

**The Parish of Saint Teresa of Calcutta
One Parish Family With Two Worship Sites**



**Ascension Worship Site
501 Brinley Avenue
Bradley Beach, NJ 07720**

**St. Elizabeth Worship Site
424 Lincoln Avenue
Avon By the Sea, NJ 07717**

*They were overjoyed at seeing the star,
and on entering the house
they saw the child with Mary his mother.*

Matthew 2:10-11



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**The Epiphany of the Lord
January 5, 2025**

The Parish of Saint Teresa of Calcutta

PASTOR: Rev. Erin Brown

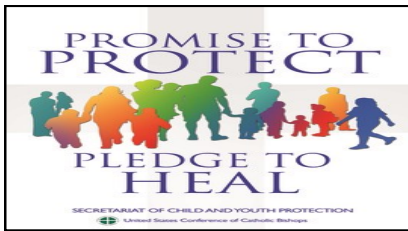
**Weekend Assistants:
Msgr. James A. Burke
Rev. James Whelan**

**Deacons
Deacon Robert Armstrong
Deacon Richard Coscarelli
Deacon John Kopcak**

**Parish Office
501 Brinley Ave, Bradley Beach, NJ 07720
732-774-0456 -website www.stocp.org
Parish office hours:
Monday— Thursday 8:30am –12:00 and 12:30-3:00pm
Friday—8:30am-12:00 and 12:30pm-1:30pm
Closed for lunch 12:00 to 12:30**

Ext 101-Admin. Assistant-Linda Gunther
Ext 102-Pastoral Associate-Deacon Robert Armstrong
Ext 103-PCL/Financial Administrator-Carol Freda
Ext 104-Pastor-Rev. Erin Brown
Ext 105-St Francis Ministry
Parish email –parishsecretary@stocp.org
Director of Music– Mrs. Donna Terkildsen
732-600-6075
Youth Coordinator—Ms. Kathleen McGorry-
stocpyouth@gmail.com

OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT



The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse Hotline. To report the sexual abuse of minors call our hotline [1-888-296-2965](tel:1-888-296-2965) or email us abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org Please note: The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

**St. Elizabeth Worship Site
424 Lincoln Avenue
Avon By the Sea, NJ 07717**

**Daily Mass Schedule
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday-8:00am**

**Divine Mercy Novena
Tuesdays after the 8am Mass**

**Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturday-4:00pm
Sunday-9:00am & 10:30am
Confessions
Saturday-3:00pm-3:45pm**

**Ascension Worship Site
501 Brinley Avenue
Bradley Beach, NJ 07720
Daily Mass Schedule
Monday, Wednesday, Friday-8:00am**

**Miraculous Medal Novena
Mondays after the 8am Mass**

**Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturday-5:00pm
Sunday-8:00am & 10:00am
Adoration—Every Wednesday starting at 8:30am
Confessions are Wednesday 6-7pm & Friday 8:30am
The Rosary will be prayed at 7pm on Wednesday**

PARISH COLLECTIONS

Weekly Collection totals for December 22, 2024

Due to the Holidays and an early bulletin deadline, this information will be reported in a later bulletin.



For your convenience we are now offering Venmo as a payment option for donations.

Thank you for your continued support!!

More families these days are paying their bills online and not writing checks. If you wish to go "green," visit our Parish website at www.stocp.org and click the *Parish Giving* icon. You can set up weekly, monthly, or a one-time contribution to the Parish of St. Teresa of Calcutta.

The Parish of Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Eucharistic Adoration at the Ascension Church, Parish of St Teresa of Calcutta

You are invited to come sit and pray with us in the real presence of the Lord.
Every **Wednesday, following the 8 am mass, to 7 pm.**
(except on holy days and scheduled events) Recitation of the Rosary then follows.
All are welcome, in silent adoration, to come and say a quick prayer, or stay for an hour, or more.
You may talk to our priests and deacons to learn more of this blessed tradition.
Interested in staying a specific hour?
you may send an email to

Secondgrace@yahoo.com

or

ascensionkaren@optonline.net

Religious Education Classes: For more information, please see our website.

Baptism Prep Class: Please contact the Rectory for more information.

Marriage: The Sacrament of Matrimony requires spiritual preparation, planning, and organization. We follow the Common Policy of Marriage adopted by the Bishops of New Jersey. Couples that are planning marriage should please contact the Rectory for more information.

Weekly Communion: If you or a loved one are unable to attend Mass, please call our Pastoral Associate, Deacon Robert Armstrong, at 732-774-0456, ext. 102. We can bring Holy Communion to you on a weekday or a Sunday. Through this ministry, visits can be made to the home-bound, and those in nursing homes, the hospital, and assisted-living facilities.

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING INFO



The Altar Rosary Society of the Parish of St. Teresa of Calcutta is a Catholic women's group dedicated to serving the needs of our parish and the community and helping our members grow in their faith. The **next meeting** will be held on **Tuesday March 11 after the 8:00am mass, at St. Elizabeth Worship Site**. Feel free to contact Lorraine Hansen at 732-774-4145 if you have any questions.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING INFO



The Holy Name Society of the Parish of St. Teresa of Calcutta is a Catholic men's group open to men of all ages dedicated to serving the Parish and the community and helping its members grow in their Faith. Their next meeting date is **Monday January 6, at 7:00pm** at St. Elizabeth Worship site. All men, high-school age and up, are welcome.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MEETING INFO



The next meeting of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Elizabeth #1486, is **Tuesday February 11th , at 6:00pm** in O'Hara Hall-Ascension Worship Site. Catholic Daughters provides an opportunity for Catholic women to enjoy fellowship and support many worth-while charities & organizations in the local communities and the Americas. Be a part of our many annual events!
Patricia McCafferty Regent, at 732-822-6399.

HAPPY YARNERS A.K.A PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY MEETING



The next meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet, **Friday February 7, at 1:00pm**. If you want to learn to knit or crochet, someone will teach you. If you are interested in joining or have any questions please call Jo @ 732-774-9302 or Sandy @ 732-988-6717.

St. Francis Ministry-Helping those in need

Through your help we have been able to help a number of people with utilities, rents, medicine, & food. If anyone is in need of help, please encourage them to call our confidential "hot line" listed below. The hot line is accessed daily and calls are returned within 24 hours. We are here to serve those in need. (732)-774-0456 Ext. 105 leave a message with a time to call back.

Readings For the Week of January 5th;

Monday 1 Jn 3:22; 4:6 Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday 1 Jn 4:7-10 Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday 1 Jn 4:11-18 Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 Mk 6:45-52

Thursday 1 Jn 4:19; 5:4 Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 Lk 4:14-22

Friday 1 Jn 5:5-13 Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 Lk 5:12-16

Saturday 1 Jn 5:14-21 Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b Jn 3:22-30

Sunday Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11 Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7 Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



The Parish of Saint Teresa of Calcutta

✠✠ *Mass Intentions* ✠✠

St. Elizabeth Worship Site

Saturday January 4

8:00am

Leo McNamara req. by Paul Busch

4:00pm-Fr. **Erin Brown**

Carmela M. Lorino req. by Michael Diesso & Kevin Heinrich

Sp. Int. of Ernie Roberts req. by Loving Wife

Bill Sexton 6th Anniv req. by Sexton Family

Sunday January 5

9:00am-Fr. **Erin Brown**

People of the Parish

10:30am-Fr. **Erin Brown**

Philip Woodward req. by Marion Woodward

Betty Lyons req. by Grace & Steve Owsiany

Sheila Sullivan req. by Helen & Pat Kilcooley

Tuesday January 7

8:00am

Doug Furlong req. by Gavin & Furlong Families

Thursday January 9

8:00am

All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday January 11

8:00am

Edna Helen Walsh Anniv req. by Sharon & Colleen Harrington

4:00pm-Fr. **Jim Whelan**

Silverio Araujo Anniv req. by Lorraine Ernst

Patricia Grubowski req. by Joann Sharrock

Gabriella Skinner req. by Janice Cuttingham & Al Petit

Sunday January 12

9:00am-Fr. **Jim Whelan**

William & Margaret Ruane Wedding Anniv req. by Ruane Family

Geraldine Dryll req. by Jim & Ray

10:30am-Fr. **Jim Whelan**

Bea Murday req. by Lillian Borrone

Katherine Gentile req. by Pat & Al Guarnuccio

Erica White Garrett req. by Suchecki Family

Ascension Worship Site

Saturday January 4

5:00pm-Fr. **Jim Whelan**

Bernard McHugh req. by Stu Orefice

Mark Belli req. by Kathy & Charlie LeMaire

Ronald F. Neary req. by Margaret Campanile

Sunday January 5

8:00am-Fr. **Jim Whelan**

All Souls in Purgatory

10:00am-**Msgr. Jim Burke**

Eleanor Linnus req. by Subervi Family

Sp. Int. of Peter Zaglin req. by Karen

Monday January 6

8:00am

All Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday January 8

8:00am

Joseph Blauvelt Birthday req. by Bob & Kathy Gluck

Friday January 10

8:00am

All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday January 11

5:00pm-**Msgr. Jim Burke**

Travis Subervi req. by Mom, Dad, & John

Richard W. Blakeslee req. by Barbara Sullivan

Steve Porada req. by Joan Wegrzyniak

Sunday January 12

8:00am-Fr. **Erin Brown**

All Souls in Purgatory

10:00am-Fr. **Erin Brown**

People of the Parish



Please pray for all the deceased who entered in their new and eternal life with Christ. May they enjoy the pleasure of God's eternal company, love, peace, and rest forever in Heaven.

Please notify the Parish Rectory if you have friends or loved ones who are suffering from severe illness, are homebound, or are undergoing difficult medical procedures whom you wish the Parish to pray for ;

Grace Anton, George Bachelder, Richard Basso, Allen A. Bessemer, Hadley Biba, Michael Bruder, Patricia Bruckner, Judy Casagrande, Concetta Cannon, Bob Consoli, Ann Cramer, Fay D'Alto, Ann Marie Delahanty, Msgr. Michael Desmond, Gary Edelson, Sean Fenlon, Marie Fletcher, Alfred Ford, Cecilia Hart, Camryn Henkel, JeanMarie Howard, Samuel Jarmer, Raymond Kowalski, Linda Lapointe, Debra Maychrich, Denis McGowan, Denis C. Melecio, Kathy Morton, Carol Nebus, Joseph Pecoraro, Ellie Przygucki, Ernie Roberts, Joseph Scheuer, James Symons, Ralph Walker, Scott Wohlhueter, Peter Zaglin

If the person no longer needs prayers please let us know so we can remove their name from the list.

God Bless
You In The
New Year

The Parish Clergy and Staff would like to wish you a Happy and Blessed New Year.

PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

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 for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. Amen



Pray FOR THE SICK

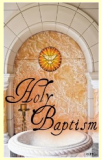
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Respect Life Diaper Drive



There will be a Respect for Life Diaper Drive the weekends of January 19 and 26. All size diapers and wipes are accepted, with a special emphasis on size 2 and up. Diapers and wipes may be left in the vestibules of both churches and will be donated to local charities.

Thank you in advance for your donations!



Welcome through the Holy Waters of Baptism;

Braelynn Frances Lepits

[St. Teresa of Calcutta](#)
[Parish](#)
[Book Club](#)



We enjoyed [The Unfinished Gift](#) by Dan Walsh so much that we decided to read the sequel. It's called [The Homecoming](#). Even if you haven't read the first book, there's a lot to discuss.

Please join us on January 9th at 6:30 in O'Hara Hall.

2024 Tax Contribution Statement

Everyone who;

1. Uses envelopes &
2. Has given the IRS required amount needing a receipt of \$250.00 or more will receive a tax statement.



Tax statements will be mailed out by January 31, 2025.

Please follow the link for the Jersey Shore Catholics Young Adult Group for Catholic young adults Group (18-35)

@jerseyshorecatholicyoungadult



DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE

THE JOURNEY

FEB. 1ST 2025 10AM

8th-12th grade
Notre Dame H.S.
Lawrence, NJ

Advance Registration \$25
Walk-in Registration \$35
dioceseoftrenton.org/dyc

"Those who hope in the Lord will run and not be weary." (Is 40:31)

St. Teresa of Calcutta Youth

Follow on Instagram @stocpyouth

STOCP High School Youth Group

Meeting times are Sundays, 7-8PM,

Ascension Center.

Children's Rosary Prayer Group

St. Elizabeth Church, 4:15-4:45 PM.

Thank you to our parishioners for your ongoing support of our youth programs. Wishing everyone a holy, happy, and healthy Advent season, Christmas season and New Year 2025.

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Christmas Gift

Looking for the perfect Christmas gift for your spouse?

Why not give yourselves a Marriage Encounter Weekend?

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to enrich your marriage, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held February 14 - 16.

Please apply ASAP as space is limited.
Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco).

Visit us at: www.wvme.org for more information.

Knights of Columbus #816 Youth Basketball Free-Throw Championship



The Knights of Columbus Council 816 is sponsoring a Youth Free-Throw Championship on **Saturday, January 25, 2025**, at **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School in Asbury Park**. All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition. **Check in is at 8am.**

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district, and jurisdictional competitions. International champions are announced by the Knights of Columbus international headquarters in New Haven, CT, based on scores from the jurisdiction-level competitions. All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions. All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event. Participants are required to furnish age, written parental consent, and an entry form – details available online at knights816.org.



Knights of Columbus 816 – “Mary Queen of the Knights”

Catholic gentlemen of St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish - Ascension can see us online at www.knights816.org or join using this QR code. **FREE membership!** Check out our website - we put Faith in Action! Your good works are most welcome as a small effort can have a large impact. Charity, Unity and Fraternity you will find.

Achievements include Catholic school scholarships, Right to Life, toy drives, coats for kids, blood drives, free throw contest, wheelchair fund, food pantry for families, hands-on labor at our parishes, schools and local Missionaries of Charity Sisters (St. Mother Teresa's order), charity comedy night, hurricane relief drive, Silver Rose pilgrimage for Our Lady of Guadalupe and more.

Join us! We are also on Social Media, Facebook and Instagram, as the knights_816.

Our Brothers will also be available before and after Masses on January 18 & 19, 2025 if you want to know more!

Empowering Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work and in their community.

These are exciting times to become part of a band of brothers serving our Catholic parishes, clergy, families and community. Blessed Christmas and Joyous New Year to all. Vivat Jesus!



" KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 5611"

Monsignor Thomas U. Reilly has achieved the #1 Council rating in North America, including Canada and Mexico, with 1414% increase in our annual membership quota, and 99 new members since July 1, 2023!

Catholic gentlemen of STOCP, St. Elizabeth: Please join us online <http://www.kofc.org/join>. (enter Council 5611), or use this QR Code. **FREE MEMBERSHIP.** \$9,000.00 in Catholic School Scholarships were awarded by St Elizabeth Chairman Tom Ruane, this year. Some are awarded only to members or family members of council 5611. Free Throw Tournament, ably managed by St Elizabeth Parishioner Terry Mahon: Both 11 year old students won the State Championship! We manage the St. Rose Food Pantry for the homeless, & give thousands of dollars to Fulfill Food Bank, ARC, BIRTHRIGHT, etc. Please join us 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:00PM, at St. Rose Parish Center. Call GK Kevin T. Fay: (732) 681-4128; kevintfay@verizon.net.



Mass for Life & Life Expo

CELEBRATED BY



**Bishop David M.
O'Connell, C.M.**

PRAY, CONNECT, ENGAGE

Embrace the transformative power of the Eucharist, foster solidarity, and take decisive action to nurture a culture of life that honors every stage from womb to tomb.

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Join us for a special Mass celebrated by Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M.
- Engage with local organizations dedicated to upholding and promoting human dignity throughout all stages of life.
- Enjoy delicious refreshments, fostering new friendships, and strengthening bonds within our community.

Friday
JANUARY 24
11:00AM

Co-Cathedral of
St. Robert Bellarmine,
Freehold

All are Welcome • No RSVP needed



For full information about the day's events, visit:
dioceseoftrenton.org/standing-together-for-life

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**WWP restarts on
1/7 and 1/8!**

Start your New Year with Walking with Purpose

**Join us for the women's Bible Study,
Walking with Purpose (WWP).
We gather at
the St. Denis Parish Center on
Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm
or
Wednesday afternoons at 12:15pm.**

**Come, join other women as we gather to learn
how our Catholic faith and the teachings of
Jesus Christ are relevant to our everyday lives.**

For more information, check out
our local website: wwpnjshore.com



St. Leo's in Lincroft is pleased to announce its continuing ministry for Separated and Divorced Catholics. It is called "Surviving The Holidays" Divorce: Hope and Healing for the Catholic Family" (www.catholicdivorce.com).

St. Leo's will be hosting an Information Night on Thursday, January 16, 2025 from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the Parish Hall located at 50 Hurleys Lane, Lincroft, NJ.

This Information Night will help you decide if you would like to attend our upcoming 12-week program starting in March of 2025 on Thursday nights. All the details will be provided to you at the Information Night. If you would like more information about our offerings, please check out our Ministry page at:

<https://www.mylifechangecoach.com/divorceministry>. **All are welcome!**

To register or if you are interested and would like more information, please email Michele Coppola Wilson at healingheartfromdivorce@gmail.com. Have any questions? Feel free to call or text anytime at 201-753-8485.

We hope you can make it!