

Felicem Nativitatem



Mater Ecclesiae Roman Catholic Church

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Diocese of Camden

Founded on October 13, 2000
Anno Domini Iubilaeum

Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite

Rector

Rev. Robert C. Pasley, KCHS

Health Ministry:

Rev. Glenn R. Hartman

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Sundays:

Saturday	5:00 PM	(Anticipated Mass)
Sunday	8:00 AM	Low Mass
	10:30 AM	High Mass –followed by Benediction

Weekdays:

8:00 AM	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday
7:30 PM	Wednesday Evening followed by St. Jude Novena

Fourth Sunday of Advent
22 December 2024

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	8:00 AM	December 22
	10:30 AM	
Monday	8:00 AM	December 23
Tuesday	8:00 AM	December 24
	11:00 PM	
Wednesday	8:00 AM	December 25
	10:30 AM	
Thursday	8:00 AM	December 26
Friday	8:00 AM	December 27
Saturday	8:00 AM	December 28
	5:00 PM	



The Nativity of Our Lord
O Come Let Us Adore Him!
December 25



Sunday December 22 I Class
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Readings: 1 Corinthians 4, 1-5 & Luke 3, 1-6
8:00 AM Low Mass
10:30 AM High Mass

*O King of the Gentiles, and the Desired of all,
You are the cornerstone that binds two into one.*
*....Come, and save poor man whom You
fashioned out of clay!*

Monday December 23 II Class
Feria of Advent
Readings: 1 Corinthians 4, 1-5 & Luke 3, 1-6

*O Emmanuel, our King and Lawgiver, the
Expected of nations and their Savior:*
....Come, and save us, O Lord our God!

Tuesday December 24 I Class
Vigil of The Nativity of Our Lord
Readings: Romans 1, 1-6 & Matthew 1, 18-21
8:00 AM Mass



**NATIVITY OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR
JESUS CHRIST**

Tuesday December 24 I Class
FIRST MASS OF CHRISTMAS AT MIDNIGHT
Confessions: 9:45 PM – 10:45 PM
Christmas Carols begin at 10:30 PM
Blessing of Manger & Christmas Proclamation
At 10:50 PM
First Mass of Christmas begins at 11:00 PM and ends after Midnight
Readings: Titus 2, 11-15 & Luke 2, 1-14

Wednesday December 25 I Class
SECOND MASS OF CHRISTMAS AT 8:00 AM
Readings: Titus 3, 4-7 & Luke 2, 15-20
THIRD MASS OF CHRISTMAS AT 10:30 AM
Readings: Hebrews 1, 1-12 & John 1, 1-14

Thursday December 26 II Class
Saint Stephen, The First Martyr
Comm. Octave of Christmas
Readings: Acts 6, 8-10; 7, 54-59 & Matthew 23,34-39

Friday December 27 II Class
Saint John, Apostle & Evangelist
Comm. Octave of Christmas
Readings: Ecclesiasticus 15, 1-6 & John 21, 19-24

Saturday December 28 II Class
Holy Innocents, Martyrs
Comm. Octave of Christmas
Readings: John 14, 1-5 & Matthew 2, 13-18





FOR THIS DAY IS born unto you a Savior, Who is Christ the Lord, in the city of David.



And this shall be a sign unto you: You shall find the Infant wrapped in swaddling clothes, and laid in a manger.

Luke 2, 11- 12



SACRED MUSIC OF CHRISTMAS

*Glory to God in the highest:
Jesus Our Savior is born!*



Christmas Midnight Mass

*The Sacred Music for the Choral Mass
Is donated by
Patrick & Michaela Rooney
For the Soul's of
Catherine Sorrentino
Mr. & Mrs. John & Barbara Rooney.*



AT THAT TIME THERE WENT OUT A decree from Caesar Augustus, that the whole world should be enrolled. This enrolling was first made by Cyrinus, the governor of Syria. And all went to be enrolled, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem: because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary his espoused wife, who was with child. And it came to pass, that when they were there, her days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him up in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger: because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds watching and keeping the night watches over their flock. And behold an Angel of the Lord stood by them, and the brightness of God shone round about them, and they feared with a great fear. And the Angel said to them: Fear not; for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, that shall be to all the people: for this day is born to you a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord, in the city of David. And this shall be a sign unto you: you shall find the Infant wrapped in swaddling clothes, and laid in a manger. And suddenly there was with the Angel a multitude of the heavenly army, praising God, and saying: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men of good will.



*A
Blessed
Christmas
to
All!*



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

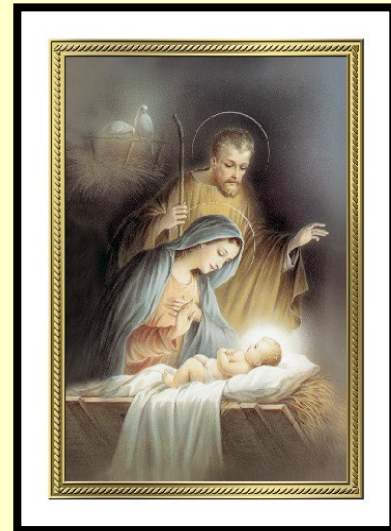


A Note of Appreciation:

Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped to decorate and prepare the chapel, narthex and hall for Christmas!



Christmas Spiritual Bouquet Mass Cards Are Available In The Narthex



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



Rectory Office Hours for the Christmas Holiday

The Rectory Office will close on Monday, December 23 through Wednesday, January 1. The office will reopen on Thursday, January 2. Please plan accordingly. Thank you.



Choral Masses

- ❖ Christmas Midnight Mass
 - Tuesday, December 24
 - 11:00 PM
- ❖ Epiphany
 - Monday, January 6, 2025
 - 7:30 PM
- ❖ Candlemas
 - Sunday, February 2, 2025
 - 10:30 AM



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



The Feast Of the Epiphany Of Our Lord Jesus Christ

January 6, 2025

Choral Mass at 7:30 PM



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.

Maybe "beef up their chores" 😊 so they can start a little Christmas fund to help save and surprise loved ones with special gifts under the tree.

All proceeds benefit Mater Ecclesiae.

CCD Calendar

2024-2025

GRADES K-4	GRADES 5-8	HIGH SCHOOL
September 8, 2024	September 15, 2024	September 15, 2024
October 6, 2024	October 20, 2024	October 20, 2024
November 10, 2024	November 17, 2024	November 24, 2024
December 8, 2024	December 15, 2024	December 15, 2024
January 12, 2025	January 19, 2025	January 19, 2025
February 9, 2025	February 16, 2025	February 16, 2025
March 2, 2025	March 16, 2025	March 16, 2025
April 6, 2025	April 13, 2025	April 13, 2025
May 4, 2025	May 18, 2025	May 18, 2025
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 4, 5, 6, 2024
All Saints Party	Sunday, November 3, 2024
St. Nicholas Party	Sunday, December 1, 2024
First Holy Communion	Saturday, May 3, 2025 at 10:30 AM
May Crowning	Sunday, May 4, 2025 at 10:30 AM
Confirmation 2025	TO BE SCHEDULED BY BISHOP

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.)

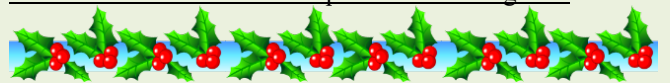


**Traditional Men's Silent Retreat
February 7th - 9th, 2025**

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.



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.



Parish Membership

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.

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

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/mater-ecclesiae/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

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!



BULLETIN DEADLINES:

<u>Bulletin Date</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
Due to Holiday, Deadlines for 2025 to be announced.	

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!




**NEW SCHEDULE FOR
BLESSING OF RELIGIOUS OBJECTS**

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**





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
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, virgofidelispraesidium@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.

DISCALCED CARMELITE 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.

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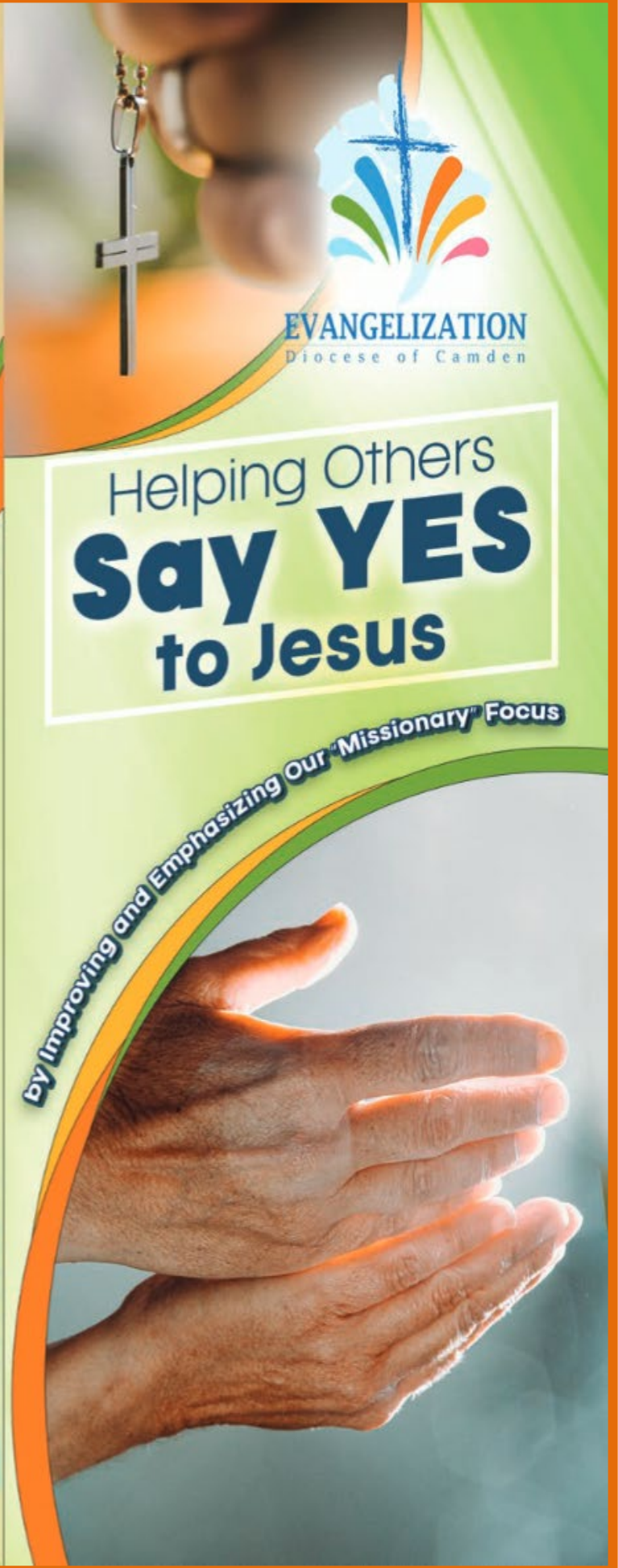
First Friday Schedule

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.





EVANGELIZATION
Diocese of Camden

Helping Others
Say YES
to Jesus

by Improving and Emphasizing Our "Missionary" Focus



EVANGELIZATION
Diocese of Camden

**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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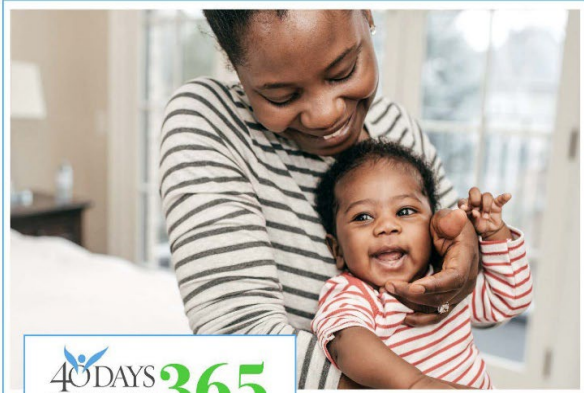
PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND -- *THE LAND OF SAINTS*

In the Footsteps of St. John Paul II,
St. Faustina & St. Maximilian Kolbe
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Join Father Robert Hughes for a nine-day tour of Poland and see the sites that tell the stories of St. John Paul II, St. Faustina, St. Maximilian Kolbe and more. Visit the cities of Warsaw, Niepokalanow (Franciscan Monastery of St. Maximilian), Swinice Warckie (St. Faustina), Czestochowa, Wadowice (Birthplace of John Paul II), Krakow (Poland's Royal Capital), Zakopane (John Paul's mountain retreat), Auschwitz, Lagiewniki (Shrine of Divine Mercy) and Wieliczka (UNESCO Site – Europe's oldest salt mine).

The cost of this round-trip pilgrimage departing from Philadelphia is \$5,178 per person, double occupancy (\$999 supplement for a limited number of single rooms). Early bird discount of \$200 for registration deposits made before January 1, 2025.

For more information contact Fr. Hughes at Robert.Hughes@camdendiocese.org



40 DAYS FOR LIFE 365

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!

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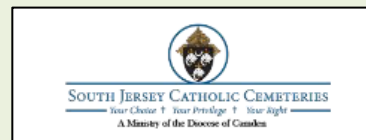
With God's help, here are the proven results over 27 coordinated campaigns:

- 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@helpersnj.org
- **Learn more ...** get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!

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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 to 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).