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

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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).

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.

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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.

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD April 19/20, 2025

SAT – Apr 19 (Holy Saturday)

8:30a NO MORNING MASS

9:30a - 12:30p Blessing of Easter Food Baskets

5:00p **NO MASS**

8:00p (Easter Vigil) -God's blessings for Karl Schaub & OCIA Team

SUN – Apr 20 (Easter Sunday)

7:30a +Susan Dzurek req son Joe & Florence Dzurek

10a +Ruth Kurnath req her family

11:30a Pol: +Zofia Janczy

MON - Apr 21

8:30a -God's blessings for Beata & Dariusz Lukijaniuk on the occasion of their 32nd wedding anniversary

7:00p Pol: -Birthday blessings for Wojtek Kusiak od rodziny Dait

Altar Flowers – are donated by our parishioners

Bread & Wine – is offered this week in memory of
Giuseppe Granata req the Granata Family

Sanctuary Lamp – is lit this week for God's
blessings for the Bielecki Family

Divine Mercy Candle – is lit this week in honor of the 102nd birthday of Alberta Piasecki req Divine Mercy Prayer Group

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.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed for vacation Tuesday, April 22 until Monday, April 28th. Office will re-open Tuesday, April 29th.

HERSHEY PARK TICKETS!!!

Discount ticket pre-paid orders are due back <u>TODAY</u>, <u>April 20th</u>. ?'s please call 908-637-4269.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS – April 2025

Thank you for your continued generosity & support.

1st week - \$3622

Palm Sun - \$

Easter - \$

4th week - \$

TUES - Apr 22

8:30a +Albert G. Kurnath reg Kurnath Family

WED – Apr 23

8:30a + Anna & John Kowalski req Adella Kowalski

THUR - Apr 24

8:30a +Kevin Mosner req Frank & Gail McMahon

FRI – Apr 25

8:30a +Jennie Kowalski req Jenn & Chris Mulhall

SAT – Apr 26

8:30a -102 birthday blessings for Alberta Piasecki reg Steve & Marilyn Gorski

5:00p +Rudy Pasko req Joanne & John Lee

SUN – Apr 27 (Divine Mercy Sunday)

7:30a +Josephine Miros req Walt & Trish Horzepa

10a +Mathew J. Wingle req his family

11:30a Pol: -Blessings & healing for the Farruggia Family

2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Your gift supports the mission of the *Office of Human Life and Dignity*, remaining steadfast in its efforts to promote the sanctity of human life in all stages and in all conditions. Your support also brings the grace of the sacraments and compassionate care to those in hospitals and prisons through our *clergy chaplains*, and has a tremendous impact on the lives of so many in need through our *Catholic Charities*.

Our parish goal this year is \$15,000. We have raised \$8,912.50 so far.

Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage Experience Friday, May 9th at 7pm.



Join us for an experience of a lifetime, right here at Ss. Peter & Paul Church, Great Meadows, NJ. If you cannot journey to Lourdes, France to visit the site where our Blessed Mother appeared to St. Bernadette and receive a Plenary Indulgence, then join us for a

Virtual Pilgrimage to Lourdes and receive the same Plenary Indulgence granted by Pope Frances. Come and touch the Grotto Rock and experience the healing grace of Lourdes water. Receive a Eucharistic blessing and pray the Rosary, prepare a petition to be placed in the Grotto in Lourdes, France, receive a bottle of Lourdes Water. Friday, May 9th at 7pm.

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.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

This second collection will be taken up <u>next</u> <u>weekend</u>, <u>April 26/27</u> to benefit the Native & Black American Collection and the Catholic Relief Services.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, APRIL 27TH



Next Sunday we will celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. This is a very special and important feast. We started the Divine Mercy novena and chaplet on Good Friday—it will conclude on Mercy Sunday. Jesus asks us to pray the novena and chaplet every day from Good Friday to Divine Mercy Sunday, venerate the Divine Mercy picture, make a

good confession, and receive communion on Divine Mercy Sunday. In return He will pour out His mercy upon us cleansing our souls and freeing them from all sin <u>and</u> the punishment due to those sins. This only happens once a year so please take advantage. We will have the concluding prayer service here at our church starting at 3pm on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27th. More information on Divine Mercy can be found in the back of the church.

40TH ANNIVERSARY MASS

Join Life Choices of Metuchen on Thursday, June 12th at 5pm for a Mass in the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen followed by a reception. Free will donations accepted. RSVP to attend at 732-516-0911.

Fish & Chips Dinner

Sponsored by the Mt Lake Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary
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SAVE THE DATE

September 20, 2025 diocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine in Washington, DC. Watch the bulletin for more details.

Nicene Creed

The year 2025 marks the 1700th anniversary of the First Ecumenical Council of 325, and the Nicene Creed. The Roman Catholic Dioceses of the state of NJ, the Episcopal Dioceses of Newark and NJ, the Lutheran (ELCA), Presbyterian, and Reformed churches, as well as the Ukrainian Orthodox and Greek Orthodox Churches are joining together in celebration of this historic moment. There will be a service of thanksgiving for both clergy and laity at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine, 61 Georgia Road, Freehold, NJ on Sat., May 3rd at 11am, with a reception following. His Eminence, Cardinal Tobin, Archbishop of Newark, will be in attendance, and will be joined by other Christian leaders. All are most welcome!

WHAT IS A PLENARY INDULGENCE, ANYWAY?

A plenary indulgence is the remission of temporal punishments of already-forgiven sins. When we sin and go to confession, the priest absolves us of our sins but NOT the temporal punishments due to those sins. While usually only one plenary indulgence can be obtained per day, during the special Jubilee Year the Holy See is extending this to two, subject to all normal conditions, with an act of charity carried out for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. This grace may be obtained:

- For oneself
- For the souls in Purgatory to lessen their suffering

On December 8, 2024, Bishop James F. Checchio designated the National Blue Army Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima (right on the other side of Washington, NJ) as a pilgrimage site. Here, the faithful may obtain the Jubilee Indulgence.

Requirements for Obtaining the Jubilee Indulgence

To receive the plenary indulgence, faithful must:

- 1. Visit the Blue Army Shrine
- 2. Participate in Mass and receive Holy Communion
- 3. Pray for the Holy Father's intentions:
- Recite the Creed
- Our Father
- Hail Mary
- Glory Be
- 4. Have a sincere intention to be detached from all sin
- 5. Go to Confession within 8 days

"Lord, we give thanks for the hope and new life that Easter brings. May we live in the light of His victory over death. Amen"

PRAY FOR:

Living: Joan Critchley, Deborah Napolitano, Josef Sempruch, Elizabeth Klima, Letisia Stasi

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



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