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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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 10/11, 2025

SAT – May 10 (Ss. John of Avila & de Veuster)

5:00p +-All names on the Mother's Day Rem Envs

SUN – May 11 (Mother's Day)

7:30a +-All names on the Mother's Day Rem Envs 10a +-All names on the Mother's Day Rem Envs 11:30a Pol: +-All names on the Mother's Day Rem Envs

MON – May 12 (Ss. Nereus & Achilleus)

8:30a +Marian Grabowski req son Art

TUES – May 13 (Our Lady of Fatima)

8:30a -Birthday blessings for Jacob req his family

WED – May 14 (At. Matthias)

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

THUR – May 15 (St. Isidore)

8:30a -Birthday blessings for Zofia Sobota req Dait Family

FRI - May 16

8:30a +Benjamin Dean req Alberta Piaseceki

SAT – May 17

8:30a +-All names listed on the Easter Rem Envs

5:00p +Bernard Zwolinski req daughter Florence & Joe Dzurek

SUN - May 18

7:30a +-All names listed on the Easter Rem Envs 10a +Louis Francis req son Mark & Diane Francis

& family

11:30a Pol: -God's blessings for the Polish First Holy Communion class and their families

Altar Flowers – are donated by our First Holy Communion Class

Bread & Wine – is offered this week for the soul of Helen Olenick req daughter Arlene

Sanctuary Lamp – is lit this week for the soul of Helen Hendershot reg her sons & family

Divine Mercy Candle – is lit this week for the soul of Irene Wyss req her family

THANK YOU

As a parent, our children are a very precious part of our daily existence. As a parish, the children renew our faith and add exuberance to our efforts in the community. But the one thing we all agree on is the importance of a relationship with Christ. That central goal drives us to share Christ with our children and help them develop their own relationship with Him. So, THANK YOU, catechists for your dedication to your ministry and your service to our youth. Your love of Christ is shown in the time you spend in study, prayer and preparation of your curriculum for your students. It goes far beyond the hour and a half of class time. And THANK YOU, parents and students for your support and willingness to learn. Please continue to pray for our catechists, our Religious Education Program, and our parish. When you get a chance, please offer your catechist a gesture of gratitude (an email, card, offer a Mass or a candle), because we can be the Light of Christ to each other.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS – May 2025

Thank you for your continued generosity & support.

MOTHER'S DAY



Happy Mother's Day! Why not honor your Mother, (living or deceased), by having her remembered in Masses during the

month of May? It's not too late—cards for the living and remembrance envelopes for the deceased can be found in the back of the church. All names printed on the envelopes will be printed in next week's bulletin and prayed for at all Masses on Mother's Day weekend and various Masses throughout the month of May.

2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Thank you to everyone who could afford to donate to our Bishop's Annual Appeal. We surpassed our goal of \$15,000. To date we raised \$17,250.10 of which we will receive back 50% over our goal of \$15,000. Thank you and God Bless.

MISSIONARY CO-OP PLAN

Please welcome Rev. M. S. Selva Raj, Mission Director, Diocese of Kumbakonam, India to our parish this weekend for our annual Missionary Co-Op Plan. Fr. Raj will celebrate Mass with us and tell us all about his homeland in India. The second collection will be taken up for his mission.

Friendly's Fundraiser

Wednesday, May 14th from 4 - 8 pm

The Mt Lake Fire Co Ladies Auxiliary will receive 20% of your purchase when you dine-in or take-out. Present a flyer (found on the back table) or take a photo of the one on the back bulletin board.

Call / text: 908-319-1699 for more information.

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 and bus opportunities.

DEVELOPMENT OF PEOPLE

Next weekend we are asked to take up the Development of Peoples collection. This collection benefits the Church in Latin America, the Church in Europe, and the Catholic Home Missions. Please be generous in the second collection NEXT weekend.

Anchored in Hope

The Brotherhood of Hope, in partnership with the Diocese of Metuchen and the St James men's ministry, will lead this area-wide men's night that includes good prayer, food, teaching, music, and faith-sharing. It's on Thursday May 22 at the *Stone House at Stirling Ridge* (the Lodge) in Warren, with Evening Prayer starting at 5:45 pm, then wine, dinner and the 6:30 program. Free will offering at the event. RSVP terryconley@me.com if you plan to attend.

REMINDER...

Bp. Checchio has designated the following sacred places within our diocese as places where the faithful may obtain the Jubilee Indulgence:

-Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen -Shrine Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament, Raritan -National Blue Army Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, Washington, NJ

-National Shrine of St. Lucy Filippini (inside St. Mary of Mt. Virgin Church), New Brunswick
These sacred spaces have been carefully chosen to reflect the spiritual significance of pilgrimage and to foster deeper conversion and reconciliation among the people of God. The visit is not merely and outward action but a reflection of the soul's pilgrimage toward God, with conversion, reconciliation, and renewal at its heart. Thus, the faithful obtain the Jubilee indulgence by fulfilling the following conditions:

-Reception of Holy Communion
-Prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father
-A sincere intention to detach from all sin, even venial sins, and, if necessary, going to confession
-Participate in liturgical celebrations or other designated religious activities connected to the Jubilee Year.

Please do this before December 8, 2025.

Spirit-Strengthened Hope

Join our Pentecost evening on Saturday, June 7th at 7:00 pm at St Peter Church in New Brunswick. Many diocesan men and women will come together with the parish, the Brotherhood of Hope, and Petros young adults for songs and prayers invoking the Holy Spirit's release, healing, and power.

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 IndulgenceTo 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

Sow love, peace, and harmony Lord; uphold our priests and calm our kings; heal all our sick and guard the strong; forgive the sins of all mankind. AMEN

PRAY FOR:

Living: Marilyn Gorski, Annette Munley, Leslie Washuta, Joan Critchley, Deborah Napolitano **Deceased:** Pope Francis, Rudy Pasko, James Stryker, Ed Pasko, Jr, Irena Pietras, Ellen Cavaliere



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