

St. Thomas More Church

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Eucharistic Celebrations
 Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
 Sunday: 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 am
 Weekdays:
 Monday-Friday: 6:45 and 9:00 am
 Saturday: 9:00 am
 Holyday: 6:45 & 9:00 am & 7:00 pm



Rite of Reconciliation
 Saturdays: 3:30-4:00 pm or any
 time by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration
 9:30 am—12noon
 Fridays in the Chapel

Reverend Phillip M. Johnson, Pastor
 Sister Ann Byrnes, RSM, Pastoral Associate for Life Long Faith Formation
 Sister Clare Sabini, FMIJ, Religious Education Coordinator
 Julie Linn, Music Ministry
 Kathleen Witts, Youth Coordinator
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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE, NOVEMBER 26, 2017

PARISH MISSION & VISION STATEMENTS

Mission (Purpose)

Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we the Catholic Community of St. Thomas More respond to our call to holiness.

Vision (Goals)

Empowered by Baptism, inspired by the Holy Spirit, and formed by the Word of God and the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist, we live out our Mission by working together:

- To structure prayerful, vibrant, participatory, Sunday worship experiences.
- To provide Life Long Faith formation for all age levels.
- To care for the young, the old, the sick, the hurting and the needy, both inside and outside our parish.
- To promote faith sharing, prayer, support, learning and listening to one another as a model for nourishing and sustaining our faith community.
- To welcome back, with hospitality, those who have left our faith community.

VISITATION AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the parish office, 424-3212, if a family member is seriously ill or facing/recovering from surgery and would like to see a priest or receive the Anointing of the Sick. Holy Communion is also available to those who are homebound on an ongoing basis.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please make arrangements for Baptism in advance through the parish office. Parents and godparents are required to attend a preparatory session.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to marry will attend a marriage preparation program called Living in Love. Call office for appointment.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process of formation for full initiation into the Catholic Church. It is open to those never Baptized; those baptized in another faith; and Catholics who have not received First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

For more information, please contact Sister Ann Byrnes, RSM, Pastoral Associate, 424-3212 ext. 104.

RCIA Team: Sister Ann Byrnes and John Mohan

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Children's Liturgy of the Word – Sunday, during 10 a.m. Mass

Grades one thru four: Tuesday, 4:30 - 5:45 p.m.

Grades five thru eight: Tuesday, 6:30– 7:45 p.m.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

New members are welcome in our community of faith. Please call, 424-3212, or come to the parish office to register.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please submit hardcopy and/or e-mail by 4 p.m. Monday.

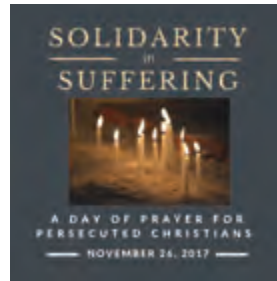
CATHOLIC GRADE SCHOOL

St. John Paul II Regional School - (856) 783-3088

Principal: Mrs. Helen Persing

November 26, 2017

Day of Prayer for Persecuted Christians



O God of all the nations, The One God who is and was and always will be, in Your providence You willed that Your Church be united to the suffering of Your Son. Look with mercy on Your servants who are persecuted for their faith in You. Grant them

perseverance and courage to be worthy imitators of Christ. Bring Your wisdom upon leaders of nations to work for peace among all peoples. May Your Spirit open conversion for those who contradict Your will, that we may live in harmony. Give us the grace to be united in truth and freedom, and to always seek Your will in our lives. Through Christ our Lord. Amen. Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us.

Prayer composed by Archbishop William E. Lori, Baltimore.

SCC groups for Advent start this week.

If you are interested in joining a group and have not signed up yet, please call Sr. Ann (424-3213) to register.



“... if My people, who are called by My Name, are sorry for what they have done, if they pray and obey me and stop their evil ways, I will heal their land.” 2nd Chronicles 7: 14

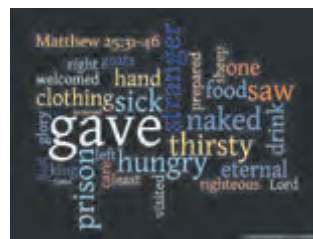
Stewardship Reflection-Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe —Generous Stewards

“..whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me.” Matthew 25:40

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us.

We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, **Stewardship** is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient; when it's not on our schedule,

but on the other person's schedule.



Fiftieth Anniversary Event



LESSONS & CAROLS

the promise of the Messiah - the birth of Jesus
Scripture - carols - choral music - hymns

Sunday December 3, 2017 — 3:00PM
Saint Thomas More Church

Five Area Choirs:



Merion Mercy Academy Chorus
Camden Catholic HS Choir
Saint Thomas More Choir
Quinton Boys' Ensemble
Diocese of Wilmington Gospel Choir

Free Will Offering
Refreshments to Follow

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MINISTRY SCHEDULE for DECEMBER 2/3

Mass Time	Presider	Music	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Altar Server
4:30 pm	Father Johnson	Music Ministry	G. Tyrrell, B. Crawford M. Santiago	J. Cepeda	C. & R. Cepeda A. Kuzinski
8:30 am	Father	Music Ministry	B. Massey B. Lento	J. Vecchiola	M. Widmer S. Russo
10:00 am	Father	Music Ministry	J. De Michele, M. Huynh K. Glover	D. Mayfield	Quays
11:30 am	Father	Music Ministry	M. Garber, B. Haughwout M. Gorin	B. Sorrentino	M. & T. Dautle

The Ministry schedule can be found at the St. Thomas More website: <http://stthomasmorenj.org>

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

We hope your Thanksgiving was filled with loving family, great friends and good food! Thanking God for our blessings is something we need to do daily. His goodness to us should not be taken for granted.

Sessions coming up:

December 5, 12, 19, - 2017.

Inter-generational activities:

All parents and parishioners are invited to the inter-generational activities, whatever the format. It is important that all ages and generations come together to express our faith and we want our children to see and experience that our allegiance to our God is across the years, it is "ageless". The Sunday Mass is certainly the most important time, but not the only time. Bringing the children to prayer with other members of the parish community will benefit them greatly. Experiencing prayer together with their parents and other adults across the generations provides the opportunity for children to create "memories" that will strengthen their faith throughout their lives.

Inter-generational activities coming up:

December 19, CHRISTMAS PAGEANT – *More information to come.*

Again this year we will be helping our friends in Camden experience a Christmas season filled with joy. Gift cards from Shop-Rite, Target or Walmart in any denomination may be sent to: Sr. Claire Sullivan
St. Teresa Convent
27 E. Evesham Rd.
Runnemede, NJ 08078
or left in the Women's Club mailbox in the parish office or given to Lois Udicious. Checks may also be made out to Sr. Claire.

STM Youth

**Sunday Advent Youth Gathering
Dec 3, 10 and 17 time TBA**

Prepare yourself for Jesus, explore ways to help others and serve the Christmas Party for the Children at Immaculate Conception in Camden. Please take time to deepen your faith and make the most of the preparation time before the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. **Please contact Katie if interested. 856-305-2914**

youthgroup@stthomasmorenj.org

St. Thomas More Religious Education and Youth Group

Collections for those in need...

During this time of year, we are extra mindful of all the blessings we have. We also like to remember and give to those who are not as fortunate. Please take time to share your blessings with others.

November 26th-December 12th

Collection for the Children of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Camden

Gifts—\$5 gifts for boys and girls in 1st and 2nd grade
Food- Granola bars, bag of pretzels, fruit, etc., juice boxes, small waters **Crafts**- Christmas Craft Supplies or Kits **Monetary Donations**—If you do not have time to shop or not sure what to buy—the Youth Group would love to shop for you! Additional Monies collected will be used to help the families in need this season.

Tuesday, December 12th and Tuesday, December 19th Mitten Tree

Help us help keep hands and feet warm this winter, by donating mittens, gloves and socks of any size. Please hang donations on the MITTEN TREE.

Any questions about the Youth Group, Please contact Katie Witts youthgroup@stthomasmorenj.org

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Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

- 9:00 am** living & deceased members of the parish
Carl Carite, Jr. r/b family
4:30 pm Anne Krenslak
r/b Frank & Frances Krenslak

SUNDAY—November 26

- 8:30 am** John Walsh r/b Charlene Walsh
10:00 am Ray Desrochers r/b Carol Koelsch
Phil Petrone
r/Schillig & Bruton families
Tom LaCasse r/b Lynn Ellinger
11:30am Richard Pfunstein
r/b Joe Cammarasana

MONDAY—NOVEMBER 27

- 6:45 am** Michael Roy Manzi
r/b McGeady family
9:00 am Leonard Antonacci
r/b Grace & Joe Sklenecar & family

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

- 6:45 am** intentions of Peruso family
r/b Mopsy Silvestro
9:00 am Phil Petrone r/b AJ & Carol Ariani

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

- 6:45 am** Anna & Walter Partenheimer
r/b Turner family
9:00 am Phil Petrone
r/b Mike & Helen Hawksley

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30

- 6:45 am** JoAnn Meloni r/b Joan Feinberg
9:00 am George Gehring
r/b Anne

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

- 6:45 am** JoAnn Feinberg r/b Barbara Goodfriend
9:00 am intentions of Kathy Harte
r/b Esther Fils

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

- 9:00am** living & deceased members of the parish
4:30 pm Kathleen Centonze
r/b Rocco Centonze & Robert Flora

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

- 8:30 am** Michel Vigrass r/b family
10:00 am Phil Petrone r/b Claire & Dick Spence
Tom LaCasse r/b Ann & Bill Vigrass
Thanksgiving for Pablo R. Chavez
r/b Josefa



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mitchell Lang (Chico Febus' brother-in-law)

Papal Intentions for the Month of November: That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: THE SICK...



Pat Beaney, Anna Bedrick, Francesca Capra, Elva Clark, Frank Colbert, Sean Colbert, Joseph Console, Marie Corcoran, Geralyn Coticone, Mary Cowan, Margaret Crawford, Pasquale DiFronzo, Angelo DiGiacomo, Harry Gindele, Sue Hagan, Thomas Houston, Helen Kane, Michael Kapischke, Stephen Kaye, John B. Kennedy, Peggy Kiefner, Maureen Kochanek, Stan Kochanek, Don Kreal, Mary Ellen Lepre, Al MacElrath, Marie Manalo, Vince Marchesani, Wayne Mauri, Sr., Al McElrath, Jerry McMenamin, Youngmork Park, Hilda K Pellerito, Fred Petrone, Tina Petrone, Pauline Rosberg, Joseph Ryan, John S., Barbara Salpas, Carlos Santiago, Yun-Yun Shen, Teddy Shaffer, Frank Sines, Claire Spence, Dick Spence, Maria Storms, Samuel Stafford, Michael Suralik, Pat Suralik, George Sweeten, Christopher Tama, Stephanie Tama, Marcy Toub, Ted Uhlman, Kathryn Wolfe, Ann Vigrass.

THOSE IN THE ARMED SERVICES...



2nd Lieutenant Patrick J. Bones, USMC,
Captain Anthony R. Cosentino,
Spc. Peter DeCrescenzo,
SSgt John P. DeYoung,
Lt. Nicholas G. Iannuzzi,
2nd Lt. Christopher M. Mawn,
PFC Sonny Morrison,
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Joe Centonze 856-424-3809;
Joecent4@gmail.com

Thank you to all who took part in Remembrance Month by sharing with the parish the pictures of their deceased loved ones. Please remember to pick up your pictures by the end of November as we will be taking the display down to make room for Advent & Christmas decorations. Thank you.

Small Christian Community Faith Sharing

Please note that we put the following week's Gospel passage in this space so you can prepare all week for Proclamation of the Gospel the following Sunday. Faith Sharing helps ordinary people connect their faith with everyday life experiences.

Excerpt from the Gospel for the First Sunday of Advent, December 3, 2017 - Mark 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in charge, each with his own work, and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch. Watch, therefore; you do not know when the lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to all: "Watch!"

Commentary:

Advent literally means "coming." This coming refers to the first coming of Jesus as a baby in Nazareth, his coming into the hearts of faithful Christians throughout the ages and his final coming in glory at the end of the world. Christians in the first century looked for Christ to return soon to establish once and for all God's reign of justice, peace and love. The parable we hear in Mark's Gospel encouraged the early Christians not to grow careless. Advent is a time of joyful expectation. Jesus will come again. He will not forget his own. Keep looking!

Questions for Reflection and Sharing:

1. Share something from the reading or the commentary that spoke to you.
2. How can you make Easter, not just a one-day celebration but a way of life?
3. What in your life keeps people from seeing Jesus in you?
4. Who are you more like: Mary Magdalene, Peter or the Beloved Disciple? Why?



"The fundamental human right, the presupposition of every other right, is the right to life itself. This is true of life from the moment of conception until its natural end. Abortion, consequently, it cannot be a human right, it is the very opposite. It is a deep wound in society." *Pope Benedict XVI*. Pray to end abortion.
Al MacElrath - Pro-Life Coordinator 779-7130



Participants of Small Christian Communities enjoy their Annual Covered Dish Supper on Thursday November 9th. Advent gatherings begin the week of November 27th.

St. Thomas More Parish "Israel: A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land" March 21 to March 29, 2018.

This trip includes 1 night in Tel Aviv, 2 nights in Tiberias and 4 nights in Jerusalem with breakfast and dinner daily, plus a lunch at a kibbutz. Visit Nazareth & Bethlehem, follow the Via Dolorosa walked by Our Lord on His way to His crucifixion, stop at the Garden of Gethsemane, and visit the Jordan River baptismal site. This pilgrimage also offers the opportunity to celebrate Mass daily. **Prices at \$2,249 pp based on double occupancy (air prices based at time of booking.) Contact Lin (856) 795-4396 for more information.**

Fr. Dan Joyce is looking for used, working window air conditioners. If you have one you wish to donate, call the Parish Office at 856-424-3212.



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