

**SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY**  
**23 FEBRUARY 2025**

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>February 23</b>
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>February 24</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>February 25</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>7:30 PM</b>	<b>February 26</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>February 27</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>February 28</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>March 1</b>
	<b>5:00 PM</b>	

**LITURGICAL READINGS**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>February 23</b>	<b>II Class</b>
	<b>SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY</b>	
	<i>Readings: 2 Corinthians 11, 19-23; 12, 1-9 &amp; Luke 8, 4-15</i>	
	<b>5:00 PM Saturday Anticipated Mass</b>	
	Confessions 4:40 PM to 4:55 PM	
	<b>8:00 AM Low Mass</b>	
	<b>10:30 AM High Mass followed by Benediction</b>	
	Confessions 7:20 AM to 7:50 AM & 9:30 to 10:30 AM	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>February 24</b>	<b>II Class</b>
	<b>Saint Matthias, Apostle</b>	
	<i>Readings: Acts 1, 15-26 &amp; Matthew 11, 25-30</i>	
	<b>8:00 AM Mass</b>	
	Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>February 25</b>	<b>IV Class</b>
	Feria	
	<i>Readings: 2 Corinthians 11, 19-23; 12, 1-9 &amp; Luke 8, 4-15</i>	
	<b>8:00 AM Mass</b>	
	Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>February 26</b>	<b>IV Class</b>
	Feria	
	<i>Readings: 2 Corinthians 11, 19-23; 12, 1-9 &amp; Luke 8, 4-15</i>	
	<b>7:30 PM Mass</b>	
	Confessions 6:50 PM to 7:20 PM	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>February 27</b>	<b>III Class</b>
	St. Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows, Confessor	
	<i>Readings: 1 John 2, 14-17 &amp; Mark 10, 13-21</i>	
	<b>8:00 AM Mass</b>	
	Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>February 28</b>	<b>IV Class</b>
	Feria	
	<i>Readings: 2 Corinthians 11, 19-23; 12, 1-9 &amp; Luke 8, 4-15</i>	
	<b>8:00 AM Mass</b>	
	Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM	

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>March 1</b>	<b>FIRST SATURDAY</b>	<b>III Class</b>
		<b>Immaculate Heart of Mary</b>	
		<i>Readings: Ecclesiasticus 24, 23-31 &amp; John 19, 25-27</i>	
		<b>8:00 AM Mass</b>	
		Confessions 7:40 AM to 7:55 AM	



*The Seed is the Word of God*

*And they by the way side are they that hear: then the devil cometh and taketh the word out of their heart, lest believing they should be saved. Now they upon the rock are they who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no roots: for they believe for a while, and in time of temptation they fall away. And that which fell among thorns are they who have heard and, going their way, are choked with the cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and yield no fruit.*

*A Reminder -  
CCD Classes for  
Grades K-4 will meet  
on Sunday, March 2  
due to the St. Patrick Social  
on March 8.*

THE SEASON OF SEPTUAGESIMA,  
FEBRUARY 16  
THROUGH  
MARCH 2,  
IS A TIME OF PREPARATION  
FOR THE SEASON OF LENT



### SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY

WE BEGAN PREPARATION FOR  
LENT WITH THE BEGINNING OF THE  
SEASON OF SEPTUAGESIMA ON FEBRUARY 16.

THE SEASON OF SEPTUAGESIMA INCLUDES  
THREE SUNDAYS:

SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 16

SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 23

QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY – MARCH 2

ASH WEDNESDAY FOLLOWS QUINQUAGESIMA  
SUNDAY AND FALLS ON MARCH 5.

THE LITURGICAL PERIOD OF  
SEPTUAGESIMA IS A PRELUDE  
TO LENT AND A REMOTE  
PREPARATION FOR EASTER.

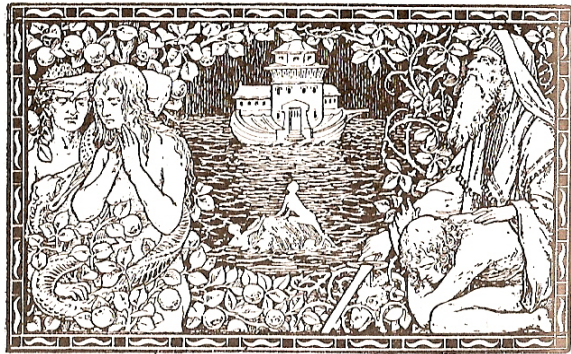
THE JOY OF CHRISTMASTIDE AND  
SEASON OF THE EPIPHANY  
TRANSITIONS TO THE TIME OF  
SEPTUAGESIMA, AND WE PREPARE FOR  
THE PENANCE AND FASTING OF LENT.

### COMMENTARY ON THE MASS ON SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY STATION AT ST. PAUL-W ITHOUT-THE-WALLS

The Church teaches us “to celebrate the Paschal Sacrament” by “the scriptures of both Testaments”. Through the whole of this week the divine office is full of the thought of Noe. God seeing that man’s wickedness was great upon the earth said: “I will destroy man whom I have created”; and He told Noe: “I will establish my covenant with thee and thou shalt enter into the ark.”. For forty days and forty nights rain fell on the earth, while the ark floated on the waters which rose above the mountain tops and covered them; and in this whirlpool all men were carried away “like stubble” (Gradual); only Noe and his companions in the ark remaining alive. Then God remembered them and at length the rain ceased. After some time, Noe opened the window of the ark and set free a dove, which returned with a fresh olive leaf and Noe understood that the waters no longer covered the earth. And God told him, “Go out of the ark... go ye upon the earth, increase and multiply...” And the rainbow appeared as a sign of reconciliation between God and men. That his story is related to the Paschal mystery is shown by the fact that the Church reads it on Holy Saturday; and this is how she herself applies it, in the Liturgy, to our Lord and His Church. “The just wrath of the Creator drowned the guilty world in the vengeful waters of the flood, only Noe being saved in the ark. But then the admirable power of love laved the world in blood.” It was the wood of the ark which saved the human race and it is that of the Cross which in its turn, saves the world. “Thou alone,” says the Church, speaking of the Cross, “hast been found worthy to be, for this shipwrecked world, the ark which brings safely into port.” The open door in the side of the ark by which those enter who are to escape from the flood, and who represent the Church, are, as the liturgy explains, a type of the mystery of redemption; for from our Lord’s wounded side flowed blood and water, symbols of the Eucharist and baptism. “O God, who by water didst wash away the crimes of the guilty world, and by the overflowing of the deluge didst give a figure of regeneration, that one and the same element might in a mystery be the end of vice and the origin of virtue: look, O Lord, on the face of Thy Church and multiply in her Thy regenerations, opening the founts of baptism all over the world to make new the Gentiles.” “In the days of Noe,” says St. Peter, “eight souls were saved by water, whereunto baptism being of the like form, now saveth you also.”

*Commentary From  
St. Andrew Daily Missal, 1952 ed.*

# THE SEASON OF SEPTUAGESIMA



**The Fall**  
(Septuagesima)

**The Flood**  
(Sexagesima)

**Abraham's Sacrifice**  
(Quinquagesima)

SUNDAYS	BREVIARY LESSONS	MOTIVE OF MASS
Septuagesima *****	History of Adam *****	Christ the New Adam *****
Sexagesima *****	History of Noah *****	Christ the True Noah *****
Quinquagesima *****	History of Abraham *****	Christ the True Abraham *****
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



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

## ASH WEDNESDAY

March 5

Our schedule is as follows:

**6:30 AM**

Ashes distributed (No Mass)

**8:00 AM**

Blessing and distribution of Ashes and Low Mass

**7:30 PM**

Blessing and distribution of Ashes  
and Choral High Mass



Operation Rice  
Bowl Takes Place  
During Lent

Knights of Columbus at Mater Ecclesiae

**ANNUAL**  
**ST. PATRICK'S**  
**PARTY**



Adults 21+ \$40  
Children (12-20) \$25  
NO TICKETS WILL BE  
SOLD AT THE DOOR!

**SATURDAY, MARCH 8TH**  
**Traditional Irish Buffet**  
**Open Bar (21+)**  
**Basket Auction, 50/50**  
**DJ and String Band**

6:30-10:30pm Doors open at 6pm

Questions & Tickets : (609)975-2321 or [angel.kisses@comcast.net](mailto:angel.kisses@comcast.net)

# Saint Patrick Social Fundraiser

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

March 8<sup>th</sup> is around the corner and we need Volunteers to help with the St. Patrick Social. Can you help us to make this important fundraiser a success? We have a **Volunteer Sign-up Sheet in the Narthex**, so please sign-up to help us have a successful event!

## **DESSERTS FOR ST. PATTY'S**

**DONATIONS OF DESSERTS NEEDED:** We ask parishioners to **sign-up** to bring homemade or bakery-purchased desserts to serve at the event, such as cookies, cupcakes, brownies, pastries, chocolate-covered pretzels, whole plain strawberries, strawberries dipped in chocolate, etc. We know we have many talented bakers at Mater Ecclesiae, so we look forward to your delicious donations. **Dessert Sign-up Sheets are in the Narthex.**



Anyone Interested in Donating a Basket or a Brand New Item to place in a basket (bottles of wine, gift certificates to restaurants, gift cards, store cards such as Wal-Mart, Target, Shoprite, Kohl's, etc.) for the Basket Auction at the St. Patrick Social, Please Email Kathie at [angel.kisses@comcast.net](mailto:angel.kisses@comcast.net)

The Basket Auction is an all-time favorite part of the St. Patrick Social each year as well as being a **major fundraiser** for our parish.

Your support and generosity are greatly appreciated.

***Mater Ecclesiae  
Young Adult  
Group***

***For Ages 18 - 35***

**Questions? Need more info? Contact:**

Patrick Thorpe, President - [patrnoble97@gmail.com](mailto:patrnoble97@gmail.com)

Tim Sullivan, Vice President - [tsullivan365@gmail.com](mailto:tsullivan365@gmail.com)

Christine Sparks, Coordinator - [christinesparkso1@gmail.com](mailto:christinesparkso1@gmail.com)

**Upcoming events include movie nights, bonfire, dances with modern & ballroom dancing, game nights, Priest Q&A, visiting shrines, hiking trips, bring a friend to Latin Mass Day, and many more.**

## CHORAL MASS SCHEDULE



Ash Wednesday, March 5, 7:30 PM

Saint Joseph, Wednesday, March 19, 7:30 PM

Palm Sunday, April 13, 10:30 AM

Holy Thursday, April 17, 7:30 PM

Good Friday, April 18, 3:00 PM

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 19, 6:00 PM

Easter Sunday, April 20, 10:30 AM

Ascension, Thursday, May 29, 7:30 PM

Vigil of Pentecost, Saturday, June 7, 5:00 PM

Pentecost, Sunday, June 8, 10:30 AM

External Solemnity of Corpus Christi  
Sunday, June 22, 10:30 AM

External Solemnity of The Sacred Heart of Jesus  
Sunday, June 29, 10:30 AM



## **Inclement Weather Advisory**



The winter weather during the months of February and March can be unpredictable, so if we have snow, ice or severe weather, please check the Mater Ecclesiae Facebook page for **event** cancellations. Remember, safety first! Our Facebook page is the primary method of emergency notification.

However, please remember that our rectory residence is attached to the church, so **Mass will never be cancelled**. Please do not call the rectory to ask if Mass will be celebrated during bad weather. The answer is yes. **BUT** we do not want anyone to travel during bad weather. Very often, the governor of New Jersey will issue a State of Emergency order during winter storms that restricts travel to emergency vehicles only. Everyone else is supposed to stay off the roads.

If you do not watch the local news on television, then turn on your radio to KYW News Radio, 1060 AM or 103.9 FM to get the weather forecast for the greater Philadelphia area.

**IF THE WEATHER IS BAD, AND THE ROADS ARE  
DANGEROUS, STAY HOME!  
WATCH THE LIVESTREAM OF MASSES ONLINE**

## **Safety Reminder!**

***SLOW DOWN  
WHEN DRIVING  
IN THE PARKING LOT!***

## **Upcoming Choral Masses**

The following Choral Masses are not yet sponsored. To sponsor a Mass, please contact the Rectory Office: 856-753-3408 or email [secretary@materecclesiae.org](mailto:secretary@materecclesiae.org).

### **Ash Wednesday**

March 5, 7:30 PM  
\$500.

### **Palm Sunday**

April 13, 10:30 AM  
\$500.

### **Good Friday**

April 18, 3:00 PM  
\$400.



SOUTH JERSEY  
CATHOLIC  
MINISTRIES  
APPEAL

## 2025 APPEAL: “OUR JOURNEY UNITED IN HOPE”

*This year's theme: “Our Journey United in Hope,” reflects the theme of the Jubilee Year, “Pilgrims of Hope.”*  
It calls us to walk together bringing hope to others.

Through the Catholic Ministries Appeal, we support those in need throughout the six counties of the Diocese of Camden.

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### **YOUR GIFT TO THE CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL PROVIDES:**

#### **SOCIAL, COMMUNITY AND HEALTH CARE SERVICES**

Your generosity provides social services through Catholic Charities offices in the six counties of South Jersey. VITALity's Hospital Chaplaincy is able to provide spiritual and emotional support to patients, their families and staff through your donations. Together, we offer support to the weak, vulnerable, and disenfranchised.

#### **EVANGELIZATION AND FAITH FORMATION**

Lay leadership training, intercultural ministries, ministry with the deaf and persons with disabilities, marriage enrichment, adult faith formation, liturgical catechesis and other evangelization efforts, including ManUp, which, along with your gifts, kindle the fire of faith into a bright beacon for all to see.

#### **YOUTH, YOUNG ADULT AND CAMPUS MINISTRIES**

Your donation enables programs like Summer in the City, Catholic Scouting, Theology on Tap, college campus ministries and Newman Centers, and support for a growing number of parish-based Youth Ministry programs and many more activities to build community and prepare our youth and young adults for the mission that God has chosen for them.

#### **VOCATIONS, SEMINARIAN & PERMANENT DIACONATE FORMATION, CARE OF PRIESTS**

Your support ensures that pastors and clergy continue to bring the light of Jesus into the world. Through prayers and support, elderly priests who have dedicated their lives to service are receiving care.

#### **CATHOLIC EDUCATION – “FORMING MINDS AND HEARTS IN GRACE”**

Catholic schools are an integral part of the teaching mission of the Church. Catholic schools build faith, develop leadership ability and provide academic excellence in a safe environment. Your gift will help keep tuition affordable for families to send children to schools that will support Catholic values, develop character and provide academic excellence.

#### **INCENTIVES FOR PARISH INITIATIVES**

When our parish collects its goal amount, up to 10% is returned to our parish for our local charitable needs. Additionally, for this Jubilee Year, 100% of all funds received above our parish goal will also be returned to our parish to foster our charitable and ministerial work.

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**We invite all parishioners to participate in this important effort.  
During Catholic Ministries Appeal Weekend, please make your sacrificial gift to help  
continue the mission of the Church here in the Diocese of Camden!**



# 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 26, 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	Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at 5 PM

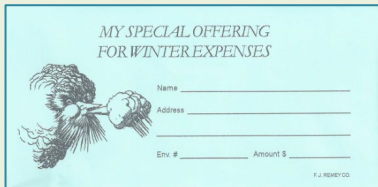
**HELP TO DEFRAY THE INCREASED WINTER EXPENSES AT MATER ECCLESIAE**

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.)



**To Schedule a Baptism**

Parishioners who wish to schedule a Baptism should contact the Rectory Office by email, [secretary@materecclesiae.org](mailto: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.



**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.



**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](mailto: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!**

**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

## 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.*

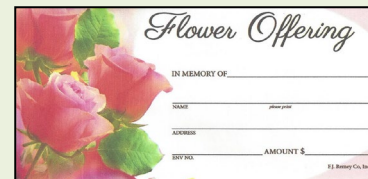
## NO CELL PHONES ALLOWED IN CHURCH



**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!*

## **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](mailto: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](http://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](http://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](mailto: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](http://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>
March 16	February 24

Announcements must be submitted in writing or through Email to: [secretary@materecclesiae.org](mailto: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. Bbloomf.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](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](mailto: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	<b>*November 24*</b>
December 8	December 15	December 15
2025		
January 12	January 19	<b>*January 26*</b>
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 1<sup>st</sup> 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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:nanhil@verizon.com)
- Monica Lenthe OCD, Professed:  
856-383-0326 or [Monica430@comcast.net](mailto: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](mailto: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

5:00 PM

##### Sunday

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

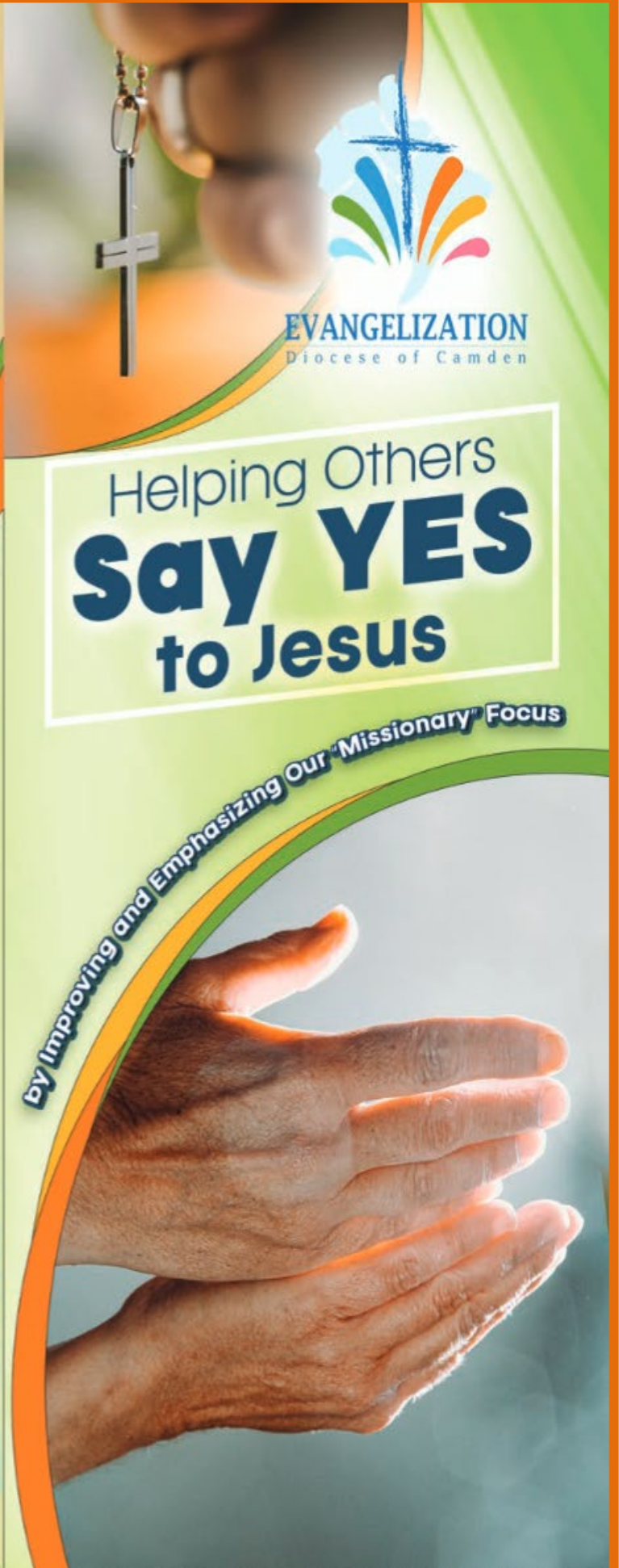
#### First Friday Schedule

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.**





Helping Others  
**Say YES**  
to Jesus

*by Improving and Emphasizing Our "Missionary" Focus*



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## 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:**

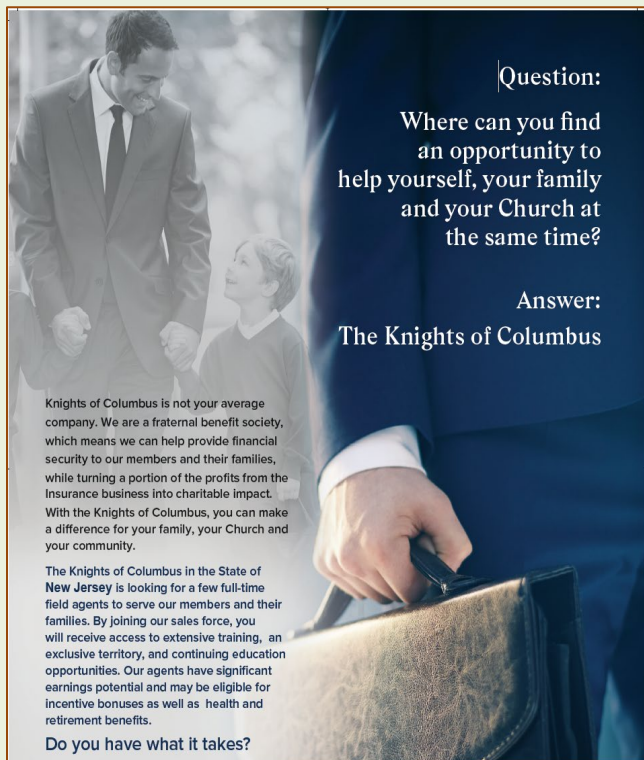
- Become more missionary focused.
- Learn practical ways to help lead others to say Yes to Jesus' call, and Yes to the needs of your parish community.
- Learn how to avoid the conversational pitfalls that cause others to say NO.

## 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  
September 29 –October 7, 2025

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



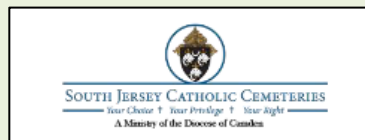
### South Jersey Catholic Cemeteries Garden Permit Program

*Spring is Just Around  
the Corner*

Spring is quickly approaching! It's that time of year when we begin to plan our gardens. Our Garden Permit 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. 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.

Submit an application for either of these options. Please contact your cemetery by March 15<sup>th</sup>. 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*



### 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).