

St. Mary's By-The-Sea

~ TODAY'S SERVERS ~

Organist and Choir Director	Esther Graham
Oblation Bearers/Coffee Hosts	Stewardship Luncheon
Worship Leaders	
First Reading:	Dru Kegreiss
Second Reading:	Suzanne Jorgensen
Eucharistic Minister:	Suzanne Jorgensen
Acolytes Team 3	Leader: Chris Fecci Vanessa Helfrich, Patrick Cranwell, Jake Dawe, Nick Fecci, Brad Schambach
Ushers	Andrew Bell and Daryl Schambach

~ TODAY ~

Pledge Sunday

- 8:00AM Holy Eucharist Rite I
- 9:30AM Sunday school
- Blood pressure screening
- 10:00AM Holy Eucharist Rite II

~ UPCOMING EVENTS ~

- 7:15AM Holy Eucharist
- 6:00PM Holy Eucharist
- 9:00-10:00AM Staff meeting
- 7:00PM Choir rehearsal
- St. Gregory's Pantry distribution
- 7:15AM Holy Eucharist
- 6:00PM Holy Eucharist
- 10:00AM Thanksgiving service
- Parish office closed

Tues. Nov. 18
Wed. Nov. 19
Thurs. Nov. 20

Mon. Nov. 24
Tues. Nov. 25
Wed. Nov. 26
Thurs. Nov. 27
Fri. Nov. 28



THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN THE CREATION SEASON
NOVEMBER 16, 2008
HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE I 8:00AM RITE II 10:00AM
STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY
OUTREACH

8:00AM

SOLEMN HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

Welcome and Announcements

Brief Silence

Order for the Holy Eucharist

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Gloria in Excelsis (*all standing*)

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Collect for the Knowledge of God's Creation

First Reading

Please see insert

Brief Silence

Psalm

Second Reading

Brief Silence

The Holy Gospel (*all standing*)

The Homily

Fr. C. John Thompson-Quartey

Moment of Silence

Presentation of Pledge Offerings

The Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People

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Congregation is invited to read the prayers aloud and to offer petitions

The people will respond after each prayer with the words:

Lord, hear our prayer

Confession and Absolution

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The Peace (*all standing*)

Special Blessings

Eucharistic Prayer II

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Post Communion Prayer: A Prayer attributed to St. Francis

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Blessing

Dismissal

~ TODAY'S SERVERS ~

Worship Leaders

Jack Greene

Acolyte

Jerry Mangino, Kathy Freeman

For those in the armed services: Thomas Patrick, Richie Fulham, William Quigley, Chris, James Birch, Ian Hatch, Tom McCarthy, Stephen Howell, Brooke and all those who are in danger in this time of war

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Rev'ds: Douglas C. Halvorsen, Robert H. Legnani

Today is **PLEDGE SUNDAY.**

The Stewardship Committee is hosting a pot-luck luncheon in Farnsworth Hall following the second service. *All are invited!*

ST. MARY'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT Planning for this year's pageant will begin at 9:45 today. Rehearsals will be held on November 23rd, December 7th and the 14th. The pageant will take place during the 10:00 service on Sunday the 21st. (There is NO Sunday school on November 30th)

CROP WALK 2008

THANK YOU

When good people come together with other good people to help still other good people they share a wonderful experience. That's what happened on October the 19th. From the people who wrote checks for hundreds of dollars to the seven year old girl who insisted on emptying the \$1.61 from her piggy bank because, "They need it more than I do" the CROP Walk belongs to all of us. We each know that alone we can't do much, but together we can do a lot. **Our Rite 13 group raised \$1000.00.** The current walk total is \$27,500 and counting. We can reasonably expect to top last year's total of \$28,800. If you still have contributions to return please send them to the walk treasurer, Rita Kearney at St. Joseph's Church 685 Hooper Ave, Toms River 08753.

Valentine House Partakes in an "Evening of Giving" On November 23rd. The Ocean County Mall will close to the public from 6:30-9:30PM. Those with tickets (\$10.00 each) will be the only ones allowed in the door. Different stores will be offering special discounts. \$7.00 will benefit Valentine House and \$3.00 will go towards the Simon Youth Foundation. For more information please see the poster hanging on the information board in Farnsworth Hall

Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

Come labor on

Hymnal 541

Postlude

Petite Suite - III

~ Parish Notes ~

Prayer For Our Stephen Ministry

O Lord Jesus, you have commanded us to love one another, and you have commissioned us to go make disciples. Help us as we begin Stephen Ministry here as a way to respond faithfully to your Great Commandment and Great Commission. Give us wisdom and discernment as we seek the most effective ways to do ministry in your name and to bring your healing love to those in need. We pray, trusting in your promise to hear us. *Amen.*

Please keep the following in your prayers this week

Birthdays: Dakota Palmieri, Dawn Palmieri, Abigail Fuller, Franklin Vilas, Breanna Wixted, Wallace Scott Bauer

Pray for the sick of our Parish Family: Lauren Schrama, Cameron, Kim McCorry, Phyllis Fecci, Derek Sturm, Anita Cole, Margorie Jones, John Kane, Jane Stone, Jon-Mark, Lisa Schmidt, Beth Hogle, Fred Bryant, Jean Slawson, Linney Hatch, Thomas Cramer, Patricia McKinstry, Mildred Comly, Susan Vernieri, Chic Dravis, Norma

Pray for the friends of our parish family who are sick: Jim, Pat Ahern, Gil Beck, Pattie Zeltakalns, Marge Lenoble, Becky Miller, Roxanne Conti, Jacalyn, Jennifer Jennings, Florine (Honey) Morrello, Jane McKinley, Bryan, Jeff Krausse, Sister Anne, Susan, Glenn, Ronnie Abbot, Andrea Hayden, Cara Hund, Maria Cassano-Trucios, Jarrett L. Feldman, Al Meserlin, Johanna Graham, Wendy Naden, John Taylor

The Homebound: Holly Longstreet, Gilda Herrmann, Viola Ferris, Lugene Hahm, Nellie Kaiser, Ann Hoyer, Mary Ker, Estelle Lambrugo

Departed: Caiti Brown

10:00AM

CHORAL HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: Help me to praise God's goodness

J.S. Bach

Entrance Hymn

Lift up your heads

Hymnal 436

THE PREPARATION

Opening Acclamation:

Celebrant: Bless the Lord all you, God's creatures.

People: *And forget not all God's benefits*

Celebrant: The God of creation is with you

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect of the Day: Proper 28

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Collect # 36: For the Oppressed

Look with pity, O heavenly Father, upon the people in this land who live with injustice, terror, disease, and death as their constant companions. Have mercy upon us. Help us to eliminate our cruelty to these our neighbors. Strengthen those who spend their lives establishing equal protection of the law and equal opportunities for all. And grant that every one of us may enjoy a fair portion of the riches of this land; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Magnificat

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior;
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed:

the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him

in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm,

he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,

and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things,

and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel,
 for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
 The promise he made to our fathers,
 to Abraham and his children for ever.
 Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Lesson: **Micah 6:1-4, 6-8**

Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. ‘O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.’ ‘With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?’ He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Psalm 33: 1-11 (sung by congregation & choir)

- 1 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous;
 it is good for the just to sing praises.
- 2 Praise the LORD with the harp;
 play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.
- 3 Sing for him a new song;
 sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.
- 4 For the word of the LORD is right,
 and all his works are sure.
- 5 He loves righteousness and justice;
 the loving-kindness of the LORD fills the whole earth.
- 6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made,
 by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.
- 7 He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin
 and stores up the depths of the sea.
- 8 Let all the earth fear the LORD;
 let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him.
- 9 For he spoke, and it came to pass;
 he commanded, and it stood fast.

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all, presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed by thy Name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And Forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

All are invited to receive the bread and wine

Fraction Anthem		HYMNAL S-154
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<i>Celebrant</i>	The Gifts of God for the People of God	
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Agnus Dei		HYMNAL S-164
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Communion Hymns	<i>Let all mortal flesh</i>	Hymn 321
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	<i>Come with us, O blessed Jesus</i>	Hymnal 336
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(Congregation invited to sing with choir)

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus

Hymnal S-130

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

10 The LORD brings the will of the nations to naught;
he thwarts the designs of the peoples.

11 But the LORD'S will stands fast for ever,
and the designs of his heart from age to age.

Contemporary Lesson

Thomas Kelley "Testament of Devotion"

The Inner Light, the Inward Christ, is no mere doctrine, belonging peculiarly to a small religious fellowship, to be accepted or rejected as a mere belief. It is the living Center of Reference for all Christian souls and Christian groups--yes, and non-Christian groups as well--who seriously mean to dwell in the secret place of the Most High.

He is the center and the source of action, not the end-point of thought. He is the locus of commitment, not a problem for debate. Practice comes first in religion, not theory or dogma. And Christian practice is not exhausted in outer deeds. These are the fruits, not the roots.

A practicing Christian must above all be one who practices the perpetual return of the soul to the inner sanctuary, who brings the world into its light and rejudges it, who brings the Light into the world with all its fitfulness and recreates it.

Sequence Hymn

Sleepers awake

Hymnal 61 verse 1

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Sequence Hymn

Sleepers awake

Hymnal 61 verse 3

The Sermon

Fr. C. John Thompson-Quartey

Presentation of Pledge Offerings

Blest Are They

Anthem by choir

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

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Prayers of the People - Form III

Confession of Sin

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution

The Peace

Special Blessings

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Congregation stands as the elements are brought forward

The Offertory Anthem

Old Time Religion

As the gifts are being brought forward by the ushers the congregation sings the following refrain

Chorus: Rejoice, and be glad!
Blessed are you, holy are you!
Rejoice and be glad!
Yours is the kingdom of God!

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B**

(all standing) The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*
Lift up your hearts.
People *We lift them to the Lord.*
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*