Third Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday

15 December 2024

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	8:00 AM	December 15
	10:30 AM	
Monday	8:00 AM	December 16
Tuesday	8:00 AM	December 17
Wednesday	7:30 PM	December 18
Thursday	8:00 AM	December 19
Friday	8:00 AM	December 20
Saturday	8:00 AM	December 21
	5:00 PM	



Sunday

I Class

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

GAUDETE SUNDAY

Readings: Philippians 4, 4-7 & John 1, 19-28

5:00 PM Saturday Anticipated Mass

Confessions 4:40 PM to 4:55 PM

8:00 AM Low Mass

10:30 AM High Mass followed by Benediction

Confessions 7:20 AM to7:50 AM & 9:30 to 10:30 AM

December 16 Monday

III Class

Saint Eusebius, Bishop & Martyr

Comm. Feria of Advent

Readings: 2 Corinthians 1, 3-7 & Matthew 16, 24-27

8:00 AM Mass

Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM

Tuesday December 17 **II Class**

Greater Feria of Advent

Readings: Philippians 4, 4-7 & John 1, 19-28

8:00 AM Mass

Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM

O Wisdom, You came forth from the mouth of the Most High, and reaching from beginning to end, You ordered all things mightily and sweetly.

....Come, and teach us the way of prudence!



Wednesday December 18

II Class

EMBER WEDNESDAY - DAY OF FASTING Readings: Isaias 2, 2-5; 7, 10-15 & Luke 1, 26-38

7:30 PM Mass

Confessions 6:30 PM to 7:25 PM

O Adonai and Ruler of the house of Israel,

You appeared to Moses in the fire of the burning bush, and on Mount Sinai gave him Your Law.

....Come, and with outstretched arm redeem us!

Thursday December 19 II Class

Greater Feria of Advent

Readings: Philippians 4, 4-7 & John 1, 19-28

8:00 AM Mass

Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM

O Root of Jesse, You stand for an ensign of

mankind; before You kings shall keep silence, and

to You all nations shall have recourse.

....Come, save us, and do not delay!

Friday December 20 **II Class**

EMBER FRIDAY - DAY OF FASTING

Readings: Isaias 11, 1-5 & Luke 1, 39-47

8:00 AM Mass

Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM

O Key of David and Scepter of the house of Israel:

You open and no man closes; You close and no man

....Come, and deliver him from the chains of prison who Sits in darkness and the shadow of death!

Saturday December 21

II Class

COMM. EMBER SATURDAY – DAY OF FASTING

Saint Thomas, Apostle Comm. Ember Saturday

Readings: Ephesians 2, 19-22 & John 20, 24-29

8:00 AM Mass

Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM

O Rising Dawn, Radiance of the Light eternal and Sun of Justice;

....Come, and enlighten those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death!



Keep Penance in Advent Keep Christ in Christmas!







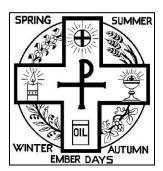
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
GAUDETE SUNDAY

As we reach the Third Sunday of Advent, the color of the vestments in the Sanctuary is Rose; as is the third advent candle that we light. This is a day of joy, as today's Introit tells us,

"Rejoice in the Lord".

The time of waiting and anticipation is nearing an end; we are more than halfway through Advent, and the celebration of the Nativity of Our Lord is only days away!





Ember Days are on the Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday following the First Sunday in Lent and Pentecost Sunday, during the third full week of September, and after the Third Sunday of Advent.

They are days of fasting for the special sanctification of the four seasons and for obtaining God's blessing on the clergy, for whose ordination the Ember Saturdays are specially set apart.

The Propers of the Masses reflect the Season in which they occur and include additional Lessons said before the Gospel.





O ANTIPHONS BEFORE CHRISTMAS DECEMber 17 - 23

The "O Antiphons" are the seven antiphons (responses sung in Gregorian Chant) that are chanted at Vespers (evening prayer) during the special period of Advent known as the Octave before Christmas, December 17 through 23. Each of "O Antiphons" begins with a different name or title for the Messiah:

- O Sapientia (O Wisdom)
- O Adonai (O Lord)
- O Radix Jesse (O Root of Jesse)
- O Clavis David (O Key of David)
- O Oriens (O Rising Sun)
- O Rex Gentium (O King of the Nations)
- O Emmanuel (O Emmanuel)

Also of significance, each one refers to the prophecy of Isaiah of the coming of the Messiah. The first letters of the titles taken backwards form a Latin acrostic of "Ero Cras" which translates to "Tomorrow, I will come", mirroring the theme of the antiphons.







AUDETE in Dómino semper: íterum dico, gaudéte. Modéstia vestra nota sit ómnibus homínibus: Dóminus prope est. Nihil sollíciti sitis: sed in omni oratióne et obsecratióne, cum gratiárum actióne, petitiónes vestræ innotéscant apud Deum. Et pax Dei, quæ exsúperat omnem sensum, custódiat corda vestra et intelligéntias vestras, in Christo Jesu Dómino nostro.

always: again, I say, rejoice. Let your modesty be known to all men. The Lord is nigh. Be nothing solicitous: but in every thing, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your petitions be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasseth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Philippians 4, 4-7







GAUDETE SUNDAY (THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT)

On this day the Church urges us to gladness in the middle of this time of expectation and penitence: the coming of Jesus approaches more and more. St. John, the holy precursor, announces to the Jews the coming of the Savior. "The Savior," he says to them, "lives already among us, though unknown. He will soon appear openly." Now is the time for fervent prayers and for imploring Jesus to remain with us by His mercy. Let us prepare the way for Him by repentance and by a worthy reception of the Sacraments. All the prayers of this Mass are filled with that which the Church wishes our souls to be possessed at the approach of the Savior.

It is also called "Gaudete Sunday" because the Introit begins with the joyful words "Gaudete in Domino semper" ("Rejoice in the Lord always"). Rose vestments are permitted in place of the purple worn during Advent. The only other Sunday permitting rose vestments is Laetare Sunday, the Fourth Sunday of Lent, a similar midway relaxation of the penitence of Lent. Traditionally, this is the only Sunday in Advent on which the organ may be heard at Mass, and flowers might be seen on the altar.

The Advent wreath, containing one candle for each of the four weeks of Advent, consists of three purple candles and one rose candle for the Third Week of Advent, Gaudete Sunday.



JOIN US FOR THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Giving Tree

MAKE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON BRIGHTER!

Making a Difference for Someone Sleeping on the Streets All items will be donated to the homeless (veterans and non-veterans) in Camden

Items needed: socks, jackets, gloves, hats, scarves, blankets, toiletries, feminine hygiene products, baby wipes, and first aid kits

Place items on the tree or in the box, please.

ITEMS ACCEPTED THROUGH JANUARY 1



Christmas Spiritual Bouquet Mass Cards Are Available In The Narthex



The Christmas Masses will be offered for those receiving this Spiritual Gift.

Please place your intentions and free will offering in the Gold Intention Box by Sunday, December 15th





Christmas Flower Donations In Memory of Your Loved Ones Allow Us to Decorate the Church and Altar for Christmas.

Please remember to turn in your Flower Donation Envelopes as soon as possible!

(Printing Was Due by December 13)



Advent 2024

In the Liturgical Calendar this year, Advent begins on December 1. Advent is only 3 weeks plus 3 days long. The Fourth Sunday of Advent falls on December 22, Christmas Day is Wednesday, December 25.

Amid the various Holiday activities of this Christmas season, and all of the hustle and bustle we inflict upon ourselves, please do not forget the real meaning of this most <u>Holy Day</u>. Make time to truly celebrate the birth of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Keep Penance in Advent Keep Christ in Christmas!





Please Note:

As you know, most parishes do not have Confessions during Christmas Week.

During each Christmas Holiday Season, we schedule <u>additional</u> Confession times, while maintaining our regular Confession schedule.

Please take note of the times and make every attempt to go to Confession **before** Christmas.

Do not wait until the last minute!



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

CONFESSIONS

The normal schedule will be followed, with the following additions:

Saturday, December 21

4:00 PM to 4:55 PM

Sunday, December 22

7:15 AM to 7:55 AM 9:45 AM to 10:25 AM

Tuesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

7:30 AM to 7:55 AM 9:45 PM to 10:45 PM

(Confessions will end promptly at 10:45 PM)

Wednesday, December 25 - Christmas Day

7:15 AM to 7:55 AM 9:45 AM to 10:25 AM





CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

MASSES

Tuesday, December 24
Vigil of the Nativity of Our Lord
8:00 AM Daily Mass – Last Mass of Advent

CHRISTMAS MASSES
Nativity of Our Lord

Christmas Eve Tuesday, December 24

10:30 PM Christmas Carols 10:50 PM Blessing of Manger and Christmas Proclamation 11:00 PM – Christmas Mass through Midnight

> Christmas Day Wednesday, December 25

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





NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE 2025

Octave Day of the Nativity of Our Lord Holy Day of Obligation

CONFESSIONS

½ hour before each Mass

MASSES

Tuesday, December 31, 2024

8:00 AM (Regular Daily Mass)

5:00 PM – Anticipated Low Mass

(Fulfills Holy Day Obligation)

Wednesday, January 1, 2025

8:00 AM Low Mass

10:30 AM High Mass





Saint Nicholas Gift Shop

Dear Parents,

Beginning at the Saint Nicholas Party, there will be a Saint Nick's Gift Shop in the back of the hall.

The purpose of the shop is to give the kids an opportunity to purchase Christmas gifts for their siblings, parents, grandparents, and other family members.

All proceeds benefit Mater Ecclesiae.



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 <u>everyone donated just \$1 per week</u>, 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.)







Traditional Men's Silent Retreat February 7th - 9th, 2025

The Holy Name Society of Saint Mary, Conshohocken, PA is organizing a Traditional Men's Silent Retreat at Malvern Retreat House from February 7-9th! Open to family and friends that are practicing Catholics – men 18 and older.

- Malvern Retreat House, Malvern, PA
- Silent Retreat, Latin Mass on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday
- Retreat Master: Fr. Gregory Eichman, FSSP
- Cost \$325 Includes accommodations & meals.
 Pay \$50 deposit or pay the full \$325 to register total payment due by December 15th.
- Single bedrooms with sink, mirror, desk, chair
- Arrival: Friday, February 7th Check-in between 4:00 5:15pm
- Departure: Sunday, February 9th 10:30am

If you would like to register, please contact Ken Orner at stmarys.hns.treasurer@gmail.com. Please do NOT contact Malvern Retreat House with questions or to register.



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To Schedule a Baptism

Parishioners who wish to schedule a Baptism should contact the Rectory Office by email, secretary@materecclesiae.org or 856-753-3408.

Please contact the Rectory well in advance so that preparations can be arranged.

When you contact the office, we will email you a PDF of our Baptismal Register Form, which details all of the information needed for the Sacramental Records. It is important that the form is filled in legibly and completely for our records. Once the form is completed and returned, Father Pasley will contact you to complete the preparation process and arrange a date for the Baptism.

Godparents who are not members of Mater Ecclesiae must have an official letter of eligibility from their home parish confirming that they are practicing Catholics, in good standing and are eligible to be sponsors. The letter should be sent directly to Mater Ecclesiae from their parish.



<u>Parish Membership</u>

New Parishioners are requested to register at Mater Ecclesiae as soon as possible. Registration forms are available at the Forms Center in the Narthex and by emailing secretary@materecclesiae.org.

Please email the office of address or phone number changes so that our records can be updated.

Thank you

changes so that our records can be updated. Thank you.					
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	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

Safety Notice

The safety of our parishioners in the Mater Ecclesiae parking lot requires everyone, whether drivers or pedestrians, to follow common sense safety practices.

DRIVERS:

- 1. Drivers are not to exceed 10 miles per hour
- 2. Drivers must follow basic "rules of the road":
 - a. Drive on the **right side** of the driveway
 - b. Yield to all pedestrians Stay alert!
 - c. Park only in designated areas
 - d. NO PASSING OTHER CARS IN

 DRIVEWAY STAY TO THE RIGHT

 AND YIELD TO ONCOMING CARS!

PEDESTRIANS:

- 1. Make sure it is SAFE to cross parking lot.
- 2. Look BOTH ways to make sure no cars are coming before you attempt to cross.
- 3. Adults should accompany their children when crossing from parking field.
- 4. Children under 18 years old must be supervised by their parents at all times.
- 5. Remember the safety rhyme from childhood:

Stop, Look, and Listen before you cross the street. Use your eyes, use your ears, then use your feet!

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

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/materecclesiae/funds/memorial-donations

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

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.

Flower Donations



Your generous donations for the altar flowers that adorn our church are greatly appreciated!

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

THEY ARE NEWLY REFINISHED!

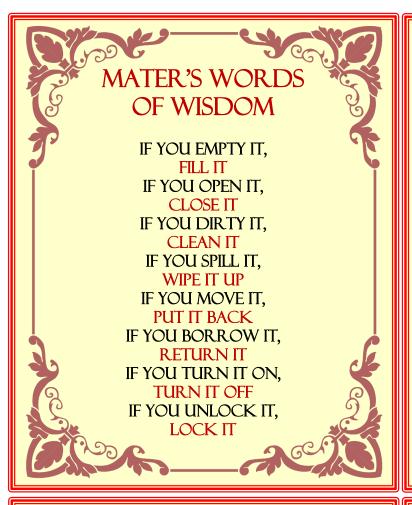
THE ADHESIVE TAPE CAUSES A REACTION WITH THE TOP COAT ON THE OAK DOORS. IT LEAVES A GUMMY, STICKY RESIDUE THAT WILL RUIN THE NEW FINISH ON THE DOORS.

Thank you, Father Pasley

REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

An independent, toll-free number has been established by the Diocese of Camden to help callers report cases of sexual abuse by priests, deacons, religious, employees and/or volunteers. Calls are handled by a licensed clinical social worker. In accord with state law, cases of child sexual abuse are reported to the N.J. Division of Child Protection and Permanency and law enforcement.

For information or to inquire about counseling and support services, call 1-800-964-6588





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 <u>practicing</u> Catholic and <u>eligible</u> 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.





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.





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:

Bulletin Date
January 12

<u>Deadline</u> December 16

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!





The Schedule for Blessing Religious Objects has been revised and will now take place on Monday evenings.

2025 Dates to be Announced

Please place your objects on the proper table in the Sacred Heart Meeting Room.

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.





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/

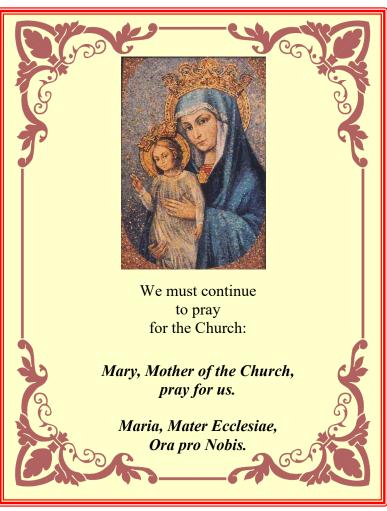


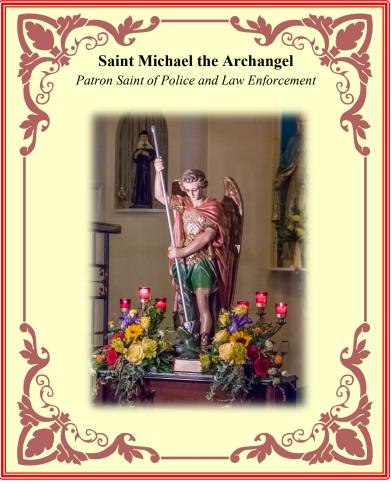


Check Out These Great Catholic Sites and Learn More About All Things Traditional Catholic:

You Tube: Sensus Fidelium &
SensusTraditionis.org







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,

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.



2024				
GRADES K-4	GRADES 5-8	High School		
September 8	September 15	September 15		
October 6	October 20	October 20		
November 10	November 17	*November 24*		
December 8	December 15	December 15		
2025				
January 12	January 19	January 19		
February 9	February 16	February 16		
March 2	March 16	March 16		
April 6	April 13	April 13		
May 4	May 18	May 18		

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. Grades 5-12 will go directly to their classroom and enter the room **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.

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 contact Brody Eller, wirgofidelispraesidium@gmail.com or call 609-605-1164. We hope to hear from you!



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.

<u>DISCALCED CARMELITE</u> SOCIETY OF MATER ECCLESIAE

The Discalced Carmelite Society of Mater Ecclesiae is a Contemplative Third Order of the Discalced 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 Discalced 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

Saturday Anticipated Mass

Sunday

5:00 PM

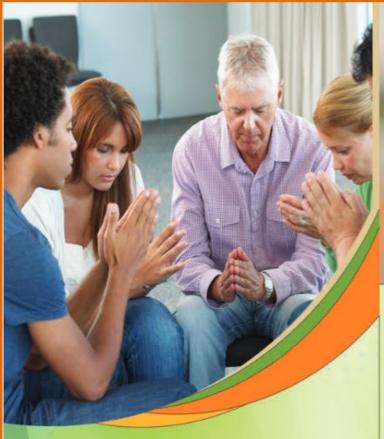
8:00AM Low Mass 10:30AM High Mass

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.





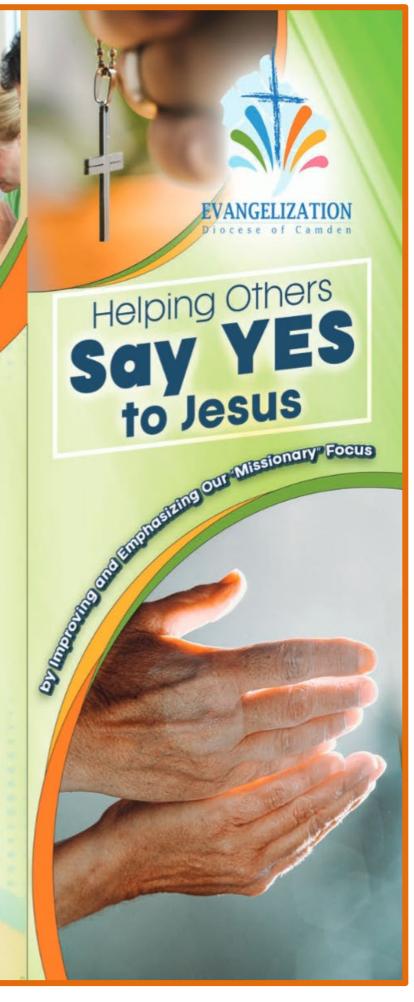
To learn more or to schedule a presentation, please contact us

Diocese of Camden
Office of Evangelization

631 Market Street Camden, NJ 08102

Phone: (856)583-6170

rubi.lukasiewicz@camdendiocese.org andres.arango@camdendiocese.org



Is your parish Missionary focused?

At the 2024 Chrism Mass, Bishop Sullivan spoke about our commitment to a "Missionary" focus, and how "Missionary" should describe our approach to all pastoral ministry.

"A missionary brings women and men to Christ and to His church. A missionary respects people where they are. A missionary seeks to understand people from their side never imposing our side on them."

"The goal of a missionary is to attract others to Christ, to attract others to his church, never, never, never to turn them away or dismiss them."

Are we consistently and effectively inviting people to say Yes to Jesus?

At the 2024 Chrism Mass, Bishop Sullivan also spoke about "Invitation." He invited the Cabrini sisters to return to the streets on which their saintly foundress walked and ministered. They said yes!

- Can you think of a time when you invited someone to Mass, or to join a ministry, and they said yes?
- What led you to extend the invitation and what do you think led the person to say yes.?
- Can you think of a time when you invited someone, and they said no?
- What was your response? What could you have done differently?



Workshop Overview



Our Lord loves us and wants us to share in all the joy and peace that He offers. Our parish staff and ministry members have the opportunity to help lead others to the joy that comes from a Christ centered life. But are we consistently inviting others to know Christ? Are we consistently acting in a missionary spirit? Would you like to give your staff and ministry members the tools they need to exude a missionary spirit that encourage others to say Yes to Jesus?

This 90-minute workshop will help attendees to:

- Become more missionary focused.
- Learn practical ways to help lead others to say
 Yes to Jesus' call, and Yes to the needs of your parish community.
- Learn how to avoid the conversational pitfalls that cause others to say NO.

Other Evangelization Presentations Available upon Request:

- "To Know. To Love and To Serve"
- "The Joy of the Gospel Called and Sent To Be Intentional Disciples"
- "Creating a Parish Culture That Forms and Empowers Missionary Disciples"
- "Reaching Out To The Unaffiliated"
- "Becoming A Joyful Missionary Disciple"
- "Living as Missionary Disciples"
- "The Four Tenets of Missionary Discipleship"



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HELP SAVE LIVES WHERE WE LIVE!

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 over 1,000,000 volunteers!

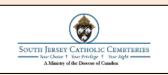
With God's help, here are the proven results over 27 coordinated campaigns:

- . 21,000 + babies saved from abortion
- 240 + abortion workers converted
- 115 + abortion facilities closed

Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life 365 in our community:

- · Vigil location: Public right-of-way outside Cherry Hill Women's Center, 502 N. Kings Highway, Cherry Hill, NJ
- Vigil hours: Tuesday-Friday: 7am-Noon
- Local contact: Claire Howson, 856-313-9861, claire@helpersni.org
- Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!

www.40daysforlife.com/cherryhill



Planning Guide for A Catholic Funeral

South Jersey Catholic Cemeteries now offers a new interactive, online guide called, A Planning Guide for A Catholic Funeral. This guide provides information about a Catholic funeral, and it allows you to provide details about your wishes for your funeral, including your vigil, funeral Mass and committal service. Secondly, it allows you to fill in the document providing pertinent information such as personal and family history, legal and financial information, social media and additional considerations that will be needed at the time of your passing. Your completed guide will help to alleviate stress for you and your family, and it will make your wishes known. This free guide is available at South Jersey Catholic Cemeteries' website where you can download it to your computer, and then fill in your information. We encourage you visit https://southjerseycatholiccemeteries.org/wp-content/ uploads/2024/09/SJCC-Planning-Guide-for-Catholic-Funeral-Interactive-Sept-2024.pdf and look over the guide. We are sure you will find it helpful! If you need additional information, our staff can be reached at 855-

MyPrePlan (855-697-7375).