

ST. VERONICA CHURCH

Rectory Office Hours:

New Office Hours:

Monday 9:00AM-4:00PM

Tuesday- 9:00AM-4:00PM

Wednesday 1:00PM –7:00PM

Thursday 9:00AM-4:00PM

Friday—CLOSED

First Saturday of the month 9:00-12:30PM



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

Deacons: Charles R. Daye, Jr.

John Franey

Nick Stranieri

Business Manager:

Linda Dickinson-Pancila

Lay Trustees: Claire McCarthy

Edward Hamill

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Coordinator:

Sr. Ann Norton, C.R., DRE

Religious Ed Support Staff:

Tuesday Overton

Elia Landino

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Director of Music: Marietta Racancoj

Pastoral and Support Staff:

Cheryl Wegner

Mother Seton Academy Principal:

Dr. Karen Juliano

MSA Support Staff: Stephanie Guida

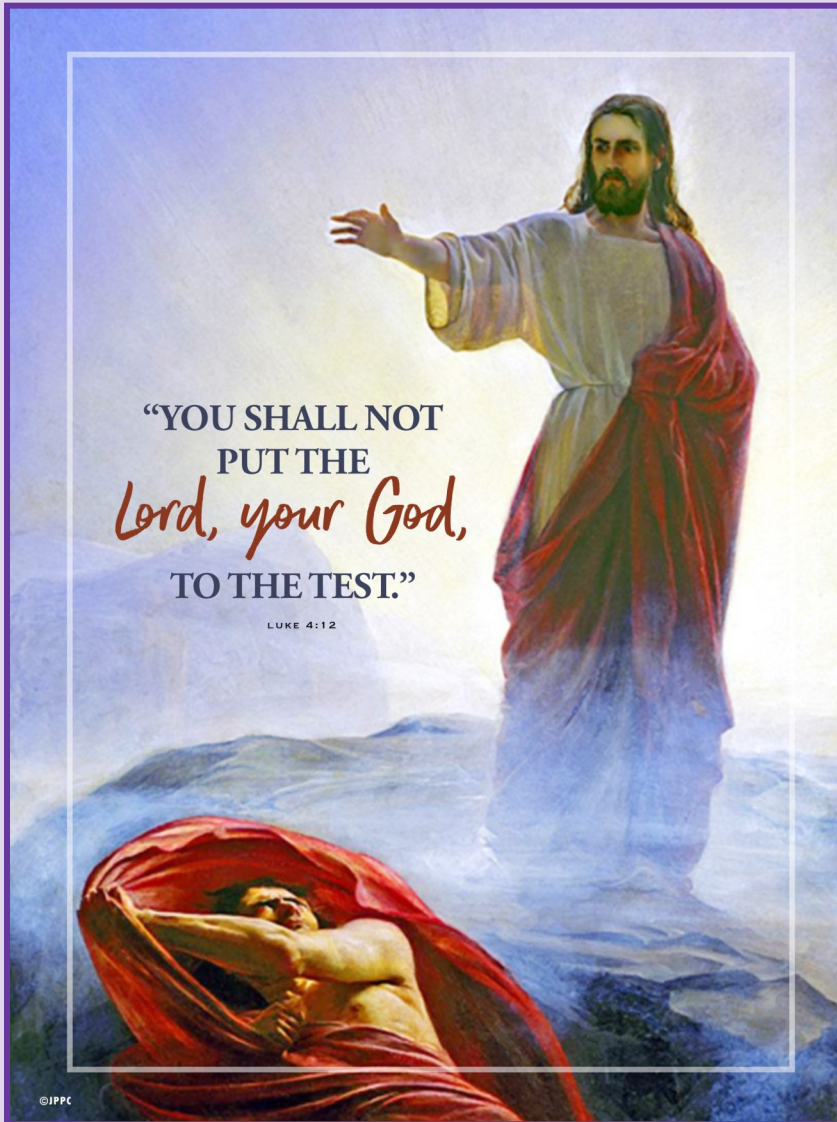
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MARCH 6, 2022

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

4215 Route 9 North
Howell, New Jersey 07731
www.stveronica.com

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

We are called to Sanctify

Mass Intentions for this Week



SUNDAY, March 6

7:30 Int. of Becky Franey.....Mom & Dad Della Dettling.....Prayer Shawl Ministry
 9:00 Kathleen Denise Bird.....Wheeler Family
 10:30 Christopher Welter.....Joseph & Carol Gippetti
 12:00 Living and Deceased Parishioners
 Jack Thomas O'Drain....Maureen & Carlin Barrett

MONDAY, March 7

7:30 Guillermo Padron.....Medina Family
 12:00 Antonino Scire.....Wife

TUESDAY, March 8

7:30 Guillermo Padron.....Medina Family
 12:00 Int. of Sr. Mary Lucy.....Vic & Priscilla Lagdameo

WEDNESDAY, March 9

7:30 Guillermo Padron.....Medina Family
 12:00 Rev. Bill O'Brien.....Vic & Priscilla Lagdameo
 Grandma & Papa Sasso.....Negy Family

THURSDAY, March 10

7:30 Evelio Francesna.....Medina Family
 12:00 Int. of Olga Hubble.....Bob & Diana Morris

FRIDAY, March 11

7:30 Evelio Francesena.....Medina Family
 12:00 Nene Lagdameo.....Vic & Priscilla Lagdameo

SATURDAY, March 12

8:00AM Evelio Francesena.....Medina Family
 4:00PM Living and Deceased Parishioners
 Della Dettling.....Mary & Ed Althaver

SUNDAY, March 13

7:30 Audrey DePaulo.....Cathy Brennan
 Della Dettling.....Bill & Bo Rieker
 9:00 Joseph Bocchino.....Ward & Charland Families
 Fr. Bill O'Brien.....Greg & Pat Bigg
 10:30 Suzanne Veitengruber.....John & Sheila McBride
 Eric O'Doherty.....Susan & Neal Brunner & Family
 12:00 Teresa Goworek.....Janina Fronc
 Catherine Hoffman.....Bill & Pat Fosgreen

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15;
 Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19;
 Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;
 Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3,
 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8;
 Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14;
 Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

Miraculous Medal Novena Prayer

said Monday after the 12 Noon Mass.

As of March 7, the Novena will return to

Monday nights at 8:00PM

Pray for

Peace in the Ukraine



**Eucharistic
 Adoration
 Good News!!!**

Chapel is now open!



YOUR YES is urgently needed to return to perpetual 24/7 adoration.

We would like to extend a big thank you all the devoted parishioners that have committed to an hour of Adoration.

See Adoration board in narthex for most needed hours. For Health and safety reasons, very limited seating will be available for Registered Adorers Only. Not able to accommodate occasional visitors at this time.

To become a registered adoror or for more information,

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

Leave your name, email and cell phone number, day and hour desired.

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 for the named individual for one week. Cost: \$15.00



**Sanctuary Candle
 Week of March 6, 2022**

World Peace

Notes from Fr. PJ

Dear Friends in Christ,

Peace!

Lent—past participle of the verb ‘lend.’ It reminds me of our very “own” lives (or we think we own it—our life). It was just *lent*. Lent, which to me means what we have is not really ours. It was just *lent*. Lent, which also means to me that there is a true Owner, who owns whatever was *lent*.



And so, we started with something basic last Wednesday. Our foreheads were marked with ashes to symbolize the passing of things and people (and anything or anyone lent to us), repentance of sins and belief in the Good News. Sin once diluted the purity of our souls, like ashes on a clean-washed face. Death was the by-product. Thus, to dust thou art and to dust thou shalt return, as the Old English formula for the imposition of ashes doth declare.

With all the smudge, the dirt, the blotch, the stain, with all the streak, the mark, the daub, and maybe the pain—we hear a familiar strain—“Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel.”

Turn away from sin—repent. Be faithful to the Gospel—believe in the Good News. What is the Good News? Jesus Christ is God. He died, he conquered death, rose from it. He will come again. No better news other than that in the whole history of civilization.

When He does come at an unexpected time, I hope we give our Lord a heartfelt answer, especially when He asks us, “And, dear child of mine, how did you do with what I *lent* you?”

Have a blessed and prayerful Lenten season!

Fr. PJ



Seder Meal Passover Celebration Wednesday, April 6th at 7:00PM

Celebrating the Seder Meal is a traditional and most pleasant form of fellowship and shared learning experience. It is a meal that not only commemorates the Jews’ deliverance but also hope for the coming kingdom of God. It draws



relationships between the Passover and important New Testament truths.

Tickets are \$5.00 on sale after Masses the weekend of 3/19 & 3/20. They are also available at the rectory office. Please join us to celebrate this wonderful tradition.

Also, we are in need of many volunteers to help with this celebration. This is probably one of those few times when “too many hands do NOT spoil the broth.” Please consider becoming part of this beautiful celebration of remembering God’s saving power.

If you can help with set-up, clean-up, cooking, serving or pre-ticket sales, please call Maria Dublon at 848-221-5980.

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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 rectory.

Prayer Intentions

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



Edward B.	Gloria G.	Robert O.
Chris B.	Bob H.	Joe R.
George C.	Tina L.	Riley R.
Ali D.	Roger L.	Edward S.
Alicja F.	Greg M.	Glenda W.
Gavin F.	John M.	Elizabeth Z.
Ronald G.	Alice N.	

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.



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

Wyatt James, son of Dylan & Brianna Lovgren
Owen Zade, son of Erin & Cesar Nunez
Briella Rose, daughter of Michael & Stacy Perinelli

Thank you for the gift of life.



Legion of Mary Our Lady Queen of Apostles at St. Veronica's Church

Effective Monday, March 7, 2022, the Legion of Mary is moving its meetings back to 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM in the Narthex. Legion of Mary - Active and Auxiliary members and Marian devotees:

Please join us at our Annual Legion of Mary Acies Consecration on Saturday, March 26, 2022 from 10:30 am to around 12:00 pm, to be held at St. Veronica's Church. We will have recitation of the Rosary, a Consecration ceremony, and Mass. This is being organized by the Legion of Mary groups: foremost by The Immaculate Conception Curia covering the Praesidiums of Monmouth and Ocean County. It is also being hosted by the Legion of Mary Praesidium here at St. Veronica's Church, Our Lady Queen of Apostles. .

For questions, please contact Curia president Rosalie Angeles, rangeles14@yahoo.com, or Carlos Diaz Our Lady Queen of Apostles, cdiazjr@optonline.net

Hope you all can attend & Thank you and God bless



40 DAYS FOR LIFE

The 40 Days for Life is a campaign of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion here in America, from March 2 –to April 10. Since its inception in 2007, 20,728 babies have been saved, 229 abortion workers have quit, and 114 abortion centers have closed. 40 Days for Life also involves prayerful, peaceful witnessing in front of an abortion clinic. People pray 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 from March 2 to April 10. That would be 6 Wednesdays.

The hours are from 8 AM to 6 PM. Visit the 40 Days for Life web site <http://40daysforlife.com/Shrewsbury> for more information. Please consider joining in this life saving effort for just one hour on one or more Wednesdays - give Hu or Joan Mador a call at 732-367-2565, or send us an email at hmador@optonline.net to sign up .

Thank you.

LENT— Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving



Lent is a 40 day period, not including Sundays, of preparation and spiritual growth. We die to ourselves so that we, like Jesus, might rise again to new life. The dying and rebirth that take place within our hearts reflect the paschal mystery – the suffering, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus. Lent, which means spring, is the time of final preparation for those being baptized at Easter, but the whole Church also enters into the spirit of penance. Lenten practices help us do penance and prepare ourselves for the great celebration of Easter. These practices are fasting (limiting food or giving something up during Lent), spending more time in prayer, and setting aside money for the poor (almsgiving).

If you haven't already, make a plan for Lent – not so difficult that you will be tempted to abandon it, but challenging enough that it hurts a little!

(And remember that we NEVER fast on the Day of the Resurrection, so on Sundays, you can have a piece of that chocolate you gave up for Lent!)

The Best Lent Ever

Daily Lenten Masses 7:30 AM & 12:00 PM
Monday through Friday

Adoration in the Chapel next to the parish office/rectory; To sign up as an adorer, see Adoration ad on page 2.

March 11, 18, 25 - 7:00 PM Fridays of Lent
Talk & Stations of the Cross
in the Church

April 2 - 5:45 PM First Saturday Monthly Adoration,
Benediction and Reparation
Prayers in the Church

Triduum of Parish Lenten Events

April 5– Presentation by Fr. PJ 7:00 PM in the
Church

April 6– Seder Meal 7:00 PM in the Cafeteria

April 7- Parish Penance Service 7:00 PM in the
Church

Lenten Resources

Would you like to have your Best Lent Ever? Does your spiritual life need a boost? Do you hear Jesus calling you to His Heart?

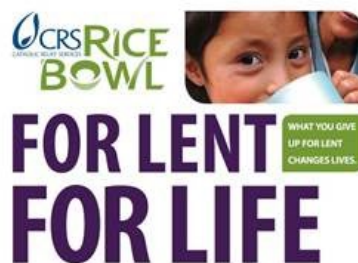
Sign up for a wonderful email program called **Best Lent Ever** from **Dynamic Catholic**. It's free!

Each day of Lent, you will receive a short video to watch in your inbox, which will give you much food for thought and prayer.

I highly recommend this program, as I have enrolled in it myself for the past 3 years, and will be watching with you this Lent. Go to www.dynamiccatholic.com and sign up today!

Enroll your children in **Holy Heroes' Lenten Adventure**. Your kids 5 to 12 years old will receive videos in your inbox each day, which will help them make the most of Lent in a fun and instructive way.

They are sure to enjoy Lenten Adventure, so enroll them today at www.holyheroes.com. It's free and lots of fun!



THE PILLARS OF LENT.

As we begin our Lenten journey, reflect on how your prayers, fasting and almsgiving can guide you. As Pope Francis explains, these are “elements

which, when lived sincerely, can transform life and provide a sure foundation for dignity and fraternity.” How can practicing the Lenten pillars transform your life and the lives of our sisters and brothers around the world?

Please join our faith community—and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. **Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the narthex this weekend, March 5th and 6th.** During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on global hunger and take action to help our sisters and brothers impacted by this injustice. For Info-Visit crsricebowl.org

First Saturday Rosary & Chaplet of Reparation

Please join us Saturday, March 5, 2022 at 5:45pm in our Church. We will be gathering this, and every first Saturday of each month to pray in reparation for the offenses made against our Blessed Mother. The evening will begin with Eucharistic Exposition, followed by the recitation of the Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet, and ending with Benediction. Any questions contact Chris Barnes at Cbmb42096@gmail.com.

Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure

Now is a great opportunity to switch from envelopes to online giving.

St Veronica Parish Online Giving

powered by



St. Veronica is committed to providing you with a secure and accessible way to give online.

To set up a new online account , please Visit:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stvhowell> or you can go to the parish website www.stveronica.com and click on the parish soft logo which will take you directly to the parish soft online giving portal.

To create an account:

- Click on link to online portal (above)
- At top of the online giving page click on SIGN IN
- At bottom of the sign in page you will see the blue words that say **create an account**. Follow steps to create an account.

Set up recurring donations:

- Log into your account
- Look at section of page that says MY DONATIONS
- Click on the words one time or recurring donation. You will see a blue line under recurring.
- You must process one donation at a time so please Select your fund – Ex: regular weekly, Easter ... If you select second collection and select your sub fund... Ex: special projects
- Decide the frequency of your donation. Ex: weekly, monthly, annually so you know how much to enter in the \$ amount box
- Pick a date using the little calendar square that the donation will be processed each month, week, year...
- Check processing fee box if you wish to cover this expense for the parish.
- Select your payment method. You only have to enter this information once. Each additional recurring donation you make can use the same payment method.
- Click submit
- Repeat these steps to set up and process additional donations.

If you need assistance, please call the Business Manager, Linda at 732-363-4200 x 245



SHARING OUR TREASURE

February 27, 2022

Envelope Contributions: \$11,401.50
Electronic/Online Contributions: \$2,543.00
Loose Contributions: \$995.00
Total Amount: \$14,939.50

Expenses/Bills Paid for the Week: \$16,995.44

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

March MSA subsidy \$9375.00

Religious Education Students

For the week of February 20, 2022, contributions totaled \$361.45
2nd Grade has contributed the most with \$64.70

February Special Projects Collection: \$4013.00



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

Special Project Collection Accounting

Special Projects Collected to date: \$35,783.50

July \$3390, Aug. \$8917, Sept. \$3660.50, Oct. \$4145, Nov. \$4,264 Dec. \$3495 Jan. \$3899 Feb. \$4013

Project #5: Church camera surveillance system
Goal = \$16410.40

Restricted gift received from donor = \$10,000.00
\$5207.72 applied to this project
\$1202.68 away from reaching this goal

THANK YOU for your continued stewardship to St. Veronica Parish's Special Projects Collection which enables us to complete much needed projects!!



Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure

ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2022

Parish goal: \$90,000

Pledged: \$7,772.00

Donors: 51

Avg gift: \$152.39

Percent to Goal: 8.6%

Ways to give:

*When making an ACA donation please note
St Veronica, Howell*

Online: Scan the QR code
or visit website to make a gift
<https://dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal>



Mail: Annual Catholic Appeal Diocese
of Trenton, PO Box 70170, Newark,
NJ 07101

Text: ACA to 53555

Call: 609-403-7197

Additional Gift Options: Gifts of Stock, IRA
Distributions, Bequests, Charitable Annuities and
Cryptocurrency can be coordinated by contacting Dept
of Development 609-403-7197
Matching gifts accepted

*What does Love got to do with it? "Love is something
that we do." Bishop O'Connell*

Adopt-A-Tree Campaign - Looking for Sponsors:

Sponsor the planting of a tree or bush on the
Parish Grounds to replace the trees that have been
removed recently. More trees and bushes will be planted
in the spring.

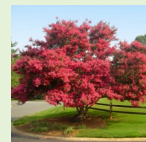
To sponsor the cost of planting a tree or bush, please
contact the business manager, Linda at
Linda.dickinson@stveronica.com 732-363-4200 x 245

Thank you for your consideration!

Red Crepe Myrtle

Sponsored by Theresa O'Malley

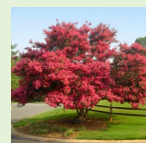
*Dedicated in the memory of
Bob O'Malley, Sr.*



Red Crepe Myrtle

Sponsored by Claire McCarthy

Dedicated to Tom McCarthy



Food Pantry Needs

Coffee	Peanut butter
Tea	Jelly
Juice	Macaroni and cheese
Shelf-stable milk	Pasta
Assorted canned beans	Pasta sauce
Canned chicken	Rice
Canned salmon	Snacks
Canned tuna	Laundry detergent
Canned fruit	Paper towels
Instant oatmeal	Toilet paper
Pancake mix	Tissues
Syrup	



Soup cans
are not
needed at
this time.

Please drop off all food donations in the wag-
ons in the Church Narthex. **For more information on food
available and pick up information please contact**

pantry@stveronica.com

No expired food, please! Thank you

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

Wednesday 4:30PM-6:00PM



SPRING CLEAN UP & BUILD UP Saturday, April 2 9:00am to 1:00pm

All are invited to join us to pick up leaves, branches and debris that has accumulated on the parish grounds over the fall and winter months. Help is needed to prune bushes, cut back weeds and vines along the fence line.

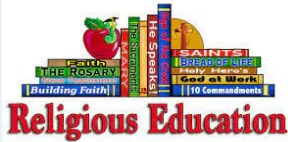
Please bring rakes and other gardening tools to accomplish the job. Looking for pick-up trucks to help transport debris to one area of the parish grounds. Looking for people to bring and operate chain saws, hedge trimmers and tools.

All are invited to participate. This is also a great community service opportunity, leadership hours are available, Youth group, Boy Scout and Girl scout troops and other groups are welcome.

Team captains needed to oversee a group of 5-10 volunteers in area of parish grounds. We are in need of volunteers to help at the check in table.

Sign up at linda.dickinson@stveronica.com **Be an angel in helping us tidy up!**

We are Called to Educate



Office Hours
Monday 10:00 AM-8:00 PM
Tuesday through Thursday
10:00 AM-6:00 PM

Sr. Ann Elizabeth Norton, C.R.
Director of Religious Education
Religioused@stveronica.com
732-364-4137

Our mask mandate is being lifted as of Monday, March 7th. Masks will then be optional in Religious Education classes for students and teachers.

Save the Date

Youth Retreat presented by the National Evangelization Team for Grades 8 through 12
Sunday, March 20th, 1 to 4 p.m.
St. Aloysius Parish, Jackson
\$25.00 per participant

Register with Sr. Ann Elizabeth at sr.ann@stveronica.com.



walking with purpose

Coming to St Veronica this Fall

Walking With Purpose (WWP) Woman's Bible Study

Co-Coordinator, facilitators and participants desired to bring this program to St Veronica.

Please call Linda for more information.

732-363-4200 x 245

Linda.dickinson@stveronica.com

RCIA Walking to Easter

We have 6 children, between 7 and 12 years of age, and 2 teenagers, who will be baptized here at St. Veronica at the Easter Vigil. Today, we celebrate the **Rite of Sending** for them, as a parish community.

But where are we sending them?

We are sending them to the **Rite of Election**, which will be held this Sunday afternoon (March 6th) at 3 p.m. at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine.

Our 8 catechumens, along with all catechumens in our Diocese, will gather to celebrate this important Rite with our Bishop. Bishop O'Connell will ask their godparents and catechists if they feel those to be baptized have responded to God's call, and the catechumens express their desire to be baptized at Easter.

The names of the catechumens are then written in the Book of the Elect. God has chosen and called them. They are no longer catechumens, but the Elect!

Please pray for our Elect as they travel to Easter.



Youth Group Fundraiser

March 26 & 27 and April 2 & 3 After all Masses

Our youth group is offering you an opportunity to purchase beautiful imported hand-made Italian and Bethlehem rosaries, as well as a large variety of Catholic

medals, crucifix necklaces, bracelets and other faith inspired jewelry. An assortment of First Holy Communion and

Confirmation gift items will be included. You will find we truly have something for everyone! These religious items are

reasonably priced. 50% of all proceeds go directly to our St.

Veronica High School Youth Group.

Please stop at our display after Mass and see what we are offering.

Whether you need a new rosary for yourself or as a gift, or want a crucifix to wear, saint medal, bracelet, necklace or other expressive reminder of your faith, we have a variety to meet your needs.



Our fundraiser offers a way for you to show your support of our youth and share your faith!

St. Veronica Praise & Worship Prayer Group



A monthly Praise, Worship and Prayer group is forming starting next Sunday, **March 6 at 1:15 PM** (directly following the 12 noon Mass) in the church narthex.

Please join us as we come together to Praise and Worship our Lord as we open up our hearts to the scriptures and to what God has to say to us. Our second meeting is scheduled on **Sunday, April 3**.

For questions please call Emmanuel 718-621-0447.

We are Called to Develop & Serve



Come sing with the choir!!!

Bring a friend or come make some new friends and get some service hours for school and/or confirmation while you're at it! It also looks great on college applications!

SCHEDULE

Teen/Young Adult Choir Practices: Wednesdays 7:30-8:30 and/or Fridays 3:30-4:30 (sings every other Sunday Mass)

Kids Choir Practices: Wednesdays 3:30-4:30 (sing 1st Sunday of the month)

Adult Choir: For info email music@stveronica.com

Adult Easter Choir Invitation!!!

St. Veronica's music ministry is currently looking for members to form an adult choir to sing for the Easter Vigil Mass 2022!

Please consider sharing your voice with the Lord and the parish for this special occasion!

(Practices are tentatively set to start on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30. This may change based on the availability of those interested.)

For details or questions, please email Marietta:
Music@stveronica.com

Thank You



**St. Veronica's
60th Anniversary**

**Celebration
July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023**

Volunteer to help plan special events, fun activities for all ages and fundraisers. Some events/activities include a parish picnic, adult dinners, basket raffle, Super 50/50, 60th Anniversary Gala, golf outing, Fun Run, and more.

To join events committee, to help run events or offer ideas contact Linda 732-363-4200x 245, linda.dickinson@stveronica.com

Parish Office Volunteers Needed

Volunteer 2-3 hours a week, once a month or to fill in as a sub when needed to help with various tasks : Greeting visitors, answering phones, directing calls, taking messages, Mass intentions, filing, mailings, typing, and other similar duties

We will train you!

Contact: visit the office. Linda 732-363-4200x 245, linda.dickinson@stveronica.com

Journeying Together through the Synod

Register for an upcoming listening sessions:

- Sun., Mar 6 at 11:30am & 1pm in cafeteria after Masses
- Wed., Mar 9 at 2pm, 5pm & 7pm in the rectory
- Thurs., Mar 10 at 10am or 3pm in the rectory
- Sat., Mar 12 at 5pm in cafeteria after Mass



What is a SYNOD?

- Synod derived from the Greek word *synodos*, "assembly" is a gathering or an authoritative meeting of bishops working in partnership with the Holy Father for the purpose of church administration in the areas of teaching (faith and morals) or governance (church discipline or law).
- Synod: path of *Communion, participation and mission*
- The 2021-2023 the Synod is designed to give all the faithful of the Catholic Church a chance to express life experiences of journeying with the Church

Pope Francis is inviting all to participate!

He wants to hear from the entire church, all the people of God so to bring their voices to the synod.

The way St. Veronica and other parishes in the Diocese of Trenton will do this is through listening sessions or meetings which will be held over the next 8 weeks.

What are LISTENING SESSIONS?

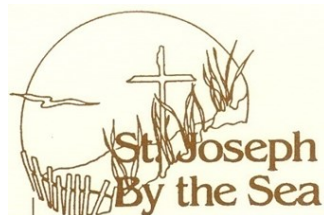
- An opportunity to come together, to pray and to share personal experiences of joys and obstacles of the church
- Sharing and listening - Not about data gathering, problem-solving, complaining, or debating controversial issues
- Participants share for four (4) minutes each while others actively listen and two (2) minutes is then given to respond to what was heard
- small groups comprised of 6 to 8 people; one-on-one interviews are also available
- zoom or in person listening sessions are available
- trained parish facilitators and notetakers are present in each small group to guide the meeting and take notes. No identifying information on participants will be passed on. The note taker will report to the diocese on the "gist" of each story. The diocese will form the basis of their report to the Pope for the 2023 Synod of Bishops.

Each participant will have four (4) minutes to share their experience on the following question:

What have been the joys and obstacles in your journeying together with the church? Please share a brief story that illustrates your experience.

To Sign up contact: Linda.dickinson@stveronica.com
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We are Called to Develop & Serve



March 25-27, 2022 – FOOTSTEPS IN THE GARDEN – Do you ever wonder what God is doing and has done in your life even without your help? In scripture, God says, “You will be like a watered garden.” (Is 58:11-12) The blooms in the garden of life take root in the silence. Although the garden needs tending and harvesting, often in our busyness, we miss the beauty that comes on its own and the footsteps of the One who scatters seeds of hope. This weekend offers you time to explore the gardens of your life. Mass included. Arrival: 5:00-6:00 pm/Departure: 1:00 Pm (Presenters: Paulette Cicero, M.Th., CSD, and Ellen Murphy, CSD) Cost: \$350

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Looking for some spiritual nourishment this Lent? Come to our **Lenten Soup for the Soul Evenings** this March! Join us for some soup, fellowship, prayer and reflection to feed your body, mind, heart, and soul!

2022 Evenings of Reflection

March 8, 15, 22, 29

6:00PM – 8:30PM

5:30 – 6:00 Arrival and Registration
6:00 – 7:00 Simple Lenten Soup Supper
7:00 – 8:30 Program

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

Live the Lent You Get

One of the challenging things about Lent is figuring out what to “do” each year—what to give up or take up for this holy season. But what if you only needed one Lenten resolution—one you got to remake every morning? Come to our first *Soup for the Soul* Evening of Reflection and learn how to **Live the Lent You Get**. Through engaging content and stimulating conversation, our presenter will help us learn to notice and respond to God’s daily invitations to prayer, sacrifice, and generosity—not just in Lent, but in every season of our lives.

Presenter: Christine Marie Eberle passionately connects Scripture, spirituality, and everyday life. After a 26-year career as a college campus minister, Christine ended her tenure as Director of Campus Ministry at Gwynedd Mercy University in 2019 to commit to a full-time ministry of writing, speaking, and retreat facilitation. She is the author of *Finding God in Ordinary Time* and the forthcoming *Finding God Abiding*, each containing four weeks of daily meditations based on true stories. You can follow Christine at christine-marie-eberle.com.



Tuesday, March 15, 2022

The Slow, Brave Work of Forgiveness

Lent provides us with an opportunity to engage a bit more deeply with the slow and often challenging work of forgiving others, as well as ourselves. Our confusion about how or when to forgive can block us in our availability for new life. Come and reflect on some of the invitations and the clarity that Jesus offers us about this slow and brave work that ultimately promises us greater freedom.

Presenter: Janet Corso is a spiritual director, trainer and supervisor of directors, as well as a retreat and spiritual program facilitator. She resides in the Hudson Valley of New York.



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