

St. Thomas More Catholic Parish

Convent Station, NJ
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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



As a faith community, we keep in mind who have asked us to pray for them, that they may experience the healing power of our gracious God. Special requests for prayers at liturgy and donations made in honor of loved ones. These intentions and names of our sick are noted on the Table in the Remembrance Book and on the Weekly Sheet.

*Praise the Lord
for he is good;
he heals the
brokenhearted
and binds up
their wounds.*

*He sustains
the lowly;
the wicked
he casts to
the ground.*



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February 4, 2017 • Day of the Lord

Women's Cornerstone Retreat

Feb. 16-17 at Loyola Retreat Center, run by Assumption Parish. A peer spiritual weekend to grow in the knowledge and love of God. Contact Chrissy West at 973-809-1646, costa1112@yahoo.com. Cornerstone is a great opportunity.

St. Patrick's Day Party

It's March 17 this year. Not just the day but the party as well. Same place - the VFW Hall on Rt. 53 (Tabor Rd.) in Morris Plains. Save the date and get your dancing feet going.

HomeTouch

HomeTouch is a weekly inspirational bulletin to bring to a homebound friend, relative or neighbor, to help them feel valued and appreciated. An article and activity page can help fill those long, quiet times of the day in a meaningful way. They are in the vestibule at the church entrance.


Flu Season

The medical world states that in normal circumstances a common cup with wine and wiping does not pose a threat. At the same time, we urge those who are sick to refrain from communion from the cup.



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Permanent Deacons

The diocese is beginning another Permanent Deacon class this spring for men between the ages of 35 and 59. A deacon is not a mini-priest. Diaconate is an ancient order and ministry of its own. In fact diaconal ministry existed in the church before there were priests. Deacons are called to embody the image of Christ the servant; they represent the church in the community, and at liturgy they bring the needs of the community to the attention of the church. The ministry of the deacon shows the servant's heart of the church. Anyone who wishes to learn more about the ministry of deacon should contact Fr. Joe.

Meditate on the scriptures during the week. Take Five for Faith is located on the website. Pull down "Faith Formation" and find it at the bottom.

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK'S LITURGY

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Leviticus 13: 1-46

Leviticus is a collection of Jewish laws. People believed being clean or unclean (kosher or non-kosher) was based on what was normal or abnormal. Since a snake slithered on the ground rather than walked, it was considered abnormal, and therefore unclean. By these standards, people with disabilities or deformities were seen as unclean as in this reading.

Second Reading: 1 Cor. 10: 31-11: 1

This passage concludes a long section of this letter in which Paul addresses disputes between Jewish and Gentile Christians about what foods are kosher. Paul observes that while we may be free to do this or that, we should avoid those things that disrupt harmony and peace.

This Week's Question

For Adults:

When have you felt the sadness of Job? When have you felt the joy of those who witnessed the healing works of Jesus?

For Children:

What could you do this week to comfort someone who is sad?

Evening with Sisters

Fri. Feb. 23, 7 - 8:30 pm at Morris Catholic HS (200 Morris Ave., Denville). This event is open to high school and college aged women to enjoy an evening of conversation, prayer, food and fun! To RSVP and for more details, please email Sister Bernadette McCauley on or before February 20th: sbernadette@sceast.org .

Roll Call Connect - Try It!

Log onto your membership site to obtain your contribution report, to update birthdays, anniversaries, and email addresses. Add pictures and other info. The software allows you to insert your own pictures and help compile an online pictorial and a printed directory.

This is another opportunity for us to communicate better and have constant updated information.

To access your information, go to <<https://stmnj.bythebook.us/co/>>

Enter your email address and last name. You will receive a confirmation email in order to log on.

If you must fill out much info and have no contribution record, do not fill out the information. Instead call the office or write to info@stmnj.org and give us your name and email address. We will enter that address and send you a note back to try again. Your email address needs to be in the database in order for you to log in. If not, you will be entering a second membership account which may confuse all of us.

What's Happening This Week?

This Sunday

Rel. Ed.

Next Sunday

Rel. Ed.

March 17

St. Patrick Day Party

Every Sunday

Pound A Week



FEBRUARY

Stewardship of Treasure

Last week's

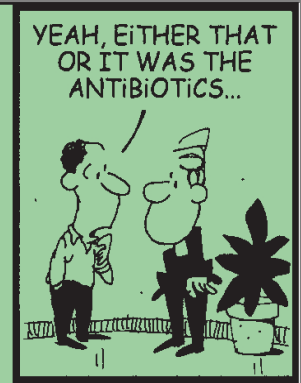
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1	Darice Alesso	16	Pat Wickens
1	Lauren Garolfalo	19	Jo Rapp
1	John Zadrozny	22	Alwyn Dias
5	Tony Rapp	25	Monika Mangan
13	Hubie O'Toole	25	Joanne Muoio
16	Ed Berg	27	Pavle Topalovic
16	Val Montgomery		
16	Kevin Ryan		

Rita: You're not a god. You can take my word for it; this is 12 years of Catholic school talkin'.

Phil: How do you know I'm not a god? How do you know?

Rita: Because it's not possible!

— Quote from "GroundHog Day"

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Weekly Eucharists

Saturday 5 pm

Sunday, 9 am, 11 am, 7 pm

Monday – Saturday: 8:15 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm or by appt.

Holy Days

8:15 am, 12:10 pm, 7 pm

Parish Office Hours

Mon. - Wed, 9:30–2 pm

*Other times & days,
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