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## *The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity - June 15, 2025*

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**Blast from the Past(or)**  
**The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**  
**June 15, 2025**

*I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now...*

Awww, c'mon, Jesus! No fair! This is Your farewell address, and we have a right to know! I know what I will do—I will go to the ubiquitous personal computer that we all carry in our back pockets and do some scrolling. I'll get to the bottom of this. So there! But the Truth is we have no 'right' to such. Adam and Eve thought they had such a 'right' to the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. But turns out that their treating God as rival did not work out so well for them. In our naturally impatient human nature, we often want to skip the intermediate parts and get to the bottom line. But Jesus asks for Trust, not certainty, just as He desires mercy, not sacrifice. The 'right' that Adam and Eve thought they were owed in their rebellion still influences thoughts of 'rights' in our very day. I think I have a 'right' to a Chik-Fil-A in the rectory. At this moment in California, misguided folk think they have a 'right' to set police cars on fire. We've manufactured a 'right' to terminate the unborn. The list goes on. But our rights and freedoms come from God. The Spirit will guide us to ALL Truth, and Jesus reminds us to trust in Him!

God Bless you!!!!!!



***Thank You for Your Generous Contributions!***

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**Weekly Collection for 5/31-6/1:                      \$ 5,704.76**

*“Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” (2 Cor. 9:7)*



***Parish Office Closure***

The parish office will be closed this upcoming week for an early summer break. Regular office hours will resume on June 25. Thank you for your understanding.



**Monday, June 16: Saint John Francis Regis**

Peter and Julia Rend  
 Louis and Teresa Casazza

**Tuesday, June 17: Saint Joseph Cafasso**

Edmond J. Mokka  
 Roland Cote

**Wednesday, June 18: Venerable Matt Talbot**

Maria Woodruff  
 Bissainthe Fleurinor

**Thursday, June 19: Saint Romuald**

Lena Riordan

**Friday, June 20: Saint Paulinus of Nola**

Hugo Hernandez

**Saturday, June 21: Saint Aloysius Gonzaga**

Phyllis and Vincent Marella

**Sunday, June 22: The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

8:00 am:     Larry and Janet Bobbin

11:00 am:    Dr. Charles Shiolen  
 Patricia Connor



***Mass Intentions/Mass Cards***

If you would like to request a Mass to be said for a loved one, please complete our online Mass request form at <https://stmnj.org/request-a-mass-card>, click on the link on our home page or call the Parish Office. Please do not place requests in the collection. In your request, please let us know if you would like us to mail the card directly to the recipient or leave it for you to pick it up (or if you do not want a card). If you do not want a card mailed directly to the recipient but would like one with a blank envelope, it will be left for you to pick up in the parish vestibule. Please understand we unfortunately may not always be able to accommodate last-minute requests.

***Prayers for the Sick***

Please join us in praying for all who are ill in our community, and in a particular way, for Joan Allen, Chris Auger, Phil Barrett, Claire Brady, Ron Brodeur, Fred Donikowski, Caitlyn Gara, Barbara Kline, Gina Lazaro, Vincent Lazaro, Elizabeth Napoli, Iwona Nowak, John O'Neil, Bethann Panzer, Christopher Popp, Eileen Scheibner, Michael Schieber, Gloria Souchuk, Flynn Sullivan and Celia Zelinsky. May God bring them and their families His healing, comfort and peace. If you would like to have your name or that of a loved one included in (or removed from) the request for healing prayers in our weekly bulletin, please send an email to [tjurgaitis@stmnj.org](mailto:tjurgaitis@stmnj.org) or call the Parish Office.



## Praise Those Fathers

Let us praise those fathers who have striven to balance the demands of work, marriage, and children with an honest awareness of both joy and sacrifice.

Let us praise those fathers who, lacking a good model for a father, have worked to become a worthy and virtuous father.

Let us praise those fathers who, by their own account, were not always there for their children, but who continue to offer those children, now grown, their love and support. As well, let us pray for those fathers who have been wounded by words and actions of their children.

Let us praise those fathers who, despite marital discord, have remained in their children's lives.

Let us praise those fathers whose children are adopted, and whose love and support has nurtured a thriving life.

Let us praise those fathers who, as stepfathers, freely choose the obligation of fatherhood and earned their step children's love and respect.

Let us praise those fathers who have lost a child to death, and continue to hold the child in their heart.

Let us praise those men who have no children, but cherish the next generation as if they were their own.

Let us praise those men who have "fathered" us in their role as mentors and guides.

Let us praise those men who are about to become fathers; may they openly delight in their children.

And let us praise those fathers who have died, but live on in our memory and whose love continues to nurture us.

- Prayer of Kirk Loadman  
adapted by Debra Mooney, PhD

Found at: [https://www.xavier.edu/jesuitresource/online-resources/prayer-](https://www.xavier.edu/jesuitresource/online-resources/prayer-index/fathers-day-)  
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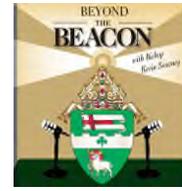
***Wishing a Blessed Father's Day to All!!***



## ***Food and Fellowship for Single Parishioners***

You are invited to join fellow single parishioners for their no-host monthly luncheon on Friday, June 20th at 12:30 pm at Angelina's Trattoria, 184 Columbia Turnpike, Florham Park (Kings Parking Lot). Please contact Monika Mangan at 973-615-4715 for more information and/or to RSVP.

## DIOCESAN PODCASTS MAKE GREAT SUMMER LISTENING!



### **BEYOND THE BEACON PODCAST WITH BISHOP KEVIN SWEENEY**

Join Bishop Kevin Sweeney and Communications Director Jai Agnish of the Diocese of Paterson, N.J., as they discuss current events and topics relevant to the local Church in Paterson and the global Catholic Church. Bishop Sweeney answers questions from listeners, interviews guests, and shares reflections and insights helpful for all striving to live a life of faith, hope, and love. All are invited to send questions for the bishop and podcast topic suggestions to [beyond@patersondiocese.org](mailto:beyond@patersondiocese.org). You can listen where you find your favorite podcast, or visit <https://beyond.beaconnj.org>.



### ***"The Paul Street Journal" Podcast***

Learn about Catholic social teaching on economics and how to make financial decisions with the heart of the Church. This show is produced at St. Paul Inside the Walls, the Center for Catholic Evangelization of the Diocese of Paterson, and hosted by Brian Honsberger, Executive Director, and Freddy Garcia, Associate Coordinator of Evangelization and Campus Minister. You can listen to this podcast on any podcast platform and also watch it on YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/@stpaulinsidethewalls>.



### ***Coffee with Kupke***

In the 20-minute episodes of this podcast, Father Paul Manning, Diocesan Vicar for Evangelization, engages in discussions with Msgr. Raymond Kupke, Diocesan Archivist, who leads the audience through the rich and exciting history of the Paterson Diocese. Episodes include the unique "Weird Diocese of Paterson," inspired by the magazine *Weird NJ*, which explores some of the mysterious myths and legends of the local church. You can listen to this podcast on any podcast platform and also watch it on YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/@stpaulinsidethewalls>.



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**12th Annual Corpus Christi Food Drive**

Catholic Charities Food Pantries help more people today than they ever have in their 80+ year history, approximately 20,000 people each month. During the summer months, this need becomes even more critical, as children are out of school and miss out on the two daily meals they typically receive during the academic year. While the holiday season brings generous support from many, the summer months present a great challenge. With many families on vacation, the needs of the food insecure often fade from public attention. Last year's Corpus Christi Food Drive resulted in the collection of over 15,000 pounds of food for the 3 Catholic Charities food pantries: Fr. English in Paterson, Hope House in Dover and Partnership for Social Services in Franklin. Your generosity helped keep their shelves stocked. But a new season is upon us and the great need continues. Due to the ongoing, unprecedented food pantry requests from the local poor, Bishop Sweeney has again authorized a Diocesan-wide food collection in all parishes on the weekend of the Feast of Corpus Christi. Each parish has been asked to collect specific food and household items to keep these pantries full again this summer. **St. Thomas More has been asked to provide Canned Meals such as beef stew, chili and Chef Boyardee.** We would appreciate it if you could please bring only these items so we can help meet the specific needs of these pantries. The collection will take place **during the weekend of June 21-22 only.** Due to storage limitations, please do not bring items before that time. If you prefer, you may also make a monetary donation at the website below or mail a donation to:

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Paterson  
 Corpus Christi Food Drive  
 777 Valley Road  
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To make a one-time or recurring, tax-deductible contribution, please go to <https://ccpaterson.org/corpus> or email: [info@ccpaterson.org](mailto:info@ccpaterson.org) or call 973-279-7100 ext. 2038 for more information. **Please join our parish and the entire Diocese in this great cause.** Thank you for your generosity!

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**Jubilee of  
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 Ecumenical Prayer Celebration

Celebrate the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicea and the Nicene Creed with Bishop Kevin Sweeney and other leaders of various Christian denominations. Leaders include The Rev. Susan R. Ironside, Rev. Jeff Markay, Sister Rosemary Moynihan, SC, and Rev. Elizabeth Ivell.

Sunday, June 22, 2025  
 From 3PM - 4PM  
 Cathedral of St. John the Baptist  
 381 Grand St. Paterson, NJ 07505  
 Free parking is available in the garage across from the Cathedral



# Diocese of Paterson

## 2025 Jubilee Year Celebrations

### Opening Mass – Cathedral

December 29, 2024 at 3pm

Feast of the Holy Family

### Jubilee of Consecrated Life

February 1, 2025, at 11am

Mass and Luncheon at St. Phillip, Clifton

### Jubilee of People with Disabilities

February 16, 2025 at 6pm

Murray House Dinner

### Christian Unity Roundtable

March 16, 23 & 30, 2025 at 4pm

Wayne, Parsippany, Sparta

### Jubilee of Artists

April 3 – 6, 2025

24th Annual Festival of the Arts

### Jubilee of Workers

May 1, 2025 at 12pm

Mass at St. Joseph's Hospital

### Jubilee of Law Enforcement

May 3, 2025 at 10:30am

Blue Mass at Cathedral

### Jubilee of Marian Spirituality and Educators

May 13, 2025 at 10am

Diocesan School Mass at Cathedral

### Jubilee of Teenagers

May 18, 2025

NJ Catholic Youth Rally at Six Flags

### Jubilee of Families, Grandparents, and Elderly

May 31, 2025, at 1pm (12pm pilgrimage)

Family Day at St. Joseph Shrine

### Jubilee of Priests

June 2, 2025

Priest Jubilarians Mass

### Jubilee of Christian Unity

June 22, 2025 at 3pm

Ecumenical Prayer Celebration at Cathedral

### Jubilee of Deacons

August 9, 2025

Deacons Convocation

### Jubilee Pilgrimage (Bishop Sweeney)

September 26 – October 4, 2025

9-day pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi

### Jubilee of Catechists

October 18, 2025, at 9am

Catechists Convocation at St. Elizabeth University

### Jubilee of Missionaries

October 19, 2025

World Mission Sunday

### Jubilee of Young Adults

October 26, 2025 at 5pm

Mass and Dinner at St. Anthony of Padua, Passaic

### Closing Mass – Cathedral

December 28, 2025 at 3pm

Feast of the Holy Family

### Local Pilgrimages

#### The Cathedral | East

December 29, 2024, Paterson

Jubilee Year Opening Mass

#### Shrine of St. Joseph | South

May 31, 2025, Stirling

Jubilee of Families, Grandparents, and Elderly

#### St. Luke | West

June 29, 2025, Long Valley

Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul

#### St. James | North

July 25, 2025, Montague

Feast of St. James

#### St. Bernard | Center

August 17, 2025, Wharton

Feast of St. Bernard



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