

SAINTS PETER & PAUL CHURCH

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



Rev. Grzegorz Podsiadlo
Administrator

Eileen Wyss
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Diane Francis
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Music Director

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!

E-mail

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peterpaulreled@comcast.net

Website

www.peterpaulgm.com

Walking Pilgrimage

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

March 4/5 2023

SAT – Mar 4 (St. Casimir)

5:00p +MaryAnn Boatman req cousin Bobby Kowalski

SUN – Mar 5

7:30a +Benjamin (Tracy)Trzeciakiewicz req Ed Tracy Family

10a +Karyn Sofia req aunt MaryLou Fortin

11:30a Pol: -Birthday blessings for Leszek Szmigielski od rodziny

MON – Mar 6

8:30a +Gottlieb Strohmeier req Walt & Trish Horzepa

7:00p(Pol): Dziekczynna za dar zdrowia dla Wladyslawa od rodziny Borzecki

TUES – Mar 7 (Ss. Perpetua & Felicity)

8:30a +Maria Janusz req Schleckmann Family

7:00p(Pol):O szczeswny lot i dourest z Polski od rodziny Lukijaniuk

WED – Mar 8 (St. John of God)

8:30a +James Schoenig req Herb & Joanne Ruetsch

7:00p(Pol): O zdrowie dla Jozef Grab od Krystyna Talajczyk

THUR – Mar 9 (St. Frances of Rome)

8:30a +MaryAnn Boatman req Mark Machaeck

FRI – Mar 10 (Abstinence)

8:30a +Edward B. (Tracy) Trzeciakiewicz req Ed Tracy Family

7:00p Stations of the Cross (English)

8:00p Stations of the Cross (Polish)

SAT – Mar 11

8:30a +Elzbieta & Polikarp Grzybczyk req Gzella Fam

5:00p +Joan Tibak req son Eric & Kate Tibak & Fam

SUN – Mar 12

7:30a +MaryAnn Boatman req Matuszek Family

10a +Louis Francis req Mark & Diane Francis

11:30a Pol: +Stanislaw Zych od rodziny Szmigielski

Altar Flowers – NOT available

Bread & Wine – is offered this week in thanksgiving for the gift of healing for Mark & Elzbieta

Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week in memory of Vincent Yturbe req Wyss Family

Divine Mercy Candle is lit this week in memory of Irene Pospiech req sister Alice Kurnath

CHURCH BELLS



The new system will cost \$14,000.00. We already have \$10,524 for this project. If anyone would like to donate towards the final cost, please see

Fr. Greg or contact the church office. All donations are tax deductible.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be prayed every Friday during Lent starting at 7pm in English and 8pm in Polish. Besides or instead of giving up something for Lent why not add the Stations of the Cross!

MINI-LENTEN RETREAT

A mini-Lenten retreat will take place on Wed, March 22nd. See the article entitled, "Is Jesus truly present in the Eucharist?" Cake & coffee will be served.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS – February 2023

1st week - \$2967

2nd week - \$2698

3rd week - \$2717

4th week - \$3061

HERSHEY PARK TICKETS



Discount tickets are back. Only \$42 per person ages 3+. The tickets can be used anytime between April 1st - Sept. 10th, 2023. Please find the sign-up slips in the back of the church and online at peterpaulgm.com. All pre-paid tickets must be purchased by March 19th in order to get the discount. Any questions please call Eileen in the church office, 908-637-4269.

100 cards for 100 years

Join us in gathering 100 birthday cards for our parishioner, Alberta Piasecki, who will be turning 100 on April 26th of this year. Even if you don't know Alberta personally—this is a great idea. Look for a specially marked box in the back of our church where we will be collecting all the cards.



Is Jesus *truly* present in the Eucharist?



How can the God of the universe be contained in a tiny white host? Come and *see* the overwhelming evidence for Jesus' true presence in the miracle moments of the Mass

and in Holy Communion. Join us for a mini-Lenten retreat on Wednesday, March 22nd at 7pm in the Parish Hall. If you can't make Wednesday another presentation will take place on Sunday, March 26th, at 8:55 AM, in the church hall. Cake & coffee will be served. Note: this talk is for mature audiences only. In it, you'll see something you've never seen before – something that will be life-changing. *"The greatest love story of all time is contained in a tiny white host."* — Venerable Fulton Sheen

Did you hear about the Diaper Drive?



Marlena Jonkoski, one of our Confirmation students, is holding a diaper drive to benefit Birth Haven in Newton. Birth Haven provides shelter, support, and education to homeless pregnant women. The facility is looking for

diapers size Newborn and 1. Marlena will collect diapers through March 26th. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

TAX LETTERS

Your tax letter is available, call (908-637-4269) or email the church office (stpeterandpaul@comcast.net).

CATHOLIC SCHOOL FINANCIAL AID 2023-2024

Financial aid is available for students attending any Catholic school in the Diocese of Metuchen. Check out their website: diometuchen.org. Applications and all required supporting documentation **must be submitted to FACTS Grant & Aid by March 31, 2023.**

DIOCESAN YOUTH DAY

March 12, 2023 St. Thomas Aquinas High School, Edison 11:30am - 5:00pm. Cost: \$20. Throughout the course of this day, teens will come together to enter into the sacrament of the Mass celebrated by Bishop Checchio, have fun with one another, hear a keynote from CFR, Fr. Malachy, have the opportunity for Adoration and Confession, and enjoy some live music, good food, and more! Visit www.diometuchen/yyam to register your teen(s).

EMAIL

It has come to our attention that some people missed our latest church dinner due to lack of communication. We apologize for the last-minute notice. Most of the communication was sent out via EMAIL. If you have email and would like to be notified of upcoming events, please email us at stpeterandpaul@comcast.net to request to be put onto our email list.

Church office closed for vacation March 7th – March 13th.

2023 LENTEN OBLIGATIONS

1. The days of fast and abstinence are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
 2. All other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence (see note below with regards to March 17).
 3. The obligation of fast applies only to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59. Fasting in the Catholic tradition means to limit oneself to one full meal and two smaller meals which together are not equal to a full meal, so as to experience hunger.
 4. The obligation of abstinence applies to all Catholics who have reached the age of 14. Abstinence in the Catholic tradition means to abstain from meat.
- Note:** This year, the Memorial of St. Patrick falls on a Friday. For members of the faithful celebrating this Memorial and who desire it, Bp. Checchio has commuted the penitential obligation on March 17 to the obligation to abstain from meat on another day that same week.



2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Along with other related offices under the Secretariat for Family and Pastoral Life, the *Office of Discipleship Formation for Children* strives to make lifelong faith formation central in all parishes throughout the diocese by providing all children with opportunities to experience God's love and conversion of heart through a growing knowledge of Jesus and the Gospel. Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal is an investment in our future Church. Our parish goal is \$15,000. To date we contributed \$2,448.25 towards our goal.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner, Hackettstown, Friday, March 17th. See next week's bulletin for all details.

"Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you."

Genesis 12:1

God calls all of us to leave behind our old ways and to follow Him, placing our complete trust in Him. Some of the old ways that we struggle to leave behind might be materialism, selfishness and greed. Yet, God promises to show us a new land and a better way to live. Remember what St. Teresa of Calcutta said, "God does not call us to be successful, God calls us to be faithful."

PRAY FOR:

Living: Margaret Brizek, Katelin Silva, Edward Sosnovik, Mike Decker, Alan Jaworski, Jim Meringer, Covid-19 patients

Deceased: Harry Yohn, Maryann Ramsden, Jennie Dragowski, Clara Turner, Luke Stroud

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