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



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MASSSES:

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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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.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 17/18, 2024

SAT – Aug 17

5:00p +Paul DiLorenzo req Willis Family

SUN – Aug 18

7:30a +Gienka Leszkowicz req her family

10a +Stanley F. Stachowicz req Schleckmann Fam

11:30a Pol: +Ewa Beben req rodziny Hader

MON – Aug 19 (St. John Eudes)

8:30a +Marian Gzella req Maria Kaczmarek

TUES – Aug 20 (St. Bernard)

8:30a -God's blessings & guidance for Kim & Sandra

WED – Aug 21 (St. Pius X)

8:30a +MaryAnn Boatman req Jenn & Chris Mulhall

THUR – Aug 22 (Queenship of the Blessed Mother)

8:30a +Katherine Piasecki req Alberta Piasecki

FRI – Aug 23 (St. Rose of Lima)

8:30a +Marian Gzella req Szczeblewski Family

SAT – Aug 24 (St. Bartholomew)

8:30a +Michael Cieras req Polish Rosary Group

5:00p +Peg O'Neil req Jenn & Chris Mulhall

SUN – Aug 25

7:30a +Raymond Hendershot req his sons & family

10a +IMO Nancy Penner req her family

11:30a Pol: +Stefan & Stefania Kulecza od rodziny Kaczynski

Altar Flowers – are available

Bread & Wine is available

Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week for a safe journey to Poland

Divine Mercy Candle is lit this week in memory of MaryAnn Boatman req Jenn & Chris Mulhall

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.



YOUTH GROUP

Calling all 8th through 12th 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.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS – August 2024

Thank you for your continued generosity & support.

1st week - \$2870

2nd week - \$3042

3rd week - \$

4th week - \$

AIR-CONDITIONING SYSTEM



As many of you already know, half of our air-conditioning 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.

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.

My Offering	
Name	_____
Address	_____
City	_____
State	_____
Zip	_____
Phone	_____
Offering	_____
Frequency	_____
Comments	_____

Walking Pilgrimage

On Thursday and Friday of the pilgrimage the walkers got soaked to the bones from all the rain. Thank God, Saturday and Sunday were beautiful weather. We were also blessed with two bishops at the pilgrimage. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all your donations and help for this year's Walking Pilgrimage. Many, many thanks to the following families: Reed, Kowalski, Lubecki, Kubuk, McKenna, Buga, Raphael, Murphy, Horzepa, Schleckmann, Bielecki, Lukijaniuk, Szczeblewski, Baranowski, Prusak, Smigiel, Stroz, Semprech, Ngige, Hurley, Borzcki, Fortin, Spiewak, Szewc, Bells Mansion, Fischer, Sipika, Medore, Wojcik, Szmigielski, Swider, Barley, Gac, Mysona, Hancock, Forestiere, Krzyzanowski, Hader, Milewski, Kaczmarek, Dait, K. Wyss, Cwalinski, Gzella, Talajczyk, Gromlowicz, McMahan, Winter, Pankowski, Stopa, Kuras, Francis, and everyone from our parish that helped on the pilgrimage.

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-jersey-march-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 25th or 50th or 5th 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:

- 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

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." John 6:56

This line from Scripture is what ultimately separates Catholics from our Protestant brothers and sisters. Jesus is really present in the bread and wine that are consecrated at Holy Mass. It is His actual body and blood that we consume. This is the greatest gift that we can receive. The Eucharist shows us how great of love that Jesus has for each of us.

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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