



*Wishing all our Mother's a  
Happy Mothers Day*

*Church of the Visitation*

# Church of the Visitation

755 Mantoloking Road, Brick, N. J. 08723



*Welcome!*

*The entire parish community extends a warm welcome to all visitors and new parishioners*

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### **RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday thru Friday:** 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM  
Closed for Lunch 12:30 to 1:30 PM

### Parish Registration

The Church of the Visitation is obliged to serve and minister to all baptized Catholics living in our local area. **PLEASE REGISTER** – it assists the staff in knowing you as a parishioner, providing for your needs, informing you of parish programs and activities, and utilizing your gifts and talents in service of the Church and one another. Envelopes for weekly contributions are available to you once you are registered. Please contact Deacon Sal Vicari at ext. 218 to register.

### Sacramental Sponsor Certificates

The following is required by Canon Law to be a Catholic Godparent/Sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. 1. Be at least 16 years of age. 2. Have completed the Sacraments of the Initiation. (Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation) 3. Be a registered and active parishioner living a life of faith. If married, have a marriage that is canonically valid and recognized by the Catholic Church.

### **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Weekend:** Saturday 4:00 PM  
**Sunday:** 6:45, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM  
**Daily:** Monday-Saturday 7:30 and 8:15 AM (Daily Chapel)  
**Holy Days:** See Current Bulletin  
**Holy Hour:** First Fri. of the month 7:00 to 8:00 PM (Church)

### Baptism

Parents or legal guardians are encouraged to register 2 months in advance to schedule a baptism. Parents and Guardians are required and sponsors are encouraged to attend the Baptismal Formation Session prior to the Baptism. Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays following the 12:30 Mass at 1:45 PM. Please contact Deacon Sal Vicari at ext. 218 to make arrangements.

### Marriages

The Sacrament of Marriage requires a time of spiritual preparation. According to the Common Policy adopted by the Bishops of New Jersey, this preparation requires sessions with a priest or deacon, Focus review and attendance at a Marriage Preparation Programs such as Pre Cana. Therefore couples should make arrangements with the Church at least 1 year before the planned wedding date and finalizing any social plans. Couples must also verify freedom to marry before dates and arrangements can be made. Please contact Deacon Sal Vicari at ext. 218 to make arrangements.

### Anointing of the Sick

Please notify the Parish Office when serious illness occurs and when the sick, aged, or incapacitated are confined to home for extended period. In an emergency call Parish office anytime.

### Penance/Reconciliation

Saturday from 3:15 to 3:45PM in the Church or anytime by appointment. A Penance Service is held during Advent and Lent.

### Religious Education (CCD)

Our Religious Education and sacramental preparation for our children meets on Sunday from 9:15 to 10:30 AM in Lake Riviera Middle School, weekday classes in the Church Rectory. Pre-registration is required. Please call Nancy Grodberg at 732-477-5217.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

This is the process by which adults become full, active, participating members of the Catholic Church. Please call Dale Zanetti at ext. 214 for more information.

*We now offer Low-Gluten Host for those suffering from celiac sprue disease*  
*Elevator is located on the side of the Church near the Bell Tower*

# SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



<p><b>SATURDAY</b>      <b>MAY 7</b></p> <p>4:00 PM      Nancy Spinelli</p> <p><b>SUNDAY</b>      <b>MAY 8</b></p> <p>6:45 AM      People of the Parish</p> <p>8:00 AM      Living &amp; Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society</p> <p>9:30 AM      Rose Dempsey</p> <p>11:00 AM      Leslie Pucci</p> <p>12:30 PM      Lourdes Gabriel De Avila</p> <p><b>MONDAY</b>      <b>MAY 9</b></p> <p>7:30 AM      Mary Bulwicz</p> <p>8:15 AM      Hugo Vicari</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b>      <b>MAY 10</b></p> <p>7:30 AM      Regina Brown</p> <p>8:15 AM      Donna Martone</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b>      <b>MAY 11</b></p> <p>7:30 AM      Concetta Soldani</p> <p>8:15 AM      John Perone</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b>      <b>MAY 12</b></p> <p>7:30 AM      Robert Hoefler</p> <p>8:15 AM      Mary Claire McGregor</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b>      <b>MAY 13</b></p> <p>7:30 AM      Mary Claire McGregor</p> <p>8:15 AM      Betty Sentel</p> <p><b>SATURDAY</b>      <b>MAY 14</b></p> <p>7:30 AM      James Daley</p> <p>8:15 AM      Ernest Sorrentino</p> <p>4:00 PM      Peter Cassie</p> <p><b>SUNDAY</b>      <b>MAY 15</b></p> <p>6:45 AM      People of the Parish</p> <p>8:00 AM      Rosaria Caleca</p> <p>9:30 AM      Richard Ardito</p> <p>11:00 AM      Klisiewicz Family</p> <p>12:30 PM      Deceased Members of the Salek Family</p>	<p><b>SUNDAY</b>      <b>MAY 8</b></p> <p><i>Masses</i>      Church</p> <p><i>Communion Pictures</i>      10:00 AM      Parish Hall</p> <p><b>MONDAY</b>      <b>MAY 9</b></p> <p><i>M M &amp; Saint Jude Novena</i>      8:15 AM      Daily Chapel</p> <p><i>Rosary For Life</i>      1:30 PM      Daily Chapel</p> <p><i>Cub Scouts.</i>      6:30 PM      Old Church &amp; Parish Hall</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b>      <b>MAY 10</b></p> <p><i>Bereavement</i>      10:30 AM      Daily Chapel</p> <p><i>Bingo</i>      11:00 AM      Parish Hall</p> <p><i>Boy Scouts</i>      6:30 PM      Old Church</p> <p><i>Alanon</i>      7:00 PM      Parish Hall</p> <p><i>Holy Name Society</i>      7:15 PM      Room A</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b>      <b>MAY 11</b></p> <p><i>Newark Retired Priest</i>      10:00 AM      Daily Chapel</p> <p><i>Community Lunch</i>      12:00 PM      Parish Hall</p> <p><i>Youth Choir Practice</i>      7:30 PM      Church</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b>      <b>MAY 12</b></p> <p><i>Bible Study</i>      9:45 AM      Parish Hall</p> <p><i>St. Vincent de Paul Mtg.</i>      1:00 PM      Parish Hall</p> <p><i>Adult Choir Practice</i>      7:15 PM      Church</p> <p><i>AA</i>      6:30 PM      Parish Hall</p> <p><b>FRIDAY</b>      <b>MAY 13</b></p> <p><i>Adult Confirmation Practice</i>      6:30 PM      Church</p> <p><i>Children of Light Prayer</i>      7:00 PM      Parish Room A</p> <p><b>SATURDAY</b>      <b>MAY 14</b></p> <p><i>Confirmation Practice</i>      10:30 AM      Parish Hall &amp; Church</p> <p><i>Vigil Mass</i>      4:00 PM      Church</p> <p><i>RCIA Teaching</i>      5:00 PM      Parish Hall</p>
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## For the Week of May 8, 2016



Church Sanctuary Candle is "No Intentions"  
 Chapel Sanctuary Candle is "No Intentions"  
 Blessed Mother Candle is "In Loving Memory"  
 of Deegan & Mesgleski Families Deegan  
 Sacred Heart Candle is "No Intentions"

### Please note:

*The weekly bulletin will no longer reflect the person requesting the intention, only whom the intention is for.*

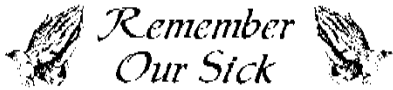
## Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33  
**Tuesday:** Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a  
**Wednesday:** Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19  
**Thursday:** Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26  
**Friday:** Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19  
**Saturday:** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17  
**Sunday:** Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26




**“THE LORD IS KING, THE MOST HIGH OVER ALL THE EARTH”**

*Welcome into God's Family*  
Olivia Rose Bond, Shae Katherine Keefe



**III. Michael Moore, James O'Neill, Sr.,**  
Deacon Richard Johnston, Margaret Sherbert,  
Gabriel Castilho

“REMEMBERING OUR SICK” LIST IS FOR THOSE  
PARISHIONERS WHO ARE IN NEED OF SPECIAL PRAYERS.  
THEY WILL REMAIN ON THE LIST FOR FOUR WEEKS. IF  
EXTENDED PRAYERS ARE NEEDED, PLEASE CONTACT  
VISITATIONS PRAYER CHAIN AT 848-373-4239.

 *In Your Charity* please pray for the  
happy repose of the souls of deceased  
members of the Parish, your friends,  
relatives and benefactors.

**HOW WILL YOU BE REMEMBERED?**

Please consider “Creating a Legacy” that will last  
for generations to come. When you remember  
Church of the Visitation in your will, you will help  
to provide for the many organizations and ministries  
after you are gone. For more information, please  
contact the Parish office at 732-477-7059 ext. 216.

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

**Offering for the Week of May 1, 2016**

<b>Regular</b>	\$10,297.63
<b>On Line</b>	\$529.00
<b>Total</b>	\$10,826.63

***Some of the expenses for March included:***

Electric	\$2,092.30
Natural Gas	\$2,024.19
Communications Services	\$746.67
Building Maintenance	\$10,038.65
Landscaping	\$4,150.00

**RAFFLE** **50/50 TICKETS** are available  
in the narthex of the Church.  
The drawing for May will take  
place after the 12:30 Mass on  
Sunday, May 22 in the church auditorium during  
the Community Sunday gathering.  
We wish you good luck and hope to see you there!

*Reflections for  
The Seventh Sunday of Easter*



On the seventh Sunday  
of Easter, we always read from  
the 17th chapter of John's  
Gospel. This chapter of John's  
Gospel comes at the conclusion  
of Jesus' Farewell Discourse  
delivered to the disciples at the  
Last Supper. The whole of this chapter is a prayer  
of Jesus, commending himself to the Father and  
expressing his care and concern for his disciples. At  
the end of this prayer, Jesus and his disciples depart  
for the garden, and Jesus is arrested.

Several important themes appear in this  
prayer of Jesus. First, Jesus' prayer reaffirms the  
complete union between Jesus and the Father.  
Throughout John's Gospel, Jesus has been presented  
as the one who pre-existed with the Father and as  
the one sent by the Father to do his work on earth.  
In today's reading, we hear Jesus ask that the unity  
he experiences with the Father be extended to all  
who believe in him. He prays that we be one with  
each other, with him, and with the Father. We are  
reminded that Christ is the source of Christian  
unity. Through Christ, we are united with one  
another and with God our Father.

Belief is a major theme in the Gospel of  
John. It begins in the prologue and continues in the  
response to Jesus' signs. Belief is the reason Jesus  
performs signs (2:11, 4:53, 6:69, 9:38) and the  
reason signs have been recorded in the Gospel  
(20:30-31). Here Jesus prays not only for those who  
believe in him but for all who will come to believe  
in him. And he prays that the love of the Father in  
him may also be in all who believe so that Jesus  
might be in them as well. *Loyola Press*

**NEXT WEEKEND THERE WILL BE  
TWO COLLECTIONS. PLEASE PLACE YOUR  
REGULAR WEEKLY DONATION ENVELOPE IN THE  
FIRST BASKET AND THE ENVELOPE FOR  
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE  
IN THE SECOND ENVELOPE.**

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On this Mother's Day weekend, I thought I would offer a reflection I came across some time ago: a "Modest Proposal", in the style of author Jonathan Swift, towards what *not* to do if mothers and fathers want to keep their children active in the faith.

**How to Ensure That Your Child Leaves the Faith**

- 1) **Avoid the use of the word 'sin'; it may develop in the child a guilt complex.** This will prepare him to believe that there is no right or wrong.
- 2) **Never take your child to Confession.** This will ingrain the concept that no one sins and there was no need for Christ's life, passion, death, and resurrection.
- 3) **Drop off and pick up your child from CCD class and never take them to Mass.** If Mass is not important to you, how can it be for your child?
- 4) **Never pray, say a Rosary, or read the Bible at home.** The child will see that the faith is something that is only preached, not practiced.
- 5) **Never discuss or teach the Catholic faith in your home.** The child will think if Catholicism is not worth talking about, why bother?
- 6) **Pick and choose which Catholic teachings you wish to follow.** That way your child will learn their opinion is superior to God.
- 7) **Come to Sunday Mass informally clad.** Not being well dressed makes a statement that the Mass and the Blessed Sacrament are not worthy of respect.
- 8) **Only come to church on holidays such as Easter and Christmas.** The child will see that you are a hypocrite.
- 9) **Don't have religious pictures, crucifixes, or statues in your home.** This way the child will not be frequently reminded of Christ and His Church.
- 10) **Tell your child that one religion is as good as another.** The child will doubt the Holy Roman Catholic Church is God's one true church as well as Christ's words, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6)

*Courtesy of eCatholic2000.com.*

Hoping that none of us do these things (and if – God forbid there are – hoping for guidance on what may need to change in daily life to address it), please be assured of my prayers for a happy and blessed Mother's Day to all of our mothers; those still with us and those who have gone before us.

*Fr. Ed*



On Pentecost Sunday, we will be celebrating Confirmation with *Cassidy Ciara O'Donnell, Dana Frances Medley, Yoally Palafox, Jacqueline Elizabeth Price, Gema Santiago and Genevieve Priscilla Van Pelt*. They have been participating in our Confirmation sessions here at Visitation where our Catechists have spoken to them about how to have a more intimate union with Christ and a livelier familiarity with the Holy Spirit. Our team has shared many stories and instructions with them, and helped them to see how God has been acting in their lives. They wish to continue to walk in Christ's footsteps in a fuller and more complete way and are now asking for us to assist them with their Confirmation. This will enable them to carry on in their apostolic responsibilities of Christian life.

Also, we will be welcoming into full communion of the Catholic Church, *Richard Jude Van Pelt* who of his own free will has asked to be received into the Catholic Church. He too, has been given spiritual and doctrinal preparation and he is ready to declare his faith publicly to this community.

Please keep all of them in your prayers – especially next week - May 15, 2016 - as we, their Community of faith, join with them to celebrate.



The Visitation Altar Server Team and the Holy Name Society will be holding a joint bake sale in the narthex of the church the weekend of May 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds of this bake sale will be helping to offset the cost of the new candles in the Daily Chapel.

### **MOTHERS' MEMORIAL MASS**

A special Mass will be celebrated for Mothers and their families who have suffered the loss of a child of any age (before birth/miscarriage, infancy, childhood, or adult children) on *Tuesday May 10, 2016 7:00pm at St. Denis Church, Route # 71, Manasquan*. Come to honor & remember these children through a special celebration of the Eucharist. The names of all children being honored and remembered will be read during this special Mass. A gathering with refreshments will follow. *No RSVP necessary...All are welcome!* This is sponsored by the Elizabeth Ministries of St. Denis and St. Dominic Churches. For additional information, call Rachel Hendricks 732-223-1658

### **DINE TO DONATE**

To help raise funds for our covering fund (parking lot & carpet replacement) the Event Development Team is working with local eateries in a "Dine to Donate" program. Each month will feature a different establishment that has agreed to donate a portion of sales during a specific time period. You can have fun with friends and family trying new venues or enjoying old favorites while sharing a great meal. Together we can make a positive impact helping to keep our community working and playing together.

Our May partner is **Jack & Mikes Brickhouse**, located at 979 Cedarbridge Avenue in Brick. They will donate 20% of your purchase, (including alcohol) on Wednesday May 11 & Wednesday, May 25, 2016, during regular business hours.

Pick up a flyer with coupon at the doors of the church after mass, or print a coupon from our website at [Visitationrcchurch.org](http://Visitationrcchurch.org).

### **A MOTHERS' DAY PRAYER**



We thank you, Creator of us all, for our mothers. We thank you that she gave us life and nurtured us all those years. She gave us our faith, helping us to know you and to know Jesus and his ways. She taught us how to love and how to sacrifice for others. She taught us that it was okay to cry and that we should always tell the truth.

Bless her with the graces she needs and which you want to give her today. Help her to feel precious in your eyes today and to know that I love her. Give her strength and courage, compassion and peace.

Bless her this day with your love.

***FR. ED & STAFF WOULD LIKE TO WISH  
ALL THE MOTHERS IN OUR PARISH  
A VERY HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY.***

### **MOTHER'S DAY GIFTS**

The Rosary Altar Society has some very nice pins, Rosary Beads, Statues and many other beautiful items available for Mother's Day. Stop by the Religious Article Counter in the Narthex of the Church for something special for Mom.

### **MOTHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE**

Mother's Day cards are available in the vestibule of the Church. Please remember to pick up your cards to have your mother or a loved one remembered in the masses in observance of Mother's Day beginning Monday, May 9 through Friday, May 13 in the Daily Chapel.

### **IN OUR OWN VOICE**

St. Aloysius Healthcare Ministry presents "*In Our Own Voice*", a program of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). This is a unique public education program about living with mental illness and achieving recovery. There will be compelling stories and a dvd presentation from trained speakers who have been there. There will also be an opportunity for Questions and Answers. This presentation is appropriate for both adults and high school teens. It takes place on Tuesday, May 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Saint Aloysius Parish Office at 935 Bennetts Mills Road, Jackson. If you have questions, please call Olive at 732-370-0500 x 220 or email [otaylor@saintaloyusonline.org](mailto:otaylor@saintaloyusonline.org).



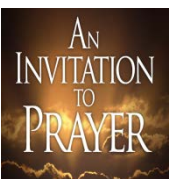
**RCIA CORNER**

**THE SACRED CHRISM**

This oil is a mixture of olive oil and balsam – and it smells great! The word chrisma, a Greek word, means any substance that serves the purpose of smearing or anointing, such as various kinds of oils, ointments, and pigments. Gradually the term came to be known as “sacred” and was used for that special kind of oil that is used in religious ceremonies and functions. This oil is used to sanctify. In the Old Testament Priests and Kings were anointed as a seal of their office. In the Chrism Mass the bishop prepares the oil by mixing the balsam with the oil and then he breathes over the vessel of chris. This gesture symbolizes both the Holy Spirit coming down to consecrate this oil, and the life-giving, sanctifying nature of the sacraments for which it is used. These Sacraments impart an indelible sacramental character on those who are anointed. We are reminded of how our Lord “breathed” on the Apostles on the night of Easter, saying, “Receive the Holy Spirit” (John 20:22.)

Our priests, who are also the concelebrants at the Chrism Mass, extend their right hands toward the chris as the bishop says the consecratory prayer, signifying that in union with their bishop they share “in the authority by which Christ Himself builds up and sanctifies and rules His Body,” the Church (Vatican II, Decree on the Ministry and Life of Priests, No. 2).

This oil is then sent to the parishes and hospitals in their Diocese to be used for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders. This oil is also used in the consecration of churches, chalices, patens, altars, and altar-stones, and in the solemn blessing of bells and baptismal water.



Each morning after the 8:15 Mass in the Daily Chapel a group of people gather for prayer. This prayerful experience will set the tone for the rest of your day. If you would like to be part of this spiritual awakening join us every day or whenever you can make it. We look forward to seeing you.

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULING**

To best serve our parish and ensure meaningful liturgies, we are embarking on a new method of scheduling for our Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Lectors. This will allow for better communications and flexibility in each of the ministries to ensure that we are there to assist the clergy with Mass. The next session being offered to explain the new process will be Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in Parish Meeting Room C. This new process will be used for scheduling ministers at masses starting with June 4<sup>th</sup>. It is important for everyone to attend whichever session best fits your schedule.



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION WILL BE CELEBRATED, MAY 7, & MAY 14 AT 4:00 MASS MAY 8, & 15. 11:00 AM & 12:30 PM MASSES.**

**DOWNEY SIDE'S 13TH ANNUAL FOREVER FAMILY CASINO GALA**

**Thursday, June 23rd, 6:00 – 10:30 PM**

Crystal Point Yacht Club, Point Pleasant Tickets are \$75 and include cocktails, buffet dinner, games of chance, professional dealers, gifts auction, silent auction and 50/50. For more information and to order tickets, please call 732-359-8434. Downey Side is the only national adoption agency exclusively devoted to recruiting families for youth 7 to 17 years old who need permanent families. For many children in the foster care system, adoption is the only safeguard against future homelessness in their young lives

**CATHOLIC ADVANCED DIRECTIVE**

Everyone – even those who are not old or ill – should complete an Advanced Directive. Find more information on the NJCC website at [www.njccathconf.com/content/respect\\_life\\_living\\_will.php](http://www.njccathconf.com/content/respect_life_living_will.php)



A special thank you to all the people who donated baked goods for our parish mission social on April 20. On very short notice, you came through with platters of deliciousness. Thanks to your generosity, the evening turned out great!



**MAY 8, 2016**

*Congratulations to the following Children as they receive  
The Sacrament of Holy Eucharist*

*“Happy are those who are called to His supper”*

*Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it  
saying:*

*Take and eat; this is my body*

*Then He took the cup, gave thanks and offered it  
to them saying:*

*Drink from it, all of you*

*Matthew 28:26, 27*

**FIRST**

*Holy  
Communion*

REESE ACHILLE  
MICHAEL ALAIMO  
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RICKY BUELL  
LUKE CAMISCIOLI  
MILANI CANTLEME  
DELANIE CARTER  
MARCO CISNEROS  
VICTOR CISNEROS  
VINCENT COLE  
ZACHARY CROZIER  
JOSEPH CURCIO  
OLIVIA CZIMCHARO  
LAUREN DELONARDO  
FRANCESCO DIMAGGIO  
ALYSSA DORIE  
SEAN DUNPHY  
MIA ERBE  
NICHOLAS ESTEVES  
TAYLOR FATTARUSO  
AARON FIKE  
SOFIA GANZ  
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ALAYNA VAIANA  
SIANNA VALVERDE  
VINCE VIEVA  
RILEY WARD  
JAXSON WOSKA  
MARIA YAHR

*May the joy of this day remain with our First Communicants always,  
and may their life in Christ continue to grow, as they grow, as Jesus did,  
in wisdom, age, and grace.*

*Fr. Ed*



***MAY 8, 2016***

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**MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS**

**Liturgical Ministries**

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** see Youth Ministry

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION** distributes Holy Communion at Masses, as well as to the homebound, hospitalized, nursing home, and Senior Housing residents. 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Vicki Cottrell or Vicki@visitationchurch.com*

**LECTORS** enhance the community's celebration of the Mass by meaningful reading of God's Word and by providing direction and overviews during the Liturgy. 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Vicki Cottrell or vicki@visitationchurch.com*

**LITURGY TEAM** meets monthly to plan liturgical and worship services that are meaningful and spiritual.

**ART AND ENVIRONMENT TEAM** visually enhances the celebration of the Mass by providing decorations that highlight the liturgical seasons. – *Fr. Ed* 732-477-9672, ext. 201

**MUSIC MINISTRY** spiritually enhances the celebration of the Liturgy. We are always seeking individuals who would like to share their gift of music through songs and prayers. **Adult Choir** assists and encourages the congregation in singing. Practice is on Thursday evenings at 7:15 PM in the Church. Adult choir sings on Sundays at 9:30 am Mass. **Youth Choir** welcomes all from ages 13 – 18 years of age to share their gift of music through songs and prayers. The Youth Groups sings on Sundays at 11:00 AM Mass.

**Bell Choir** is open to all ages. 732-477-9672, ext. 217 - *Natalya Bencivenga or natalie@visitationchurch.com*

**USHERS** promote hospitality by assisting parishioners, taking up collections and preparing Offertory gifts for presentation at Mass. 732-262-4186 – *Kathy Cifelli*

**VISITATION ALTAR SERVERS TEAM** see Youth Ministry

**Sacrament Preparation**

**BAPTISMAL TEAM** assists the Priests and Deacons with Baptismal Formation Sessions, as well as the actual ceremony. 732-477-9028 - *Donna Stawicki or SewSimple@aol.com*

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)** is the process used to welcome those who wish to complete some or all of the sacraments of initiation in the Church. 732-477-9672, ext. 214 - *Dale Zanetti or dale@visitationchurch.com*

**Education and Evangelization Ministries**

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION** provides educational and growth opportunities for parish adults. 732-477-9672, ext. 214 - *Dale Zanetti or dale@visitationchurch.com*

**BIBLE SHARING** offers day sessions to all who wish to deepen their understanding of Scripture. Meetings are held on Thursdays at 9:45 AM in the Church Auditorium. 732-477-9672 ext. 214 - *Dale Zanetti or dale@visitationchurch.com*

**EVANGELIZATION TEAM** promotes and fosters evangelization in all ministries by reaching out and encouraging all to live life as active Catholics. 732-477-9672, ext. 218 - *Deacon Salvatore Vicari or ext. 214 - Dale Zanetti or dale@visitationchurch.com*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD)** meets on Sunday from 9:15 to 10:30 AM in the Lake Riviera Middle School and weekdays in the church rectory during the school year. Pre-registration is required. 732-477-5217- *Nancy Grodberg or nancy@visitationchurch.com*

**Prayer Groups**

**CHILDREN OF LIGHT CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP** meets every Friday at 7:00 PM in Parish Room C to pray and work for spiritual renewal. 732-255-2728 - *Paul Rollis or paulr63@juno.com*

**ROYAL HEART OF JESUS & MARY CATHOLIC PRAYER GROUP** meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM in the Parish Room A. All are welcome. 732-742-2600 – *Joellen Arrabito – 732-262-3938 – Mary Casella or mnick123@aol.com*

**PRAYER CHAIN** is for anyone who feels the need for prayer or would like to join the group. 848-373-4239.

**Pastoral Care Ministries**

**BEREAVEMENT TEAM** provides support and meets Spring and Fall. 732-477-9672, ext. 221- *Deacon Richard Johnston*.

On-going support to grieving families is available- *Linda Conroy 908-902-2741 or lconroy58@verizon.net*

**FUNERAL LITURGY MINISTRY** helps plan liturgy for funeral masses. 732-367-5329 – *Rosemary Russell*.

**VISITATION CAREGIVERS** provide supportive services to the frail elderly and homebound in our community such as friendly visits, food shopping, transportation to medical appointments and respite care for families. 732-505-2273 ext. 211- *Mary Malagiere or marym@caregivervolunteers.org*

**Services**

**ANNULMENT TEAMS** are available to assist a parishioner in rectifying his/her marital status in accordance with the law of the Catholic Church and enable parish members to participate in a full Christian life 732-477-7059 ext. 218 – *Deacon Salvatore Vicari* 732-477-7059 ext. 103 *Arnold Vicidomini*

**SPIRITUAL DIRECTION** is offered to anyone in the community who yearns to deepen their relationship with God. 732-477-9672, ext.221 *Deacon Richard Johnston*

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### **Social Ministries/Activities**

**BINGO** is held in the church auditorium on Tuesdays at 11:00 AM. 732-477-9672 ext. 201 – Tuesday *Cindy Maguire*;  
**EVENT DEVELOPMENT TEAM** meets as needed to develop and implement social activities (such as the Gift Auction and Wine Tasting/Art Auction) for the purpose of raising money for the building fund. 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Vicki Cottrell-vicki@visitationchurch.com*

### **Social Concerns**

**COMMUNITY LUNCH (SOUP KITCHEN)** provides lunch Wednesdays each week to members of the parish and community. 732-255-2835 - *Isabel Kronicz or fkronicz@comcast.net*

**RESPECT LIFE** focuses on pro-life issues and needs through education and support of other organizations in support of pro-life issues. The group gathers every Monday in the church at 1:30 PM to recite the Rosary. 732-262-2047 – *Charles Pocher*

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** operates the Thrift Shop in the old church and manages the funds from the poor boxes to assist the needy in our parish and the surrounding community. Hours of operation are Monday – Saturday 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM. 732-477-9672, ext. 160

**VISITATION FOOD BANK** accepts donations of nonperishable food at the VRC location and in Church. These donations assist the hungry of our community. 732-746-3456 - *Visitation Relief Center*

### **Youth Ministries/Activities**

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** welcomes all from 3 to 12 years of age to share their love for Jesus through music. The choir sings monthly at the 12:30 PM Mass and performs at various community events. No tryouts are required. 732-477-9672 ext. 217 - *Jim Daniels*

**CYO BASKETBALL TEAM** practices at Lake Riviera Middle School. They were the 2007 Ocean County CYO champs. 201-522-3679 – *Coach or doug\_roman4@yahoo.com*

**VISITATION ALTAR SERVERS TEAM** provides assistance to the Priest in celebration of the Mass and other liturgical celebrations Open to all adults and boys and girls third grade and higher who have received their Holy Communion. 732-458-1492 - *Sue Straneri or stranieri.sue@gmail.com*

**VISITATION TEEN MINISTRY** provides a safe place for high school teenagers to come together, meet new people, and have fun while serving God and the community. For additional information please contact 732-477-7059 ext. 105 – *Christie or youthministry@visitationchurch.com*

### **Temporal Welfare**

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS TEAM** works to improve and enhance the appearance and safety of the existing church, former church, rectory building, and the associated grounds. The goal of this team is to adhere to all current safety and building codes and ensure that the house of God is maintained in an appropriate manner. - *Fr. Ed* 732-477-9672, ext. 201

**FINANCE COUNCIL** oversees the financial aspects of the parish 732-477-9672, ext. 216 – *Karen Smith*

**FUTURES TEAM** assesses and implements the needs of the parish to ensure that we are prepared for the future. The various teams coordinate all activities pertaining to the development of the Faith Formation Center. 732-477-9672, ext. 216 - *Vicki Cottrell-vicki@visitationchurch.com*

### **Organizations**

**AA MEETINGS** are held on Thursdays at 7:30 PM in the church auditorium.

**AL-ANON MEETINGS** are held on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in the Church Auditorium. Call Ann at 732-861-9051 or email *annern508@comcast.net*.

**CUB SCOUT PACK #38**, sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society, meets on Mondays at 6:30 PM in the Auditorium. No meeting during July & August. 732-451-0252 *Kim Gorman or kimmyg627@aol.com*

**BOY SCOUT TROOP #38**, sponsored by the Holy Name Society, meets Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in the old church. 732-262-8977 - *Matt Powell or matthewapowell@verizon.net*

**HOLY NAME OF JESUS SOCIETY** promotes respect for the Holy Name of Jesus and His Holy Catholic Church. Society members attend the 8:00 AM Mass the second Sunday of the month and meet the Tuesday following the second Sunday at 7:15 pm in Rectory Room B. There are no meeting July & August, however members still attend mass. 732-239-2449 – *Deacon Nick Stranieri or deaconnick@visitationchurch.com*

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #836** work with the local parish and contribute many hours of volunteer work to our community annually. They meet the first and third Wednesdays of each month at the Council Home on the corner of Cedarbridge Avenue and Route 70 East.

**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY** honors the Blessed Virgin Mary to secure her patronage through the daily recitation of the Rosary for the spiritual benefit of the parish community. Members attend the 8:00 AM Mass on the first Sunday of the month. The Monday following the first Sunday of the month they meet at 11:30 AM in the Church Worship for the Rosary. The meeting will follow at 12:00 noon in the Church Auditorium. There are no meeting July & August, however members still attend mass. 732-232-7132 – *Dee DeTuro or deed@visitationchurch.com*

### **Bulletin Deadline**

***Bulletin & Announcement Deadline: Ten days prior to publication weekend as space allows.***