

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).

The Ascension of the Lord

MAY 17, 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 1:30 pm. Parents must call the parish office to register for Baptism class held on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7 pm 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

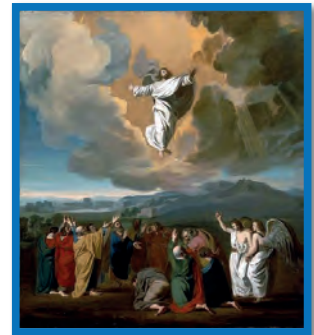
Anyone seriously ill or facing surgery, please call 856-767-2563 during office hours or call 856-767-2563 ext. 301 after office hours and leave a message to make arrangements for the anointing of the sick.

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.



“Go, therefore,* and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit.”

Matthew 28:19

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 - 5:00 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. 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 20, 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



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

Baptism Class

The next class Baptism class is scheduled for tomorrow, 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 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 24, 2026

Pentecost Sunday

(subject to change without notice)

5/23	3-3:45 pm Confessions Fr. Michael
	4 pm Mass Fr. Michael
5/24	8 am Mass Father Joseph
	10 am Mass Father Michael / Deacon Bob
	12 pm Mass Father Joseph / Deacon Bob

SANCTUARY CANDLE

Our Sanctuary Candle will remain lit during the week of May 16th at 4pm to 8am on May 23rd in loving memory of **Frank, Delores & Francine Boccuti**

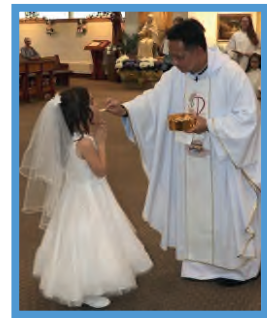
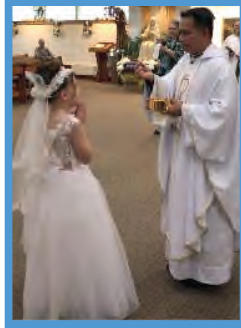


2026 Special Collections

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



FIRST EUCHARIST – MAY 3, 2026



Congratulations to
Our Lady of Mount
Carmel School First
Communicants!
May 3, 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.

STEWARDSHIP OF WORSHIP AND LITURGY

Mass Intentions for the Week

SAT 5/16

8 AM † Frederick Schurr r/b his loving Wife
 4 PM Ascension of the Lord (Vigil)
 † Irving Motluck r/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

MON 5/18

8 AM † Jose Maria de Leon, Sr. r/b Lois & Kevin Dark

TUES 5/19

8 AM L Intentions of the Kempf Family r/b Friends

WED 5/20

8 AM L Intentions of the Akrigg Family r/b Friends

THURS 5/21

8 AM † MaryAnn Weipert r/b Jill Auwarter

FRI 5/22

8 AM † Jose Maria de Leon, Sr. r/b Linda McBrearty

SAT 5/23

8 AM † Kathleen Whitman r/b Heckler Family
 4 PM Pentecost Sunday (Vigil)
 † Walter Feyt d/b his loving wife, Jennie
 † James & Dolores Porter r/b Porter Family
 † Donnalea Thomas r/b Nancy Grieco
 † Jolayne Dark r/b St. Vincent de Paul Society
 L Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. John Gorman
 r/b Lenny & Mary Ward

SUN 5/24 Pentecost Sunday

8 AM
 † Rosemarie Martin r/b Sandy & Allan Smith

10 AM LIVE STREAMED

† Victor Lombardi r/b his loving wife, Josie

12 PM

L Parishioners & Benefactors (Pro Populo)

L = Living † = Deceased

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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

Readings
Ascension of the Lord
May 17, 2026

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

Jesus had appeared many times to his disciples after his resurrection. On this final occasion, Jesus' departing message is that they will soon receive the Holy Spirit to strengthen them in their work. No sooner does he say this, he is taken up to heaven before their eyes.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23

Paul prays that God may grant wisdom and enlightenment to the Ephesians so that they may know the great hope to which they are called. Every power has been given to Christ who now reigns in heaven. He is the "head of the church, which is his body."

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Jesus told his disciples to go to the mountain in Galilee. Upon seeing the disciples, Jesus told them to go to all nations to make new disciples and spread the teachings of the Lord. Jesus also reassured them of his presence, until the end of the age.

Monday Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday Acts 28:16-20, 30-31, Jn 21:20-25

Stewardship
Ascension of the Lord
May 17, 2026

Prayerful Stewardship

"I am praying for them..." JOHN 17:9

Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of **stewardship**. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation - not just our last resort. Pray for friends and family, and especially for those that don't treat you very well. Pray to give praise, to thank, and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you. Teach others how to pray. It has been said that teaching someone how to pray is the best gift you can give someone.

IN REMEMBRANCE



Please pray for those who have continued on their journey to the Kingdom of God:
Kathleen Whitman
Vincent C. Insalaco
Joyce J. Bain
 May they rest in peace.



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.



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:

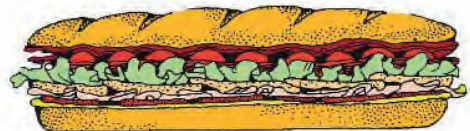
Saturday, June 13, 2026, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm
Saints Peter and Paul Parish, 362 Ganttown Rd.,
Turnersville, NJ 08012

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

Contact the Parish Office for an application.

Knights of Columbus Archangel Council 7429

Hoagie Sale!



\$7.00 10" Italian Hoagie

Saturday May 30th

10AM – 1PM OLMC Parking Lot



BAPTISMS

Today, we welcome into the Catholic Christian Community:

**Finley Regina Bowers
Keira Annmarie Bowers**



STEWARDSHIP OF COMMUNITY AND EDUCATION

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Robert Andreotta	Janice Judge
John Agyemang	Marilyn Kent
Julia Alessandrino	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 Plisczak
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 Wisniewski
Teresa Hiteshew	Joseph Wisniewski
Jo Niece Holbig	Lisa Wisniewski
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

If you are looking for a school where your child or grandchild will be challenged academically, yet still be treated as a unique individual, please consider Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School. Our students experience a full curriculum which includes art, music, technology and physical education taught by a dedicated and highly qualified staff. Our standardized test scores in math and language arts have consistently been among the highest in the diocese. Students have the opportunity to participate in clubs and athletic activities. Please consider Catholic education – the gift of a lifetime!

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 Mande 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).

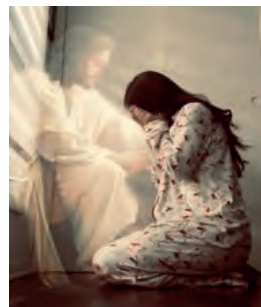
When cremation is chosen, cremated remains must be treated with the **same reverence as the human body** and are to be **buried or entombed in a sacred place** (cemetery, columbarium, or church crypt).

⊘ **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

“The consistent ethic of life of the gospel of Jesus is, I contend, neither “liberal” nor “conservative,” for it cuts across all human ideological distinctions, challenging all to uphold the dignity and value of each human person from conception to death.”

— Rob Arner, *Consistently Pro-Life*



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.

You are warmly invited to attend an information meeting to learn more about this Marian Pilgrimage, ask questions, and share in fellowship with fellow parishioners. The meeting will be held at the **Parish Life Center on Tuesday, June 23, 2026, at 7:00 PM.** Light refreshments will be served, and all are welcome—whether you are simply curious or already feeling called to go.

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!

Appeals of Our Lady

Apparitions and Marian Shrines of the World

St. Andrew the Apostle is honored to host the powerful exhibit Appeals of Our Lady – Apparitions and Marian Shrines of the World! Devised and realized by Saint Carlo Acutis, this international display features storyboard panels illustrating Marian apparitions and shrines from around the world. We invite you to visit and spend time reflecting on a small sample of the many moments throughout history when Mary has come from Heaven to appear to her children on Earth—assuring us of her loving intercession and prayers to God on our behalf. Available for viewing in the Church vestibule through **Sunday, May 24th.**



Don’t be a victim of a scam. A scam has been going around in which parishioners receive emails or texts which appear to be from Father Michael requesting assistance. PLEASE BE ADVISED that Fr. Michael will never request monetary assistance or gift cards for himself personally. If you should receive such an email or text, please disregard and delete.



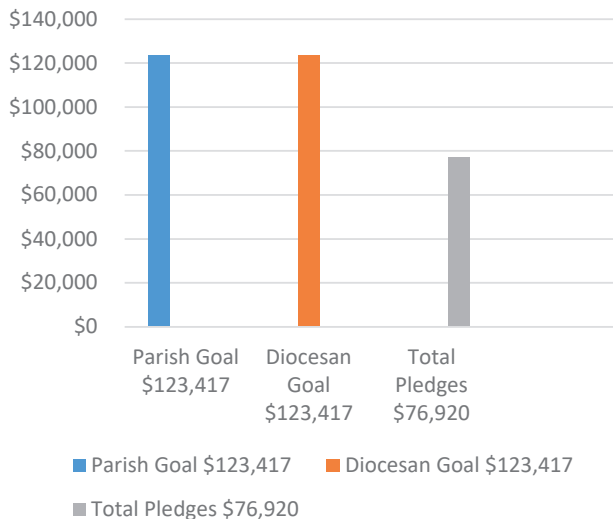
STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



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 May 17, 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:

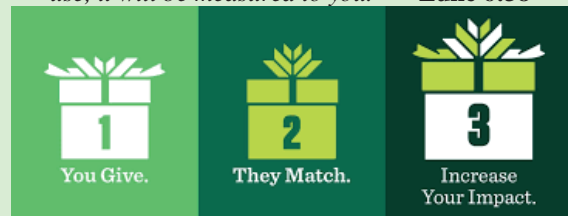
- A welcoming vestibule (foyer)
- A small chapel for prayer and adoration
- A priests' sacristy
- An altar servers' room
- A handicapped-accessible confessional

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 10, 2026

Sunday Collections	\$9,540.00
Electronic Giving	\$2,484.00
Total	\$12,024.00

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	1,015
Envelopes Used	276
Electronic Contributors	70

Thank you for your generosity.

MAY LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

May 16/17 EMS	4:00 pm	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	12:00 Noon
	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		
Music	Lou/Stephanie	Terry/Linda		
Altar Servers	Vanessa Longo Giulia Maimone Phoebe Purcell DJ Iulucci	Sophia Byrd Frankie Epifanio Liam Farina		
JrAltrSrv Ushers	Tom Galen, Jim Pacifico, Rudy Perocho, John Lattuga, Bill Bansch, Jim Blackmore, Rich Grabowski, Mark Fahringer	Lily Farina Joe Adolph, Joe Karas, Joe Blasé Sr. & Jr., Bob Fahringer, Rick Danser, Bill Fox, Derrick Watkins, Dennis Consalvi	Matthew Trant Chris Brisbin, Brian Fruit Tom Carey, Jeremiah McNamara, Mike McGee, Keith Jones, Chris Morris, Frank Flood, George Turner, Ed Bond Rich Cattell	

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

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

MARINES

Sgt. Adam Cutaiar, USMC

COAST GUARD

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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!

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

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

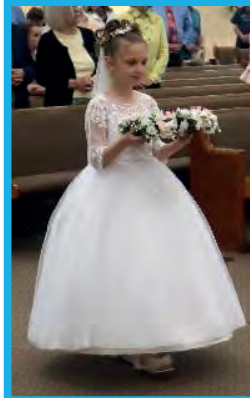
Cemetery, at the circle in the center of the old section

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!

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.

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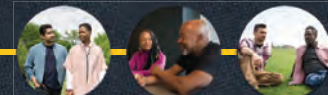
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