SAINTS PETER & PAUL CHURCH

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Welcome to our Church!

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



Rev. Grzegorz Podsiadlo Administrator

Eileen Wyss Parish Secretary

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Music Director

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).

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 p

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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

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER April 13/14, 2024

<u>SAT</u> – Apr 13

5:00p +Grzegorz Gubernat req his family SUN – Apr 14

7:30a +Ann Milonas
10a +Rose Ardire req daughter MaryLou Fortin
11:30a Pol: -God's blessings for the wedding anniv. of Dariusz & Beata Lukijaniuk

<u>MON</u> – Apr 15

8:30a +James Meringer req Steve & Marilyn Gorski <u>TUES</u> – Apr 16

8:30a +Julia (Tracy) Trzeciakiewicz req Ed Tracy Family

<u>WED</u> – Apr 17

8:30a +Bernard Dean req Alberta Piasecki

<u>Altar Flowers</u> – donated by our parishioners <u>Bread & Wine</u> is available <u>Sanctuary Lamp</u> is available <u>Divine Mercy Candle</u> is available

TAX LETTERS

Call or email a request for your 2023 donation letter for your tax purposes. (<u>stpeterandpaul@comcast.net</u> or 908-637-4269).

2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal

This weekend, parishes throughout the Diocese of Metuchen are celebrating **Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend**. Our goal is for every family to participate. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated. Together, we are keeping Christ's presence alive in the world today. Thank you for actively participating in this mission by your financial support. You can find the link to the Bishop's Appeal video by going to https://diometuchen.org/BAA.

Our Parish goal is \$15,000. To date we donated \$10,502. Thank you.

CHURCH WEBSITE

Remember to check out our church website for current information, holy & feast day schedules, upcoming events, and to see the bulletin on-line before the weekend. The website is peterpaulgm.com.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS – April 2024

1 st week - \$3389	2^{nd} week - \$
3 rd week - \$	4 th week - \$

<u>THUR</u> – Apr 18
8:30a +-Names from the Easter Rem Envs
<u>FRI</u> – Apr 19
8:30a +Susan Dzurek req son Joe & Florence Dzurek
<u>SAT</u> – Apr 20
8:30a +Jadwiga Puchacz req Polish Rosary Society
5:00p +Louise Stefanski req LuAnn Wojcik
<u>SUN</u> – Apr 21
7:30a +Joseph Godlewsky req Jen & Chris Mulhall
10a +Lucy Young and the comfort of the Young Family req Religious Ed Pgm
11:30a Pol: +Wiktoria i Jozef Hader od rodziny

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"Time to Clean Out Closets?"

One of our confirmation students is collecting clothing for Dasacc. There will be a box in the back of our church for the following donations: <u>for women</u>-gently used or new current style clothing, handbags, new bras & undergarments & toiletries. <u>For kids</u> age 8-14-new or slightly used clothing both girls & boys. <u>No men's clothing</u> *please*. Donations will be accepted until 4/21.

Hershey Park Discount Tickets

Orders for pre-paid discount tickets for Hershey Park are due today. The price for a regular ticket is \$86.95 per person. Our discounted price is \$45.00 per person (all ages 3+). The tickets are good for 1 day in the park and can be used any time the park is open from March 29, 2024 - January 1, 2025. Checks should be made out to Ss. Peter & Paul Church. Any questions please contact the church office at 908-637-4269 or check out our webpage: peterpaulgm.com, under the Upcoming Events tab.

THANK YOU!!!

Fr. Greg is very grateful for all people involved in making our Holy Week and Easter Masses a beautiful testament of our devotion to God. He thanked all Lectors, Altar Servers, our Music Program, ushers, Altar Care ministers, special readers during our Masses, our Religious Ed Program and staff. Special thanks to all who decorated our church and to the Rob Critchley for covering and uncovering our large hanging cross over our main altar. Shout out to our Outreach Team for successfully collecting and distributing Easter meals and baskets to 27 families. Fr. Greg was delighted to see so many people in our church. Our church was blessed to have such wonderful Easter celebrations! Happy Easter Season to all.

National Eucharistic Congress

"We're going on pilgrimage again." The Most Rev. James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA, Bishop of Metuchen, invites the faithful of the Diocese of Metuchen to join him on a pilgrimage to the 10th National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis from July 17-21, 2024. A CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE UNLIKE ANY OTHER. This historic 5-day gathering of missionary disciples will be a new Pentecost, a powerful anointing and personal commission to invite others to know Christ. Tour Inclusions • NEC Congress Pass (5 Days) • Four (4) accommodations nights' in Indianapolis Continental breakfast daily (pending confirmation) • Daily transportation from hotel to the Indianapolis Convention Center and Lucas Oil Stadium • Gratuities payable to motorcoach drivers Optional Group Air Package (selection to be made during registration) • Direct roundtrip flights from Philadelphia or Newark to Indianapolis Tour Does Not Include • Meals and beverages not specifically identified • Items not specifically mentioned above. Check this brochure out at https://diometuchen.org/nec2024.

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.



Diocesan Youth Day

April 20th, 2024 *The day will run from 10:30am-5pm.*

St. Thomas Aquinas High School, Edison

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry will run our Diocesan

Youth Day at St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Edison, NJ on Saturday, April 20th, 2024. Throughout the course of this day, **8th-12th grade teens** will come together to enter into the sacrament of the Mass, have fun with one another, hear talks from Chika Anyanwu, have the opportunity for Adoration and Confession, enjoy live music, good food, and more! Please register here: https://www.diometuchen.org/diocesan-youth-

<u>day</u>

Please direct all questions to Emily Hajduk Kopka at <u>ehajduk@diometuchen.org</u>.

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.

SHOP RITE GIFT CARDS

Stop after Mass or come to the office during the week to purchase your Shop Rite gift cards. It does not cost anything extra but the face value of the card(s). Our parish gains 5% on all gift cards sold. Last fiscal year we made \$4,050 from the use of the cards. Thanks to the volunteers who are willing to stay a few minutes after Mass to sell these cards and to all who use them to shop.

May 19, 2024

1 Six Flags Boulevard, Jackson, NJ

The NJ Catholic Youth Rally is a day-long event that gathers teens from across the state of NJ for a day of fun, fellowship, Mass, and more held at Six Flags Great Adventure in Jackson, NJ. The day starts with a dynamic opening ceremony. Teens then get the day to enjoy the park and all the rides. The day concludes in the Batman Stunt Arena with a Mass. Open to all Jr. High, High School & Young Adult Ministry, Scouting Parish/School Athletic Programs, and families.

The registration DEADLINE is May 10th.

Register

here: https://www.diometuchen.org/youth-rally Please direct all questions to Emily Hajduk Kopka at ehajduk@diometuchen.org

"Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' But they were startled and frightened…" - Luke 24:36-37

Throughout the day we have many opportunities to "see the face of Jesus" in others and to "be the face of Jesus" to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide "peace" to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength and courage to live a "God-centered" life and not a "self-centered" life.

PRAY FOR:

Living: Christopher Muller, Irena Pietras, Robert Kristoff, Dorothy Ford, John Lee Deceased: Frank Lantermen, Marian Gzella, Laura McGee, Maria Amabile, Regina Lukijaniuk



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