



January 22, 2023 | 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE PARISH OF SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CLAYTON & FRANKLINVILLE

REV. LAWRENCE E. POLANSKY, PASTOR

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

*"To bear witness to **God the Father**,
to follow the teachings of **Jesus Christ**,
and to be guided by the **Holy Spirit**."*

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: 9a at Saint Catherine
Tuesday: 9a at Nativity
Wednesday: 9a at Nativity
Thursday: 9a at Saint Catherine
First Fridays: 9a at Saint Catherine
First Saturdays: 9a at Saint Catherine

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4p at Nativity
Sunday: 8a at Saint Catherine
10a at Nativity

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: 7p at Saint Catherine
Holy Day: 9a & 7p at Nativity
*(Please confirm with
Mass Intention Schedule.)*

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00-3:30p at Nativity
(or by appointment)

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday: 10:00a-2:00p; Thursday: 10:00a-12:00 noon
(You may also call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment any time outside of these hours.)

FOR SACRAMENT PREPARATION OR FOR LETTERS OF ELIGIBILITY: Please contact the Parish Office.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! Please take a look at our website or call to register

**Please visit our website at <https://www.psmaj-nj.com>
or on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/PSMAinDoC>**



SATURDAY, JANUARY 21ST – AGNES

4:00p The People of the Parish

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22ND – 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a John Redkoles by Mary Visalli

10:00a Denny Palandro, Jr. by The Fallon Family

MONDAY, JANUARY 23RD

DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

9:00a The Unborn

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24TH – FRANCIS DE SALES

9:00a Mary McNamara by Michael & Terri Burns

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25TH – CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL

9:00a Edward C. Bauman by Nancy Wright

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26TH – TIMOTHY & TITUS

~ No Parish Intention – No Public Mass ~

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27TH – ANGELA MERICI

~ No Parish Mass ~

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28TH – THOMAS AQUINAS

4:00p Dorothy Idler

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29TH – 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a The People of the Parish

10:00a Thomas Marlow by The Wielgus Family



9 DAYS FOR LIFE JANUARY 19 - 27 PRAY TO PROTECT HUMAN LIFE! 9DAYSFORLIFE.COM



Sanctuary Candle

If you've been thinking about having the Sanctuary Candles burn in the memory of your loved one, envelopes are available in the Gathering Spaces of both the Nativity and Saint Catherine of Siena for your intentions and offering of \$15. Please contact the Parish Office with any questions at 856-881-9155.

STEWARDS FOLLOW

"He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed Him." ~ Matthew 4:22 ~

Just as Jesus called the first apostles, He calls each of His Stewards to follow Him, too. Not everyone is called to leave their business or family behind, but we are expected to put God first in everything. In gratitude to God, we should give our first and best of everything to Him: our time in daily prayer, our talent in participating in one of our parish ministries and our treasure to support the financial needs of our parish mission.



Harriet Bajewicz, George Bromwell, Brian Checkley, Nicholas & Rob Christian, Henry Cottelli, Jim Cesanek, Janice Donahower, Judy Dutton, Anne Ellena, Mimi Hall, Don & Matt Healy, Lorraine Kreiner, Pat Luko, Rosemary McBride, Eileen Mulholland, Dot Myers, Bob & Barbara Stroh, Kathryn Tanner, and Karen J. Viola

If you have a family member who you would like added to the Prayer List, please ask their permission (due to the HIPAA Privacy Act) and contact the Rectory by calling 856-881-9155 or e-mailing PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com. Thank you!

OUR MILITARY HERO PRAYER LIST

If you have a family member serving in one of the branches of the military, please send their name, rank, and branch of service to the Parish Office (PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com or 856-881-9155).

Please keep our brave service people in your prayers, Especially those suffering from the effects of war.

US Army

CPL Austin Arledge, Specialist Bryan Jenkins, 1st SGT Shane W. McLaughlin, MAJ Eric Miller, CPT Graham Miller, & PFC Vincenzo Taormina

US Navy

AWR Daniel Carr, AG1 Jamie Engleman, EM2 William Little, & Kurt Reinhold, US Navy

US Air Force

AB Jacob R Custis

US Marine Corps

WO3 Brad Davis, SGT Nate McAllister, & CPT James V. Tumolo

LT JG Dominic J. Tumolo, US Navy; US Army Medic


 Message of the Week

Dear Parishioners,

We all like feeling secure, don't we? We like to be without anxiety, with no care in the world. Security gives us a sense of certainty, safety, well-being, serenity, and peace. This weekend's Gospel suggests that perhaps Peter, Andrew, James, and John all had that sense. They had jobs (fishermen). They had each other as brothers for help, guidance, and support. They even had the things they needed to secure a livelihood (nets and boats). Even with the limited details of this Gospel, we might conclude that these four men were content with their lives. Then a stranger walks up to them and invites them to leave everything and to follow Him "at once" and "immediately." **And they do!** *Why in the world would they do that? Why leave the security of a good life they know for an unknown ministry to people, invited to follow an unknown, lone man?* At the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, the mystery of what He is about is revealed ... something new is happening. Jesus has a command about Him, a persona, an immense Presence that brings forth response.

John's ministry is finished. With his arrest, the tradition of Old Testament prophets dies. Enter Jesus, inaugurating a new reality. Jesus calls Peter and Andrew, James and John to leave their lives as they knew them and become disciples who now proclaim the "Gospel of the Kingdom." Humanity moves now from darkness into "a great light." New teaching happens now. New healing comes now. New Life is given now.

To recognize this "Kingdom of Heaven" in our midst invites us to enter ever more fully into God's reign by following Jesus. The Good News is that the Light begins shining here – among the Gentiles, in the darkness. The call of disciples is to be here – in the darkness. The way out of a dark and condemned land is to hear Jesus' call and to follow Him. We cannot hear it often enough, for this is the way to living in the Light. This is how God's Kingdom is established. Faithful disciples hear Jesus' call, repent, and faithfully follow. In this way, gloom and darkness are overcome.

Every encounter with Jesus provokes a response. The Gospel for this weekend shows a response of discipleship that is quick and decisive. Our own call to discipleship comes at our Baptism, but unlike the disciples in the Gospel, our response isn't usually so quick and decisive. We spend our whole life trying to see the great Light that is the Savior of the world. We spend our whole life passing from death (darkness and gloom) to living in the Light. We spend our whole life encountering Jesus, hearing His call, and working to be faithful in continuing His saving ministry.

We practice following Jesus in the simple, everyday things that come our way ... the friend who needs a listening ear, the elderly parent who needs a comforting phone call or visit, the sick child who interrupts our sleep. Jesus invites us to turn from ourselves toward those in need, to turn from darkness to Light. Jesus invites us to continue His ministry of making "the Kingdom of Heaven ... at hand." The Kingdom of God is not a place but is the recognition of God's just and rightful rule over all creation. This is the same ministry to which Jesus' disciples were called ... it is our own ministry. It is fulfilled every time we bring Jesus' Presence to those we meet in the ordinary circumstances of our daily living.

May Saint Michael the Archangel defend, guide, protect, and intercede for us always!

~ Fr. Larry



January 22, 2023 | Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 8:23-9:3 | 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 | Mt 4:12-23 or Mt. 4:12-17

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Since the Fall, the world has been riddled with strife and divisiveness. From the disobedience in the Garden, to Cain and Abel, to conflicts and wars throughout the centuries, it's clear that we humans are prone to picking sides and fighting over them. We hear about this even within the early Church from St. Paul in today's second reading. There were rivalries, and Christians were saying things such as, "I belong to Paul" or "I belong to Cephas." But Paul wisely asks: "Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?" Clearly not. There is only one source of Truth - Jesus Christ - and Paul never hesitated to refuse credit for himself, and to instead glorify the Lord in his word and deed. This is the model set for us - to refuse to set ourselves or God-made-in-our-own-image over and against the Triune God who created us. Christ came to unite us with himself and to one another, in reconciliation with the Father. His words are now our words: Repent and believe in the Gospel. Pray for the grace to come together as the body of Christ so that we can be his hands and feet in the world and carry out the work he began.

PRAY The Lord has commissioned us to take the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Where we cannot go physically or in person, we can go in prayer. Bring before the Lord all who yet need to hear his voice and repent and believe. Pray for those who are persecuted for their belief in Jesus Christ.



**Parish of
Saint Michael the Archangel
Food Pantry**

*"Keep in mind the words of the Lord Jesus,
who Himself said,
'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'
~ Acts 20:35 ~*

As we look forward to another new year, we would like to thank everyone from our parish and local community who so generously supported our parish food pantry throughout this past year. As individuals, we may not feel we can make much of a difference in this world. However, the items you donated may have been the very items that let an individual right here in our community realize that someone cares.

Currently, the pantry is especially in need of **ramen noodles, pasta, instant potatoes, canned chicken, peanut butter and jelly**. Of course, any nonperishable food item of your choice is always welcome.

Your nonperishable food donations may be left in the Gathering Spaces of both Nativity and Saint Catherine of Siena churches, or they may be delivered directly to the pantry at the O'Meara Conference Center **from 10:15 to 11:30a on Wednesday mornings**.

Once again, thank you for your continued generosity!

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In Jesus Christ the kingdom of God enters into human history, fulfilling God's promise of salvation for his people. Christ inaugurated the kingdom on earth, and as members of his Church we are responsible for continuing to build it - here and now. As Christ called his first disciples and made them "fishers of men," so he calls us, that we might go forth "proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people."



**I HAVE CALLED
YOU FRIENDS
(JN 15:15)**

**JAN
24
7:00 PM**

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Father
David
Devlin**

Presented in English

Our Lady Star of the Sea
525 Washington Street
Cape May, NJ 08204



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**THE EUCHARIST, A CALL
TO EVANGELIZATION,
DISCIPLESHIP,
AND WORKS OF MERCY**

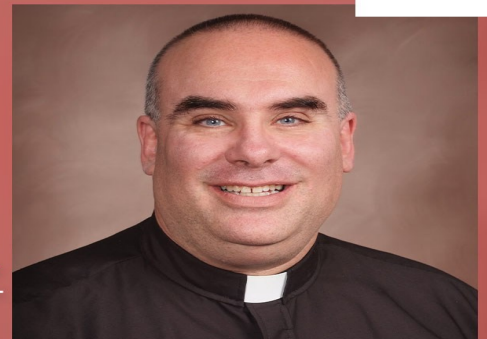
**JAN
25
7:00 PM**

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Father
John
Picinic**

Presented in English

The Catholic Community
of Christ Our Light
402 Kings Hwy N
Cherry Hill, NJ 08034



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The **Diocesan Eucharistic Congress** is set for Saturday, March 25 at the Freedom Mortgage Waterfront Pavilion in Camden. The event, which is free, will be from 8:30a to 3p and falls on the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord.

Bishop Dennis Sullivan will preside, and priests assigned by the National Office for the Eucharistic Revival who have been trained specifically to teach about the Eucharist will be noted guests.

"A Diocesan Eucharistic Congress is an opportunity for the Bishop to gather the people of his Diocese in one place for a celebration of our Catholic faith in the Eucharist," said Father Robert Hughes, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia for the Diocese of Camden. *"Through prayer, teaching, silence, Adoration and Mass, the faithful can recognize the importance of the Eucharist to our Catholic life."*

All are welcome! For more information on the Diocesan Eucharistic Congress – or upcoming revival lectures and Holy Hours – visit eucharisticrevivalsouthjersey.org or avivamientoeucaristicosj.org.



Have you been suffering following an abortion whether it was recent or years ago? Project Rachel, the post-abortion healing ministry of the Diocese of Camden, is starting a nine-week healing support group that will start on the evening of Monday, February 6, 2023 in the Galloway Twp area. Groups will explore the spiritual and emotional impact of abortion in a judgement-free environment. All services are completely confidential. For more information, please call Sylvia Loumeau at 856-342-4164 or email at Sylvia.Loumeau@camdendiocese.org.



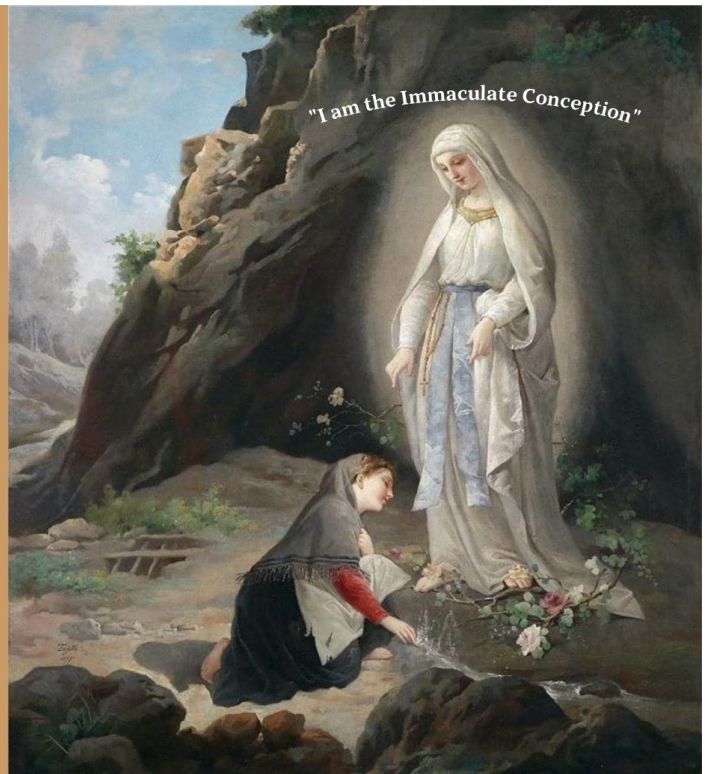
MASS AND CANDLELIGHT PROCESSION IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Saturday, February 11, 2023

5:00 PM

(Mass fulfills Sunday obligation)

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Glassboro
 Mary, Mother of Mercy Parish



RETRouvaille

A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (*pronounced Retro-vy*). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of February 10 - 12, 2023 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA.

For more information, or to register, please visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.



Worn out from the Holidays? Are you looking for a way to avoid the January blahs? How about a special weekend, just for the 2 of you?

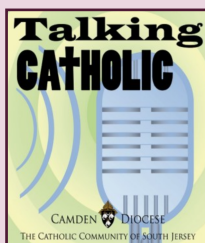
Register for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. It's the best gift you'll ever give to each other and your marriage! The next weekend is **March 3-5, 2023**.

Questions? Need more information? Please call our application couple at 609-741-8012 or email applications@wwme-southjersey.org

Please visit our website wwme-southjersey.org



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Celebrate Your Milestone Anniversary!

Weddings and Engagement Edition

Feb. 10, 2023

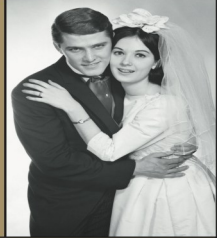


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**CATHOLIC
STAR HERALD**

Pilgrimage Opportunity ...

Join Bishop Sullivan and Father Hughes in Greece – October 20 to 30, 2023 - \$4499 from PHL

For eleven days you will follow the footsteps of Saint Paul and experience beautiful sites throughout Greece. Visit Philippi where Paul the Apostle delivered his first sermon and established the first Church in Europe, Mars Hill in Athens where he spoke to the Athenians, Corinth and the site of Saint Paul's trials by Gallio, and more! You will even visit the House of the Virgin Mary in Ephesus in Turkey where she lived until her Assumption according to Catholic Doctrine. A popular Pilgrimage site, this Shrine has even received several papal visits and blessings. On your 3-day cruise you will discover the captivating and beautiful Greek Islands like Mykonos, Crete, and Santorini.

This trip includes round-trip airfare from PHL or EWR; All airport taxes & fuel surcharges; 4 & 5 star hotel accommodations in double occupancy (single surcharge is \$949); Whisper Headsets; Transfers as per itinerary; Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner while on Cruise; Breakfast and Dinner daily; Wine with dinners; Transportation by air-conditioned motor coach; Assistance of local guide throughout; Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary; Catholic Priest, Mass daily & Spiritual activities; Mass daily Spiritual activities; Luggage handling (1 piece per person); Port taxes & fees; All tips included while on cruise; Shore excursions while on ship include: Mykonos - Walking tour; Kusadasi - Ephesus & the house of the Virgin Mary; Patmos - Monastery of Saint John & Grotto of Apocalypse; Crete - Palace of Knossos; Santorini and Thira & Oia Village

Not included - lunches on day 2 - 7, meals not mentioned, tips to your guide and driver, and trip insurance.

For more information or to register – please visit www.pilgrimages.com/frhughes