

# SAINTS PETER & PAUL CHURCH

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



## MASSES:

**Saturday Evening:** 5:00 pm

**Sundays:** 7:30 am, 10:00 am (*Eng*)  
11:30 am (*Pol*)

**Holidays:** 7:00 am & 6:30 pm,  
8:00 pm (*Polish*)

**Weekdays (including Sat.):** 8:30 am  
Rosary Mon.-Sat 8:00 am

**CONFESION:** 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.

## 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.

Rev. Grzegorz Podsiadlo  
Administrator

Eileen Wyss  
Parish Secretary

Diane Francis  
Religious Ed. Director

Music Director

## 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):

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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](mailto:stpeterandpaul@comcast.net)

**Religious Education E-mail**  
[peterpaulreled@comcast.net](mailto:peterpaulreled@comcast.net)

### Website

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

### Walking Pilgrimage

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

## FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

December 27/28, 2025

### SAT – Dec 27 (St. John)

5:00p +James McChesney req McKenna Family

### SUN – Dec 28

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

### MON – Dec 29 (St. Thomas Becket)

8:30a +Chester Zukoski req Kathy Gromlowicz

### TUES – Dec 30

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

### WED – Dec 31 (St. Sylvester I) (New Year's Eve)

8:30a +Mike & Mae Piasecki req Alberta Piasecki

5:00p +Leon Fortin req Marylou & Family

### THUR – Jan 1, 2026 (Nativity of our Lord)

10a +Roman Sobon

11:30a Pol: Tadeusz Kaczynski req Jacek & family

### FRI – Jan 2 (Ss. Basil the Great & Nazianzen)

8:30a +Beverly Chiras req Anthony Cataliotti

7pm Pol: -O Boze Blog. dla rodzin rozancowej

### SAT – Jan 3 (Most Holy Name of Jesus)

8:30a +Joan Sadlock req Alice Kurnath & Family

5:00p +Russell Lavan req Brendan & Cathy

O'Bryne & Family

### SUN – Jan 4 (Epiphany of the Lord)

7:30a +Stephen P. Jaworski, Sr. req son Allan & Dorothy Jaworski

10a +Thomas Penner req Ed & AnneMarie Tracy

11:30a Pol: +Stefania Stelmaszczyk od rodziny

Szmigelski

**Altar Flowers** – donated by our parishioners

**Bread & Wine** – is available

**Sanctuary Lamp** – is lit this week in memory of Maria & Jozef Mania

**Divine Mercy Candle** – is lit this week for the souls of Maria & Jozef Mania

**Family Christmas Candles sponsored by** - Talajczyk/Saulewicz, Szmigelski, Buga, Gzella, Turek/Smith, Hader, McKenna, Silva, Dudzinski, Hancock/delaRama/Chretien, Surowiecki, Crawford, Gaynor, Wyss, Yturbe, Lubecki, Szmigiel, Baldwin, Koonz, Horzepa, Crawford, O'Neill, Gunther, Maza, Schleckmann, Bober, Peres/Muniz, Penner, Granata, Galletto, Fortin, Gac, Baran, Doktor/Promowicz, Szczeblewski, Lukijaniuk, Wojtuszewski, Szewc, Sanders, Knysak, Milewski, Gilliland/Mierzwa, Jacek, Zubel/Buczek, Szewczyk, Leavy, Tyma, Balint, Cuffo/Vincenti/Tully, Francis families

### 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.



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### 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.



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 CHURCH. ALL MONIES ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED AND WILL BE WELL SPENT WITH THE GOOD OF THE ENTIRE PARISH IN MIND.

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### New Years Day is the Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. This is a Holy Day of Obligation.

#### 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)

### WEEKLY OFFERINGS – December 2025

Thank you for your continued generosity & support.

1st week - \$3481

2nd week - \$2141

3rd week - \$

4th week - \$

## WHAT A BLESSING!

Thank you to all who made Advent and Christmas so special this year. I would like to thank all our parishioners who give so generously all year long to maintain our parish. I would like to thank the special work of the following groups: Altar Servers, Eucharist Ministers, lectors, ushers/greeters, Music Ministry, money counters, church cleaners, decorating teams, altar cloth team, altar flower ministry, landscaping team, Baptism class instructor, RCIA team, Rel Ed Program, Pro-Life Group, Polish Altar Rosary Society, Outreach Pgm, Food Card sellers, Rosary Making Group and the many Walking Pilgrimage volunteers. Once again, our decorating teams did a splendid job decorating our church for Christmas. Our parish is truly blessed. Thank you for all your hard work. May God bless you all. With God's blessings and a wish for a healthy and Happy New Year -- Fr. Greg.

### Don't stop celebrating: After Christmas Day

The secular world "prepares" for Christmas with months of garish decoration, holiday treats, and spending sprees, but when December 26 rolls around, the world already feels that Christmas is "over." At most it will allow itself a day or two of recuperation from excess jollity and then get back to work. In a best-case scenario, decorations might stay up till January 1st or a bit later, for "ringing in the new year." After that, the season of celebration is over. Catholics ought to have a totally different conception of Christmas. Before Christmas, we observe the penitential season of Advent, preparing for the great feast without too much overt joy. Traditionally, families would decorate the Christmas tree together before the great day of Christmas. Families would attend Christmas Mass together. It is very important for us not to surrender to the secular approach that, in a way, celebrates Christmas before Christmas and not afterward. We should really make an effort — in the way our homes are decorated, the way we observe Sundays and holy days, the stories we read and the other activities we do in the house — to keep the spirit of Christmas alive, even if at a "low burn," especially throughout the period from December 26th to February 2nd. *Yes, this great feast is that big of a deal!* Such observance also becomes a countercultural catechesis in one of the central mysteries of the Christian faith: the Incarnation of the Son of God. This is the pivot point of all human history and of the story of each man, woman, and child.

### CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

*Experience the Christmas Festival of Lights at the Blue Army Shrine from dusk until 9pm everyday between Dec 12th -Jan 11th. Blue Army Shrine, 674 Mountain View Rd. E., Asbury, NJ.*

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Rosary and Mass

for the protection of the Unborn, Thursday,

January 22, 2026

### CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE



What a great array of presents for all of our Christmas Giving Tree Families. WOW!! Thank you very much. We helped 21 families and presents for 58 children, a packed bag of food, and a turkey or ham. May God bless all our parishioners. Oh yeah, we got a ton of gifts for

Forest Manor and little goodies for the residents of the old Hulse Home. Again, thanks so much and God bless.

### FOOD CARD PROGRAM

It really helps!!! Please remember to purchase your food cards for Shop Rite as you leave Mass today. For every \$1,000 in food cards we sell the church receives back \$50. You use them as you would a debit card in that the balance decreases as you use them. The remaining balance on your card will show up at the bottom of your shopping receipt. Thanks for all your support and thank you to our volunteers who stay to help sell them.



### 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.

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*"And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." Colossians 3:17*

Giving thanks to God and using our words and actions to give all glory to God is the foundation of living a stewardship lifestyle. We were made in God's image and likeness, gratitude and generosity is in our DNA. As beloved sons and daughters of God, we are all part of God's family. Using our gifts to help others is our gift back to God and helps grow the Body of Christ here on earth and establishes a pathway to Heaven for each of us.

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### 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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