

# First Passion Sunday

6 April 2025

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	8:00 AM	April 6
	10:30 AM	
Monday	8:00 AM	April 7
Tuesday	8:00 AM	April 8
Wednesday	7:30 PM	April 9
Thursday	8:00 AM	April 10
Friday	8:00 AM	April 11
Saturday	8:00 AM	April 12
	5:00 PM	



## Commemoration Of Our Lady of Sorrows

March 22

## The Seven Sorrows Of the Blessed Virgin Mary



The Prophecy of Simeon  
The Flight into Egypt  
The Child Jesus Lost in the Temple  
Mary meets Jesus carrying the Cross  
Mary at the foot of the Cross  
Mary receives the Body of Jesus  
Mary witnesses the burial of Jesus



## LITURGICAL READINGS

Sunday	April 6	I Class
	<b>FIRST PASSION SUNDAY</b>	
	<i>Readings: Hebrews 9, 11-15 &amp; John 8, 46-59</i>	
	5:00 PM Saturday Anticipated Mass	
	8:00 AM Low Mass	
	10:30 AM High Mass	
	Confessions 7:00 AM to 7:55 AM & 9:30 to 10:30 AM	
Monday	April 7	III Class
	<b>Monday in Passion Week</b>	
	<i>Readings: Jonas 3, 1-10 &amp; John 7, 32-39</i>	
	8:00 AM Mass	
	Confessions 7:45 AM to 7:55 AM	
Tuesday	April 8	III Class
	<b>Tuesday in Passion Week</b>	
	<i>Readings: Daniel 14, 17; 28-42 &amp; John 7, 1-13</i>	
	8:00 AM Mass	
	Confessions 7:45 AM to 7:55 AM	
Wednesday	April 9	III Class
	<b>Wednesday in Passion Week</b>	
	<i>Readings: Leviticus 19, 1, 2; 11-19, 25 &amp; John 10, 22-38</i>	
	7:30 PM Mass	
	Confessions 6:30 PM to 7:25 PM	
Thursday	April 10	III Class
	<b>Thursday in Passion Week</b>	
	<i>Readings: Daniel 3, 34-45 &amp; Luke 7, 36-50</i>	
	8:00 AM Mass	
	Confessions 7:45 AM to 7:55 AM	
Friday	April 11	III Class
	<b>Friday in Passion Week</b>	
	Comm. Our Lady of Sorrows	
	Comm. Saint Leo I, Pontiff, Confessor, Doctor	
	<i>Readings: Jeremiah 17, 13-18 &amp; John 11, 47-54</i>	
	8:00 AM Mass	
	Confessions 7:45 AM to 7:55 AM	
	7:00 PM Stations of the Cross and Benediction	
Saturday	April 12	III Class
	<b>Saturday in Passion Week</b>	
	<i>Readings: Jeremiah 18, 18-23 &amp; John 12, 10-36</i>	
	8:00 AM Mass	
	Confessions 7:45 AM to 7:55 AM	



*He that is Of God  
heareth the  
words of God*



# First Passion Sunday



*As the Statues are draped  
in Purple as a sign  
of sorrow and mourning,  
Let us meditate  
upon the sufferings  
and death  
of our  
Blessed Lord!*

At that time Jesus said to the multitudes  
of the Jews: Which of you shall convince Me of sin?  
If I say the truth to you, why do you not believe Me?  
He that is of God heareth the words of God. Therefore  
you hear them not, because you are not of God.

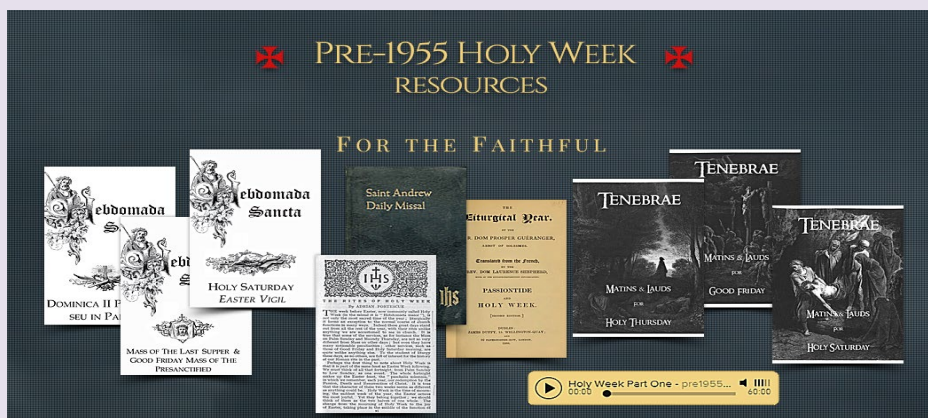
The Jews therefore answered, and said to Him: Do not  
we say well, that Thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil?  
Jesus answered: I have not a devil: but I honour My Father, and  
you have dishonoured Me. But I seek not My own glory: there  
is One that seeketh and judgeth. Amen, amen, I say to you: If  
any man keep My word, he shall not see death for ever. The  
Jews therefore said: Now we know that Thou hast a devil.  
Abraham is dead, and the prophets: and Thou sayest: If any man  
keep My word, he shall not taste death for ever. Art Thou  
greater than our father Abraham, who is dead? And the prophets  
are dead, whom dost Thou make Thyself?



*They took up stones therefore to cast Him; but Jesus hid Himself and  
went out of the Temple.*

Jesus answered: If I glorify Myself, My glory is nothing: it is  
My Father that glorifieth Me, of whom you say that He is your  
God, and you have not known Him: but I know Him: And if I  
shall say that I know Him not, I shall be like to you, a liar. But I  
do know Him, and do keep His word. Abraham your father  
rejoiced that he might see My day: he saw it and was glad.  
The Jews therefore said to Him : Thou art not yet fifty  
years old: and hast Thou seen Abraham? Jesus said to  
them: Amen, amen, I say to you, before Abraham  
was made, I am. They took up stones therefore to  
cast at Him: but Jesus hid Himself,  
and went out of the temple.

**DOWNLOAD AND PRINT YOUR HOLY WEEK BOOKLETS**  
**WWW.PRE1955HOLYWEEK.COM**







## SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Our Parish Goal for 2025 is  
**\$73,100**

Our Pledges and Donations so far:

**\$27,271**

We are at 37% of our goal.

If you have already made a donation,  
thank you.

If you have not yet donated, please  
prayerfully consider making your  
pledge and returning your pledge card  
to Mater Ecclesiae.

We can make our goal with your help.  
Thank you for your generosity  
and support.



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



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

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

Please be generous.

### A Note from Father Pasley:

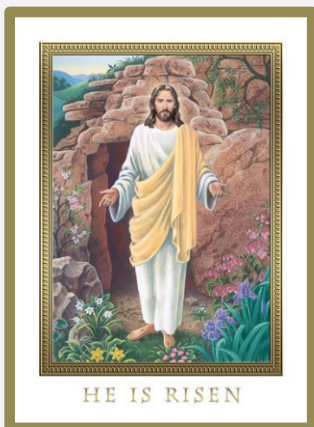
If you would like to follow the daily readings in Matins during Lent, or even begin to pray parts of the Divine Office, these two sites are perfect.

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

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

Turn off, Dominus vobiscum. Why?

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



### *Easter Spiritual Bouquet Mass Cards*

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



### **PLEASE remember**

to return your Easter Flower Donation Envelope before Palm Sunday.

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

### Easter Flower Offering

IN MEMORY OF \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ please print

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

ENV. NO. \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## **HOLY WEEK 2025**

### **Palm Sunday**

Saturday, April 12

5:00 PM Anticipated Mass

Sunday, April 13

8:00 AM Low Mass

10:30 AM Solemn Procession

and High Mass (No Benediction)

**(Confessions 45 minutes before each Mass)**

Monday, April 14– 8:00 AM Mass

Tuesday, April 15 – 8:00 AM Mass

**(Confessions 30 minutes before each Mass)**

Spy Wednesday, April 16 – 7:30 PM Mass

**(Confessions 6:30 PM – 7:25 PM)**

### **Holy Thursday**

April 17

**6:30 PM to 7:25 PM – Confessions**

7:30 PM - Mass of the Lord's Supper

and Procession to the Repository

Adoration at the Repository until 11:00 PM

### **Good Friday**

April 18

**2:00 PM to 2:55 PM – Confessions**

3:00 PM – Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday

7:00 PM – Stations of the Cross and

Blessing with the Relic of the True Cross

### **Holy Saturday**

April 19

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

**5:00 PM to 5:55 PM – Confessions**

6:00 PM – The Easter Vigil

### **EASTER SUNDAY**

April 20

8:00 AM Low Mass

10:30 AM – High Mass & Benediction

**(Confessions 45 minutes before each Mass)**

## **1962 Discipline For Lenten Fasting**

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

### **Modern Discipline – Code of Canon Law 1983**

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

## **Lenten Corporal or External Practices**

- Take less of what you like and more of what you dislike at meals today.
- Take nothing to drink between meals.
- Do not use seasoning on your food today.
- Do not use any sweeteners with your food or drinks today.
- Avoid listening to the radio or iPod at all today.
- Take nothing to eat between meals today.
- Avoid any TV or videos; instead read the Passion of Christ in your Bible
- Take only one helping of each item at meals today.

### **Spiritual or Internal Fast Practices**

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

### **Spiritual Practices: Virtues & Good Works**

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



SAVE THE DATE!

# *Jubileum Argentum*

THE ANNIVERSARY GALA CELEBRATION  
of

*The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Solemn High Mass of Thanksgiving for*  
OUR LADY'S GLORIOUS ASSUMPTION INTO HEAVEN

*15 August 2025*

at half past seven o'clock in the evening

*The Logan Philadelphia Hotel*

ONE LOGAN SQUARE

*Ticket sales and information coming soon!|*

*Mater Ecclesiae  
Young Adult  
Group*

*For Ages 18 - 35*

Questions? Need more info? Contact:

Patrick Thorpe, President - patrnoble97@gmail.com

Tim Sullivan, Vice President - tsullivan365@gmail.com

Christine Sparks, Coordinator - 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.

## **WINTER EXPENSES**

**TOTAL DONATIONS:**  
**\$5,267.**

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO  
DONATED TO HELP WITH THE WINTER  
EXPENSES THIS YEAR.

OUR EXPENSES SO FAR THIS WINTER:

SOUTH JERSEY GAS:	\$11,767.70
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC:	\$5,272.51
SNOW REMOVAL & SALTING:	\$3,775.00

**TOTAL WINTER EXPENSES:**

**\$20,815.21**

## CHORAL MASS SCHEDULE



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



## **40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

Looking for something powerful to do for Lent this year? Prayerful presence outside an abortion clinic has been proven to impact “no show” rates for abortion appointments up to 75%. The Cherry Hill Women’s Center’s website says this: “CHWC is proudly the only Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) in New Jersey that offers abortion care up to 28 weeks of pregnancy.”

### **6000 abortions are done there annually.**

As Christians, we must stand up to this evil! The Jubilee Year 2025 theme is Pilgrims of Hope. Let us bring hope to mothers who may be facing desperate situations.

Join us for the Spring 40 Days for Life Campaign from March 5<sup>th</sup> until April 13th. Go to [www.40daysforlife.com/cherryhill](http://www.40daysforlife.com/cherryhill) to sign up to pray peacefully that mothers will choose life for their precious babies. Ask your spouse or a friend to sign up with you! Our goal is to have 2 people praying peacefully Tuesday-Saturday, 7am – 7pm.

If you have questions or concerns, need a prayer partner or want to sign up by phone call/ text Claire at 856-313-9861.

## **Safety Reminder!**

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

## **Inclement Weather Advisory**

The weather during Spring can be unpredictable, so if we have storms 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. 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**



# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE<sup>®</sup>

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March 5 - April 13

## **HELP SAVE LIVES IN OUR COMMUNITY!**

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

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

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

- Over **25,000** saved babies
- More than **150** closed facilities
- More than **250** converted workers
- God's love and mercy shared with many all over the world!

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

**Vigil location:** Outside Cherry Hill Women's Center, 502 N. Kings Hwy, Cherry Hill where 6,000 abortions are done annually up through 28 weeks of pregnancy

**Vigil hours:** 7am-7pm, Tues-Sat

**Local contact:** Claire Howson,  
[claire@helpersnj.org](mailto:claire@helpersnj.org) 856-313-9861

**Learn more ...** do not sit on the sidelines, but get involved; register and sign our Statement of Peace. Be that sign of hope a mother may need to choose life!

**[www.40daysforlife.com/cherryhill](http://www.40daysforlife.com/cherryhill)**



# 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

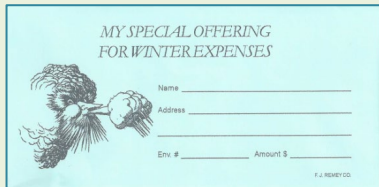
## **HELP TO DEFRAY THE INCREASED WINTER EXPENSES AT MATER ECCLESIAE**

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.*

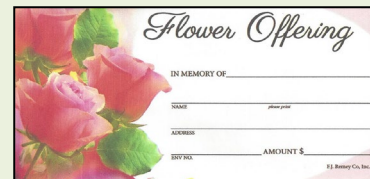
## NO CELL PHONES ALLOWED IN CHURCH



### **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.



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*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:

#### Bulletin Date

#### Deadline

April 27

April 7

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.

**April 7 at 7 PM**

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 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



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).

Meetings are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 8 PM in the Knights Room. The Scriptural

### 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.*





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Diocese of Camden

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

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**EVANGELIZATION**  
Diocese of Camden

Helping Others  
**Say YES**  
to Jesus

by Improving and Emphasizing Our "Missionary" Focus





## 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



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

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

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

Upcoming Weekends

November 14, 15, 16, 2025

Registration for Engaged Encounter

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

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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).