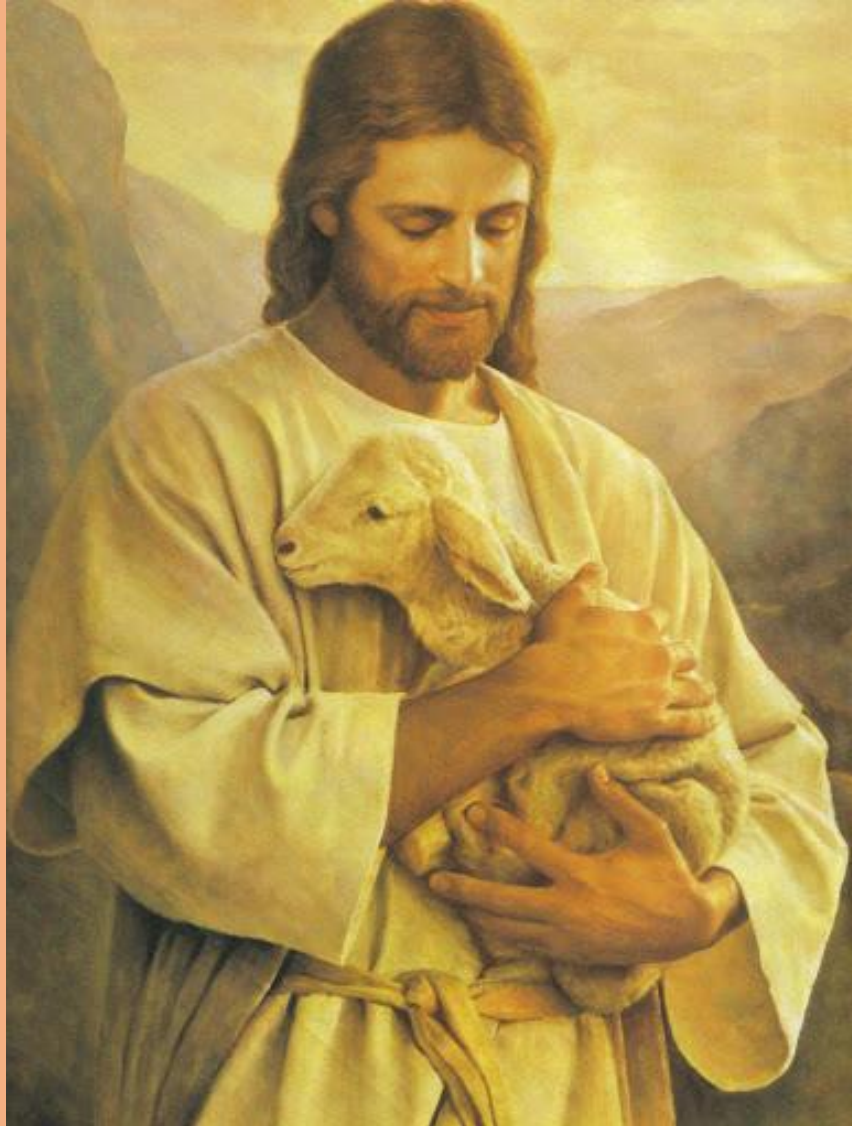


**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 3, 2020**



**St. Simon Stock Parish**

178 W. White Horse Pike, Berlin, NJ 08009

**Served by:**

**Pastor:** Rev. Michael A. de Leon, A.M.

**Part-Time Parochial Vicars:** Rev. Raymond Vijandre, A.M. and Rev. Philip Ramos, A.M.

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## Renewing the Consecration of the United States to the Care of Our Blessed Mother

As the world continues to face the ongoing effects of the global pandemic of the coronavirus, Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles and president of the USCCB has announced that the U.S. bishops will join the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops on May 1 in renewing the consecrations of the two nations to the care of our Blessed Mother.

Through a collective dedication or entrustment of a nation to Mary, an act of consecration is meant to be a reminder to the faithful of the Blessed Mother's witness to the Gospel and to ask for her effective intercession before her Son on behalf of those in need.

The [consecration on May 1](#) follows a similar action of the bishops' conference of Latin America and the Caribbean (CELAM) who consecrated their nations to Our Lady of Guadalupe on Easter Sunday. This prayer reaffirms and renews previous Marian entrustments, and it unites us in solidarity with our Holy Father, who recently established the Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, as a source of protection and strength.

Archbishop Gomez will lead a brief liturgy with the prayer of re-consecration on Friday, May 1 at 3:00 pm EDT and has invited the bishops to join in from their respective dioceses and asked them to extend the invitation to the faithful in their dioceses for their participation. A liturgy guide will be available to assist the faithful who may join in by tuning into the USCCB's social media platforms: [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), & [Instagram](#).



*Most Holy Virgin Mary,*  
Mother of the Church,  
you are the fairest fruit of  
God's redeeming love;  
you sing of the Father's  
mercy and accompany us  
with a mother's love.  
In this time of pandemic  
we come to you,  
our sign of sure hope  
and comfort.

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Live-Stream on  
**Friday, May 1st**  
3pm Eastern | 2pm Central | 1pm Mountain | 12pm Pacific

Learn more at  
[iacatholics.org/consecration](http://iacatholics.org/consecration)

 United States  
Conference of  
Catholic Bishops

RENEWAL OF THE CONSECRATION OF THE UNITED  
STATES OF AMERICA TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

# READINGS FOR THE WEEK

# MASS INTENTIONS

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



### First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

With great authority, Peter proclaims to the people that the Christ who was crucified is indeed the Messiah. Urging them to reform and be baptized in the name of Christ, three thousand responded to his words and were baptized.

### Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:20b-25

This is a strong exhortation from Peter to the people to endure suffering for Christ as he did for them. Healed by his wounds, they have "returned to the shepherd."

### Gospel: John 10:1-10

Christ uses the beautiful image of the shepherd to describe his care for his sheep. He also says he is the sheepgate and promises that "Whoever enters through me will be safe."

### DAILY READINGS

<b>Monday</b>	Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:11-18
<b>Tuesday</b>	Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30
<b>Wednesday</b>	Acts 12:24—13:5a; Jn 12:44-50
<b>Thursday</b>	Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20
<b>Friday</b>	Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
<b>Saturday</b>	Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14



### SANCTUARY CANDLE

Our Sanctuary Candle this Week is For Healing Peace and for an end to this global COVID 19 Pandemic.



### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION LIVE STREAM

**Monday – Friday**  
2:00pm -3:00 pm

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 3, 2020

**SAT 5/2**

**4:00 PM**

**LIVE STREAMED**

+Ellen Garrity Req. by Mom  
+ Kenneth Sobolowski Req. by /M James Pacifico  
+ Jim Beil Req. by Baumann, Beuhler, Kirkland, & O'Hara Families

**SUN 5/3**

**8:00 AM**

PRIVATE MASS

+ Joseph Farina Req. by his sister, Maria  
+ Fr. James Dabrowski  
Req. by Victor & Josie Lombardi

**10:00 AM**

**LIVE STREAMED**

+ Jerry Pastore Req. by Tom & Denise Steinert  
+ Walter Cope Req. by his Family

**11:30 AM**

PRIVATE MASS

+ Gregorio Ferri Req. by Wife & Family

**MON 5/4**

**8:00 AM**

**LIVE STREAMED**

+ Ramon Cuba Req. by Elise de Perio Tinio

**12:00PM**

PRIVATE MASS

L Healing of Carissa Rodriguez  
Req. by Elise de Perio Tinio

**TUES 5/5**

**8:00 AM**

**LIVE STREAMED**

L Carlos Ortañez' safety and protection from  
COVID-19 Req. by Cora & Ned Ortañez

L- Roerl Orozco's safety and protection from  
COVID -19 Req. by Erlito and Ending Orozco

**12:00 PM**

PRIVATE MASS

+ Marianne Jacobs  
Req. by Husband

**WEDS 5/6**

**8:00 AM**

**LIVE STREAMED**

+ Bruce Thuener

Req. by St. Vincent de Paul Berlin

**12:00 PM**

PRIVATE MASS

+ Fr. Jim Dabrowski  
Req. by the Jacobs Family

**THURS 5/7**

**8:00 AM**

**LIVE STREAMED**

+ Philip D. Crossetta Req. by Wife, JoAnn

**12:00 PM**

PRIVATE MASS

+ Brigid Bartley & Martin Mahom  
Req. by Maryellen & Joe

**FRI 5/8**

**8:00 AM**

**LIVE STREAMED**

+ Perpetual Remembrances

L People of the Parish (Pro-Populo)

**12:00 PM**

PRIVATE MASS

+ Henry S. Karbach Sr.  
Req. by Rosemary & Family

**SAT 5/9**

**8:00 AM**

PRIVATE MASS

+ Marie D. Henderson Req. by Henderson Family

**4:00 PM**

**LIVE STREAMED**

**ALL OF OUR MOTHERS**

Both Living and Deceased

**SUN 5/10**

**8:00 AM**

PRIVATE MASS

**ALL OF OUR MOTHERS**, Both Living & Deceased

**10:00 AM**

**LIVE STREAMED**

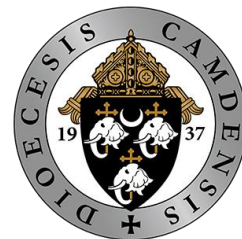
**ALL OF OUR MOTHERS**, Both Living & Deceased

**11:30 AM**

PRIVATE MASS

**ALL OF OUR MOTHERS**, Both Living & Deceased





## MEMORANDUM

To: All Priests; All Parishes  
From: Father Robert Hughes, V.G.  
Date: April 14, 2020  
RE: **Covid-19 and the Celebration of Mass**

Bishop Sullivan asked me to convey to all priests and parishes that the restrictions in place for the celebration of Holy Week and Easter remain in place until further notice.

### SUNDAY MASS

There are to be NO PUBLIC GATHERINGS (inside or outside Churches, in cars for any reason, etc.).

Bishop Sullivan will continue to celebrate Mass **without a congregation** broadcast via live-stream on the Diocesan website/YouTube/Facebook at 10:30 am on Sunday.

In parish churches, Sunday Mass may be celebrated **without a congregation** (you may have one deacon; one person to operate the live streaming equipment if the liturgy is being live streamed; one lector; one cantor and one musician in addition to resident clergy) by the pastor/parish; pastors should notify the parishioners of the time for the live-stream; pastors should also notify the Diocesan Office of Communications so that a Diocesan calendar/schedule of events might be posted for access by the faithful of the Diocese.

***NB: Performing music at Sunday Mass may require the parish to provide copyright information and/or payment to those who hold the rights to the music and/or lyrics. One License did provide a free use of music through April 15, 2020. Mike Bedics is checking on how best to handle this and will be in touch before the end of the week. This is a serious matter because these live-streamed Masses and liturgies will "live" on the internet.***



## MEMORANDUM

To: All Diocesan Entities  
From: Father Robert Hughes, V.G.  
Date: April 20, 2020  
RE: **Covid-19 and Updates on Diocesan and Parish Operations**

As you know, Governor Murphy's executive order requiring New Jersey residents to stay-at-home remains in effect until at least May 15<sup>th</sup>.

This means that the **administrative offices of the Diocese** (all three buildings) will remain closed through May 15, 2020 at least. If you need to retrieve items from your office in order to continue your work from home, please notify me in advance through your department director. Please respect social distancing requirements if you need to access any of the buildings.

**Parish Offices** should likewise remain closed to the general public. If parish staff are needed to process financial matters or produce the parish bulletin, the pastor can have them come in as long as they are well and respect social distancing requirements.

**School Offices** should also remain closed to the general public. The principal is free to call in staff members and faculty so as to properly support the ongoing education of students and the distribution/collection of educational materials.

**First Holy Communions** scheduled before May 15<sup>th</sup> will need to be postponed. Father Rocks will be in touch regarding **Confirmations** scheduled before May 15<sup>th</sup>. **No May Processions** may be scheduled at this time.

The **Ordination to the Diaconate** scheduled for Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> is being postponed until Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. The time and location will be determined at a later date. The **Ordination to the Priesthood** will remain as scheduled on June 20<sup>th</sup>. The time and location will be determined at a later date. If restrictions are still in place in June, the ordinations will take place on these dates, but with limited in-person attendance.

The **Diocesan Pastoral Council Meeting** scheduled for Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> is cancelled.

The **Priest Jubilee Mass** scheduled for Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> has been postponed.

The **Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass** scheduled for Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> has been postponed.

### **BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS and FUNERALS**

All current restrictions remain in place.

In terms of Funerals, please maintain a record of those parishioners who have died and whose families would like to have a public celebration of the funeral rites at a later date. Permission will be granted to invite families to join together for a common memorial Mass in those parishes where there are a large number of families to accommodate. Clearly advanced planning and communication will go a long way in preparing for such celebrations.

### **CFR SISTERS IN ATLANTIC CITY**

I had a phone call from Sr. Ann Kateri letting me know that a few of the sisters and their missionaries have cold symptoms. As such they are shutting down their services to the poor and homeless from the next two weeks out of an abundance of caution. They will therefore be somewhat less able to receive items and/or answer the phone. They will need help again when they reopen but do not need anything until after May 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Sacrament of Penance: There is no obligation to provide regular times for confession during this pandemic.**

**Confessionals are not appropriate for use at this time due to the proximity of the priest to the penitent.**

It goes without saying that confessions CANNOT be heard via the telephone or through the internet. In addition, "drive-thru" confessions are not permitted.

**Please remember that the faithful can complete their Easter Duty anytime up to and including Trinity Sunday, which is on June 7, 2020.**

**Regarding Plenary Indulgence:** The Apostolic Penitentiary has decreed: a Plenary Indulgence is granted to the faithful suffering from Coronavirus, who are subject to quarantine by order of the health authority in hospitals or in their own homes if, with a spirit detached from any sin, they unite spiritually through the media to the celebration of Holy Mass, the recitation of the Holy Rosary, to the pious practice of the Way of the Cross or other forms of devotion, or if at least they will recite the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and a pious invocation to the Blessed Virgin Mary, offering this trial in a spirit of faith in God and charity towards their brothers and sisters, with the will\* to fulfill the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer according to the Holy Father's intentions), **as soon as possible.**

Health care workers, family members and all those who, following the example of the Good Samaritan, exposing themselves to the risk of contagion, care for the sick of Coronavirus according to the words of the

divine Redeemer: “Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends” (Jn 15: 13), will obtain the same gift of the *Plenary Indulgence* under the same conditions.

This Apostolic Penitentiary also willingly grants a *Plenary Indulgence* under the same conditions on the occasion of the current world epidemic, also to those faithful who offer a visit to the Blessed Sacrament, or Eucharistic adoration, or reading the Holy Scriptures for at least half an hour, or the recitation of the Holy Rosary, or the pious exercise of the Way of the Cross, or the recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, to implore from Almighty God the end of the epidemic, relief for those who are afflicted and eternal salvation for those whom the Lord has called to Himself.

The Church prays for those who find themselves unable to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and of *the Viaticum*, entrusting each and every one to divine Mercy by virtue of the communion of saints and granting the faithful a *Plenary Indulgence* on the point of death, provided that they are duly disposed and have recited a few prayers during their lifetime (in this case the Church makes up for the three usual conditions required). For the attainment of this indulgence the use of the crucifix or the cross is recommended (cf. *Enchiridion indulgentiarum*, no.12).

[\*fulfillment of the usual conditions may not be immediately possible; therefore, the **will** to fulfill them suffices with the intention to fulfill the usual conditions “as soon as possible.”]

**Here at Saint Simon Stock Parish, we will continue to live stream our Mass so that our parishioners and friends can join us spiritually.**

You can participate “virtually” and “spiritually” in all our live-stream Masses on Facebook St. Simon Stock Parish @stsimonstock.berlin.nj and on YouTube St. Simon Stock Parish Berlin NJ.

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**Please help your parish family stay buoyant!**

**In times of crisis like this, please help your parish family stay above water.** We ask you to mail your weekly contributions to the Parish Office or drop it off in the office mailbox. Alternatively, we ask you to consider using *Parish Giving* to make weekly, special and onetime donations both now and in the future. *Parish Giving* makes it easy to establish and modify your giving options and helps keep contributions consistent and predictable, which is more important than ever. You can sign up for *Parish Giving* by visiting [www.stsimonstock.net](http://www.stsimonstock.net), or by calling the Parish Office at 856 767 2563 for assistance.

Thank you.  
Stay safe and healthy.  
God bless you and your family.



## *Easter Flower Donations 2020*

### *Late Arrivals*

**A Gift From:**  
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Clement

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### **DIOCESAN EVENTS POSTPONED DUE TO COVID-19**

The **Lay Ministry Celebration** originally scheduled for June 8 will be postponed. A new date will be announced after diocesan offices are reopened.

The **Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass** originally scheduled for June 14 will be postponed. A new date will be announced after diocesan offices are reopened. Please contact the parish office to register for the event.

# SPIRITUALITY & PRAYER

**To Everything There is a Season, and a Time for Every Purpose Under Heaven". (Eccl 3)**  
*a time to bring forth new life...a time to be baptized...a time to be married...  
a time to welcome...a time to serve...a time to be healed... a time to die...*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY:** Ssgt. Nicholas R. Luthé USAF; Sgt. Adam Cutaiar, USMC; Spc. Sean Gillespie, USA; Capt. Lewis Nicoletto; PO 2<sup>nd</sup> Russell Hagner, USN; Spc. Justin Scheuren, USA; PO 1<sup>st</sup> Class Damien Renzi, USN; Lt. Jason E. Healey, USA; SSgt. David Sigwart, USAF; Sr. Airman Maverick Marchesani, USAF; SSgt. Taylor Purvis, USAF; Sgt. Michael Franzini, USA; PO 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Michael Angelow, USN; Pfc. Amanda Sylvester, USA; Sgt. Tyler Fisher, USA; Joseph Morris III, USA; Matthew Angelow, USCG; Nadeem Sarwar, USA; Sherri Mercier; Spc. James Heisler III, USA. **To add or remove a name from our Military, please call Jim Gillespie Jr. at 856-767-7999 or email [gillespiejas@comcast.net](mailto:gillespiejas@comcast.net) and provide name, rank and branch of service.**

## PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you wish to have a name placed on the prayer list or removed from it, please contact the office at 856-767-2563 or email Sue at [sue@stsimonstock.net](mailto:sue@stsimonstock.net).

Marge Acheson  
Carol Adach  
Lillian Alba  
Rocco Arcaini  
Patricia Bailey  
Eileen Barclay  
Alberta Barody  
George Batten Sr.  
Scott Beckett  
Kathleen Benedetto  
Joyce Benedetto  
Richard Beppel Jr.  
Theresa Beppel  
Peg Boccella  
Chrissy Reeves Breder  
Patricia Brady  
Jennifer Britt  
Dennis Brown  
William Brown  
Betty Butler  
Dolores Caporelli  
Marie Carr  
Louise Cherill  
Tony Cipolone  
Catalina Clark  
Phil Clunk  
Thomas Cogliano  
James Connor  
Lorraine Contardo  
Shawn Copes  
Zachary Cromer  
Renee Delaney  
Dawn Dentzau  
Mary DeSpirito  
Carmella Dooley & Family  
Msgr. Francis X. Dreger  
Dennis Druding  
Rachele, Kevin Edwards  
Thomas & Vada Ellison  
Baby Lyla Elizabeth  
Thomas Ellison Jr.  
Jack Erickson  
Dolores Falconi  
Fr. Joe Ferrara  
Susan Fleming

Frank Flood  
Dolores Foca  
Rose Fraioli  
Donna Gagliardi  
Gabrielle Garcia  
Terri Germano  
Angelina Gervasi  
Gail Grabowski  
Debbie Gutjahr  
Margaret Helner  
John J. Henderson  
Patrick Hennessey  
Christian Brother Richard Herlihy  
Sister Jane Hill, SSJ  
Siggy & Maria Honrychs  
Michael Honrychs  
Denise Honrychs  
Marie Howard  
Sawyer Howarth  
Robert Jacobs  
Jennifer Jansinski  
Baby Carter Jaroski  
Bill Johns  
Vera Kirk  
Stanley & Maureen Kochanek  
Joseph Lange  
Carol Lee  
William Lees  
Sophia Lewis  
Jennifer Lionelli  
Stephen Malloy, Marie Malloy  
John Manes Jr.  
Libby Martinez  
Diane Maas  
Rosa McDermott  
Edward McGovern  
Monica McGrath  
Mary McKay  
Adele Miller  
Kaitlyn Miller  
Steven Muller Jr.  
Maria O'Brien  
Marilyn Peoples  
Catherine Perkins  
Glenn, Shannon Pliszczak

Jeanette Piracci  
Frank Power  
Deanna, Matthew Prichard  
Amelia Reantillo  
Elwood Rulon  
Jamie, Tyler & Brandon Rulon  
Sammy, Sophia & Jack  
Amelia Sabol  
Kristina SaccoPeggy, John Sachs  
Lenny Schuchman  
Forrest Setzer  
Krista Sheehan  
Shepherd Family  
Mandy Schleinkofer  
Alec Silovitz  
Peg Skorup  
Tamara & Robert Slivinski  
Dawn & Harry Smith & Family  
Jamie Smith  
Logan, Wayne Stepler  
Christina Sturgis  
Clare Sussman  
Helen Swanson  
Jason, Robyn Talucci  
Gerald E. Thompson  
Patricia Tighe  
Luis Torres  
Jacob Turner  
Michael and Shawn Valcarcel  
Wildamina Vilmont  
Lorraine Walser  
Sr. Patricia Mary Walsh, O.P.  
Chick Warrington  
Alicia Watkins & Savanna  
Kathy & Lucas Watkins  
Thelma Wichrowski  
Rick Williams  
Jack Wilson  
Colleen Yaniak  
Venita Young  
Lissy and Teo Zulueta



**Please pray for those who have continued on their  
journey to the Kingdom of God:  
William Minnick ~ Frances Turner ~ Rev. Alfred Hewett ~ Madeline Kelly**



# STEWARDSHIP

## Stewardship Reflection Stewards Offer Peace

*"Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'" JOHN 20:19*

Are you good at making people feel welcome? When you meet someone new, like a new neighbor, a new work colleague or a new parishioner, do you make them feel at home? Many of us can probably do a much better job at this. When we make people feel welcome, we make them feel like they are included instead of being excluded. **Stewards** are made for relationships – with God and each other. A simple "hello" and a smile goes a long way.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

In an effort to save the cost of postage, end of the year tax statements for year 2019 can be emailed to you or made available for pick up in the Parish Office. This would be a good time **to update or add your email contact information**. To request a statement, call the parish office at 856-767-2563 (ext. 300), and leave your name, address, phone number and email address and please indicate if you would like to pick up your statement or have it emailed to you.

## Ways you can give:

1. Use weekly envelopes for your donations.
2. Parish Giving is an automated means to support our parish through weekly and monthly contributions from your checking, savings or credit/debit card account. Visit <https://stsimonstock.net/Charitable> Giving.
3. Please remember the church in your estate planning by including St. Simon Stock Parish in your will.
4. Make a bigger impact by donating long-term appreciated securities, including stock, bonds, and mutual funds, directly to St. Simon Stock Parish. Compared with donating cash or selling your appreciated securities and contributing the after-tax proceeds, you may be able to automatically increase your gift and your tax deduction. To participate, contact the parish office at 856-767-2563.

## WILLS AND BEQUESTS

Please consider placing St. Simon Stock Parish in your Will so that your legacy might continue through the important works and ministries of the parish. You or your estate planner can contact St. Simon Stock at [www.stsimonstock.net](http://www.stsimonstock.net) or call the parish office at 856-767-2563.

## Please support the 2020 House of Charity – Bishop's Annual Appeal PRAY. REFLECT. SERVE OUR NEIGHBORS.

We help our neighbors...

...when we bring the healing Hands of Christ to the sick and dying

Your **House of Charity** gift enables our staff of Hospital Chaplains to provide comprehensive help to those in need. They administer the Sacrament of the Sick in the many hospitals throughout our area, conduct pastoral visits with patients, families and hospital staff, help coordinate the visits of parish Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and assist in a diocesan-wide effort to teach our Catholic faithful more about the Sacrament of the Sick.

**"Who is My Neighbor?"**

Support the 2020 House of Charity – Bishop's Annual Appeal  
[www.camdendioocese.org/hoc](http://www.camdendioocese.org/hoc)

Thank you for your support and generosity. We are at about 91% of our Parish goal. There are 297 families who have given their pledge to support the 2020 House of Charity – Bishop's Annual Appeal. We are praying for 100% support from our parishioners. God bless you and your family!



## VINCENTIANS CONTINUE TO HELP THOSE IN NEED

Our St. Simon Stock Parish  
**St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry**  
will be open  
**Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays**  
from **11 AM to 3 PM** at this time.

In addition to the hygiene, disinfecting and other health precautions already implemented, we will follow **social distancing guidelines** in our food pantry procedures to prevent person to person contact.

**Our SVdP Thrift Store will temporarily close.**  
**ONLY FOOD DONATIONS** can be accepted for the duration of the coronavirus emergency closings. Contact us at 856-767-7391 during pantry hours for further information.



# LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION

## HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS

In times of uncertainty and crisis, there are individuals and families of our Parish, who needed assistance more than ever.

If you or someone you know needed assistance like grocery shopping, going to the pharmacy, food, and others, please email us their information: name, phone number, and specific needs. I will make sure someone will get back to you within 24 – 36 hours. If you would like to volunteer, please email me your name and phone number.

Why do we need to take care and look after our older people in the community? According to the CDC,

- Older people are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19 which may result in increased stress during a crisis.
- Fear and anxiety about the COVID-19 pandemic can be overwhelming and cause strong emotions.

**Let us help our neighbors in need.**



## Faith Formation

Mary Spicer Coordinator of Faith Formation  
856-767- 1537 ext. 314 [mary@stsimonstock.net](mailto:mary@stsimonstock.net).

### FIRST EUCHARIST CELEBRATIONS

First Holy Communion  
Postponed until further notice.

### CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION

Postponed until further notice.



## MORNING PRAYER AND YOGA

*Now available on ZOOM*

Thursday Mornings at 8am

If you are interested in participating please call  
Sue at 856-685-3638.



FR. MICHAEL'S **SMILE!** CORNER



**Quarantine has me realizing why my dog gets so excited about something moving outside and going for walks and car rides.**

I just barked at a squirrel.



### Inside a dog's mind

Ideally, quarantining with your dog is training you to be cuter than you normally are. Why do dogs get so excited when looking out the window? Is it happiness or anxiety? Don't miss all the reasons your dog does what she does—like have a sense of smell thousands of times better than yours!

Credit: <https://www.rd.com/culture/funny-quotes-about-coronavirus-quarantine/>

Diocese of Camden

### *Prayer for Spiritual Communion*

By Saint Alphonsus Liguoro

**MY JESUS,**

**I BELIEVE YOU ARE PRESENT IN THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT.**

**I LOVE YOU ABOVE ALL THINGS AND I DESIRE TO RECEIVE YOU INTO MY SOUL.**

**SINCE I CANNOT NOW RECEIVE YOU SACRAMENTALLY,**

**COME AT LEAST SPIRITUALLY INTO MY HEART.**

**I EMBRACE YOU AS IF YOU WERE ALREADY THERE, AND UNITE MYSELF WHOLLY TO YOU.**

**NEVER PERMIT ME TO BE SEPARATED FROM YOU.**

**AMEN.**



## Online Easter Retreat through April

With Easter upon us, the Diocese of Camden and the Office of Discipleship and Leadership are continuing our on-line programming, with a mix of live stream and recorded shows throughout the month of April. Monday through Thursday of each week, new shows will be released at 8 PM on the Diocese of Camden social media:

- <https://www.facebook.com/DioceseOfCamden>
- <https://twitter.com/camdendiocese>
- <https://www.youtube.com/camdendiocese>

## ActsAfire

He is Risen and we have work to do! Join us as we explore the Acts of the Apostles in this Easter Season and learn from our 1st century sisters and brothers how to share the Joy of the Gospel. Our mission remains the same – “Go and Make Disciples of All Nations.” Each week we will explore a passage from Acts and find its application in our life today in the 21st century.

Live-streamed Mondays with seminarian, Deacon Peter Gallagher, and Dan Palmieri.

## Youth and Family

This series focuses on young people and their families. Come and join conversations on faith, love, grief, vocations and living as a young Catholic and as a Catholic family. Our host, Kari Janisse, brings a diverse guest list with equally diverse topics and ways to help us answer the universal call to holiness. Live-streamed Tuesdays with Kari Janisse, and rotating guests Fr. Joshua Nevitt, Rebekah Hardy, Kim Pesotski and Fr. Adam Cichoski. Each week will include worship music by Jeffrey Shields from Forgotten Truth.

## Faith & Reason

Join us to explore these two great subjects and how, together, we arrive at truth, and how truth is the foundation of the Catholic faith. This is an opportunity for the people of God to explore the 2000 year old treasures given to us by Jesus Christ.

Thursdays with Fr. Jim Bartoloma and Fr. Jason Rocks  
Four more one-episode shows will also be released this month:

## Matthew 25 Alive

Explore this chance to learn more about Catholic Social teaching and how the church seeks to care for the poor and afflicted members of the mystical body of Christ. Discover how the Gospel is forever timeless and how Jesus teaches us to love one another and how to love as He does.

Recorded and posted on Wednesday, April 15 with Mary McCusker Kevin Hickey and staff from Catholic Charities, Diocese of Camden.

## Young Church

An intimate conversation with young adult ministers Star Martinez and Jose Rodriguez who discuss the millennial perspective on the Catholic faith and how it does and should interact with the reality of American culture.

Live-streamed on Wednesday, April 22

## Vocations Holy Hour

We'll spend a prayerful hour with Fr. Adam Cichoski, vocations director for the Diocese of Camden, focused on encouraging more men to listen to God's call to the priesthood.

Live-streamed on Wednesday, April 29

## Fireside Chat w/ Bishop Dennis Sullivan

Our final April show of the month will be a fireside chat with Bishop Dennis Sullivan. Hosted by Donna Ottaviano-Britt, this chat will be focused on his view of the Catholic faith and the ever-changing times we are currently living in.

Recorded and released on April 30.

# Introduction to Lay Ministry/Catechetical Ministry



## Event details

- May 5 – June 9, 2020
- 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.
- In the comfort of your own home.
- **REQUIRES** internet access. Computer, smartphone, or phone connection may be used.

## Introduction to Lay Ministry/ Catechetical Ministry, Tuesdays 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Are you a practicing Catholic who is hungry for more knowledge about Catholic teaching?

Are you 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!

Courses are 6 weeks each. Cost is only \$60 for all six weeks. You don't need to take them in any special order; the 15 different courses are offered over 3 years.

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### CAMDEN COUNTY

**When:** 2nd & 4th Tuesdays

(May 12, May 26, June 9, June 23)

**Time:** 1:30pm-3:30pm

**Where:** 1845 Haddon Ave Camden NJ

**Call to reserve pickup time:** 856-342-4193

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## Coronavirus Prayer

Lord Jesus, you heal the sick.  
We pray that the coronavirus that has affected so many in our world can be contained, controlled, and cured.

We lift up to your mercy all those affected, all those working hard to study and cure this illness, and all health care professionals and emergency management teams that are working day and night to keep us safe.

Help us, Lord, to trust in your merciful care.

Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.  
Amen.