

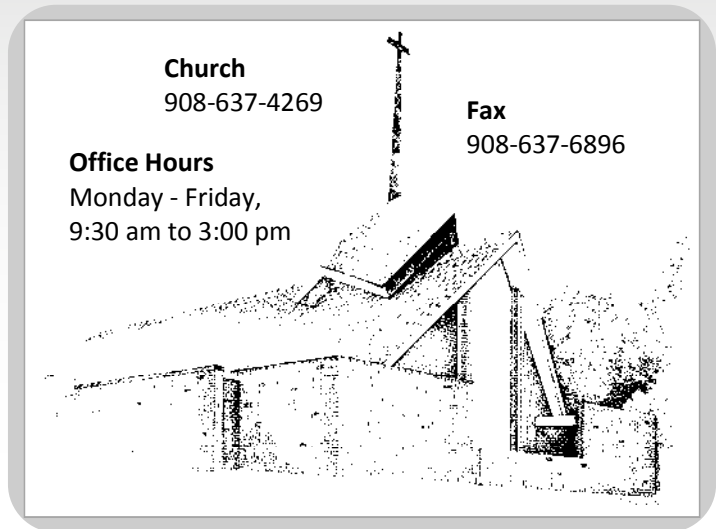
SAINTS PETER & PAUL CHURCH

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MASSES †

Saturday Evening..... 5:00 pm
Sundays..... 7:30 am, 10:00 am, 11:15 am,
& 12:30 pm (*Polish*)
Holydays..... 7:00 am & 6:30, 8:00 pm (*Polish*)
Weekdays (*including Sat.*)..... 8:30 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 3 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 3 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 459-4483.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: Every 1st Friday of the month, at home or in the hospital, please call the church office, 908-637-4269.

SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH NIGHT PRAYER:
In Polish from 8:00 pm to 12:00 am.

BLUE ARMY PRAYER GROUP: Every Monday from 7:00 to 8:00 pm in the Chapel. New members are always welcome!

OUTREACH PROGRAM: If you are in need please call Lisa French 908-343-7831. All calls kept confidential.

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY: New members are always welcome! We meet every 3rd 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!

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Walking Pilgrimage.....www.walkingpilgrimage.us

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 23/24, 2019

SAT – Feb 23 (St. Polycarp)

5:00p +George & Nell Sadlock req daughter Alice Kurnath

SUN – Feb 24

7:30a +Steve Matuszek req Ann Marie Tracy
10:00a +Raymond Hendershot req sons & family
11:15a +Mike Howard req his children
12:30p Pol: +Wladyslaw Bozecki

MON – Feb 25

8:30a -Birthday blessings for Joe Decker req his fam

TUES – Feb 26

8:30a +Jan Grab req Krystyna Talajczyk

WED – Feb 27

8:30a +Irene Wyss req Mark Machacek

THUR – Feb 28

8:30a +Irena Talajczyk req Krystyna Talajczyk

FRI – Mar 1

8:30a +Iwona Pisarska
7:00p Pol: -O Boze Blog. dla rodziny rozancowej

SAT – Mar 2

8:30a +Edward Piasecki req wife Alberta
5:00p +Grace Naomi Rothmann req Pass Family

SUN – Mar 3

7:30a +Steve Matuszek req Robert Sawicki
10:00a +Bill Donahue req MaryAnn Boatman
11:15a +James F. Checchio, Jr.
12:30p Pol: -O Boze blog. dla Michala z okazji urodzin

****If you scheduled a Mass and would like to bring up the gifts during that Mass, please see the usher before Mass starts.**

Altar Flowers are available

Bread & Wine is available

Sanctuary Lamp is available

Divine Mercy Candle is available

Catholic Press Month

The annual drive to support our diocesan newspaper, The Catholic Spirit, is taking place during the month of February, National Catholic Press Month. Please support their good work by your donations in the second collection today. Any amount you contribute will show your support for the ministry of The Catholic Spirit and will be greatly appreciated. And please remember to take home a copy of the paper – it has a special role to play in your life as a practicing Catholic.

Spiritual Adoption Program

Please remember to pray for your "spiritually" adopted child by wearing your bracelet. Babies are aborted every day. Our Blessed Mother asks us to pray, pray, pray.



IRS TAX LETTERS

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

WEEKLY OFFERINGS-February

1st week - \$3365 2nd week - \$3171
3rd week - \$2335 4th week - \$

HERSHEY PARK DISCOUNT TICKETS

It's winter but this is the best time to plan for your summer get-a-way. If you are interested in discounted Hershey Park tickets please fill out a green order form



and bring in your paid orders by March 17th. Regular priced adult tickets are \$68.95 per person. Our discount tickets cost \$33.50 per person (age 3+). Take advantage of "Preview", the night before (see the green order form for more info). Call the rectory if you have any questions, 908-637-4269.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL TUITION ASSISTANCE

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen Catholic elementary or high school may do so now. The application process is online through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment. Online applications must be completed (including supporting documentation) by no later than **March 31, 2018**. Applications are available in English and Spanish. Families that need assistance completing the online application, or need access to the technology to apply, may attend one of two Application Workshops that are scheduled for January 23 and February 7 at Perth Amboy Catholic School, 500 State Street, Perth Amboy from 2 to 4 pm, and from 6 to 8 pm. A Spanish translator will be available.

**2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal
Help Build a Civilization of Love**

Please watch your mailbox for a letter from Bishop Checchio coming to you announcing the 2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal. The campaign will again be conducted during Lent and our parish can earn a rebate of 50% of the amount collected over our goal. Through your support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal you help those in our diocese whose needs are the greatest—the poor, the homeless, and those struggling with illness or grief. Among other needed pastoral ministries, your gift also supports our Cultural Diversity Ministries and enhances the work of forming our youth. The many pastoral, educational and charitable ministries of the Diocese of Metuchen would not be possible without a generous contribution from every household. Please be as generous as your means allow.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

“Calling all Christians” Join the upcoming global effort from March 6th through April 14th for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Make a stand for God and country proclaiming the value of life at this critical time in our nation. Offer time to peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 66 East Main St. Washington. There will be an opening rally on March 3rd between 2-4 outside the Planned Parenthood. Please pledge to lift the local 40 Days for Life campaign up in prayer, as well as asking for God's protection on all human life from conception until natural death. For more information contact: Jennifer English, amjadopt@comcast.net 973 525-6692 or visit <https://40daysforlife.com/>.

Abortion and Child Abuse

Abortion teaches us that violence is an acceptable way to deal with difficult life problems. It teaches us that human beings are only valuable if they meet certain criteria, and it teaches us that the strong have a legal right to kill the weak and defenseless. When the unique value of individual human life is trampled upon, society inevitably suffers. In the final analysis, it is only logical to conclude that societies who are willing to abort children before birth will be far more likely to abuse them after birth. Abortion is child abuse, and it is the most severe form of abuse in existence.

SAVE THE DATE

Friday, March 15, 7:30 - 10 p.m.

Need a girl's night out? We're here to accommodate! We will be dabbling in string art for a church fundraiser! There will be five options to choose from - it's easy and fun to do! More info to follow! Any questions call Susan Sterphone at 908-507-6399.

The Cursillo 10th Annual Encounter With Christ

Will be held at Mary, Mother of God Parish, 157 South Triangle Rd, Hillsborough, on Saturday, April 6, 2019 from 8am to 3pm. Our distinguished speakers will be Fr. Glenn Sudano, CFR of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal (Saint Joseph Friary, New York, NY) and Dcn. Sal Bonfiglio, OFS (Secular Franciscan Order). The theme of the Encounter is *"Our Lady of Guadalupe – Star of the New Evangelization"*. This year, the Metuchen Cursillo Movement is pleased to sponsor The Awakening, a multi-parish event that will help to prepare us for the diocesan consecration to Our Lady of Guadalupe. It will be an inspirational day of Talks, Music, Prayer, Lunch, Adoration, Confession, and celebration of the Mass. *There is no charge for the event; but a free will offering will be accepted.* ALL ARE WELCOME. To register, please log on to <http://metcursillo.org/events-encounter.htm>.

Encounter Christ through Cursillo (pronounced "kur-see-yo"). Please see our web site www.metcursillo.org for more details.

Our Lady's fiat: the heart of marriage and family

By Michaelyn Hein

My husband and I were in the midst of a particularly bad disagreement and it was escalating quickly. I stood at the stove, preparing dinner when, in our bickering, he made some cutting remark and promptly went upstairs.

I was livid. Boiling, like the water in the pot before me. And I was ready to follow him and let him know it.

But, as I slammed down the salt and prepared to head to the stairs, my eyes rested on the crucifix hanging on the wall across from me. At once, my head filled with the words, "I died for you; will you die for Me?"

It suddenly struck me that denying the desire to retaliate against my husband truly is a "dying to self," and that every marriage is presented with daily opportunities to do just that. Whether in large or little ways, God gives husbands and wives constant opportunities to submit to and follow His will, or to resist it and do our own.

Too often, we are tempted to resist. We hold fiercely to our pride, to our own stubborn will, and have the hardest time letting it go, letting our God steer the ship of our lives. But, it's what we should do if we're to have happy and holy marriages.

PRAY FOR:

Living: Leon Fortin, Barbara Desantis, Stanislaw Kaczynski, David Sawicki, Veronica Pankowski

Deceased: Francis Rybicki, Kazimiera Branka, Frank Fiorentino, Stanley Ziemba, Edward Tracy, Sr.

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Race Date: June 23, 2019
Start Time: 8:00 am
Race Distance:
• Swim.....500 Yards
• Bike.....10 Miles (2 loops)
• Run.....3.11 Miles
Location: Lincoln Park, NJ -
just 30 minutes west of NYC

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