meals, and program resources for the weekend for two people. To register, go to <https://www.camdendiocese.org/marriage-preparation-home/marriage-preparation-programs/>. Questions: Please contact the Office of Family Life by phone at (856) 583-2904 or email at MarriagePrep@camdendiocese.org

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Save the Date!

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE

**To the Basilica of the
National Shrine
of the Immaculate
Conception,
Washington, D.C.
Saturday,
October 26, 2024**



The Marian Commission of the Diocese of Camden organizes a biennial pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C.

The next pilgrimage will take place on

October 26, 2024

www.camdendiocese.org



Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain and France – September 26 to October 5, 2024

Father Robert Hughes is leading a pilgrimage to Fatima, Spain and Lourdes departing from Philadelphia on September 26th and returning October 5th, 2024. Visit Lisbon, Santarem, Fatima, Salamanca, Avila, Burgos, Loyola and Lourdes. The cost is \$4,547 per person double occupancy and includes roundtrip airfare, all airport taxes and fuel surcharges, 8 nights at centrally located first class hotels, airport transfers, transportation by air-conditioned motor coach, breakfast daily, dinner with wine daily, professional Catholic guides, all admissions per itinerary, Mass and spiritual activities daily, luggage handling (one bag), flight bag and portfolio of travel documents.

Not included are lunches, tips to guide and driver, and optional travel insurance. An optional four night extension (October 5 to 9) includes Paris, Lisieux and Normandy (90th Anniversary) is \$1,469 per person double occupancy. For more information and to register online: <http://www.pilgrimages.com/frhughes/marianshrines/>; for more information: 856-583-2807 or contact Robert.hughes@camdendiocese.org.

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South Jersey Catholic Cemeteries
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Spring is Just Around the Corner



Spring is almost here, and we are delighted to share great news about our Garden Permit Program! Our annual fee will not increase. Although inflation has affected most areas of our everyday living, we are happy to tell you that the permit fee will not increase this year and has not increased since the program was introduced in 2018! If you chose the Garden Permit Prime Program, the annual fee remains at \$50 and includes an upgraded landscape edging. The standard Garden Permit Program includes a black standard plastic landscape edging for a fee of \$35.

This program, available for most raised headstones, offers you the ability to grow a garden in front of your loved one's memorial, giving it a more personal touch. Plus, the year-long program gives you a cemetery-compliant border and flexibility to individualize your love one's grave. To submit an application for either of these options, please contact your cemetery by March 15th.

For a listing of cemetery locations including contact information visit
<https://southjerseycatholiccemeteries.org/locations/>

*"He loves justice and right.
The earth is full of the mercy of the LORD." Psalms 33:5*



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FOR BABIES & FAMILIES IN NEED
ACROSS THE CAMDEN DIOCESE

OPTION 1: DROP-OFF

Please drop off diapers and/or baby wipes (new and unopened packages only) at any of our centers below between the hours of 9 AM and 4 PM, Monday - Friday; Please call ahead before dropping off!

Atlantic County

9 N. Georgia Ave., Atlantic City, NJ
609-345-3448

Camden County

1845 Haddon Ave., Camden NJ
856-342-4193

Cape May County

1304 Rt. 47 S, Unit C1, Rio Grande, NJ
609-886-2662

Cumberland County

810 East Montrose St., Vineland NJ
856-691-1841

Gloucester County

1200 N Delsea Dr., Suite 1, Westville NJ
856-845-9200

Salem County

114 State St. Penns Grove NJ
856-299-1296



OPTION 2: ORDER ONLINE

If you want to donate diapers without making the trip, please feel free to view our Amazon Wishlist!

Simply select the item(s) you want to donate, and it will automatically be delivered to our office!



Scan the
QR code
to visit
the Wishlist!

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
catholiccharitiessouthjersey.org/diaperdrive/



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