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



Rev. Grzegorz Podsiadlo Administrator

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#### MASSES:

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).

offering envelopes.

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

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 stpeterandpaul@comcast.net

**Religious Education E-mail** peterpaulreled@comcast.net

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#### 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.

#### PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

April 1/2 2023

SAT - Apr 1

5:00p +Maria Sisto req children & family

**SUN** – Apr 2 (Palm Sunday)

7:30a +Joseph Farley Moran req Joseph Valentino

10a +Pamela George Barnes req Wingle Family

11:30a Pol: +Wladyslaw Borzecki od rodziny

**MON** – Apr 3

8:30a -For the intentions of Frank Palmer, Jr. req Joseph Valentino

TUES - Apr 4

8:30a -For the intentions of Joseph Valentino

<u>WED</u> – Apr 5

8:30a +For all souls in purgatory

THUR - Apr 6 (Holy Thursday)

8:30a NO MORNING MASS

7:00p -For all priests

FRI – Apr 7 (Good Friday) (Fasting & Abstinence)

8:30a NO MORNING MASS

3:00p Passion of our Lord (English)

7:00p Stations of the Cross (English)

8:00p Passion of our Lord (Polish)

**SAT** – Apr 8 (Holy Saturday)

8:30a NO MORNING MASS

9:30a – 12:30p Blessing of Food Baskets

8:00p +MaryAnn Boatman req cousin Bobby Kowalski

**SUN** – Apr 9 (Easter Sunday)

7:30a -For the intentions of Frank Palmer, Jr. req Joseph Valentino

10a +Norberto Jorge Lineiro req Beth Wingle & Vince Settineri

11:30a Pol: +Zofia, Elzbieta, Zygmont Kulacz & Wladyslaw & Stefania Jacek od rodziny

<u>Altar Flowers</u> – donated by our parishioners

<u>Bread & Wine</u> – is offered this week in memory of Nancy Penner req her family

<u>Sanctuary Lamp</u> is lit this week in memory of Ann & Phil Yturbe reg the Wyss Family

<u>Divine Mercy Candle</u> is lit this week for good health of Julia Furtan

ANNUAL DIOCESE RETIRED PRIEST COLLECTION

This special collection, taken up today, is for all our retired priests who are residing in the Diocese of Metuchen. All monies will be given to the Maria Regina Residence where most of our retired priest call home. Please be as generous as your means will allow today.

**Easter Giving Tree &** *EASTER FOOD DONATIONS* 

All Easter Baskets and food donations are due in TODAY. Any problems or questions please call the church office 9am Monday morning. Easter Baskets and food bags will be given out starting at 3pm on Monday. Thanks for all the donations.

#### **EASTER FLOWERS**

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

#### **WEEKLY OFFERINGS – March 2023**

1<sup>st</sup> week - \$2979 2<sup>nd</sup> week - \$3083 3<sup>rd</sup> week - \$2717 4<sup>th</sup> week - \$2946

#### **CHURCH BELLS**



The new system will cost \$14,000.00. We already have \$13,024 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.

#### **HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE**

Palm Sunday, April 2

Vigil Mass -5:00pm - (Sat.)

Masses - 7:30am(Eng), 10am, (Eng), 11:30am(Pol)

Confession - Monday of Holy Week, April 3rd, 7pm - 8pm

Holy Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> (NO MORNING MASS) 7:00pm Mass,

After Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11:00pm.

Good Friday, April 7th (NO MORNING MASS)\*\*

**3:00pm** Liturgy of the Passion and Death of our Lord-(English)

7:00pm Stations of the Cross (English)

**8:00pm** Liturgy of the Passion and Death of our Lord-(Polish)

\*\*Start of Divine Mercy Novena\*\*

Holy Saturday, April 8th (NO MORNING MASS)

9:30am - 12:30pm Traditional Blessing of Food

(Święconka) every 30 minutes

**8:00pm** Easter Vigil Mass (English)

Easter Sunday, April 9th

7:30am (English/Polish), 10am (English),

**11:30am**(Polish)

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16th-devotion at 3pm

#### PALMS for PALM SUNDAY

Thank you to the Newbaker Funeral Home of Blairstown for sponsoring the cost of our Palm this year. May God bless them and their business.

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!

#### 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal



This weekend, we are celebrating Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend. Our goal is for **ANNUAL APPEAL** every family to participate.

Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly Together, we are keeping Christ's appreciated. presence alive in the world today. Thank you for actively participating in this mission by your financial Our parish goal is \$15,000. To date we support. contributed \$5,412 towards our goal.

#### EASTER REMEMBRANCE MASSES



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 will be printed in our bulletin and prayed for during these Masses.

#### THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

We received, from anonymous donors, a new Marian vestment, new red vestment, and a new funeral vestment. We would like to thank the children and families of the Polish First Holy Communion class for the new white vestment. Also, thank you to our Polish Rosary Group for the new Liturgical Cope and veil and thank you to the (Tracy) Trzeciakiewicz family for the new pall (coffin covering). May God bless your generosity.

#### 100th BIRTHDAY DINNER

I cannot put into words how blessed and thankful that you all remembered me on my 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. Thank you to everyone who sent cards and well wishes, baked and cooked for my party. It was a wonderful evening, more than words can express. May God bless you all. Alberta Piasecki

#### **MINI-RETREAT PRESENTATION**

We would like to thank Brian Young for the great presentation of the Real Presence of the Holy Eucharist. Brian worked for hours on this presentation and it was presented beautifully. Thanks again Brian.

#### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH**

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 priests 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.

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"As they were marching out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross." (Matthew 27:32)

The Lord calls us to love God and to love our neighbor. Every day we are presented with opportunities to love our neighbor and help him "carry his cross." These opportunities aren't usually big events, they are usually ordinary occurrences like helping someone carry their groceries or holding the door open for them. The key is putting the other person's needs before our own and not expecting anything in return.

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#### PRAY FOR:

Living: Jack Reed, Dorothy Ford, Anthony Granata, Mike Decker, Alan Jaworski, Jim Meringer, Covid-19 patients

**Deceased:** Edward Sosnovik, Margaret Brizek, Harry Yohn, Maryann Ramsden, Jennie Dragowski, Clara Turner, Luke Stroud



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