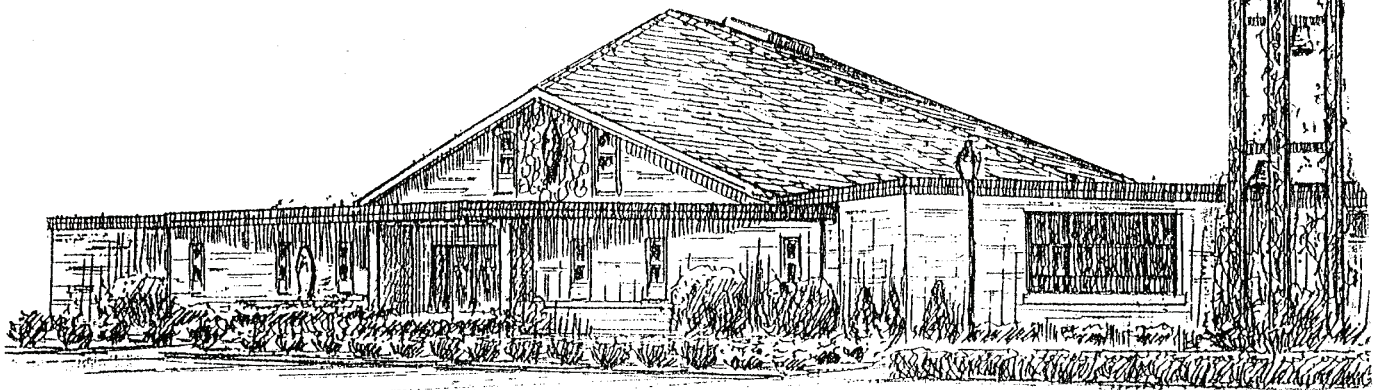


# ST. JOHN'S R.C. CHURCH

619 Chestnut Street  
Lakehurst, NJ 08733



## SERVED BY

Rev. James F. O'Neill, Pastor  
Msgr. Elso Introini, retired priest  
Msgr. Richard A. Rusconi, retired priest  
Rev. George Deutsch, retired priest  
Rev. Joseph Murphy, retired priest  
Deacon Edward Holowienka  
Deacon Anthony Laterza  
Charlie Jannetti, Business Manager  
Holly Hartline, Music Director  
Gina Innarella, Parish Secretary

## MASSES

Saturday, church 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM  
Sunday, church 9:15 AM & 11:00 AM

Please consult the bulletin for Holy Day Masses.

Monday—Friday, chapel 8:00 AM  
Saturday & 1st Friday, church 8:00 AM

## DEVOTIONS

Following Daily Mass:  
Monday—Miraculous Medal  
1st Friday—Adoration with confessions  
1st Saturday—Devotional prayers, confessions

## ADORATION

Tuesdays in the chapel: 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM  
First Friday in the church: 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM

## ROSARY

Rosary recited Monday to Saturday at 7:20 AM & Sunday, before the 9:15 AM & 11 AM Masses

## CONFESSIONS

Saturdays: 11 AM to 12 PM and 3 PM to 3:45 PM

## MARRIAGES

The Sacrament of Matrimony requires a time of spiritual preparation. The couple should contact the Parish Office one year before the date of marriage.

## PARISH OFFICE

Monday to Friday, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM

Parish Office: 732-657-6347  
Fax: 732-657-8690  
Parish Website: [stjohnlakehurst.com](http://stjohnlakehurst.com)  
E-mail: [office@stjohnlakehurst.com](mailto:office@stjohnlakehurst.com)

## GRADE SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Ms. MaryAnn Dempkowski,  
Director of Religious Education  
Religious Ed Office: 732-657-2348

## COMMUNION CALLS

For those who are unable to attend Mass, we will be happy to bring Holy Communion to you periodically in your home or at the local nursing homes. Please call the Parish Office to notify us.

## SICK CALLS—ANOINTING OF THE SICK

In case of serious illness or accident, please call the Parish Office to request the Anointing of the Sick.

## EMERGENCIES

For emergencies outside of office hours (such as when someone is dying or has died), please call and leave a message at 732-930-1690.

## PARISH REGISTRATION

Families moving into or out of the parish are asked to call the Parish Office as soon as possible.

## BAPTISMS

Preparation for first-time parents is required. Baptisms take place on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 12:15 PM. Please contact the Parish Office for arrangements.

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 9, 2020**

**MASSES & SERVICES FOR THE WEEK****Saturday, February 8th**

- 4:00 PM Dorothea DiGiovanni (anniv. rem.)  
Rose Edmonds (71st anniv. rem.)
- 7:00 PM Marie Ferenò  
Adele Reo

**Sunday, February 9th, 5th Sunday in OT**

- 9:15 AM Robert, Wayne, & Craig Bonstein  
Thomas Battinelli
- 11:00 AM John & Carmela Russo & Family  
James F. O'Neill, Sr.

**Monday, February 10th, St. Scholastica**

- 8:00 AM Julia Alterizio  
Jerry Russo

**Tuesday, February 11th, Our Lady of Lourdes**

- 8:00 AM Wallace Elliott  
Emilia Longo

**Wednesday, February 12th**

- 8:00 AM George Palella (birthday rem.)  
Domenico Tarabocchia

**Thursday, February 13th**

- 8:00 AM Mark Shenloogian (6th anniv. rem.)  
Josephine Metro (birthday rem.)

**Friday, February 14th, Sts. Cyril & Methodius**

- 8:00 AM Carol Kerr (1st anniv. rem.)  
Carol Kerr

**Saturday, February 15th**

- 8:00AM Scott & Jamiee Fredricks  
People of Parish
- 4:00PM Rudy Niccoli (anniv. rem.)  
Jack Siracusa ( 61st anniv. rem.)
- 7:00PM Dawn Spaloss-Mueller (9th anniv. rem.)  
Patricia Spencer

**Sunday, February 16th, 6th Sunday in OT**

- 9:15 AM Ron Meyers  
Joseph Irace
- 11:00 AM James F. O'Neill, Sr.  
Margaret Manning

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

Flowers may be purchased for any occasion. If you are placing an order, please do so 2 weeks in advance, by calling Joan Toth of the Rosary Altar Society at 732-657-4938. Thank you for your participation.

**CANDLES for Feb. 9th- Feb. 15th , 2020****SANCTUARY CANDLE**

In loving memory  
of  
Walter Barauskas

**SACRED HEART**

In loving memory  
of  
Rudy Niccoli (anniv. rem.)

**SHRINE CANDLE**

In loving memory  
of  
People of Parish

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially:**

**Week 1:** Jonas Walworth, Lorraine Rinaldi, Tina Sorrentino

**Week 2:** Caroline & Patrick Viola, John Manzi

**Week 3:** Brian Boldizar, Michael Caracappa, Deacon Ed Holowienka, Jenna & Baby, Doni Jackman

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE DECEASED:**

Marie Raia, Dorothy Brennan

**PARISH MINISTRIES**

St. Vincent de Paul Society , 732-657-6359

Rosary Altar Society

Angela McNeill, 732-657-1728

Religious Article Store

Victor Bala, 732-691-2291

Youth Group

Lori Downing, ldowning@easeton.org

Bereavement Support Group

Shelley Laterza, 848-224-4828

Sign Language

The 4 PM Mass has an interpreter for the hearing impaired. Those learning sign language meet on Tuesdays at 10:30 AM in the Parish Center. New-comers wanting to learn to sign are welcome.

Nursing Home Ministry, Ushers, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Joe Pittarelli, 732-323-8469

Hospitality Ministry, Josephine O’Connell organizes the coffee and refreshments after the 9:15 AM Mass in the back of the parish hall. If interested in helping Josephine, call her @ 609-668-2159.

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

Week of Jan. 26th, 2020: \$13, 617

Week of Feb. 10th, 2019: \$12,418

Thank you for your financial support!



**COLLECTION FOR CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE**

Next week, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 20 countries that still struggle to recover from Communist rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. More information can be found @ [www.usccb.org/ccee](http://www.usccb.org/ccee)

**LADIES OF THE PARISH – SAN ALFONSO RETREAT**

Rosary Altar Society is sponsoring a day Retreat at San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch, NJ, Tuesday, March 31st. Bus will be leaving Church Parking Lot at 8:30AM—Arriving back between 4:00-4:30PM. Cost is \$60.

All reservations must be made and paid for by March 1st, 2020. For more information and reservations call Barbara Seele @ 732-657-5512 or 848-224-9586.

**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:



- AC1 Megan Downes USN
- CW5 Thomas Oroho                      Capt. Meghan Oroho
- CPL George Daly IV                      SPC Brian Mc Nichol
- Major Corey J. Smith                      Spec. Corinne McGrath
- Major Kenneth R. Dougher II              Major Brian Kossler
- CPO Michael M. Miehle

**CURSILLO ULTREYA**

Our next meeting will be, Thursday, February 20th @ 1PM in the Parish Center. Any questions, call Barbara Cipriano @ 732-323-8878.

**WINGS and a PRAYER**

Our Religious Article Store will be open this weekend, Feb. 8th & 9th, after all Masses.



Thank you for your continued support!

**LOW GLUTEN HOSTS**

For those who are sensitive to gluten, we offer low gluten hosts. Go to the priest’s line. Gesture for a low gluten host. He will say, “The Body of Christ.” The communicant then takes a very white host from the attachment on the ciborium.

**ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY****Food Pantry Needs**

We are again adjusting our food donation list as we work to set up our new Food Pantry space. We are working to balance our stock and provide more nutritious foods for our families. We appreciate your help in making our new Food Pantry happen.

Our February food drive is on February 15th/16th . At this time, **please do not donate dried or canned beans or Ramen noodles** as we have a very large supply of both.

Instead of our basic list we ask that you give:

Fruit, canned lite, all varieties

Fruit juice

Jelly

Pasta Sauce

Prepared foods i.e. Chef Boy Ar Dee, Mac and

Cheese

Canned tuna and meats

Toilet paper

Shampoo, Bar Soap

We Thank You as always for your generosity and God Bless You.

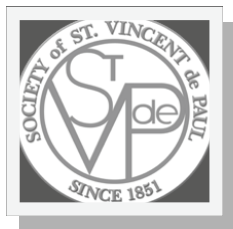
St John's Church Conference

St Vincent de Paul Society

Lakehurst, NJ

The lights in a city create a glow in the sky that can be seen from miles away. However, a light can be hidden—put under a bushel; the light still shines, but its light is blanketed, covered over, kept from doing what it is meant to do. When Jesus says, “You are the light of the world,” he is saying that we can choose to cover over the grace that is given us. We can choose to ignore who we are called to be—beloved adopted sons and daughters—and act of “out of character.” Then our actions do not square up with who we are. By such choices we compromise both identity and mission. We must live who we are. Identity and mission cannot be separated.

Vincent prayed that over time his designs and actions would be more and more in harmony with God's desires. He knew that this was the way to a full life. One afternoon in the very last months of his



life, Vincent sat with some of his close friends. In the way that people sometimes do when they sense that their time is coming to an end, Vincent began to speak about what mattered to him most. He did not tell of any particularly successful project, or of people whom he had loved and who had loved him, nor even of his precious poor ones. Rather, he talked to his friends about the loving hand of God that had led him, of the interior star that had steered him through all the hectic years. Bent and elderly as he was, he declared, “We should give ourselves to God and wear ourselves out for God.”

**ST. JOSEPH GRADE SCHOOL—TOMS RIVER**

St. Joseph's Grade School presents: “Chitty Chitty Bang Bang”, Friday, Feb. 14th @ 7:00PM, Sat. Feb. 15th @ 7:00PM, & Sun. Feb. 16th @ 2:00PM. For tickets contact Mrs. Roche @ 732-349-2355 x2027 or email droche@stjoeschooltr.org.

**SAFETY AND EXITS**

In order to ensure safety, improve accessibility, and make it easier for people to get in and out of the church, please do not move chairs in front of or near the exits.

**ST. JOHN'S PARISH 50/50 SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE**

I am pleased to support the 2019-2020 Raffle. I've enclosed with this coupon **\$30 for the 2nd Quarter.**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Quarterly @ \$ 30

\*Please make your check payable to **St. John's Church. In memo section please note : 2019-2020 50/50 Raffle. Good Luck!!**

# ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2020

## Dear Parishioners,

Next weekend is Pledge Sunday for the Annual Catholic Appeal throughout the Diocese of Trenton. Each year the Bishop seeks the support of all the members of the diocese to further the work of our ministries. Each of us has a vital part in all we do in Christ's name, and each of us can share in all we do with a gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Our single Act of Faith propels the works of love that build up our Church. You make that happen with a generous gift to the ACA.

This year St. John's share of the goal is \$66,000.

As the people of the Diocese of Trenton, you have an opportunity to help others see Christ working in our midst. I ask you to take a moment and truly reflect on any help you can give. We truly need everyone to participate. This year we again are striving to reach our goal of \$7 million.

I am always grateful and moved by the level of support you give to our parish. I thank you for this support, and may God continue to bless you and your family.

God love you,

Fr. Jim

frjim@stjohnlakehurst.com

## THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – IN ACTION!

### Catholic Social Services

Diocesan Parish Counseling Services: Parishioners have access to short term counseling (up to 6 sessions) at locations throughout the Diocese. The program was developed by Catholic Charities and the Diocese of Trenton. Licensed counseling professionals are available to help parishioners through difficult issues such as marital problems, raising children, eldercare, bereavement or the stress of job loss that can be successfully addressed by brief counseling support. Pastors and parish priests of the Diocese can refer parishioners to the parish counseling services.

Parish Emergency Assistance Program (PEAP): Emergency financial assistance to individuals through the parish and coordinated by Catholic Charities is available.

Diocesan Social Service Workshops: Information and resources to parishes and Catholic Social Service agencies are available to enhance Diocesan Catholic Social Service.

Home Health Nursing Program: Free, in-home nursing and home health services are available to Seniors in Greater Trenton through Mt. Carmel Guild.

Emergency Assistance: People in Mercer County are able to receive food through Mt. Carmel Guild. Over 30,000 received food through this program last year. Your gift gives them a place to turn to in their need.

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**CHURCH CONTRIBUTION RECORD**

We have closed our **2019 ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTION RECORDS**. Any donations now given will be credited to your 2020 records.

If you would like a copy of the amount of your **ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTIONS for 2019** (\*\*Please Note: this is your weekly envelope donation amount **ONLY... NO Masses, candles, special memorials or Annual Catholic Diocesan Appeal Contributions are included\*\*), please complete the form below and return it to the Parish Office with a **self-addressed, stamped envelope** and we will be glad to fill in the amount that we have recorded from your envelopes and return it to you.**

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JANUARY 1, 2019 to DECEMBER 31, 2019**

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(Please **do not write** in space below.)

FORMED

**PICK OF THE WEEK**

**Bernadette**

St. Bernadette and the Apparitions of Our Lady of Lourdes



Shot on location in France, this film is highly recommended by the Vatican as a “sensitive portrayal of a very moving story that deserves a wide audience,” and was chosen to be shown daily at the shrine in Lourdes to retell the epic story.

**WATCH ON FORMED.ORG**

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**What is marriage?**

Marriage is a lifelong, faithful partnership between a man and a woman. It is ordered toward (made for) the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of children (see *Catechism of the Catholic Church* [CCC], no. 1601). The bond of marriage is indissoluble – it lasts “until death do us part.” Love itself is “to will the good of another” (CCC, no. 1766). At the heart of married love is the total gift of self that husband and wife freely offer to each other, becoming “one flesh” and being open to children, “who are a living reflection of their love” (*Familiaris Consortio*, no. 14).

Marriage in the Church (between a baptized man and a baptized woman) has been raised to a Sacrament by Jesus Christ. By this sacrament, Jesus gives to spouses the grace they need to love each other. Their relationship is “caught up into divine love” and “governed and enriched by Christ’s redeeming power and the saving activity of the Church” (*Gaudium et Spes*, no. 48).

## INFORMATION SHEET

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