



# 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.

## May 13, 2018 The Ascension of the Lord

### Thanks to Our Sponsors



Students hold up the banner displaying the 2018 Sister Shamus Walk sponsors. All proceeds directly benefit the school. Thanks to all who supported the fundraiser.

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Our Lady Star of the Sea 2651 ATLANTIC AVENUE

##### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

<b>Saturday</b>	8:00 AM, 4:15 PM 7:00 PM (Spanish)
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 AM, 9:00 AM 10:30 AM (Spanish) 12:00 Noon 2:30 PM (Spanish) 6:30 PM (Vietnamese)

##### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

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

#### Saint Nicholas of Tolentine 1409 PACIFIC AVENUE

##### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

<b>Saturday</b>	4:00 PM
<b>Sunday</b>	8:45 AM (Traditional Latin) 10:30 AM 12:00 Noon

##### DAILY MASS

<b>Mon. - Fri.</b>	8:00 AM
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#### Saint Michael's Church 10 N. MISSISSIPPI AVENUE

**First Sunday of the Month**  
10:00 AM  
**Sunday, June 3, 2018**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

<p><b>Tue, May 15</b> <b>Diocese of Camden Tribunal</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annulment Assistance</li> <li>6:30 PM to 9:00 PM</li> <li>OLSSS Cafeteria</li> </ul>	<p><b>Wed, May 16</b> <b>Bible Study</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>From 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM</li> <li>Quaremba Hall</li> </ul>	<p><b>Fri, May 18</b> <b>May Crowning</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organized by OLSSS students</li> <li>11:15 AM</li> <li>OLSS Church</li> </ul>
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### CONTACT INFORMATION

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 www.accatholic.org • phone 609-345-1878 • fax 609-348-0248

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

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

## 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

# 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!"**



On Friday, May 4, OLSS students were awarded Stars of the Month, for cooperation and physical education.

As we honor Mary during this month of May we remember with gratitude all mothers, grandmothers and godmothers. May they receive abundant blessings.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following April Stars of the Month who received recognition for their effort in Physical Education: Alexander Portal, Brian Scott and for their demonstration of cooperation: Nigel Tauro, Catherine Tran, Cassidy Ross,

**JOIN US** for the May Crowning Prayer Service on Friday, May 18 at 11:15 in Our Lady Star of the Sea Church as we celebrate Our Blessed Mother during her special month of adoration.

**REGISTRATION:** OLSS School is accepting registrations for the 2018-2019 school year for 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.

## PARISH STAFF

**Rev. Jon Thomas**  
*Pastor*

**Rev. Thanh Pham**  
*Parochial Vicar*

**Rev. Fernando Carmona**  
*Parochial Vicar*

**Rev. Robert Matysik**  
*Hospital Chaplain*

**Joan Parker**  
*Business Manager*

**Maria Isabel Duran**  
*Religious Education Coordinator*

**Erick Duran**  
*Facilities Manager*

**John Mooney**  
*Outreach Director*

**Kathleen Given**  
*Pastoral Associate*

**Maria Isabel Espinoza**  
*Secretary and Safe Environment Coordinator*

**Laura Esparza**  
*Asst. for Hispanic Ministry*

**Henry Porvaznik**  
*Asst. for Special Projects*

## CONTACT

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**RELIGIOUS ED**  
609-345-1878 Ext-24

**SCHOOL**  
609-345-0648

**SCHOOL CONVENT**  
609-347-0434

**ST. MICHAEL'S CONVENT**  
609-343-1545

**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*

## **The Ascension of the Lord**

### **Second Reading 1 John 4:11-16**

Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.

**Adults:** Think of a time when you saw God acting through someone else. This week, every week really, prayerfully ask God to act through you so that others may see Him.

**Children:** Look around at your surroundings: The sky and clouds; the beach and birds; the trees and grass; other people. How does God reveal Himself to you through these things?

## **Ascensión de Nuestro Señor**

### **Segunda Lectura 1 John 4:11-16**

Amados, ya que Dios nos amó tanto, también debemos amarnos los unos a los otros. Nadie ha visto a Dios; si nos amamos unos a otros, Dios vive en nosotros, y su amor se perfecciona en nosotros. Por esto sabemos que permanecemos en él y él en nosotros, porque él nos ha dado de su Espíritu. Y hemos visto y testificamos que el Padre ha enviado a su Hijo como el Salvador del mundo. Dios permanece en aquellos que confiesan que Jesús es el Hijo de Dios, y permanecen en Dios. Así que hemos conocido y creemos en el amor que Dios tiene por nosotros. Dios es amor, y aquellos que permanecen en amor permanecen en Dios, y Dios permanece en ellos.

**Adultos:** piense en un momento en que vio a Dios actuando a través de otra persona. Esta semana, todas las semanas realmente, en oración, pídele a Dios que actúe a través de ti para que otros puedan verlo.

**Niños:** mire a su alrededor: el cielo y las nubes; la playa y los pájaros; los árboles y la hierba; otra gente. ¿Cómo se revela Dios a ti a través de estas cosas?

## **The Catholic Strong Campaign is a Local Campaign**

Unlike most diocesan-wide campaigns of this nature, the Catholic Strong campaign returns 70% of the funds raised directly back to the parish. This is virtually unheard of in the world of fundraising.

Bishop Dennis Sullivan has seen first-hand the great work being done in the parishes. Catholic Strong was designed to support the development of needed initiatives that help our local Catholic communities continue to grow, strengthen and welcome new members into their parishes.

As you consider a gift to this campaign, and perhaps even more importantly, as you discuss it with your family and friends, remember that this campaign is for you and your parish.

To learn more about the Catholic Strong campaign speak with your pastor, a member of your parish's campaign volunteer team or go to [southjerseycatholicstrong.org](http://southjerseycatholicstrong.org).

# 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

## St. Rose of Lima School is seeking a Principal for 2018-2019 School year

**Deadline:** For application, Tuesday, May 15, 2018

**Where:** St. Rose of Lima School,  
Haddon Heights, NJ

**Contact:** For additional information email at [camdendiocesepincipalsearch@gmail.com](mailto:camdendiocesepincipalsearch@gmail.com)

## Pope Francis Stars in New Film "Pope Francis - A Man of His Word"

**When:** In Theaters Friday, May 18, 2018

**Hotline:** 800-585-1892

**Where:** [www.PopeFrancisTickets.com](http://www.PopeFrancisTickets.com)

"The film masterfully shares the tenderness, humanity, and revolutionary thinking of Pope Francis, and shows that he is a man who practices what he preaches."

## Holy Cross Cemetery and Chapel Mausoleum "Memorial Day Mass"

**When:** Monday, May 28, 2018

**Time:** 10:00 AM

**Where:** 5061 Harding Highway, Mays Landing, NJ

**Contact:** Mary Ellen Henry @ 609-625-2133

## Our Lady of Hope-Blackwood

**Seeking:** Part-Time Bookkeeper. Bookkeeping experience required

**Hours:** 28 hours per week

**Address:** 701 Little Gloucester Rd., Blackwood, NJ

**Contact:** Tracy Pezzuto via email

[TPezzuto@OurLadyOfHopeNJ.org](mailto:TPezzuto@OurLadyOfHopeNJ.org)

## Eucharistic Ministers need Volunteers to visit the sick and bring them Communion

**When:** Once a week for 1 to 2 hours

**Where:** AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center  
Atlantic City and Mainland Division

**Contact:** Natalie Contento 856-975-1134 or

[Natalie.Contento@camdendiocese.org](mailto:Natalie.Contento@camdendiocese.org)

## The Newman Connection "Keeping Students Connected to the Catholic Church" Outreach Program for High School and College Students

**Contact:** Cassie Campton at 866-815-2034 ext. 708

[ccampton@newmanconnection.com](mailto:ccampton@newmanconnection.com)

**Website:** [www.newmanconnection.com](http://www.newmanconnection.com)

## BY THE NUMBERS

### PARISH COLLECTION FOR MAY 5 - MAY 6

OFFERTORY . . . . .	\$15,143.00
BUDGET . . . . .	\$12,506.00
POOR BOX . . . . .	\$236.00

### 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.

## ATLANTIC COUNTY AOH

5th Annual Catholic College Scholarship Fundraiser  
In Memory of Officer Thomas McMeekin, Jr.  
Organized by the Ancient Order of Hibernians

\$20 Donation

Includes Food, Draft Beer, Entertainment by Steve Moore and the Mia Band plus an appearance by the Sand Pipers and & Friends

Maynard's Café in Margate  
Friday, May 18  
6-10 PM

**We have tickets at the Rectory**

## BLACK CATHOLIC MINISTRY

**Good News** – Caitlin Kennell Kim, whose article was featured on The National Black Catholic Congress website writes about Sister Thea Bowman (1937-1990). A Religious: Roman Catholic, Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration, Sister Thea Bowman was an esteemed educator, a talented singer, gifted leader, powerful preacher, and a passionate bridge-builder across racial divides within the Christian community. Thea Bowman, well known to many of us from St. Monica, was a trail-blazer in the United States. She spent much of her life ministering to the spiritual needs of the African-American community. She worked zealously as a teacher and made a profound impact on the African-American community that endures to this day. Her life is an inspiration to many, and recently the diocese of Jackson Mississippi has begun investigating her life in a possible case for her canonization. (Send information of interest to [bmwhitetoole@aol.com](mailto:bmwhitetoole@aol.com))

## STEWARDSHIP

**May 13, 2018**

### Ascension of Our Lord - Stewards Witness

**"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God." – 1 JOHN 4:15**

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be a strong Steward in all circumstances and to share your witness with others. That we as Christian Stewards have the courage to defend our faith and share our witness joyfully with others. For the lives of Teens and Young Adults that they may remain blameless in God's sight, we pray to the Lord...

## 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

#### CAP Phase 1 Session:

**When:** Wednesday, May 30, 2018  
**Time:** 6:00 PM  
**Where:** Holy Family (Aquin Center)  
226 Hurffville Rd., Sewell

# Ministerio Hispano

## Horarios de Atención Oficina Hispana

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

Viernes . . . . . 11am - 2pm

Secretaria Laura Esparza

609-345-1878 ext.19 [lesparza@accatholic.org](mailto:lesparza@accatholic.org)

## Horarios de Oficina Educacion Religiosa

Lunes a Jueves (Summer) . . . . . 11:00am - 3pm

Maria Isabel Duran, Directora

609-345-1878 ext. 24 [mduran@accatholic.org](mailto:mduran@accatholic.org)

Numero Directo 609-470-9157

## 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

## La Campaña Católicos Fuertes es una Campaña Local

A diferencia de la mayoría de las campañas diocesanas de esta naturaleza, la campaña Católicos Fuertes devuelve el 70% de los fondos recaudados directamente a la parroquia. Esto es prácticamente inaudito en el mundo de la recaudación de fondos.

El Obispo Dennis Sullivan ha visto de primera mano el gran trabajo que se realiza en las parroquias. Católicos Fuertes fue diseñada para apoyar el desarrollo de las iniciativas necesarias que ayudan a nuestras comunidades Católicas locales a seguir creciendo, fortaleciendo y recibiendo nuevos miembros en sus parroquias.

Al considerar un regalo para esta campaña, y tal vez aún más importante, mientras lo dialoga con su familia y amigos, recuerde que esta campaña es para usted y su parroquia.

Para obtener más información sobre la campaña Católicos Fuertes hable con su párroco, un miembro del equipo de voluntarios de la campaña de su parroquia o vaya a [southjerseycatholicstrong.org](http://southjerseycatholicstrong.org).

## EDUCACION RELIGIOSA

### Registracion 2018 - 2019

Comenzaran el 25 de Junio del  
2018

Locacion: Cafeteria

Hora: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

### Registration 2018 - 2019

Begins on June 25, 2018

Location: Cafeteria

Time: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

## STEWARSHIP

13 de mayo de 2018

### Ascensión de Nuestro Señor

"Quien confiesa que Jesús es el Hijo de Dios, Dios permanece en él y él en Dios". - 1 JUAN 4:15

¿Qué tan fuerte es tu fe? Cuando tienes la oportunidad de defender o aclarar una pregunta sobre nuestra fe católica, ¿lo haces? O permaneces en silencio para que los demás no piensen que eres raro? Ora por el valor de ser fuerte en todas las circunstancias y compartir tu testimonio con los demás. Para que tengamos el valor de defender nuestra fe y compartir nuestro testimonio con alegría con los demás.

# Mass Intentions for the Week - May 13, 2018

## Our Lady Star of the Sea

Day	Date	Time	Intention
Saturday	May. 12	8:00	Hanna Lee(BIRTHDAY) / Family
		4:15	Mary Disomma / John & Annette DiSommar
		7:00	Martha Cancho y Jesusa Cancho/ Ofrece su Hija Delicia Zegarra
Sunday	May. 13	7:30	Cass Heald/ Joe & Carla Tosh
		9:00	Edith Maffei & Kathrine Pavese/ Pavese Family
		10:30	Mass for the People
		12:00	All Mother's Living & Deceased/ Cecilia Magalong
		2:30	
		6:30	LH Phêrô Phạm V. Định/ Ô.B. Tự xin
Monday	May. 14	7:00	Ruth Kanter/ Peggy Schmei
		5:15	Sally & Robert Basile/ Marcie & Jack
Tuesday	May. 15	7:00	Terri Courtney(Living)/ Peggy Schmei
		5:15	Rafael & Paz Toson/ Paz Toson
Wednesday	May. 16	7:00	William & Eleonor Wolf/ Bill Wolf
		5:15	Florence M. Fritz/ Peggy, Trisha & Dan
		7:00	Augusto Rojas Gonzalez/ Ofrece Lourdes Garcia
Thursday	May. 17	7:00	Romualdo C. Yazar/ Maria Yazar
		5:15	Adam "Jim" Thomas/ Mr. & Mrs. Versace
		6:30	
Friday	May. 18	7:00	Timmy Phung/ Lani Falls
		5:15	Jack Kelly Jr.(3rd Anniversary)/ The Kelly Family
		7:00	
Saturday	May. 19	8:00	Deceased Members Kaczorowski Family/ Grace & Ron Kaczorowski
		4:15	John Disomma / John & Annette DiSomma
		7:00	
Sunday	May. 20	7:30	Laura Gous/ Peggy Schmei
		9:00	Dorothy & Charles McDonough & Grandson Shaun Sless/ C. Thomas
		10:30	
		12:00	Maria Thomas/ R. Bancheri & V. Provenzano
		2:30	Mass for the People
		6:30	2 LH Maria/ Bà Kính xin

## St. Nicholas Church

Day	Date	Time	Intention
Saturday	May. 12	4:00	Most Abandoned Souls
Sunday	May. 13	8:45	Dr. Joseph Michael Formica
		10:30	Dr. James Patrick Burke William Thomas Tylor
		12:00	Juanita P. Montemayor Theresa Nolan
Monday	May. 14	8:00	Alejandro & Demetrio Ferrer
Tuesday	May. 15	8:00	James Patrick & Mary Teresa Burke
Wednesday	May. 16	8:00	Dr. James Patrick Burke
Thursday	May. 17	8:00	Dr. Joseph Michael Formica
Friday	May. 18	8:00	Living & Deceased Members of Formica & Cesario Families
Saturday	May. 19	4:00	Fructesa & Fermin Montemayor
Sunday	May. 20	8:45	Holy Souls in Purgatory
		10:30	Dr. Joseph Michael Formica Most Abandoned Souls
		12:00	Dr. James Patrick Burke



CAMPAIGN FOR THE CATHOLIC  
COMMUNITY OF SOUTH JERSEY

Sanctuary  
Camp

At Our Lady Star of the Sea  
Church for the week of May 13  
In Memory of:  
Helen Kaczorowski  
Requested By Grace & Ron Kaczorowski

"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.