



Parish of Saint Monica

Atlantic City, NJ



The Parish of Saint Monica serves all of Atlantic City. It includes the churches of Our Lady Star of the Sea, St. Nicholas of Tolentine, and St. Michael's.

April 29, 2018 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Penny Auction



On Friday, April 20 Quaremba Hall was set up for the Penny Auction. Many people turned out and it was successful. Thank you to Mary Help of Christians for making it possible.

MASS SCHEDULE

Our Lady Star of the Sea 2651 ATLANTIC AVENUE

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

- Saturday** 8:00 AM, 4:15 PM
7:00 PM (Spanish)
- Sunday** 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM
10:30 AM (Spanish)
12:00 Noon
2:30 PM (Spanish)
6:30 PM (Vietnamese)

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

- Mon. - Fri.** 7:00 AM, 5:15 PM
- Wednesday** 7:00 PM (Spanish)
- Thursday** 6:30 PM (Spanish)
- Friday** 7:00 PM (Spanish)

Saint Nicholas of Tolentine 1409 PACIFIC AVENUE

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

- Saturday** 4:00 PM
- Sunday** 8:45 AM (Traditional Latin)
10:30 AM
12:00 Noon

DAILY MASS

- Mon. - Fri.** 8:00 AM

Saint Michael's Church 10 N. MISSISSIPPI AVENUE

First Sunday of the Month
10:00 AM
Sunday, May 6, 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS

May. 01

Confirmation

- 4:30 PM first service
- 6:30 PM second service
- OLSS Church

May. 01

There will be no 5:15 PM Mass because of Confirmation Service

- OLSS Church

May. 02

Bible Study

- Wednesday, May 2
- From 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM
- Quaremba Hall

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

Our Lady Star of the Sea School

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 unite our multicultural community through the Catholic values of Academic excellence, compassionate service and respect for all.”

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, Mondays at 6:00 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

Monday 5:45 PM to 6:45 PM for grades 1 - 6 and 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM for grades 6 - 12. Adults 7:00 -8:00 PM

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 REGISTRATION

Letters of suitability cannot be issued to persons not registered with the parish. You can register in person in the office or online.

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

THANK YOU to everyone who supported the Annual Sister Shamus Walk on Saturday, April 28. It is our major school fundraiser and it was a success.

REGISTRATION: OLSS School is accepting registrations for the 2018-2019 school year for new students in Pre K 3 to Grade 8 and for students with Individualized Service Plans. 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.

PLEASE READ AND TAKE ACTION:

Dear Friend of Catholic Schools,

When Governor Murphy's budget was released last month there were many cuts to vital services and we need to advocate for our students. The ceiling for nonpublic transportation has reverted back to \$884.00. We are asking, of course, that it be returned to the \$1000 we fought so hard for last year.

Furthermore, the Governor's proposed 2019 budget cut 3.8 million dollars in total from nonpublic school aid, reducing it from \$101,603 million to \$97,803 million. The cuts were taken from Nursing Services and Technology Aid. So, we are also asking that nonpublic aid in these two categories to be restored at least to the level of funding received in FY 2018.

At this time, I am asking that you take the following actions:

Pass this along to as many of your friends and family as possible to log onto the NJ Catholic Conference Voter Voice system. This can be accessed at <https://www.voterveice.net/NJCC/campaigns/58391/respond>. There you will find a template letter that can be signed and sent to the key members of the Senate and Assembly budget committees.

Your help is essential and greatly appreciated.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Jon Thomas

Pastor

Rev. Thanh Pham

Parochial Vicar

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Parochial Vicar

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SCHOOL CONVENT

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ST. MICHAEL'S CONVENT

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WEB SITE

accatholic.org

The Faith Page

We attend Mass not only to witness the sacrifice of Christ but to become part of it.

"I appeal to you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God." - *Romans 12:1*

"May he [Christ] make of us an eternal offering to you [the Father], so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect." - *Eucharistic Prayer III*

Fifth Sunday of Easter

John 15:1-8 Jesus teaches that he is the vine and that his disciples are the branches.

In today's Gospel Jesus speaks about his relationship to his disciples. In his metaphor of the vine and the branches, Jesus teaches his disciples that his relationship with them will not end after his death; he will remain with them always. This unity between Jesus and his disciples is the basis for their ability to continue to do the work that he began. Similarly, Jesus' presence with us through the Gift of the Holy Spirit enables us to continue the work of love and reconciliation that he began. Our life of prayer is our communion with Jesus in the Eucharist. Through this sacrament, we receive Jesus himself, and he remains with us. Our life of prayer and our union with Jesus will lead us to fruitful service to others.

Adults:

Your relationship with Jesus, the true vine, strengthens you to be a disciple, who bears good fruit and give glory to God. Are you attentive and open to Jesus as he works in your life?

Children:

What will you do this week to show your desire to strengthen your relationship with Jesus?

Quinto Domingo de Pascua

John 15:1-8 Jesús enseña que él es la vid y que sus discípulos son las ramas.

En el Evangelio Jesús de hoy habla de su relación a sus discípulos. En su metáfora de la vid y los sarmientos, Jesús enseña a sus discípulos que su relación con ellos no termina después de su muerte; permanecerá con ellos siempre. Esta unidad entre Jesús y sus discípulos es la base de su capacidad para seguir la obra que él comenzó. Del mismo modo, presencia de Jesús con nosotros mediante el don del Espíritu Santo nos permite continuar el trabajo de amor y la reconciliación que él comenzó. Nuestra vida de oración es la comunión con Jesús en la Eucaristía. A través de este Sacramento, recibimos a Jesús, y él sigue con nosotros. Nuestra vida de oración y de nuestra Unión con Jesús nos llevará a fructuoso servicio a los demás.

Adultos:

Su relación con Jesús, la vid verdadera, fortalece para ser un discípulo, que da buen fruto y da gloria a Dios. ¿Eres atento y abierto a Jesús como él trabaja en tu vida?

Niños:

¿Qué harás esta semana para mostrar su deseo de fortalecer su relación con Jesús?

Wednesday Evening Teaching

There is a Bible study or catechism class for adults every Wednesday from 6 to 7 PM in Quaremba Hall.

These are convenient opportunities for you to learn more the Catholic faith on an adult level. The more we really know God, the more we love him! These are also golden opportunities for questioning Catholics and skeptics of all backgrounds to discover the beauty, wisdom, and logic of the Catholic faith.

How We Serve

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

FOOD PANTRY

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
MAY 21, 2018**

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 1000 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.

WHAT WE GIVE

Bags of Food Monthly: 300

Children at Trunk or Treat: 1,000

Easter baskets Distributed: 350

House of Charity donations given by parishioners in 2017: \$105,000

Christmas Toys Distributed: >300

SERVING THE LORD

While the parish strives to serve the community, our first responsibility is to serve the Lord. One often overlooked way to do that is to say grace before and after each meal. This is particularly important when dining in a public eatery. What a great way to show the community that you are a committed Catholic.

Join Us

Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal Invite all young women to Handmaids Women's Prayer Night

When: Friday, May 4, 2018

Time: 7:00 PM

Where: St. Michael's Convent

Include: Eucharistic Adoration, confessions, music, meditation, rosary, and benediction.

R.S.V.P: Please call (609)343-1545

Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal

When: Saturday, May 5, 2018

Time: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Where: St. Michael Church

Include: Mass, a talk by a Franciscan Friar, lunch, adoration, confessions, music, rosary, eucharistic healing service and benediction.

Retreat for Survivors of Homicide and Suicide Loss "Passport to Healing"

When: Saturday, May 12, 2018

Time: 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Where: Discovery House, Mullica Township, NJ

Contact: Barbara Maronski @ 609-230-8933

Diocese of Camden Tribunal Annulment Assistance for English / Spanish Speaking Roman Catholics

When: Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Time: 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Where: Our Lady Star of the Sea School Cafeteria

Contact: 856-583-6162

Remember the emergency collections for Hurricanes Harvey and Irma? They were taken up in the fall in all American parishes. Here are the numbers from the US Bishops:

Hurricane Harvey

\$34.5 million collected

\$15.47 given to Catholic Charities USA

\$14.22 million given to affected dioceses for rebuilding churches

\$4.81 million received in 2018 will be distributed in coming weeks

Hurricane Irma

\$12.5 million collected

30% distributed to Catholic Charities USA for relief in the US

20% to Catholic Relief Services for relief in the Caribbean

30% to US Bishops Conference for rebuilding churches in the US

20% to US Bishops Conference for rebuilding churches in the Caribbean

BY THE NUMBERS

PARISH COLLECTION FOR APR. 21 - APR. 22

OFFERTORY	\$15,114.00
BUDGET	\$12,506.00
POOR BOX	\$396.00

MANY THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

NUMBER OF REGISTERED HOUSEHOLDS 2003

DEAR VISITOR

I always thank God for time away, whether on a European 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 generosity to us. Also, please tip your housekeepers and other hospitality staff – they are our parishioners!

WHY A SECOND COLLECTION?

About 15 times a year, the US bishops ask parishes to take a second collection for a special cause of national or international significance. For the sake of simplicity, our parish always takes a second collection. On unassigned Sundays, the second collection supports our parish in the same way as the first.

SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH

You can help ensure that Catholicism has a bright and solid future in Atlantic City. To the extent you are able, will you give to the parish from the blessings you have received from God? You can sponsor a school student, have a memorial stone placed by the Mother Lewis statue, purchase a pew bible, even support building renovations. Giving is easy, quick, and secure if you use our online giving page. Go to <http://accatholic.org/how-you-can-help/66-giving-opportunities-01>

Of course you can still call the office and mail in your donations.

DIOCESE OF CAMDEN CAP TRAINING

For Employees and Volunteers

CAP Phase 1 Session:

When: Tuesday, May 15, 2018
Time: 7:00 PM
Where: St. Clare of Assisi
140 Broad Street, Swedesboro

CAP Phase 3 Session:

When: Wednesday, May 23, 2018
Time: 6:00 PM
Where: Holy Family (Aquin Center)
226 Hurffville Rd., Sewell

BLACK CATHOLIC MINISTRY

On April 14, Mt Zion Baptist Church held a leadership conference where local churches in South Jersey were invited, about 400 people attended. It was an eye opener for lots of us because it focused on the way to better serve the needs of our churches. The theme of the conference was "Do the right thing": Cultivating Prophetic Leadership and Transformative Ministries. A Dynamic Pastor, Rev. Allyn Waller, from Philadelphia started the morning off with a talk on "The role of Churches in the age of Global Poverty." The first workshop with Rev Brianna K. Parker, who spoke on "Mobile Ministry, Building Healthy Intergenerational Churches." The second workshop presenter Rev. Nicholas Richards talked about "Leadership and Ministries in the Church." I think one of the things I left thinking about was something Dr. Waller said, which was, "we all have biases," and he asks that we invite everyone into our church, no matter what the sin may be. I have most of Dr. Waller and Dr. Bri's talk if anyone is interested. (send information of interest to bmwhitetoole@aol.com)

STEWARDSHIP

April 29, 2018

5th Sunday of Easter Stewards Walk the Talk

"Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth." - 1 JOHN 3:18

Regarding our Stewardship faith, do you "walk the talk?" Do your actions reflect what it means to be a good disciple? Are you an active participant at Sunday Mass? Are you joyful when participating in parish ministry? Do you give gratefully and generously with your financial support to your parish and other Church needs? If not, it's not too late to start! That as Christian Stewards our daily actions reflect our goal of good discipleship. For all Teens and Young Adults who are lost in the darkness of addiction, May they find their way to the light of Christ. Let us pray to the Lord...

SPECIAL THANK YOU

A special "Thank You" to all who donated to our Easter Flowers in Honor of or in Memory of a Loved One. Our Churches looked beautiful and your generosity made that possible. The following masses will memorialize all these loved ones: Sunday, April 29, 2018 at OLSS at 9:00 AM, Sunday, April 15, 2018 at St. Nicholas at 12:00 PM, and Sunday, May 6, 2018 at St. Michael's at 10:00 AM.

DIOCESE OF CAMDEN

IMMIGRATION AND THE LATINO COMMUNITY

When: Friday, May 4, 2018 (English)
Time: From 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Where: St. Charles Borromeo Parish
176 Stagecoach Rd., Sicklerville, NJ 08081

When: Saturday, May 5, 2018 (Spanish)
Time: From 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Where: John Paul II Retreat House
Vineland, NJ

Contact: 856-583-6170
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Ministerio Hispano

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CLASES DE BAUTISMO

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 AM Mass. Please bring the child's Birth Certificate to the class.

Renovación Carismática Católica

Siervos De Cristo - Grupo de Oración

2nd y 3rd miércoles de mes después de Misa

"Y todos quedaron llenos del Espíritu Santo, y comenzaron a hablar en otras lenguas, según el Espíritu hacia que hablaran" – Hechos 2,4

Concierto de Alabanza y Adoracion Acustico

Presentado por Wendy & Alex

Sabado Cinco de Mayo del 2018

Hora: Empezando con la misa de las 7:00 pm

Locacion: Nuestra Señora Estrella del Mar en Atlantic City, NJ

Ocean Resort Casino en Atlantic City, NJ

Aplicaciones abiertas para todos los interesados

Porfavor visite careers.theoceanac.com

or text "APPLY" to 609-375-0375

Si necesitas ayuda para aplicar contactar:

Mimi Nambo en la oficina de Catholic Charity localizada en la 9 N. Georgia Ave., Atlantic City, NJ

CONFIRMACION / CONFIRMATION 2018

Aviso importante para la Confirmación 2018

Debido a la cantidad tan grande de candidatos para la confirmación vamos a tener dos servicios de confirmaciones el **Primero de Mayo uno a las 4:30 y el segundo a las 6:30 pm y no habrá tiempo para tomar fotos con el Obispo**. El sábado 21 de abril a la 9:00 am en las prácticas se le confirmara en qué grupo le tocó. Gracias por su comprensión.

Important notice for Confirmation 2018

Due to the large number of candidates for confirmation we will have two confirmation services on **May 1st, one at 4:30 and the second at 6:30 p.m. There will be no photos with the Bishop**. On Saturday, April 21 at the 9:00 a.m. practice you will be told of your assigned time. Thanks for your understanding.

STEWARSHIP

29 de Abril de 2018

5° Domingo de Pascua

"Hijos, no amemos con sólo palabras ni de los labios para afuera, sino en hechos y en la verdad". - 1 JUAN 3:18

En lo que respecta a nuestra fe católica, ¿usted "hace lo que predica"? ¿Reflejan sus acciones lo que significa ser un buen discípulo? ¿Es un participante activo en la misa dominical? ¿Está contento cuando participa en el ministerio parroquial? ¿Brinda agradecida y generosamente su apoyo financiero a su parroquia y otras necesidades de la Iglesia? Si no, ¡no es demasiado tarde para comenzar! Para que las acciones diarias reflejen nuestra meta de buen discipulado.

Mass Intentions for the Week - April 29, 2018

Our Lady Star of the Sea

Day	Date	Time	Intention
Saturday	Apr. 28	8:00	
		4:15	Virginia McAvaddy / Family
		7:00	Prudencio Huayhua / Familia
Sunday	Apr. 29	7:30	
		9:00	Love Ones Memorialized Through Easter Flowers Donations
		10:30	Mass for the People
		12:00	Michaela Rankin (Birthday)/ Cecilia Magalong
		2:30	Edith Galindo Sarmiento/ Familia Galindo
		6:30	LH Giuse/ Chì Lan xin
Monday	Apr. 30	7:00	Anna Antoninich / Joe Formica
		5:15	Adam "Jim" Thomas / Anne Harkins
Tuesday	May. 01	7:00	David Cinque/ Frank Felice
		5:15	CONFIRMATION NO MASS
Wednesday	May. 02	7:00	
		5:15	John Raymond Gormley III / Family
Thursday	May. 03	7:00	Kitty & Eddie Ocksterowicz. Anna/ Grace & Ron Kaczorowski
		5:15	Sister Jeanette Puglisi, FMA/ Christopher Simonetti
		6:30	
Friday	May. 04	7:00	
		5:15	Claudia Billings-Thomas/ Downey Family
Saturday	May. 05	7:00	
		8:00	Mass for the People
		4:15	Kristin Costabile / Walter, Peggy (Mallen) & Walczak
Sunday	May. 06	7:30	Sally McGettigan Theresa McGettigan Kennedy
		9:00	Claudia Billings-Thomas/Mary Ellen Maguire
		10:30	
		12:00	Mary Anne Kirklan/Mary Anne & Mailyn
		2:30	
		6:30	LH Phêrô Phạm V. Đĩnh/ Gia Đình xin

St. Michael's Church

Day	Date	Time	Intention
Sunday	May. 6	10:00	Sara Persenda/ Mary Help of Christians
			Love Ones Memorialized through Easter Flowers Donation

St. Nicholas Church

Day	Date	Time	Intention
Saturday	Apr. 28	4:00	Fidel & Juanita Montemayor Madeline Hopper & Family
Sunday	Apr. 29	8:45	Anna McBride-Bane / Mr&Mrs. McBride
		10:30	Claude Damico(D)/ Kathleen Vail Nancy McGhee(D)/ Nancy & Jimmy Morgan
		12:00	Dr. Joseph Formica
Monday	Apr. 30	8:00	Madeline Hopper & Family The Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday	May. 01	8:00	James Patrick & Mary Teresa Burke
Wednesday	May. 02	8:00	Baglivo, Applegate, Brown & Burke Families(L&D)/ Michele Baglivo
Thursday	May. 03	8:00	Madeline Hopper & Family
Friday	May. 04	8:00	Dr. James Patrick Burke
Saturday	May. 05	4:00	Madeline Hopper & Family
Sunday	May. 06	8:45	Dr. Joseph Michael Formica
		10:30	James Patrick & Mary Teresa Burke Shaun Sless (D)/ C. Thomas
		12:00	Joseph Scott Bochniak



CAMPAIGN FOR THE CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY OF SOUTH JERSEY

"We pray that you watch over us and guide us as we invigorate our parishes and leadership, rise our public image, embrace our diversity, and continue to serve Your mission on Earth."

"Father, bless our campaign and send forth your Holy Spirit so that we will be for years to come **CATHOLIC STRONG.**"
Amen.