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HOLY WEEK begins today

Tenebrae, Wednesday, April 17

Service of Darkness, 8 pm in the chapel

Maundy Thursday, April 18

Liturgy and Eucharist, 7 pm

Good Friday, April 19

Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion with Eucharist, 12 noon

Holy Saturday, April 20

Liturgy, 9 AM in the chapel

Easter Sunday, April 21

Festive Easter Eucharist, 8 and 10 AM with choir

Ecumenical Sunrise Service, April 21

96th St. Beach Pavilion, Stone Harbor, 6:30 am



Adult Forum

As someone recently said: "Easter isn't something we remember. It's something we live and breathe." We don't meet on Easter to commemorate an anniversary of an event

that happened two thousand years ago. We gather on Easter Day and every Sunday to make something happen now! How does that happen? Please join us this morning in the Adult Forum (9-9:45 in the chapel) to learn more about an experience that has consequences and changes everything. kg



Holy Week

Very shortly after the beginnings of Christianity, followers of Jesus who lived around Jerusalem would gather and visit the places that had shaped the end of Jesus' earthly life. Over the centuries, this practice spread throughout

Christianity – and it is this time of remembering that we call "Holy Week." Holy Week recalls the events of the week that led up to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Over the past Sundays I have tried to describe this Sunday and the days that will follow. I can't do anything more...except only to ask, in the words of that awesome spiritual hymn, "Were you there...?" kg

This week at St. Mary's April 14, 2019

TODAY 9 am Adult Forum

MON 11 am Eucharist at The Branches

7 pm Vestry Meeting

TUES 8 pm AA

WED 5 pm Choir

8 pm Tenebrae

THURS 7 pm Maundy Thursday

FRI 10 am Alanon

12 noon Good Friday Service

SAT 9 am Holy Saturday liturgy

SUN 8 am and 10 am Easter Sunday

Birthday Blessings to

Lawrence Ziemba on April 15th,

Lynne Schmidt on April 16th,

Barbara DeLorey on April 17,

and William Sibson, Jr., & Lisa

Griesbach on April 20th!



We would like to be able to offer babysitting to parents on Easter Sunday during the 8 am

and 10 am services. If you would like to help out, please let Fr. Gorman or the church office know. Thank you!



Our Wednesday evening discussion group, conTEXTS, will resume on Wednesday,

April 24th at 6:30 pm in the parish hall. All are welcome to join Fr. Gorman for discussion of current events in the context of our faith.

ST. MARY'S SENIORS LUNCH PROGRAMS

May's program will be an interesting presentation by Ted Bryan, Museum Educator with The Mid Atlantic Center for the Arts, Cape May and Retired History Teacher, on Thursday, May 9th at 11 AM. The topic will be **The Underground Railroad in Cape May County**. Bring a bag lunch, and a \$5 voluntary contribution to offset speaker fees. If you plan to attend, please sign up in the parish hall by Monday, April 29. We will need to have 10 people signed up to hold the program.



On June 12th, we will return to the Emlen Physick Estate for **Bach's Lunch** in the Carriage House Café & Tea Room. This delightful event includes a Wine Tasting,

lunch and a musical program by an ensemble from The Bay Atlantic Symphony. It will begin at 12 noon and end at 2 pm. Cost for the lunch and program is \$32 which includes a gratuity for the servers.

30 tickets have been reserved. A sign up sheet is on the parish hall bulletin board. Deadline for sign up is Monday, May 20th. Any unused tickets need to be released to the MAC organization for public sale after that date. Tickets for this event after that date may be available on a first come, first serve basis until the event is sold out.

NEWS FROM THE BRANCHES

EASTER BASKETS—Thank you to everyone who made donations to The Branches for Easter baskets for the neighborhood children. Your response was very generous! Many children will be happily surprised on Easter.



In the news—The Branches has been nominated for Business of the Year by the Middle Township Chamber of Commerce under the category Public Service Organization. Many thanks to Sandra Lockhart and Terri Mascione for your daily service to our neighbors in need.



The next installment of the St. Barnabas Winter Concert Series is this Sunday! Judy Ann and John Curtis will be performing a recital of music by, for, and about women.

The program includes Robert Schumann's song cycle "Frauenliebe und Leben"; a Romance for piano by his wife, Clara Schumann; Beethoven's Für Elise; and new settings of texts by Christine Coté and Emily Dickinson by local New Jersey composer Koren Cowgill. We'll finish with arias sung by two very different female characters from operas by Gian Carlo Menotti and Victor Herbert.

Today at 3 pm at St. Barnabas By-the-Bay Church in Villas, NJ. Admission is free and a reception will follow. See you there!

And don't forget about the final concert of the series on Sunday May 5th at 3 pm featuring both classical and jazz music for flute by Teri Hislop.

John & Judy Ann Curtis, Musikhaus Studio



PRAYING FOR YOU—There is nothing so reassuring and comforting to a person facing distress than being able to say, "We're praying for you." In our Sunday liturgy we pray for people who certainly need our prayerful support. Our prayers connect us to them. We are offering a way you can make that a little more personal. Today we are going to send a card to an individual on our prayer list. You can sign your name, and perhaps a wish, on a note that we will include in the card. You don't have to know this person, you're just saying "we're praying for you." The note and card are in the parish hall on a table. Thanks for caring. This week's card will be sent to Vivian Close, a summer member of St. Mary's.



St. Mary's This 'n That Thrift Shop is open and business is brisk. Winter items are on clearance and spring selections are available.

Please remember our thrift shop when you are spring cleaning. Your donations of gently used clothing, household items and furniture may be brought to the shops in Rio Grande or call for a pick up— 609-886-7272. Volunteers are always welcome. All proceeds from the thrift shop benefit St. Mary's outreach ministries. St. Mary's This 'n That Thrift Shop is located in the The Village Shoppes, 1304 Rt. 47 So., Rio Grande.