

# Saint Simon Stock Parish

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The Roman Catholic Community of Saint Simon Stock Parish established in 2009 from the merger of Saint Edward Church (Pine Hill) and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church (Berlin), under the pastoral care of the Religious Institute of the Alagad ni Maria (Disciples of Mary).

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 25, 2026

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**Rich Sbarra**  
Maintenance Manager

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

Baptisms will be held on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays of the month at 1:30pm. Parents must call the parish office to register for Baptism class held on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7pm in the Parish Life Center.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Every Saturday: 3:00 – 3:45 pm in the church or by appointment.

### **Sacrament of Holy Anointing**

Anyone seriously ill or facing surgery, please call 856-767-2563 during office hours or call 856-767-2563 ext. 301 after office hours and leave a message to make arrangements for the anointing of the sick.

### **Sacrament of Holy Matrimony**

Marriages are arranged at least one year in advance. Please speak to Father Michael for more information.

### **Sacrament of Holy Orders**

If you or someone you know feel the calling to be a priest, or a religious (men or women), please speak with Father Michael or one of the parish priests for guidance and discernment. God bless you.



**"Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Matthew 4:19**

### **Mass Schedule**

Monday - Saturday: 8:00 am

Saturday: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 am & 12:00 pm

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

First Wednesday of each month  
8:45 am - 7:00 pm

Every Wednesday  
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Church is open for private prayer  
Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Saturday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

856.767.2563 / 856.767.8791 (fax)

Emergency (outside of office hours)  
856.767.2563 ext. 301 - leave message

Email: office@stsimonstock.net

Web: www.StSimonStock.net

### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Follow us on Social Media:



**Mission Statement:** Saint Simon Stock Parish is a welcoming community. Guided by the Holy Spirit and nourished by the Word, Sunday celebration of the Eucharist is the center of parish life. Through our Baptismal call, we generously share our time, talent, and treasure. As responsible stewards of the Kingdom of God, we give joyful witness to Jesus's Gospel of love.

# PARISH BULLETIN BOARD

## PARISHIONERS INFORMATION UPDATE

### *New Parishioners*

#### **Welcome to St. Simon Stock Parish!**

We invite you to become active in the various ministries that the Parish offers. The easiest way to register is to go online at [www.StSimonStock.net/ParishRegistration](http://www.StSimonStock.net/ParishRegistration). If you prefer, you also can contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment to meet with a priest for parish registration. Attending Mass does not automatically make you a registered member.

### *Parishioners*

If you have new contact information, new members in your household, or someone in your household has received a sacrament, please contact the Parish Office so that our records are updated. Adult children should register themselves separately from their parents. **If you have not been receiving your weekly envelopes**, again, please contact the Parish Office to ensure that your address is registered correctly. If you are moving away, please let us know. Parish Office: 856-767-2563 or email us at [office@stsimonstock.net](mailto:office@stsimonstock.net).

## Call to Prayer

Please join us as we pray the **Holy Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet** every day (Monday–Saturday) following the 8 AM Mass. **Join us also in praying the Holy Rosary for the unborn** in the church **every Tuesday at 2 pm**.



## Adoration on February 4, 2026 Holy Hour and Benediction 6-7 pm

Jesus is waiting for you to visit him!



## Prayers to all who celebrate January birthdays

Chris Green 1/03  
Barbara Hansen 1/03  
Margaret Helner 1/07  
Rev. Philip Ramos, A.M. 1/07  
Dolores Resica 1/19  
Edward Moseley 1/23  
Doris Alibrando 1/26  
Margaret Esmond 1/28  
Vincent Longo 1/29  
Joan Auwarter 1/31



Please call the Parish Office to add a birthday/anniversary. Special blessing for those celebrating in December will be given at all Masses this weekend, January 24/25, 2026.



Music Ministry is looking for cantors and accompanists to join the music ministry. Contact Liz Williams at [elizawilliams@verizon.net](mailto:elizawilliams@verizon.net).

## Baptism Class

The next class Baptism class is scheduled for Monday, **February 16, 2026, at 7 pm** in the Parish Life Center.

Please call the Parish office to register.

## SENIOR MINISTRY

Senior Ministry meets **Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9 am to 1 pm** (Lunch served at 12 noon) in the Parish Life Center. All are invited to come join in the fun!

Jan. 25-30	Catholic Schools Week
Jan. 30	Women's Book Club
Feb. 16	Presidents' Day – OFFICE CLOSED
Feb. 18	Ash Wednesday – Day of Fast & Abstinence
Feb. 22	First Sunday of Lent
Mar. 1	Second Sunday of Lent
Mar. 8	Third Sunday of Lent
Mar. 8	American Girl Tea Party
Mar. 15	Fourth Sunday of Lent
Mar. 22	Fifth Sunday of Lent
Mar. 29	Palm Sunday
Apr. 5	Easter Sunday



## Priest Schedule for January 31/February 1, 2026 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*(subject to change without notice)*

1/31	3pm Confessions	Father Anthony Nguyen
	4pm Mass	Father Thomas Piro / Deacon Bob
2/1	8am Mass	Father Anthony Nguyen / Deacon Bob
	10am Mass	Fr. Anthony Nguyen / Deacon Michael
	12pm Mass	Fr. Anthony Nguyen / Deacon Michael

*Deacons preach every third weekend*

## SANCTUARY CANDLE

Our Sanctuary Candle will remain lit during the week of January 24<sup>th</sup> at 4pm to 8am on January 31<sup>st</sup> in memory of **Stephen Codella, MD** requested by Mom and Dad



## 2025 Special Collections

Jan. 25	Church in Latin America
Feb. 18	Church in Central & Eastern Europe
Feb. 22	Catholic Missions-Black & Native Americans
Mar. 15	Catholic Relief Services
Apr. 3	Holy Land Collection
Apr. 26	Catholic Home Missions
May 17	Catholic Communication Campaign
June 28	Peter's Pence Collection
July 12	Pastoral Solidarity Fund for Church in Africa
Sept. 6	Catholic University of America
Oct. 4	Pro-Life Collection
Oct. 18	World Mission Sunday
Nov. 15	Catholic Campaign for Human Development
Dec. 13	Retired Religious Collection

## 8-week Grief Support Sessions

March 4, 2026 to April 22, 2026  
5:30 to 7:00 pm  
Call the Parish Office to Register

The 2026 Mass Intention Book is now opened. Please stop in at the Parish Office to schedule a Mass in memory of a loved one

## 2025 Contribution Statements

Call or email the Parish Office for a copy of your 2025 Contribution Statement.

## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear parishioners,

I hope you and your family are doing well and staying healthy.

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK (JANUARY 25-31, 2026)

As we join Catholic communities across the nation in celebrating **Catholic Schools Week**, I extend my warmest prayers and heartfelt best wishes to the students, faculty, staff, and families of Our Lady of Mount Carmel School.



This year's national theme, "**Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community**," guides our celebration and reminds us that the mission of Catholic education is rooted in forming the whole person—mind, body, and spirit—while strengthening the bonds that unite school, family, parish, and the wider community.



May this week be a meaningful and grace-filled celebration of faith, learning, service, and fellowship. We give thanks for the dedication of our educators, the enthusiasm of our students, and the support of all who help sustain a vibrant Catholic learning environment. May the Holy Spirit continue to inspire and strengthen our school community in every good work.

### THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This Sunday, we celebrate the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Scriptures draw us into the powerful image of light breaking into darkness—a theme as ancient as the Prophet Isaiah and as fresh as the beginning of Jesus' public ministry.

In Isaiah, a people who once experienced defeat and despair are promised a great light. God does not abandon His people; rather, He enters their darkness and brings joy, freedom, and renewed hope.

In Matthew's Gospel, this promise is fulfilled as Jesus begins His ministry in Galilee—the very region Isaiah foretold—showing that God's light rises precisely where it is least expected. From that place, Jesus calls ordinary fishermen—Peter and Andrew, James and John. With the simple invitation, "**Follow me**," their lives change forever. They leave behind their nets—symbols of routine and security—and embrace a new mission as "fishers of men." Their generous response reveals the transformative power of encountering Christ.

In the First Letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul urges the Christian community to unity. Divisions and rivalries fracture the Body of Christ. Paul reminds us that our identity lies not in leaders or groups but in Christ alone. Unity is not optional—it is a mandate of the Gospel.

Taken together, these readings offer a profound message: **Christ is our Light, calling us out of darkness into mission, discipleship, and unity.**

This week invites each of us to reflect:

- Where is Christ calling me to leave behind old "nets"?
- How am I being invited to bring His light into someone's life?
- What steps can I take to build unity—in my home, parish, workplace, or community?

May the Lord who called the first disciples grant us the grace to answer His call with courage, humility, and trust.

Please know that the clergy and I are praying for all of you. Let us continue to support all Catholic Schools, especially our own **Our Lady of Mount Carmel Regional School**.

May our Lord Jesus Christ bless you and your loved ones with good health, serenity, and peace.

**Peace and grace,  
Fr. Michael**



# STEWARDSHIP OF WORSHIP AND LITURGY

## Mass Intentions for the Week

**SAT 1/24**  
**8 AM** † Alvaro Silveira r/b Pat & Frank Di Maria  
**4 PM** **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time** (Vigil Mass)  
 † James & Dolores Porter r/b Porter Family  
 † Irving Motluck r/b his loving wife, Dolores  
 † James Mellett r/b Antonio & Marie Esimio  
 † Foo Olek r/b Phyllis Vitarelli  
 † Mary Ann Rich r/b Archangel Council #7429

**SUN 1/25 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**8 AM**  
 † Michael Rosenbaum r/b his loving Mom, Sally  
**10 AM** **LIVE STREAMED**  
 † John J.T. Thompson r/b Chuck & Debbie Warrington  
**12 PM**  
 L People of the Parish (Pro Populo)

**MON 1/26**  
**8 AM** † Timothy Henshke r/b his loving Mom & Dad

**TUES 1/27**  
**8 AM** † Stephen E. Codella MD r/b his loving Mom & Dad

**WED 1/28**  
**8 AM** † Richard Driscoll r/b his loving Mom

**THURS 1/29**  
**8 AM** † Madeline Jones r/b her friend, Sally

**FRI 1/30**  
**8 AM** † Geraldine Marie Levey r/b her loving husband James  
 † Thomas Brennan r/b his loving wife, Maureen

**SAT 1/31**  
**8 AM** † Deceased Parishioners and Benefactors  
**4 PM** **Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time** (Vigil Mass)  
 L People of the Parish (Pro Populo)

**SUN 2/1 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**8 AM**  
 † Catherine & Nicola Leto r/b granddaughter, Sally  
 † Jim Hiteshow r/b Blaes Family  
 † Rocco Magenta r/b Kevin & Barbara McHugh  
 † Jim Hiteshow r/b Guy & Betty Levis  
**10 AM** **LIVE STREAMED**  
 † Jose Carraravillo r/b Daniella Sorensen  
**12 PM**  
 † Francis Tighe r/b Carmela Scurti

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1/24 3pm Confessions Father Philip  
 4pm Mass Father Philip / Deacon Michael  
 1/25 8am Mass Father Philip / Deacon Michael  
 10am Mass Father Michael / Deacon Bob  
 12pm Mass Father Michael / Deacon Bob  
*Deacons preach every third weekend*

### Readings

#### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 25, 2026

#### First Reading: Isaiah 8:23—9:3

The prophet Isaiah describes the anguish of a conquered people, but he promises that they will triumph and will see a great light as on the “day of Midian.”

#### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

Paul speaks to the Corinthians with both anger and indignation because they are quarreling among themselves as to whom they should show allegiance. Some wish to follow Paul; some, Peter; others Apollos; others, Christ.

#### Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

Jesus begins his mission by going to Capernaum, fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah. He selects Peter, Andrew, James and John as his disciples, inviting them to be “fishers of men.”

**Monday** 2 Tim 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 3:22-30  
**Tuesday** 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Mk 3:31-35  
**Wednesday** 2 Sm 7:4-17; Mk 4:1-20  
**Thursday** 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Mk 4:21-25  
**Friday** 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mk 4:26-34  
**Saturday** 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mk 4:35-41

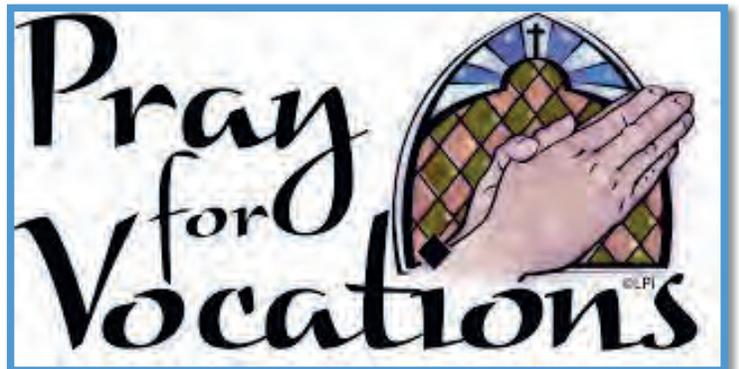
### Stewardship

#### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 25, 2026

#### Stewardship Servants

*“Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb...” ISAIAH 49:5*

God have given each of us different gifts. In order for God’s plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do, and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different **Stewardship!** So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don’t let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and become the saint that God is calling you to be.



# STEWARDSHIP OF COMMUNITY

## Women's Book Club



A new ministry for women of faith, ages 18 and older, creating a welcoming space for women to deepen their faith and friendships through reading and conversation.

The first discussion is this **Friday, January 30, 2026, at 7 pm**, in the Parish Life Center, on the first book, *Becoming Women of the Word; How to Answer God's Call with Purpose and Joy* by Sarah Christmyer.

Discussions will continue monthly on faith-based books, one per month. For more information, please contact Sarah Tyrseck at [sarahtyrseck@gmail.com](mailto:sarahtyrseck@gmail.com).

Grow in Faith. Build Community. Share the Journey. Join other women of Saint Simon Stock Parish to begin a new book club ministry dedicated to reading Catholic-focused books that inspire reflection, discussion, and spiritual growth.

## SAVE THE DATE

**Saturday November 7, 2026**

## Diocesan Marian Pilgrimage



**To the Basilica of the  
National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception  
Washington, D.C.**

## World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life February 2, 2026

(Celebrated in Parishes Jan 31 - Feb 1, 2026)

In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This celebration is attached to the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd. This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day; the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples. The celebration of *World Day for Consecrated Life* is transferred to Sunday in order to highlight the gift of consecrated persons for the whole Church.

## Healing Mass on World Day of the Sick

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be administered to those in need of its healing grace



**Wednesday, February 11 at 7:00 PM**

Mary, Mother of Mercy Parish  
Our Lady of Lourdes Church  
500 Greentree Road - Glassboro, NJ

**Bishop Joseph Williams will preside at this Mass**

Kindly RSVP by Feb 6th  
[VITALity-Events@CamdenDiocese.org](mailto:VITALity-Events@CamdenDiocese.org) or 856-583-6123

Following Mass, please join us for dessert and coffee



# ENCOUNTER CHRIST

DON'T LET ANOTHER LENT PASS BY WITHOUT  
GROWING ANY CLOSER TO JESUS THAN YOU ARE RIGHT NOW!

Most Catholics settle for giving up something small and spend Lent going through the motions. *Journal Through Lent* gives you a short daily video and one reflection question that helps you encounter Jesus every day and prepare your heart for Easter.



Sign-up for free:  
[CamdenDiocese.org/Lent](https://CamdenDiocese.org/Lent)

# STEWARDSHIP OF EDUCATION

## Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Regional School

This week marks the celebration of Catholic Schools Week nationwide with the theme of “**United in Faith and Community.**” One of the hallmarks of Catholic education has long been its emphasis on putting faith into action. Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School has a long, proud tradition of serving our parish community, as well as the community in general. We celebrate the way our school not only provides a top-notch education for its students, but also instills in its students Jesus’ call to serve all of His sisters and brothers. Our students experience a full curriculum that includes art, music, and physical education taught by degreed and certified teachers. Our standardized test scores in math and language arts have consistently been among the top five schools in the diocese.

Registration for the 2025-26 and 2026-27 school year is ongoing, with openings in all grades from pre-school through 8th grade. If you would like to learn more about the benefits of a Mt. Carmel education, please contact Principal Alice Malloy ([amalloy@olmc-school.org](mailto:amalloy@olmc-school.org)) or Advancement Director Mandee DeHaven ([adehaven@olmc-school.org](mailto:adehaven@olmc-school.org)) at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School for more information.

## Consider Serving on the OLMC School Finance Council

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School is seeking dedicated parishioners and school families to serve on the **OLMC School Finance Council**. This advisory group plays an essential role in supporting the long term financial health of our school and ensuring that our mission of providing excellent Catholic education continues to flourish.

We invite individuals who are:

- **Registered members of the parish**
- **Knowledgeable in finance, budgeting, business management, accounting, or related fields**
- **Deeply committed to the mission of Catholic education**
- **Able to collaborate thoughtfully and maintain confidentiality**
- **Willing to offer time, talent, and professional insight for the good of the school community**
- **Motivated by faith, stewardship, and a desire to help form the next generation of disciples**

If you feel called to share your expertise and serve our parish and school in this meaningful way, we would love to hear from you. Your leadership can make a lasting impact on our children, families, and the future of OLMC. [pastor@stsimonstock.net](mailto:pastor@stsimonstock.net) and [amalloy@olmc-school.org](mailto:amalloy@olmc-school.org).

## Tousha Bailey MSN-ed, RN (EdD- doctoral candidate) Parish Nurse

Hello Fellow Parishioners, Peace and Blessings to all!

My name is Tousha Bailey (pronounced Tasha), and I am honored to join you as your new Parish Nurse. I’m grateful for the opportunity to serve the congregation at Saint Simon Stock Parish and to walk alongside you in both health and faith.

Parish Nursing & Healthcare Ministry has many roles; here is a brief overview of a few.

- **Health Educator:** In this role, we will help teach and guide the congregation on how our daily choices can affect our overall health and also help explore how our faith supports us in staying healthy at every stage of life.
- **Personal Health Counselor:** In this role, we are here to support anyone who has health questions or concerns, offer guidance, and help individuals to understand their options with compassion and confidentiality.
- **Facilitator:** In this role, we will bring health and wellness programs to the church and work with volunteers who feel called to serve in this ministry.
- **Healer:** In this role, we will offer a caring presence, prayer, and holistic support to anyone going through illness or a difficult time.

Note that the Parish Nursing & Healthcare Ministry is not a substitute for your primary healthcare provider, but rather a bridge between healthcare and faith.

Finally, we are here to offer health education, provide support during illness or life transitions, promote wellness, connect you with resources, and walk alongside you with compassion and confidentiality. My goal is to care for the whole person (mind, body, and spirit).

Our initial goal is to provide a class on CPR - date and time to be determined.

If you would like to contact me with questions, concerns or suggestions for health-related programs please leave a message at the parish office (856-767-2563). Your feedback is valued and helps guide this Ministry.

*If you are interested in CPR training, please contact the Parish Office and leave your name, number and email address. You will be contacted when a class is scheduled at the Parish.. Thank you!*



# STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

## Parish-wide Capital Campaign Update

### An Extraordinary Opportunity to Double Your Gift!

We are thrilled to announce that two generous families have pledged to match every dollar you give—up to \$60,000—for our Capital Campaign. As you are aware, this campaign will fund the expansion of our church, including:

- A welcoming vestibule (foyer)
- A small chapel for prayer and adoration
- A priests' sacristy
- Altar servers' room
- A handicapped-accessible confessional

#### Matching Gift Details:

- Begins **Monday, December 1, 2025**
- Ends **July 1, 2026**, or when we reach \$60,000
- Applies only to **new pledges**

Your generosity during this period will be **doubled**, helping us create a space that fosters worship, community, and accessibility for all.

As Scripture reminds us: *“Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.”* — Luke 6:38



Thank you for your continued support. **God bless you and your family.** May the maternal mantle of love of **Our Lady of Mount Carmel** embrace you!

### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FOR THE CHURCH VESTIBULE PRAYER

O Gracious God, we are grateful for all the blessings You bestowed upon my family and my parish faith community, Saint Simon Stock.

Please help us to be good stewards of Your grace.

Let this capital campaign for the Church Vestibule project reflect our faith, hope, and charity.

May we use our gifts according to Your holy will and purpose. Together, with the help of your grace, may we make our vision a reality.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen

### Capital Campaign for Church Vestibule Project Matching Gift

Gift/Donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Matching \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I make my Pledge today of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please set up payments of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ months

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to St. Simon Stock Parish, put “Vestibule Vision Project” on the memo line, and mail to 178 W. White Horse Pike, Berlin, NJ 08009, or drop in the collection on Sunday or drop off at the Parish Office.

## South Jersey Catholic Ministries Appeal

### Let's Reach Our Goal – Together!



We are just \$19,190.00 short (15.29%) of reaching our parish goal for the Annual South Jersey Catholic Ministries Appeal. Once we

meet our goal, 10% of the total amount raised—approximately \$12,550—will be returned to our parish to support local charitable outreach. In celebration of the Jubilee Year 2025, **100% of any amount raised beyond our goal** will also be returned to the parish for local charitable needs. Every donation, no matter the size, is deeply appreciated. Your donation is **tax-deductible** as permitted by law. **Thank you for your generous support!**

### SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL PRAYER

O Merciful God, you are the provider of all that we are and all that we have.

You open wide your hand to provide for the needs of every living creature.

Make us always grateful for your loving mercy and grant that we may be faithful stewards of your gifts.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns God forever and ever. Amen

### South Jersey Catholic Ministries Appeal

Gift/Donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I make my Pledge today of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please set up payments of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ months

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Stewardship of Treasure

#### January 18, 2026

Sunday Collections	\$10,011.00
Electronic Giving	\$2,780.33
Total	\$12,791.33

If you do not attend Mass in-person, please mail in your weekly envelopes to the office, or consider signing up for online donations with Parish Giving. Please note that all checks should be made payable to St. Simon Stock Parish, including those for any special diocesan collections. There is no need to scotch tape envelopes closed.

Mass Attendance	1035
Envelopes Used	254
Electronic Contributors	80

**Thank you for your generosity.**

# STEWARDSHIP OF COMMUNITY



## PRAYER & YOGA SCHEDULE

All Classes Held in St. Simon Stock Parish Life Center

Classes with asterisk (\*) indicate \$10 fee

Yoga will be held on the following Tuesdays @ 4:30 pm

**January:** 01/27 (Sue)

**February:** 02/03 (Sue), 02/10\* (Audrey), 02/17\* (Audrey), 02/24 (Sue)

Yoga will be held on the following Wednesdays @ 6:45 am

**January:** 01/28 (Ed)

**February:** 02/04 (Sue), 02/11 (Ed), 02/18\* (Yogi), 02/25 (Ed)

Please call or text Sue at 856-685-3638 with any questions or for more information.

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### Message from the Respect Life Ministry



## WEDNESDAY'S SENIOR MINISTRY FUN & GAMES

**CREATE A TABLE: A BOOK CLUB, A CRAFT TABLE, CARD GAMES, ETC**

**WEDNESDAY'S WEEKLY**  
Parish Life Center  
9 am to 1pm (Lunch at 12 pm)

Please RSVP to Jennifer (856) 767- 2563 ext.307



Welcome **Katherine Therese Winters** to our Catholic Community!

January 12, 2026



**No Priests?  
No Sacraments.**

**No Eucharist!**

Pray for vocations or someday your loved one may not be able to receive the sacraments because there isn't a priest nearby. Encourage young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious.



# JANUARY LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Jan. 24/25	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	12:00 Noon
<b>EMs</b>	Gail Grabowski Karen Talucci Jeffrey Torrance Terri Wetzel	Gary Kaschak Maureen Kaschak Frank Mitchell Marge Worthmann	L Mary Gregory Rosemarie Manes Charlotte McCullough Nikki McNamara	Wendy Bradley Celeste Codario Toni Powers Janet Ralston
<b>Lectors</b>	Agatha Cullin	Pete Worthmann	Cathy Rainey	Ed Bond
<b>Music</b>	Lou/Liz	Terry/Rich	Liz	Ann/Liz
<b>AltarSrvrs.</b>	Vanessa Longo Kaydence Leahey	Sopia Byrd Trent Taylor Giulia Maimone	Madison Grochal Gordon Schaeffer Gemma Schaeffer Gia Schaeffer Finley Pollard Bryson Morton Angela Fiordaliso	Seraphina Schaber Gabriella Corrielus Jacob Corrielus Madeleine Smith DJ Iulucci Ava Moran
<b>JrSrvrs</b>	Claire Hering	Francis Epifanio	Chris Brisbin, Brian Fruit	Roger Strong,
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#### St. Simon Stock Conference

157 West White Horse Pike, Berlin, NJ 08009

#### Food Pantry Distribution:

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays, 11 am–2:30 pm

**Thrift Store Open:** Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays  
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Store Donations Accepted On Days The Store Is Open Up To ½ Hour Before Closing. Phone Assistance Services at 856-767-7391 available On Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays from 11 am – 2:30 pm. At other times, if you need immediate assistance, **dial 211**, which is the NJ State Help Line.

#### HAVE YOU EVER HUGGED A SOUL?

Earlier this month the love of Jesus touched two of our members during an encounter with a stranger at our Thrift Store when a stranger and his family, his wife and step-daughter, came in needing help. He was wearing no coat and torn jeans. They had no vehicle or money to extend their stay

at the motel where they had been living for almost a year. This is the first time they weren't able to manage to make ends meet by doing landscaping work and odd jobs. We listened and heard their quiet desperation ("the cry of the poor"). We cared and expressed our concerns about them. We HUGGED them physically, emotionally, and spiritually. We then secured shelter at a local motel, food from our pantry, and clothing for all three of them from our store, along with a wheeled suitcase to carry everything going forward – all with no charge to them. We talked about resources and what steps they needed to do to improve their situation and survival.

We gave them hope and help. In return, they gave us the feeling and insight of knowing the Divine Light within them and within ourselves.

Feeling the emotional thankfulness and seeing the relief from the help they received reminded us why we are Vincentians.

Do you find yourself thinking this sounds like the type of thing you would like to do? If you are interested in learning more about us, getting involved, or if you have questions, contact us at 856-767-7391 during pantry hours, or come visit our Thrift Store during open hours. While you are there you can drop off donations and/or shop, as well!

If you or someone you know needs medical assistance items such as crutches, wheelchairs, walkers, shower chairs, and/or portable commodes, please contact us.

*“Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.” Matthew 25:40*



A big thank you to the typers and all who have supported the Parish Cookbook. To date we sold 150 books. We hope you are cooking, baking, and enjoying. Get your recipes ready for the next publication. Cookbooks are available at the office. Look for an after-Mass sale on a weekend the Spring.

# STEWARDSHIP OF COMPASSION AND COMMUNITY

## SICK AND HOMEBOUND

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Julia Alessandrino	Patricia Knott
Robert Andreotta	Gary Koopman
Ted Baker	Conrad Lambert
Tina Belardo	Michael Liberatore
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Gladys Blaese	Ed & Sandy Markiewicz
Michelle Blaese	Janis Mayer
Rosalie Bowman	Connie McCusker
Kevin Brady	Mary McKay
Irene Browne	Larry Meo Sr.
Joe & Terry Bruno	Adele Miller
Loretta Bunoza	Agnes Moore
Betty Butler	Sister Marie Moore, IHM
Carole Anne Conner	Margie & Walter Moronski
Benjamin Cuifolo	Chris Morrison
Terry Cunningham	Marie Niceto
Charles Dowd	Glenn Pliszczak
Lyle Gerber	Lori Singley
Joan Hagge	Kay Tedesco
Richard Herlihy, FSC	John F. Vece
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Elayne Hill	Grace Wisniewski
Teresa Hiteshow	Lisa Wisniewski
Jo Niece Holbig	Joseph Wisniewski
Janice Judge	

**Note:** To add or remove a name from the Sick and Homebound list, please call the Parish Office. Permission must be obtained to print someone's name. **Please let us know if a person listed has recovered from sickness.** Thank you

## Partnership with Volcano Steak and Sushi



St. Simon Stock Parish has formed a partnership with Volcano Steak and Sushi. For every parishioner who dines at Volcano on **Sundays only**, tell the service person that you are a

parishioner and your Parish will receive a 20% donation on the total food bill before taxes. The Parish has already received its first donation check. Cards from Volcano are available on the table in the back of the church.



## MARRIED COUPLES – WORN OUT FROM THE HOLIDAYS?

Are you looking for a way to avoid the January blahs? How about a special weekend, just for the 2 of you? Register for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend today!

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*"Meet one another doing good." — Pope Francis*

Next weekend, we will welcome Rev. Anthony Nguyen C.Ss.R. who will be with us to celebrate Masses and tell us about the work of Unbound, a lay Catholic sponsorship ministry that helps children and elderly in 16 developing countries. To learn more, call (800) 875-6564 or visit Unbound online at [www.unbound.org](http://www.unbound.org).



*"Preaching on behalf of Unbound gives me opportunities to pursue my religious commitment: to evangelize and be evangelized by the poor and marginalized and to practice charity, hope, and faith. Practicing charity brings hope for our world as people open themselves, not only seeing the poor but also showing their care as sponsors. Through hope, my faith is enriched as I witness people living their lives in relationship as Children of God and members of the Body of Christ."*

Born in Vietnam, Redemptorist Father Anthony Nguyen has served in various ministries including parish and hospital ministry, formation, retreats, liturgy & music, music composition, and Engaged Encounter programs in several dioceses. Currently he gives parish missions in the U.S. and other countries, writes articles related to liturgy and sacred music, and introduces others to Vietnamese culture and traditions. Additionally, he teaches liturgical and music workshops, and composes music.



Sexual abuse is a crime that must be reported, investigated and responded to so that victims are protected and those who commit abuse are removed from ministry. A special toll-free number has been established to help callers report cases of sexual abuse by priests, deacons, religious, employees and/or volunteers. In accord with state law, cases of child sexual abuse are reported to the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency. **For information or to inquire about counseling and support services, contact the Victims Assistance Coordinator at 1-800-964-6588.**

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