Creative Art Class

MudGirls at OLSS School: Students create fish and other sculptures out of ceramic with the help of Atlantic City's MudGirls. MudGirls is a non-profit organization located that empowers women to transform their lives through ceramic art. Disadvantaged women are trained and employed to earn a supplemental income through the sale of their art.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 12
Prayer for the Parish
- After 5:15 Mass
- 45 minute period of prayer
- Eucharistic adoration and the rosary

June 15
Corpus Christi Procession
- Star of the Sea
- Bilingual Mass at 5:15 PM
- Procession to St. Michael’s and back

June 25
Pancake Breakfast
- St. Michael’s Quaremba Hall
- 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
- Adults $10.00, children under 12 $5.00, Take out orders $8.00

CONTACT INFORMATION

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www.accatholic.org • 609-345-1878

Our Lady Star of the Sea School • 15 North California Avenue • 609-345-0648

Catholic Charities • 9 North Georgia Avenue • 609-345-3448

St. Nicholas Shoppe • 1409 Pacific Avenue • 609-344-1040

The Parish of Saint Monica serves all of Atlantic City. It is the union of the city’s previously five Catholic parishes: St. Nicholas of Tolentine, Our Lady Star of the Sea, St. Michael, Holy Spirit, and St. Monica.
SACRAMENT OF PENANCE
Monday - Friday, 5 PM at Our Lady Star of the Sea. Saturday, 3:15 - 4 PM in both churches. Also available by appointment.

MARRIAGE
Couples planning marriage should set a date with a parish priest at least six months in advance.

INFANT BAPTISM
Preceded by a required baptismal preparation program.
Speak to Fr. Pham.

WANT TO BECOME CATHOLIC?
Need to complete your initiation into the Church? Classes run September - June at 6:30 PM. Speak to Fr. Pham.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK
Please call the office when a parishioner is seriously sick so one of the priests may visit.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
September-May. Sundays at 9:00 AM for one hour.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA
Wednesday evenings after the 5:15 Mass.

ROSARY
Monday - Friday, after 7 AM Mass and before 5:15 PM Mass. Saturday after 8:00 AM Mass.

PARISH CENSUS
Recommendations cannot be issued to persons not registered with the Parish. You can register in person in the Rectory.

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE
Our Lady Star of the Sea
Vigil
5:15 PM English
7:00 PM Vietnamese

Holy Day
7:00 AM English
5:15 PM English
7:00 PM Spanish

St. Nicholas of Tolentine
8:00 AM English
10:00 AM Latin Mass
12 Noon English

School Principal: Mrs. Susan J. Tarrant School Staff: Sisters of Mercy and Lay Faculty
The mission of Our Lady Star of the Sea Regional School is to strengthen the integration of Catholic values through academic excellence and service and by instilling respect, encouraging justice, and demonstrating compassion to our multi-cultural community.

Students in the sixth grade had a special art class. They created fish out of clay which will be fired and painted. Mr. Juliano, who volunteers as an art teacher for the sixth and seventh grades, arranged for the organization MudGirls to come to OLSS. MudGirls is a non-profit organization located in Atlantic City that empowers women to transform their lives through ceramic art. Disadvantaged women are trained and employed to earn a supplemental income through the sale of their art. By the end of the class, the students (and fish) were “hooked” and excited to have had such a wonderful experience.

Our Lady Star of the Sea School is offering Summer School classes Monday through Thursday from July 5 to August 3.

Classes:
8:30-10:00 ELA-Reading, writing, spelling, vocabulary, grammar
10:00-11:00 Math
11:00-12:00 Science STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) activities

Cost: $150.00 per class You may choose to attend one, two, or all three classes
For more information please call the school office. Registration ends June 9th

OLSS School is accepting registrations for the 2017-2018 school year for Pre K 3 to Grade 8 and for students with Individualized Service Plans. As expressed in our Mission statement, if you are seeking a quality Catholic education, individualized instruction in a small class environment where a high level of success is encouraged, let us help you make that possible. We welcome new families to witness firsthand what sets us apart in addressing the needs of our students spiritually, academically, and socially. Please call to take a tour the school and speak to our Principal, Mrs. Tarrant. Financial assistance is available and we offer a transfer credit.

Transfer grants provided by the Depko Family Foundation
for students transferring from a public school into 1st-7th grade
$1,500 tuition credit the first year
$1,000 tuition credit the second year

PARISH STAFF
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Rev. Fernando Carmona
Parochial Vicar
Rev. Robert Matysik
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accatholic.org
Last Saturday, Fr. Pham and I led a youth trip to Batsto. We were joined by some great parishioners who volunteered as chaperones and almost 20 middle and high school students. After a four mile hike through Wharton State Forest (some called it a death march!), we toured Batsto village, then went to the nearby Discovery House, a Catholic retreat center, for games, evening prayer (vespers), dinner, and s’mores. Without a Boy Scout on the trip, we had trouble getting a strong fire but a few of us still managed to make some pretty decent s’mores. On our way back, we stopped at Royale Crown for ice cream. The line was practically to the street. Fortunately, one of our chaperones knew the owner, who offered to serve us personally from a side window. The ice cream was fantastic and we are so grateful for their service!

Laura, our assistant for Hispanic ministry, joined the trip and sadly missed the parish Encuentro happening at the same time. V Encuentro, or in English the Fifth Encounter, is the fifth grassroots gathering of Hispanic Catholics in the United States since the 1970’s. The purpose is to assess the state of Hispanics in the US Catholic Church. It starts with small groups meeting in parishioners’ homes. Then all of the leaders meet together at the local parish. We had 120 leaders meeting all day Saturday in the school cafeteria. Some of them will attend the diocese-level Encuentro. Then regional Encuentros and the national Encuentro will follow in the months ahead. Let’s pray for their success!

Calendar notes
June 8 at 7:00 PM
Fr. Thom Schiavo Brotherhood Award
Beth El Synagogue, 500 N Jerome Ave, Margate
Bishop Dennis Sullivan is the 2017 honoree. I will give the invocation.

Prayer for the Parish
June 12 following 5:15 Mass
June 19 following 5:15 Mass
       June 26 following 5:15 Mass

June 15 at 5:15 PM
Corpus Christi Procession
Following a bilingual 5:15 PM Mass, we will process through the neighborhood with the Blessed Sacrament singing and praying in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Tagalog, and Latin. It will be a unique experience, a powerful display of the tradition and beauty of our Catholic faith to the people of Atlantic City!

August 15
Wedding of the Sea Festival
11:00 AM Doors open at Boardwalk Hall
12 Noon Mass celebrated by Bishop Sullivan
1:15 PM Procession to the surf led by Bishop Sullivan and Mayor Guardian
1:00 PM Festival grounds open at St. Michael’s parking lot
8:00 PM Festival ends

- Fr. Jon
FOOD PANTRY
At St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church
1409 Pacific Avenue
Your donation of food, money and/or time are always welcome!
Come every third Monday of the month between 8:00 am & 11:00 am on Memorial Ave. (Rear of church property) Please come early.
NEXT DISTRIBUTION IS JUNE 19, 2017

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Catholic Charities' case managers in Atlantic County provide a wide variety of services. Some examples are utility and rental assistance, disaster services in response to Hurricane Sandy as well as the Atlantic City casino closings, assistance to veterans who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, and financial coaching and education which includes the opportunity for clients to open matched savings accounts which can be used for them to purchase a home, start a business, or further their education. Services are available to undocumented individuals.

In 2016, the Atlantic City Office was able to provide food assistance to 1,358 individuals. Over 500 individuals, 50 of whom were homeless veterans, received rent or utility funding in order to prevent homelessness and disconnection. The office has also provided over 1,000 changes of clothing, fresh hygiene products, and sandwiches to the homeless on Fridays.

The Atlantic City office, located at 9 North Georgia Ave., is open on Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM, and includes a food pantry, free baby supplies, and a thrift store.

Thrift Store Hours: 9:30-11:30 AM Mondays: Adult clothing Wednesdays: Children & housewares Fridays (except First Friday): Free clothing to those who provide proof of homelessness

For more information and a full list of services, please visit: http://catholiccharitiescamden.org or call 609-345-3448.

Our Parishioners Give
The people of the Parish of Saint Monica raised $105,000 in 2016 in response to the Bishop's Annual Appeal to support Catholic Charities and other diocesan ministries. Some of our parishioners also volunteer in the local office. Thank you all for your participation.

Voices in Praise
Our Lady Star of the Sea Church Adult Choir
If you like to sing in harmony, we invite you to join the choir which sings at the 9:00 AM masses on Sundays and Holy Days at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church.
The choir sings contemporary and traditional hymns in a SATB format accompanied by the organ. We practice on Monday evenings from 7:00 PM-9:00 PM
for more information call:
Kathryn Wilson, choir director: 377-6214 or Carla Tosh, organist: 822-4382

Religious Education Registration
Registration for Religious Education for 2017-2018 will be held on the following dates in the Star of the Sea cafeteria. The registration fee is $85.00.

Monday, June 26  10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Tuesday, June 27  10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Wednesday, June 28  10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Monday, July 10  10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Tuesday, July 11  10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Wednesday, July 12  10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Monday, July 17  12:00 Noon - 4:00 PM
Tuesday , July 18  10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Pancake Breakfast
The Knights of Columbus, Council 405 invites you to an ALL YOU CAN EAT Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, June 25th in Quaremba Hall from 9 AM - 1 PM. Menu includes pancakes, sausage, assorted mini danish, coffee, tea, and orange juice. Adults eat for $10.00, children under 12 years old $5.00, and take out orders $8.00. SEE YOU THERE!

Padre Pio Comes to St. Monica
Each Thursday at the 5:15 PM Mass at OLSS we will be celebrating the wonder of Padre Pio! Starting at 4:45 PM we will recite Our Lady’s rosary for world peace through the intercession of St. Pio...(the rosary...his favorite weapon) Thanks to some very generous people, we are blessed to have a relic available for your veneration immediately after Mass. We will also pray a favorite prayer of Padre. We are very excited about this devotion. Won’t you please mark your calendar accordingly and join us for our beautiful Mass! Spreading the word to your family and friends is truly appreciated! Together we can make this one wonderful devotion...unique to St. Monica’s Parish of Atlantic City!
By the Numbers

Parish Collection for May 27 & 28

Offertory: $16,535.00
Budget: $18,206.00
Poor: $156.00

Many Thanks for Your Generosity

Number of Registered Households: 1872

Dear Visitor

I always thank God for time away, whether on a Euro-
cean vacation or on a day trip. I know many people do
not have these opportunities. Therefore, when I attend
Mass, I show my gratitude with a particularly generous
gift to the local church. I am grateful for your generos-
ity to us. Also, please tip your housekeepers and other
hospitality staff – they are our parishioners!

Employee Giving Campaign

The House of Charity supports the religious and chari-
table works of the Catholic Church in South Jersey. Our
parish’s 2017 goal is $143,000. With $72,919.00 of
pledges from you so far, we have reached 50.8% of our
goal. For information about pledging, e-mail jthomas@
accatholic.org.

Help us through United way using code 445 or through
PECC using code 9025. If you aren’t asked for a code,
write “House of Charity, 631 Market St, Camden NJ
08102” Ask to be acknowledged so your gift will count
toward our parish’s goal.

Black Catholic Ministry News

Good News! Doznella Hill is recuperating at home after her
hospitalization. Greetings from longtime member Doris Cart-
er, who is over 90 years of age and resides in Florida near
her daughter. The Carter family was faithful to St. Monica’s.
Their three children were baptized at the “old” church. Doris
was also a Eucharistic Minister, a quiet pillar of the church.

Congratulations go out to Ms. Caitlin Mensah, Altar Server
at the 12 Noon Mass. She will be graduating from Holy Spirit
in June and attending American University in the fall. We
will keep Caitlin and other graduates of our Parish in our
prayers. Ms. Vanessa DeJean was the Cantor at the Noon
Mass, May 28th. She uses her gift of singing to praise GOD.

Sadly, we acknowledge the passing away of Ms. Kitty Johnson.
Kitty was well known as Secretary to several Atlantic City Mayors
and held various positions in City Hall. She and her sister, Melvi-
anna Dixon were baptized and remained members throughout
their adult lives. Condolences go out to Melvianna. The Knights
of St. John and the Ladies Auxiliary are trying to boost mem-
bership, feel free to join them. If you have any news, send it to us.

Around the Diocese

Fr. Thom Schiavo Brotherhood Award - Sponsored
by Beth El Synagogue and Bridge of Faith

An award named in honor of a priest of the Diocese
of Camden who worked to improve interfaith
relationship

The 2017 honoree is Bishop Dennis Sullivan

Thursday, June 8 at 7 PM
Beth El Synagogue
500 N Jerome Ave, Margate, NJ
An hour-long event followed by a light reception
State Senator Jim Whelan will present the award.

Music provided by the choirs of Holy Spirit High School
and Holy Trinity Parish

Engaged Encounter

The Engaged Encounter is a weekend away with other
engaged couples which allows plenty of time alone as a
couple to dialogue honestly and intensively about your
prospective life together.

Ideas presented by a team of married couples and
a priest or deacon stimulate personal reflection and
private couple dialogue. Topics for discussion include:
strengths and weaknesses, desires, ambitions, goals,
attitudes about money, sexuality, children, family,
your role in the church and society. The Sunday Mass
celebration is an important part of the program.

Engaged Encounter Weekends are held at Pope John
Paul II Retreat Center in Vineland, NJ. All weekends begin
promptly at 8:00 p.m., Friday evening, and close by 3:00
p.m. Sunday afternoon.

Upcoming Weekends
June 9-11, 2017
August 11-13, 2017
November 10-12, 2017

Registration for Engaged Encounter

The registration fee of $395 for Engaged Encounter
includes lodging, meals and program resources for
the weekend for two people. To register, go to www.
camdendiocese.org and search Engaged Encounter.

Questions: Please contact the Office of Faith and Family
Life Formation by phone at (856) 583-2903 or (856) 583-
2904 or email at MarriagePrep@camdendiocese.orgh
**LITURGIA DEL DOMINGO**

**DOMINGO DE PENTECOSTÉS**

"A cada uno se le da la manifestación del Espíritu para el bien común." 1 CORINTIOS 12: 7

¡Para recibir el don del Espíritu Santo debes abrir tu corazón y dejarlo entrar! Abre tu corazón y agradece por todos los dones que Dios te ha dado. Independientemente de tu situación, Dios te ha colmado de bendiciones. Lo que haces con tus dones es devolverle ese regalo a Dios. Compartir generosamente nuestros dones nos mantiene más centrados en Dios y menos egocéntricos.

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**Comunidad Hispana**

**Horarios de Atención Oficina Hispana**

Martes, Miércoles y Jueves .......... 10am - 2pm
Viernes ........................................ 11am - 2pm

Secretaria Laura Esparza
609-345-1878 ext.19

**ST. NICHOLAS GIFT SHOPPE**

The religious gift shop is located next to the church. Proceeds from the gift shop go to support Our Lady Star of the Sea School and Church Restoration.

**Store Hours**

Monday and Tuesday: CLOSED
Wednesday and Thursday: 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Friday: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Saturday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Sunday: 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM

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**CONGRATULATIONS**

Mary Help of Christians Sodality of the Parish of St. Monica, Atlantic City, is proud to announce the recipients of a $1,000.00 scholarship to Caitlin Mensah of the Parish of St. Monica and to Katlyn Rifice-Turner of the Parish of St. Thomas. Both exemplify the talents, academics and christian values that this Sodality is striving to acknowledge in the younger generation of catholic women. Please keep them in your prayers.

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**CLASES DE BAPTISMO**

Las clases de bautismo en español se darán todos los primeros y terceros jueves de cada mes, empezando con la misa a las 6:30 pm y luego con la plática a las 7:30 pm. Por favor de traer el Acta de Nacimiento del su hijo (a).

Spanish Baptismal classes are held the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7:30 pm in the sacristy. The classes will follow the 6:30 Mass. Please bring the child's Birth Certificate to the class.

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**STEWARDSHIP**

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

**God Centered Stewardship**

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." 1 CORINTHIANS 12:7

To receive the gift of the Holy Spirit you must open your heart and let Him in! Open your heart and be grateful for all the gifts God has given us. Regardless of your circumstance, God has given us all blessings. What we do with those gifts is our gift back to God. Generously sharing our gifts in Stewardship keeps us more "God-centered" and less "self-centered".

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**Word Of Life**

Consider rereading John 20:19-23 and then reflect upon the appropriate question below.

Reflection for Adults and Children: On Pentecost, Jesus sent the Apostles. You are also Jesus’ disciple. What is he sending you to do?
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| Monday  | June 5   | 7:00   | Marilyn Leigh (L)/A Friend                     |
|         |          | 5:15   | Erick Ericksen/G.L. Warrington                 |
| Tuesday | June 6   | 7:00   | Catherine Micita/A Friend                      |
|         |          | 5:15   | Hang Kuen Shum (L)/Berni Lee                   |
| Wednesday| June 7   | 7:00   | Lisa/A Friend                                  |
|         |          | 5:15   | Saint Elizabeth Hesselblad/Christopher Simonetti |
|         |          | 7:00   | Carmen Gonzalez/ofrece su familia              |
| Thursday| June 8   | 7:00   | Phyllis Madonna/A Friend                       |
|         |          | 5:15   | Bob Picard/Ed & Kay Colanzi                    |
|         |          | 6:30   | Manuel Chacon/ofrece su familia                |
| Friday  | June 9   | 7:00   | Darlene Melito/A Friend                        |
|         |          | 5:15   | Peg Delany/Margie, Barbara & Bob               |
|         |          | 7:00   | Antonia Melo/ofrece su familia                 |
| Saturday| June 10  | 8:00   | Robert Tracy/Collins-Clark Family              |
|         |          | 4:15   | Emmett Delany/Margie, Barbara & Bob            |
|         |          | 7:00   | Maximima Mejia/ofrece su familia               |

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