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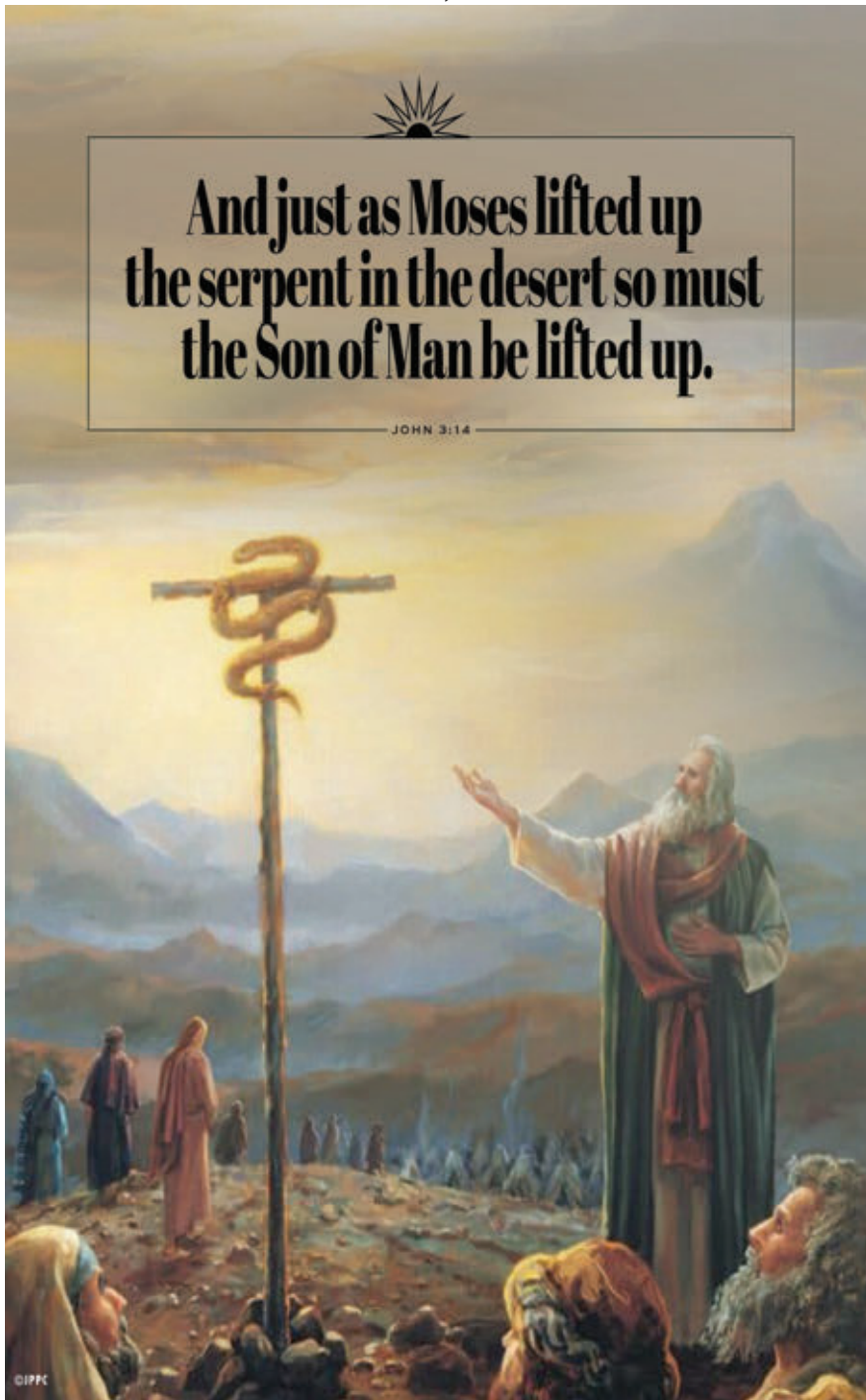
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March 14, 2021

Fourth Sunday in LENT



And just as Moses lifted up
the serpent in the desert so must
the Son of Man be lifted up.

JOHN 3:14

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MASS TIME CHANGE NEWS:

Beginning on March 1st
we will add Monday back into our
Daily Mass Schedule at 8:30am

Beginning on March 7th,
we will change our
Sunday Mass Schedule to:

8:00am and 10:00am

MARCH 14, 2021

Mass Schedule & Mass Intentions



Saturday	March 13
4:00pm	<i>Edward Parada</i> r/b Linda Miksza <i>Louis Bianco</i> r/b MaryAnne Baginski
Sunday	March 14
8:00am	<i>Salvatore Giampietro</i> r/b Anna & Frank Crivelli <i>For the People of the Parish</i>
10:00am	<i>Josephine Gadaleta</i> r/b St. Pio & Sacred Heart Cantor Ministry
Monday	March 15
8:30am	
Tuesday	March 16
8:30am	<i>Vincent Tavormina</i> r/b Kathy Diffley
Wednesday	March 17
8:30am	<i>Patrick J. Glynn</i> r/b Laura & Greg Bierster
Thursday	March 18
8:30am	<i>Vincent Tavormina</i> r/b Mary Shaffer
Friday	March 19
8:30am	<i>Ray Lynch</i> r/b Tom & MaryAnn Sinnott
Saturday	March 20
4:00pm	<i>Annette Kurinovich</i> r/b K of C Ladies Auxiliary <i>Tara Guetz</i> r/b Pat & Gary Smith
Sunday	March 21
8:00am	<i>Vincent Tavormina</i> r/b Adele & Joe Merkle <i>For the People of the Parish</i>
10:00am	



A time to be healed... Fr. Douglas Freer, Dawn Carmosino, Jill Rager, Marci Haxall, Pat Moran, Maggie Smith, The Filippini Religious Teachers in Rome & Ethiopia, Jim Carlson, Joan Ginty, Louis Amendola, Sr., Rosemarie Amendola, Ernesto DeLuccia, Marie Woodrow, Sharon Kline, Connie Barraco, Mary Anne Grandinetti, For Those who have received Prayer Blankets, and For All the Sick of the Parish

(Names will remain on the healing prayer list for 4 weeks; please call the parish office if you wish to extend).



A time to die ...Anthony Crisafulli, Ann MacMaster, Allen Kowtko, Kathleen Helmstetter Ferrara, Charles Cerami, Annette Kurinovich, Dr. Rita Coleman, Vincent Tavormina, Raymond Maragni, Joan Mandella.



Our Heroes... Please pray for all our parishioners and friends who are serving in the Military, as well as our Police, Firefighters, First Responders, and all who are put in harm's way for our protection.

Miraculous Medal Novena

The Miraculous Medal Novena, honoring our Blessed Mother, will be said after the 8:30am daily Mass, on Tuesdays, during Lent.



The Altar Bread and Wine offered at the Masses in the month of March have been given in loving memory of **Joseph & Livia Pisaura**, requested by family.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

From Fr. Joe

Who can be saved? In December 2000, St. Pope John Paul II said: "The gospel teaches us that those who live in accordance with the Beatitudes--the poor in spirit, the pure of heart, those who bear lovingly the sufferings of life--will enter God's kingdom,"

The authoritative voice of the Second Vatican Council: DOGMATIC CONSTITUTION ON THE CHURCH CHAPTER II ON THE PEOPLE OF GOD November 21, 1964

Finally, those who have not yet received the Gospel are related to the People of God in various ways. There is first, that people to whom the covenants and promises were made, and from whom Christ was born according to the flesh (cf. Rom. 9:4-5): in view of the divine choice, they are a people most dear for the sake of the fathers, for the gifts of God are without repentance (cf. Rom. 11:29-29). But the plan of salvation also includes those who acknowledge the Creator, in the first place amongst whom are the Moslems: these profess to hold the faith of Abraham, and together with us they adore the one, merciful God, mankind's judge on the last day.

Nor is God remote from those who in shadows and images seek the unknown God, since he gives to all men life and breath and all things (cf. Acts 17:25-28), and since the Savior wills everyone to be saved (cf. 1 Tim. 2:4). Those who, through no fault of their own, do not know the Gospel of Christ or His Church, but who nevertheless seek God with a sincere heart, and, moved by grace, try in their actions to do his will as they know it through the dictates of their conscience—those too may attain eternal salvation.

Nor shall divine providence deny the assistance necessary for salvation to those who, without any fault of theirs, have not yet arrived at an explicit knowledge of God, and who, not without grace, strive to lead a good life. Whatever good or truth is found amongst them is considered by the Church to be a preparation for the Gospel and given by Him who enlightens all men that they may at length have life.

But very often, deceived by the Evil One, people have lost their way in their thinking, have exchanged the truth of God for a lie and served the creature rather than the Creator (cf. Rom. 1:21 and 25). Or else, living and dying in this world without God, they are exposed to ultimate despair. Hence to procure the glory of God and the salvation of all these people, the Church, mindful of the Lord's command, "preach the Gospel to every creature" (Mk. 16:16) takes great care to encourage the missions.



New Eyes for the Needy

The **Knights of Columbus, Council 8415**, provides a container in the vestibule of the Church for the collection of used eyeglasses. They are sent to "New Eyes for the Needy." The eyeglasses are tested and sorted by volunteers for use by medical missions and hospitals in the Caribbean, Central and South America, Africa, Asia and Central Europe as well as by American veterans. Please remember to drop your old eyeglasses in the container. Thank you.

PROMISE TO PROTECT- PLEDE TO HEAL

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People and to its own policies and guidelines in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan ABUSE HOTLINE: 1-888-296-2965 or e-mail at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org. The diocese reports allegations of abuse to the law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation should provide info to law authorities.

SCAM ALERT

The Diocese of Trenton has issued an alert regarding reports of email and text scams that will use the name of a pastor to solicit funds in the form of gift cards or cash donations. The Diocese takes this opportunity to advise parishioners that pastors do not raise money in this manner and to exercise the utmost caution when receiving this type of communication.

Some law enforcement in the area urge parishioners to question any email or text that doesn't come from a person in their contacts. If the person is not known, parishioners should call the person asking for funds to verify the story. If a pastor's name is used, parishioners should contact the parish to verify the legitimacy of the appeal. Anyone who feels that they have been the victim of this type of scam is urged to contact their local police department.

MARCH 14, 2021

Respect Life Prayer

*“Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,
I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of
the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted
who is in danger of abortion.”*

Baby’s Due Date: July, 2021

**GOD OF LOVE AND LIFE
FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT**

**“So that everyone who believes in Him will have
eternal life.”**

Do you believe in Jesus enough to listen to Him?
Do you love Jesus enough to keep His command-
ments? Do you trust enough in Jesus to let Him
lead?

Why then would you, for the sake of your eternal
life, be anything other than uncompromisingly pro-
life?

*Your comments are requested! Please E-mail the
Respect Life Committee at SHRCBH@comcast.net
or fax us at 732-899-2233.*

***Knights of Columbus Council 8415
Mass for the Unborn***

Please join us on March 25th (Feast of Annuncia-
tion) as we offer the 8:30 am Mass at St Pio of
Pietrelcina Church for the unborn children killed by
abortion. A short recitation of prayers will follow at
the monument outside of the Church.



Month Five Developing Baby

Your spiritually adopted baby weighs over 1 pound
now. His mother can now feel him moving. Before, he
was too small for her to feel. Although he swam with
ease in his watery world, he needed to be big and strong
enough to kick hard against the uterine wall and dent it -
the inside uterine wall has no feeling. You are midway
through the pregnancy now. Your prayers have helped
your baby’s mother continue her pregnancy and seek the
help she needs.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

*“We adore You, O Christ, and we bless
You, because by Your holy Cross, You
have redeemed the world.”*

Thursdays at St. Pio of Pietrelcina
after 8:30 am Mass

Fridays at Sacred Heart at 7:00 pm



*“Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours
are the eyes through which He looks compassion on this world. Yours are the
feet with which He walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which He
blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes,
you are His body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours.” Teresa of Avila*

Contributions Week- end of March 8, 2021	This Past Week	Same week Last Year
At Church	\$4,295	\$4,674
Online	\$1,145	\$670
Total	\$5,440	\$5,344

*Each must do as already determined, without sadness or
compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2COR 9:7*

2020 TAX STATEMENTS

2020 tax statements are available from
the parish office. You can call or e-mail
the office if you would like to receive
one. We can mail the statement to your
home or your e-mail address!



As a reminder, if you gave online, your statement is
available now directly from Parish Giving, just log in
to your account.



St. Francis Food Pantry is open on
Wednesdays from 10am – 1pm. The
demand for donations is great. Please
consider bringing some food items
with you when you attend Mass each
Sunday. Donations may be left in the

bin in the narthex of the Church. If you would like to do-
nate items, and you are unable to carry the packages to
Mass, please call Paul Sandy at 732-606-3656 and he will
come to your home to pick up the items. We are grateful
for the support you have given us over the years, and we
hope that you will continue to support your neighbors
who are in need. Thank you.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

St. Joseph By the Sea

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The mission of the Religious Teachers Filippini is to “Go forth and teach the Word of God.” Their ministry on this holy ground is for the people of God who come to St. Joseph By the Sea for soul searching, trying to find peace in their lives and a God who understands them. Please call St. Joseph By the Sea to register or for additional information.

May 4-6, 2021 - GIFT FROM THE SEA – WOMEN’S CONTEMPLATIVE WEEKEND “Patience, patience, patience, the sea teaches.

May 14-16, 2021 – WELLNESS WEEKEND

FOR WOMEN – Come away to the quiet and serenity of the ocean and renew yourself in body, mind and spirit.

HELP WANTED St. Joseph by the Sea Retreat House, South Mantoloking, is looking for a part-time cook as soon as possible. For info please call 732-892-8494. Ask for Sr. Brunilda Ramos, MFP, Executive Director.

The Chosen – Lenten Bible Study

Join Father Joe on a journey into the beginning of Jesus’ ministry. Each week you will watch one episode of the first season of the hit Christian Video series called THE CHOSEN” (approx. 45 minutes) and then have a group discussion and Lenten Bible reflection about the highlights of the film.



- **Starting at 9:30am every Wednesday in Lent (Mar 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31)**
- **Sacred Heart’s Casey Hall in Bay Head**
- **Meetings will be safe and socially distanced (please wear your mask)**
- **Bring your own favorite beverage or breakfast, unfortunately we cannot serve any food or drinks.**

All are Welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 8415 and LADIES AUXILIARY 2020 and 2021 SCHOLARSHIP

Young men and women that are Catholic parishioners, graduating high school in 2021 (or graduated in 2020), and attend (or plan to attend) an accredited 2 or 4 year college or university, vocational or trade school are eligible to apply. The award will be between \$250-\$1,000. Pick up an application at the parish center foyer or request an application by email: jkoby2@aol.com. Applications are due by May 15th.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2021

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – IN ACTION!

Clergy and Religious Administration

The Ministry of Clergy Personnel assists the Bishop every day in the assignment of priests and deacons in the diocese, handles all personnel matters pertaining to active and retired priests, and works with priests from outside the diocese who seek to minister in the diocese.

Ministry of Clergy Personnel keeps priests and deacons informed of events in the diocese specifically for its clergy, assists in the continuing education of clergy, the annual convocation of priests and in working throughout the diocese. Your gift supports the Bishop, priests and deacons in serving all parishioners in the Diocese of Trenton.

Going to the Hospital?

- If you are scheduled to go to the hospital it is good to go to confession before you go.
- If you are having a scheduled surgery you might want to be anointed before you go.
- You can do this by calling the rectory and arranging a time with Fr. Joe or Fr. Joy.
- When you arrive at the hospital or if an emergency arises make sure that you or a family member let them know that you are Catholic and that you would like an anointing, Holy Communion and a visit by the Catholic priest chaplain.

These steps are important because HIPPA and Covid Restrictions. We cannot enter the hospitals and visit like the old days. The hospital often restrict chaplaincy to priests they have on call.

In case you cannot get the hospital to respond to your needs, please call the rectory and we will assist you in getting the spiritual help you need, or we will respond ourselves as best we can!

2021
**LENT, HOLY WEEK &
EASTER TRIDUUM**

at the linked parishes of:



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Bay Head, NJ

Stations of the Cross

Every Thursday during Lent after 8:30am Mass

Palm Sunday, March 27th & 28th

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:00am & 10:00am

Sacred Triduum

No morning Mass until Easter Monday

Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 pm
Church remains open for Adoration until 10:00pm

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Parish Information

Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament is given for those facing serious illness or surgery, and for those of advanced years. If you or a family member is planning to enter the hospital, please see one of the priests following Mass if you would like to receive this sacrament or call the parish office for an appointment.

Baptisms and Marriages

Please visit St. Pio's web site for information and call the parish office to schedule. www.stpioparish.com

Religious Education for Children or R.C.I.A. for Adults

Call John Paglione at 732-899-1398, x5



SPECIAL COVID GUIDELINES:

RECEIVING COMMUNION WITH A MASK ON

Please remember not to remove your mask until after the priest or Eucharistic Minister puts the Sacred Host in your hand. Then step aside, lift your mask, consume the Host, and then immediately cover your face back with the mask. Also, Holy Communion will be distributed in the hand. Anyone receiving on the tongue please wait until all have received and then go to the end of the line of the priest distributing Communion.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Collection baskets are at the main doors of the Church to drop your envelopes and contributions. You can also give them to an usher as you exit the Church. There is a secure drop box in the foyer of the parish office for contributions, and correspondence. We also recommend Online Giving, visit our website for easy signup information.

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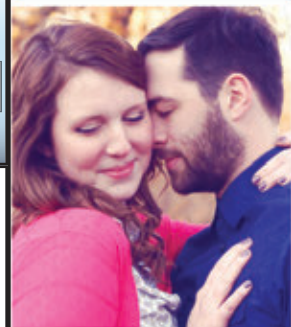
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