

# SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH

## AUGUST 12, 2018 – NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** The rectory may be called at any time for the Sacrament of the Sick and for arrangements to visit the sick or elderly with the Eucharist. Our local hospitals also have a Catholic priest chaplain available.

**BAPTISMS:** First & Third Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM. Only five (5) baptisms will be permitted on each designated bi-monthly Sunday. Arrangements must be made prior in person by either parent. No baptisms during Lent.

**PRE-BAPTISM WORKSHOPS:** These workshops are given on the last Tuesday of every month in the Religious Ed building at 7:00 PM. Both parents are encouraged to attend and must pre-register in advance by calling the Parish Center, 641-1480. This workshop is for adults. If necessary, please arrange a babysitter. We strongly suggest you attend the Baptism Workshop before the birth of your child. Certificates of Eligibility for Catholic godparents should be submitted no later than the Friday prior to the Baptism.

**ENVELOPE SYSTEM:** Regular use of envelopes provides a stable income to the parish. A record of contributions is kept and will be made available to contributors.

**STEWARDSHIP:** The Church of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton is a Stewardship Parish, committed to serving the Lord with our God-given time, talents (abilities) and treasure (financial support). Parishioners are urged to support the Parish through volunteer services and also its programs through the use of regular weekly parish envelopes.

**MARRIAGES:** Ideally, arrangements should be made with the priest one year prior to the scheduled date. Pre-Cana Sessions should be arranged in plenty of time before the marriage.

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** All new parishioners are welcome to our parish family. Please register at the parish center. We would appreciate you letting us know when you move into the parish or when you move away from the parish. A letter for a reference cannot be issued to non-registered parishioners.

Your priests will be happy to meet with you anytime; appointments are recommended and appreciated.

Your priests are here to be of service to you in every way—to share your joys and sorrows, laughter and tears. We take seriously the words of Jesus "The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give His life for the ransom of many." (Matthew 20:28)

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):** Every Saturday at 4 to 4:30 PM and 6 to 6:30 PM in Church.

**THEME FOR TODAY'S MASS** Jesus, the Bread of Life, teaches us how to come to the Father. The claims that Jesus makes about himself leave us with a choice: to receive him and be transformed, following him as he leads us to the Father, or to remain as we are.

### NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading: I Kings 19:4-8**

Queen Jezebel had vowed to kill Elijah, who went into the desert and prayed for death. Instead he went to sleep and was awakened by an angel, who told him to eat the food God had given him. He ate and went back to sleep, but God's angel again woke him and told him to eat. Strengthened by the food, he got up and walked forty days and nights to the mountain of God.

**Second Reading: Ephesians 4:3- 5:2**

Paul appeals to the Ephesians to get rid of bitterness, anger, and malice. Instead they must be kind, compassionate, and forgiving just as God has been. We must be imitators of Christ, and love one another as he has loved us.

**Gospel: John 6:41-51**

The Jews were not convinced that Jesus was the bread that came down from heaven. But he again explains that he is the bread of life. He tells them that anyone who believes and eats this bread shall live forever. He explains that the bread he will give is his flesh, for the life of the world.



### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

**AUGUST 5, 2018**

2018 SUNDAY Collection \$10,468.00

2017 SUNDAY Collection \$10,092.00

Many thanks for your generosity

#### 2018 HOUSE OF CHARITY UPDATE

GIFTS	TOTAL AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE OF GOAL
219	\$93,999.50	76.9%

**PARISH GOAL: \$122,190.26**

#### STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship Eucharist

*"Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!"*  
(1 KINGS 19:7)

Jesus knows that our **Stewardship** journey will be difficult; we are not designed to do it on our own. Fortunately, Jesus gave us the greatest gift of all – the gift of the Eucharist; His own body and blood. When we join our sacrifices with the sacrifice of the Mass, we find strength and courage to be His joyful disciples.





# Mass Intentions for the Week

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 11

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE  
5:00 PM James Garron / Cirignano Family

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

8:00 AM Howard Bensel, Jr. / Family  
10:00 AM Collective  
Vincent Leonetti / Ann & Ted Shober  
Peg Henry / Patty Smith  
Martin Mahon / Dottie Iaconelli  
Connie DeSimone / John & Rosalie DeRitis  
People of the Parish  
11:30 AM Collective  
Frances & Leopold Kropiewnicki / Antoinette Brown  
Al Winterholer / Peg, Joan & Family  
Laura T. McWhorter / Mom & Dad  
Benjamin Nogifwich / Carol & Joe Tyburski  
Steven Culbertson / Jim & Helene Berchtold

## MONDAY, AUGUST 13

6:45 AM Deceased Military Personnel

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 14

6:45 AM Special Intentions

## VIGIL OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

7:00 PM Anna Erbacher / Arlene Erbacher

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15 – ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (Holyday of Obligation)

6:45 AM People of the Parish  
9:00 AM In Honor of The Blessed Virgin Mary

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 16

6:45 AM Special Intentions

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 17

6:45 AM People of the Parish

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE  
5:00 PM Collective  
Jimmy Murphy / Mom  
Benedetto & Kenneth Romeo / Frank & Mary Ann Romeo  
Melody Acosta / Barbara & James Mong  
Salvatore Fornarotto / Betty & Jerry House

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

8:00 AM Collective  
Peg Henry / Nancy & Greg Maiuro  
Irene Doherty / Anna Mae Bensel  
Connie Desimone / Mary Graziano & Family  
10:00 AM Brenda Kadian / Husband, Dennis  
11:30 AM Deceased Members of Divine Mercy Fraternity

please  
pray for  
the sick

Evelyn Alessi, Mary Anderson, Andy, Kay Arellano, Marie Ashman, Carol Badgley, Frank Baranowski, Dean Barnett, Joe Barrett, **Paige Bender**, Kathleen Bird, Natalie Bocis, Ernie Braca, Bridget, Joseph Brown, Rose Brown, Ann Campbell, Debbie Capille, Mary Carr, Brian Catalano, Gary Claus, Thomas Cleary, Luke & Grace Colluzzi, Leeanna Couplin, Patrick Crisafulli, Dan, Michelle Daniels, Debbie Davis, Michael Day, Frank DeFeo, Lou DeFeo, Jr., Nichole DeGeorge, Rosalie DeRitis, Linda DeRogatis, Carol Ditmire, Frank Dominico, Marie Duffy, Dennis Dutton, Kiley Earl, Flo Flanagan, Mario Formica, Frank, Rita Falsetto, Maryann Gillam, Marguerite Guzzetti, Emily Hackney-Miller, Brenna Hasselman, Josh Heck, Cathy Hesselgesser, Minerva Hirsch, Sam Hornikal, Dick Hudson, Pat Hudson, James Hulsizer, Dana Huston, Dominick Idris, Jarrod (child); James Joyce, Judy, Marie Kasper, John C. Kennedy, Lynne Kenny, Joyce Kern, Keith Knowles, Theresa Kobulnicky, Loretta Kopervos, Barbara Lichtman, Linda, John J. Maderia, Madison, Elsa Maene, Robert Maguire, Angelina Mahoney, Maria, Anne Maslar, Josephine Maurino, Charlotte Rose McAuliffe, Eddie McLaughlin, Kevin McLaughlin, Joseph & Frances McAnally, Andrew Messick, Mike, Andy Milazzo, David Mogan, Maryanne Morley, Alexandria Lee Morton, Denise Murray, Lissa Neafsey, Connie Nedohon, Donna Nungesser, Ron O'Toole, Jr., Ron O'Toole, Sr., George Paletta, Lynn Papa, Kathleen Peterson, Jack Pfeifer, Marie Pruchnicki, The "R" Family, **Peter Ratzlaff**, Joseph Raymond, Anna Reuben, Joel Rivera, Donna Robertson, Nancy Robinson, Sam, Lisa Schaefer, Emma Simons, Oscar Sprague, Frank Stanton, Bert & Bill Stevens, Dominick Stinziano, Larissa Strosnider, Michele Tedesco, Teresa, Ethel Thomas, Greg Thompson, Anthony Totoro, Dianna Towe, Janine Williams, Viviana Grace Wyant & Beau Miller Wyant (twin babies); Neil Woloff. **\*Newly Added Names**

If you are aware of any name that needs to be removed from this list, please call the Parish Office at 641-1480. Thank you.

**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY ... Tech SSGT Paul Becotte**, U.S. Air Force; **Tech SGT Kelly D'Adamo**, USAF; **SSSgt. Tim Davis**, U.S. Army; **SRA Michael Dargosa**, US Air Force; **Capt. Steven Hansen**, U.S. Army; **Andrew Iroff**, Navy Boot Camp; **Lt. Cmdr. Matthew Kenney**, Coast Guard; **Airman E-3 Eric Logue**, USAF; **PO2 James Malecki**, USCG; and his wife, **PO1 Michelle Malecki**, USCG; **Robert Morgan**, U.S. Army; **Staff Sgt. Brian Nawrocki**, US Air Force; **SSG Michaelat J. Ong**, 455<sup>th</sup> Chemical Brigade; **Capt. Christopher Rzonca**, US Marines; **Brig. Gen. George M. Schwartz**, U.S. Army; **Jim Senese**, U.S. Navy; **CS2 Joseph Showell**, USCG; **Lt. Cmdr. Bobby Smail**, U.S. Navy; **Michael Spinogatti**, U.S. Army; **LPL Angel Torres**, U.S. Marines; **Pvt. Tasey Venafro**, U.S. Army; **Lt. Col. Thomas A. Walsh**, USAF and his wife, **Cmdr. Marilyn A. Walsh**, USN; **Ens. Robert Warley**, US

### A Prayer for the Help of the Blessed Virgin Mary

May we be assisted, we beseech Thee, O Lord, by the worshipful intercession of Thy glorious Mother, the ever-Virgin Mary; that we, who have been enriched by her perpetual blessings, may be delivered from all dangers, and through her loving kindness made to be one heart and mind: who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

### DAILY SCRIPTURAL READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday**  
1 Kgs 19:4-8; Eph 4:30—5:2; Jn 6:41-51  
**Monday**  
Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Mt 17:22-27  
**Tuesday**  
Ez 2:8—3:4; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14  
**Wednesday**  
Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16, 16:1-2; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28  
Day: Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56  
**Thursday**  
Ez 12:1-12; Mt 18:21—19:1  
**Friday**  
Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Mt 19:3-12  
**Saturday**  
Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Mt 19:13-15

CATHOLIC STRONG UPDATE		
GIFTS	TOTAL AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE
166	\$587,835.00	66%
PARISH GOAL: \$885,000.00		

## Liturgical Ministry Schedule

**SATURDAY / SUNDAY  
AUGUST 18 / AUGUST 19, 2018**

<b>MASS</b>	<b>*EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	<b>LECTORS</b>
<b>5:00 PM</b>	* <b>L. Steveline</b> , J. Giardina E. Cressey, C. Johnson C. Peters, M. Petta	R. Krumaker H. Steveline
<b>8:00 AM</b>	* <b>J. Logue</b> , C. Seher J. Ring, R. Ring J. Rudisill, E. Walker	L. Eger T. Karmilovich
<b>10:00 AM</b>	* <b>T. Nell</b> , A. Spina B. Stokley, G. Stokley A. Triggs, B. Keenan	M. Reynolds C. Thomas
<b>11:30 AM</b>	* <b>K. Walls</b> , H. Berchtold M. Deleener, MJ Dye R. Dye, P. Gaskill	C. Wagner M. Wagner

**\*MASS COORDINATORS ARE BOLDED**

### ALTAR SERVERS (No List Available)

<b>5:00 PM</b>	Jorel Maravilla, Patrick Urmson
<b>8:00 AM</b>	Katherine DeRitis, Sean Burns
<b>10:00 AM</b>	Michael Jack Felix, Brooke Felix
<b>11:30 AM</b>	James Scalice, Alexander Scalice

Please do not call the Parish Center when in need of a replacement. Please call another Minister.

## SEAS PARISH EVENTS

**CYRENEAN CLUB** This week's winner is **Ticket #812** held by **Marge Quigley**. The Captain is **Kathie Carlsen**. The winning ticket was drawn by **Jim Davis**.

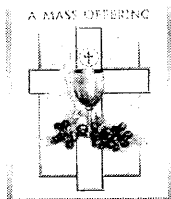
**THE PARISH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, THURSDAY, AUGUST 16 and FRIDAY, AUGUST 17, 2018. They will reopen MONDAY, AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup> at 9 AM.**

**ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15th Masses will be celebrated at 6:45 and 9:00 AM (The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary).**



**SPECIAL BLESSING...** Our college students will receive a special blessing this weekend—August 11 & 12—at all the Masses before they begin or return to their respective institutions of higher learning.

**2019 MASS BOOK ...** The 2019 Parish Mass Book is now open and available to book your Mass intentions. Please stop in the Parish Center during our office hours: Monday – Thursday from 9 AM – 12 Noon and 1 PM – 4 PM and on Friday from 9 AM – 12 Noon. Office is closed for lunch from 12 N – 1 PM. Announced Mass offering is \$15. We kindly request that you do not call. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.



"God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him." – 1 John 4:16b

If you would like to know more about Stephen Ministry, please place a confidential call to Joan at (609) 646-6872 or email [setonstephenministry@aol.com](mailto:setonstephenministry@aol.com)

## MISSION CO-OP COLLECTION

This weekend of **August 11 & 12, 2018** our parish will host speakers for the Alliance for International Monasticism (AIM USA).

Once a year, as part of the Missionary Cooperation Plan, each parish in the diocese welcomes a member or an associate of a religious community involved in missionary work.

**Christina Nord and Ginny Slichter, Oblates of the Benedictine Sisters of Erie, PA**, are this year's representatives who will share with you some of the work of AIM USA and the 450 English-speaking Benedictine and Cistercian monasteries in Africa, Asia, Central and South America in alliance with AIM USA. These Benedictine and Cistercian women and men form centers of prayer, education, health and agriculture in some of the poorest regions of the world. **Please respond to this appeal with openness and generosity.**

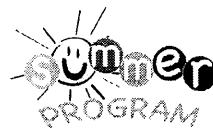
## PREP

(Parish Religious Education Program)  
(609) 641-7043

### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

**Sunday: 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM**  
**Monday – Thursday: 9 AM - Noon**  
**Friday: Closed**  
**Saturday: Closed**

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Thank you to all our wonderful teachers and aides who helped to make this week so successful:

Cole Brigden	Elizabeth Lynch	Rodney Ruark
Lindsey Chiappisi	Lea Maravilla	Eileen Seif
Matt DeGuzman	Megan Maravilla	Erin Seif
Amy Evans	Chloe McHugh	Carrie Shaffer
Grace Evans	Fr. Joshua Nevitt	Erin Stewart
Mary Hughes	Jonathan Parrish	Lynn Stinziano
Laura Kane	Judy Parrish	Melissa Torres
Savannah Keaser	Jack Pfeifer	Nikki Transue
Caressa Logue	Michele Polk	Alexis Vaughn
Billy Lorge		Sandy Williams

Also, a special Thank You to Carol Lott and the lunchroom volunteer parents, and to Fran Adamo for all your nursing advice.

**Religious Ed. will be starting on September 16<sup>th</sup>. Please come to the office and register if you have not done so already, especially those children going into Kindergarten or 1<sup>st</sup> grade.**

## YOUTH GROUP

**Wednesday, August 15th, 2018**

Come out and meet with other youth in our parish. We will meet every other Wednesday in our Youth Lounge where there is foosball, basketball, table tennis, crafts and snacks!

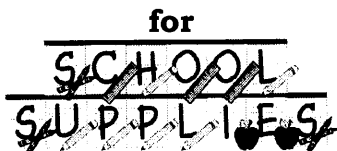
**7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade: 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM**  
**9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade: 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM**

For more information, please contact Susan Querstret (609-464-2936).

**SOCIAL SERVICES**

The Social Action Office is open **MONDAY** and **WEDNESDAY** mornings **ONLY** from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon in the Parish Center (Rear Entrance). Other days this office is closed. Phone: 641-1480 Extension 104. Leave a message and someone will get back to you. If you know of someone in need, please contact us.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION**



**We are in great need!**



This collection will be held through the month of August. You may drop them off to the Parish Center or put them in the SAC basket in the Gathering Space. **THANK YOU SO MUCH.**

Thank you for being so generous with **Loaves and Fishes**. Your contributions are used and appreciated by many.

**CHILDREN'S CLOTHES** are always needed and appreciated.

**NO WINTER CLOTHES PLEASE!!!**  
**WE HAVE NO PLACE TO STORE THEM.**  
**THANKS FOR YOUR COOPERATION.**

**TOWELS** and **HOUSEHOLD ITEMS** are always put to good use.  
**THANK YOU!**

**WHEELCHAIRS** are available for loan. If you or someone is in need, please contact the Social Action Office, Phone: 641-1480 Extension 104.

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**AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE - KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS VILLA MARIE COUNCIL #6342... Monday, August 20, 2018 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM** at Church of the Assumption Gym, 146 S. Pitney

Road, Galloway, NJ 08205. Schedule your blood donation appointment today. Register online at: [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code: KOC Villa Marie or zipcode 08205 or call 1-800-RED CROSS

The City of Absecon presents  
**2018 CONCERTS IN THE PARK**

Concerts Start 7:00 PM at Heritage Park

Sunday, August 12  
**BRANDON IRELAND BAND**  
 Pop, Rock and Roll from All Decades

**FOOD \* FUN \* FRIENDS \* FREE ADMISSION**  
 Food Available at the Concession Stand  
 Please bring your own chair or blanket.

*Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC*  
 Saturday, October 13, 2018

Come join fellow parishioners and friends of the Camden Diocese on a bus trip to the National Shrine. Bus (with lavatory) will depart from Assumption property at 6:30 AM with a stop at St. Nicholas, Egg Harbor City, around 6:50 AM. Departing Washington right after 3:00 PM Mass with Bishop Sullivan. **Cost is \$40 per person which includes the bus and tip for the driver.** This year, pilgrims will be able to view the magnificent **Trinity Dome Mosaic** which was only recently completed and blessed. Don't wait too long! Closing date is October 1<sup>st</sup>. All reservations are first come. Tickets will be going fast. If you have any questions, please call Katrina at 609-652-0008, ext 202.

**DIocese OF CAMDEN GOSPEL CHOIR:** Join us at our upcoming rehearsals in preparation for singing at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., the Annual Black Catholic Ministries' Day of Reflection, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Tri-State Concert with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and the Diocese of Wilmington! All rehearsals are 6:45 PM – 8:30 PM. See the following locations and dates:

- Tuesday, September 11 - St. Bridget Parish, 125 Church Street, Glassboro, NJ 08028-2517
- Tuesday, September 25 – St. Bridget Parish, 125 Church Street, Glassboro, NJ 08028-2517
- Tuesday, October 9 – Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish/St. Luke Church, 55 Warwick Road, Stratford, NJ 08084

For more information email [tdorseymusic@gmail.com](mailto:tdorseymusic@gmail.com) or call (609) 502-7414

**ARE YOU –**

- A practicing Catholic who is hungry for more knowledge about Catholic teaching?
- In ministry with a desire to increase your knowledge about God and about the Church you serve?

**CMIC—Church Ministry Institute Camden** offers courses for you

**OLPH, Galloway**  
 CMIC *Sacraments*, Thursdays, 6:30 – 9:00 PM, *September 6 – October 11* (6 weeks Email Nancy Riddell, [releddirector@olphparish-nj.org](mailto:releddirector@olphparish-nj.org) or call Colleen (856)583-2906

*Knight's Corner*

Knights of Columbus, Villa Marie Council #6342  
 Are you interested in becoming a member of the Knights of Columbus? You may join on-line at:  
<https://www.kofc.org/apps/newjoin/>

## COMMUNITY



**WEDDING OF THE SEA FESTIVAL**  
Wednesday, August 15, 2018

Take part in this special tradition of  
the Parish of St. Monica  
in Atlantic City!

**Mass of the Assumption of Mary \* Boardwalk Hall**  
Doors Open \* 11:00 AM  
Program and Mass \* 12:00 PM

**Procession of the Blessed Mother and  
Benediction on the Boardwalk**  
Procession to Surf \* 1:15 PM

Join the Most Reverend Dennis Sullivan, Bishop of the  
Diocese of Camden in celebration of this beautiful Mass.

**Festival – St. Michael’s Church Parking Lot**  
Georgia Avenue, Atlantic City  
1:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Free and open to the public. Enjoy 10 Atlantic City  
restaurant vendors, a beer garden, live music, children’s  
games, and more.

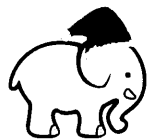
Free parking at multiple locations.  
(609) 345-1878 \* <http://weddingofthesea.org/>

**PARISH OF ST. MONICA, Atlantic City...** presents their annual  
Multi-Cultural Dinner in conjunction with the Wedding of the Sea  
Festival. It will be held on **Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup>** at Quaremba  
Hall/St. Michael’s Church, 15 N. Georgia Ave., at **5:30 PM**  
following the 4:15 PM Mass in St. Michael’s Church. Tickets are  
\$20 pp and are available at the Welcome Centers in each church.  
Also, at Our Lady Star of the Sea rectory or by calling Marcia @  
609-641-4634.

**ST. GIANNA’S CHICKEN BARBECUE ...** It’s our 50<sup>th</sup> year! The  
Annual Parish Chicken Barbecue will take place 1 pm – 6 pm on  
**Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup>**, at St. Gianna Beretta Molla Parish, 1421  
New Road, Northfield. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$7 for children  
(12 & under). Take-outs available. Give-aways at the top of each  
hour and a few special surprises in celebration of our 50<sup>th</sup> year.  
Call 609-646-5611.

**FILIPINO “TAGALOG” MASS ...** The Catholic Church of St. Mary  
(2001 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill), in collaboration with the  
Filipino community, invites all to celebrate the Filipino “Tagalog”  
Mass and Fellowship on **Sunday, August 26, 2018**. Mass will  
begin at 2:00 PM followed by time for fellowship in the Parish Hall.  
Please bring a dish to share with others! Family and friends are  
welcome! For more information, please call the Parish office at  
(856) 424-1454.

**The Sisters of Mercy 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Classic** will take place on  
**Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**, at the beautiful Spring Lake Golf Club.  
“Fore” all the details on this event, which benefits our retired  
Sisters, please call Linda Cavallo at (908) 756-0994 ext. 4006 or  
email [lcavallo@mercymidatlantic.org](mailto:lcavallo@mercymidatlantic.org)



**SEAS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR...** WATCH THE  
BULLETIN FOR DROP OFF DATES IN  
SEPTEMBER FOR WHITE ELEPHANT.

## WORD TODAY

By Rev. William J. Reilly

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 12, 2018

“Elijah prayed for death, saying: This is enough, O Lord. Take my life, for I am no better than my fathers. He lay down and fell asleep under the broom tree, but then an angel touched him and ordered him to get up and eat...for the angel of the Lord came back a second time, touched him and ordered ‘Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you.’ He got up, ate and drank...he walked forty days and nights to the mountain of God, Horeb.”

We return to Capernaum and find Jesus telling us ‘I AM the bread of life.’ It is in the Eucharist we find Jesus present to accompany us on our journey. Elijah was awakened twice and was ordered to brace himself for the journey. Jesus is the bread of life for us. We often overlook how great, how important, how necessary is this gift for our spiritual survival.

How many people in the world die each day of starvation? Too many, and we are called to assist them. How many people in the church take the gift of the Eucharist for granted? We speak of a priest shortage, while we should focus on the lack of appreciation for the gift of the Eucharist. Where in our world are people deprived of what is so essential, yet we sometimes take the priesthood, the mass and Eucharist for granted.

If Jesus is the bread of life, I need to go to Him with renewed fervor and gratitude. ‘Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you.’

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### RETROUVAILLE

*Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage!*

Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? **Retrouvaille** (retro-VIE) can help and offers hope for a better relationship. *Retrouvaille* is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. *Retrouvaille* is Christian based and Catholic in origin but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. *Retrouvaille* can help get your relationship back on track. **Our next program is coming up at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA: August 17-19.** For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our website at [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential



**UP**  
**SOUTH JERSEY**

**MAN-UP SOUTH JERSEY: A MEN’S SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE... November 10, 2018.** Catholic men from across South Jersey will come together for a spirituality conference at the Paul VI Conference Center in Haddon Heights, NJ Through inspirational

talks and discussions, these men will leave equipped to become better sons, fathers and husbands... better men.

The day-long event, includes powerful speakers, time for Adoration, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and will conclude with Mass celebrated by our Bishop Dennis Sullivan. If you desire to become the man that God intended you to be, join us on November 10<sup>th</sup>. Register now and save!

[www.manupsouthjersey.com](http://www.manupsouthjersey.com)