# ST. VERONICA CHURCH

**Rectory Office Hours**:

Monday through Thursday 9:00AM-3:30PM Appointments available upon request

Parish Emails: office@stveronica.com communications@stveronica.com

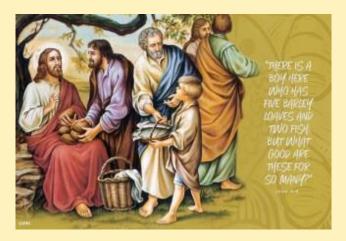


Rectory: 732-363-4200 Rectory Fax: 732-370-3891 Convent: 732-364-2361 Religious Education: 732-364-4137 MSA Office: 732-364-4130

# WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4:00 PM Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 12 Noon Sat. 4PM and Sun.10:30AM are Live Stream Masses Daily: Monday-Friday: 12 Noon Holy Days: As Announced in the bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 2-3:30PM Sacrament of Baptism: Every 2nd & 4th Sunday Anointing of the Sick: Parishioners facing surgery or struggling with illness may request the Sacrament by calling the parish office. Miraculous Medal Novena Monday 8PM



Parish Census: Every family in the parish should be properly registered. You may do so at the rectory office during regular office hours. Pastor: Rev. Peter James Alindogan

Parochial Vicar: Rev. John Chang Weekend Assistant: Rev. Bill O'Brien

Deacons: Charles R. Daye, Jr. John Franey Gino (Louis) Esposito

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# JULY 25, 2021 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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# Mass Intentions for this Week **JULY 25, 2021**

SUNDAY (July 25th)	R
7:30 Patricia MessanoDiMaggio Family	
9:00 Kevin NolanJuta Nolan	S
10:30 Thomas RicapitoWife & Family	Ň
12:00 Jack F. Vivian Donna McQuade & Family Michael MarzarioLisa Rios	T
MONDAY (July 26th) Saints Joachim and Anne,	W
Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary	T
12:00 Dr. Cesar and Fe FloresMarilen	F
	S
TUESDAY (July 27th)	S
12:00 Margie WolfLinda Ann & Joe Horvath	3
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WEDNESDAY (July 28th)	
12:00 Int. of Deacon John & Lisa FraneyBecky Franey	Ρ
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THURSDAY (July 29th)	W
12:00 Paul RubinoZampardi Family	Тс
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FRIDAY (July 30th)	E
12:00 Int. of Ceclilia RubinoZampardi Family	In
Humberto GonzalezGonzalez Family	C
	Tł
SATURDAY (July 31st)	B
8:00AM Int. of Ceil KesslerZampardi Family	K
Int. of Maribel HernandezMom and Dad	Jo
4:00PM Laura SilvaniBetty & Louis Cartagena	Vi
	Tł
SUNDAY (August 1st)	Jo
7:30 For the People of the Parish	R
9:00 Paul HeinJanine Loquet	Ν
Michael J. ConnollyFamily	С

10:30 Blanca Valencia.....Julio & Karen Valencia & Family 12:00 Richard O'Brien.....Salmon Family Carol Jenssen.....Family

# 2022 Mass Book

The 2022 Mass Book is now open. Cost: \$10.00 per Mass Limit 2 Masses per person Please note: There are also Masses available in the 2021 Mass book.

# **Church Sanctuary Candle**

If you would like to donate a Sanctuary Candle for a loved one, please contact the rectory office at 732-363-4200. Candles will be in memory of or intentions of for the named Church Candle: \$15.00 individual for one week..



Sanctuary Candle-Week of July 25, 2021

Leo Landino

# **Mass Readings for this Week**

# Readings for the Week of July 25 2021

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15 Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Mt 13: 31-35 Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9,28; Mt 13:36-43 Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13: 44-46 hursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38 (404); Jn 11: 19-27 Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Mt 13:54-58 Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12 Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

#### Please pray for the sick, the homebound and those who have requested us to remember them in prayer...

om Lovito Mark Stoughton Ed Kellv rma Bennett Christine Clements homas Rorke Baby George Capron Robert O'Malley Sr. Karen D'Souza odi Fletcher /ictoria Burke heresa O'Mallev ohn Fitzpatrick Raymond Sewing Vikolas Picchierri Charlotte Barnard Donald Raulinavich Angelina Valko Daniel Clare

MaryAnne Karwowski Baby Chloe Hornick Mia Castellan Dennis Havward Ann Donovan Michael McGantham Amara Riccio Patti Suplee Roger Lawder Shirley Wesley Gavin Femiano Ralph DeMaio Baby Harper Little Jessica Przybylski Brian Cassidy Melissa Couto Gilbert Starks

Baby Dylan Gallego Judith Weaver Garv Lindquist Greg Mador Mary Henry David Buckley Christopher Keith Ken Kin Mary Alice Carey Baby Sarah Little Carol Ann Scott Patricia Wallace Erin Haber Patrick Lang Edward Sullivan

Please note: Prays for the sick, the homebound and those who have requested us to remember them in praver will be acknowledged in the bulletin for 8 weeks. If anyone would like to add someone to the list, please contact the rectory.



### Please Pray for Our Parishioners Serving Our Country:

- Sgt. Sean T. Curran **PV2 William Wotton** Sgt. Krystyna Cechulski SR Steven Brennan PFC Zackary Burkey Sgt. Luke Wlodkowski 1st Lt. Ash Young Lt. Brian Michael Dublon, JAG SN Brad D'Antuono **PFC Sean Rice** PFC Raymond Posa Capt. Jeremy Dublon, MD
- Sgt. Brennan Six GSMI Sandro Farduchi Maior Julio Collazos Sgt. Gregory Hiller LCDR Matthew W. Smith Sgt. Matt Myers Capt. Robert F. Farrell **BU3 Matthew Gurrera** Sgt. Evan Myhren SR Patrick McCloskey Capt. Brian Dublon PVT Raymond J. Posa

# Spiritual Life, Worship & Music

8/25/21

9/18/21

St. Veronica's Parish Family wishes to welcome those who have become members through the Sacrament of Baptism.



Caleb Lucas, son of Lisseth and Jose Cabrera Nathaniel Anthony, son of Anthony & Kimberly DeStefano

Michael Henry, son of Thomas & Carla Ganci Dylan Nicholas, son of Eugene & Marissa LaBuz Luca Michael, son of Christopher & Alexis Mottese Dominic John, son of Christopher & Alexis Mottese

Thank you for the gift of life.

# Banns of Marríage

Domenico Taddeo & Remaly Reyes Mark Ranchetti & Kristen Elias

# **Eucharistic Adoration**



O Come Let Us Adore Him!

"In order to convert America and save the world what we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in Holy Hours of prayer." St Teresa of Calcutta

The church is open for private prayer and to adore Jesus in the tabernacle (no monstrance) Monday through Friday at 10:45AM. After the 12 noon mass is celebrated, the Monstrance with the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Eucharistic Adoration. At 3PM, the chaplet of divine mercy and rosary are recited orally as a group followed by silent prayer ending at 4PM.

Please email Debbie drev514@aol.com or leave a message at 732-367-7750

# -Bulletin Ads-

The new email address for all St Veronica Parish communications is now active. All ad requests may be sent to <u>communications@stveronica.com</u>

# **ST. VERONICA CHOIRS**



# **Food Pantry Needs:**

Shelf stable milk, canned vegetables, canned fruit, toilet paper, paper towels & tissues

**No expired food, please!** Thank you



# GENERAL ASSEMBLY October 12th, 6:30pm in Cafeteria

We want to hear from you! What you would like to see more of in the parish? This assembly is your chance to give your input and help the parish grow and move forward.

**RSVP:** Yes or Maybe **Call:**732-363-4200 **Email:** office@stveronica.com Scan: QR code response



#### SCAN TO RSVP

# **Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers**

Join us on Mondays at 8:00 PM in the church. All are welcome!

#### Reflection

#### The Gospel: John 6: 1-15

As in other of John's miracle stories, Jesus takes the initiative. He tests Philip, but the apostle misses the point that Jesus was appealing to his faith. Then Jesus distributes the bread and fishes, later avoiding any move on the people's part to make Him king.



The Religious Education Office will be closed from July 5 to August 1. Correspondence for the Religious Education Office may also be dropped off at the Parish Office.

Religioused@stveronica.com. 732-364-4137

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#### St. Veronica's is now subscribing to FORMED.ORG



Diving into the beauty of the Faith has never been easier: at home, on the go, or from any internet connected device. Discover thousands of books, audio talks, movies, documentaries, and studies... there is something for every member of the family to help them grow closer to Christ and His Church.

There are 3 easy steps for new parishioners to Sign Up on FORMED:

1. Visit <u>http://signup.formed.org/</u>

2. Enter our parish zip or name and select St Veronica Church

3. Enter your name and email

# Legion of Mary One Day Retreat

Date: Saturday, July 31, 10:15 AM to 1:00 PM Where: St Veronica's Church Retreat Master: Fr Anthony Carotenuto

Details: 10:30 AM to 11:00 AM - Rosary and Legion Prayers 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM - Marian Talk by Fr Anthony Carotenuto 11:30 AM to 12:00 PM - Confession and Private meditation

12:00 PM to 1:00 PM - Mass

Note: There will be no refreshments served. Please bring a snack as needed, based on your health considerations.

Hope you can join us.

Rosalie Angeles, 732.589.9649, President, Immaculate Conception Curia Monmouth and Ocean Counties

Thanks and God bless.

# Social Concerns Committee

Thank you to all who helped the Social Concerns Committee with their collection for the elderly in need.

There will be a bin in the narthex during the week for anyone who would still like to donate.

Thank you and God bless you.





# **Excerpts from the Message of Our Holy Father**

Dear Grandfathers and Grandmothers, Dear Elderly Friends,

"I am with you always" (Mt 28:20): this is the promise the Lord made to his disciples before he ascended into heaven. They are the words that he repeats to you today, dear grandfathers and grandmothers, dear elderly friends. "I am with you always" are also the words that I, as Bishop of Rome and an elderly person like yourselves, would like to address to you on this first World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly.

I am well aware that this Message comes to you at a difficult time: the pandemic swept down on us like an unexpected and furious storm; it has been a time of trial for everyone, but especially for us elderly persons. Many of us fell ill, others died or experienced the death of spouses or loved ones, while others found themselves isolated and alone for long periods.

Even at the darkest moments, as in these months of pandemic, the Lord continues to send **angels** to console our loneliness and to remind us: "I am with you always". He says this to you, and he says it to me. That is the meaning of this Day, which I wanted to celebrate for the first time in this particular year, as a long period of isolation ends and social life slowly resumes. May every grandfather, every grandmother, every older person, especially those among us who are most alone, receive the visit of an angel!

At times those angels will have the face of our grandchildren, at others, the face of family members, lifelong friends or those we have come to know during these trying times, when we have learned how important hugs and visits are for each of us. How sad it makes me that in some places these are still not possible!

At this crucial moment in history, you have a renewed vocation. You may wonder: How this can be possible? My energy is running out and I don't think I can do much. How can I begin to act differently when habit is so much a part of my life? How can I devote myself to those who are poor when I am already so concerned about my family? How can I broaden my vision when I can't even leave the residence where I live? Isn't my solitude already a sufficiently heavy burden? How many of you are asking just that question: isn't my solitude already a sufficiently heavy burden? Jesus himself heard a similar question from Nicodemus, who asked, "How can a man be born when he is old?" (Jn 3:4). It can happen, the Lord replies, if we open our hearts to the working of the Holy Spirit, who blows where he wills. The Holy Spirit whose freedom is such that goes wherever, and does whatever, he wills.

As I have often observed, we will not emerge from the present crisis as we were before, but either better or worse. And "God willing... this may prove not to be just another tragedy of history from which we learned nothing... If only we might keep in mind all those elderly persons who died for lack of respirators... If only this immense sorrow may not prove useless, but enable us to take a step forward towards a new style of life. If only we might discover once for all that we need one another, and that in this way our human frailty can experience a rebirth" (Fratelli Tutti, 35). No one is saved alone. We are all indebted to one another. We are all brothers and sisters.

Given this, I want to tell you that you are needed in order to help build, in fraternity and social friendship, the world of tomorrow: the world in which we, together with our children and grandchildren, will live once the storm has subsided. All of us must "take an active part in renewing and supporting our troubled societies" (ibid., 77). Among the pillars that support this new edifice, there are three that you, better than anyone else, can help to set up. Those three pillars are **dreams, memory and prayer**.

The prophet Joel once promised: "Your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men will have visions" (3:1). The future of the world depends on this covenant between young and old. Who, if not the young, can take the dreams of the elderly and make them come true? Yet for this to happen, it is necessary that we continue to dream. Our dreams of justice, of peace, of solidarity can make it possible for our young people to have new visions; in this way, together, we can build the future. You need to show that it is possible to emerge renewed from an experience of hardship. I am sure that you have had more than one such experience: in your life you have faced any number of troubles and yet were able to pull through. Use those experiences to learn how to pull through now.

**Dreams** are thus intertwined with **memory**. I think of the painful memory of war, and its importance for helping the young to learn the value of peace. Those among you who experienced the suffering of war must pass on this message. Keeping memory alive is a true mission for every elderly person: keeping memory alive and sharing it with others.

Finally, **prayer**. As my predecessor, Pope Benedict, himself a saintly elderly person who continues to pray and work for the Church, once said: "the prayer of the elderly can protect the world, helping it perhaps more effectively than the frenetic activity of many others."[4] He spoke those words in 2012, towards the end of his pontificate. There is something beautiful here. Your prayer is a very precious resource: a deep breath that the Church and the world urgently need. Especially in these difficult times for our human family, as we continue to sail in the same boat across the stormy sea of the pandemic, your intercession for the world and for the Church has great value: it inspires in everyone the serene trust that we will soon come to shore.

I ask the Lord that, also through his example, all of us may open our hearts in sensitivity to the sufferings of the poor and intercede for their needs. May each of us learn to repeat to all, and especially to the young, the words of consolation we have heard spoken to us today: "I am with you always"! Keep moving forward! May the Lord grant you his blessing.

Rome, Saint John Lateran, 31 May 2021, Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Pope Francis

# Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure

# **Disciples as Stewards**

Let us begin with being a disciple—a follower of our Lord Jesus Christ. As members of the Church, Jesus calls us to be disciples. This has astonishing Implications:

- Mature disciples make a conscious decision to follow Jesus, no matter what the cost.
- Christian disciples experience conversion—life shaping changes of mind and heart—and commit their very selves to the Lord.
- Christian stewards respond in a particular way to the call to be a disciple. Stewardship has the power to shape and mold our understanding of our lives and the way in which we live.

Jesus' disciples and Christian stewards recognize God as the origin of life, giver of freedom, and source of all things. We are grateful for the gifts we have received and are eager to use them to show our love for God and for one another. We look to the life and teaching of Jesus for guidance in living as Christian stewards.

Excerpt from: <u>https://www.usccb.org/committees/</u> evangelization-catechesis/stewardship

# STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT

Thank you to all those who have volunteered their time. Much has been accomplished by volunteers at the rectory building including the following:

- Relocate parish office creating a new parish office hub and equipment/supply room; empty rooms of misc. debris & stored items
- Gather office supplies from multiple locations & organize in one location
- Relocating business office; moving desks file cabinets, and create hospitality zone
- Remove large shelf, repair wall at service entrance and paint new office space
- Create a central filing system, create new labels, and organize files,
- Parish Archives—purge old paper files, organize current files according to Diocesan Retention schedule
- Clean out basement meeting rooms & boiler room and discard of all garbage
- Centralize storage area for all Mission donations

More reporting to follow in upcoming bulletins

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace"

# SHARING OUR TREASURE - July 18, 2021

Envelope Contributions: \$10,254.00 Electronic/Online Contributions: \$3797.00 Loose Contributions: \$1131.00

# Total Amount: \$15,182.00

Expenses/Bills Paid for the Week: \$23095.02

Included in expenses this week are the July of Diocesan Property Causality and Liability Insurance Church, Rectory and Convent's Portion \$4,858.14

# Second Collection for the Holy Father \$2,128.00

Thank you for the sacrificial stewardship and continued support of our Parish. May God bless you for the sacrifices that you make.

The use of parish envelopes or on-line-giving enables us to maintain up-to-date records of those who are actively attending & supporting our church.



Goal: \$95,000.00 Pledged: \$74,536.84

Donors: 281 Avg gift: \$265.25 **Received to Date: \$67,484.50** Percent to Goal: 78%

We have not reached our goal this year. If you have not made your pledge yet you can do so now by visiting <u>https://dioceseoftrenton.org/acadonate-page</u>

Please select St Veronica Church, Howell in the Parish Affiliation drop down menu so our parish can receive credit for your gift.

Please continue to make your pledge payments so that the Parish can receive an ACA rebate.

# Thank you for your generosity!

# From The Desk of Linda Dickinson-Pancila

#### A few updates from the Business Manager:

I have been at St Veronica for almost four months now. It has been wonderful getting to know Fr PJ, Fr Chang, the parish staff and the St Veronica community. Occasionally in the bulletin, I will give you an update on what has been happening with the financials and facilities at the parish.

It has been so wonderful that more and more parishioners have been coming back to Mass to worship as a community of faithful believers! So first of all, a very grateful Thank You goes out to all those parishioners and families who have been sending in envelopes and online donations from previous months to catch up on their stewardship to the Church. For those who have be considering it, there is plenty of time remaining in the calendar year to catch up on your giving. To make accounting easier for you and the parish, you can send in one check or online donation to make up for the previous weeks/months of regular weekly giving. Some parishioners/families give monthly, quarterly and even once a year. Your willingness to catch up on your stewardship to your parish is very much appreciated and helps the parish catch up on expenses, too. You may have noticed, parish expenses have been published in the parish bulletin weekly. There is a new bulletin lay out this week. We have moved to a twelve page bulletin (9 content pages and 3 ad pages) so that we can better communicate with you in the future all the happenings at St Veronica. Many groups are looking to meet again and share their goodness, so it will be very easy to fill up nine pages.

As Fr PJ previously mentioned, mold was discovered in every room in the basement of the rectory. It was remediated and I am in the process of assessing continued leaking in the HVAC system that has caused the damage over the years. Unfortunately, the mold damage was extensive so no meetings are taking place in the basement until further notice. The walls taken down have not been replaced. The HVAC system, which had a life span of 25 years, is 60 years old. Although updates to the HVAC were done over the years to keep it functioning, it will still need to be replaced completely because the pipes and wall units are all corroded or not functioning properly. Estimates received to date from three HVAC companies range from \$230,000 for individual room units to 680,000 for installing a similar system in kind.

In addition to the HVAC repairs, there are many other items that need to be fixed or replaced at the rectory including but not limited to the roof, all the windows and some doors, all masonry steps, electronic door locks, drainage, hot water piping and recirculating pump, leaking faucets in sinks and showers in the many bathrooms, carpets, ceiling tiles, and surveillance and camera system. There is also the need to further investigate the mold situation on the first floor and updating the archaic Fob and Camera Systems for the entire campus in the future.

On a positive note, the parish office entrance was relocated to the rear of the rectory. This move provides: handicap accessible entry, more parking for staff and visitors, a private living space for the clergy and centralizes parish business. The phone system, computers, central server, and copy machines have been updated to improve work flow and efficiency. The parish utilizing a centralized server under the umbrella of the Diocese of Trenton. The Citrix Server uses the Microsoft Remote Desktop Services (RDS) infrastructure to deliver virtual applications and desktops to remote users. The parish switched IT support to the Diocese of Trenton which reduced our IT expense to a third of what we previously paid. IT Director, Anthony De Lorenza has been instrumental in this transition. As a religious institution, we were able to secure complimentary non-profit pricing with Microsoft 365 Business.

Please accept my apologies for the TV not working in the Narthex. Unfortunately some technology issues take a bit longer to figure out and fix. This is one of those times. Many prayers to St. Isidore of Seville, patron saint of technology. that its now working!

More updates to follow....

God's peace and blessings to you and your family, Linda

The Society for the Propagation of the Faith Missionary Appeal Weekend — August 21 & 22, 2021

#### Comboni Missionary Sister

For 150 years, the Comboni Missionaries have traveled to nearly every corner of the world, sharing the good news of Christ and working to protect the dignity of all people. Founded in 1867 by St. Daniel Comboni, the Comboni Missionaries are an international Catholic organization dedicated to ministering to the world's poorest and most abandoned people, often working in unstable political climate, in the midst of extreme poverty. Despite these challenges, our missionaries are dedicated to their mission of serving God's people.



# **Happenings in the Diocese of Trenton**



#### MONMOUTH COUNTY DIVORCED AND SEPARATED MINISTRY

#### **St. Mary, Mother of God Church in Middletown** is pleased to announce its continuing ministry entitled, <u>"Surviving Divorce: Hope and Healing for</u> <u>the Catholic Family</u>", a healing program being offered for divorced and/or separated Catholics

Program begins: September 13, 2021 and will run for twelve consecutive weeks on Monday evenings from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm.

Location: Chapel located at 26 Leonardville Road in Middletown.

If you need to find peace, power and healing from divorce, whether you are separated, considering divorce, or are already divorced, you will discover how to work through emotions and pain, and experience personal healing and hope. Program information can be found at https:// www.mylifechangecoach.com/separated-divorce.

Interested, mail: <u>healingheartsfromdi-</u> <u>vorce@gmail.com</u> with your name and contact information and one of the facilitators, Ray DeSibio, Rich DeGennaro, Janet Felice and/or Elaine Anzalone-Goumas will be in touch with you regarding all the details and answer questions.

# **INFORMATION NIGHT:**

Thursday, August 26, 2021 7:00-8:30 pm Learn more about the program Location: Parish Hall of Church of the Nativity in Fair Haven. At this event, you will be provided with all of the details you will need to decide if this is 12 week program is right for you! Prayer of Francis of Assisi, 1182-1226

"Lord, make us to walk in your way: Where there is love and wisdom, there is neither fear nor ignorance; where there is patience and humility, there is neither anger nor annoyance; where there is poverty and joy, there is neither greed nor avarice; where there is peace and contemplation, there is neither care nor restlessness; where there is the fear of God to guard the dwelling, there no enemy can en-

# Join us for a special Healing Service & Talk Tuesday, August 10th

with **Fr. Pio Mandato, FMHJ** at St. Pio Church in Lavallette on Rt 35 N. Confessions and prayers will



begin at 5:30 pm. At 6:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Then Fr. Pio will talk about Eternal Life and the four last things. After the talk, he will have individual prayer with **St. Padre Pio's bloodstained glove**. All are invited to attend and bring your family and friends with you for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. A love offering will be collected for Fr. Pio. For further info, please contact <u>DawnRusinko@yahoo.com</u>

**Bio:** Fr. Pio Mandato FMHJ is a Franciscan priest living as a missionary hermit in the Diocese of Scranton PA under Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, D.D.

He was born in Italy. His parents came to Pietrelcina in Southern Italy. The same town as St. Pio, the famous stigmatist priest, whom they knew very well. Fr. Pio's mother was a spiritual daughter of St. Padre Pio. Fr. Pio received his first holy communion from St. Pio before coming to the USA. He grew up in NJ and entered the Capuchin Franciscans at the age of 17, where he received his Franciscan formation and later his priestly ordination in 1985.



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# **Happenings in the Diocese of Trenton**

# Bishop's Anniversary Blessing for Monmouth and Ocean Counties:

# October 10, 2021

All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50+ wedding anniversary during the 2020 or 2021 calendar year are invited to share the Eucharist, reaffirm your sacred wedding vows, and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing. Anniversary Couples from Ocean and Monmouth Counties may attend the Mass and Blessing at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold on Sunday, October 10, 2021 at 3 pm. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, attendance at Mass is limited but both events will be livestreamed. Couples may register through their parish or online pending approval of their parish. For more information or to register online go to www.dioceseoftrenton.org/bishopsanniversary-blessing. The registration deadline for all anniversary couples is **September 15, 2021**.

# Rachel's Vineyard Retreats Healing After Abortion August 27-29

Rachel's Vineyard is an extraordinary opportunity for any person who struggles with emotional and spiritual pain of past abortion(s). The weekend is a unique and effective process designed specifically to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. There are many exercises to help you grieve your loss and an opportunity to understand and release the deep feelings of anger, shame, guilt, and grief that frequently accompanies an abortion experience. This process is extremely helpful for those who struggle with forgiving themselves or others. The weekend will help your soul find a voice and transform the pain of the past into hope. Rachel's Vineyard is a "therapy for the soul" which combines a unique and creative process for psychological and spiritual healing. Contact Judy at 732-536-6871 or email judywarren543@msn.com.

All calls are strictly confidential. Read more about Rachel's Vineyard online at <u>www.rachelsvineyard.org</u> .

