


St. Justin the Martyr Roman Catholic Church

975 Fischer Boulevard, Toms River, NJ 08753

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He has done all things well.
He makes the deaf hear and
the mute speak.

Mark 7:37

Readings for the Week – September 8, 2024

Monday, September 9, 2024

1 Cor 5:1-8 Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12 Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

1 Cor 6:1-11 Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

1 Cor 7:25-31 Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17 Lk 6:20-26

Thursday, September 12, 2024

1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13 Ps 139:1B-3, 13-14AB, 23-24 Lk 6:27-38

Friday, September 13, 2024

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27 Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12 Lk 6:39-42

Saturday, September 14, 2024

Nm 21:4b-9 Ps 78:1BC-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17

Sunday, September 15, 2024

Is 50:4c-9a Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 Jas 2:14-18 Mk 8:27-35

Pastor: Reverend Mark A. Kreder
Weekend Associate: Rev. Robert Laferrera
Pastoral Associate: Deacon James Gillespie
Deacon James Campbell
Deacon Frederick C. Ebenau, Sr.
Deacon Donald Gries
Religious Education: Ellen Noble
Trustees: Susan Keogh, Peter Gudzak
Director of Sacred Music: Angela Petti
Sacristan: Carol Lewandowski

PARISH OFFICE: 732-270-3980
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: 732-270-3797

REGISTRATION: All are welcome! Sponsorship letters for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony will only be issued to registered parishioners. Please contact the Parish Office to register and please also notify the Parish Office of a change of address or if you plan to move from the parish so that we may keep our records updated.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
SUNDAY, September 8
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00am James Rooney
 John McGuire
 Mary Jo Romano

9:30am Joseph LePore
 Carol Calvano
 John J. McGuire
 Theresa Debra Strich

11:30am Tina Larsen
 Susan Dolan
 Gregory DeJohn

MONDAY, September 9
St. Peter Claver, Priest

8:00am St. Vincent de Paul Society
 Joseph Abrams
 Maria Tardi (living)

TUESDAY, September 10
Weekday

8:00am Deceased of Pinto & Rebelo family
 Carol Procassini
 Patrick J. Monaghan

WEDNESDAY, September 11
Weekday

8:00am Communion Prayer Service

THURSDAY, September 12
Weekday; The Most Holy Name of Mary

8:00am Communion Prayer Service

SATURDAY, September 14
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

5:00pm Christopher Beeh (living)
 Pat Jarocki
 Deborah Schroeck

SUNDAY, September 15
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00am Pasquale & Adelina Cosentino
 Bob & Carol Muraczewski
 Henry Johnson

9:30am Cathy Farrant
 Charlotte Shaw
 Frank Bonaccorso

11:30am John Doneman
 Joseph Arena
 Mary Rosalie Brown

Boscov's Shopping passes will be sold after all Masses on September 28th/29th and October 5th/6th, in the Narthex. The \$5 Boscov's shopping passes are worth 25% off their lowest prices on all items for a one day only "Friends Helping Friends" event which will take place in the Ocean County Mall store on Tuesday, October 22, 2024.

The Holy Name Society is sponsoring a **Shop Rite Card Program**. after all Masses Before going shopping you can purchase your Shop Rite gift cards. Cards come in \$10, \$25, \$50, & \$100 denominations. **5% of all proceeds go towards supporting our Parish.** Please support this worthy cause

Collections are vital to our existence as a Parish. If your circumstances permit, please consider donating to the parish at this time. I am thankful and grateful for your continued financial support to help us meet our weekly and monthly expenses. Many mail their contributions in and continue to do so. Here are some ways for you to help your parish: Place your offering in the receptacles at the doors as you enter or leave church. Mail in your envelopes weekly/monthly. Have your bank send us weekly/monthly check automatically from your checking account made out to St. Justin Church with your envelope number on the check to get proper credit. Thank you for giving the above some consideration to help support your parish financially, and know it is greatly appreciated! Fr. Mark

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ST. VINCENT DePaul SOCIETY: 732-929-1119
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St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Collection 3rd Sunday of the month. Food Collection basket is located in the narthex by the parish hall. Please utilize the green envelopes found in each pew for monetary donations to St. Vincent de Paul Society.

MASS SCHEDULE:
WEEKEND: Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:00PM
Sunday: 8:00AM; 9:30AM; 11:30AM
WEEKDAY: Monday-Thursday: 8:00AM
Holy Days: Announced
BAPTISM: Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session. Godparents/Sponsors are invited and strongly encouraged to attend. Please call the Parish Office as early as possible to make arrangements.
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions are from 3:30pm to 4:00pm. Outside the door of the church on the side of the Religious Ed Building. Kindly knock on the door, remain outside for Confession. Please arrive at 3:30.
Adult O.C.I.A. program: Contact Parish Office
Children O.C.I.A. program: Contact Religious Education
MARRIAGE: The Sacrament of Marriage requires a time of spiritual preparation. According to the Common Policy adopted by the Bishops of New Jersey, this preparation requires attendance at a marriage preparation program (Pre-Cana) as well as sessions with the parish deacon or priest. Therefore, couples should make arrangements at the Parish Office one year before the planned wedding date and before finalizing any social plans.
MISSION STATEMENT: The goal of Saint Justin the Martyr Parish is that each member grow in the Grace through Jesus Christ, and in so doing cooperate with the Holy Spirit in giving glory to God, in experiencing the salvation of their soul, and in building up the Body of Christ.



From the Pastor
23rd Sunday in
Ordinary Time - B
September 8, 2024

RELIGIOUS LIFE. Nine months ago, on **December 8**, we celebrated our **Blessed Mother's Immaculate**

Conception, which makes today the **Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**. Since her **Son** takes precedence, her birthday is not celebrated this year; nor is next Sunday's **Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows**. However, we will devote these articles to all who totally dedicate themselves to **God's** call like **Our Lady**. **Diocesan Priests** like me make a **promise of obedience and celibacy**, but **Religious Priests, Sisters and Brothers** accept a **higher calling**. They take **VOWS of poverty, chastity and obedience**; some **Orders** add a vow of **stability**, making the monastery or cloister their sole home for life. Here are the orations for **Masses** offered for those who **now** serve **God** and His **Church** as **Religious Priests, Sisters or Brothers**.

Collect - For Religious - A
O God, who inspire and bring to fulfillment every good intention, direct your servants into the way of eternal salvation, and, as they have left all things to devote themselves entirely to you, grant that, following Christ and renouncing the things of this world, they may faithfully serve you and their neighbor in a spirit of poverty and in humility of heart. Through our Lord Jesus ... for ever and ever. **Amen.**

LIKE OUR BLESSED MOTHER. The **Dominican Sisters** who taught me used to add **'Mary'** or the initial **'M.'** to their **'Nun Name'** to show their devotion to the one who gave her whole life to **God's** call. There was **Sister Mary Leonard, Sister M. Irene** and **Sister M. Ancille**. Many ended that custom when **Vatican II** reforms allowed them to use their **Baptismal name**; even **Priests and Brothers** did, or still do, add **'Mary'** to their **Religious Name**. In any case, **ALL** are called to so embrace **God's** will that in whatever we do, we are as devoted to **Jesus** as His **Mother** was to Him. **Diocesan Priests** should struggle with the same 'worldly' concerns as do those we serve: finances; non-'communal' housing; maintaining a vehicle; paying for clerical attire and medical expenses, saving for retirement; etc. These things are provided by the **Order** for **Religious**, but not for

Diocesan Clergy. This **Collect** asks **God** to 'direct' **Religious Ministers** in their quest to keep and live out the **Evangelical Virtues or Counsels**.

Prayer over the Offerings - For Religious - A
Sanctify, we pray, O Lord, through these holy things we offer you, the servants you have gathered in your name, so that, faithfully fulfilling their vows to you, they may serve your majesty in sincerity of heart. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

WHY WE KEEP VOWS & PROMISES. **Sacred Scripture** often notes that, although **we** are often **unfaithful**, **God** is **always** faithful. As the shortest of the 150 **Psalms** says [commit it to memory!]: **"Praise the LORD, all you nations! Extol him, all you peoples! His mercy for us is strong; the faithfulness of the LORD is forever. Hallelujah!"** [Psalm 117:1-2] Renewing a couple's **consent** on their **25th or 50th Anniversary** inspires me, as does witnessing **newlyweds** make them the first time. So, too, witnessing **Deacons, Priests, Bishops, Sisters or Brothers** pledge themselves to - or mark a significant anniversary of - ministerial service.

Prayer after Communion - For Religious - A
Grant, O Lord, that your servants, gathered in your love and partaking of the one Bread, may be of one heart in prompting each other in the pursuit of charity and good works, so that through a holy way of life they may always and everywhere be true witnesses to Christ. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

HOLY TEAMWORK. Many a **Bishop** has had to remind his **Diocesan Clergy** that **"no one is a Lone Ranger"** and to seek guidance from, assist and even challenge each other as we strive to live out our **Vocations** as **Priests**. One drawback of **'One-Priest Parishes'** is losing touch with our brothers in ministry. Our **Religious** brothers and sisters vowed to be there for each other, and to function as a team at all times. As all families know, there are drawbacks to communal living, too. And no one can be all **God** has called them to be without prayerful support ... so pray for all who have **vowed** or **promised** to serve the **Lord** in **Holy Matrimony, Holy Orders**, and the **Religious Life**.

In Christ,
Father Mark

Rev. Mark A. Kreder, Pastor

To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven (Ecclesiastes 3:11)

"...a time to be born..."
Christopher John Brendel

"...a time to love..."

"...and a time to be born to eternal life..."

Patricia Healy, Maria Mazza, Rev. William Grogan

Those who have died in the Service of our Country.

"...and a time for peace in all the world..."

pray for our servicemen and women at home and abroad.

Cody Fisher, Jason Howie, Daniel Robert Costello, Mark Caruso, Rick DiSanti, A.J. Elbert, Ryan Buckley, Eric P. Fenske, Michael Griffing, Audrey Hughes, Ian Krong Alexandria Del'Romero Hughes, Walter Reed, Antoni Jedra, Charles Jones, Tyler Brandon Sansone, Trevor Smida, Nick Roma, Henry Sohl, Nick Panzara, Kieran Murphy Christopher Sylvester, Greg Hermack, Morgan Hermack John DiMicelli, Seamus Righter, Joey Colosimo, Jordan Thomas, Jason Paino, Christopher Wright, Gage Maguire, Brett Turners; Mikey Fanelli, Sean Doherty, Nicholas Pfeifer, Joseph Paparazzo, Jr., Peter Herbert, Jake Jackson, Cristien Osorio, Paul Honan, Frank Aklus

And for our President and elected Leaders of our Country.



Rite of Enrollment for the Sacrament of Confirmation Prep II Candidates

On September 7th at the 5:00PM Mass students in our Confirmation Prep II classes will celebrate their Rite of Enrollment for the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is the beginning of their formal journey toward a fuller life in the Holy Spirit. We pray for the strengthening of this relationship between these candidates and the Holy Spirit as they prepare for their Sacrament of Confirmation.

We ask that you please hold the candidates and their families in your prayers.

CLASSES BEGIN THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 9TH

If you are in need of a specific grade that had an optional choice of day, please note that at this time some of those sessions have closed.

Registration for the 2024-25 Program Year

Students currently enrolled in our program should have received their re-registration form via the United States Postal Service. We ask that you return your registration form immediately, especially if your child will be attending Grades 1,3, and 4-6 as these grades require a choice of day. Forms may be returned via the mail or dropped off at the parish office, please see times below. Please note that there is a black box outside the front doors to the parish office if you need to drop off information during off hours.

Registration Form for those new to the program

Students enrolling in our program for the first time may register in person at the parish office Monday-Thursday, 9:00AM-Noon and 1:15-4:00PM. A parish registration form is available on our website www.stjustin.org. Please click the link titled, Registration Form for New Parishioners, and print and complete the form. You may drop off your family registration form to the parish office. Forms for religious education registration are available only at the parish office. We ask that you please provide your child's Baptismal certificate if your child was not baptized in our parish. If your child is transferring into our program, we ask that a transfer be requested from the parish where your child previously attended.

September Reminders

September 9th – 12th —Classes for religious education begin 4:30-5:30PM

Grades 1-3 Monday or Wednesday in the Education Building

Grades 4-6 Tuesday only in the Parish Hall

Grades 4-6 Thursday only in the Education Building

Grades CPI on Wednesday in the Parish Hall

Grades CPII on Monday in the Parish Hall

September 15th—Catechetical Sunday

September 24th—Grade 1 Parent Meeting – Parish Hall – 7:00PM



12th National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

On Saturday, September 14th. Memorial services will be held at various sites throughout our nation.

Locally our Pro-life Cohort of all four Toms River Catholic Churches will hold our annual service and remembrance of the **100 aborted Loveladies babies on**

Saturday, September 14th at 10:30am at Ocean County Memorial Park Cemetery located at 1722 Silverton Road Toms River.

The service will be held indoors if it is raining and will include the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, music, singing, flower ceremony, remarks and reflections by one or two of our deacons. **Bring a chair.**

Need directions call Patti: 732-678-7367. Hope to see you there!



The Holy Name Society is sponsoring a CAR WASH in the church parking lot on September 8th

from 1pm to 4pm. Please come and support this worthy cause, the proceeds will support the ministries of St. Justin. Thank you!

MINISTRY MEETINGS



ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

The Altar-Rosary Society is a group of women dedicated to Blessed Mother and to helping our Parish. Praying the Rosary. Loving Jesus thru Mary is an important part of our lives. Come pray a rosary, enjoy friendship & fellowship with women who have a devotion to Blessed Mother in common. **Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, Sept. 25th , 6:30pm (Rosary in church, followed by the meeting in the parish hall)**

For further Info contact Pat: 732-608-0745
New Members Always Welcome!



IS GOD CALLING YOU? The Society of St. Vincent de Paul monthly meeting is **Monday September 16th, 7:00pm in St. Justin's Conference Room** All are

welcome who are interested in joining us and helping to fulfill God's plan that we pray together, and assist our poor neighbors in need. Please consider donating to this charitable cause. The green offering envelopes are available on the narthex walls for this purpose. If you have any questions, kindly leave a message on our Help-Line at 732-929-1119.

Thank you.

Mi 6:8 "What does the Lord require of you but to act justly, love mercy & walk humbly with your God"



BAPTISMAL WORKSHOPS in the Religious Ed Building.

**Next Baptismal Workshop
7:00 pm Wednesday, October 2nd**

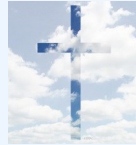
Pre-registration required call the parish office at 732-270-3980

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Anyone who has lost a loved one please come join us in prayer & sharing

**Next meeting date: Monday, Sept. 9th,
7:00pm in St. Justin's Conference Room.**

For further information contact: Laurie: 732-929-9094



MEN'S FAITH GROUP

Join other Men from the Parish for prayer, discussions and brotherhood as we live out, learn and share our Catholic Faith.

**Next Meeting Date:
Monday, October 7th**

Meetings are at 7:00 pm St. Justin's Conference Room
New Members Always Welcome



ADULT OCIA NEWS (formerly RCIA)

**We will begin classes for the 2024-2025 season on Sunday, September 29, 2024
9:00am to 10:00am in**

St. Justin's Conference Room

ARE YOU SOMEONE, OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO.....

*Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic? *Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation & Eucharist? Through our preparation and formation process, the **OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults)**, is always ready to accept those inquiring into becoming fully initiated Catholic Christians. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For further information on the OCIA program contact:

for Adults the Parish Office: 732-270-3980
(for Children call the Religious Education Office)

CATHOLICS CAN ALWAYS COME HOME

Shawl Ministry

**Do you like to knit or crochet?
Come join our group!** We are in

need of some talented hands to make lap blankets and more! **Next Meeting Date: Thursday,
Sept. 12th, 1:00pm in St. Justin's Conference Room**

For more info contact: JoAnne at 732-270-9258



HOLY NAME SOCIETY

St. Justin's is reestablishing the **Holy Name Society** at the parish! Our mission is to share the love and holy name of Jesus with our parish and community at large. In addition, the society promotes personal sanctification and holiness of its members by assisting other parish ministries and performing Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy.

All men of the parish community are invited to join.

**Next Meeting Date: Monday September 9th
7:00pm Religious Education Building**



St. Justin the Martyr Rosary Altar Society
Gift Auction FRIDAY OCT. 4, 2024—Tickets \$20

Tickets will be available the weekends of September 7th & 8th and September 14th & 15th

after Masses in St. Justin's Conference Room
(Must be 18 years or older)



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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 2-4 PM
and
MONDAY, OCTOBER 7 6-8 PM

Register for Open House Today!

2024 Bishop's Anniversary Blessing Dates Ocean County
Sunday, October 6, 2024 (3PM) Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine,

The Bishop's Anniversary Blessing is an annual Mass and reception to honor all couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50th (or more) wedding anniversary. Family and friends are encouraged to attend. Pre-registration is required; couples may register online or at their parish. Couples must be validly married in the Catholic Church to participate in the Bishop's Anniversary Blessing.

For full information and registration visit:
<https://dioceseoftrenton.org/bishops-anniversary-blessing>

N.J. MARCH for LIFE AND MASS for LIFE. Join thousands of Catholics and people of good will from every diocese in New Jersey as we meet and pray together in Trenton and march for LIFE. Note: there will be a bus leaving from St. Joseph's Church at 7:00am. Cost is \$10 and is non-refundable. To reserve your spot, call Al Kozikowski at 732-341-5364. Space is limited.

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NEW JERSEY MARCH FOR LIFE

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SEPTEMBER 26TH, 2024

11:00 A.M. - RALLY
12:00 P.M. - MARCH FOR LIFE

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:
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You are invited to New Jersey's

Mass for Life

Thursday, September 26, 2024
9:30 a.m.

Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption
151 N. Warren Street, Trenton

CELEBRANT
Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, CSsR

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

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