

Saint Simon Stock Parish

Berlin, New Jersey

Happy

Mother's

Day

May 10, 2026

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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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. 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.

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 May 13, 2026

Holy Hour and Benediction at 6 pm

“Adore and visit Jesus, abandoned and forsaken by men in His Sacrament of Love. Man has time for everything except for visits to His Lord and God, Who is waiting and longing for us in the Blessed Sacrament. The streets and places of entertainment are filled with people; the House of God is deserted. Ah! Poor Jesus...” - St . Peter Julian Eymard



Prayers to all who celebrate May birthdays

Mike DiGiovanni 5/07
Denise Bilella 5/07
Alex Lambert 5/09
John Mangaro 5/10
James Bilella 5/18
Maria Hourihan 5/18
Betty Briles 5/23
Charlotte McCullough 5/26



Prayers to all who celebrate May Anniversaries

Deacon Robert Iuliucci Ordination 5/2
Jim & Denise Bilella 5/3
James & Cindy Keen 5/4
Norm & Mary Spicer 5/6
Guy & Betty Levis 5/6
Janet & Ken Schwarz 5/23
Chris & Bernadette Green 5/29



Baptism Class

The next class Baptism class is scheduled for Monday, **May 18, 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!

May 10	Mother's Day
May 10	May Crowning at 12 pm Mass
May 14	Confirmation
May 15	OLMC Spring Concert
May 16	Saint Simon Stock's Feast Day
May 17	9 am Youth Group Meeting
May 17	Donuts & Fellowship after 10 am Mass
May 21	OLMC Dance for Education
May 22	OLMC Fun & Fitness Day
May 25	Memorial Day 9 am Mass at Gate of Heaven
May 27	OLMC Athletic Awards Night
June 5	OLMC 8 th Grade Dance
June 10	OLMC 8 th Grade Retreat
June 11	OLMC 8 th Grade Trip
June 12	OLMC Buddy Picnic
June 15	10 am OLMC 8 th Grade Awards
June 15	OLMC 8 th Grade Graduation
June 16	OLMC Pre-K Graduation
June 17	9 am OLMC School Closing Mass
June 19	OLMC Last Day of School



Priest Schedule for May 17, 2026

The Ascension of the Lord

(subject to change without notice)

5/16 3-3:45 pm Confessions Fr. Joseph
4 pm Mass Fr. Joseph / Deacon Bob
5/17 8 am Mass Father Michael / Deacon Bob
10 am Mass Father Joseph
12 pm Mass Father Michael

Deacon preaches this weekend

SANCTUARY CANDLE

Our Sanctuary Candle will remain lit during the week of May 9th at 4pm to 8am on May 16th for All Mothers Living and Deceased



2026 Special Collections

May 17	Catholic Communication Campaign
June 28	Peter's Pence Collection
July 12	Pastoral Soidarity 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

Photographs of the May 3rd First Communion for Our Lady of Mount Carmel students will appear in next week's Bulletin

Please call the Parish Office to add a birthday/anniversary. Special blessing for those celebrating in May will be given at all Masses this weekend, May 30/31, 2026.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear parishioners,

I hope you and your family are healthy.

This weekend, our Parish celebrates two profound gifts from God: the gift of **motherhood** and the gift of the **Holy Spirit**. As we honor mothers on Mother's Day, we do so within the light of the Easter season, when the Risen Lord continues to assure us that we are never alone.

This Mother's Day holds special meaning for me and my family. We celebrate my mother, *Mama Fely*, who continues to live out her vocation as a mother with quiet strength and deep faith, even as she grieves the recent loss of her beloved husband and our father, *Papa Joma*. In the midst of sorrow, she continues to give—to love, to pray, to nurture, and to trust God's promises. Her witness reminds us that motherhood does not end with loss; rather, it often finds deeper roots in faith, sacrifice, and hope.



My mother during the funeral viewing of her husband and our father

Motherhood is not only about giving birth. It is about **presence, faithfulness, and self-giving love**, especially when the path is difficult. In this way, every loving mother reflects something of the heart of God. Mama Fely's steadfast love, even in grief, mirrors the love that continues to uphold families when words fall short and tears speak louder than prayers.

As we honor our earthly mothers, the Church also invites us to look to **Mary, our Blessed Mother**, whose gift of motherhood extends to all humanity. At the foot of the Cross, Jesus entrusted her not only to the beloved disciple, but to every one of us (cf. John 19:26–27). Mary's motherhood did not end at Bethlehem; it expanded at Calvary. In her, we find a mother who understands suffering, who remains faithful in uncertainty, and who

trusts that God is still at work even when the future is unclear.

Today's Gospel (John 14:15–21) comes from Jesus' farewell discourse. Knowing that His disciples would soon experience fear and loss, Jesus reassures them: *"I will not leave you orphans."* These words carry special resonance on Mother's Day. Jesus promises the **Advocate**, the Holy Spirit, who will remain with us always. Just as a mother comforts, guides, and strengthens her children, the Holy Spirit stays close to us—teaching us how to love, reminding us of God's presence, and sustaining us through sorrow.

In the First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 8:5–8, 14–17), we see the early Church living in the power of that promise. The Spirit transforms fear into joy, division into unity. Through prayer and the laying on of hands, the Holy Spirit is given to the people, bringing healing and new life. What began as a Church marked by loss, after Christ's Ascension becomes a community alive with hope and mission.

This is the same Spirit who comforts grieving families, strengthens widows and widowers, and sustains mothers who carry both joy and sorrow in their hearts. The Spirit empowers us to love when it is hard, to forgive when wounds are deep, and to believe when answers are slow to come.

On this Mother's Day, we give thanks for mothers living and deceased, for spiritual mothers, godmothers, grandmothers, and all who have nurtured us in faith. We remember those who mother with tenderness and those who mother through sacrifice and silent endurance.

May Mama Fely, and all mothers who grieve, feel the gentle closeness of the risen Christ. May Mary, our Mother, intercede for all families. And may the Holy Spirit continue to remind us of Jesus' promise: **we are never orphaned, never forgotten, and never alone.**

Happy Mother's Day! May the peace of the Risen Lord remain with you always. Through the intercession of Saint Edward, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, and Saint Simon Stock, may God bless you and your loved ones abundantly, now and always.

With love and prayers,
Fr. Michael



STEWARDSHIP OF WORSHIP AND LITURGY

Mass Intentions for the Week

SAT 5/9
 8 AM † Kathleen Wiand r/b Wiand Family
 4 PM **Sixth Sunday of Easter (Vigil)**
 All Mothers Living and Deceased

SUN 5/10 Sixth Sunday of Easter – Mother's Day
 8 AM
 All Mothers Living and Deceased
 10 AM **LIVE STREAMED**
 All Mothers Living and Deceased
 12 PM
 All Mothers Living and Deceased

MON 5/11
 8 AM † Judith Herlihy r/b her loving sister, Sally

TUES 5/12
 8 AM † Michael Joseph Ciunci
 r/b Deanna & Rene Scheunemann

WED 5/13
 8 AM † Richard J. Herlihy r/b his loving daughter, Sally

THURS 5/14
 8 AM † Alice Shaughnessy r/b her loving Husband

FRI 5/15
 8 AM † Jose Maria de Leon, Sr. r/b Janet & Ken Schwarz

SAT 5/16
 8 AM † Frederick Schurr r/b his loving Wife
 4 PM **Ascension of the Lord (Vigil)**
 † Irving Motluck d/b his loving wife, Dolores

SUN 5/17 Ascension of the Lord
 8 AM
 † Mary T. Saponaro r/b Anne Marie Saponaro
 10 AM **LIVE STREAMED**
 † Susan Clearly r/b Mary Ellen Welsh
 12 PM
 † Jose Maria de Leon, Sr. r/b Leyden Family
 † Nina Wagner r/b Somers Family
 † Ruth Mary Lowe r/b Bradley Family
 L Intentions of Bobby Ricci r/b Deb McCarthy
 L Intentions of Barbara Doelling r/b Friend

L = Living † = Deceased

Priest Schedule for May 10, 2026 Sixth Sunday of Easter – Mother's Day (subject to change without notice)

5/9 3-3:45 pm Confessions Fr. Michael
 4 pm Mass Fr. Michael

5/10 8 am Mass Father Joseph
 10 am Mass Father Michael / Deacon Bob
 12 pm Mass Father Michael / Deacon Bob
 Deacon preaches this weekend

Readings Sixth Sunday of Easter May 10, 2026

First Reading: Acts 8:5 8, 14 17

Philip preaches to the people of Samaria, who accept his word after witnessing the miracles he performs. Peter and John pray that they will receive the Holy Spirit.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:15 18

Christians are urged to remain steadfast in their allegiance to Christ, giving evidence always of gentleness and hope.

Gospel: John 14:15 21

In his words to the apostles at the Last Supper, Jesus promises to send them a comforter, a Paraclete, the Spirit of truth, who will be with them always.

Monday Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26-16:4a
Tuesday Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17
Friday Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

Stewardship Sixth Sunday of Easter May 10, 2026 Good Stewards

"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil." 1 PETER 3:17

The old line says "if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we don't get the result we anticipated or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively and ask, "Why me? I did everything right!" Here's the thing – adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for his stewards.



Banns of Marriage

Patrick J. Moore and Karen L. Graham
 Convalidation on May 16, 2026



STEWARDSHIP OF COMMUNITY



This year we will again honor our service men and women and veterans by placing American Flags around the parish (Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church) for Memorial Day weekend. All orders **MUST** be in by Friday, May 20th.

Flags are \$10 (8 x 12 inch) each and include the veteran's name placed on the stick of the flag. Orders can be placed in the collection basket or brought to the Parish Office. Any questions, please call the parish office or Marie Leyden 856-767-3696.



American Flag Order Form

Name(s) of Service Person: _____

Name of Family: _____

Your Name: _____

Your Phone #: _____

Payment: _____

\$10 each. Make check payable to
St. Simon Stock Parish
drop in the collection basket or at the parish office.



Banns of Ordination to the Priesthood

The Most Reverend Joseph A. Williams, D.D., announces that he intends to ordain Rev. Mr. Nickolas B. Naticchione to the Sacred Order of Presbyter on **Saturday, the 16th day of May 2026**, at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 642 Market Street, Camden, New Jersey.

The faithful of the Diocese of Camden are asked to pray for this man and for the young men of our Diocese who are being called by God to service in the Church. At the same time, *the faithful are obliged to reveal impediments to sacred orders, if they know of any, by contacting their pastor before the ordination* in accord with the norms of cc. 1043 and 1051.2 of the Code of Canon Law. Mary Immaculate, patroness of the Diocese of Camden, intercede for this man and for an increase in vocations to the priesthood here in South Jersey.

Baby Bottle Campaign 2026 To Benefit True Women's Center

The Respect Life Ministry is, again, sponsoring the Baby Bottle Campaign that will assist True Women's Center (formerly known as Choices of the Heart) in Turnersville, to serve women in crisis pregnancy situations. Beginning Mother's Day weekend, and continuing until Father's Day weekend, **empty baby bottles will be available after all Masses May 9/10. We ask that you place your donation in the bottle and bring it back by Father's Day weekend (June 21st).** Your donation helps True Women's Center provide free pregnancy tests, counseling, education, baby supplies, and much more. **Your donation** can make a life-changing difference to those in need. Checks can be made payable to: True Women's Center.

Diocesan Training

Lector: Saturday, June 6, 2026, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm
 St. Damien Parish Center, 1337 Asbury Ave,
 Ocean City NJ 08226

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:

Saturday, June 13, 2026, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm
 Saints Peter and Paul Parish, 362 Ganttown Rd.,
 Turnersville, NJ 08012

Contact Bonnie Piontkowski with any questions on these Ministries 856-745-8223 or bpiont25@comcast.net

Contact the Parish Office for an application.



STEWARDSHIP OF COMMUNITY AND EDUCATION

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Robert Andreotta	Janice Judge
John Agyemang	Marilyn Kent
Julia Alessandrine	Patricia Knott
Robert Andreotta	Gary Koopman
Ted Baker	Kamal Leahy
Tina Belardo	Michael Liberatore
Paul Bilbrough	John Manes Sr.
Gladys Blaese	Ed & Sandy Markiewicz
Michelle Blaese	Philip Marzili
Rosalie Bowman	Janis Mayer
Kevin Brady	Connie McCusker
MaryBeth Bravman	Adele Miller
Baby Savannah Britt	Agnes Moore
Irene Browne	Sister Marie Moore, IHM
Joe & Terry Bruno	Margie & Walter Moronski
Loretta Bunoza	Chris Morrison
Betty Butler	Francesco (Frankie) Nero
Carole Anne Conner	Marie Niceto
Benjamin Cuifolo	Glenn Pliszczak
Terry Cunningham	Bobby Ricci
Bernadette DeFilippis	Alfred Salvatore Sr.
Concetta DiFrancisco	Nora Sauers
Charles Dowd	Gale Schofield
Jean Ervin/Smith	Lori Singley
Janet Flood	Alejandra Talucci
John Gianvito	Kay Tedesco
Joan Hagge	Steve Thompson
Richard Herlihy, FSC	John F. Vece
Matthew Hernan	Carol Walter
Kim Hertzberg	John Werner
Elayne Hill	Grace Wisnewski
Teresa Hiteshew	Joseph Wisnewski
Jo Niece Holbig	Lisa Wisnewski
Giana Iannuzzi	

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



PRAYER & YOGA

Wednesdays @ 6:45 am
in the Parish Life Center.

Suggested donation \$5-\$10. Appropriate for all fitness levels. Start your day feeling relaxed, focused and more closely connected to God. For more information, please contact Anna at (856) 693-9050.

Women's Book Club

The next gathering of the Women's Book Club is **Friday,**

May 29, 2026, at 7 pm, in the Parish Life Center. The next book is *No Greater Love* by Mother Teresa
Published by New World Library



2002 (224 pages).

Youth Group News!

Open to youth in grades 5 through 12

May 17: Youth Group meeting 9 am

May 17: Donuts & Fellowship after 10 am Mass

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Regional School

Happy Mother's Day!

During the month of May, students at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School honor our Blessed Mother by singing and reciting traditional Marian hymns and poems. They spend extra time praying the Rosary for the special intentions of school families and staff. Students still continue the time-honored tradition of bringing in flowers to be placed at the statue of the Mary in each classroom.

Registration for the 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) or Advancement Director Mandee DeHaven (adehaven@olmc-school.org) at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School for more information.

Cremation and Scattering of Ashes: Catholic Teaching

The Catholic Church **permits cremation** but continues to **prefer burial of the body** as a sign of faith in the **resurrection of the dead** (cf. Code of Canon Law, can. 1176).

When cremation is chosen, cremated remains must be treated with the **same reverence as the human body** and are to be **buried or entombed in a sacred place** (cemetery, columbarium, or church crypt).

⊘ **The Church does not permit the scattering of ashes**—on land, in the sea, or in the air.

⊘ Ashes may not be divided or kept at home without special permission.

As the Church teaches: "The practice of scattering cremated remains on the sea, from the air, or on the ground is not the reverent disposition that the Church requires." (*Order of Christian Funerals, no. 416*)

Families are encouraged to speak with a priest or parish staff member when planning funeral arrangements to ensure they reflect **Catholic faith, dignity, and hope in the resurrection.**

Respect Life Ministry



"Should I put this speck down...?"

Horton thought with alarm.

'If I do, these small persons may come to great harm.

I CAN'T put it down. And I WON'T! After all,

A person's a person. No matter how small."

— Dr. Seuss, Horton Hears a Who!



STEWARDSHIP OF WORSHIP

PARISH PILGRIMAGE INVITATION 2027

Father Michael de Leon warmly invites you to consider joining a parish pilgrimage from **March 29 to April 9, 2027**—a sacred journey of prayer, faith, and encounter. Together, we will visit some of the most beloved pilgrimage sites of our Catholic tradition, including:

- Our Lady of Fátima (Portugal)
- Santiago de Compostela (Spain)
- Ávila Cathedral (Ávila, Spain)
- The Massabielle Grotto in Lourdes (France)
- La Sagrada Familia in Barcelona
- And many other sacred places

These are not merely destinations on a map; they are sacred encounters – holy places where heaven has touched earth and where countless souls have encountered God’s grace, healing, and abiding presence.



Pilgrimage is a powerful expression of our Easter faith: a pilgrim people on the move, journeying together toward deeper communion with God and one another. This time away will be devoted to prayer, reflection, community, and spiritual renewal. It will also be an invitation to step back from the busyness of daily life and to walk more deeply with Mary, as she gently leads us ever closer to her Son.

I encourage you to prayerfully discern whether the Lord may be calling you to take part in this grace-filled journey.

For more information or to register, please visit: <https://www.nativitypilgrimage.com/msh-5929/> or see Father Michael personally.

May is the month of the **Blessed Virgin Mary!** We dedicate this month to honoring our Blessed Mother, the revered figure of love, compassion, and devotion. Throughout centuries, Mother Mary has been venerated as the epitome of maternal care, strength, and faith.



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 donation checks. Cards from Volcano are available on the table in the back of the church.

Harvest Festival

Volunteers are needed to **chair this year’s Harvest Festival in September**. Please call the parish office. Thank you!



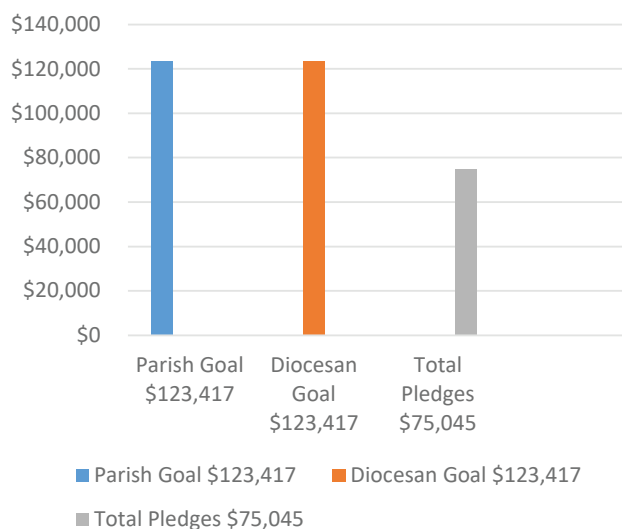
STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

This year's theme for the South Jersey Catholic Ministries Appeal is **Missionaries of Mercy**. Let us join Bishop Joseph Williams in renewing our commitment to charity, which lies at the heart of our Catholic faith. When we give, we become instruments of God's mercy—walking alongside those who are struggling and reminding them that they are never forgotten.

2026 SJ Catholic Ministries Appeal April 30, 2026 Report



Every donation, whether large or small, is deeply appreciated. On behalf of those in need and all who benefit from the South Jersey Catholic Ministries Appeal (SJCMA), please consider making a monetary pledge today. **Your gift is tax deductible.**

Thank you for your generosity and support!

SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL PRAYER

Heavenly Father,
You are the source of all goodness.
We thank you for your goodness to us.
Now, send your Holy Spirit to help us share your Son's love with the people of South Jersey.
We know that trust will open the floodgates of generosity. So help us to trust in you more deeply.
You always support us, so we can support the poor and needy. You have so often forgiven us, so we can be missionaries of your mercy.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen

PARISH-WIDE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

**An Extraordinary Opportunity
Made Possible by Your Generosity!!**

Dear Parish Family,

We are deeply grateful to share some wonderful news with you. As you know, two generous families pledged to match every dollar given to our Capital Campaign—up to **\$60,000**—to support the expansion and improvement of our church facilities. Through this campaign, we are working to create spaces that better serve prayer, worship, and community life, including:

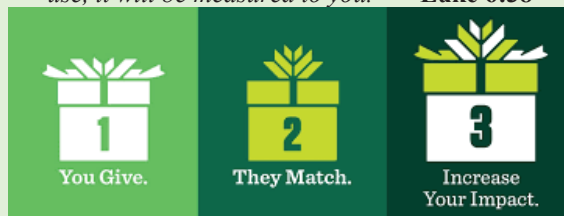
- A welcoming vestibule (foyer)
- A small chapel for prayer and adoration
- A priests' sacristy
- An altar servers' room
- A handicapped-accessible confessional

Matching Gift Program Details:

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

Thanks to your extraordinary generosity, we are blessed to report that **over \$60,000 was received through the Matching Gift Program**. Every dollar was matched, effectively doubling the impact of your gifts. Because of you, we are taking meaningful steps toward creating a church environment that strengthens worship, fosters community, and ensures greater 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 prayers, generosity, and love for our parish. May God bless you and your family abundantly.

And may the maternal mantle of love of

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

embrace and protect you always!

Stewardship of Treasure

May 3, 2026

Sunday Collections	\$10,060.00
Electronic Giving	\$2,219.00
Total	\$12,279.00

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	1,192
Envelopes Used	306
Electronic Contributors	65

Thank you for your generosity.

MAY LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

May 16/17	4:00 pm	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	12:00 Noon
EMs	Mark Fahringer Ruth Fahringer Bill Tresca Terri Wetzel	Barb Davis Frank Epifanio, Jr. Kevin Johnson Jeffrey Torrance	Nikki McNamara Cathy Rainey Jeff Salvatore Tracy Salvatore Chuck Warrington Barb Hoag Contemporary Ensemble Trent Taylor Madison Grochal Bryson Morton	Wendy Bradley Celeste Codario Marie DiStefano Janet Ralston Riv Voltaire Riv Voltaire Tony/Liz Seraphina Schaber Madeline Smith Hailey Smith Ava Moran Maddie Moran Roger Strong, Frank Vein, Brian Leyden
Lectors	Don Kukola	Joe Hill	Matthew Trant	
Music	Lou/Stephanie	Terry/Linda	Chris Brisbin, Brian Fruit	
Altar Servers	Vanessa Longo Giulia Maimone Phoebe Purcell DJ Iulucci	Sophia Byrd Frankie Epifanio Liam Farina	Tom Carey, Jeremiah McNamara, Mike McGee, Keith Jones, Chris Morris, Frank Flood, George Turner, Ed Bond Rich Cattell	
JrAltrSrv		Lily Farina		
Ushers	Tom Galen, Jim Pacifico, Rudy Perocho, John Lattuga, Bill Bansch, Jim Blackmore, Rich Grabowski, Mark Fahringer	Joe Adolph, Joe Karas, Joe Blasé Sr. & Jr., Bob Fahringer, Rick Danser, Bill Fox, Derrick Watkins, Dennis Consalvi		

STEWARDSHIP COMPASSION AND COMMUNITY

PRAYERS FOR THE MILITARY Please Pray for the Welfare of our Military

ARMY

Capt. Bryan Gillespie, USAR
Capt. Jason E. Healey, USAR
Capt. Lewis Nicoletto, USAR
Capt. Andrew Winters, USAR
SSgt. Joseph R. Garback, USAR
Sgt. Tyler Fisher, USAR
Sgt. Michael Franzini, USAR
Spc. Sean Gillespie, USAR
Spc. Justin Scheuren, USAR
Pfc. Amanda Sylvester, USAR
Joseph Morris III, USAR
Nadeem Sarwar, USAR

MARINES

Sgt. Adam Cutaiar, USMC

AIR FORCE

MSgt. Jeremiah McNamara USAF
SSgt. Nicholas R. Luthe USAF
SSgt. Taylor Purvis, USAF
SSgt. David Sigwart, USAF
A1C Jack Erikson USAF

NAVY

PO 1st Class Damien Renzi, USN
PO 2nd Class Michael Angelow, USN
PO 2nd Class Joseph Connell USN.
PO 2nd Class Russell Hagner, USN
Sherri Mercier, USN

COAST GUARD

Cmdr. Luke Slizinski, USCG
Matthew Angelow, USCG

To add or remove a name from our Military, please email Jim Gillespie Jr. at gillespiejas@comcast.net and provide name, rank, and branch of service.

Honor Our Heroes: Memorial Day Flag Placement

We are looking for volunteers to help place flags on the graves of our veterans, ensuring every hero is recognized this Memorial Day.

Saturday, May 23rd, 12:00 PM, Gate of Heaven Cemetery
Everyone is welcome! This is a family-friendly opportunity for all ages to participate in a meaningful act of service. Whether you can stay for an hour or the whole afternoon, your help is greatly appreciated.

We look forward to seeing you there as we pay our respects to our fallen brothers and sisters. No sign-up is required—just bring your helping hands and a heart of gratitude!

“Home of the free, because of the brave.”

This event sponsored by The St. Simon Stock Veterans Ministry and Knights of Columbus Archangel Council 7429. If you have any questions, please contact Jim Gillespie at 609-680-0524.

Society of St. Vincent De Paul St. Simon Stock Conference

157 West White Horse Pike, Berlin, NJ 08009

Food Pantry Distribution:

1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 11 am–2:30 pm

Thrift Store Open: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays
10 am – 3 pm; Saturdays 10 am – 1 pm

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, and Thursdays from 11 am – 2:30 pm. At other times, if you need immediate assistance, **dial 211**, which is the NJ State Help Line.

Sixth Sunday of Easter



In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us: “If you love me, you will keep my commandment. Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father and I will love him and reveal myself to him.”

Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference members and volunteers will be collecting non-perishable food next weekend, May 16th & 17th, at our truck parked outside the church before all the Masses. One way you can show your love for Jesus is to be as generous as your means allow.

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. We couldn't have done it without you! Thank you!

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

FIRST EUCHARIST, SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2026



Congratulations to our
First Communicants!
May 2, 2026



You joyfully received
Jesus in the Eucharist
for the first time. May
His love guide you
always as you grow in
faith. Know that you are
loved and prayed for.

Mother's Day

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