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#### MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday Mass Schedule** 

4:00 PM at St. Margaret Church 6:00 PM at St. John Vianney Church

**Sunday Mass Schedule** 

8:30 AM at St. Margaret Church 10:00 AM at St. Margaret Church 11:30 AM at St. John Vianney Church 4:00 PM at St. Margaret Church Holy Day Vigil: 4:00 PM at St. Margaret Church & 7:00 PM at St. John Vianney Church

Holy Days: 8:30 AM, 12 Noon and 7:00 PM at St. Margaret Church

Week Davs:

6:45 AM in the Convent (school days only)8:30 AM in Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel

#### **CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Saturdays: 9:00-9:30AM; 2:30-3:30 PM at St. Margaret Church 5:15-5:45 PM at St. John Vianney Church

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 17, 2019

## Saturday, March 16

**4:00 PM** John W. Underwood req. by Regina, children & grandchildren

6:00 PM Jim Philbin, Sr. req. by Pat Dolan

#### Sunday, March 17

**8:30** AM Bryce Hansen req. by Judy, Jeff & brothers

**10:00 AM** Joan & Robert Kirkbride req. by Robert & Lori Kirkbride & family

11:30 AM Dorothy Alliano req. by Joe & Pat Reiners

**4:00 PM** Daryl Sutcliffe req. by his family

## Monday, March 18

**6:45 AM** Frank & Marie Worstall req. by Peggy, Dave & Allie

**8:30 AM** Maryann Miller req. by Joanne & Harry McConville

**7:00 PM** George Dashnau req. by Infant Jesus Parish Priests & Rectory Staff

## Tuesday, March 19

**6:45 AM** Deceased Franciscan Missionary Sisters of the Infant Jesus

**8:30 AM** Marie Farley req. by Kelly & Bill Puitz **7:00 PM** In Thanksgiving for prayers answered req. by the Fleming family

#### Wednesday, March 20

**6:45 AM** Liberatore Caccavale req. by his daughters

**8:300 AM** John Balsama req. by the McGuinness family

5:00 PM CONFIRMATION

#### Thursday, March 21

**6:45 AM** Tim Weglicki req. by Infant Jesus Parish St. Vincent de Paul Society

**8:30 AM** Fred Spina req. by Michael & Erica Spina

## Friday, March 22

6:45 AM

**8:30 AM** James R. Philbin, Sr. req. by Denise & Joe Bisirri & family

#### Saturday, March 23

**8:30 AM** Michelle Barrett req. by Deacon Frank & Dianne Dunleavy

**4:00 PM** Peg & John Tumelty req. by the Helder family

**6:00 PM** Jeff Sciamanna req. by his family

#### Sunday, March 24

**8:30 AM** Anthony DeZutti req. by Helen Schiraldi **10:00 AM** Deceased members of the Heenan family req. by Bob & Julie Heenan

**11:30 AM** John Heaney req. by Trish Bonnin & Eileen Wolf

**4:00 PM** Lonnie Finney req. by the Macdonald family

#### **SANCTUARY LAMP**

The Sanctuary lamp at St. John Vianney Church is burning in loving memory of

## Harry Watson

req. by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Maccariella.

The Sanctuary lamp at St. Margaret Church is burning in loving memory of

Bryce Hansen

reg. by his grandmother, Loretta.

#### COME LET US ADORE HIM



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is every Friday in Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel until **5:00 PM**. On First Fridays, the Blessed Sacrament is adored after 8:30AM Mass until Saturday morning continuously. If you would

like to come to adoration, please sign in (guests as well as scheduled adorers). If you are scheduled for adoration and cannot attend, please try to get a replacement or call the rectory 856-848-0047

Please note that adoration will now end at 5 PM



Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

## Joseph Gorman

(brother-in-law of Nancy Tomlinson)

Earl Fleming (Brian Fleming's father)

Doris Bull (Jane Law's mother)



Please pray for our parishioners who are in the hospital, nursing home or who are homebound:

Joe and Louise Avallone, John and Philomena Bertagnali, Samantha Boulden, Baby Mary Blocklinger, Richard Thomas Carey, Bill Cassidy, Mark Cesarano, Heather Ruple Chiaradonna, Mridul Chowdhury, Donna Chuba, Ed Conway, Cathy Diamond, James DiBello, Jerry Donnelly, Patty Dunleavy, Baby Emil, Anthony Falance, Gerri Foster, Jeremy Fromel, Jerry Gallagher, Michael Geden, Annemarie Gendron, Giglio, Chris Ginchereau, Tony Gatto, Audrey Greco, Anna Haas, Matthew Harrington, Katie Hartey, Christine Hastings, Joyce Howe, Christine and Zachariah Huber, Baby Jake, Jean, Bill Jensen, Billy Jensen, Russell Kahny, IV, Cathy King. Rita Kirk, Robert Kirkbride, Joann Kovalewski, Alexander Joseph Kusch, Joe & Marv Lapetina, Michele Lott. Jennifer McGlinchey, Megan McMichael, Karen & Joseph Medallo, Ivor Miller, Donna Mimlitsch, Ron Orrick, Nico Osso, Carmela Paladino, Florence Pappert, Susan Paul, Mary Pilipchuk, Baby Nicholas Pizzuti, Carmela Popjoy, Melony Popjoy, Alec Quantavalle, Chuck Rabb, Kyle Riepen, Nora Joan Rush, Isabella Sammartino, Karen Schoch, Stephanie Selah, Sevda, Gary Shephard, Betty Spera, David Sullivan, Susan Underwood, Richard Underwood, Dylan Vitucci, Coreen Welch, Jim Welch, Karen Wetzel. Louise Wilusz, Helen Convery WitCraft, Baby Mark Zimmerman, Richard Zuber, ቀቀቀ

# RCIA

Do you know anyone interested in becoming Catholic or completing their Sacraments? If so, Father Steve Rapposelli can answer questions and help in either endeavor. Please contact Fr. Steve at: 856-848-0047 or <a href="mailto:frsrapposelli@gmail.com">frsrapposelli@gmail.com</a>. Anyone wanting to join the RCIA Team should also contact Father Steve. There are many ways to serve in RCIA, so do not hesitate to inquire. Many hands make light work.

## Family Prayer Crucifix for Vocations

Each week we invite a family to take a Crucifix home for a week to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

March 17 - The Hak Family March 24 - The Sank Family

If you are praying over a possible calling, please speak to Fr. Joe Pham. Please contact Mrs. Zenith Macdonald at (856) 397-5978 if you would like your family to receive the Crucifix at St. Margaret Church. Thank you.

#### **Blessed Mother Statue**

Infant Jesus Parish parishioners are invited to schedule a visit to your home from our beautiful statue of Our Blessed Mother. The statue is protected by a hand-crafted wooden case and clear Plexiglas cover (designed and built by Tom Mullholland). The statue includes rosaries and a special prayer card.

To schedule a week with our Blessed Mother statue, contact Patti Graham at (856) 905-4646. The protective case is designed with a carry handle at the top, but it is a bit heavy to carry. If you need assistance loading the statue into your vehicle, or even delivering it to your home, please let us know and arrangements will be made to assist with the delivery and return to the Church.



#### **GOD BLESS AMERICA!**

We continue to pray for our men & women overseas especially:

Johanny DelOrbe, Megan Dolan, Justin Gousha, Shawn Jarrell, Becky & Nick Johnson, Rob Solome, Sarah Turse, Joseph Raab, Charles LaGrossa and Anthony Meadows.

If someone has returned home, please let us know.

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform in our time of need. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen. 🕆 🕆 🕆

## Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today's Gospel gives us a glimpse of what heaven would be like. Before the scandal of the cross, Jesus wanted to strengthen the minds and hearts of Peter, the head of the church, John, and James, the ones who aspired to sit at Jesus' right and left in His kingdom, by giving them the foretaste of His heavenly glory. The glory that was so indescribably delightful to the point that Peter's mind was so "dumbfounded" by not knowing what he was saying: "Master, it is good to be here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." However, after the Transfiguration, Jesus did not let them stay there but rather He told them to go down the mountain to be with Him at Calvary first before He would grant them a place in His glory.

We are now journeying to that place, the place which St. Paul also described: "I consider that what we suffer at this present time cannot be compared at all with the glory that is to be revealed to us." (Romans 8:18). Moreover, "Not everyone who calls me Lord, Lord will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only those who do the will of my Father" said Jesus. (Matt. 7:21). Therefore; the only way that leads us to Jesus' glory is doing God's will.

As our parish has already launched the House of Charity Campaign, I pray that the Holy Spirit will inspire each one of us to take this opportunity to do God's will by sacrificing our financial means for this charitable cause so that as Jesus said: "Truly I say to you, as you did to the least of these my brothers and sisters, you did it to me." (Matt. 25:40). By sharing the pastoral financial burdens of the Church of our Diocese, we are certainly doing God's will for: Catholic Education, Catholic Charity, Vocations and the Formation of seminarians, Priests' Retirement, Young Adult & Campus's ministries, and Compassionate Outreach. These ministries are so needed for God's Church and His people; thus if we do it, we truly do it to "me" Jesus.

Hopefully during this Season of Lent, the Season of penance, each of us would be willing to sacrifice something so that we might not just say: "Lord, Lord but we also do the Father's will as well".

Fr. Joe Pham

## LENTEN PARISH MISSION

Led by

Rev. Stephen Dominic Hayes, O.P.

In preparation for the Holy Week celebration, we invite everyone to join our Parish Mission led by Fr. Hayes from April 6 thru 10, 2019 at St. Margaret Church. Fr. Hayes will preach at all Weekend Masses on April 6 and 7 as a prelude to the Mission during that week. There will be various themes each night.

\*Monday, April 8 – Mission begins at 7:00 P.M.
Renewal of Baptismal Commitment

\*Tuesday, April 9 – Mission begins at 7:00 P.M.
Prayers for Healing using Oil of St. Joseph

\*Wednesday, April 10 - Mission begins at 7:00 P.M.

Eucharistic Exposition and Procession

Solemn Blessing for the close of the Mission

Plenary Indulgence

\*Confessions will be available each evening.

"Simon, are you asleep? Weren't you able to stay awake with me for even one hour?" (Mark 14:37). Aren't we?



Lord, You have given us the gift of life and have woven the story of Your love into our hearts and minds and every part of our beings.

You have shown us how to live in Your love, and you taught us that whatever we do for the least of your sisters and brothers, we do unto You.

We ask that the work that we do in service to your least ones be our prayer. May it show our gratitude for all your gifts and express our love for You in return

Help us to love ardently, share in Your suffering joyfully, and serve You wholeheartedly in our sisters and brothers, especially those most in need who are helped through the House of Charity. Amen

31 Gifts - \$15,995.00



The Legion of Mary meets Wednesday mornings at 10:00 AM in the Ministry Center. The Legion of Mary is a worldwide Catholic lay apostolate that fosters faith, prayer & evangelization under the mantel of Our

Blessed Mother. For more information, call Anne at 856-686-1885.

## RE∮IGI@US EDUCA∱ION

**Upcoming Important Dates** 

**CONFIRMATION** – Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, St. Margaret's Church, 5:00 PM

<u>Level/Grade 6 Retreat</u> – Saturday, March 23rd - Ministry Center 1:30 – 5:00 PM. Students are required to attend as part of their Confirmation Requirements.

<u>Level/Grade 7 Retreat</u> - Sunday, March 24th - Ministry Center 1:30 – 5:00 PM. Students are required to attend as part of their Confirmation Requirements.



## OFFERTORY COLLECTION March 10 - \$14,135.50 Church in Europe - \$1,595.00

May God repay you for your sacrifices. Thank you for making your checks payable to: "Infant Jesus Parish".

#### WOMEN'S CLUB CORNER

General Membership Meeting Tuesday, March 19, 7:30 PM in the Ministry Center. Carpool, invite a friend. SVdP Pantry item -canned meats. Programbring a baby/toddler picture for us to guess the identity. Prize goes to the participant with the most # of correct guesses. St. Patrick's Day themed foods will be the treats of the evening. See you Tuesday.

There will be **NO** Executive Board Meeting in March.

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Shrine in upper Manhattan on Saturday, April 6, 2019.

Bus leaves St. Margaret's Regional School Parking Lot at 8AM arrive at the Shrine 11AM. Visit the Shrine and the Gift Shop and attend Mass at Noon. Depart the Shrine after Mass at approximately 1:15PM for lunch at the Bonefish Grille in Secaucus, NJ (about a half hour from the Shrine). Lunch includes soup or salad, choice of entree and dessert. Return back to St. Margaret's Regional School Parking Lot by appropriately 5PM.

Cost \$80 due at time of reservation. Cost includes tours, lunch, motor coach and all taxes and gratuities. Please contact Neen Raspa ASAP at 856-468-6430 or at <a href="mailto:neenie@comcast.net">neenie@comcast.net</a> to save your spot!

## Infant Jesus Parish Senior Citizens

The Senior Citizens will meet on Thursday, March 21st, 11:30 AM in the Ministry Center. Lunch will be served



at a nominal cost. We welcome everyone ages 55 and up. We hope to see you there.

**Congratulations** to Rachel Simpson who has merited honors for work completed during the first school term at Padua Academy. Your parish family is very proud of you. Keep up the good work!

## Come Join: Infant Jesus Youth Life!

We invite young people from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade as well as high school level (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) to our youth life group on Sunday evenings in the school gym to have fun, learn more about our faith, serve others, have retreats, fundraise, and attend other diocesan events. For grades 8-12, we are looking to begin a Lead Team which will consist of leaders who would like to help lead our youth at these events (we plan to meet one additional Friday a month). We look forward to beginning on April 7<sup>th</sup>.

Days/Dates	Age groups	Time	Place
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade-5 <sup>th</sup> grade (plus our leaders of our <b>Lead Team:</b> 8 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> )	5 P.M. – 7 P.M.	SMRS Gym Optional Mass @ 4 PM
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month	6 <sup>th</sup> grade-8 <sup>th</sup> grade (plus our leaders of our Lead Team: 8 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> )	5 P.M 7 P.M.	SMRS Gym Optional Mass @ 4 PM
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade- 8 <sup>th</sup> grade (plus our leaders of our Lead Team: 8 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> )	5 P.M 7 P.M.	SMRS Gym Optional Mass @ 4 PM
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month	ALL youth members and families (including siblings)	4 P.M 6 P.M. Mass @ 4	St. Margaret Church for 4 P.M. Mass SMRS Gym for an Infant Jesus Parish – Youth Life potluck dinner from 5 P.M 6 P.M. (Note: Each youth family brings an item for our potluck dinner to share.)

If you have any questions, please contact Crystal Fried @ crystalfried13@gmail.com



## Where

## St. Margaret Church

## Who

Students Third Grade and UP who have received their First Holy Communion

## When

## **Session 2 (Liturgy of the Eucharist I)**

Monday March 18, 5:45 pm-6:45 pm Tuesday March 19, 3:00 pm-4:00 pm Tuesday March 19, 7:30-8:30 pm

## **Session 3 (Liturgy of the Eucharist II Other Liturgies)**

Monday March 25, 5:45 pm-6:45 pm Tuesday March 26, 3:00 pm-4:00 pm Tuesday March 26, 7:30-8:30 pm

## **Contact**

## Fr. Steve Rapposelli

Associate Pastor frsrapposelli@gmail.com 856-848-0047 ext. 104

Training Requires completion of all three sessions. You choose the time/date of each session that works for your schedule.



# EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

## Saturday, March 23

4:00 PM Carol Mingione, Vince Carducci, Regina Underwood, Christina LoGiudice 6:00 PM Terry Wolstenholme, Margie Mantzell Nina Scully

#### Sunday, March 24

**8:30 AM** Michelle English, Michelle Donnelly, Carl & Maureen Zweigle

**10:00 AM** Sr. Michele, Richard Macdonald, Maria & Mike Frain

**11:30 AM** Evelyn Iacovone, Javon Paige, Ellie Kandle

**4:00 PM** Frank Gramenzi, Dawn Capone, Mary Sperling



## Saturday, March 23

**4:00 PM** Irene Sanders **6:00 PM** Rob or Denise Dietrich

## Sunday, March 24

8:30 AM Tom Heim
10:00 AM Ed Morrison
11:30 AM Debbie Pascale
4:00 PM Junior Lector



## Saturday, March 23

**4:00 PM** Mia Wenglicki, Gianni Pembroke, Cayden Allen **6:00 PM** Anthony Malesich, Justin Hagan

#### Sunday, March 24

8:30 AM Steven Morlachetta, Luke Chamberlain, Alessia Anzola

**10:00 AM** Michael Monte Carlo, Alexander & Don Bogev

11:30 AM Joey & John Philbin

**4:00 PM** Danielle Smith, Austin Reed, Teagan Hartigan

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun., Mar. 17 K of C Breakfast - 7:45 AM (gym)

Nursing Ministry at the Breakfast
Bethlehem Carvings after all Masses
Rel Ed - 8:30 AM

Sunday School - 10:00 AM

Deeper Dimensions - 7:00 PM (MC)

Mon., Mar. 18 Altar Server - 5:45 PM (SMC) Rel Ed 4:30/6:45 PM Prayer Group - 7:30 PM (C)

Tues., Mar. 19 Altar Server - 3:00 PM (SMC) Stephen Ministry - 7:00 PM (B) Altar Server - 7:30 PM (SMC) Women's Club - 7:30 PM (MC)

Wed., Mar. 20 Legion of Mary - 10:00AM (C)

## **CONFIRMATION - 5:00 PM**

Carnival - 7:00 PM (B) SMC Adult Choir - 7:15 PM (SMC)

Thurs., Mar. 21 Senior Citizens - 11:30 AM (MC)
Rel Ed - 6:15 PM
Knights of Columbus - 7:00 PM (D)
Parish Council - 7:00 PM (B)
NA - 8:00 PM (C)

Fri., Mar. 22 Legion of Mary Juniors - 4:45 PM
(C)
Soup & Scripture - 5:30 PM (MC)
Stations of the Cross - 7:30 PM
(SMC)

Sat., Mar. 23 Kings Men - 7:00 AM (B) Level 6 Retreat - 1:30 PM (MC) SVDP Food Drive at all Masses

Sun., Mar. 24 SVDP Food Drive at all Masses Rel Ed - 8:30 AM Sunday School - 10:00 AM Level 7 Retreat - 1:30 PM (MC) Deeper Dimensions - 7:00 PM (MC)

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## St. Margaret Regional School Spaghetti Dinner

Dinner cooked and prepared by teachers and staff

## Specials of the Day

Salad, Italian Bread, Spaghetti & Meatballs Desserts and Beverages



## **APRIL 6, 2019**

Serving 3:00pm to 6:30pm Father McKeever Hall



Prize Basket Tickets \$8 per sheet or \$20 for 3 sheets

## The Kingdom, The Power and The Glory - A Cursillo Day of Reflection



All are invited to celebrate and reflect on God's Kingdom, Power and Glory. We will reflect on (1) the Kingdom present with us (2) the power to proclaim and establish God's Kingdom (3) God's glory made visible in His Kingdom.

Our day will begin with Mass followed by:

Food, Music, Friends, Talks, Prayer, Small Group Sharing and More!

Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> 2019, 12:00 Noon – 4:00 PM Christ the Good Shepherd Parish, St. Isidore Hall, 1655 Magnolia Rd, Vineland, NJ 08361

Free will offerings accepted.

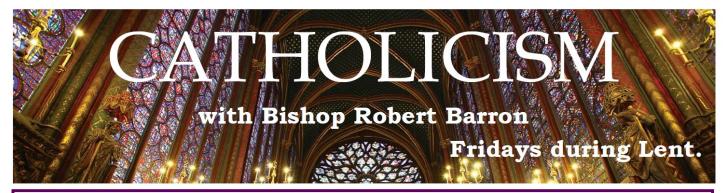
To register and for more information contact:

Dianne - 609-287-3521 (dianneandniles2@comcast.net)

or Bob - 609-501-7979 - bobcnumbrs@aol.com

**RSVP by March 23rd** 

# This Lent... Rediscover your Catholic Faith



## Fridays During Lent

5:45 PM - Soup and fellowship in the Ministry Center (starting March 15)

6:00 PM - Catholicism Series in the Ministry Center (starting March 15). Starts at 5:45 PM on April 5

7:30 PM - Stations of the Cross at St. Margaret Church (except April 5, 7:00 PM - Living Stations in the School Gym)

## **Special Events During Lent**

- ♥ Every Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday (7:00 PM) Mass at St. Margaret Church
- ♥ March 29 (7:30 PM) "Jesus The Healer" by the Franciscan Mystery Players at St. Margaret Church
- ♣ April 5 (7:00 PM) Living Stations of the Cross in the School Gym
- ↔ April 8 10 (7:00 PM) Parish Mission at St. Margaret Church

to register for the event, visit camdenpriest.org/irace4vocations/.

## "JESUS THE HEALER"

This is an UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE OF HEALING presented by the FRANCISCAN MYSTERY PLAYERS. Through the use of special lighting and sound, this moving dramatic meditation promises to be a high point in our Parish's spiritual journey. Because of the intensity of the subject matter of suffering and death, it may not be recommended for children. We strongly encourage all our ADULTS and TEENS to attend this unique and prayerful presentation on Friday, March 29th at 7:30 PM. DON'T MISS THIS!!!!

On **Sunday, March 31, 2019**, join Bishop Sullivan along with priests, religious, our seminarians and many other people from throughout the diocese at Washington Lake Park (626 Hurffville Crosskeys Rd, Sewell, NJ 08080) for our 8<sup>th</sup> annual iRace4Vocations. Bishop Sullivan will celebrate a Mass for Vocations at **1:00pm** followed by our 5k run/1 mile family walk. Come out to pray and race! The day will end with a picnic and family fun. Help us enjoy the day as we raise awareness and offer prayers for an increase in vocations for our diocese. We need our parishioners, all ages, to say yes to this intergenerational day. We need YOU. For more information and

**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP** 

Our next ten week session, at Infant Jesus Parish, for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one through death, will begin on April 3, 2019, from 7:00 to 8:30PM.

Location: Infant Jesus Parish - Ministry Center - 773 Third Street, Woodbury Heights, NJ 08097

For information/registration contact: Ann - 856-686-0645



## Office of the Bishop

Diocese of Camden

Sisters and Brothers,

Over the years, you may have seen me in the company of spectacularly dressed gentlemen, with white plumage above their chapeaus, silken capes of various colors trailing behind them and a glistening sword at their side. These men make up the Color Corps of the Knights of Columbus and they assist me at various special Masses and Confirmations.

However, they are only one, very visible part of the Knights of Columbus. In fact, the Knights are all around us, in nearly every parish in the Diocese. This fraternal order of our Catholic Church focuses its energy through its long-held principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

Since 1882, when founded by Venerable Father Michael McGivney in New Haven, Connecticut, the Knights have remained committed to their motto, "In Service to One. In Service to All." From the very beginning, the focus of the Knights of Columbus was to help others. When founded in the 19th century, society had very few protections, especially in a place like the industrialized North, where injured factory laborers were not only out of a job when they got hurt, or worse killed, but there was little to support the families of these men. Father McGivney formed the Knights of Columbus to offer financial assistance to families in need.

However, since that time the Knights of Columbus have expanded far beyond what Father McGivney could have predicted. With more than 2 million Knights across the globe, in 2017 they performed 75.6 million hours of service worldwide, which works out to be nearly \$1.9 billion of donated service time. In addition to their physical service, Knights are not afraid to organize and promote charitable fund-raising. In 2017 they raised almost \$186 million for a variety of charities.

While these numbers are impressive, for most Knights, their desire is to simply help their neighbors and their Church. Whether it is providing coats for kids in the winter; food drives throughout the year; assisting the homeless; spearheading Right to Life initiatives; supporting our schools and parishes or, simply helping to foster community among Catholics with pancakes breakfasts and pasta dinners, these Catholic gentlemen are living examples of Christ's message.

I hope all Catholic men will consider joining the Knights of Columbus. There are too few places in today's secularized world where a man can feel embraced for living his Catholic faith publicly and proudly.

In February, I completed my journey to full Knighthood when I was invested into the Fourth Degree, the Patriotic degree. It was a beautiful and heartening ceremony, as all Knights of Columbus ceremonies are. I can say that I am proud to hold the title of Sir Knight. Prouder still that 93 Catholic gentlemen stood with me that day to become Fourth Degree Knights.

If you are a Catholic man in good standing, or perhaps you have a son, father, husband or friend that is, I invite you to take the time to learn more about the Knights of Columbus. Further information is available on-line at www.kofc.org/joinus or, speak directly with a Knight in your parish. I know of no finer Catholic men's organization, than the Knights of Columbus. Viva TESUS)

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Dennis J. Sullivan, D.D.

Bishop of Camden

631 Market Street, Camden NJ 08102

## ANNUAL EASTER FOOD BASKET FOR THE NEEDY



# Infant Jesus Parish

Date of Baskets is SUNDAY, APRIL 14<sup>th</sup>

Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand....Loaves and Fishes.

Mark 6:30-44.

# DONATED TURKEYS and HAMS

Can be dropped off the morning of In McKeever Hall between 8 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

Thank You! For Your Support



Sponsored by: SVDP Event Contact Person

Theresa Bond

Rectory: 856.848.0047





# SVdP Lenten Challenge Donate 40 items to our food pantry!

We serve an average of 10 local families every week at our pantry 52 weeks a year. Please consider donating 40 items from the list below to help us stock the pantry shelves during lent. Items can be places in the SVdP food pantry bin.

peanut butter

jelly

pasta sauce

pasta

macaroni & Cheese

cereal

pancake mix

syrup

canned soup

rice

granola bars

crackers

tuna

taco shells

hamburger helper

canned vegetables

applesauce canned fruit baked beans

canned pasta meals

canned yams

canned chili or stew

instant oatmeal ramen noodles

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dish detergent

laundry detergent

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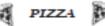


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