

This Week at St. Virgil Parish

Saturday, November 20

Open Bereavement Session, 9am, TC
Thanksgiving Food Drive Collection, 5-6pm, Garages

Sunday, November 21

Thanksgiving Food Drive Collection, after all Masses, Garages
PREP B, 10:15am, School
Youth Ministry Mass, 12 noon, Church

Mass Schedule

Sat., Nov. 20	5:00	
Sun., Nov. 21	7:30	
	9:00	
	10:30	
	12:00	
Mon., Nov. 22	6:30	
	12:10	
Tues., Nov. 23	6:30	
	12:10	
Wed., Nov. 24	6:30	
	12:10	
Thurs., Nov. 25	9:00	
Fri., Nov. 26	6:30	
	12:10	
Sat., Nov. 27	8:00	
	5:00	
Sun., Nov. 28	7:30	
	9:00	
	10:30	
	12:00	

The **Sanctuary Candle** burns in memory of
Michael J. Marconi, Jr.
from Jean & Kevin

Please remember in your prayers:



Dorothy Romano, Margaret Haynes,
Dorothy O'Neill, Victoria Taglienti,

St. Virgil Academy / Morris Catholic Junior School News / Morris Catholic High School

Open House

Are you looking for an elementary school for your child that encompasses faith formation, rigorous academics, winning sports teams where everyone plays, and a wide variety of extracurricular activities?



Nicholas J. Alexander, Janet Lake, Alan Rhea, Tina Witowsky, Gregory Kerian, David Helmkin, Tara DeMarzo, Ted & Ann Carbin, Frances Merlo, Kay Pezeshki, Nancy Rosnell, Mabelle Uehara, Zoe Budwick, Mary Ann Colasurdo, Judith Lynch, Andrea Muli, Albert M. Harenchar, Susie Bryce, Daniel Guadreau, Valerie Lano, Katherine Bayer, Joan Green, Tommy Barnes, Sr. Margaret McCowan, Charles Petrock, Jr., Sue Ann Cattano, Ellen Selert, Jimmy Graham, Baby Kayla Davidson, Marcella Butchko, and Margaret McGuirk.

Thank You

Through your continued generosity, our weekend collection for November 6 & 7 was \$10,800. Thank you for your continued support.

Holiday Bulletin Deadlines

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, the deadline for bulletin submissions for the weekend of November 20-21 is **November 15** and the weekend of November 27-28 is **November 18**.

Thank You!

Thanksgiving Dinner for Seniors

Il Villaggio Restaurant in Powder Mill Shopping Plaza is once again inviting all seniors to go and spend Thanksgiving with them, as their complimentary guests. Dinner will be on Thursday, November 25, at 12 noon. Please call for reservations at (973) 644-4888

Oplatek Christmas Wafers

Oplatek, the special Christmas wafers, will be available for the Holiday celebrations again this year. They may be picked up at the Parish Office between 9am – 4pm, Monday thru Friday. Donations will be accepted.

If so, St. Virgil Academy (Pre-K 3 through Grade 5) and Morris Catholic Junior School (grades 6-8) is the place for you! Where many school districts have cut programs, we have enhanced ours.

Come to our Open House on Friday, November 19, from 7:30am to 9:30am to learn more. If you are unable to attend our Open House, please call (973)

539-7267 to arrange a personal tour. Seeing is believing!

Morris Catholic Performing Arts

Morris Catholic High School Performing Arts Department presents Noel Coward's "Blithe Spirit—An Improbable Farce in Three Acts" on Thursday & Friday, November 18 & 19 at 7pm, and Saturday & Sunday, November 20 & 21 at 2pm at the High School on 200 Morris Avenue in Denville. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens and students. Seating is limited and advanced sales are recommended. For more info or reservations, call Patrick Wilson at (73) 838-8337 or visit www.morriscatholic.org.

Thanksgiving Food Collection

Many of our neighbors need our help. As you are planning your Thanksgiving shopping list, could you add an extra item or two? These items can be donated to our Annual Thanksgiving Food collection. With your help, we hope to continue to provide a wonderful and joyful holiday for those in need. Every contribution will make a difference in someone's holiday.



We will be making donations to the Interfaith Food Pantry, St. Agnes' Church, St. Anthony's Church, and St. Joseph's Church in Paterson.

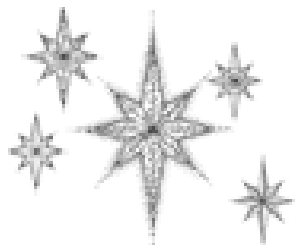
You can help by donating food items, monetary donations and gift certificates from local supermarkets. The Interfaith Food Pantry is suggesting the following food items: frozen turkeys, canned hams, stuffing, potatoes (fresh or instant), gravy, roll mix, *Jello*, cake mix, icing, pie crust, apple juice, yams (canned or fresh), flour, sugar, powdered or evaporated milk, soup, vegetables (fresh or canned), nuts, coffee and tea. Also, please consider giving Parmalat, cereal, infant formula, peanut butter, dried beans, baby food & cereal, and baby wipes.

Food and donations will be collected in the church parking lot at the 5pm Mass on Saturday, November 20, and from 7:30am – 12 noon on Sunday, November 21.

If you can help collect items on November 20-21 or you have a van/truck that could be used to transport items, please contact Gloria at the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity.

Star of Bethlehem Christmas Outreach

Star of Bethlehem Outreach—our annual collection of gift certificates and monetary donations for those experiencing hard times is set to begin. This year we are collecting for many local needs agencies, as well as continuing our efforts in providing assistance to the parish of St. Alphonsus in Biloxi, Mississippi.



Our trees with gift certificate wishes will be in the church on the weekends of November 27 & 28 and December 4 & 5 for your selection.

We ask that all donations be returned to the boxes under the trees on or before December 12 (no later than immediately following the noon Mass). Please mark the dollar amount of each gift certificate.

Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity to those less fortunate during the Christmas season.

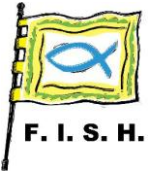
PREP



PREP:

PREP A: November 14

Jr. High PREP: **PREP B: November 21**
November 14 Read Chapters 24, 26, 28, & 29 in text and answer
questions on pages 5-10 in the response journal.
Toddlers & Twos: **November 16**



Youth Ministry

1st Year
November 14

2nd Year
December 5

Next Youth Mass: Sunday, November 21 at 12 Noon

Please support **St. Virgil's FISH Youth Ministry** by ordering your holiday pies today. Money raised will be used to fund FISH participation in the **Bridges Outreach Program** and to offset retreat costs for the students.

Please ask your family and friends to order delicious Holiday pies to support our ministry. This year our pies will be available baked or frozen for your convenience, so you can order for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Please check the box for baked or frozen delivery.

All orders and money are due by November 15.



Please do not send cash. Please make checks payable to St. Virgil Youth Ministry. You can drop your order with your payment in the collection basket or at the Parish Office - Monday to Friday from 9am to 4pm, or mail it to St. Virgil Youth Ministry, 250 Speedwell Avenue, Morris Plains NJ 07950.

**Please choose one of the following delicious pies for your holiday table.
Each scrumptious pie is 10" in size and costs only \$10.**

Holiday Pie Sale

Name: _____ *Phone* _____

Email: _____

TYPE OF PIE	NUMBER OF PIES @ \$10 each	Frozen	Baked	Total
Apple				
Pumpkin				
Cherry				
Coconut Custard				
Pecan				

Prime Time

Wow! The days are flying by. Our next meeting is on November 19 at 1pm in the Tracy Center. We bring back as our speaker, Annmarie O'Neill, by far the most informed person on how to prepare seniors for making good decisions for their future--including the necessary papers--to put them at ease as well as their heirs. She will show us how to do it the right and legal way.

Our Christmas Luncheon is scheduled for December 17. Please bring your check book (checks only) to the November meeting. Cost is \$14 if paid on or before November 19 (at the meeting). After the 19th it will be \$15. Make checks payable to St. Virgil's Prime Time. If you mail your check before the meeting, address it to Jeanne McGuinness, 18 Central Avenue, MP, 07950.

Don't forget to bring an item or two (no item too small or large) for the Food Pantry. Cash also accepted. We do make a difference. Prime Timers are warm and generous people who don't forget our less fortunate. Thank you for your generosity—you've never failed!

November is the month for our veterans. Wear some red, white, and blue to show our appreciation for the services past and present.

It's a pleasure and honor to represent St. Virgil's Prime Time.
Anne B. Benson, Coordinator

The **Morristown High School Theater Program** cordially invites all senior citizens to a complimentary performance of ***Gentlemen Prefer Blonds*** on **Thursday, November 18**, at 3pm. Refreshments will be served.

Knights of Columbus

The November K of C 50/50 raffle will be held on **Tuesday, November 23**. Net proceeds from this raffle will be donated to the Morris Minute Men and the Interfaith Food Pantry. If you haven't bought your ticket, the Knights will be selling tickets after all Masses on November 20 & 21.

This week, the Bishop McLaughlin Council will be holding its membership drive. They are looking for men 18 years of age or older who want to join an organization that gives them a way to benefit society on a national and local level. Knights will be at the doors of the church after Mass on the 13th & 14th to answer any of your questions.

Mark your calendar for the K of C Basketball Free Throw contest. The contest is scheduled for Sunday, January 16, 2011, from 1-4pm in the school gym.

Advent Spritzer

During the four Saturdays in Advent, November 27, December 4, 11 and 18, the Kneeler Healers of the Knights of Columbus will once again spearhead a parish-wide blitz to refurbish and clean the church in preparation for Christmas.

All are welcome to assist be they 7 or 70. We meet in the church between 10:30am and 3pm each Saturday.

Since the beginning of Lent last year, thousands of dollars in repairs have been accomplished by our people giving of their time and talents. These gifts to the parish are a true gift to God. We thank you in advance.

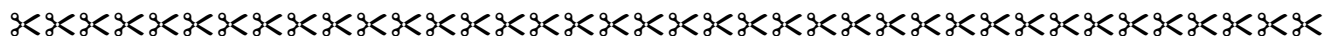
Christmas Flowers

Each year, our flower memorial allows us to offer to God the best of what we can in worship, and it also allows us to remember loved ones. If you wish to remember loved ones (living or deceased) or to make a gift in your family's name, please complete this form and return it to the Parish Office by Monday, December 13. A free-will donation will be accepted.

Please print and return to the Parish Office by December 13.

In memory of / For the special intention of _____

Given by: _____



Operation Chillout Christmas Outreach

Who are the homeless? They are veterans, people with mental illness and addictions, victims of domestic violence. More recently, they are people who have lost their jobs and homes due to the economic turndown. One of the fastest growing segments is families with children. It is a situation that can happen to anyone!

Operation Chillout (www.operationchillout.org) is an interfaith coalition founded in 2000 by concerned volunteers to help the homeless by providing basic necessities to help them through the winter and summer months. The organization, based at St. Luke Parish in Long Valley, initially began by assisting Viet Nam veterans living in the open under the railroad trestles in northern New Jersey. Due to the tremendous need, this ministry has been extended to many other areas of northern New Jersey, including Morristown. Last winter, 500 backpacks were distributed to homeless men and women.

Operation Chillout is not a social services agency, but is a group of volunteers who are trying to live out the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. It is supported by individuals, civic organizations, church groups, businesses and corporations who "believe in the inherent worth of every homeless man, woman and child". St. Virgil Parish is a collection partner.

Each year the winter project makes deliveries to locations where homeless people gather. In mid-December, Operation Chillout will distribute a backpack for a man or woman filled with warm clothing, toiletries, survival gear and information about local resources. They are given to the homeless free of charge.

St. Virgil Parish will collect the items listed below from November 20 till December 5. Please place them on the table behind the altar. **Clothing and toiletries must be new; please provide only the items and sizes requested.**

NO USED CLOTHING WILL BE ACCEPTED

Clothing	Travel Size Only	
L OR XL FOR Men; M or L for Women	Bars of soap	Handi-wipes
	Deodorant	Kleenex
Set of thermal underwear (top & bottom)	Toothpaste	Hand cream
Heavy hooded sweatshirt or flannel shirt	Toothbrush	Chap stick/lip balm
Warm/waterproof gloves	Shampoo	First aid kit
Heavy socks	Comb	

Checks may be made payable to Operation Chillout. Please place them in an envelope and drop it into the collection basket. The organization does not solicit, so you will not be contacted for additional support.

Your generosity will be very much appreciated.