## 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.

E-mail

stpeterandpaul@comcast.net

Religious Education E-mail peterpaulreled@comcast.net

Website

www.peterpaulgm.com

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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.

### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT November 30/December 1, 2024

SAT – Nov 30 (St. Andrew)

5:00p +For all organ donors req Morning Prayer

**SUN – Dec 1 (First Sunday of Advent)** 

7:30a +Florence Zwolinski reg Florence & Joe Dzurek 10a +Carmel "Candy" Murphy reg Eric &Kate &

Jenna Tibak

11:30a Pol: -Birthday blessings for Gabriel Lukujaniuk od rodziny

MON – Dec 2

8:30a +Nell Sadlock req daughter Alice Kurnath

**TUES – Dec 3 (St. Francis Xavier)** 

8:30a +For all souls in purgatory

WED – Dec 4 (St. John Damascene)

8:30a +Darlene Reed and the comfort of her sister Marilyn Gorski

THUR – Dec 5

8:30a -For a full recovery of Brian Gorski req Walt & Trish Horzepa

FRI – Dec 6 (St. Nicholas)

8:30a +Darlene Reed reg Gail & Frank McMahon 7:00p Pol: -O Boze Blog. dla rodziny rozancowej

SAT – Dec 7 (St. Ambrose)

8:30a +Marian Gzella req Patty Fotopoulos

5:00p +John Jaworski reg Jaworski Family

SUN – Dec 8 (Second Sunday of Advent)

7:30a +Antonina Ziobro req her daughter & fam 10a +Stella M. Wojcik reg her daughter LuAnn

11:30a Pol: +Roman Gac od rodziny

**Altar Flowers** – are not available

Bread & Wine - is offered this week in memory of Nancy Penner reg her family

Sanctuary Lamp - is available

Divine Mercy Candle - is available

### CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING ENVELOPES



Please help us keep our traditions and donate towards our Christmas Flowers. This will also help area flower grows that supply us with our flowers. Offering envelopes can be found on our large brown table in

the back of our church. You may donate "in memory of" or "in honor of" loved ones. If you have more than two names, please write all the names on a separate piece of paper and slip it into the flower offering envelope. All names will be printed in the bulletin after Christmas.

#### FIDST FDIDAY



This Friday (12/6) is the first Friday of the month. Please join us anytime between the hours of 9am and 12 noon to visit with the Blessed Sacrament in our chapel. More participation is needed to continue this

event.

#### RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

THIS weekend we are asked to take up a special collection for all of our retired religious. Money

helps with housing, food, medical bills, etc. We help priests, nuns, Brothers and all religious that depend on our donations. Please give generously this weekend during the second collection.



#### FIRST SATURDAY

Please join us this Saturday at 4:30pm to pray the Rosary for all the unborn. This counts as a Spiritual Project for our Rel Ed students.

#### **WEEKLY OFFERINGS – November 2024**

Thank you for your continued generosity & support. 1st week - \$2844 2nd week - \$3238

3rd week - \$3426

4th week - \$

To coincide with the Family Christmas Candle we have an idea to honor and celebrate the family unit this Christmas season. Can we borrow your family portraits? Please drop



them off by December 15th. Please remember to put your name on the back of your family portrait. We will decorate the Baptismal area with all the pictures.

#### **CONFIRMATION COAT PROJECT**



Hi! My name is Gianna. For Confirmation service project, I am looking to donate coats to the homeless and low-income families in

our community. Please bring in new and gently used coats to the box in the back or the church by Sunday, December 8th.

## CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE RECONCILIATION

Saturday, <u>December 14<sup>th</sup></u>, 4pm - 4:45pm **FRIDAY**, <u>December 20<sup>th</sup></u>, 7pm - 8pm Saturday, <u>December 21<sup>st</sup></u>, 4pm - 4:45pm

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES**

Tuesday, December 24th 5:00 PM Mass, 10:00 PM (Polish) 12:00 Midnight Mass

#### **CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES**

Wednesday, December 25th 7:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am (Polish)

#### **NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS**

Tuesday, December 31st 5:00 PM, Vigil Mass

#### **NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES**

Wednesday, January 1st, 2025 10:00am (English), 11:30am (Polish)

#### CHRISTMAS MASS REMEMBRANCES

If you would like your loved ones, living or deceased, remembered in Christmas Remembrance Masses during Christmas and throughout the month of January, please pick up a Christmas Mass Remembrance envelope found on the large brown table in the back of our church. If you have more than two names, please write all the names on a separate piece of paper and slip it



into the remembrance offering envelope. All names will be printed in the bulletin after Christmas.

#### SPONSOR A FAMILY CHRISTMAS CANDLE

We would like to honor our living families at Christmas



time by lighting a candle that we use in our Christmas decorations. Our goal is to have all 50 candles sponsored. We will collect family names after all Masses. Candles are only \$10 each. All family names will appear in the bulletin throughout the Christmas season. What a

nice way to receive a Christmas Family Blessing.

#### **GIVING TREE**

Look for the tags on our Giving Tree! If you can, please take a tag and shop for the child you selected. Some tags will have suggestions to help you out. All UN-wrapped presents, with tags attached, are due back under the



Giving Tree on Sunday, December 15th. Any questions please call 908-637-4269. If you know of a **parish** family in need, please let us know, all calls are kept confidential.

#### **CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS**

Come join our Midnight Mass choir. We would love



your voice. Anyone planning to attend the Midnight Mass and would like to sing with us is invited to do so.

Call our Parish Office to find out when we hold our practices, 908-637-4269; come join us.

Advent Morning of Recollection with Fr. Rick Rusk. Saturday, December 7, 8:45am-1:30pm Cost: \$25 (lunch included) Anawim Community, 354 Jonestown Rd. Oxford, NJ 07863

For more information or to RSVP: oxford@anawim.com Ph: 908-453-3886

#### **OFFERING ENVELOPES**

Please help yourselves to one box of offering envelopes per family for next year, 2025. Remember, if you wish us to keep track of your donations for tax purposes, please



put your name and amount on each envelope. The free address labels are an easy and fast way to address your envelope. This helps in receiving

sponsor certificates.

#### **CHRISTMAS WAFERS**

Are available in the back of the church. Each envelope contains 3 wafers. The asking donation is \$5 per package. Family members and friends break off a small piece of the *oplatek* wafer and give it to one another along with a blessing. Breaking off and exchanging part of the *oplatek* with someone is a symbol of forgiveness and is meant to remind participants of the importance of Christmas, God, and family.

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"But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." (LUKE 21:28)

#### PRAY FOR:

**Living:** Irena Mika, Brian Gorski, Mickey Tudor, Paul Farruggia, Florence Dzurek

**Deceased:** James Stryker, Msg. Edward Puleo, Ed Pasko, Jr, Irena Pietras, Ellen Cavaliere



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