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9:30 am to 3:00 pm



Rev. Grzegorz Podsiadlo  
Administrator

Eileen Wyss  
Parish Secretary

Diane Francis  
Religious Ed. Director

Music Director

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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

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**CONFESSION:** Saturday,  
4:00 - 4:50 pm (*before the 5:00 pm  
Mass*) and before the 8:30 am Mass  
(*by appointment only*).

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**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.

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**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.

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## 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.

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## O.C.I.A. (ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS):

Interested in becoming Catholic?  
Interest in making the Sacraments of  
Confirmation? Eucharist? 908-637-  
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## VISITATION OF THE SICK:

Every first Friday of the month, at  
home or in the hospital, please call  
the church office, 908-637-4269.

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## FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH NIGHT PRAYER:

In Polish from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

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## BLUE ARMY PRAYER GROUP:

Every Monday from 5:00 pm in the  
Chapel. New members are always  
welcome!

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**OUTREACH PROGRAM:** If you are  
in need please call the Parish Office at  
908-637-4269. All calls kept  
confidential.

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**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.

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## POLISH ROSARY SOCIETY:

Meets every first Friday of each month  
at 7:00 pm. New members are always  
welcome!

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## 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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## E-mail

[stpeterandpaul@comcast.net](mailto:stpeterandpaul@comcast.net)

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## Website

[www.peterpaulgm.com](http://www.peterpaulgm.com)

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## Walking Pilgrimage

[www.walkingpilgrimage.us](http://www.walkingpilgrimage.us)

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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.

## **FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**

**September 13/14, 2025**

### **SAT – Sept 13 (St. John Chrysostom)**

5:00p +Michael McKenna req his family

### **SUN – Sept 14 (Exaltation of the Holy Cross)**

7:30a +Elaine Kurilla req Walt & Trish Horzepa

10a +Mathew J. Wingle req his family

11:30a Pol: -O Boze blog. w 1 rocz slubu dla Viki i

Artura od rodziny Dait

### **MON – Sept 15 (Our Lady of Sorrows)**

8:30a +Dobrinka Kostova req her family

### **TUES – Sept 16 (Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian)**

8:30a +Robert Kosc req his family

### **WED – Sept 17 (Ss. Bellamine & Hildegard)**

8:30a +Robert Kosc req his family

### **THUR – Sept 18**

8:30a +Bertha & Joe Kurnath req Alberta Piasecki

### **FRI – Sept 19 (St. Januarius)**

8:30a +Elaine Kurilla req Walt & Trish Horzepa

### **SAT – Sept 20 (Ss. Tae-gon & Chong Ha-sang)**

8:30a +Robert Kosc req his family

5:00p +Miguel “Mike” Dizon req Paul & Maria

Farruggia

### **SUN – Sept 21**

7:30a -For the health of Annette Munley req her friend Peggy Willis

10a -God’s blessings for all Rel Ed teachers, subs and helpers

11:30a Pol: +Mari i Jana Juskiewicz od rodziny Hader

**Altar Flowers** – are available

**Bread & Wine** – is offered this week in honor of Walt & Trish Horzepa’s 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniv. req Barbara & Jack Reed

**Sanctuary Lamp** – is lit this week in memory of Czeslawa Pilch

**Divine Mercy Candle** – is lit this week for God’s graces & blessings for Isabel Pereiras req her family

### **NEW JERSEY MASS FOR LIFE**

Thursday, September 25 at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption, 151 N. Warren Street, Trenton, NJ at 9:30am, followed by an 11am rally at the Statehouse. This September event should ideally replace the January March for Life in Washington as the primary event your parish emphasizes/attends. Thursday mid-day might not be possible for many, but perhaps a few parishioners might be able to attend? The diocese will have a bus trip for those who may want to go but not drive themselves. The bus seats are \$20 per person and departs the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway at 7:15 AM. After Mass, everyone will walk a short way to the Rally and March at 125 West State St, Trenton. The bus will depart Trenton at 1:15 PM and will arrive back in Piscataway at approximately 2:45 PM. To register for the bus visit: <https://diometuchen.org/humanlifeanddignity>. For more information, please email [amarshall@diometuchen.org](mailto:amarshall@diometuchen.org) or call 732-562-1543

### **FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2024-2025**

Our Financial Report for the fiscal year 2024-2025 is by our bulletins. Please help yourselves to a copy.

### **WEEKLY OFFERINGS – September 2025**

Thank you for your continued generosity & support.

1st week - \$2446

2<sup>nd</sup> week - \$3103

3<sup>rd</sup> week - \$

4<sup>th</sup> week - \$

### **NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IN WASHINGTON, DC**

For almost one hundred years, the critical infrastructure of this church has served it well. Time, however, does have a way of taking its toll. In order for the National Shrine to continue to serve almost one million pilgrims each year, the task of updating its aged infrastructure has become a necessity. This renewal project includes the modernization of heating and cooling systems which are essential to 365-day-a-year ministry. Being neither a cathedral nor a parish church, it relies purely on donations for support. To fund this project, Catholics around the country are being asked to support the centennial of the First Mass and the beginning of the liturgical life of the National Shrine. This weekend we will take up a one-time collection for infrastructure repairs for the National Shrine. Please be generous in the second collection today.

### **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Washington, DC**

The Diocese of Metuchen will be hosting a pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC on September 20. Please join Bishop Checchio and hundreds of other parishioners this fall as we travel to Washington, DC, to celebrate the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of Our Lord. Buses are available. Check the Diocese website and on the main screen click the “Jubilee 2025 Pilgrims of Hope” box, then scroll towards the bottom of that page and you will find the buses available.

### Deacon Steve Presents: "When You Pray:

#### A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God"

You know that prayer is important but still find it challenging. Perhaps it's hard to find time, or you're unsure what to do when you pray. Or maybe you feel discouraged by your weaknesses and your inability to overcome them. If you have any of these feelings, you are not alone. Many of the saints struggled in prayer. They were like us. But each time they fell, they got up again and learned to rely more on God's grace. What God did in the lives of countless saints, he wants to do in the lives of ordinary people like us. And that's what this study is about: the journey of prayer God wants to take us on.

Join Deacon Steve in the parish hall for "*When You Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God*", beginning **Monday Sept 22<sup>nd</sup>** from **6:30pm to 8:00pm** and continuing on **Monday's Sept 29<sup>th</sup>, Oct 6<sup>th</sup>, and 13<sup>th</sup>, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 17<sup>th</sup>**. A limited number of zoom spots will be available for someone who is physically unable to attend. Registration required. Please register by emailing Deacon Steve at [Deaconstevegunther@gmail.com](mailto:Deaconstevegunther@gmail.com). There is no cost to this program. Open to all.

#### • 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.

### FALL MUM SALE

We are holding a Fall Mum Sale to benefit our Outreach Program and in particular one of our parish families in need. The sale will take place the weekend of **September 20/21** after all Masses. Please stop by and pick up a mum or two or consider a donation. Thanks!

### **CALLING ALL TEENAGERS!**

Our Youth Group is starting our 3<sup>rd</sup> year, this Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, in the Parish Hall, from 6:15-8 PM. Young adults will be at the doors to welcome you. Music, games, prayers, pizza, films and breakout groups comprise our evenings of fun Catholic fellowship. Teenagers: join us and bring your friends and teen siblings, too, for a year of activities *that matter* and that provide you with joy & peace. Our Youth Group is a great place to gather, to belong, to commiserate with peers, and to be heard. We're a place where teens discover who they are and "Whose" they are. Come and see.

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*"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son."*  
*John 3:16*

God created us to be in relationship with Him. Sin broke that relationship. Jesus came to earth so that we may reconcile our relationship with God. Following Jesus' example, we can be blessed with a joy-filled life on earth and eternal life in Heaven. These four points are known as the "kerygma" – the first proclamation of the Gospel. This core message is the basis of our Catholic faith. How do you live this out in your daily life?

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### **PRAY FOR:**

**Living:** Magaret Sypniewski, Beth Courter, Ewa Gorna, John Schleckmann, Isabel Pereiras, Josef Sempruch

**Deceased:** Tom Ward, Agnes Martinez, Genevieve Godlewsky, Thomas Penner, Juan Colinas

### **Welcome to Ss. Peter & Paul Church**

Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate the Holy Mass with us. We thank God you are here.

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