

BIRTHDAY DINNER

You are invited to join us on Saturday, March 25th at 6pm to dine with our parishioner, Alberta Piasecki, who is turning 100. RSVP with



the number of people in your family and whatever side dish or dessert or beverage you will bring. **RSVP Tuesday, March 14th or after**, (office closed on Monday, March 13th). BYOB and call 908-637-4269 or email: stpeterandpaul@comcast.net. We are working on a fantastic menu with your help (side-dishes)!

EASTER FOOD DONATIONS

As of this printing we are asked to help 40 families for Easter. Along with Easter Baskets we like to send a bag of groceries & a ham home with each family in need for a nice Easter meal. If you can, please donate any of the following items for an Easter dinner:

- Instant potatoes (boxed or bagged)
- Stuffing
- Gravy
- Canned veggies
- Applesauce
- Rolls/Pillsbury biscuits
- Cereal
- Pasta & pasta sauce
- Cake & icing
- Puddings/Jellos
- Canned fruit
- Mac & Cheese
- Crackers/cookies
- HAMS (please call the office before dropping off)

Please have all items in by Sunday, April 2nd.

EASTER REMEMBRANCE MASSES



During the Easter Season, from Easter to Pentecost Sunday, we offer various Masses for people, living and deceased, that are listed

on our Easter Mass Remembrance Envelopes. These envelopes can be found on the brown table in the back of our church. All names printed on the envelopes will be printed in our bulletin and prayed for during these Masses.

EASTER FLOWERS



Please help us decorate our church with Easter Flowers. Our church is always decorated so beautifully. Flower envelopes can be found on our brown table in the back of our church and all names will be printed in our bulletin.

(Divine Mercy) VERY SPECIAL GRACES

Once a year our Lord blesses us with graces beyond our dreams. This feast of His mercy is called Divine Mercy Sunday. Jesus came and spoke to a Polish nun, Sr. Faustina Kowalska, and showed her



visions of Heaven, Purgatory, and Hell and how our sins affect others. Jesus wants all sinners to come to him on Divine Mercy Sunday and ask for His mercy. On Good Friday we should start a novena and chaplet to be prayed every day until Divine Mercy Sunday, also we need to venerate the Divine Mercy picture, make a good confession, and receive communion on Divine Mercy Sunday. In return Jesus will pour out His mercy upon us cleansing our souls and freeing them from all sin and the punishment due to those sins. Every time you sin there is also a punishment due to the sin. Going to confession takes away the sin NOT the punishment from the sin. Praying the novena and completing the steps mentioned above will take away all punishments. This only happens once a year so please take advantage. Please find more information on the table in the back of church.

JOIN US everyday (Monday-Saturday) after the 8:30am Mass to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet in our Chapel for the people and country of Ukraine.



BLUE ARMY PRAYER GROUP

Meets every Monday in our chapel at 5pm for prayers. All are welcome.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

The Hackettstown Columbus Club, 142 Liberty St.,
Hackettstown Presents:
Corned Beef & Cabbage, Potatoes, Carrots and all
the fixings!! \$20.00 per
dinner. Friday March 17th
Two Seatings:
4:00pm to 5:30pm
6:30pm to 8:00pm
TAKE OUT AVAILABLE
Tickets Required in Advance
For Tickets & Information Contact: 973-945-3947
leave a message or 908-852-9758 leave a message
or columbusclub2483@gmail.com



Did you hear about the
Diaper Drive?

Diaper Drive until March
26th. Sizes newborn and 1
needed. Your generosity is
greatly appreciated.

BE NOT AFRAID

Perhaps priesthood has crossed your mind, but fear pushes
the idea away:

- My friends would laugh if they heard I was thinking about
the priesthood!
- My parents would be shocked.
- My mom wants grandkids.
- I'm scared to death of speaking in public.
- I'm nowhere near holy enough.
- I don't want to give up sex.
- I'll be lonely.
- Seminary may be too hard for me.
- Being a priest seems lame.

These fears are very common, even for men who are already
in seminary. But literally thousands of
men have had the same concerns and
then went on to become holy and
effective priests. Contact Fr. Mauricio
Tabera-Vasquez, Vocation Recruiter,
(732) 562-2457,
vocations@diometuchen.org



GENTLE REMINDER...

Think of our beautiful church building as your home.
Just as you always want your home to be ready to
welcome guests and visitors, please be conscious of
picking up after you and your family at the end of
Mass; readying the church for others. Please replace
all misselettes and song books and take the bulletin
with you so we all make the church ready to welcome
others for worship.

SALVATORIAN MISSIONS

The Salvatorian Fathers whose mission compels them to
share their call to be apostles with people from all walks
of life, are engaged in apostolic activities in 33 countries -
in all the continents of the world. They serve in many of
the Diocese of Metuchen churches including ours. If you
appreciate all the work the fathers do in our churches, you
can show it by making a donation to the Salvatorian
Fathers Mission to keep their work unending. Please be as
generous as possible and help the Salvatorians Fathers,
who are so willing to help us to keep our churches from
closing. Please be generous in next Sunday's second
collection.

Sanctuary Lamp / Bread & Wine / Divine Mercy Candle

Please contact the church office, 908-637-4269, if you
would like to book the Sanctuary Lamp, Bread & Wine, or
Divine Mercy Candle for the week in memory of or in
honor of a loved one. The cost is only \$10 for the week.
The name(s) will be placed in the bulletin and announced
at all Masses for the week it is booked.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, APRIL 16TH

By participating in this Feast our souls have the
opportunity for all our temporal punishments from our
sins to be wiped clean. In other words, when we sin, we
go to confession to have the priest forgive our sins. Each
sin has a punishment attached to it called a temporal
punishment that the priest cannot remove. In order to
remove the temporal punishments of our sins we could
spend extra time in purgatory or we can participate in
spiritual activities which can grant us plenary indulgences.
Some examples would be: •going to confession 20 days
before or after obtaining the indulgence; •receiving
Eucharistic communion; •praying for the intentions of our
Pope; •praying in front of the Blessed Sacrament at least
½ hour; •participation in the Adoration of the Cross on
Good Friday; •praying at least 5 decades of the rosary in
church/chapel/in a family/religious community/pious
association; •celebrating at a priest's first solemn Mass or
his 25th, 50th, or 60th anniversary Mass; •visiting a
church on the day of its dedication and praying 1 Our
Father and the Creed; •renewing one's Baptismal promises
during the Easter Vigil or on the anniversary of one's
Baptism; •reading sacred Scripture with devotion to God's
Word for at least 30 minutes; •piously praying the Stations
of the Cross; each Friday during Lent recite the prayer
"Look down Upon Me, Good and Gentle Jesus" after
communion before an image of Christ crucified; •local
Bishops may also impart Apostolic blessing three times a
year on dates of their choosing at the end of a special
solemn Mass. •BUT THE MOST IMPORTANT IS
PARTICIPATING IN THE FEAST OF DIVINE
MERCY. Find more information on this great feast on the
brown table in the back of church. Join us on Sunday,
April 16th at 3pm for the concluding prayers for the
Divine Mercy Feast.