

Inspired by God's word, we are a community of Christians who, through meaningful prayer and sacramental life, seek to love one another as Christ loves us and to fulfill this love through acceptance of and service to all people.

January 31, 2016



St. Mary of the Lakes



Parish Website

40 Jackson Road, Medford, New Jersey 08055



School Website

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 7:15 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m.

OUR COMMUNITY IS SERVED BY:

Reverend Daniel F. Swift, Pastor
father_dan@smlparish.org
Reverend Carlos A. Florez, Parochial Vicar
cflorez@smlparish.org
Deacon Ken Motylinski
Deacon Timothy R. Collins
Ms. Susan B. Kraemer, Business Administrator
Mrs. Christine Brandt, Pastoral Associate
Mrs. Jean E. Hoover, School Principal
Mrs. MaryPat Scordato, Director of Religious Education
Sister Regina McCalla, SSJ, Liturgy/Music Coordinator
Mrs. Linda Xerri, Parish Youth Minister
Ms. Georgiana Francisco, Minister of Evangelization and Marketing
Mr. William P. Kiernan and Mr. Michael Maher, Parish Trustees

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

ST. MARY THE LAKES ONLINE:

Web Site Address: <http://www.smlparish.org>
Email address: email@smlparish.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/smlparish
School website: <http://www.smlschool.org>
Knights of Columbus: <http://www.Medfordknights.org>

LOCATION, TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

Parish Offices	40 Jackson Road	654-8208
Parish Health Ministry	Ext. 610	654-8208
St. Mary of the Lakes School	196 Route 70	654-2546
Religious Ed. Office	196 Route 70	654-2546
Parish Youth Minister, Ext.311	196 Route 70	654-2546
St. Vincent de Paul	Jones Road	953-0021

PARISH REGISTRATION: ALL ARE WELCOME!

"God is rich in mercy, because of His boundless love for us." Ephesians 2:4 tells us God's love knows no boundaries and neither does St. Mary of the Lakes. New parishioners, regardless of where they live, are welcome and encouraged to register at our parish. Registration forms are available at the doors of the church, in the parish office, and on our website at smlparish.org (click on contact us/registration).

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions are heard Friday mornings after the 9:00 a.m. Mass and Saturdays from 4:30 to 5:00 p.m. You may also call the parish office to make an appointment for a different time.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please call the parish office anytime or speak to one of the priests after Mass.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptisms are celebrated on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Session prior to their child's Baptism. Sponsors also are encouraged to attend. Please call the parish office at (609) 654-8208, Ext. 110 as early as possible to make the necessary arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Congratulations to our engaged couples. Please call (609) 654-8208, Ext. 117 to make arrangements for your wedding. We suggest you call at least a year in advance.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): If you or someone you know is considering becoming a Catholic Christian or if you were baptized Catholic, but never received the Eucharist and/or Confirmation, please call (609) 654-8208, Ext.113. There are no tests to pass or fail. There is only faith to give and share.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Every Thursday after 9:00 a.m. Mass, concluding with Benediction at 7:00 p.m.

MINISTERIAL VISITS: The sacraments are available to anyone confined to home or institution. Please contact the rectory if you know anyone who is unable to get to church.

Mass Intentions

Sunday January 31

- 7:30 a.m. For Our Parishioners
9:00 a.m. Donald Ferry Sr. – Rakoczy-Ley Family
10:30 a.m. Dolores Ruffolo – Andrew & Heather Scibilia
12:15 p.m. Nicholas Gentile – Peggy Egan
Frank A. Buccialia Sr. – Lisa Dallara & Family
6:00 p.m. Paul Zetts Sr. – Greg and Elaine Reinhardt

Monday February 1

- 7:15 a.m. Emma Boyle – Armin & Christine Vaihinger
Emma Paige Hill – Claire & Paul Miller
9:00 a.m. Warren Murray – Family
Nada Barolin – Alice & Marie

Tuesday February 2

- 7:15 a.m. Jean Wilmot – Nancy & Ed Mann
9:00 a.m. Nicholas Gentile – Clergy, Staff & Parishioners of SML

Wednesday February 3

- 7:15 a.m. Mary & Harold Dubell – Family
9:00 a.m. Michael Hess(Living) – Family
Patty Cannatta – Vicky Stone

Thursday February 4

- 7:15 a.m. Lucy Bolognini – Christine & Armin Vaihinger
9:00 a.m. James D. Pasquarello – Pasquarello Family
Mary Quigley – Diane & Don Wolf

Friday February 5

- 7:15 a.m. Clare Carberry – Francis & Ann Babinchuck
9:00 a.m. Frances Ruff – Rich & Pat Lewis

Saturday February 6

- 9:00 a.m. Joseph Talarico – Xerri Family
5:30 p.m. Dolores Vitt – Jerry & Ann Marie Connors

Sunday February 7

- 7:30 a.m. For Our Parishioners
9:00 a.m. Sam Barbagiovanni – Tom & Sandra Hurley
10:30 a.m. Mary Schiappa – Hellbergs
Julia Daoud Young – Lisa Dallara & Family
12:00 p.m. Deceased Benefactors of Society of St. Vincent dePaul
6:00 p.m. Vincent Lania – Turner Family

Stewardship

January 24, 2016 (snowstorm)
First collection: \$ 8,634.25
Second collection: \$1,161.53

Christmas Donations to date : \$132,906.95

Baptisms

We welcome

Mia Bida Maddalaoni

who will be baptized this weekend.

Baptisms are held on the second and fourth Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m. Please call the parish office at 609-654-8208, Ext. 110 to schedule your child's baptism and to arrange to attend our Baptism Preparation Workshop. The next workshop will be Saturday, February 27, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the Emmaus Center.

Please pray for the soul of

Flora Venezia

and keep her family in your prayers.

Please Pray for the Sick

Due to space limitations, prayer requests over a year old will be placed in a category called **Long Term Prayer Requests**. These names will not be individually published, but they will be prayed for every day at Mass.

Long Term Prayer Requests, as well as the

following: Joseph Aromando, Harry Scholz, Evelyn Doherty, William Hendrickson, Cathryn Roberts, Jennifer Kenderdine, Rose Mary Cervenka, Frank Parker, Florence DeRenzis, Jeffrey Edwards, Kathryn Illo, Anne Flinn, Norman Rebel, Pam Poling, Bruce Bunning, Juanita Worthy, Joseph Rowan, Bob Sherlock, Michael Delissio, Morgan Kelly, Kristin Hurley, Lisa Baron, Barbara Dunn, Camille Smith, Stephen Schmitt, Manuel Pernas, Joseph Mulhern, Louise Billich, Ron Lyczak, Kimberly Shifflett, Paula Askin, Kayley Berezney, Ron Sabo, Maureen Layman, Alyson Long, Margaret Lane, Elizabeth Murpy, Vincent Lania, John Orio, Dick Uth, Alex Roggio, Sally DiBella, Maggie Lacovara, Brooke Conklin, Michael Josephs, Maryann Labow, Marion Zetts, James Zuratt, Riley Gardner, Andrew Lee, Joseph Mooney, Nicholas J. Neary, Catherine Walsh, Leslie Brown, Martin Calpin, Joanne Marinelli, Alexander Jennings, Colleen Patton DeSantis, William Heslin, Carol Santos, Marguerite Fenimore, AJ Russo, Robert Rogers, John Stetomick, James Richards

PRAY
FOR OUR
TROOPS

GM3 David Lewis, USN, LTJG Kevin Hickey, Ensign Sean Hickey, Lt. William G. Hock, USAF; Private John R. Anderson, USA; C2C Kyle Brandt, USAF; Captain Matthew Sturgis, USA; Spc. Nicholas Graham; 2nd Lt. Erin Rademaker, USA; 1st LT Katherine Collins, USA; Ensign Jeremy Griffin, USN; Pvt. Nicholas Lawrence, USA;

Thank you for your service to our country.



St. Mary
of the Lakes
SCHOOL

**Kindergarten, Pre-School
Grades 1-8**

**Open House
TODAY**

12:15 p.m. Mass in school auditorium

Open House from 1:15 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
New family information sessions, tours
Bring a friend or family member!

We offer full-day kindergarten and
three, four, five day-a-week
mornings or full-day options for preschool.

Before/After Care available.

For information, visit

www.smlschool.org or call (609) 654-2546

Catholic Schools Week: January 31- February 6

Blessing of Throats

Wednesday, February 3rd, is the Feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr. St. Blaise was a physician and Bishop of Sabaste, Armenia in the early Fourth Century and was martyred during the reign of the Emperor Licinius. St. Blaise is associated with the healing of throats. There will be a general blessing of throats at all the Masses this weekend. There will be individual blessing of throats after the 7:15 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Masses on Wednesday.

*Through the intercession of St. Blasé,
bishop and martyr,
may God deliver you from every disease
of the throat and from every other illness.
In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen*

Super Bowl Sunday Hoagie Pre-Sale Today!



Get your order ready for Super Bowl game-day hoagies from our Y.E.S. teens! Pre-orders will be taken after all Masses this weekend at the Jackson Road and Parking Lot entrances. Hoagies will be available for pick-up in the Emmaus Center on February 7th, Super Bowl Sunday, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Proceeds help defray costs of the annual "Build" trip for Habitat for Humanity. Contact Ixerri@smlparish.org for more information.

Active Shooter Response Training

Unfortunately, recent events serve to remind us that no one is immune from the tragedy of an active shooter incident. While such an event is highly unlikely at St. Mary of the Lakes, we are offering an hour-long Active Shooter Response Training seminar on Thursday, February 4th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Emmaus Center. The seminar will provide information on what to do and what not to do should such an event occur at our parish. The guest speaker has worked in counter terrorism with the U.S. Military, the Department of Homeland Security, and various enforcement agencies. We encourage your attendance so that as many parishioners as possible will be informed. There is a sign-up sheet at the Jackson Road entrance.

Intergenerational Scripture Study for the Confirmed: Passion and Resurrection

Father Dan will offer a four-week adult scripture study entitled, "Passion and Resurrection," on Mondays, February 15, 22, 29 and March 7 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Emmaus Center. This scripture study will take an in-depth look at the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus according to the Gospel of Mark, with comparisons made to Matthew and Luke. To register, call the parish office or sign the roster located at the Jackson Rost entrance. Please BYOB (bring your own Bible) and \$3.00 to the first class to cover the cost of printed materials. If you need a Bible, New American Bibles will be sold for \$6.00 at the class.

Young Adult Ministry to Begin at St. Mary of the Lakes

Father Dan is interested in starting a Young Adult/Millennials Ministry at St. Mary of the Lakes for parishioners ages 25 to 35 years of age. The kick off and information meeting will be held Tuesday, February 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the Emmaus Center. If you have interest, please plan to attend.

Mardi Gras Night to Benefit our Eighth Grade Class

Make it a night with friends as St. Mary of the Lakes School families celebrate before the beginning of the Lenten season with Mardi Gras Night, Saturday, February 6th from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at Gibson House, in Marlton. There will be unlimited food/drink with entertainment and a silent auction will offer a chance to win gift baskets to help celebrate Super Bowl Sunday or for gifts at Easter. Proceeds benefit St. Mary of the Lakes 8th grade class. For tickets (\$50.00), contact Debbie Holtz (856) 906-6554/borieholtz@aol.com.

Sale of Convent

After much thought, reflection, and prayer, and in consultation with Sister Regina and her Regional Superior, Sister Maureen, Father Dan has received approval from the St. Mary of the Lakes Finance Council and permission from Bishop O'Connell to sell the convent at 27 Schoolhouse Drive. This decision is being made because St. Mary of the Lakes employs only one religious, Sister Regina, who is part-time. Sister Regina will continue to minister at St. Mary of the Lakes, but will live with her Sisters of St. Joseph at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Convent in Maple Shade. In the coming weeks, the convent will be ready for sale. Please keep Sister Regina and this process in your prayers as transition brings its usual challenges.

Return Old Palms

Please return old palms to the bins at the church door foyers. Kindly remove any wrapping (plastic or brown bags) or rubber bands before putting palms in the bin.

Faith in our Future Parishioner Survey

Handing on the message of the Gospel is at the core of our mission as Catholics. To strengthen and continue this mission, parishes in the Diocese of Trenton will be undertaking an evaluation process entitled, "Faith in our Future," in an effort find ways to meet some of the important challenges we face today, including the shortage of priests, limited resources, reduced number of facilities, et al. We will be responding with recommendations and new opportunities to meet these challenges, such as incorporating venues for new evangelization, realigning our priestly leadership, uncovering new resources, to name a few, so that we can better share the Gospel in ways that will benefit Catholics for generations to come.

To this end, Father Dan has appointed a task force of eight parishioners who have the pulse of St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic Church and School. They are: Elaine Barbagiovanni, Debbi Borie-Holtz, Marta DeGisi, Stella Dunn, Jim Dwyer, Pat Kiernan, Millie Linnett and Nancy Sanson.

The task force has completed an evaluation of St. Mary of the Lakes in the following areas:

1. Sacramental Life of the Parish
2. Evangelization, Catechesis, and Catholic Schools
3. Communal Life
4. Leadership and Stewardship

Beginning the weekend of February 6th/7th, all parishioners will have the opportunity to complete a survey, either online or in hard copy, to provide input in these areas as well. We hope you will take the under 10 minutes it will require to fill it out and quickly return it.

Once results of the survey are in, we will enter into conversations with other area parishes, and form "clusters," with the hope of making recommendations to the Bishop and a Diocesan Planning Commission, on which Father Dan has been asked to serve.

The Best Lent Ever

Don't give up chocolate this Lent, advises the DynamicCatholic team, who asks, "Have you ever had a memorable Lent? Have you ever had a life-changing Lent?" DynamicCatholic invites you to join Matthew Kelly and thousands across the country for "Best Lent Ever." Based on Kelly's new bestseller, *Rediscover Jesus*, this free email program will take you on a 40-day spiritual journey to encounter Jesus--and yourself--in a deeply personal way. Sign up at DynamicCatholic.com/Lent.

Cancelling Mass Due to Snow

If the Governor declares a state of emergency, daily Mass/es will always be cancelled. If there has been a snowstorm, please call the parish office and the recording will state whether or not Mass will be offered. If the parking lot and walks have yet to be cleared, Mass would be cancelled so no one will slip and get hurt.

Additionally, St. Mary of the Lakes Parish Office will follow the snow schedule of St. Mary of the Lakes School. If the school is closed or has a delayed opening, the parish office will be closed or have a delayed opening.

Memorial Opportunity

Father Dan is ordering a purple cope and humeral veil to be worn during Stations of the Cross and Benediction during Lent. He would like to offer this as a memorial opportunity for an offering of \$1,000.00. Memorial information can be sown into the cope. If interested, contact the parish office.

Bingo in Burlington

St. Paul School Bingo (250 James Street, Burlington) resumes Sunday, February 14th in the school cafeteria at 7:00 p.m. and continue every Sunday evening. Bring friends, have fun, and maybe even win a few dollars! In addition to 12 games included in \$5.00 admission, there are four pay-to-play special games, including a progressive jackpot. February admission includes coupon for free hamburger/hotdog. Participants must be 18 years or older to play. Call Holly at (609) 760-7502 or Matt at (609) 744-9805 for information.

Administrative Assistant

PREP Sacrament Update

On February 1st at 7:30 p.m., Father Dan will meet in the church with parents of our school and PREP second graders who will be making their First Eucharist in the Spring.

During the 5:30 p.m. Mass on February 6th, our school and PREP sixth graders will begin their journey to Confirmation 2018 with the Rite of Enrollment. We hope families, friends will attend and show support for our young men and women.

Second graders will make the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on February 13th and 20th. Please remember them in your prayers.

Confirmation will be celebrated Wednesday, April 20th. Please pray for our eighth graders as they approach this milestone in their journey of faith.

Benefit Concert for Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The Laudate Chorale, under the direction of Stephen Lucasi, will present a concert for the benefit of our chapter of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul on Sunday, February 21st at 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 42 West Main Street, Moorestown. The Chorale is comprised of up to 60 singers from South Jersey who have come together to give back to the community, and specialize in traditional Catholic Church and American Spirituals/Gospel music and classic show tunes. Most are seasoned choir singers with a passion for making music, making this an event the whole family—and friends--will not want to miss. A free-will offering will be accepted, with 100 percent of the proceeds directly benefitting the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Parishioners Can Donate Altar Flowers, Make Prayer Requests

Beginning April 3rd, the Sunday after Easter, parishioners have the opportunity to donate \$130 for flowers on the altar to honor a loved one or to make a special prayer request. If you would like to adorn the altar after Easter, contact the parish office at (609) 654-8208, Ext.110.

Position Available

St. Mary of the Lakes is seeking a full-time Administrative Assistant to perform a wide range of administrative and office support activities for the parish office, along with the ability to interact well with staff and parishioners. This position requires the ability to manage several projects along with day-to-day responsibilities.

Job Qualifications: This individual must have excellent problem-solving, communication, interpersonal skills, and the ability to maintain confidentiality; must be proficient in Microsoft Word/Excel and have the ability to work with other systems, such as Publisher and ParishSOFT.

No telephone calls please. Submit résumé, salary requirements with two professional references, one personal reference, to Ms. Susan Kraemer, Business Administrator, St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic Church and School, 40 Jackson Road, Medford, NJ 08055 or send via email to skraemer@smlparish.org.

Daughters Day Of Reflection

The Daughters of St. Therese begins Lenten reflection on Thursday, February 18, beginning with 9:00 a.m. Mass, followed by recitation of the Rosary and light refreshments in the Emmaus Center, where Sister Marcy Springer of Francis House will speak about the Jubilee Year of Mercy, how it relates to our lives, and enriches our Lenten journey. Let us use this day to refresh and reset our own spirits, with Sister Marcy guiding the steps of our renewal. Remember to bring a bag lunch.

Memorial Opportunity

Four small votive candle stands in the chapel area for \$1,000 each. There are two on each side. Items can be memorialized. If interested, contact Phil Mitchell at 609-714-0663 or phil_madeline@msn.com

Rosary Prayer Groups

Weekdays and Saturdays after the 7:15 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Masses & Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the church.

Scout Sunday

The parish-chartered Cub Scout Pack 108 will celebrate National Scout Sunday at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on February 7th. Cub Scouts from Pack 108 will receive special Catholic emblems for following the Cub Scout promise, fulfilling their duty to God.

Pack 108 encourages other area Boys Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts and Daisies to wear their uniforms to Mass to celebrate with them. Scouts joining the celebration can receive a special SML Scout Sunday patch by sending an email to pjkearney@duanemorris.com by February 4th.

Shoebox Recycling Program

A message from the Environmental Awareness Committee: did you know you can recycle your gently used shoes through ShoeBox Recycling (SoleMate)? The shoes are sent to the needy in countries that have requested them, giving jobs to people and keeping materials out of the landfill. Drop off good, used shoes at Vaughan Hall in Medford Lakes (Colony Club office in rear of building). Proceeds from the collection will benefit our parish ministries. For information on our Ministry, call 609-668-1673 or visit smlparish.org.

Contemporary Music Group

The Contemporary Music Group, *Redemption*, will sing at three 6:00 p.m. Masses each month. If you'd like to sing with the group, call Sister Regina, 609-654-8208, Ext. 119.

Receiving Low Gluten Host

If you have Celiac disease and would prefer to receive a low gluten host, please go to the railing by the Tabernacle at the end of Holy Communion and identify yourself. The priest, deacon or Eucharistic minister of Holy Communion will give you a consecrated low gluten host at that time.



The IHN hosting of two homeless families this past weekend was fraught with challenges! Although volunteer drivers provided transport to/from the Moorestown Community House for a single mom and her two daughters, we learned that the school system couldn't provide bussing the girls to their schools in Westhampton and Burlington. When we learned that mom was taking her girls to school via public transportation, waiting an hour in the extreme cold for the next bus, a volunteer driver asked, "Why can't we take them?" And that's exactly what they did! We greatly appreciate their driving them for the rest of the week!

Families were safely tucked in at the Emmaus Center Friday night, but the Blizzard of 2016 prevented our overnight hosts' arrival, presenting more challenges: Who will supervise during the night? What if we lose electricity or heat? How will we transport them to Moorestown? How will we get the beds to the next church?

After making many decisions/phone calls, Father Dan offered to be our "on call" person for Friday/Saturday nights should an emergency arise and even offered the rectory's shower and rest room for the guests' convenience. Extra food, flashlights, and blankets were also provided due to the storm's increasing threat.

Happily, all were comfortable and safe throughout the weekend. Father Dan checked in from time to time, as we did, to ensure their safety and well-being.

Sunday brought the storm's end, but also brought the next challenge of clearing the parking lot so as to get our guests to their next destination. Amazingly, one family was safely driven to Moorestown and the other left in their own car. Volunteers came as scheduled, returned the Emmaus Center to normal, loaded the trailer with the beds, and drove it to the next church.

Both families were so grateful for the outpouring of love and compassion from our volunteers and we've received reports that ours is the best church in the IHN program because our guests are well cared for and made to feel at home.

A huge "Thank you!" to all volunteers for the work you do so willingly and for bringing alive the Gospel words of Jesus (Matthew 25: 31-46), "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." The IHN project really does work for Jesus!

DYC 2016 – April 17, 2016
Rise Up

Love has Triumphed. Mercy has been Victorious -
Pope Francis

Y.E.S. is now accepting registrations for teens grades eight through twelve who wish to attend the annual Diocesan Youth Conference (DYC) on Sunday, April 17, at Notre Dame High School in Lawrenceville. The cost is \$20.00 if registered before February 7th. The Conference includes a fun-filled day for teens around the diocese and includes awesome, inspirational speakers, Christian worship bands, and the opportunity to participate in small group activities and games. The day ends with Mass celebrated by Bishop O'Connell and/or diocesan clergy. Y.E.S. ministry teens have attended each year and it is a day not to be missed! Parent chaperones (must be VIRTUS-trained) are needed to drive and supervise parish teens for the day. To register, visit www.smlparish.org, click on Diocesan Youth Conference Registration Form; fill out, return form/fee to Linda Xerri in the Y.E.S. office or contact lxerri@smlparish.org/(609) 654-8208, Ext. 111 for further information.

St. John Neumann Church Annual Day of Reflection

Divine Mercy, the Power of The Holy Spirit, Forgiveness/Healing and Wisdom: St. John Neumann, Saturday, February 27, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Special Youth Track added this year! Come experience/learn about Divine Mercy, forgiveness, healing, gifts of The Holy Spirit. Guest Speakers include Kathleen McCarthy, author/host, *In His Sign* on Catholic Radio and Maria Richardson, Youth Congress Director for World Meeting of Families, Philadelphia 2015. Donation of \$15 with Continental Breakfast included. Bring bag lunch. Contact Maria Arvonio, (609) 410-4126, maria.arvonio@yahoo.com, or Maria Novack (215) 490-5709, osprey192@gmail.com.

Pope Francis' February Prayer Intentions:

Universal Prayer Intention: That prisoners, especially the young, may be able to rebuild lives of dignity.

Intention for Evangelization: That married people who are separated may find welcome and support in the Christian community.

Holy Eucharist Seeks Director of Music Ministry

Holy Eucharist Parish, a Tabernacle parish with almost 2400 families, is seeking a full-time Director of Music Ministry. Responsibilities include planning liturgies and music, selection, training and oversight of cantors, coordinating and conducting parish choirs including adult and children (youth) choirs, and accompaniment (keyboard, guitar, drums, flute, etc.) development and facilitation of active participation by the congregation in the liturgies and participation in faith formation events.

Qualifications include:

- Knowledge of Catholic/contemporary music across liturgical spectrum
- Organizational, computer, leadership skills Ability to work collaboratively with pastor/parish staff, volunteers to achieve common ministerial goals

Submit resume/letter of interest to mwarner@holyeucharist.org by February 11, 2016.

Catholic Schools Week Basketball Game

Celebrate the start of Catholic Schools Week with our Burlington County Catholic Schools and PTAs on February 1st at the Holy Cross Academy Gymnasium in Delran when the Harlem Wizards take on the Burlco Catholic Crusaders (comprised of teachers, students, staff from area Catholic elementary schools and county high school). Tip off time is 6:30 p.m. Tickets \$12.00 in advance; \$15.00 at the door. Contact Desiree Caruso (856) 404-0957/dlc3@comcast.net or Meg Fynan (856) 461-7050/mmmmbt6@verizon.net.

U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking Update

February 8 is the feast day of St. Josephine Bakhita, a Sudanese girl who was enslaved at the age of 7 and named Bakhita, "Fortunate One", by her captor. She experienced the physical and moral humiliations of slavery. St. Bakhita, canonized in 2000, is considered the patroness of kidnapped and trafficked children. Pray to St. Bakhita to protect children, especially those who are exploited for sex or labor. For prayer resources, visit: sistersagainsttrafficking.org. Ending Slavery is everyone's work.

Pre-Need Cemetery Planning

The Catholic Church recognizes the many emotions that family members experience when facing the death of a loved one. Surrounded by family and friends, accompanied by the prayers and sacraments of the Church, the time of death can be a graced moment when faith and family bonds are strengthened. With this foundational understanding, the Church encourages communication among family members well in advance of the need to make funeral and cemetery arrangements. Those with responsibility for Catholic cemeteries uniformly encourage all families to consider the purchase of grave, crypt, or niche spaces in advance of need. This pre-planning assures that the time surrounding death can be devoted to family members supporting one another and the proper planning of the liturgical rites that will celebrate the deceased's movement to eternal life. Contacting the cemetery begins the flow of information about burial alternatives, associated costs, and payment options. Our diocesan cemetery, Jesus, Bread of Life Catholic Cemetery, stands ready to help guide you through this process. For information, contact Deacon Ed Heffernan (856) 317-6400/deaconed@jesusbreadoflife.net.

Francis House of Prayer

Personal Retreat Day: Take a day away from the busy-ness of your life to rest a while in the Lord and experience God's presence. Come to Francis House for silence, personal prayer, and optional spiritual direction on Wednesday, February 3rd from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Donation: \$10; \$40 with spiritual direction. Bring a bag lunch.

Upper Room Spiritual Center

Woman's Gathering: February 6, 10:00 a.m. to Noon program offers women a time to pray, share, support each other during prayer and during brunch. Donation \$15.00 to \$25.00.

A Time to Sow, A Time to Gather: Forty days of Lent go by so quickly with much competition for our time and attention. How can we prioritize this season to maximize its effects on us and those whose lives we touch most intimately? Plan to listen to Father Richard Rento on Ash Wednesday, February 10th from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (11:30 a.m. Liturgy with Ashes) Fee: \$50.00-\$60, Liturgy/lunch included.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, January 31, 2016 to Sunday, February 7, 2016

Sunday, January 31	<p>Masses</p> <p>Y.E.S. Hoagie Pre-Sale</p> <p>RCIA</p> <p>Children's Church</p> <p>YES Jr. Service Sunday</p> <p>YES Sr. Meeting</p>	<p>7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m. – Church</p> <p>After All Masses</p> <p>9:00 a.m. – Conference Room</p> <p>10:30 a.m. – Emmaus Center</p> <p>3:00 p.m. – Emmaus Center</p> <p>4:30 p.m. – Emmaus Center</p>
Monday, February 1	<p>Mass</p> <p>Liturgy Committee</p> <p>RCIA</p> <p>2nd Grade Parent Meeting – 1st Eucharist</p> <p>K of C Officers Meeting</p>	<p>7:15 a.m., 9:00 a.m. – Church</p> <p>10:30 a.m. – Emmaus Center</p> <p>7:00 p.m. – Conference Room</p> <p>7:30 p.m. – Emmaus Center</p> <p>7:30 p.m. – Parish Meeting Room</p>
Tuesday, February 2	<p>Mass</p>	<p>7:15 a.m., 9:00 a.m. – Church</p>
Wednesday, February 3	<p>Mass</p> <p>Bible Study</p> <p>Legion Of Mary</p> <p>Respect Life Committee</p> <p>Parish Pastoral Council</p> <p>Glory to God Prayer Group</p>	<p>7:15 a.m., 9:00 a.m. – Church</p> <p>10:15 a.m. – Emmaus Center</p> <p>11:00 a.m. – Conference Room</p> <p>7:00 p.m. – Conference Room</p> <p>7:00 p.m. – Rectory Dining Room</p> <p>7:30 p.m. – Church</p>
Thursday, February 4	<p>Mass</p> <p>Adoration</p> <p>Prayer & Bible Study</p> <p>Children's Choir Practice</p> <p>Benediction</p> <p>Emergency Operating Plan Committee Meeting</p>	<p>7:15 a.m., 9:00 a.m. – Church</p> <p>9:30 a.m. – Church</p> <p>10:00 a.m. – Emmaus Center</p> <p>3:30 p.m. – Parish Meeting Room</p> <p>7:00 p.m. – Church</p> <p>7:00 p.m. – Emmaus Center</p>
Friday, February 5	<p>Mass</p> <p>Confessions</p>	<p>7:15 a.m., 9:00 a.m. – Church</p> <p>9:30 a.m. – Church</p>
Saturday, February 6	<p>Men of Emmaus</p> <p>Mass</p> <p>The Art of Teaching Catechesis</p> <p>Confessions</p> <p>Mass – 6th grade Mass of Enrollment</p>	<p>8:00 a.m. – Conference Room</p> <p>9:00 a.m. – Church</p> <p>9:00 a.m. – Emmaus Center</p> <p>4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Church</p> <p>5:30 p.m. – Church</p>
Sunday, February 7	<p>Masses</p> <p>Hoagie Pick-UP</p> <p>RCIA</p> <p>Children's Church</p>	<p>7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m. – Church</p> <p>Starting after 7:30 a.m. Mass - Emmaus Center</p> <p>9:00 a.m. – Conference Room</p> <p>10:30 a.m. – Emmaus Center</p>