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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](mailto:stpeterandpaul@comcast.net)

### Religious Education E-mail

[peterpaulreled@comcast.net](mailto:peterpaulreled@comcast.net)

### Website

[www.peterpaulgm.com](http://www.peterpaulgm.com)

### Walking Pilgrimage

[www.walkingpilgrimage.us](http://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 15/16, 2025

### SAT – Mar 15

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

### MON – Mar17 (St. Patrick)

8:30a +Linda Paterson req granddaughters Emily & Rachel McMahon

### TUES – Mar 18 (St. Cyril of Jerusalem)

8:30a +Marian Gzella req his family

### WED – Mar 19 (St. Joseph)

8:30a +Joseph Godlewsky req Barbara & Jack Reed

### THUR – Mar 20

8:30a -God's presence, blessings & guidance for Sweryn & Patricia and Christopher & Charlotte on the occasion of their engagements req their family

### FRI – Mar 21(Abstinence)

8:30a +Josephine & Frank Fortino req Alberta Piasecki

7:00p Stations of the Cross-English

8:00p Stations of the Cross-Polish

### SAT – Mar 22

8:30a -Birthday blessings for Edward Kusiak req Dait Family

5:00p +Nancy Penner req her family

### SUN – Mar 23

7:30a +Shirley Ann Olenick req sister-in-law Arlene

10a +Leon Fortin req wife MaryLou & Family

11:30a Pol: +Mieczyslaw Kaplan & Antonina Kobylecka od rodziny Szmigielski

**Altar Flowers** – are NOT available during Lent  
**Bread & Wine** – is offered this week in memory of Helen Hendershot req her sons & family  
**Sanctuary Lamp** – is lit this week in memory of Jozef & Michal & Apolonia & Michal req family  
**Divine Mercy Candle** – is lit this week for the soul of Marian Gzella req his family

### Salvatorian Missions

Our parish has the opportunity to help further the Salvatorian Missions in this weekend's second collection. The Salvatorian priests are schooled in Poland and then are sent out all over the world to proclaim the Good News. Our priest, Fr. Greg, is a Salvatorian priest. Please give generously in the second collection today.

### 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)

### WEEKLY OFFERINGS – March 2025

Thank you for your continued generosity & support.

1st week - \$3400

2nd week - \$3335

3rd week - \$

4th week - \$

### 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 6<sup>th</sup>.

### 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](http://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.

### TAX LETTERS

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

## 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](mailto:oxford@anawim.com) or Ph: 908-453-3886.

### 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.

### 2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal

If you have yet to make your pledge to this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, you will have the opportunity to do so next weekend, March 22/23, which has been designated as **Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend**. Please prayerfully consider a gift to help our parish reach its goal. If we can exceed our goal, 50% of the amount collected over goal will be returned to us in the form of a parish rebate. Just as important as our financial goal is our goal of reaching 100% participation. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated. Thank you. Our parish goal this year is \$15,000. We have raised \$3891.25 so far.

### 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.factsmgmt.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.

## 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 Pope 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".



*"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](mailto: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

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#### **Short Lenten Prayer:**

"Heavenly Father, I'm truly sorry for the moments today where I missed the mark. I ask for your forgiveness and the strength to better follow Your call tomorrow. Amen."

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#### **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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