

FROM ONE BOOKKEEPER TO ANOTHER ... After twelve years of dedicated service to the Church of the Sacred Heart,

Jim Bufis, our Parish Bookkeeper is retiring. After his first retirement from his financial work for the government he had applied his skills and devoted his attention to the parish finances. We are most grateful for all that he has accomplished, his dedication and focus, his quiet demeanor and perseverance.

We give God thanks for Jim and for our new Parish Bookkeeper, **Marilyn Farrell**. Marilyn brings a different skill set, having worked previously in Church and Parish settings and is already acquainted with diocesan policy and procedures. We welcome Marilyn to the Parish Staff and to the Church of the Sacred Heart and are grateful for the smooth transition underway.



Sacred Heart's new Parochial Vicar, Fr. Pervais Indias, is welcomed by Holy Savior Academy's Principal, Mrs. Carol Woodburn. Fr. Pervais is quickly settling in and looking forward to meeting everyone.



Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady

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"People must pray the rosary. If people do as I ask, many souls will be converted and there will be peace."

+++ My Morning Offering +++

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer You my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of Your Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered throughout the world, in reparation for my sins, for the intentions of all my relatives and friends, and also for the intentions of our Bishop James and the Holy Father. Amen.

"Anything we do, without offering it to God, is wasted."

— ST. JOHN VIANNEY —

MUSIC MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SACRED HEART CHURCH

◆ **The Adult Choir** welcomes those of high school age and older. The Choir sings on Sundays at either the 9:00 AM or 11:30 AM Mass and on Holy Days. Ability to read music is not necessary.

Rehearsals: Thursday evenings from 8:00-9:30PM., beginning **September 7**.



◆ **The Youth Choir** welcomes students in grades 1-8. The Choir sings on the first Sunday of each month at the 9:00AM Mass. Rehearsals: Thursday afternoons from 3:30-4:00PM., beginning **September 21**.

◆ **The Handbell Choir** welcomes students in grades 7-8. The Choir rings once a month at the Sunday, 11:30AM Mass. Rehearsals: Thursday afternoons from 3:15-4:15PM., beginning **September 21**.

◆ **Intergenerational Handbell Choir** welcomes those high school age and older. The Choir rings once a month at a weekend Mass. You do not need to be able to read music but it is helpful if you are familiar with time signatures and basic notation. Instructions are gladly offered to new members. Rehearsals: Thursday evenings from 7:00-7:50PM., beginning **September 21**.

REBOOT LIVE! - Hosted by Immaculate Conception Church, 35 Mountain Ave., Somerville, REBOOT LIVE! Is a life-changing event for parish and family featuring internationally acclaimed speaker & author, Chris Stefanik - November 7, from 7:00-9:30PM. We expect this event to sell out fast. Tickets just \$20! Sign up today.



For more information or to purchase your ticket: www.reallifecatholic.com/REBOOT or call 908-725-1112.

Joy is prayer; joy is strength; joy is love; joy is a net of love by which you can catch souls.

— ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA —

24 HOUR PRAYER LINE - Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities has a 24 hour prayer line for those who desire prayer for special needs. If you, a family member or friend would like to be remembered in prayer for a temporary or permanent illness, please call us and leave a detailed message at (732) 765-6431 or send an email to our office: catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com



More Resources for Persons with Disabilities

Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities has a Facebook page that provides daily updates with short inspirational reflections for people with disabilities, family members and care givers. The site also provides endless resources for those with physical, emotional, cognitive, visual, auditory and other special challenges. To access our Facebook page (even if you are not a member of Facebook), type the following into your search engine:



Diocese of Metuchen Office for Persons with Disabilities