

ST. VERONICA CHURCH

Parish Office Hours:

Monday 9:00AM - 4:00PM,
Tuesday 9:00AM - 4:00PM
Wednesday 1:00PM - 7:00PM
Thursday 9:00AM - 4:00PM
Friday & Saturday Closed
No Saturday hours in 2023

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS
of Faith, Ministry, and Service



ST. VERONICA
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mass Schedule

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday: 2:30-3:30PM

Pastor: Rev. Peter James Alindogan

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DECEMBER 11, 2022

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

We are called to Sanctify

Mass Intentions for this Week

Weekly Mass Intentions



SUNDAY, December 11

- 7:30 Living and Deceased Members of the Parish
Virgilio Roque.....Priscilla & Roque Family
- 9:00 Al Peruzzi.....Medina Family
Ben Rodriguez.....Marilen Rodriguez
- 10:30 John & Dolores Dobek.....Dobek Family
Robert O'Malley, Sr.....Meaghan Kane
- 12:00 Rosemary Zdaniecki.....McNally Family
Karen Lubniewski.....McNally Family

MONDAY, December 12

- 7:30 Int of the Donors and Benefactors of the Parish
Remy Salvador.....Family

TUESDAY, December 13

- 7:30 Int of Ellen Walsh.....Fr. PJ, Fr. Chang & Staff

WEDNESDAY, December 14

- 7:30 Paul Leff.....Cheryl & Ken Bruce

THURSDAY, December 15

- 7:30 Robert Yuro.....John and Sheila McBride

FRIDAY, December 16

- 7:30 Carol Walling.....Family

SATURDAY, December 17

- 8:00 Faustino Soriano.....Family
- 4:00 Patricia Gellis.....Husband Tom
Int of Elaine O'Connell.....Caroline Morrow

SUNDAY, December 18

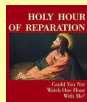
- 7:30 Anna Miceli.....Jeanne & Mike Medici
Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
- 9:00 Helen Albin.....Dominick Pandoca
Ben Rodriguez.....Marilen Rodriguez
- 10:30 Irene & Matthew Zdaniecki.....McNally Family
Irene & Joseph McNally.....McNally Family
- 12:00 Edward Wrubel.....Ella Viola
Edward Kelly.....The Wood Family

There will be no Sacrament of Reconciliation on
Saturday, December 24 & December 31

First Saturday Hour of Reparation at St Veronica

Join us in Church

1st Saturdays of the month at 5:15 pm:
Next Dates: Jan. 7, 2023, Feb 4, 2023



This Power Hour will include Eucharistic
Exposition, Rosary, Divine Mercy and Benediction.

Please join us as we continue to follow the Fatima Message
to bring peace to our world, country, parish and families.

Contact Chris Barnes: cbmb42096@gmail.com

Readings for the Week

- Monday:** Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;
Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
- Tuesday:** Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18,
19 and 23; Mt 21:28-32
- Wednesday:** Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25; Ps 85:9ab and
10, 11-12, 13-14; Lk 7:18B-23
- Thursday:** Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a
and 13b; Lk 7:24-30
- Friday:** Is 56:1-3a, 6-8; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Jn 5:33-36
- Saturday:** Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17;
Mt 1:1-17
- Sunday:** Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Rom 1:1-7;
Mt 1:18-24

Church Sanctuary Candle

The Sanctuary Candle burns in the presence of the
Blessed Sacrament in the Church.

Suggested Donation for 2023 candles: \$20.00

Adoration Chapel Tabernacle Candles

Two Candles burn in the presence of the Blessed
Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel.

Suggested Donation: \$10.00 each

Many weeks are available for your intention.

Candles will burn in memory of/or for the intentions of
the named individual or intention for one week,
Sunday through Saturday.

Please visit or call the parish office to reserve.

Church Sanctuary Candle

Week of December 4, 2022

In Memory of
Bob O'Malley Sr.

Requested by his wife, Terry



Adoration Chapel Candles

Week of December 4, 2022

In memory of Michael Blazina

Requested by Quagliariello Family

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Notes from Fr. PJ

10 December 2022

Dear Friends in Christ,

Peace!

Okay, now, for those of us who were able to read my letter last week, here's the continuation of the story. (What's the story?)



John the Baptist, whom Jesus himself called the greatest of the prophets, had some doubts. So he sent his disciples to Jesus with the question, "Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?" John was in prison at that time.

I have celebrated Mass to inmates in prison halls, but I have never been to their prison cells. Movies depict them as dark and sometimes windowless. Only the cell's barring, steel, or metal doors serves as an exit to the world of the living. In this terrible place where John the Baptist was, we could appreciate the fact that even the best among us would have some doubts about God or about his love and existence.

The very first expression of doubt happened in the garden of Eden. The tempter introduced doubt into the mind of Eve when he asked, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?" Doubt became the devil's tool in shaking Eve's confidence and trust in what God said.

Other cases of doubt in the Bible? There's Zechariah, who the angel told that he would have a son in his old age. "That's not possible. I'm too old for that," he must have thought. He would be mute until the day he wrote the name of his son, John, on a tablet (the same John the Baptist we have in this letter). God is above all human endeavors and reasoning. This truth is what we sometimes forget. Sinful doubt may result whenever we allow our humanity to pre-empt our faith in our good Lord.

Have faith. Believe.

That is our response to this incredible and unthinkable story about God-made man. God, who created the heavens and who has no beginning and no end, became part of us—a human being in the person of Jesus Christ—fully human and fully divine. 50-50. Nothing more with being a man, nothing less with being a God.

Jesus answered John with facts and miraculous deeds, not words, "The blind regained their sight, the lame walked, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them." You can argue with words but not with deeds.

There you have it, dear friends. Most of us have witnessed and seen miraculous deeds before our eyes in our own lifetimes. We are ourselves God's miracle each day. If you ask me whether I have any doubts and need to hear the story, I'll tell you that we'll listen to it together (and hopefully progress in spirituality and holiness because of it).

It is the story of Jesus. It is the story of Emmanuel—God with us. It is the story of Christmas.

Have a blessed Advent!

God loves you always and in all ways,

Fr. PJ



Deacon Preaching Weekend
December 17 & 18

Christmas Novena—Nov. 30 Thru Dec. 24



Hail, and blessed be the hour and moment at which the Son of God was born of a most pure Virgin at a stable at midnight in Bethlehem in the piercing cold. At that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, to hear my prayers and grant my desires.
(Mention your intentions here)

Through Jesus Christ and His most Blessed Mother.

Apologetics on Faith and the Apostles Creed

When: Wednesdays at 1:30PM

Where: Parish Center, Center for Learning

Dates: December 14: Forgiveness of Sins
and Resurrection of Body

December 21: Life Everlasting



We are called to Sanctify

Sacraments



Sacrament of Baptism: Every 2nd & 4th Sunday



Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 2:30-3:30PM



Anointing of the Sick: Parishioners facing surgery or struggling with illness may request the Sacrament

For more information, please call the parish office.

Prayer Intentions

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



Anne L.	Anthony C.	Robby J.
Brian J.	Vinnie C.	Mary Jean J.
Nicole M.	Francesca N.	Maureen D.
Anthony C.	Nancy R.	Bryan W.
Laverne C.	Phil L.	Madison
Chris P.	Gavin F.	Michael P.
Matthew S.	Jeff F.	Pat L.
Mary Alice C.	George C.	Chris P.

Please note: Prayers requests will be acknowledged in the bulletin for 8 weeks. Contact the parish office to add someone to the list.

Misa de Gallo Novena *Simbang Gabi* Masses

Inviting all St. Veronica Parishioners and non-parishioners to a nine (9) day novena to celebrate our Blessed Mother Mary and to prepare us all to receive the most precious gift, the gift of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

Early morning Novena Masses have been a tradition for Filipinos for almost 400 years and all are experience these blessings for the Nativity, the birth of our Lord and Savior!

All masses and novenas will be at St. Veronica Church. The Novena schedule is: December 10 through December 17 at 6:00 AM and concluding on December 18 at the 12:00 noon mass.

Christmas Mass Schedule



Solemnity: The Nativity of the Lord Christmas Eve

The Vigil of Christmas
Saturday, December 24
4:00 PM, 7:30 PM and 10:00 PM

Christmas Day

Sunday, December 25
7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM & 12:00 Noon

Solemnity: The Blessed Virgin Mary, The Mother of God

(Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year)

Saturday December 31
Vigil Mass at 4:00 PM
Sunday, January 1 at
7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM & 12:00 Noon

Feast: The Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday, January 7
Vigil Mass at 4:00 PM
Sunday, January 8
7:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon and 5:00 PM

Legion of Mary Our Lady Queen of Apostles



Meetings: Mondays - 6:30PM to 8:00PM, in the Narthex.

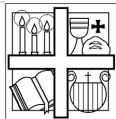
Contacts: Curia president, Rosalie Angeles, rangeles14@yahoo.com, or Carlos Diaz, Our Lady Queen of Apostles, cdiazjr@optonline.net

Watch the Veil Removed



The Veil Removed is a short film that reveals the coming together of heaven and earth at Mass, as seen by saints and mystics, revealed by scripture and in the catechism of the Catholic Church. Visit: <https://youtu.be/fGAYW-mtJWM>

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Called to *Serve*

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

December 17 - 18: The Fourth Sunday of Advent

	4:00PM	7:30AM	9:00AM	10:30AM	12:00PM
Extraordinary Minister- Host	Cecilia Horvath Annette Nagy	Fred Di Maggio Andrew Hoffman	Debra Revoir Ernie Revoir	Priscilla Alimario Maria Dublon	Don Geiger Karen Puglisi
Reader	Pat Bigg	Christopher Fenimore	Mark Bonjavanni	Mary Jean Johnson	Susan Lucante
Altar Server	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Kevin Madeira Alva Valencia	Chinomso Echezona Dubem Echezona	Christine Nguyen Julianne Nguyen Kaitlyn Nguyen	Therese Medina Nolan Thompson
Sacristan	Mary Althaver	Joseph Dettling	Ernie Revoir	Ernie Revoir	Manuel Rodriguez

December 10 Lighting of the Advent Wreath Candles

4:00 In honor of Parish Extraordinary Ministers of the EucharistMaureen Albano

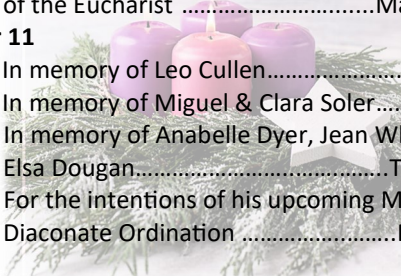
December 11

7:30 In memory of Leo Cullen.....John Cullen

9:00 In memory of Miguel & Clara Soler.....Ana Soler

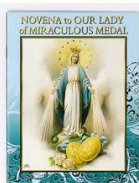
10:30 In memory of Anabelle Dyer, Jean Wherett, & Elsa Dougan.....The Dyer Family

12:00 For the intentions of his upcoming May 2023 Diaconate OrdinationPhil Thompson



Miraculous Medal Novena Prayer

Prayed in the Church on Monday evenings 8:00PM and Monday mornings after the 7:30AM Mass.



PRAY for Military & First Responders

Almighty and eternal God, those who take refuge in you will be glad and forever will shout for joy. Protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise you for your loving care.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen



Mass Schedule Change

A new schedule for Sunday Masses will start on Sunday, Jan. 8, 2023
7:30AM, 10:00AM,
12:00 PM (Noon) and 5:00PM

Eucharistic Adoration - Perpetual Adoration Chapel

"St. Veronica Parish has been entrusted with the gift and mission of Perpetual Adoration for 25 years."



What our Adorers say:

(1) "O Come Let Us Adore Him".
(2) "Did you wish that you could experience Jesus in Bethlehem 2000 years ago?". (3) "That same Jesus is waiting for you personally at the Adoration Chapel. Come experience His peace and blessings."

Adorers needed: Wednesday 7AM, 6 PM, 7PM,
Thursday 5PM, 6PM; Friday 11PM;
Saturday all afternoon and evening hours needed.

To be a registered adorer or for more information, please contact: Debbie at drev514@aol.com or leave message at 732-367-7750. **Spanish speaking contact:** Clari at 732 567-1409

New Masses added to our schedule:

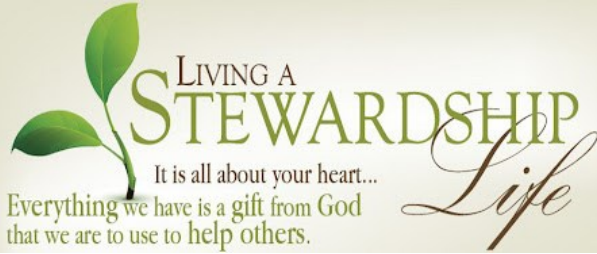
First Fridays of Each Month:
For the Sacred Heart of Jesus
12:00PM Mass added

- Jan 6, 2022,
- Feb 3, 2022
- Mar 3, 2022



"O Sacred Heart of Jesus, fountain of eternal life, Your Heart is a glowing furnace of Love. You are my refuge and my sanctuary." - St. Gertrude the Great

Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure



SHARING OUR TREASURE December 4, 2022

Envelope Contributions: \$10,317.80
 Electronic/Online Contributions: \$1,278.00
 Loose Contributions: \$1,007.65
 Mailed in: \$473.00
Total Amount: \$13,076.45

Expenses/Bills paid for the week: \$10,576.50

Always included in this Expense Reporting are utilities, payroll, building and grounds maintenance costs, and any expenses related to running parish programming.

Upcoming Second Collections: Special Projects - December 18

Religious Education Students

RE Families, your children should continue to use their RE Mass attendance envelopes throughout the year. Mass attendance is required for the RE Program.

For the week of December 4 contributions totaled \$241.10
 8th grade brought in the most with \$83.00



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

Now is a great time to set up your Online Giving account powered by ParishSoft.



To set up a new online account, please Scan the QR code, visit www.stveronica.com and click on the parish soft logo, or Visit: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stvhowell>



To set up your electronic Christmas Donation:

Please Log into your online giving account and select "Christmas Collection" in the Fund Box. If you do not have a giving account please create one or as a visitor please select "One time" donation and "Christmas Collection" in the Fund Box. **THANK YOU!!**

Mass Attendance and Sharing Treasure: December 3 and 4, 2022 Total Attendance = 1019

Mass Time	Attendance	Collection
4:00PM	260	\$2,635.78
7:30AM	173	\$2,678.02
9:00AM	169	\$1,876.00
10:30AM	243	\$2,417.65
12:00PM	174	\$1,718.00

Individual Mass collection totals include loose and envelope donations collected during Masses held on Saturday and Sunday. Online giving is not included in these calculations.



Parish goal: \$90,000

Pledged: \$93,647.25

Paid In: \$92,717.25

Donors: 267

Total Gifts: 351

Avg gift: \$266.80

(Pledged divided by total gifts)

Percent to Goal: 103%

Congratulations!

St. Veronica has reached her goal!

Please continue to send in your pledges

Thank you for your continued generosity!!

St. Veronica's estimated rebate earned for meeting & exceeding our goal of \$90,000 is \$14,858.63!

Remember St. Veronica in your will and estate planning



By naming St. Veronica in your will or trust, you will provide a lasting gift that will greatly help St. Veronica and our parishioners.

Also, when preparing funeral directives of departed loved ones, kindly mention that memorial contributions and donations can be directed to St. Veronica Parish.

Adopt-A-Tree Campaign:

One (1) Kwanzan Cherry Trees and seven (7) burning bushes are still available for sponsorship. Tree sponsorship \$450 and Bush sponsorship \$100.

To sponsor a tree or bush, please contact Linda BusinessManager@stveronica.com

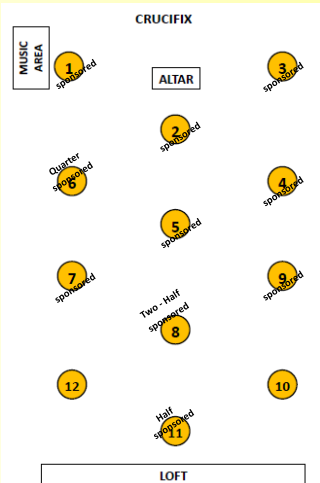
Thank you for your consideration!

Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure

CHURCH LIGHTING CAMPAIGN & SPONSORSHIP LED by the Light



Thank you to our parishioners who have sponsored a chandelier.
Full sponsorship for lamps # 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9;
Two Half sponsorship for lamp # 8, half sponsorship for #11 and a Quarter sponsorship for lamp # 6 have been received to date.



Sponsorships are available for four (4) of the twelve (12) lamps in St. Veronica Church. Full Lamp Sponsorship is \$1200 per chandelier. Half Sponsorship is \$600, and a Quarter sponsorship is \$300.

This sponsorship opportunity has upgraded chandeliers to LED lighting bringing more light to illuminate our worship space, *amplifying our presence* and reducing our energy costs.

If you are interested in the **LED by the Light** sponsorship please contact the Linda businessmanager@stveronica.com

LED by the Light Sponsorship

**For the Living and Departed
Members of the Parish**
Sponsored by St. Veronica Parish



Light the Way

Help us light the way on St. Veronica's Parish campus bringing light to the paths and sidewalks of our buildings.

Sponsor an LED solar light for \$10 each.

Please visit the parish website for the online order form, scan the QR code or visit the parish office to sponsor solar lights this Christmas season.

15 Lights have been sponsored to date.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Sharing Time & Talent

OFFICE KIOSK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

An office Kiosk will be in the Narthex beginning January 2023. Volunteers are needed on Sundays to help run the office kiosk before and after Masses. **What will I do?** Help parishioners or Mass attendees with basic needs: Greet them with a welcoming smile and answer basic questions. Hand out new parishioner forms, take intentions requests, hand out information about upcoming activities and events.

Email: businessmanager@stveronica.com

ALTAR CARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our St. Martha's Altar Care Guild is looking for more volunteers to help clean the altar and sanctuary in our church. Your commitment would be 1 to 2 hours a month.

This is a beautiful way to serve our Lord.

If you would like to help, Please call Eileen at 732-367-7046

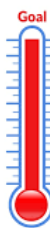
COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE

St. Veronica is forming a Community Building Committee to brainstorm, plan & run events at the parish.

If you are interested and for more information please send an email to businessmanager@stveronica.com

Special Project Collection

Special Projects Collected to date: \$18,792.45
July \$4,142, August \$3,775, September \$3,633
October \$3,817 November \$3,425.45



Project #2: Campus Signage

Goal = \$8,300 **GOAL REACHED!!**

"Saint Veronica Church" Sign for the façade of the Narthex extension; Painting and lettering on \$7,348.32 applied to this project



Project #3: Church Steps & Landing

Goal = \$20,000

We are in the process of securing estimates. Project #3 is estimated between \$15,000 and \$25,000 dependent on extent of the job. Project includes: Expand the church entrance. Demolition of pillars, railing, garden area, Install full steps across landing, repairs to concrete slab landing, smooth out texture of small side walls, install ramp on left side of landing, and reinstall railings along the steps. \$2,473.77 applied to this project \$17,526.23 Remaining in this project

THANK YOU for your continued stewardship to Special Projects Collection which enables us to complete much needed projects and repairs!!

We are Called to Educate



Religious Education



Stacey Schear, Parish Catechetical Leader
Coordinator of Religious Education
Religioused@stveronica.com
732-364-4137

NEW Office Hours:

Mon, Tues, Wed: 10:00AM-4:00PM
Thurs, Fri: By Appointment Only
RE Office Support Staff: Sharon Krause & Mira Welnowska

Welcome back! The year is off to a great start. Now that all classes are underway and envelopes have been distributed to everyone, this is a reminder that attending **Mass is mandatory for all Religious Education students.** Thank You.

becoming a catechist Catechists, subs and classroom assistants still needed.



Advent Schedule

Daily Mass: Monday-Friday at 7:30AM in the Church

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES:
The Church is open Monday-Friday until 1:00PM for prayer and to spend time with Jesus reserved in the tabernacle.

Sign up for an hour of Adoration at the Adoration Chapel.
Miraculous Medal Novena - Mondays following 7:30AM Mass and at 7:00PM in the church.
Legion of Mary Our Lady Queen of Apostles Meetings: Mondays - 6:30PM-8:00PM in the Narthex.

3rd Sunday of Advent - JOY

Sat, December 10 through Sat., December 17

Simbang Gabi Novena at 6:00AM

Sat., December 10: Masses: 8:00AM, 4:00PM

Tree Lighting, Caroling and refreshments after 4:00PM Mass

Sun., December 11: Masses 7:30AM, 9:00AM 10:30AM, and 12:00PM

Giving Tree - last day to drop off gifts Dec 11, 2022

4th Sunday of Advent - PEACE

Sat., December 17: Simbang Gabi Novena at 6:00AM

Sat., December 17: Masses 8:00AM, 4:00PM

Sun., December 18: Masses 7:30AM, 9:00AM 10:30AM, and 12:00PM

Sun., December 18: Conclusion of Simbang Gabi Novena at 12:00PM Mass

No 8:00AM Mass on Saturday, December 24

Jump in with Jesus this Advent Season with these free re-

Advent Attitudes

sources:

Spend a few moments each day of Advent exploring Advent Attitudes with Joe Paprocki,

DMin, in our special e-mail series. Sign up at <https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/>



Dynamic Catholic Best Advent Ever! 2022 Daily Advent Reflections. View here

<https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/advent/advent-reflections.html>



FORMED Daily -receive daily reflections directly to your inbox. Be renewed each morning with a short video. Sign up at

<https://daily.formed.org/>

USCCB Advent Calendar <https://www.usccb.org/resources/Advent-Calendar-2022.pdf>

Download these free Catholic apps for Advent and beyond



Laudate

The most popular, free Catholic App



Hallow

Pray every day this Advent



Amen

Amen provides prayers to calm restless hearts

This is the Third Sunday of Advent - Gaudete or Rejoice Sunday! We rejoice

as we light the Rose/Pink Candle. The pink candle represents **Joy**. We are getting close to celebrating the Birth of Jesus Christ, our Savior, and that is truly a reason to rejoice!

As we light our three candles, two purple and one pink, this week, we pray:

As we draw near to You, Lord God, keep us aware of Your presence in all we do. Come with power to enlighten us by Your grace, that we may live in praise and peace all our days. We ask this through Christ



Join Fr. Mike Schmitz for Two Great Podcasts Starting January 1, 2023



For more information on The Bible in a Year Podcast, please scan the QR Code or visit: <https://media.ascensionpress.com/all-bible-in-a-year-episodes/>

Ascension is launching **The Catechism in a Year** on January 1, 2023!

Catechism in a Year: <https://ascensionpress.com/pages/catechisminayear>



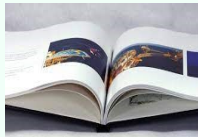
Upcoming Events and Activities

60th Anniversary Edition of the St Veronica PARISH DIRECTORY

Schedule your PHOTO APPOINTMENTS

Tues., Dec 27, Wed., Dec 28 & Thurs., Dec 29

If you sit for a professional directory photo you will receive: A free 8x10, a parish directory, and the option to purchase additional photos.



Ways to schedule your photo session:

1. **Schedule your own photography appointment online today!** Visit www.ucdir.com, Church Code - **nj162** and Member password - **photos**
2. You can also schedule your photo appointment by visiting or calling the parish office.
3. **Our professional photo dates do not work for you?** You can submit a photo to be included in the family directory with a check for \$15 (payable to St Veronica). Your photo will be scanned, & returned to you. \$15 will cover cost of the directory. Or email you photo to us!

SAVE THE DATE: JUNE 11, 2023
ST VERONICA 60th ANNIVERSARY GALA
12:00-4:00PM
BATTLE GROUND COUNTRY CLUB

PLEASE HELP US UPDATE OUR PARISH DATABASE

We are requesting all adult parishioners update their personal contact information. Please scan the QR Code, fill out the online form which you can access from the home page of the parish website www.stveronica.com or take a **CONTACT UPDATE CARD** from the credenza in the Narthex and drop it in the box provided.



High School Students We Need You!

If you are a high school students in need of community service hours or National Honor Society Leadership Hours, please contact Mrs. Dickinson at businessmanager@stveronica.com for information.

There Is Still Time to Buy a Recipe Book for Christmas Giving. Only \$20.

Recipe books are now available for purchase & pick up in the parish office. You can prepurchase a book online or Scan the QR Code with your phone's camera.



All recipes are from parishioners & staff.

Our Recipe Book makes a great Christmas Gift!!

Recipe Books will be for sale in the Narthex after all Masses on Dec 17 & 18.

Women of Faith Rooted in Christ Prayer Group

Beginning December 15 at 7:00 PM



A new prayer group will be meeting Thursday evenings at 7pm starting December 15 in the Parish Center (formerly known as the school). There is power in prayer. It has the power to change lives, and it is even more powerful when we join together in prayer. Please come join us! Meet in the former school library, which can be accessed through the gym doors. Please contact Denise Daye ddaye458@optonline.net for more information.

For prayer is nothing else than being on terms of friendship with God. Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God, and listening to His voice in the depth of our hearts. Prayer enlarges the heart until it is capable of containing God's gift of Himself. -Mother Teresa

2023 Upcoming Events

The celebration of our 60th Anniversary continues with many more great events:



New Parishioner Breakfast January 15, 2023

Worship together at the 10:00AM Mass and breakfast in the Parish Hall

February Couples Night Out Date to be determined

A treat for you and your sweetheart!

The Feast of St Joseph March 18 & 19, 2023

Refreshments & Fellowship after all Masses

Seder—April

Date to be determined

We Are Called to Develop and Serve

St. Veronica Outreach

CHRISTMAS FOOD COLLECTION

The Social Concerns Committee and Food Pantry are making up Christmas Food Bags for those in need this season.

Groceries most needed are:

- \$25.00 gifts cards (for turkeys and perishable items)
- Canned Ham
- canned vegetables : green beans and corn
- Boxed or canned pota-toes
- cream of mushroom soup,
- gravy (pkg or jar)
- cranberry sauce
- Canned fruit
- fried onions
- Boxed milk
- oil
- coffee
- Cookies



Your generosity is most appreciated.

Please place donations in the Narthex food bin.
Please call the parish office or email the pantry if you are in need of Christmas food this year.

Food Pantry Needs

MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

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| Coffee | Jarred Pasta Sauce |
| Tuna | Shelf stable milk |
| Spam | Paper Towels |
| Juice | Toilet paper |
| Canned fruit | Laundry detergent |
| Mayonnaise | Dish detergent |
| Canned chicken | Shampoo |
| Soap | Old-fashioned Oats |



No expired food, please!

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

Pantry Hours: Tuesday 10:00AM-12:00PM

Gifts for the Giving Tree Are Due Today, Dec 11 by 1:00 PM



The various organizations need to pick up the gifts on Monday, December 12 so that they have time to organize and distribute them before Christmas.

Thank you to all who have returned gifts bringing joy to others this Christmas.

Thank you for your generosity!



Offerings at Francis House of Prayer
Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House

609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net

Please check www.FHOP.org for more information

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Tuesday, December 13 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Donation: \$30, includes lunch; Zoom \$20

THE FIDELITY OF GOD

Thursday, December 15 9:30 AM – 2:00 PM

Donation: \$30, with lunch. Zoom \$25

PERSONAL RETREAT DAY

Wednesday, December 14 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Please bring a bag lunch. Donation: \$10;



Knights of Columbus COATS FOR KIDS CAMPAIGN

The Knights of Columbus are conducting their annual Coats for Kids campaign again this year. All sizes are needed for boys and girls. Please place new and used winter coats in the designated tub in the narthex. The coats will be taken to Catholic Charities, who will distribute them to needy families. Thank you for your support.

“Advent is a journey towards Bethlehem. May we let ourselves be drawn by the light of God made man.”

Pope Francis 21 Dec 3013

Communications Corner:



TAKE A PICTURE!



When at a parish event, use your phone to snap a quick picture and email it (with a bit of info) to: communications@stveronica.com



<https://www.facebook.com/stveronica.howell>

Submit all bulletin requests & website updates to communications@stveronica.com



Please take the time to register your cellphone number and email address with **Flocknote**, St Veronica will communicate through texting and email notifications with Parishioners.

To Join go to: <https://stveronicachurch1.flocknote.com>

amazon smile Visit smile.amazon.com and select **St Veronicas Church** as your charity.

For up to date parish information, please visit the parish website: www.StVeronica.com

