

## Parish Mission

Our Parish Mission is a time of personal and communal renewal for all of us at Saint Thomas More. We are pleased to have Father Terry Odien as our Mission Director. All parishioners are encouraged to take advantage of this spiritual opportunity.

**Father Terry Odien**

Monday—Wednesday March 9, 10, 11, 2020  
7:00 PM—Saint Thomas More Church

## The Great Hymn of Saint Patrick.

In the morning we will reflect on the beautiful breastplate prayer attributed to St. Patrick. This prayer outlines Saint Patrick's spirituality and his keen awareness of the battle between good and evil. In the afternoon we will enjoy a lite lunch and the Emerald Isle Irish Step-dancers.

**Sister Meg Brown, RSM**

Tuesday March 17, 2020

10 AM—Chapel 12Noon—Parish Hall  
Fee: \$20 Co-sponsored by Women's Club



St Patrick's  
Breastplate  
how the hymn  
saved his life

## Lenten Taize Prayer

A Taize worship service involves sung and chanted prayers, meditation, scripture readings, periods of silence, and icons.

Taize prayer is a quieting, mystical experience. Be still and know God!



**Monday March 23, 2020**

7:00 PM—Parish Chapel

Co-sponsored by the Women's Club



### Religious Education Classes

Tuesday: Grades 1-4 4:30-6:00 PM

Grades 5-8 6:30-8:00 PM

Religious Ed Coordinator

Sister Clare Sabini, FMIJ

### Liturgy of the Word for Children

All Children Ages 3—6

Sunday 10 AM Mass

Coordinator: Lynda Chiaravallotti

## Adult Faith Formation

The Church wisely and repeatedly insists that adult faith formation is “essential to who we are and what we do as Church” and must be situated not at the periphery of the Church's educational mission but at its center.”

*(US Bishops' Statement Our Hearts are Burning within Us)*



**Reverend James Dabrowski**

Pastor

Father James King	Parochial Vicar
Sister Ann Byrnes, RSM	Lifelong Faith Formation
Sister Clare Sabini, FMIJ	Religious Education
Cristina Chillem	Youth Coordinator
Julie Linn	Music Ministry
Sheila Tartamosa	Parish Administration
Pat Cannon/Marylee Garber	Parish Secretaries

## Adult Faith Formation 2019--2020



GROWING TOGETHER

*In Faith*

*Saint Thomas More  
1439 Springdale Road  
Cherry Hill, NJ 08003*

### *Finishing Strong: Spirituality of Living and Dying*

The older we get, the more conscious we become of the reality of death. As our loved ones die, we realize that we, too, one day will return to God.

In these two sessions we will reflect on how we can live the last years of our lives in grace and with peace and how we can face the reality of our own death with hope and even joy. In other words, we will be able to "Finish Strong"!

**Sister Maryanne Nolan, RSM**  
Mondays September 23 & 30, 2019  
9:45 AM—Parish Hall

### *Consistent Ethic of Life*

Father Joyce will review the Church's teaching on the Consistent Ethic of Life and discuss our response in Moral Decision-making. He will also look at the Catholic Perspective on the question: "Should the Government decide my life and death Medical Choices?"

**Father Dan Joyce, SJ**  
Tuesdays October 15 & 22, 2019  
7:00 PM —Parish Hall  
Co-sponsored by Life & Justice Office  
Office of Faith & Family Life

### *Morning of Retreat*

This morning of quiet reflection is an opportunity to focus on and deepen one's personal relationship with God. Taking time away from busyness allows us to reflect on our life and God's presence and activity in all that we are about.

**Father Vinny Fortunato, OFM, CAP**  
Saturday November 16, 2019  
9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon: Mass--Conferences  
Saint Thomas More Chapel

### *Advent Small Christian Communities*

Read and reflect on the Advent readings with members of your parish family. Your Advent will be enriched and your heart prepared for the coming of the Christ Child.

**SCC's begin week of November 25, 2019**  
**Call Sister Ann to join a Community**



### *Lessons and Carols of the Season*

Celebrate in scripture and song the beautiful Liturgical Seasons of Advent and Christmas. Five area choirs gather at Saint Thomas More Church for our annual Festival of Lessons and Carols.

**Sunday December 8, 2019**  
3:00 PM Saint Thomas More Church



### *Mystics of the Church*

For a Mystic, God is known in a way that no human effort or exertion could ever produce. Sister Michele will explore with us this deep relationship with God experienced by John of the Cross, Therese of Lisieux, Teresa of Avila, Hildegarde of Bingen, Thomas Merton, and Dorothy Day.

**Sister Marie Michele Donnelly, RSM**  
Mondays January 13, 20, and 27, 2020  
9:45 AM----Parish Hall

### *Tour of Temple Emmanuel*

Rabbi Jerome David will guide participants in a tour of Temple Emmanuel and also speak to those attending about the various aspects of the Jewish Faith.

**Rabbi Jerome David**  
Wednesday February 5, 2020  
1:00 PM Temple Emmanuel

### *Change Our Hearts Lenten Christian Communities*

The Lenten Season is a special time of prayer and conversion of heart. In our Small Christian Communities, we have the opportunity to reflect on the Sunday Scriptures and see how God is calling us to respond. Let your Lenten commitment this year be participating in a Small Group.

**SCC's begin week of February 24, 2020**  
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