



JANUARY 7, 2024 | Feast of the Epiphany

THE PARISH OF SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CLAYTON & FRANKLINVILLE

REV. MICHAEL J. GOYETTE, PASTOR

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

*"To bear witness to God the Father,
to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ,
and to be guided by the Holy Spirit."*

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: 9 AM at St. Catherine

Tuesday: 9 AM at Nativity

Wednesday: 9 AM at Nativity

Thursday: 9 AM at St. Catherine

***Friday:** 7 PM at Nativity *

***Sat.:** 7 AM at St Catherine *

(* When Fr Goyette is Here)

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4 PM at Nativity

Sunday: 8 AM at St. Catherine

10 AM at Nativity

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: 7 PM at St. Catherine

Holy Day: 9 AM & 7 PM at Nativity

RECONCILIATION

Friday: 7:45 PM Nativity

Saturday: 7:45 AM St. Catherine

and 3:15 PM Nativity

***Sunday:** 7:20 AM St. Catherine

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Thursday: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM; Tuesday: 4:15 PM-7:15 PM

(You may also call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment any time outside of these hours.)

FOR SACRAMENT PREPARATION OR FOR LETTERS OF ELIGIBILITY: Please contact the Parish Office.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! Please take a look at our website or call to register

Please visit our website at <https://www.pdma-nj.com>

**Saturday, January 6th**7:00 AM-SC **Devin Emig** by Karen Emig4:00 PM-N **Peggy McNamee** by Ed and Lauren Auge**Sunday, January 7th** *The Epiphany of the Lord*8:00 AM-SC **Louis Daniel Russo** by McCann Family10:00 AM-N **People of the Parish****Monday, January 8th**9:00 AM-SC **Fr. Daniel Rocco's Mom Georgette O. Rocco**
by Parish of St Michael the Archangel**Tuesday, January 9th**9:00 AM-N **Janette L Kille** by Parish of St Michael**Wednesday, January 10th**9:00 AM-N **Fr Anthony Minnitti** by Parish of
St Michael the Archangel**Thursday, January 11th**9:00 AM-SC **Ann Fanucchi** by Her Nieces and Nephews**Friday, January 12th**7:00 PM-N **Fr Joseph Ferrara** by Parish of
St Michael the Archangel**Saturday, January 13th**7:00 AM-SC **William Moore** by Karen Emig4:00 PM-N **People of the Parish****Sunday, January 14th** *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*8:00 AM-SC **Bud and Ginny Hoffman** by
Rocco and Susan Costa10:00 AM-N **Special Intention Pat Sarnese** by Friends**Mass Location: N = Nativity | SC = St. Catherine**

Mass and Sanctuary Candle Intentions

The Mass is a beautiful celebration of Christ's love for us. Offering Mass for a special Intention is a long standing tradition in the Catholic Church. Special graces are obtained for those of whom the Mass is said. Masses are offered for many reasons, for the souls in purgatory, in remembrance of someone who is deceased, for the well-being of a friend or relative, or in honor of birthdays and anniversaries.

The red Sanctuary Lamp by the tabernacle burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. This, too, can be offered for an intention or in memory of a loved one. It is a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the presence of Christ. It will burn for one week.

If you wish to have a Mass offered or the Sanctuary Lamp burning in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or for a special intention, please make arrangements with the Parish Office, 856-881-9155. The cost is \$15.00 for each intention.. The memorial offerings will be published in the bulletin.

STEWARDS WORSHIP

"They fell down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." —MATTHEW 2:11

Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then, they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, as Christian **Stewards**, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share!



Harriet Bajewicz, George Bromwell, Nicholas & Rob Christian, Henry Cottelli, Jim Cesanek, Janice Donahower, Judy Dutton, Mimi Hall, Don & Matt Healy, Rosemary McBride, Eileen Mulholland, Dot Myers, Barbara Stroh, Kathryn Tanner, Karen J. Viola, and Joanna Walczak, Glenn Harris

If you have a family member whom you would like added to the Prayer List, please ask their permission (due to the HIPAA Privacy Act) and contact the Rectory by calling 856-881-9155 or e-mailing PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com. Thank you!

★★★OUR MILITARY HERO PRAYER LIST★★★

If you have a family member serving in one of the branches of the military, send their name, rank, and branch of service to the Parish Office (PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com or 856-881-9155).

Please keep our brave service people in your prayers, especially those suffering from the effects of war.

US Army

CPL **Austin Arledge**, Specialist **Bryan Jenkins**,
1st SGT **Shane W. McLaughlin**, MAJ **Eric Miller**,
CPT **Graham Miller**, & PFC **Vincenzo Taormina**

US Navy

AWR **Daniel Carr**, AG1 **Jamie Engleman**, EM2 **William Little**,
& **Kurt Reinhold**, US Navy

US Air Force

AB **Jacob R Custis**

US Marine Corps

WO3 **Brad Davis**, SGT **Nate McAllister**, & CPT **James V. Tumolo**

LT JG **Dominic J. Tumolo**, US Navy; US Army Medic

PARISH EVENTS

We now have many groups meeting in our Parish. Please call the Parish Office to reserve space on the calendar if you are planning a meeting.

JANUARY

- 9: PREP Grades 1 & 2, 6 PM St. Catherine's Basement
- 16: PREP Grades 3 & 4 PM St. Catherine's Basement
- 17: Knights of Columbus, 7 PM St. Catherine's Basement
- 23: PREP Grades 5 & 6, 6 PM St. Catherine's Basement
- 24: Grief Support, 7:00 PM at Nativity Conf. Center
- 30: PREP Grades 7 & 8, 6 PM St. Catherine's Basement
- 31: Taize Prayer Service, 7 PM Nativity Church
- Every Monday—Book Club, 7 PM Nativity Conf. Ctr.
- Every Tuesday after the 9 AM Mass—Novena to the Miraculous Medal
- Rosary after the daily Mass (Mon-Thur.)

RCIA CLASSES

Tuesday 6 PM | St. Catherine's Church



Welcomed in

B A P T I S M

November/December 2023

- ♦ Carson Noah Fote
- ♦ Corbin James Fote
- ♦ Connor James Davis

Grief Support Group

The Parish will be starting a **Grief Support Group** beginning on **January 24, 2024 from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM** at the Conference Center on site at Nativity. If you have experienced a loss in your life, please consider attending. This will be an ongoing group that will meet twice a month. We will utilize prayer and Scripture readings to facilitate discussions. Feel free to participate as you wish. We want you to come for prayer and fellowship with no pressure to share.

CHURCH OFFERING and DONATIONS

Total Mass Offering for Dec. 23rd/24th — **\$5,380**

Total Mass Offering for Christmas, Dec. 24th/25th — **\$12,436**

Total Mass Offering for Holy Land Special Collection — **\$1,141**

Christmas Flower Donations — **\$1046**

Poor Box Donations — **\$779**

Books for Prison Donations — **\$483**

Christmas Baskets for Sacred Heart Parish, Camden — **\$648**

thank you, thank you, thank you!

MASS ATTENDANCE—Fourth Sunday of Advent

Dec. 23rd: Sat. 4 PM Nativity — **150**

Dec. 24th: Sun. 8 AM St Catherine — **98**

Dec. 24th: Sun. 10 AM Nativity — **169**

Total Attendance — 417

MASS ATTENDANCE—Christmas

Dec. 24th: Sun. 4 PM Nativity — **324**

Dec. 24th: Sun. 7 PM St Catherine — **95**

Dec. 24th: Sun. Midnight, St. Catherine — **59**

Dec. 25th: Sun. 8 AM St Catherine — **50**

Dec. 25th: Sun. 10 AM Nativity — **80**

Total Attendance — 608

Church Offering and Mass Attendance for December 30th and 31st will be listed in the next bulletin because of the holiday publishing schedule.



This ministry provides diapers and children's clothing to mothers in need. Any items can be left in the Abby's Angels bin at both Nativity and Saint Catherine of Siena Churches. Please contact (609) 513-1363 for further information.

Thank you all for the outpouring of love and support. I also thank you for your gracious and generous donations... Abby

**PARISH OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
FOOD PANTRY**

*"Keep in mind the words of the Lord Jesus, who Himself said,
'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" (Acts 20:35)*

Saint Mother Teresa once said, "If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one." You can make a difference in someone's life right here in our local community by donating any nonperishable food item of your choice to our parish pantry.

Some suggested items include, but are not limited to, **pasta, mac & cheese, ramen noodles, canned pasta meals (such as Chef Boyardee), tuna, canned chicken (or other meats), and oatmeal.** Nonfood items such as **soap, shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrushes** are also appreciated.

Your nonperishable food donations may be left in the gathering spaces of both Nativity and Saint Catherine of Siena Churches. Or they may be delivered directly to the pantry at the O'Meara Conference Center from 10:15 AM to 11:30 AM on Wednesday mornings.

Many thanks for your continued support and generosity!



We are in need of volunteers for parish maintenance work. Specifically, we are looking for anyone who can help with power washing, painting, general

carpentry (like hanging curtain rods or putting some cabinets together), IT support, plumbing, or help to organize/clean out the Rectory garage and Nativity sheds. Please call the Rectory (856-881-9155) if you can volunteer your time and talent for some small parish projects.

PREP —Parish Religious Education Program

Donated toiletry items for Volunteers of America may be dropped off at the PREP Office (side door of Monsignor O'Meara Conference Center) during office hours, Monday 10 AM - 12 PM and Thursday 5:30 - 7:30 PM. Or bring them to PREP class on Tuesday evenings, 6 - 7 PM at St. Catherine's basement. Please do not leave these toiletry donations in the back of the Church. **Last day to drop off donations is January 30th.**

Taizé Prayer



You are welcome to join a short time of reflection and meditative prayer

**Wednesday, January 31, 2024
Church of the Nativity, 7 PM to 8:30 PM**

This is a quite simple style of prayer which includes a few songs, a psalm, a Bible reading, time of silence, then intercessions. Short songs (chants), sung again and again, give it a meditative character. The words and phrases used in these chants are taken from the Holy Bible or writings of saints. Meditative singing thus becomes a way of listening to God. It allows everyone to take part in a time of prayer together and to remain together in attentive waiting on God.



**TALKING CATHOLIC
PRESENTS**

Each week the Talking Catholic hosts, Jen Mauro, Marianela Nunez, Kari Janisse, and Mike Walsh, interview Catholic leaders about what brought them to where they are now and how they are bringing the faith to their communities. Check it out on [Apple Podcasts](#), [Google Podcasts](#), Alexa, [Stitcher](#), [SoundCloud](#) and anywhere podcasts can be found!

Latest Episodes

- Laurie Power, Consecration to a Life of Virginity | December 18, 2023
- What to do over semester breaks? | December 14, 2023
- NCYC 2023 - The National Catholic Youth Congress | December 4, 2023
- Talking Saints - Andrew the Apostle | November 30, 2023
- College Freshman in Ministry | November 29, 2023

**2024 Youth &
Young Adult
Retreats**



- YOUNG ADULT RETREAT (age 22 - 35) — February 9-11
- SPRING HS TEEN RETREAT (age 14-18) — March 15-17

Each of these retreats cost \$145.00 per person. Call 609-884-3829 for more information. Register online at: www.capemaymarianists.org/retreat-registration-page

"How to get to Heaven and stay out of Hell"

Join us for an inspiring presentation by Jesse Romero, bilingual Catholic Evangelist, Radio Show Host, and Author

Wed. Jan. 10th | 7 PM - English Presentation

Wed. Jan. 11th | 7 PM - Spanish Presentation

St. Anthony of Padua Church
285 Route 206, Hammonton NJ

Reservations are strongly suggested. **Register** online at <https://smmcp.net/jesse-romero>. Or scan the QR code. This event is sponsored by St. Mary of Mount Carmel Parish.

**Pray 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.

Camden Catholic High School News

Admissions Information Session: Thursday, February 1, at 7 PM. Whether you are an 8th grader still making your decision about high school, or a 6th or 7th grader planning for your future, please join us to learn more about the admissions process, curriculum, arts and athletics at Camden Catholic High School. You will have the opportunity to meet our students, faculty, and administration, tour our campus, and ask questions. RSVP admissions@camdenccatholic.org.

Class of 2028 Freshmen Registration: CCHS invites all accepted students to officially enroll on Saturday, February 24, 8-11 AM. Students must apply online and receive acceptance before registering. Visit www.camdenccatholic.org

The Arts at CCHS Presents
The Mystery of Edwin Drood
a musical by Rupert Holmes

March 8, 9, 15 and 16 at 7:30 PM | March 10 and 17 at 2 PM

Join us and enjoy a captivating and interactive musical "whodunit" that plunges the audience into the heart of the mystery, transforming them into amateur detectives. Adapted from Charles Dickens' unfinished novel of the same name, this uproarious production unfolds in the quaint English town of Chesterham, where the charming Edwin Drood meets a mysterious demise. Ad and patrons available online: www.cchsp PerformingArts.com. Tickets go on sale January 15, <https://www.cchsp PerformingArts.com>.

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DIOCESAN EVENTS

PRAYERS FOR PRO-LIFE

- ♦ **January 19, 2024, 8:00 AM to Noon.** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Prayer, Maris Stella Church Avalon, New Jersey

Pastoral Associates Day 2024

- ♦ **January 23, 2024, 8:30 AM—3:00 PM,** Church of the Incarnation. A day of spiritual nourishment, fellowship and new ideas for those who serve in our Diocese. Special guest Dr. Hosffman Ospino, whose research explores the dialogue between faith and culture and its impact on Catholic theology and catechesis.

Step Up, Dad! Day for Men

- ♦ **March 16, 2024, 8:30 AM -- 2:15 PM,** Breakfast and lunch provided. Divine Mercy Parish, 23 W Chestnut Ave., Vineland, NJ 08360. This event will inspire fathers to reflect, resolve, and take practical steps to become a great dad.

Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain and France

- ♦ **September 26 to October 5, 2024,** Father Robert Hughes is leading a pilgrimage to Fatima, Spain and Lourdes, departing from Philadelphia. The cost is \$4,547 per person, double occupancy, and includes roundtrip airfare, all airport taxes and fuel surcharges. For more information and to register online please visit www.pilgrimages.com/frhughes/marianshrines/; for more information contact Robert.hughes@camdendiocese.org or call 856-583-2807.

Save the Date: 2024 Diocesan Marian Pilgrimage

- ♦ **Saturday, October 26, 2024** — Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. The biennial Diocesan Marian Pilgrimage will take place in a year. It is always a joyful day with many blessings. More information will be sent as the details of the pilgrimage are planned.



Sexual abuse is a crime that must be reported, investigated and responded to so that victims are protected and those that commit the abuse are removed from ministry.

A special toll free number has been established to help callers report cases of sexual abuse by priests, deacons, religious, employees and/or volunteers. In accord with state law, cases of child sexual abuse are reported to the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency.

For information or to inquire about counseling and support services, contact the Victims Assistant Coordinator at **1-800-964-6588**.

THE DIOCESE OF CAMDEN

Villa Maria by the Sea Retreat Center, Stone Harbor, NJ, has posted its schedule of programs for the winter and spring of 2024. For more information or to register, visit www.VMbytheSea.com.



FEBRUARY OFFERINGS:

Close up of friends of Jesus: Mary, Martha and Lazarus

presented by Sr. Mary Henrich IHM

Tuesday, February 20, 2024

8:45 PM — 2:45 PM \$60*

Jesus shared a special relationship with Mary, Martha, and Lazarus. He needed and valued their friendship. What can be learned from the close friendship, the intimacy, the sacred bonds? This Lent, explore your friendship with Jesus and others. Coffee and check-in begins at 8:45 a.m. The day includes Mass and lunch.

The Lord is Kind and Merciful

presented by Sr. Pat McDermott IHM

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

8:45 AM — 3:00 PM \$60*

In a contemplative atmosphere, we will use Scriptural passages as well as other writings for our reflections. Coffee and check-in begins at 8:45 AM. The day includes Mass and lunch.

* You may opt to stay overnight the evening before these day events for an additional \$95.



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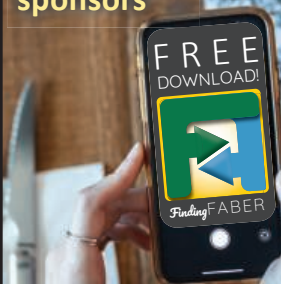
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