"Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you."

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



Holy Eucharist Parish

Cherry Hill, New Jersey

Announcements



Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Monday, December 8th is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Mass Times: at

Monday, December 8th at 7am, 9 am & 7 pm
The Parish offices will be closed on Monday, December 8th

You are invited to join us as we pray the Rosary <u>Via</u> Zoom Monday Evenings - 6:30-7:00 pm. If you are interested, send your email address to: **Evelyn Cuttino** at <u>evelyn@holyeucharistcherryhill.org</u> You will receive a Zoom link every Monday to join in!! With Mary, may our souls proclaim the greatness of the Lord!



Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in my house, and try me in this, saith the Lord: if I open not unto you the flood-gates of heaven, and pour you out a blessing even to abundance." (Mal 3:10).



MEET & GREET SUNDAY

Get Ready to Meet, Greet and Mingle! Join us Sunday, December 14th after all the Masses and enjoy a cup

of coffee or tea, juice and donuts galore. Meet new friends and fellow parishioners!



We acknowledge your generosity and the love you have for your deceased. The Christmas Flower Offering envelopes, with your intentions, will be placed on the Altar during the Christmas Season.

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An independent, toll-free number has been established by the Diocese of Camden to help callers report cases of sexual abuse by priests, deacons, religious, employees and/or volunteers. Calls are handled by a licensed clinical social worker. In accord with state law, cases of child sexual abuse are reported to the N.J. Division of Child Protection and Permanency and law enforcement.

For information or to inquire about counseling and support services, call 1-800-964-6588

Something from the Pastor

I have suggested for our Advent discipline the 11th verse of the 46th Psalm: "Be still and know that I am God" (also rendered "Be still and see that I am God"; "Desist! And confess I am God"). The Hebrew might more literally be translated as "Relax, know that I am God".

Desisting and relaxing are good things to keep in mind during the weeks prior to Christmas. We can become so busy during these weeks with shopping, parties, cards and the like. This on top of what is already for so many of us a busy week of work and running other normal errands: regular grocery shopping, running kids to various events and doing chores around the house. It is important to take a pause daily; to desist and relax; to be still.

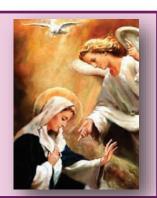
Stillness is a practice that was developed by the Eastern Christian Monks. Stillness is more than the cessation of physical movement. Rather, it is the quieting of the mind, the memory and the passions. This interior silence, which is enhanced by exterior quiet and the physical position of our bodies, allows for the possibility to hear the voice of God; to hear His Word, which is Jesus. Stillness leads one to be formed by the Divine Word, so to be guided by the Word of God in all actions. Stillness leads one to judge all things in the light of God's commands. Stillness leads to letting go of past offenses and to cease seeking vainglory. Stillness leads us to intimate union with Jesus, so to imitate him, showing forth his death and resurrection in our very bodies (cf. 2 Corinthians 4:10)!

During these weeks of Advent, take time every day to desist; to relax; to be still, so to encounter Jesus as he comes to us in prayer, in the Word of God and the Sacrament of the altar.

"Be still and know that I am God!"

Father Rocks will be presenting a talk on the angels greeting to Mary ~ Reflections on praying the Hail Mary.

Please join us on **Monday, December 15th**at 7:00 pm in the church.



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ADVENT PARISH CONFESSIONS

Wednesday, December 10 7:00 pm
Wednesday, December 17 7:00 pm
or regular Saturday Confession 4:00 to 4:30 pm

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EVENING HOLY HOURS



Holy Eucharist Parish
Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Silent Adoration, Benediction
Whatever time you can spend with the Lord
is invaluable

Christmas Schedule 2025

PLEASE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE VARIOUS MASSES SCHEDULED FOR CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR AND AVOID THE 4:00 PM CROWD ON CHRISTMAS EVE!

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE
Wednesday, December 24 ~ Christmas Eve
Church ~ 4:00 pm
Hall (live streamed from church) ~
4:00 pm
Church ~ 8:00 pm and 10:00 pm

Thursday, December 25 ~ Christmas Day 8:00 am and 10:00 am

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Holy Day of Obligation
Wednesday December 31 ~
New Year's Eve
5:00 pm
Thursday, January 1 ~
New Year's Day
9:00 am

Bambinelli Sunday

Blessing of Infant Jesus from Family Nativity Set

December 13th and 14th

During all Masses



First introduced by St. Pope John Paul II, Bambinelli Sunday invites all parishioners, especially children, to bring their Bambinelli (figure of baby Jesus) from their home Nativity to be blessed on the third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday).

We will continue the tradition, and encourage you to join us for a special blessing of the baby Jesus figure that you bring from your home.

After your Bambinelli is blessed at Mass, bring it home and wrap it as a gift. Place the gift under your tree to be opened with family as the first gift of Christmas.

SAVE THE DATE:

THE NEXT HOLY EUCHARIST PRAYER SHAWL

MINISTRY will meet on Monday, December

15th, in the parish hall - room 108/109 at

10:00 AM. We are a group that knits or crochets shawls for those in need of prayers, warmth, peace and comfort.

All are welcome.

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Suggestions for this week:

- 1. What Is the Immaculate Conception? Join Drs Tim Gray and John Sehorn as they examine Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception. This dogma of the Catholic faith, promulgated in 1854 by Pope Pius IX, speaks of Mary's conception and what it means to the Church. https://app.formed.org/app/videos/1212732/
- **2. Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message.** Enjoy this film narrated by Jim Caviezel that walks us through our Mother's miraculous appearance to Juan Diego, an encounter that has influenced the conversion of millions of people. https://app.formed.org/app/videos/578780/
- **3. Our Lady of Guadalupe and Saint Juan Diego | Catholic Saints.** Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Dr. James Prothro to discuss Mary's apparition to Saint Juan Diego on Tepeyac hill under the title of Our Lady of Guadalupe. https://app.formed.org/app/videos/1214206/

December 6: St. Nicholas, pray for us. **December 7:** St. Ambrose, pray for us.

December 8: Our Lady, the Immaculate Conception, pray for us.

December 12: Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

For information and reflection on **St. Ambrose**, try this website: <u>franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day</u>.

Catholic question of the week: What is the first sign of devotional Catholic makes upon entering Church?

Celebrating Advent with children? Try this website for Jesse Tree ideas: https://www.catholicicing.com/?s=Jesse+tree

The Pope's prayer intention for the month of December is for Christians in areas of conflict. Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.



South Jersey Catholic Cemeteries Needs Your Help!

Are you a Lector or Eucharistic Minister in your parish community?

Do you have a loved one buried at one of our diocesan cemeteries?

Would you be interested in serving at one of our special liturgies?

South Jersey Catholic Cemeteries is seeking volunteers to serve at four annual Masses held at several of our mausoleum chapels within our cemetery locations. These Masses, offered annually, are held during:

Lent ~Memorial Day ~ All Souls ~ Advent
We celebrate these Masses at the following diocesan cemeteries:

Holy Cross Cemetery in Mays Landing -- 609-625-2123

All Saints Cemetery in Newfield – 856-697-1098 Sacred Heart Cemetery in Vineland --856-691-1290

New St. Mary Cemetery in Bellmawr – 856-931-1570

Calvary Cemetery in Cherry Hill – 856-663-3345

If you're interested in serving as a Lector or Eucharistic Minister at any of these liturgies, we'd love to hear from you! Please contact the cemetery office directly at one of the phone numbers listed.

Baptismal Preparation Class ~ 3rd Monday of the Month at 7:00 PM. Expecting your first child? First-time parents need to attend a Pre-Baptism class to prepare for this special sacramental moment. The next class being offered is on **Monday**, **December 15th at 7:00 PM**. Preregistration is required by calling the parish office at 856-429-1330.





Saturday, December 6

9:00 Fred Carandang by Vince & Lizann Leusner

5:00 Adeline & Biaggio DiPasquale by Joe & Rita Powell

Sunday, December 7

8:15 Bill Sanchez by Family9:45 Ligaya Villaruel by Gamily

Dorothy Tortella by Candy Guliano & Maurissa Rosian

Rita O'Sullivan by Denise Sherlock Joanne Rafferty-Golley by Diane Carroll Rosanna Slobodian by Holy Eucharist Parish

11:15 Sr. Agnes Gregory Craig, SC by Carol Wojenski

Monday, December 8

9:00 Pro Populo *Tuesday, December 9*

9:00 Michael Young by Family

Wednesday, December 10

9:00 Conversion of the Schmidt Family Chuck O'Brien by Elaine O'Brien

Ints. of Romeo Malandro by Larry & Louise Schmidt

Thursday, December 11

9:00 Daniel Pepe by wife, Mary

Friday, December 12

9:00 Juan Maranan by Fred & Mila Carandang

Saturday, December 13

9:00 John Harrelson by his Friends5:00 M/M Noble Dileo by Dileo Family

Sunday, December 14

8:15 Lance Heisler by Haday Family 9:45 Sheila Del Roccili - Springer by

Sheila Del Roccili - Springer by Family Frank Chiacchio by Janet & Frank Chiacchio Jeanne Boyle by Peter & Stephanie Longo Patricia Marie Foley by Holy Eucharist Parish Becky Gibson by Margaret & John DiNapoli

John Francis Coyle by Family

11:15 Madeline Dekerlegand by Ted & Judith Pettko

To Everything There is a Season and a Time for Every Purpose Under Heaven

A Time to be Born:

A Time to Welcome: Daniel Del Monte and Erica Reis & son

A Time to be Wed:

A Time to Heal: Grace Bailey, Mario Barnaba, Paul Batastini, Cathy O'Brien Betz, Catherine Blinebury, Sharon Bramblett, Kathy Busser, Jack Cianafrone, Bob Cianciarulo, Inez Davis, John Davis, Kathleen Joyce Deltiano, Diane DeFranzo, Jeanne Degnan, Marie DelRoccili, Mary Dougherty, Susan Dumser, Glen Eaton, Linda Etkin, Richard Flowers, Brett Ford, Kathy Ford, Kevin Franz, Robert J. Frett, George Gadren, William Gahm, Kevin Gallagher, Michael Gavin, Beatrice Geiger, Becky Gibson, Harry Gibson, Victor Girardi, Christina Graham, Jeannine Greco, Michael Grecco, Jayne Gubelman, Carol Handville, Nicholas Hicks, Gregory Hill, John Hill, Cathy Huff, Frances leardi, Sandra Indelicato, Bud Kaliss, Barb Kelly, Billy Kelly, Linda Knox, Joseph Kovalevich, Carmella Kramer, Charles Lafferty, Erin Elizabeth Lafferty, Dina Lazer, Katie Leahy, Vivian Lindenmuth, Charlotte Long, Sam Loperfido, Jr., Sylvia Lopez, Patricia Lubonski, Marie Marchesani, Patty Marden, Meghan McClellan, John McCord, Jr., Liam McGuire, Bill Mitchell, Lynn Mondel, Natalie Deal Mullen, Elaine O'Brien, Tom O'Brien, Tess Osborne, Troy Pelfrey III, Stephen Pellegrino, Sue Perrotto, Catherine Petruzzelli, Desiray Posch, Michael Posch, Ann Pilla, Don Praiss, Marion Reitz, CJ Rice, Kate Sandlu, Susan Santola, Max Schaffer, Louise Schmidt, Laura Seiffer, Ron Spata, Zach Sternin, Jeanne Storholm, Robert Tobin, Robert Uyehara, Ryan Wallace, Kerry Ann Walsh, Grace Ward, Mollie Ward, Karen Joy Wright, Tom Wieliczko.

May God heal them in mind, body and spirit!

Thank you for your prayers for our sick and shut-ins. PLEASE call the Rectory @ 856-429-1330 when your loved one has recovered!

A Time to Die:

A Prayer for our Military



Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior...Amen.

Especially:

Darby DiJohn and Matt DiJohn– deployed Air Force



Altar Bread and Wine for December
For the Mari Family
Requested by Tom & Dolores Colace



Sanctuary Lamp
December 7 through December 13
In Thanksgiving by Carmella Narciso

Stewardship

"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." MATTHEW $3:\!10$

2024 Income

December 1: Sunday Collection \$8,368.00 November 30: Sunday Collection \$6,732.00

2024 Expenses

2025 Expenses \$10,715.54 November 30:

Specific details of weekly income and expenses are available upon request. Please call Anne at rectory office (856)429-1330. Thank you!



December 1:

Thank you!!

CATHOLIC Your Catholic Ministries Appeal gift enables Catholic Charities offices in each of our 6 counties to provide a range of vital social services to people in need, for

example, through food pantry, clothing, furniture warehouse, housing assistance and county sites.

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