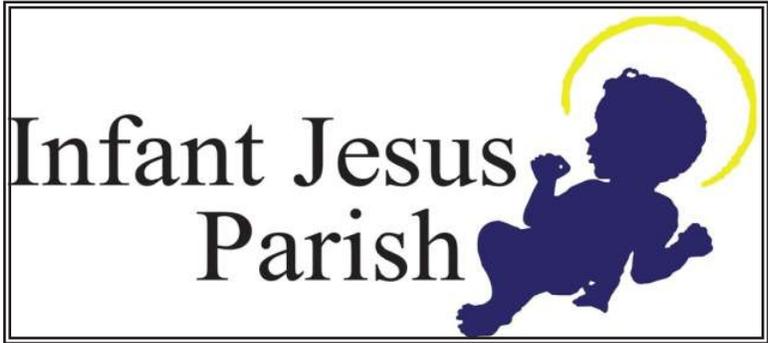




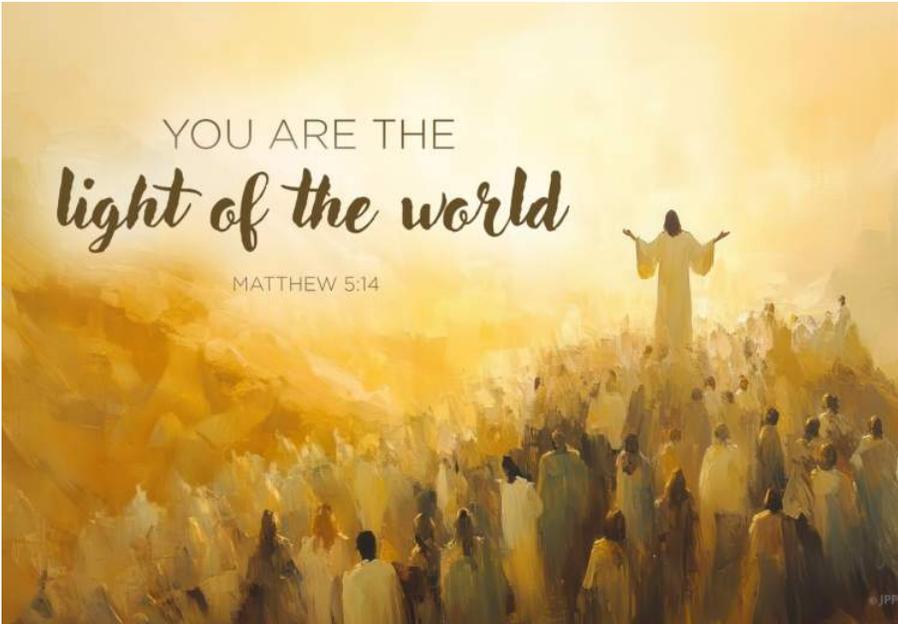
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**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**  
  
**Weekend Mass Schedule**  
  
Saturday: 4:00 PM at St. Margaret  
(Live Streamed)  
Sunday: 8:30, 10:00 AM at  
St. Margaret  
11:30 AM at St. John Vianney  
  
**Daily Mass**  
  
6:45 AM in Convent– School Days  
Mondays thru Saturday  
8:30 AM at St. Margaret  
  
**Holy Day Masses**  
  
Vigil: 4:00 PM at St. Margaret  
6:00PM at St. John Vianney  
Holy Day  
8:30 AM, 12 Noon and 7:00 PM at  
St. Margaret  
  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
  
Saturdays  
9:00-9:30 AM; 2:30-3:30 PM at  
St. Margaret Church  
  
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Reverend Alfred Mungujakisa,  
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Deacon Joseph Farro  
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Please pray for our parishioners who are in the hospital, nursing home or who are homebound:

*Chip Alberta, Delores Apriletti, Terrnty Augustene, Louise Avallone, Jacqueline Boyle, Pat Brady, Robert Burness, Luz Dolores Butron, Elizabeth Calloway, Miriam Cuevas, Donna Chuba, Steven Cicalese, Justin & Donna Cowgill, Steven Coleman, Eileen Czech, Michael DeLiberia, Robert DiFebbo, Angela Digiacomio, Fr. Felipe Doldan, Jerry/Michelle Donnelly, Deacon Frank & Dianne Dunleavy, June Ethridge, Anthony Faralli, K. Fields, Jessie Gambone, Anna Marie Gendron, Baby George, Jay Gigante, Jack Hee, Brian Heenan, Linda Heuschkel, Carol Imondi, Jessica Lou Jamison, Ellie Kandle, Cathy King, Ali Kuzma, Regina Lapp, Harry Lewis, Matthew Luehmann, Brendan M., Linda M, Maryann Mann, Mary Ann Marconi, Penny Maslowski, Frances Santaniello Michels, David Miller, Teresa Mondile, John Panepinto, Susan Paul, Ann Poinkowski, Anthony Pully, Mike Puma, Tony Ritz, Nora Joan Rush, Marge Ryan, Maria Schiavo, Katherine Schmidt, Phyllis Schuster, Gary Shephard, Georgia Shocklin, David Sullivan, Amber Vartebidian, Connie Verner, Spiro Voutsinas, Ron Vukicevich, Margaret W., Ray Winter, Joseph Wojciechowski.*



**Names will be removed after 8 weeks unless the office is notified. PLEASE let the office know if anyone can be taken off the sick list. Thank you.**

## GOD BLESS AMERICA!



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

*Michael Avallone, Johnathan Brown, Johanny DelOrbe, Megan Dolan, Justin Gousha, Shawn Jarrell, Becky and Nick Johnson, Lt. Colonel Christian Pajak, Rob Solome, Jacob Stroup, Sarah Turse, Grace Wright, Thomas Kerr, Christian Eugene Holmstrom, and Matthew Murphy.*

*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.*



## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, February 7

8:30AM Rosalia Caccavale req. by Rose & Nicky

4:00 PM Sebastian Vergani req. by Elina & Mark McCann

### Sunday, February 8

8:30 AM Joanne Masciulli req. by Romano Family

10:00 AM Anthony Spirito req. by Loretta Petito

11:30 AM People of the Parish

Harry & Mary Chuba req. by Donna, Karen, Michael & Nadine

Patricia Glacken req. by Zuzulock Family

Intention of family req. by Regina Underwood

Linda McGuinness req. by McGuinness Family

### Monday, February 9

6:45 AM Special Intentions

8:30 AM Anna Perino req. by her daughter

### Tuesday, February 10

6:45 AM Joseph

8:30 AM Maria Rivera req. by her family

### Wednesday, February 11

6:45 AM Special Intentions

8:30 AM Helen Gambogi req. by Peg & Bob Kaledas

### Thursday, February 12

6:45 AM Special Intentions

8:30 AM Bob Fritz req. by Helen Leonardo

### Friday, February 13

6:45 AM Larry

8:30 AM Joe Reiners req. by Sally & Pedro Guzman

### Saturday, February 14

8:30AM Juan Butron req. by Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Infant Jesus Parish at St. Margaret

4:00 PM Robert Fritz req. by Theresa Holstrom & her sons

### Sunday, February 15

8:30 AM Joseph Reiners req. by Laura Calabrese

10:00 AM Deceased Members of Borsa Family req. by Bob & Julie Heenan

11:30 AM Joseph Hanlon, Jr. req. by Paul & Kathy Conlin

## SANCTUARY LAMP



The Sanctuary lamp at St. John Vianney Church is lit in loving memory of Harry & Mary Chuba  
Req. by Donna, Karen, Michael & Nadine



The Sanctuary lamp at St. Margaret Church is lit in loving memory of Sebastiano & Lucia Micciulla  
Req. by Elina & Mark McCann



## OUR LADY OF FATIMA LOVES TO VISIT



We invite everyone to host the **Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima** for one week or more.

The purpose of this spiritual program is to fulfill Our Lady's request at Fatima more than 100 years ago to pray the Rosary for peace, conversion, and healing of family. This is a great opportunity for all parishioners to invite the Blessed Virgin Mary to your home in a tangible and prayerful way. Let Our Lady enter your home to bring conversion, love, joy, peace and healing to your family. To arrange for a one-week hosting of Our Lady of Fatima, please contact Mrs. Patti Graham at **pattigraham@comcast.net** or call the rectory at **856-848-0047**. The host family should return the Statue of Mary on Sunday 10:00 a.m. mass so that the next host family will receive her at the end of the Mass.

## PRAYER FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

Lord Jesus, we ask you to bless the Diocese of Camden with an increase in vocations to the priesthood. We pray that young men from our parishes and families will hear your call and be both generous and courageous in their response. May more young men serve you as priests who teach the faith, preach the Gospel, celebrate the sacraments and make you present among us through their ministry. Encourage them to embrace the joy-filled and fulfilling life of a diocesan priest. May parents support priestly vocations in their families by prayer and good example. We entrust these prayers through Mary Immaculate, our patroness, hopeful that you will bless our diocese with more Priests in the near future, who live and reign forever and ever. Amen.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



In the beginning of the Gospel today, Jesus says to his disciples: “You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned?” This saying is a reminder of the very purpose of our lives on earth.

Just as the purpose of salt is for seasoning, the purpose of our life is to know God as our Creator and Redeemer, to love God in others, and to live God in our daily lives. To know God, one must involve both the head and the heart. An atheist person can be knowledgeable of the scriptures and theology; but still does not believe or have faith in God at all. Each day, we can come to know God more deeply and recognize His power in the universe, in sunrise and sunset, in the laws of nature, and the new birth of a child. Everyday we can experience God’s presence and actions in our own lives and in the lives of others, in worldly events and in personal circumstances. This is exactly the way that God wants us to know Him: as the One who is all in all.

To love God also means loving others by recognizing the image and likeness of God in them. How would one hate the image and likeness of God and in the meantime love God? Our very purpose of life is not to “kill” but to heal, not to seek revenge but to reconcile, not to behold hatred but to love. Otherwise, as Jesus warns us, “the salt will lose its taste and become useless”.

Finally, God created us with the purpose that we would live in Him and He in us, a loving union between God and humanity. Living separately from God, one would lose the very purpose of his or her life, and the consequence is losing God for all eternity. We are reminded we are dust, and unto dust we shall return. Remember our earthly life has value and meaning only when we truly live out the very purpose of life which is designed by our Creator. In doing so, we become truly the “salt of the earth” and “the lamp set on a stand”.

Fr. Joe Pham.

### **End of Year Contribution Letter**

**If you have contributed over \$500 to Infant Jesus Parish in 2025, a letter for your tax purposes has been mailed. (If you do not receive a letter by February 13<sup>th</sup>, please contact the office.) If your contributions are not over \$500, and would like a letter anyway, please contact the rectory at 856-848-0047 or via email at [theinfantJesusparish@comcast.net](mailto:theinfantJesusparish@comcast.net)**

**Please remember, the only way we can verify your contributions is by using church envelopes, personal checks or electronic giving. Thank you.**



**February 1, 2026: \$ 14,460.00**

May God repay you for your sacrifices.

Thank you for making your checks payable to:  
***“Infant Jesus Parish”***

**2026 APPEAL:  
“MISSIONARIES OF MERCY”**



**SOUTH JERSEY  
CATHOLIC  
MINISTRIES  
APPEAL**

*This year's theme: "Missionaries of Mercy," calls upon use to act with compassion toward others, bringing to life the corporal and spiritual works of mercy that strengthens the Church.*

Through the Catholic Ministries Appeal, we support those in need throughout the six counties of the Diocese of Camden.

**YOUR GIFT TO THE CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL PROVIDES:**

Education of Seminarians

Care of Elderly Priests

Catholic Services

Compassion Outreach

Catholic Education

Youth and Campus Ministry

Vitality Catholic Healthcare Services

**We invite all parishioners to participate in this important effort.  
During Catholic Ministries Appeal Weekend, please make your sacrificial gift to help  
continue the mission of the Church here in the Diocese of Camden!**

Let us restore our treasures in Heaven...Fr. Joe Pham

**Parish Goal- \$140,500**

**St. Margaret's Council 13259**



**KNIGHTS  
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**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026**

**7:45 AM TO 11:30 AM**

**ST. MARGARET SCHOOL GYM**

**BUFFET BREAKFAST**

**Adults & Children: (12 and over) - \$10 \* Children (6 - 11) - \$5 \* (5 and under) FREE!**

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MARCH 15 - FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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MAY 10 - MOTHER'S DAY

JUNE 21 - FATHER'S DAY

**Join us in serving our community & church... visit [www.kofc.org/join](http://www.kofc.org/join)**

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# Ash Wednesday

FEBRUARY 18TH



## Schedule

6:45 AM MASS- CONVENT  
8:30 AM MASS- SMC  
10:00 AM- SERVICE- SMC  
12:00 PM SERVICE- SMC  
4:00 PM SERVICE- SMC  
4:00 PM SERVICE- SJV  
7:00 PM MASS- SMC

## LENTEN REGULATIONS

ABSTINENCE - ALL PERSONS WHO ARE 14 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER ARE BOUND TO ABSTAIN FROM EATING MEAT ON ASH WEDNESDAY, ON ALL FRIDAYS OF LENT AND GOOD FRIDAY.

FASTING - ALL PERSONS 18 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER, UP TO AND INCLUDING THEIR 59TH BIRTHDAY, ARE BOUND TO FAST BY LIMITING THEMSELVES TO A SINGLE FULL MEAL ON ASH WEDNESDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY, WHILE THE OTHER TWO MEALS ARE TO BE LIGHT.

## Garden Permit Program 2026 & Special Spring Offering From South Jersey Catholic Cemeteries



New this year!

When you enroll with our Garden Permit Program, you'll receive a complimentary seed paper bookmark. Each bookmark includes a heart-shaped packet of flower seeds to plant in your garden, along with a prayer to St. Gertrude the Great for those souls in purgatory. For 2026 there will be no fee increase. The program begins around March 21, and applications are now being accepted, with the greatest benefit when enrolling by March 15. Call or stop by your cemetery office.

Visit [SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org](http://SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org) to learn more.

# Infant Jesus Parish

*Parish Giving is our online giving solution.*

## SIMPLICITY

Visit

<http://www.theinfantjesusparish.org>

and click on the Parish Giving logo to register or log in. In addition to recurring contributions, donations can be made as a one-time or an unplanned gift.

## SECURITY

Security is our top priority - sensitive account information is not stored and is never shared with a third party.

## CONVENIENCE

Online giving provides the account holder the ability to have Sunday be about our faith.

If sickness, travel or weather prevents attendance, your contributions will continue uninterrupted from your bank account or credit/debit card.

## PARISH BENEFITS

### Infant Jesus Parish

will see a substantial increase in stewardship while reducing administrative costs.

In addition to regular online giving contributions, you can also donate by any amount at any time by any means.

## EASY RECORD KEEPING

24/7 account access to view and print your online giving contributions.

## Here are the benefits of giving online:

- Personal Account View
- Phone and Email Support
- Reminder and Confirmation Emails
- Offertory Cards
- Users can choose:
  - Debit Card, Credit Card, or Bank Transfer
  - Date and Frequency of Their Contribution Schedule
  - Recurring and Future Scheduled Donations

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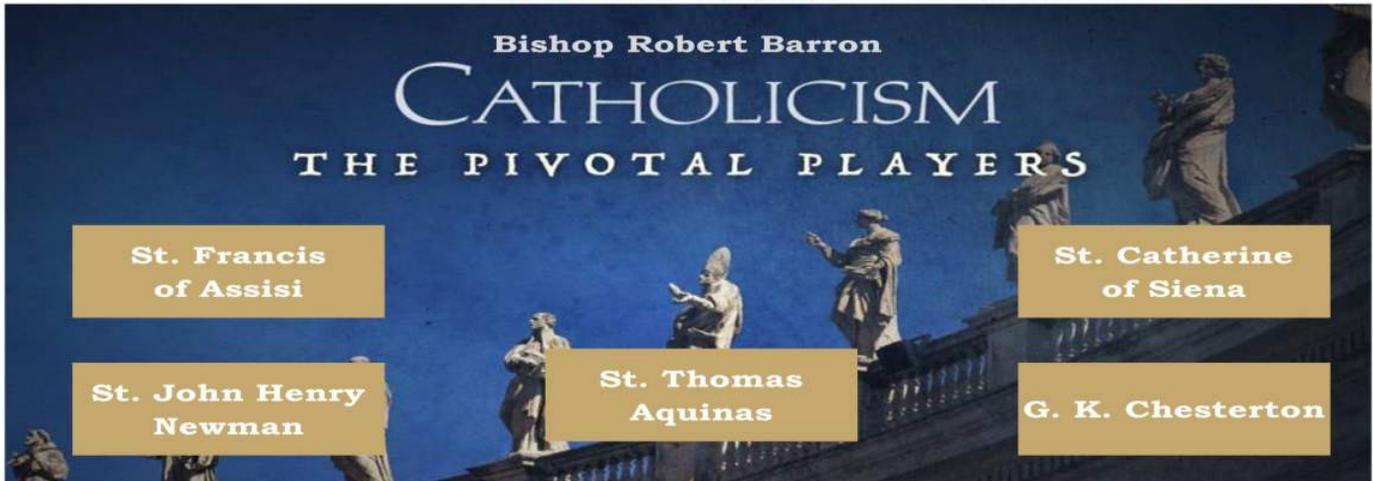
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**LENTEN SOUP & SCRIPTURE** (Fridays during Lent)

**Starting February 20, join us as we learn about...  
The Pivotal Players of our Catholic Faith.**



**SCHEDULE - FRIDAYS DURING LENT (STARTING FEBRUARY 20)**

- 5:30 PM - Soup & Fellowship in the Ministry Center**
- 5:45 PM - Presentation & Discussion - The Pivotal Players in the Ministry Center**
- 7:00 PM - Stations of the Cross at St. Margaret Church (except March 27 - Living Stations)**

**LENTEN MISSION - ADORATION & BENEDICTION**

PRESENTED BY THE PRIESTS AND DEACON OF THE PARISH

**MARCH 23, 24 & 25 - 7:00 PM - ST. MARGARET CHURCH**

**LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

PRESENTED BY THE PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

**MARCH 27 - 7:00 PM - ST. MARGARET SCHOOL GYM**

**Infant Jesus Parish**  
**Grief Support Group**

Hope, Healing, and Support.  
You don't have to grieve alone.

This program lasts (13) sessions and begins  
Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M.,  
Room B of the Ministry Center.

It is open to anyone who has experienced a  
loss and is grieving.

Sessions are as follows:  
3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 4/15,  
4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/27 & 6/3

Contact Kimberly V. Czoch at 856-848-8585  
with any questions.

**Matthew 5:4**  
Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they shall be comforted.

— 1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAYS —  
PLEASE JOIN US AS  
SMRS WOMEN

*Pray the Rosary*

Feb 4, Mar 4 & 18, Apr 1 & 15,  
May 6 & 20, Jun 3  
9 - 10 am

Located in the Ministry Center

Please RSVP for childcare headcount @  
smrswomensrosary@gmail.com

# CHURCH CALENDAR

## Sunday, February 8

10:30 AM St. John Vianney Choir Practice (SJV)  
 8-10 AM RE Class (Gym)  
 Women's Club Bake Sale (After All Masses)

## Monday, February 9

4:30-6 PM RE (Gym)  
 6PM Over-Eaters Anon (B)

## Tuesday, February 10

6:30 PM SVDP Pantry Night (Rectory)  
 7:00 PM Patricians (Legion of Mary) (C)

## Wednesday, February 11

4:00 PM Senior Legion of Mary (B)

## Thursday, February 12

7:00 PM KofC Off. Meeting (B)

## Friday, February 13

4:15 PM Junior Legion of Mary (B)  
 6:30 PM Bible Study (C/D) Set up @ 5:30

## Saturday, February 14

6:00 PM Valentine Dinner Dance (GYM)  
 SVDP Personal Care Drive (ALL Masses)



*Come let us  
adore him*

Adoration is held in Our  
Lady of Guadalupe  
Chapel on Fridays from  
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



The Infant Jesus Breakfast Club will meet at the Piston Diner in Westville on the second Wednesday of every month immediately following the 8:30AM Mass. Separate checks for all. Any questions please call Madeline Mills 856-580-4818.




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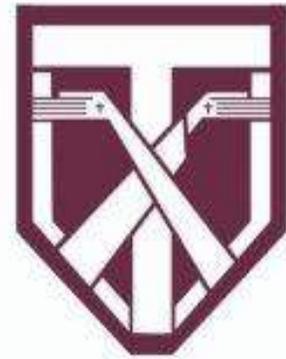


*The Legion of Mary*  
 MEETS ON WEDNESDAYS AT 4:00 P.M.

*The Junior Legion of Mary*  
 MEETS ON FRIDAYS AT 4:15 P.M.

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Hosted By St. Margaret  
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JOIN US FOR A  
*Valentine's Day*  
DANCE

February 14 6-10 PM

St. Margaret Regional School Gym  
773 Third Street  
Woodbury Heights

\$15 PP with reservations/ \$20 PP at the door

To RSVP:

Please call or text Rob @ 856-649-9519 or Tony @ 609-221-1836

Music provided by DJ Lou Costello of 92.1 FM

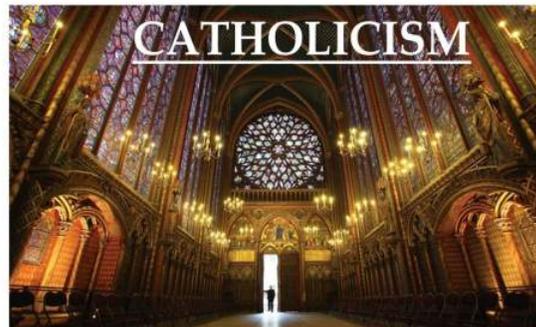
**Bible Study with  
Bishop Robert Barron**

**Journey Around the World &  
Deep into our Faith**

**Fridays at 6:30 PM  
in the Ministry Center**

Attend the entire series or individual sessions.

**Learning \* Discussion \* Fellowship**



Infant Jesus Parish  
Women's Club

**Super Bowl  
Bake Sale!**

Saturday, February 7th | Sunday, February 8th  
Before & After All Masses at  
St. Margaret Church

**The Women's Club is  
sponsoring their annual  
Super Bowl Cake Sale!**

**Celebrate the Game with  
delicious baked goods !!**

**Stop by the Cake Sale for  
your dessert goodies for your  
Super Bowl Party!**



# REBOOT

A LIFE-CHANGING EVENT

This high-energy, 2-hour event with internationally acclaimed speaker **Chris Stefanick** will awaken your faith, reignite your joy, and equip you with tools to live the life God created you for:  
A life of JOY!

It will help you rediscover the JOY you were created for, and is perfect for everyone... even friends, family, and children (12+) who may not be actively practicing their faith.



**Space is Limited!**

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**Wednesday, March 18, 2026**  
**7:00 - 9:00 PM**

Church of the Incarnation  
240 Main St, Mantua Twp, NJ 08051

## Infant Jesus Parish ♥ Super Bowl Fundraiser

**70%** of the money raised directly supports our parish... thank you for your generosity.



Match the numbers on your ticket to the end-of-quarter scores and win!

**Tickets: \$10 \* SPECIAL: 6 tickets for \$50!**

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**Win up to \$10,000**

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**Help our parish... share this link with your family & friends!**

# Preparing for Lent



## What are you doing for Lent?

10 IDEAS FOR A MORE MEANINGFUL LENTEN SEASON

### 1. Give up sin

Show your love for God by keeping his commandments. Turn away from sins.

### 2. Fast

An empty stomach can lead to more attentive prayer. Give the money you saved on food to others in alms.



### 3. Pray

Be in constant prayer. Pray for your family and friends, for those who suffer, and for the Church and the world.

### 4. Do good works

Help those in need. Pray for them and be ready to serve them in their time of need.



### 5. Give alms

Help the poor and support the good works of the Church. Give cheerfully to God who has given us everything we have.



### 6. Abstain

Give up meat or other desirable foods during Lent, especially on Friday, the day of Christ's saving death on the cross.



### 8. Control desire for possessions

Build up treasures in heaven rather than on earth. Cut down on material possessions, eliminate frills, lessen wants, share yourself – your time and your talents – with others.



### 7. Do meditative reading

Nourish your faith by spending time in quiet reading and reflection. Prayerful reading of God's word each day will open your heart to the Spirit, and let God's thoughts and ways influence yours.

### 9. Control desire for entertainment

Too much entertainment and other distractions can lead to less or no time for the works of the Lord.

### 10. Carry out duties in life

Serve God by living out your vocation in love each day. God is calling each of us to be a living sacrifice. Offer your daily life through Christ!

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