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



Rev. Grzegorz Podsiadlo
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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

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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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

March 8/9, 2025

SAT – Mar 8 (St. John of God)

5:00p +Edward Pasko, Jr. req his family

SUN – Mar 9

7:30a +Regis Biemer req Walt & Trish Horzepa

10a +Peter Joseph Gianattasio req Beth Wingle

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

MON – Mar10

8:30a +Edward B. (Tracy) Trzeciakiewicz req Ed &
Anne Marie Tracy

TUES – Mar 11

8:30a +George Sadlock req Alice Kurnath

WED – Mar 12

8:30a +Kazimierz Zawisza req Gzella Family

THUR – Mar 13

8:30a +Katherine Piasecki req Alberta Piasecki

FRI – Mar 14 (Abstinence)

8:30a +For the soul of Jozefa Knap req her family

7:00p Stations of the Cross-English

8:00p Stations of the Cross-Polish

SAT – Mar 15

8:30a +Rev. Ignatius Kuziemski

5:00p +Marie & Stanley Doviak req Alice Kurnath

SUN – Mar 16

7:30a +Stanley Horzepa req Walt & Trish Horzepa

10a +Helen Hendershot req sister Arlene Olenick

11:30a Pol: +Marian Gzella od rodziny

Altar Flowers – are NOT available during Lent

Bread & Wine – are available

Sanctuary Lamp – is available

Divine Mercy Candle – is available

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Daily Mass

Monday thru Saturday

8:30am (chapel)

Reconciliation

Every Saturday afternoon

4pm – 4:45pm

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent

7pm (English), 8pm (Polish)

LENTEN RULES 2025

Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are days of **Fast and Abstinence** from meat. Fasting means limiting oneself to one full meal per day. Meaning the other 2 meals put together should not equal the full meal. This applies to all between the ages of 18 - 59. All Fridays during Lent are Days of Abstinence-no meat or meat by-products. This applies to everyone age 14 and up.

Easter Duty Obligation:

After you have received your First Holy Communion, Catholics are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season. Catholics are also bound to confess serious (mortal) sins at least once a year, but this is not limited to the Lenten/Easter Season.

LENTEN MORNING OF RECOLLECTION

Sat., **April 12 (date change)**, 8:45am-1:30pm with Fr. Rick Rusk. Cost: \$25 (lunch included), Anawim Community, 354 Jonestown Rd. Oxford, NJ. Info or to RSVP oxford@anawim.com or Ph: 908-453-3886.

TAX LETTERS

Tax letters are available. Call or email the rectory, (908-637-4269).

REVEREND BROWN SCHOOL

Reverend Brown will be hosting private tours to prospective families every Tuesday and Thursday! Families interested in Grades PreK to 4 are invited to come and explore our thriving community. With limited spots for the 2025-2026 school year, come see how RB is challenging the youth of today to be leaders of tomorrow! Please visit www.revbrownschool.org/admissions/visit-us to RSVP or contact admissions at admissions@popejohn.org.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS – March 2025

Thank you for your continued generosity & support.

1st week - \$3400

2nd week - \$

3rd week - \$

4th week - \$

2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal supports a number of diocesan ministries dedicated to faith formation. Through *Discipleship Formation for Children* and our *Catholic schools, Youth & Young Adult Ministry, Campus Ministry at Rutgers* and the *Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*, we are reaching out to children, teens, young adults and older adults new to our Catholic Church. These ministries help people of all ages grow in their knowledge and practice of the faith, experience a meaningful sense of service to the community, and come to a deeper understanding of their call to discipleship. Please prayerfully consider a gift today. Our parish goal this year is \$15,000. We have raised \$1616.25 so far.

LIFE CHOICES DIAPER DRIVE

Hello, everyone. My name is Jayden. I am in the 7th grade class and I am preparing for Confirmation next year. I am currently working on a service project, which will benefit families in need. The organization I am working with is called Life Choices, and it is located in Phillipsburg. If you are able to help, these are the things that the organization is requesting: **diapers (size 4-7), pull-ups, wipes, diaper cream, baby shampoo & lotion, sunscreen, formula, bottles, gently used or new clothing.** Please drop them off in the box marked Life Choices by Sunday, April 6th.

HERSHEY PARK TICKETS!!!

It's that time again--plan for your summer get-a-way. If you are interested in discounted Hershey Park tickets, please fill out an order form, (found on the large brown table in church or on our website peterpaulgm.com), and bring your paid orders in by April 20th. Regular priced tickets are \$89.95 per person. Our discount tickets cost \$46.00 per person (ages 3+) and are good for 1 day in the park until January 4, 2026. Parking is an additional \$26 (if ordered on-line) or \$35 in-person. Take advantage of "Preview", the night before. Call the rectory if you have any questions, 908-637-4269.



2025 THE JUBILEE-YEAR

History of the Jubilee Year: The first Jubilee Year was instituted in 1300 by pope Boniface VIII. It was established to help us grow closer to God, to transform our souls. It was to take place every 100 years. In 1343 Popel Clement VI reduced the time between Jubilee Years to 50 and in 1470 Pope Paul II made it every 25 years. This year 2025 Pope Francis has declared this a Jubilee Year or in other words a "Holy Year". In this Holy Year, one is granted a plenary indulgence or Jubilee Indulgence by participating through pilgrimage and prayer. You can travel to Rome to the Basilica of St. Peter or our Bishop has designated the following places within the Diocese of Metuchen: Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen, Shrine Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament, Raritan, National Blue Army Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, Washington, or the National Shrine of St. Lucy Filippini (inside St. Mary of Mt. Virgin Church), New Brunswick. To obtain the indulgence you must 1) receive Holy Communion, 2) pray for the intention of the Holy Father, 3) sincere intention to detach from all sin and go to confession, 4) participate in liturgical celebrations or other designated religious activities connected to the Jubilee Year. You may find all this information and more on the Diocesan website under the heading "Jubilee 2025, Pilgrims of Hope".

CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2025-2026 TUITION ASSISTANCE

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment at <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>. Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) by no later than March 31, 2025. A signed Parish Verification Form is also required by the Diocese, and should be signed by your Pastor, and submitted to the school or schools your children attend. Eligibility requirements, instructions and forms can be found at <https://diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance>. Applications are available in English and Spanish. Families that need assistance completing the online application or need access to a computer to apply should contact their school.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

"Human life must always be defended from its beginning in the womb and must be recognized as a gift of God that guarantees the future of humanity." Pope Francis

Please join Christians throughout the globe to pray and fast for an end to abortion from March 5th to April 13th during the 40 Days for Life campaign, in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 66 East Washington Ave, Washington. For more information contact: Jennifer English, amjadopt@comcast.net 973 525-6692. or visit <https://40daysforlife.com/>

"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you"

Isaiah 41:10

K of C St. Pat's Dinner & Fish Fry Dinner

The Knights of Columbus of Hackettstown are selling tickets for a St. Patrick's Day dinner and also for their annual Fish Fry Dinner. Both cost \$20.00 each. Tickets will be sold after all Masses this weekend.

Short Lenten Prayer:

"May I stand in solidarity today with all my brothers and sisters around the world who are suffering. May we be united in Your love, and may I work to build Your kingdom here on earth." AMEN

PRAY FOR:

Living: Pope Francis, Carol Falivene, Paul Farruggia, Genevieve Godlewsky, Irena Mika, Mickey Tudor, Florence Dzurek

Deceased: Rudy Pasko, James Stryker, Ed Pasko, Jr, Irena Pietras, Ellen Cavaliere

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