# SAINTS PETER & PAUL CHURCH

# 360 US HWY 46 - GREAT MEADOWS, NEW JERSEY 07838

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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#### 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!

#### 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

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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.

# NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME August 10/11, 2024

## <u>SAT</u> – Aug 10 (St. Lawrence)

5:00p +Carol Cerciello req husband Vinny & daughter Christina

## <u>SUN</u> – Aug 11

7:30a +Jim Meringer req Ed & AnneMarie Tracy 10a +Walter Moroz req Gail & Frank McMahon 11:30a Pol: +Zofia Dymnicki w 2 rocz smierci

# MON – Aug 12 (St. Jane Frances de Chantal)

8:30a -Intentions only known to God

## **<u>TUES</u>** – Aug 13 (Ss. Pontian & Hippolytus)

## 8:30a +Maciej Pilip req Rev. Grzegorz Podsiadlo

## <u>WED</u> – Aug 14 (St. Maximilian Kolbe)

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

# **<u>THUR</u>** – Aug 15 (Assumption of the BVM)

7:00a +Walter & Marianna Kowalski req Jenn & Chris Mulhall

- 6:30p +Patricia & John Foley req Patty Barley
- 8:00p Pol: -God's abundant graces & blessings for Rafal Markiewicz
- FRI Aug 16 (St. Stephen of Hungary)

8:30a +IMO Edward Pospiech req Kurnath Family **SAT – Aug 17** 

8:30a +Janina & Tomasz & Andrzej Losos req Gzella Family

5:00p +Paul DiLorenzo req Willis Family

# <u>SUN</u> – Aug 18

7:30a +Gienka Leszkowicz req her family 10a +Stanley F. Stachowicz req Schleckmann Fam 11:30a Pol: +Ewa Beben req rodziny Hader

# YOUTH GROUP



Calling all 8<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders. Join our youth group, bring your friends. Games, pizza, ice cream, fun, and helping your church and community. Call Brian

at 908-246-2843 for more info.

# MASS

Going on vacation? Don't forget to check out **catholicmasstime.org** to find a Catholic church in the area you will be staying. You never know what great choir or homily you will hear in a different church. Stop and thank the Lord for a great vacation.

## AIR-CONDITIONING SYSTEM



As many of you already know, half of our airconditioning system is down. It will cost \$18,380.00 to fix. One of our compressors burnt out.

If you are interested in helping with some of the cost please put your donations in a separate envelope, marked "Fix Air-Conditioning System". Blank envelopes can be found in the back of our church. Please also put your name on the envelope so we can give you credit for your taxes. Thank you to the following families for donating: Ficarella, O'Byrne, Sebeck, Granata, Schleckmann, Hader, Borzecki, anonymous, Thurgood, Gzella, Szmigielski, Machacek.

<u>Altar Flowers</u> – are in memory of James Meringer & Darlene Meringer-Reed req their sister Marilyn Gorski <u>Bread & Wine</u> is offered this week for birthday blessings for Karina Szymuza <u>Sanctuary Lamp</u> is lit this week for birthday blessings for Janina Grab <u>Divine Mercy Candle</u> is lit this week in memory of Irene Wyss

# ASSUMPTION

## Thursday, August $15^{\text{th}}$ is the Feast of the Assumption



of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated at 7am & 6:30pm in English and at 8pm in Polish.

## SUMMER REMINDER

Summer is here! Please remember to wear appropriate clothing to Mass. Just as you would dress up to go out to a fancy dinner or special occasion, Mass is also very special and should be respected.



## WEEKLY OFFERINGS – August 2024

Thank you for your continued generosity & support. $1^{st}$  week - \$2870 $2^{nd}$  week - \$ $3^{rd}$  week - \$ $4^{th}$  week - \$

## 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.

#### WITH SINCERE THANKS

We would like to thank our parishioners who mail or deliver their weekly envelopes to the parish office while they are out-of-town or on vacation. Many understand,

parish expenses and obligations do not take vacations. It is very helpful to rely on your continued support.

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### Mass & New Jersey March For Life

Thursday, September 26, 2024, 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM Location: Trenton, NJ

- 9:30 AM Mass for Life at St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral, 151 Warren St. in Trenton
- Mass will end in time to walk the short distance to the NJ March for Life Event Site
- Seating at the Cathedral is first come, first served (No RSVP is necessary)
- Overflow seating will be available in the lower level with livestreamed viewing on large screens.
- Spanish translation devices will be available on site.
- 11:00 AM March for Life Rally & Speakers at the Statehouse Annex, 131 W. State Street in Trenton
- 12:00 Noon The March steps off! (one mile loop through Trenton and back to the Statehouse Annex)
  - \$20.00 to reserve a seat on the bus that departs the Diocesan Center in Piscataway 8:00 AM.

Please visit the diocese website: https://www.diometuchen.org/events/mass-new-jerseymarch-for-life for more information and to reserve your seat on the bus.

## **ASSUMPTION OF MARY NOVENA**



This month's featured novena is to the Assumption of Our Blessed Virgin Mary. The word Novena comes from the word "novem" which means "nine." It is a prayer that is said for nine consecutive days. A Novena may be a private or public spiritual devotion for the purpose of obtaining a special favour from heaven, be it a special grace, imploring a favour or to make a

special petition. All new novenas for the month of August can be found in our Novena Corner.

### Silver & Gold & 5 Year Wedding Anniversary

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on Sunday, October 20, 2024 at 3:00 PM. This year the Silver and Gold Anniversary Prayer Service will include couples celebrating 5 years of marriage. Registration is required. Please register online at: https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-

anniversary-celebration. If you are unable to access, please contact the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org. Registration will close on October 11, 2024. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online at https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-

anniversary-celebration or calling 732-562-1543.

### **PRECIOUS BE NOT AFRAID**

Perhaps priesthood has crossed your mind, but fear pushes the idea away:

 $\bullet$  My friends would laugh if they heard I was thinking about the priesthood!

- My parents would be shocked.
- My mom wants grandkids.
- I'm scared to death of speaking in public.
- I'm nowhere near holy enough.
- I don't want to give up sex.
- I'll be lonely.
- Seminary may be too hard for me.
- Being a priest seems lame.

These fears are very common, even for men who are already in seminary. But literally thousands of men have had the same concerns and then went on to become holy and effective priests. Contact Fr. Mauricio Tabera-Vasquez, Vocation Recruiter, vocations@diometuchen.org



(732) 562-2457

"Get up and eat or the journey will be too much for you!" 1 Kings 19:7

God knows that committing to a stewardship lifestyle is difficult. However, we were not designed to do it on our own, we need God's help. Fortunately, God gave us the greatest gift of all, His son, Jesus. Through the gift of the Eucharist, we unite our sacrifice with Jesus' sacrifice to do the will of God, Our Father. We receive the strength and courage to be His missionary disciples.

## **PRAY FOR:**

**Living:** Letizia Stasi, Christopher Muller, Leslie Washuta, Ellen Cavaliere, John Lee, Audrey Matlock, Brian Gorski

**Deceased:** Salvatore LoIacono, Marcia Cussen, Bryan Krakauer, Ronald Sadowski, Marian Gzella



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