# ST. VERONICA CHURCH

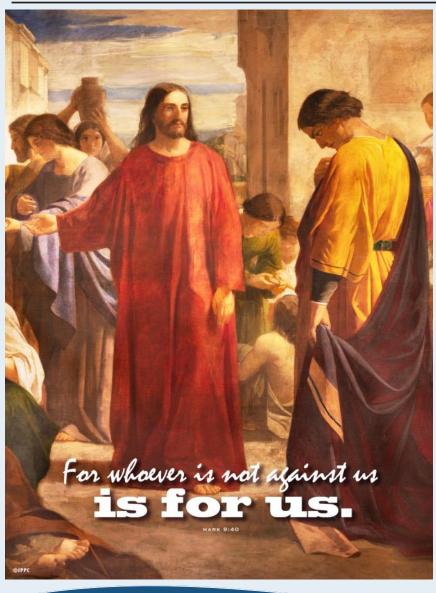
Rectory Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 9:00AM-3:30PM Appointments available upon request

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



#### Mass Schedule

Daily: Monday-Friday: 12 Noon Saturday: 8:00AM & 4:00 PM Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30, 12 Noon Live Stream Masses on Sat. 4PM & Sun.10:30AM



Pastor: Rev. Peter James Alindogan

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

Deacons: Charles R. Daye, Jr. John Franey

Business Manager: Linda Dickinson-Pancila

Lay Trustees: Claire McCarthy Edward Hamill

Religious Education & Youth Ministry Coordinator:

Sr. Ann Norton, C.R., DRE Religious Ed Support Staff: Tuesday Overton Elia Landino Pastoral Associate: Sr. Cecilia Berdar

Director of Music: Marietta Racancoj

Pastoral and Support Staff: Cheryl Wegner

Mother Seton Academy Principal: Dr. Karen Juliano

MSA Support Staff: Stephanie Guida

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

### SEPTEMBER 26, 2021 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4215 Route 9 North - Howell, New Jersey 07731

www.stveronica.com

### We are called to Sanctify

#### Mass Intentions for this Week

#### SUNDAY, September 26

7:30 Sara MusumeciFamily 9:00 Margaret BolchEileen & Patrick McCarthy 10:30 For the People of the Parish Peggy PettigreenBill & Cheryl Wegner 12:00 John S. GogolWife & sons Dawn MacKanicBob & Diana Morris
MONDAY, September 27 12:00 Robert FarrellFamily Sara MusumeciFamily
TUESDAY, September 28 12:00 Michael Norris, SrMom & sister
WEDNESDAY, September 29 12:00 Alice KinelskiFamily Priscilla TorresFamily
THURSDAY, September 30 12:00 Thomas Lloyd, SrJane & George Colaio
FRIDAY, October 1 12:00 Michelle BrewiPhil & Nina Thompson
SATURDAY, October 2 8:00AM Anthony GervasioSt. Veronica Parishioners 4:00PM Gerald GheraldiRobert Dateno Int. of Defongo BuenasedaMaria Torres
SUNDAY, October 3 7:30 Mark LipsVincent & Barbara Creevy 9:00 Jose Masini TorresMasini Family 10:30 Roseann Catherine DeGregorioAllen & Geri Ward Lori SibiliaAllen & Geri Ward 12:00 For the People of the Parish Louise RoblesGabriel Family

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Monday through Friday private prayer 9AM-4PM After the 12 noon mass is celebrated, The Monstrance with the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Eucharistic Adoration until 4 PM. At 3PM, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy & rosary are recited

Adoration cancellations date: October 1

Additional Adorer needed - Monday & Wednesday 3PM.

Please email Debbie: drev514@aol.com or 732-367-7750

#### **Miraculous Medal Novena Prayer**

Mondays 8:00 PM in the church.

Please join in praying the rosary.

All are welcome!



#### Mass Readings for this Week

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 9:51-56 Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab;

Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5; Jn 1:47-51

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-35, 36-37; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

#### **Prayer Intentions**

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



Ali D. Alicja F. Bob H. Tina I.

Rober L. Greg M.. Edward S. Glenda W.

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

#### **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 individual for one week. Church Candle: \$15.00



Sanctuary Candle Week of September 26, 2021 Robert Farrell......Wife



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

Declan Gregory, son of Gregory & Paulina Frey Anthony, son of Anthony & Samantha Parrella

Thank you for the gift of life.

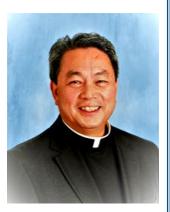
### **Reverend Peter James Alindogan**

Dear Friends in Christ,

Peace and Health to you and your family!

Being exclusive sounds good, if we belong to exclusive clubs and dine at exclusive restaurants. It feels really nice, I would think, to vacation at exclusive resorts. I wonder what the perks are considering that I have not been to one.

But being exclusive has a different connotation and tone when we are on the other side of the fence (or another analogy, the wall). When we are counted among the rejected and the left out, that hurts. It has the ring of a door closing and the sound of double heavy locks bolting from the inside. You do not belong here, we seem to hear that voice. Exclusive means you are not welcome here. You do not belong. You are not one of us.



And how difficult must it have been for Joshua in this weekend's First Reading to understand this.

"Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp. Stop them." Joshua told Moses. But Moses answered him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all people of the Lord were prophets. Would that the Lord might bestow his spirit on them all."

And how hard must it have been, too, for John, when he told Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Then our Lord replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us."

Like Joshua and John, we know how difficult it may sometimes be to have someone alien or foreign to us, speaking a different language or faith belief, or coming from a different culture or perspective. We knew about racial and national prejudice, perhaps at an early age. We learn first to appreciate the face in the mirror so it is easy to love the faces that look like ours—our color, our language, our traditions, our flag.

God wants us, however, to look outside of our own mirrors. He wants us to look outside of our windows and doors. We have the same God. The God we see outside our homes and inside our Church is the same God people see, when they go out of their homes and inside their synagogues, mosques and temples. It is an age-old question, but a question nonetheless—Why can't we all get along?

Our good Lord is very inclusive in his nature. It is often best learned by those who felt excluded. Only those who had been hurt and left out in life can best appreciate how it is to be accepted and loved. Only those who had felt and experienced the difficulties of life can best understand how it is to be cared for and forgiven. Only those who have opened their hearts to others, different from them, can truly realize what it is to be part of a human and Christian world.

Jesus Christ became like us in order to show us that unity can exist even when we are different from each other. There can be unity in diversity, because that is the reflection of our one True God in three Divine Persons. Our God, who embraces all people in His love, is universal, unrestricted and extensive.

Most of all, He is inclusive. Not a bit exclusive.

Take care and keep well.

With my prayers,

Fr. PJ

### We are called to Sanctify

### SACRAMENTS OF VOCATION

Men answering God's call to hand their lives over to his service and to the service of his people receive the Sacrament of **Holy Orders** when they are ordained as deacons, priests and bishops.

#### Why not you? Why not now?



Holy Orders is called a sacrament of apostolic ministry because our clergy undertake the same mission given by Christ to his apostles to be exercised in the Church until the end of time.



Holy Matrimony is the covenant a man and woman make to one another and to God to work as partners for the rest of their lives. The woman and man marry one another before a witness of the

Church (a priest or a deacon) and representatives of the community.

Are you prepared, as you follow the path of Marriage, to love and honor each other for as long as you both shall live?

#### SACRAMENTS OF HEALING

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 2-3:30PM Anointing of the Sick: Parishioners facing surgery or struggling with illness may request the Sacrament by calling the parish office.



It is God who "forgives sins" in the Sacrament

of Reconciliation or Confession. The

ordained Catholic priest is the minister of this sacrament offering advice, assigning penance and giving absolution as a visible sign that

reconciliation between the person apologizing to God, God and his Church has taken place.

"Neither do I condemn you. Go and sin no more." (John 8: 11)



Anointing of the Sick is intended for the healing and peace of the body and mind for the seriously ill.

"Through this holy anointing may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with

the grace of the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who frees you from sin, save you and raise you up."

The sacrament offers a moment of sacramental grace and hope to accompany those who are dying on their final journey.

Excerpts from: https://dioceseoftrenton.org/sacraments



#### Choir

Choir rehearsals have begun! Come share your gifts for God and get service hours for Confirmation or school while you're at it! It also looks great to put on college applications. All are welcome!

For more information about rehearsal schedules and when the choir's singing please email Marietta at <u>music@StVeronica.com</u>

Thank you to the Children's & Teen/Young Adult choirs for singing at the Welcome Back Mass!

#### **Blessing of the Animals**



In honor of the Feast of St. Francis, we will have our annual blessing of the animals on Sunday, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1:30PM by the Church Mall.



#### Join our Men's Group Sunday Morning



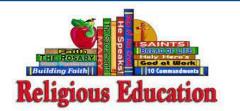
Our group has resumed meeting every Sunday in the rectory (the new conference room) for prayer, fellowship, and discussion on the liturgical readings in preparation for Sunday Mass. Conversations over

coffee and donuts begin at 7:00 A.M. and Scripture review begins at 7:30 A.M. and typically ends before the start of Mass at 9:00 A.M.

If you're interested in strengthening your faith and better familiarizing yourself with Scripture, feel free to join us. Regular attendance is encouraged but not mandatory.

For additional information, contact Frank Lynch at <u>flynchii@gmail.com</u> or 732-363-5620.

### We are called to Educate



Registration for Religious Education Classes is ongoing!

Office Hours: The RE office will be open beginning August 2, Monday thru Thursday 10am-4:30pm

Supported Home Study families may pick up their materials starting Monday, September 27 during office hours.

Fall In person classes begin on October 4, 2021

Sr. Ann Norton, C.R.

**Director of Religious Education** Religioused@stveronica.com 732-364-4137

Registering Now PreK - 8 **Contact the School Office for Registration** 

**Mother Seton** 

Academy

Monday - Friday ~ 8:30am - 4:00pm Contact Mrs. Stephanie Guida 732-364-4130 ~ schooloffice@msaedu.org

### We are called to Develop & Serve



St Veronica **CLEAN UP & BUILD UP** Saturday, October 2, 2021 from 8:00am to 1:00pm



All are invited to participate! Adult parishioners of all ages, Youth group, Boy & Girl Scout troops and other groups are welcome. Community service opportunity. Leadership hours available.

- $\Rightarrow$  pick up leaves, branches, and debris on parish grounds
- $\Rightarrow$  cut back weeds and vines along the fence line
- $\Rightarrow$  cut back bushes from buildings and plant new trees
- $\Rightarrow$  bring rakes and other gardening tools
- $\Rightarrow$  Need pick-up trucks to help transport debris
- $\Rightarrow$  Adults to operate chain saws and hedge trimmers
- $\Rightarrow$  need of Team captains to oversee a group of 5-10 volunteers
- $\Rightarrow$  need volunteers to help at the check in table

Sign up: linda.dickinson@stveronica.com or call the parish office 732-363-4200 Be an angel, Help us Clean Up our mess!!











St Veronica communicates with parishioners through Flocknote.

Please take the time to register your cellphone number and email address. Joining will keep you

- informed on important updates and messages
- about our parish
- To Join go to https:// stveronicachurch1.flocknote
- <u>.com</u>
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### We are called to Evangelize



**Pastoral Council:** Sister Laurie-Marie Parisi, C.R., Pat Bigg, Mark Bonjavanni, Denise Daye, Chris Fenimore, Gail Kohan, Bob Morris, Marietta Racancoj, Phil Thompson. *Ex officio* members: Fr. PJ Alindogan, Fr. John Chang

## **Parish Stewardship**

Stewardship is one of the <u>Seven Essential Elements</u> of Parish life.

#### The Parish Assembly October 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the cafeteria.

To RSVP for the event please contact the following Call: 732-363-4200 or Email: office@stveronica.com More information of the event can be found via our fellow parishioners and current **members of the Parish** 



We the baptized, as part of stewardship are called to participate in our parish by active involvement in its ongoing life. Ideally, we should seek to be good stewards of God's blessings all the time and not just when we volunteer. Each day allows us to be a good steward. There are many ways we practice this in our homes, when on the phone, emailing, texting, talking to others, at the store, at work or recreation and dining, to identify a few examples.

<u>Time</u> is a very special gift. We may say we don't have enough time in the day, we're too busy. The key question is: <u>What</u> <u>do we make time for?</u>

God's question is: <u>How do we choose to use our time?</u> Is our time squandered watching senseless TV shows? excessive recreation? What time do we use to foster our relationship with God? Do we volunteer some time in a ministry that blesses others?

<u>Talents</u> and abilities are given to us primarily to bless others. Many of our parishioners are living this 'Word' and are a blessing to our Parish and the greater community. However, many others are perhaps sitting on their talents and not using them. Instead, their talents are buried!

We share our gift of <u>Treasure</u> in our weekly sacrificial giving in the Sunday Offertory. These regular and faithful contributions fund the Parish of St. Veronica's mission and budget. This sacrificial giving weekly is simply making the most of our gifts and resources in which the return has already been given to us in the unconditional love of Jesus Christ!

Recently, our Business Manager gave us an accounting in the Sunday bulletin of the more current stewardship activities of our Parish. We have an active Finance Council that meets regularly and advises our Pastor on how our buildings and grounds are maintained and continually looks to make necessary improvements. Over the past several years, we have seen many improvements: the roof, school improvements, the HVAC system for the Church, to name a few.

The fund raising that was earmarked for the HVAC System showed the good faithful stewardship of the people of St. Veronica. It was a leap of faith to give a few extra dollars a week and now all who attend or visit our Church enjoy a comfortable climate especially in the extremes of summer and winter! Thank you for your good stewardship!

Perhaps we can improve upon offering our time, talents, and treasure. After all, we are building God's kingdom here in Howell where we live and pray and care and play! Maybe each one of us could examine our time, our talents and our treasure and find what we could offer this great community of St. Veronica.

Everyone is needed! All are welcome!

### We are called to Develop & Serve





# Thank you

A sincere "Thank you" to our Parish Pastoral Council for preparing our dual celebration of Thanking Fr. Euk for his mission and service to our Parish over the past eight years and a Welcome Back of our Parishioners to Parish Life!



















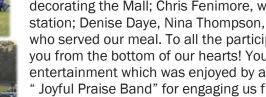














We were blessed with a beautiful day, a spirit-filled Eucharistic Celebration and a party on the Mall.

Jersey Mikes is to be applauded for their great service and we thank Kyle, the Assistant Manager, for his generous and efficient work providing individual bagged meals. Andrew at Stop N Shop Bakery created a beautiful and delicious celebration cake providing more sweetness to the day's festivities. Please support these businesses and thank these young men personally! We are thankful to our new Pastor, Fr. P.J. who had the inspiration and vision for this event as well as the wisdom and guidance to encourage us. Thank you Father!!! Linda Dickinson-Pancila, our newer Business Manager worked closely with us, assisting in our planning needs and was "hands on" with her cheerful help from early morning to the close of the event. Thank you Linda for your energy, expertise and help. We appreciate all that you have been doing since you arrived earlier this year. Phil Thompson, who is diligently preparing for the Deaconate, a public servant, husband, father and our Youth Group leader, gathered a group of men and youth to do the "heavy lifting" organizing the set up and clean up as well as served as reader at Mass and MC of our entire event. An amazing servant! Marietta Racancoj served our Eucharistic Liturgy preparing the youth choir and the music ministry. She conceived and coordinated a very special Talent Show. Thanks to Cheryl in the Rectory Office for receiving the RSVP's and Elia Landino who created flyers, flock notes and bulletin pages to publicize our Parish celebration. A special thanks to our greeters on the field, Gail Kohan, Mark and Karen Bonjavanni; Lynda and Rich Samaha for donating the beverages and serving the cake; Gail and Gary Kohan for decorating the Mall; Chris Fenimore, who set up and served our beverage station; Denise Daye, Nina Thompson, Nancy Cunard and Lynda Samaha who served our meal. To all the participants of the Talent Show, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts! You lifted our spirits with fun-filled entertainment which was enjoyed by all! Thanks also to Chris Serge and the " Joyful Praise Band" for engaging us from "Sweet Caroline, Proud Mary -Rollin' on a river to Days of Elijah!" We enjoyed all this very special 'Local' talent!!! Thanks to Sr. Ann and the Youth Group for hosting a table and assisting with the event clean up!

### Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure



Goal: \$95,000.00 Pledged: \$84,762.50 Donors: 288 Avg gift: \$294.31 Percent to Goal: 89.2%

#### WE ARE SO CLOSE! Funds needed to reach our goal \$10,237.50

There are approximately 2200 registered active parishioner households in the parish. If the remaining 1912 parishioner households contributed even \$25 each by the end of the year, the parish would far exceed its goal of \$95,000 and receive a 15% or \$14,250 rebate from the Diocese of Trenton.

For all donations in excess of our goal, the parish will receive a 50% rebate! This means that for every \$100 donated over, the parish will receive \$50. This could add up to a huge bonus for the Parish while at the same time providing funds to the Diocese for critical programs. If you have not made your pledge yet you can do so now by visiting <u>https://dioceseoftrenton.org/aca-donate-page</u> Please select St Veronica Church, Howell in the Parish Affiliation drop down menu so our parish can receive credit for your gift.

Thank you for your generosity!

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

> SHARING OUR TREASURE September 19, 2021

Envelope Contributions: \$10,854.00 Electronic/Online Contributions: \$3,732.00 Loose Contributions: \$1,047.00

Total Amount: \$15,633.00

Expenses/Bills Paid for the Week: \$14,332.29

Included in expenses this week is: Convent: painting of doors and window frames (interior and exterior) and washing all windows \$6,245.00

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

### We are called to Develop & Serve

#### **Food Pantry Needs**



Juice Shelf stable milk Assorted canned beans Canned fruit Canned salmon Canned tuna Canned vegetables Snacks Paper towels Tissues Toilet paper Plastic grocery bags

Please drop off all food donations in the wagons in the Narthex of the Church.

For more information on food available and pick up information please contact *pantry@stveronica.com* 

No expired food, please! Thank you

#### A Stewardship Prayer

Generous and loving God, You call us to be disciples of your Son Jesus and good stewards of your many gifts. Open our minds and hearts To a greater awareness and deeper appreciation Of your countless blessings. Transform us through the power of your Spirit to nurture a stewardship way of life marked by faith-filled prayer, service to our neighbor, and generous sharing. Teach us to be faithful servants of your gifts. With Mary's help, May we return ten-fold the gifts entrusted to us. We pray this through Christ, our Lord.



Amen,

Bishop Robert Morneau

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#### Job Opening at St Veronica

FULL TIME Maintenance Person Needed for the Church, Rectory and Convent buildings and grounds.

Flexible schedule: Daytime a must; some nighttime or

weekend hours possible

Strong communication skills and good time management desired.

Responsibilities include but not limited to:

cleaning the Church

• set up of appointments and meet with various maintenance contractors/vendors

• general building maintenance and repairs; ability to use common power and hand tools

• installation and/or replacement of various items/equipment

• organization, lifting and moving of items ex: bringing bulletin to church and deliveries to RE office

• Knowledge of basic plumbing (toilets and sinks) and electrical

• oversee maintenance projects with volunteers or vendors

 maintain general cleanliness of parish grounds from various debris and fallen branches throughout the year

If interested please send resume to: Linda Dickinson-Pancila at <u>linda.dickinson@stveronica.com</u> or call 732-363-4200 x 245

Come and find out more about

Cub Scout Pack 82!



Boys learn to live out the Scout Law and Oath in practical ways while serving the community, forming friendships and learning patriotism and Duty to God. We meet monthly as a pack and biweekly in small group dens.

> Contact Kerry Muller @ <u>flip4jesus@hotmail.com</u> for more information.



Membership Drive October 2&3, 2021 After All Masses Our local Council #6201

October 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>: the Knights of Columbus will have their Roses for Life Fundraiser. Please take a lapel rose and wear it as a sign of your respect for human life. Donations will be graciously accepted to support respect life activities and pregnancy help centers.

October 11<sup>th</sup>: Columbus Day, Mass is at 9 o'clock in the morning.

Join today by scanning the code below or email: kofc6201@gmail.com







The 40 Days for Life is a campaign of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion here in America, from Sept 22 to Oct 31.

Since its inception in 2007, 19,198 babies have been saved, 221 abortion workers have quit, and 112 abortion centers have closed. 40 Days for Life also involves prayerful, peaceful witnessing in front of an abortion clinic.

People simply say the Rosary or other prayers for one hour while walking along the sidewalk.

Here in Monmouth, the site is the Planned Parenthood facility at 69 E. Newman Springs Rd in Shrewsbury. We staff each Wednesday Sept 22 to Oct 31 from 8 AM to 6 PM.

Visit the 40 Days for Life web site <u>http://40daysforlife.com/</u> <u>Shrewsbury</u>

Please give Hu or Joan Mador a call at 732-367-2565, or send us an email at <u>hmador@optonline.net</u> . Thank you.



#### ROSARY FOR LIFE October 3, 2 PM

All are invited to a special Rosary for Life at Our Lady's grotto by the rectory at 2 PM on Sunday, October 3. As we celebrate Pro-life Sunday, let us pray for greater respect for all human life, from conception to natural death, and for an end to abortion, suicide, and euthanasia.