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Office Hours
Monday - Friday,
9:30 am to 3:00 pm



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MASSSES:

Saturday Evening: 5:00 pm

Sundays: 7:30 am, 10:00 am (*Eng*)
11:30 am (*Pol*)

Holydays: 7:00 am & 6:30 pm,
8:00 pm (*Polish*)

Weekdays (including Sat.): 8:30 am
Rosary Mon.-Sat 8:00 am

CONFESSION: Saturday,
4:00 - 4:50 pm (*before the 5:00 pm
Mass*) and before the 8:30 am Mass
(*by appointment only*).

BAPTISMS: Class and
arrangements must be made by
contacting the Rectory. If you are
a newly registered family you are
required to be attending Mass for
at least three months and using
offering envelopes.

MARRIAGES: Requirements...
Marriage preparation classes and
Confirmation (*if you are Catholic*).
Arrangements are to be made at
least six months in advance. At
least three meetings with the priest
are required.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Classes are held for Parish registered
members only on Sunday mornings
from mid September to May. Children
seeking their Sacraments must attend
all 8 years of a Religious Education
Program. Call 908-637-4269.

R.C.I.A.: Anyone interested in adult
religious education or becoming
Catholic. Call Marilyn Gorski at
908-459-4483.

VISITATION OF THE SICK:

Every first Friday of the month, at
home or in the hospital, please call
the church office, 908-637-4269.

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH NIGHT PRAYER:

In Polish from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

BLUE ARMY PRAYER GROUP:

Every Monday from 5:00 pm in the
Chapel. New members are always
welcome!

OUTREACH PROGRAM: If you are
in need please call the Parish Office at
908-637-4269. All calls kept
confidential.

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY: New
members are always welcome! We meet
every third Wednesday of the month at
7:00 pm. Call Walt at 908-459-5861.

POLISH ROSARY SOCIETY:

Meets every first Friday of each month
at 7:00 pm. New members are always
welcome!

YOUTH GROUP:

Calling all 8th through 12th graders.
Join our youth group, bring your
friends. Call Brian at 908-246-2843 for
more information.

E-mail

stpeterandpaul@comcast.net

Religious Education E-mail

peterpaulreled@comcast.net

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www.peterpaulgm.com

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www.walkingpilgrimage.us

PARISH REGISTRATION

Every family should be properly registered. New parishioners should register at the Parish Office. Children 18 and over should be registered as adults. Envelopes are the only means we have to verify parishioners attendance at Mass. Please use your envelope regardless of the amount you are able to include. Without verification of Mass attendance we cannot issue sponsor certification for Baptism, Confirmation, or any character references, etc. Please notify the Parish Office of any address change as soon as possible.

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 11/12, 2025

SAT – Jan 11

5:00p +John O'Neill req Lauro Family

SUN – Jan 12 (Baptism of the Lord)

7:30a +Diana Vernacchia

10a +Ellen Cavaliere req grandsons Michael & Sebastian Cavaliere

11:30a Pol: +Jan & Janina Gzella od rodziny Gzella

MON – Jan 13 (St. Hilary)

8:30a +-All names on the Christmas Rem Envs

TUES – Jan 14

8:30a +George Sadlock req daughter Alice Kurnath

WED – Jan 15

8:30a +John O'Neil req Norman & Pat Willis

THUR – Jan 16

8:30a +-All names on the Christmas Rem Envs

FRI – Jan 17 (St. Anthony)

8:30a +Wladyslaw Kuczek req children & grandchildren

SAT – Jan 18

8:30a +-All names on the Christmas Rem Envs

5:00p +Georgene Schilare req Maureen Glennon

SUN – Jan 19

7:30a +Jan Lubas req his family

10a +Barbara Jane Begley req Gerald Bajc

11:30a Pol: +Stefania Stelmaszczyk od rodziny Szmigielski

Altar Flowers – donated by our parishioners

Bread & Wine – is available

Sanctuary Lamp - is available

Divine Mercy Candle - is available

Family Christmas Candles sponsored by: Koonz, Swider-Godlewsky, Horzepa, Crawford, Gac, Pilny, Talajczyk-Saulewicz, Borzecki, De la Rama, Gaynor, Kaczynski, Szmigielski, Buga, Lubecki, Gubernat, Schleckmann, Bober, Perez-Muniz, Winkelman, Wyss, Yturbe, Gzella, Turbek-Smith, Murphy, Jacek-Kutacz, Stasi, Bengyak, Reed, Greco-Reed, Wyss-Baldwin, Hurley, Hancock, Mania, Chretien, Szewc, Ruetsch, Szewczyk, Marchioni, Szmigiel, Baran, Spiewak, Orlik, Jaworski, R. Willis, Winter, Penner, Granata, Bielecki, Kaczmarzski, G. Hader families

TOGETHER IN CHARITY COLLECTION

Today we are asked to take up the Together in Charity Collection which benefits the Catholic Charities' Parish Emergency Assistance Fund. Our parish has used this fund to help our parishioners.

HOUSE BLESSINGS for 2025

If you are interested in having your house blessed for the New Year please find a small form in the back of church. Fill it out and drop it into the collection basket or hand it to Fr. Greg. He will contact you about a day and time.

TAX LETTERS

Tax letters are now available. Call the rectory anytime during office hours or email us to request your letter to help fill out your taxes, (908-637-4269).

WEEKLY OFFERINGS – January 2025

Thank you for your continued generosity & support.

1st week - \$3363

2nd week - \$

3rd week - \$

4th week - \$

SHOP RITE GIFT CARDS

Stop after Mass or come to the office during the week to purchase your Shop Rite gift cards. It costs you nothing and the Parish gains 5% on all gift cards sold. Last fiscal year we made \$3,505 from the use of the cards. Thanks to the volunteers who are willing to stay a few minutes after Mass to sell these cards and to all who use them to shop.



What: Visit to St. Andrew's College Seminary for Evening Prayer, Dinner, and a tour with their seminarians.

When: Friday, January 17th (5-8pm), everyone is instructed to meet directly at the seminary at 5pm

Where: St. Andrew's Hall- 571 Centre St, South Orange, NJ 07079

Who: Young men 14-18 yrs old

RSVP: Email Fr. Tom Lanza the names of attendee's, parents, priests, or youth ministers...TLanza@diometuchen.org

Since all of the men invited are High School age; parents, priests, or youth ministers are invited to drive/car pool to help those interested attend.

WANT TO BE AN ALTAR SERVER???



If you already received your First Holy Communion and wish to serve at Mass please contact the church office (Mon-Fri, 9:30am – 3pm). A training session will be set up for anyone interested. Please call, 908-637-4269 or email: stpeterandpaul@comcast.net.

Time to make a Jubilee-sized Resolution!

While New Year's resolutions last for a year, your Jubilee Holy Year resolution is good for 25 years! So, what's your pledge going to be? Maybe this..."As a confirmed Catholic, I will do my mission!" The good news: Your mission specs are in the new "Confirmed Catholics Job Aid". Get copies of it (for your family & friends, too) from the church lobby. The Job Aid will jumpstart any Confirmation mission...guaranteed. Happy Jubilee!

Bereavement Facilitator Training Course 2025

Registration for the Bereavement Facilitator Training Course is now open. This six-session course will be held Wednesday evenings from 7 pm-9 pm on Zoom/Teams starting February 12- March 26, 2025 (No class on March 5, Ash Wednesday). This program is designed for individuals who want to become facilitators for existing parish bereavement support groups or who wish to start a bereavement support ministry at their parish or online. It can also benefit anyone who ministers to the bereaved in parishes in different capacities. For more information or to register visit: <https://archdioceseofnewark.regfox.com/loss-transition-2025>

Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat

Come to our Healing Weekend Retreat February 21-23, 2025 at the National Blue Army Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima in Washington NJ. Rachel's Vineyard is a sanctuary of hope and healing for those carrying the heavy burden of loss, whether through abortion or miscarriage. It is a place where hearts broken by pain can be mended, and where the mercy and love of God can soothe even the deepest wounds. Through our confidential and non-judgmental weekend retreats, you will find a safe space to grieve, to release the weight of guilt, shame, or anger, and to begin the journey toward renewal and peace. These retreats are not just about healing; they are about reclaiming your voice, finding forgiveness, and embracing the profound truth that you are loved beyond measure. No matter how much time has passed, you deserve this healing. Whether you're a mother, father, grandparent, sibling, or someone touched by abortion in any way, Rachel's Vineyard welcomes you with open arms. Let this be the moment you step out of the shadows and into the light of restoration and hope. To register, or for more information, please contact Leah at leah@soulfilledbygrace.co.site or Ana at ana@soulfilledbygrace.co.site. Visit www.RachelsVineyard.org for more information on retreat dates and locations. Healing is waiting for you and you are not alone.

Mission of The Family

Men and women, young and old, strengthen and grow in your faith for your families with five short videos produced by the *Knights of Columbus* called the "**Mission of The Family**". The videos can be found on the *Knights of Columbus* website for free! Here is the link and QR Code to find "**The Mission of The Family**" videos: <https://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html> The five videos are less than 14 minutes in length. You can also find the original "**Into The Breach**" video series by rolling down on this webpage and under **CATEGORIES** click on "**Into The Breach**". This series is also free of charge and is sure to help you grow in your faith."

2025 Marriage Preparation

Dates and the Couples Guide are now on the diocesan website. All information may be found on the Office of Family Life's webpages:

The 2025 Couples Guide for Marriage Preparation may be found at:

www.diometuchen.org/marriage-preparation

The 2025 Pre-Cana Session may be found at:

www.diometuchen.org/pre-cana-sessions

The 2025 Virtual God's Plan for a Joy-Filled Marriage may be found at:

www.diometuchen.org/gods-plan-for-marriage-session

The 2025 Engaged Encounter Weekend may be found at:

www.diometuchen.org/engaged-encounter-weekend

The 2025 Natural Family Planning Courses may be found at:

www.diometuchen.org/natural-family-planning

"John answered them all, 'I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...'" - Luke 3:16

The Catholic Catechism states that "*Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will.*" In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God. *****

PRAY FOR:

Living: Genevieve Godlewsky, Irena Mika, Brian Gorski, Mickey Tudor, Florence Dzurek

Deceased: Rudy Pasko, James Stryker, Msg. Edward Puleo, Ed Pasko, Jr, Irena Pietras, Ellen Cavaliere

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