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



Rev. Grzegorz Podsiadlo
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Eileen Wyss
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Music Director

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.

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.

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

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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www.peterpaulgm.com

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www.walkingpilgrimage.us

Welcome to Ss. Peter & Paul Church:

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

☐ New Parishioner/Family

☐ Change of Address or Phone

☐ Moving, please remove

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 ADVENT
December 20/21, 2025

SAT – Dec 20

5:00p +Halina & Roman Gac req their family

SUN – Dec 21

7:30a +Joseph & Helen Olenick req daughter
Arlene

10a +Margaret Wingle req her family

11:30a Pol: +Stefania & Stefan Kulesza od rodziny
Maria Kaczynska

MON – Dec 22

8:30a +Joseph Valentino req Joanne & Frank
Palmer & family

TUES – Dec 23 (St. John of Kanty)

8:30a +Joseph Valentino req Joanne & Frank
Palmer & Family

WED – Dec 24 (Christmas Eve)

8:30a +Joseph Valentino req Joanne & Frank
Palmer & Family

5:00p +Peter Matsko req Florence & Joe Dzurek

10:00p Pol: +Adam Talajczyk req wife Krystyna

12:00a +Josephine & Henry Topoleski

THUR – Dec 25 (Nativity of our Lord)

7:30a +Benjamin & Julia & Edward & Anna
(Tracy) Trzeciakiewicz req Ed &
AnneMarie Tracy

10a +Agnes Kowalski req daughter Adella

11:30a Pol: +Ruth Kurnath req her family

FRI – Dec 26 (St. Stephen)

8:30a -Birthday blessings for Beata Lukijaniuk req
her family

7pm Pol: -Dziekczyzna i o Boze blog rodziny Dait

SAT – Dec 27 (St. John)

8:30a +-All names from the Christmas Rem Envs

5:00p +James McChesney req McKenna Family

**SUN – Dec 28 (Holy Family of Jesus, Mary &
Joseph)**

7:30a +Joyce Szilagyi req Allan & Dorothy
Jaworski

10a -Protection of all unborn and their families

11:30a Pol: +Jana i Stanislawy Kasprzyk od rodziny
Hader

Altar Flowers – donated by our parishioners

Bread & Wine – is offered this week for the soul of
Jan Lubas req his wife & sons

Sanctuary Lamp – is lit this week in memory of
Rosemarie Olenick req her sister Arlene

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

Family Christmas Candles sponsored by -
Talajczyk/Saulewicz, Szmigielski, Buga, Gzella,
Turek/Smith, Hader, McKenna, Silva, Dudzinski,
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Schleckmann, Bober, Peres/Muniz, Penner, Granata,
Galletto, Fortin, Gac, Baran, Doktor/Promowicz,
Szczoblewski, Lukijaniuk, Wojtuszewski, Szewc, Sanders,
Knysak, Milewski, Gilliland/Mierzwa, Jacek,
Zubel/Buczek, Szewczyk, Leavy, Tyma, Balint,
Cuiffo/Vincenti/Tully, Francis families

YEAR-END CHARITABLE GIFT GIVING

AS YOU CONSIDER YOUR YEAR-END TAX PLANNING, WE HOPE
THAT YOU WILL CONSIDER MAKING GOOD USE OF THE
INCOME TAX CHARITABLE DEDUCTION AND REMEMBER OUR
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BE WELL SPENT WITH THE GOOD OF THE ENTIRE PARISH IN
MIND.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS – December 2025

Thank you for your continued generosity & support.

1st week - \$3481 2nd week - \$2141

3rd week - \$ 4th week - \$

YOUTH GROUP

**Thank you to everyone who supported our
youth group these past two weekends with our
bake sale and Christmas concert! We raised
almost \$900! A big thank you to Kevin and the
EZ Livin' band and Connor and James
Kendra who put on a great show!**

CHRISTMAS FLOWER/TREES OFFERING ENVELOPES



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

table in the back of our church.

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.

CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

RECONCILIATION

MONDAY, December 22nd

7pm – 8pm

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

Wednesday, December 24th

5:00 PM Mass, 10:00 PM (Polish)

12:00 Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

Thursday, December 25th

7:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am (Polish)

NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS

Wednesday, December 31st

5:00 PM, Vigil Mass

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES

Thursday, January 1st, 2026

10:00am (English), 11:30am (Polish)

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Please help yourselves to one box of offering envelopes per family for next year, 2026. 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 also helps in receiving sponsor certificates.



NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to Ss. Peter & Paul Church. We invite you to join our parish and consider sharing your time, talent, and treasures with us. Please pick up a Family Registration Form found in the

basket near our bulletins. Fill it out and drop it into the collection basket, or put it into the secretary mailbox found near the large bulletin board or hand it to our priest. Need anything, contact 908-637-4269.

CHRISTMAS PLEDGE

“On my honor, I will do my best to promote the CHRISTmas traditions. I will incorporate, use the word “CHRISTmas”: in my CHRISTmas greetings and conversation, in my CHRISTmas cards, CHRISTmas stamps, and every appropriate CHRISTmas way. This I pledge to CHRIST, my Lord.”

CHRISTMAS WAFERS / OPLATEK

Just before the Christmas Eve meal (in Polish - Wigilia) the entire family will gather around the table with the Christmas Wafer or Oplatki. Generally, the eldest member of the family will begin the ritual by breaking off a piece of the wafer and passing it to another family member with a blessing. This blessing can simply consist of what you desire for your loved one in the upcoming year - whether it be good health, success, or happiness. The wafer passes from person to person until all have had a piece and all have been given a blessing. The purpose of this act is primarily to express one's unconditional love and forgiveness for each member of his or her family. This symbolism is deepened by the fact that the name of the town where Jesus Christ was born, Bethlehem, means "House of Bread," which makes the Oplatki tradition an especially beautiful way to celebrate the charity and unity so characteristic of the Christmas season. Many families include the wafers in Christmas cards to family members in distant locations. The tradition can easily be shared in this way with anyone around the world! Christmas wafers are available here in our church. The asking donation for a packet of wafers is only \$5.00.

GENTLE REMINDER...

Think of our beautiful church building as your home. Just as you always want your home to be ready to welcome guests and visitors, please be conscious of picking up after you and your family at the end of Mass; readying the church for others. Please replace all misselettes and song books and take the bulletin with you so we all make the church ready to welcome others for worship.

“When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home.”
MATTHEW 1:24

Putting our complete trust in the Lord without expecting anything in return. Striving to put God first in all things and follow Him wherever He may lead us. Joseph was a model of these pillars of our faith. As we prepare for the birth of our Lord, pray for the strength and courage to be a model of discipleship, just as Joseph was.

PRAY FOR:

Living: Gerardo Patane, John Schleckmann, Isabel Pereiras, Magaret Sypniewski, Beth Courter

Deceased: Annette Munley, Joan Critchley, Tom Ward, Agnes Martinez, Genevieve Godlewsky

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