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## *Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 13, 2025*

### **Parish Staff**

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### **Parish Office Hours**

Wednesday - Thursday  
8:30 am - 3:30 pm

### ***Celebration of the Eucharist***

Saturday Evening: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 11:00 am and 7:00 pm [No 7 pm Mass from the weekend before Memorial Day through the weekend of Labor Day, or on holiday weekends]

Daily Mass: Monday through Friday at 8:15 am

Holy Days: Vigil 7:00 pm; Holy Day 8:15 am and 12:10 pm

### ***Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance)***

Saturday: 3:30 pm or by appointment

### ***Eucharistic Adoration***

Every First Friday of the Month following the 8:15 am Mass, concluding with Benediction at Noon.

### ***Additional Sacraments***

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office or submit the Baptism Request Form at: <https://stmnj.org/baptism-request-form> for more information. Arrangements should be made at least 8 weeks in advance of the desired date.

Funeral Rites: Please contact Father Tom for more information and to make arrangements.

Marriage: Please call the Parish Office or submit the Marriage Request Form at <https://stmnj.org/marriage-request-form> for more information. Arrangements should be made at least one year in advance of the desired date.

### ***Join the St. Thomas More Family***

New parishioners can register at any time! Please complete the new parishioner form at <https://stmnj.org/membership-information> or call the Parish Office at 973-267-5330. We'd love to welcome you!!



***Blast from the Past(or)***  
**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**July 13, 2025**

*And who is my neighbor...?*

Oh, no, he didn't. The 'scholar of the law' didn't just go there. It is okay to ask God our questions, but any time one tries to trap, quiz and otherwise 'justify' themselves before God, it is never a good look. It seems even in Jesus's day, people didn't love lawyers. I wonder how the lawyer jokes went back then. I can hear it now—'Why did God invent lawyers?' So tax collectors would have someone to look down on.' *Ba-Dum-Tss!* Listen, law school seemed like a good idea at the time. Anyway...this epic challenge to Jesus produces the most seminal parable of all time: The Good Samaritan. We all know it well. The Samaritan traveler treated with compassion the man who got mugged. While he was just going about his daily business, you know, ordering his low-fat, half-caf, caramel macchiato with oat milk and three pumps of vanilla, he saw a man in need and jumped into action. He took care of the wounded man, even taking two silver coins out of his own pocket to pay the innkeeper (interestingly, the two coins of the Samaritan raise quite the rejoinder to the Socialism so in vogue these days). The parable is clear: we are to treat one another with the Love of Christ. Even those we don't like. Even those who don't like us. Everyone. It is not easy. I fail at such daily. But as we continue this hot Jersey summer, we can make little acts of love to imitate the Good Samaritan and indeed 'go out and do likewise...'

God Bless you!!!!!!



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

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**Weekly Collection for 6/28-6/29: \$ 4,643.00**

*"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)*

*Pray for Peace*



**Monday, July 14: Saint Kateri Tekakwitha**

Frank Popick

**Tuesday, July 15: Saint Bonaventure**

Rev Hugh Murphy and Eileen Murphy

Special Intention

**Wednesday, July 16: Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

Mary Makein and Alice Gallagher

**Thursday, July 17: Saint Francis Solano**

Leonard Bendzin

**Friday, July 18: Saint Camillus de Lellis**

Rayna Dias

**Saturday, July 19: Saint Mary MacKillop**

Special Intention

Mary Finlay

Margaret Deysher

**Sunday, July 20: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 am: Mary Murphy

11:00 am: Peter Andretti

Gerry Plesnarski and Stu Hutchinson



***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.





Faith &  
Fellowship

### *Food and Fellowship for Single Parishioners*

You are invited to join fellow single parishioners for their no-host monthly luncheon on Friday, July 18th at 12:30 pm at Firehouse Italian Restaurant & Pizzeria, 15 Central Avenue, Madison. Please contact Monika Mangan at 973-615-4715 for more information and/or to RSVP.



### *Jubilee 2025 Prayer*

Father in heaven,  
May the faith You have given us  
in Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Brother,  
and the flame of charity enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed hope  
for the coming of Your Kingdom.

May Your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within both humanity  
and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
Your glory will shine eternally.

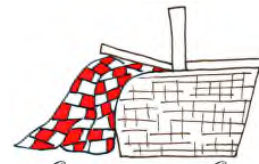
May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise forever.

Amen.

*For more information about the Jubilee 2025,  
please scan the QR code below:*



Parish Picnic

### *Parish Picnic — Save the Date!*

After a several-year hiatus, our parish picnic will be returning this fall! So, mark your calendars for Saturday, September 13, from 1-4 pm, and come join the fun! Stay tuned for more details. Interested in volunteering? Please contact Kay Kiernan at [religious@stmnj.org](mailto:religious@stmnj.org).

## *Homeschool Family Summer Mass Schedule*

**SUNDAY, JUNE 22, JULY 13 &  
AUGUST 10 AT 5PM**

### **SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

63 East Main Street, Rockaway NJ

### **FELLOWSHIP TO FOLLOW**

Your family may bring a picnic dinner or we will be able to order pizza for your family. The parish will provide water and smores. Please RSVP to Jennifer at 973-476-2568 with number of pies by the Friday PRIOR to event. You can pay \$20 (per pie) that day or pay via Venmo @justlsoul.



"If any person may have been abused by any priest, they should immediately contact their local County Prosecutor's Office and Diocese's Victims Assistance Coordinator: Dr. Ken McNeil at 973-879-1489. You may also be in touch with either of the Diocesan Response Officers Rev. Msgr. T. Mark Condon JCD, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, 973-777-8818 Ext. 248 or Sister Joan Daniel Healy, SSC, Chancellor / Delegate for Religious, 973-777-8818 Ext. 247. The entire text of the Policy of the Diocese of Paterson in Response to Complaints of Sexual Abuse is available on the diocesan Web site: [www.patersondiocese.org](http://www.patersondiocese.org).



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**St. Luke, Long Valley**

**June 29, 2025**  
Feast of St. Peter & Paul

- 5 p.m. Pilgrimage
- 6 p.m. Mass
- Light dinner



**St. James, Montague**

**July 25, 2025**  
Feast of St. James

- 9 a.m. Pilgrimage
- 10 a.m. Mass
- Refreshments



**St. Bernard, Wharton**

**August 17, 2025**  
Feast of St. Bernard

- 9:30 a.m. Pilgrimage
- 10:30 a.m. Mass
- BBQ lunch

Each Pilgrimage Walk is about 1 - 1.5 miles.  
Bring a friend (or many) and your Rosary!

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# 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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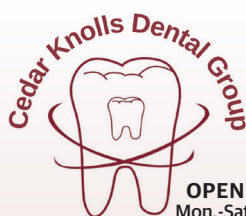
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