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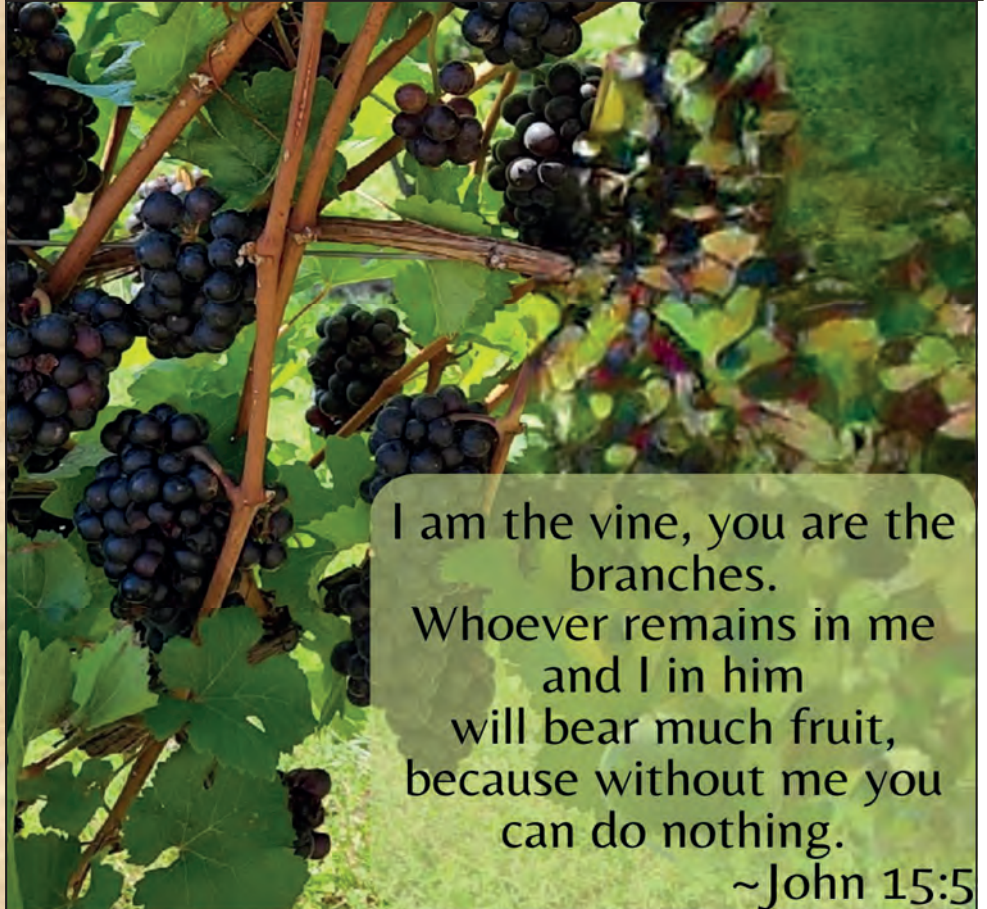
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P... SH HOUSE OFFICE HOURS
Monday through Thursday
9:15am to 4:00pm
The office is closed on Friday.



I am the vine, you are the
branches.
Whoever remains in me
and I in him
will bear much fruit,
because without me you
can do nothing.
~John 15:5

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass

Monday–Saturday: 8:30AM*

Morning Prayer is prayed **Monday** through **Saturday** at **8AM**

MASS ON THE LORD'S DAY

Saturday: 4PM (Vigil)

Sunday: 7AM, 9AM and 11AM*

Confession: Saturday 3:00PM to 3:45PM
or by appointment

*Daily Mass and the 11AM Mass on Sunday are live streamed.

Please be aware that voices in the Vestibule can be heard in the Church.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Parish Expense Budget 2023-2024 — \$1,270,000
includes Diocesan Assessment of \$113,000

Fiscal year: July 1, 2023—June 30, 2024
 Less other projected income (\$298,000)

Annual amount needed from collections
\$972,000

Amount needed from the weekly collections
\$18,700

Weekend of April 20th and 21st

Total collected \$6,523

April WeShare \$9,847

Total \$16,370

Deficit for Week #43 \$2,330

YTD Deficit for Week #43 —

Campaign for Human Development \$621

Rice Bowl \$718

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MASS INTENTIONS

- MONDAY April 29th**
Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
8:30AM Mary Frampton (*Living*)
 Martin Huska
 Richard and Doris O’Connell
- TUESDAY April 30th**
Saint Pius V, Pope
8:30AM Bob and Kathleen Slyker (*Living*)
 Brendan and Rita Murray
 Carol Newman
- WEDNESDAY May 1st**
Saint Joseph the Worker
8:30AM Susie Matinho
 Christine Dos Santos
 Mary Bryson
- THURSDAY May 2nd**
Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
8:30AM Eric and Kathy Garcia (*Living*)
 Andrew Kolar
 Victor Saukaitis
- FRIDAY May 3rd**
Saints Philip and James, Apostles
8:30AM Esther VanBuskirk (*Living*)
 Ed Carlson
 Tom DiDia
- SATURDAY May 4th**
8:30AM Sr. Elsa Jeronimo, C.S.JB. (*Living*)
 Anna Golden
 Philipp Amann

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

- 4:00PM (Vigil)** Lorraine Matechak
 Randy Riotto
 James Hughes
- 7:00AM** Jose Camargo
 Ricardo Jimenez
 Deceased members of the parish
- 9:00AM** Maureen Del Re
 Therese McCloskey
 Biagio and Michelina Bernardo
- 11:00AM** Giuseppe and Anna Dimichele
 Willard and Gretchen Dolman
 John and Mary Fitzgerald

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April 8, 2024
The Annunciation of the Lord

Reverend A. Richard Carton
Saint Vincent de Paul Parish
250 Bebout Avenue
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Dear Father Carton,

Over more than thirty years you have faithfully served God's holy people. Thank you for your generous service as you prepare to complete your tenure as Pastor of Saint Vincent de Paul, Stirling. I am pleased to appoint you the Pastor of Our Lady of the Lake, Sparta, effective July 1, 2024.

Your steadfast service to the people of Saint Vincent de Paul Parish, Stirling, has prepared a sound foundation on which to continue building. The pastoral initiatives that you shepherded, particularly in family faith formation, serve to demonstrate what is possible when we join human creativity to the power of God's grace. Your love of the liturgy and constant presence to the sick and those in need of counsel are apt reminders that in our efforts as priests, we must be "conformed to the image of Christ himself and offer our heavenly Father the constant witness of faith and love" (*The Roman Missal, Preface of the Priesthood*).

Thank you for accepting a new assignment that will make use of all your talents and wisdom. Our Lady of the Lake has been blessed by the loving pastoral care of Father David McDonnell and I am confident that the good people of Sparta will warmly welcome you.

As we celebrate a Eucharistic Revival in the Church, the words of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, encourage us to remember the essential place of the Eucharist in the life of the Church. The Holy Father noted, "The Eucharist is God's response to the deepest hunger of the human heart, the hunger for authentic life because in the Eucharist Christ himself is truly in our midst to nourish, console, and sustain us on our journey." I pray that the Eucharist will be your strength as you serve God's people *in persona Christi* and gather them around his holy table.

Commending you to the care of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of priests, and with a prayer for the Lord's blessing, I am

Faithfully yours in Christ,



Most Reverend Kevin J. Sweeney, D.D.
Bishop of Paterson



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY



First Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

Peter preaches to the Gentiles for the first time in the house of Cornelius. Peter realized that God would accept any person who acted uprightly, regardless of his or her heritage. Then the Holy Spirit descended on the Gentiles and Peter allowed them to be baptized in the name of Jesus.

Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-10

John advises all believers to love one another, for love is a gift from God. The person without love does not know God, whose love for us is so great he sent his only son so that we might have life through him.

Gospel: John 15:9-17

Jesus asks his disciples to live on in his love and to "Love one another as I have loved you." He explains that he chose them to follow him, and promises if they keep his commandments they will have anything that they ask for in his name.

Daily Mass Readings

Monday

Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday

Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday

Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8 or, for the Memorial, Gn 1:26-2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Mt 13:54-58



Thursday

Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11

First Friday

1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14

First Saturday

Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who serve in the military:

Michael Mahala, Michael Kurzman, Fr. Peter Koziolkiewicz, Fr. Przemyslaw J. Nowak, Fr. John Edisson Madrid, Fr. Adam Muda, Nick Loftin, Christopher Conant, James Conant, Christopher Caamano, Hayden Schultz, Tyler Nelson, Calla Ann Armenti, Dylan T. Jones, James Minogue, Stephen J. Campbell, Frank Fasano, Richard Lister, Eric Leverone, Jay Donato, Frank Messina, Eileen Murphy, Peter Giovanni

Those who are ill:

Theo Niegios, Lauren Baker, Ella Bitter, Mary Jane "MJ" Postal, Ronaldo Ferraris, Brian Baird, Molly Jones, Shannon Finnegan Cook, Brendan Devlin, Millie Falkner, Mary Ann Gallo, Tom Jacobson, Geralynn McMyne, Mary Glancey, Cynthia Carpenter, Thomas Hunt, Janet Parry, Leigha Berzinskis, Denise Schaefer, Elijah Rothman, Kevin Speckin, Diana Burkholder, Sr. Mary Faith Chanda, C.S.JB., Carol Echandy, Maria Ventura, John Murphy, Jr., George Armenti III, Anthony Genito, Elizabeth Early, Cecile Fountain Jardim, Bill Wallisch and Nanci Gamba

Those who have died to this world

Jude Squartino, Joseph Vitolo

Requiescat in Pace

May all the faithful who have departed this world rest in your eternal peace. Amen

Parishioners who are homebound and unable to come to Mass and who would like a visit in order to receive Holy Communion are asked to call Vera at the parish office 908-647-0118 to arrange a visit from Fr. Richard or Sr. Anita. Be assured of our prayers for each of you.

Mass of Consolation for those who have lost a child will be offered on

Thursday, May 2nd at 7:00pm.

The Mass will precede the Eucharistic Holy Hour for Life which begins at 7:30pm.

All are welcome.

Please invite all who may benefit from these prayers.



Reborn through the waters of Baptism and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit,

we embrace

Nicholas John Binner

son of John and Alexandra

claimed now for the fullness of eternal life.

Deacon Sebastian to celebrate his

First Mass

When: Sunday June 2nd, 11:00 am Mass

Where: St. Vincent de Paul Church

Reception: Immediately after Mass

Volunteers: **Needed** to assist with the reception. Please contact the parish office to help. Please keep Deacon Sebastian in your prayers as he prepares to be ordained to the Priesthood on June 1st. This is another great occasion in the life of our parish.



Shanon and Ginger Hardy are traveling to Lourdes on a Pilgrimage with the Order of Malta from April 30th through May 7th. They want to bring your prayers with them. If you wish to have a prayer petition to be placed at the Grotto where Our Lady appeared to St. Bernadette, drop a note in the Prayer Petition Box next to the Donation Box in the Narthex.

Morning Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours) is prayed **Monday** through **Saturday** at **8am**. We are using prayers from iBreviary App, which you need to download on your phone.



Fr. Richard's **Bible Study** is offered on **Wednesday** at **7:30pm. It is virtual only.** To sign up for Bible Study use the link on the home page of our

GIFT BEARERS AT MASS

If you would like to bring the bread and wine to the priest during the **4:00pm, 9:00am** or **11:00am** Mass please see Sr. Krystyna in the Sacristy at least 5 minutes before Mass begins to indicate so.



A Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament takes place **on Thursdays from 7:30pm to 8:30pm.**

You are invited to come and pray for the sanctity and protection of all human life from conception to natural death and for peace in our world.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY



Our next meeting will be **Monday, May 6th.** We will meet at **6:00pm in the Chapel** to pray the Rosary, following with the May Crowning and Mass.

Our meeting will be in the Church Meeting Room after Mass.

SAVE THE DATE

APPALACHIA MISSION TRIP 2024

July 28th through August 3rd

Open to high school students, young adult and adult volunteers!
Info session and sign up forms to follow.



YOUTH MINISTRY



Junior Youth Ministry Schedule
JPII Room

May 14th 7:00pm to 8:30pm How to pray the Rosary
June 11th 7:00pm to 8:30pm End of Year Activity
For information contact Sandi Schaffer.



Life Ministries is sponsoring a **Baby Shower** to support unwed, homeless, pregnant women and to benefit Good Counsel Homes for Homeless Mothers and Babies and Inspire Women's Center. Please see the Life Ministries bulletin board in the vestibule of the church for a list of items which includes baby and Mom toiletries, diapers (3 to 5), bouncer seats, new clothes 6 to 24 months, new strollers, gift cards and sleepwear and bathrobes for Mom. Please bring **unwrapped NEW items to the Church Narthex and place in the Pack and Play. Donations are being accepted thru May 12th.** Contact Stacey Beer 908-872-6996 for questions.



DAMON OWENS
Wednesday, May 1st 7:00pm

Damon Owens, a renowned Catholic speaker and expert on Catholic marriage and family life, will share his insights on the "12 Essential Keys to Living God's Plan for a Joy-Filled Family" at Koinonia Academy, 1040 Plainfield Avenue, Plainfield.

This event is a unique opportunity for parents to gain valuable knowledge and inspiration to strengthen their families and deepen their faith. Damon Owens' engaging presentation promises to be upbuilding, encouraging and transformative for all attendees.

KA strives to partner with parents in raising their children to be intellectually and spiritually prepared to serve the Lord. KA hopes to support all parents in this monumental task by availing them with resources such as Damon Owens' presentation.

For more information, contact Mary Axiak maxiak@koinoniaacademy.org

The cost is \$25. All proceeds will directly benefit Owen's ministry, Joyful Ever After.

Register at: <https://givebutter.com/DOBql6>



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There is an urgent need for blood donations. New Jersey Blood Services is having a Blood Drive **sponsored by the Saint Damien Council of the Knights of Columbus** in the **gym** on **Tuesday, June 18th from 1:00pm to 7:00pm.** To schedule an appointment visit www.nybc.org/njdrive then enter Sponsor Code: 08966 or text/call Genevieve 732-672-5281.

Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits. Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your door ID card or ID with name and photo.

TRIVIA NIGHT !

The Knights of Columbus are hosting **Trivia Night on Friday, May 17th** from **7pm to 9pm in the gym.**



It is guaranteed to be a fun night with family and friends. Food and drinks are included and it is all FREE! For more information contact Kevin Dempsey kmdemps421@gmail.com

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DIOCESAN NEWS

Liturgical Minister Formation Saturday May 18th John Paul II Center 775 Valley Road, Clifton

The Office of Worship and the Office of Hispanic Ministry will offer formation for those who wish to serve or currently serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Music Ministers and Ministers of Hospitality.

This is a "BASIC" formation session for those who are currently serving or desiring to serve in these ministries. The presentation will focus on the "why" we do what we do and some universal norms regarding the ministry.

Each participant will receive a certificate signed by Bishop Sweeney upon completion.

For the schedule of presenters and the days events visit insidethewalls.org/minister_training.
Registration fee is \$10

First Saturday: Day of Discernment May 4th 10:00am St. Paul Inside the Walls

All young men of the parish, college age and older, are invited to attend Mass the First Saturday of the month. The day will include Mass, Holy Hour with praying the Rosary, lunch and social time.

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Project Andrew Dinner

Single, Catholic young men, high school age to young professional, are invited to join Bishop Kevin Sweeney and others for an evening of faith, food and fellowship to discuss and explore diocesan priesthood. Future dates to be determined.



We have Gift Cards for Stop & Shop and Shop Rite. They can be purchased at the parish office Monday through Thursday.

When you use these gift cards the parish receives 5% on all gift cards purchased.

The **Food Pantry** is in need of the following items: Canned Corn, Regular Coffee, 2lb bag of white rice, jelly, syrup, oatmeal, canned fruit, black beans, green beans, chicken soup, broth, boxed pasta, spaghetti, pasta sauce and Spam. Food donations should be brought to the church narthex. Thank you for your generous donations to the Food Pantry.



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