

# CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART



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**Bishop of Metuchen**

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Monday – Thursday	9:00 am to 2:00 pm
Fridays	CLOSED
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**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY**

If you should need a Priest for Last Rites, any time, day or night, please call 732-721-0040. The answering service will pick up; leave a message with your request. A Priest will call back as soon as possible.

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**JANUARY 15, 2023**

### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday evening: 4:00 pm (English), 5:30 pm (Polish)  
Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am (Polish), 10:30am,  
12:00 noon, 2:00pm (Spanish)  
Weekdays: 8:00 am (Monday through Saturday)

### **CONFESSIONS**

Before morning Mass except First Friday; Saturdays: 3:00 pm and 5:00 pm. Every 1st Friday @ 6:00pm.

### **NOVENAS / DEVOTIONS**

**The Chaplet of Divine Mercy:** Daily after 8:00 am Mass

**Holy Rosary:** After 8:00 am daily Mass & 3:30pm on Saturday

### **SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY / WEDDINGS**

Arrangements are to be made by calling the Parish Office no less than **ONE YEAR** in advance. Absolutely **NO** social plans are to be made before meeting with the parish Priest or Deacon. Please note: Sacrament of Holy Matrimony will be celebrated on **1st** and **3rd** Saturdays @ 1:00pm only. Weddings are reserved for registered parishioners and their family members. **NO** Sunday weddings (nuptials) will be scheduled.

### **BAPTISMS**

Baptisms are celebrated on the **2nd & 4th** Saturday at 1:00pm with the exception of Holy Days. **Pre-Baptism class**, will be at 11:00 am every 3rd Saturday of the month in Church. Parents and Godparents must attend.

### **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)**

The RCIA is the process the Church uses to form and inform those who want to "inquire" about the Catholic faith. This process is for those who have never been baptized, baptized adults needing Confirmation and Holy Eucharist, and those of other faiths who feel called to become Catholic. Is God calling you? If so, please call the Parish Office @ 732-721-0040.

### **PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK**

Arrangements for communion calls to the sick can be made by calling the Parish Office. Please notify the Parish Office when a parishioner is in the hospital. Emergency calls may be made at any time. **Call 732-721-0040.**

### **PARISH REGISTRATION**

***All parishioners should be registered***

Parishioners over the age of 18 should register independently of their parents. It is necessary to be a registered parishioner for at least 3 months in order for us to provide testimonial letters. Thank you for kindly notifying the Parish Office of any changes @ 732-721-0040.

*Please note Memorial Hall is no longer available as "hall for rent"  
- parish organizations will still be allowed usage.*

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### **SATURDAY, January 14**

4:00pm Living & Deceased Members of the  
Sacred Heart Holy Name Society  
5:30pm(P)+ Jerzy Janik  
Req. by: Marek & Family

#### **SUNDAY, January 15** (Second Sunday in Ordinary Time)

7:00am + Rev. James J. Meszaros  
Req. by: Michael & Jane Corbin  
9:00am(P)+ Krystyna Rainko  
Req. by: Ewa & Waldemar Mroczkowski  
10:30am + Jean Altobello  
Req. by: Lynn & Jim Altobello  
12:00pm + Joseph D. Bilicska  
Req. by: Marcella Bilicska  
2:00pm Pro Populo / People of the Parish

#### **MONDAY, January 16**

8:00am + Robert Zalewski  
Req. by: Beata Zalewska

#### **TUESDAY, January 17** (Saint Anthony)

8:00am + Stanisław Wieczorek  
Req. by: Jadwiga & John Maslowski

#### **WEDNESDAY, January 18**

8:00am + Janina, Henryk & Jan Archacki  
Req. by: Sophie & Family

#### **THURSDAY, January 19**

8:00am + Michael Rainone  
Req. by: Ernie & Shirley Read

#### **FRIDAY, January 20** (Saint Fabian / Saint Sebastian)

8:00am + Stephen Zrebiec  
Req. by: Anna Wilk

#### **SATURDAY, January 21** (Saint Agnes)

8:00am + Kenny Milligan  
Req. by: Joan & Family  
4:00pm + Eileen Ferrugia  
Req. by: Howarth Family  
5:30pm(P)+ Osewski & Debski Families  
Req. by: B. Osewski

#### **SUNDAY, January 22** (Third Sunday in Ordinary Time)

7:00am + Charles Sztukowski  
Req. by: Linda & Michael Parfianowicz  
9:00am(P)+ Zofia & Kazimierz Data  
Req. by: Kielbasa Family  
10:30am The Protection of Unborn Children  
Req. by: Love Life Group  
12:00pm + Mary Kate Geraltowski  
Req. by: Michael Geraltowski  
2:00pm(S) Pro Populo / People of the Parish

Altar Wine & Hosts for thus week's liturgies  
are donated in loving memory of:



+ **Joseph Zakrzewski**  
Shirley & Ernie Read

### HAPPENING THS WEEK . . . .

#### **Saturday, January 14**

- ♦ Rosary @ 3:30pm
- ♦ Together in Charity Collection this weekend
- ♦ Foundation for Catholic Education next weekend

#### **Sunday, January 15**

- ♦ Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
- ♦ Together in Charity Collection this weekend
- ♦ Foundation for Catholic Education next weekend

#### **Monday, January 16**

- ♦ Parish Office **CLOSED** / Martin Luther King Day
- ♦ SH Seniors ExecBd Meeting / 12:00pm / MHall UL
- ♦ **NO** CCD/PREP Classes (Martin Luther King Day)

#### **Wednesday, January 18**

- ♦ SHCCW Book Club Meeting / 7:30pm / MHall LL

#### **Saturday, January 21**

- ♦ Rosary @ 3:30pm
- ♦ Catholic Education Collection this weekend
- ♦ Fuel Collection next weekend

#### **Sunday, January 22**

- ♦ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
- ♦ Catholic Education Collection next weekend
- ♦ Fuel Collection next weekend

### CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### **Sanctuary / Tabernacle Candle**

+ **Loretta Zrebiec**  
Husband, Tom



#### **Blessed Mother's Altar Candles**

+ **Jan & Hieronima Chodorowski**  
Daughter & Family

#### **Saint John Paul II Altar Candles**

+ **Janina, Henryk & Jan Archacki**  
Sophie & Family  
+ **Krystyna Rainko**  
Ewa Mroczkowska

#### **Sacred Heart of Jesus Candle**

+ **Nicholas Weber**  
Ann & Family

#### **Saint Joseph Candle**

+ **Joseph Zakrzewski**  
Wife, Irene

#### **Jesus Crucified Candle**

(no intention taken)

#### **Our Lady of Fatima Candle**

(no intention taken)

#### **Saint Anne Candle**

(no intention taken)

#### **Infant of Prague Candle**

+ **Gavin & Lucien Skarzynski**  
Josephine Skarzynski



Unfortunately, a mistake was made in the last week's bulletin for the candle intentions and the "wine & hosts".

We hope you will forgive this mistake as we deeply regret this as well.

Following are the corrected intentions; please know that the candles lit and the wine & hosts used were for your loved ones. We thank you for understanding and hope to never make this mistake again!!!

***Following are the correct intentions for the week of January 8, 2023:***



Altar Wine & Hosts for this week's liturgies are donated in loving memory of:

**+ JOHN & LOUISE BIENIAS**

*Family*

**Sanctuary / Tabernacle Candle**

**+ Krystyna Rainko**

*Ewa Mroczkowska*

**Blessed Mother's Altar Candles**

**+ John & Louise Bienias**

*Family*

**Sacred Heart of Jesus Candle**

**Happy Birthday in Heaven**

**+ Joseph Zonak**

*Family*

**Jesus Crucified Candle**

**+ Stephen Skarzynski**

*Josephine Skarzynski*

**Infant of Prague Candle**

**+ Jerrold Boychuk**

*Rose Boychuk*

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

2/13/23 Meeting / 7:30pm / Memorial Hall LL

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #426**

New members always welcomed! Call Jan Williams @ 732-553-9060. For Hall rental, please call 732-721-2025 or on Facebook @South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426.

**THRIFT SHOP**

The Thrift Shop which is located in the Convent is currently closed. We will reopen on Thursday, February 2, 2023, from 9:30am to 12:00pm.

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

**January 7 / January 8, 2023**

Regular Collection:	\$ 8,565.75
On-Line Giving:	\$ 895.00
Parish Maintenance Collection:	\$ 3,979.00

**1/7/23**

4:00pm	\$ 2,357.00
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5:30pm	\$ 392.75
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**1/8/23**

7:00am	\$ 1,188.00
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9:00am	\$ 888.00
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10:30am	\$ 2,137.00
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12:00pm	\$ 1,399.00
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2:00pm	\$ 204.00
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**SACRED HEART SENIORS**

1/16/23 Executive Bd Mtg. / 12:00pm / MemHall UL

1/23/23 Meeting / 11:30am / Memorial Hall UL

For trip information and reservation, call Marie @ 908-307-5316

**ROSARY SOCIETY**

2/6/23 Meeting / 7:00m / Memorial Hall LL

**COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN**

1/28/23 Water for Life Project begins

2/14/23 Meeting / 7:30pm / Memorial Hall LL

**CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS**

*(to be announced)*

**SACRED HEART PRAYER CHAIN**

The Sacred Heart Prayer Team is ready to pray for your special needs. You may email your prayer request to [shprayerchain@gmail.com](mailto:shprayerchain@gmail.com) or write your request in the binder located at the St. Jude statue in the back of the Church. You can become a member of the Prayer Team by registering on the website or in the prayer journal.

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

Please check your email or Youth Ministry website for updates and information.

**BOY SCOUT TROOP #95**

Meetings are held every Tuesday @ 7:00pm in Memorial Hall LL For information on joining Troop #95, please email: [t95bsanj@gmail.com](mailto:t95bsanj@gmail.com)

**LOVE LIFE GROUP**

2/1/23 Meeting / 7:00pm / Memorial Hall LL

**PRAY THE ROSARY**

Wednesdays @ 1:30pm / Saturdays 12:00pm to 2:00pm

American Wellness Center, 228 Main St. Woodbridge  
Abortions are performed here daily. Pray for an end to abortion! For more info, call Anne @ 732-721-7583.

## NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

### TOGETHER IN CHARITY COLLECTION JANUARY 14 - 15, 2023

Diocese of Metuchen "Together in Charity Collection" takes place this weekend. Funds collected provide individuals faced with urgent need of financing, housing or medical needs that are beyond their parish's capacity to help. Your assistance becomes the actual presence of Christ in someone's life!



You are invited to the **"Annual Charity Banquet: Life Through the Eyes of Love"**, on Sunday, February 19, 2023, from 4:00-8:00pm, at the Pines Manor. Tickets are \$75.00 pp and includes dinner, Tricky Tray and 50/50. Please call for reservations or donations @ 732-516-0911; RSVP by 2/10/23.

### 2023 RESPECT LIFE EVENTS

**9 DAYS FOR LIFE NOVENA**  
**JANUARY 19-27, 2023**  
[www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life](http://www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life)

**ROSARY FOR LIFE PROCESSION**  
**FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2023 @ 1:00PM**

Pray in solidarity with those at the March for Life in Washington, DC and across the nation. Gather at St. James Parish in Woodbridge after the 12:45pm Mass and process to the abortion center and pray the rosary.

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN RESPECT LIFE MASS**  
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2023 / 12:00NOON**

Join Bishop Checchio as he commemorates the overturning of Roe v. Wade. The Mass will be at Saint Francis Cathedral in Metuchen and a light reception will be held following the Mass.

### IMPORTANT

We need to know if you would be willing to support and contribute to a "Capital Campaign" to raise funds for some much needed repairs to various parish buildings.

We ask that you please consider taking a survey by picking up and filling out a form located at the church entrances and return it to the parish office. You may also do this survey on-line in English

@ <https://surveymonkey.com/r/QJNHMVP> or in Polish @ <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2798YJ8>.

### SAINT PADRE PIO MASS SAINT AMBROSE PARISH / JANUARY 21, 2023

Come and join the Saint Padre Pio Prayer Group as we celebrate Mass together in honor of Saint Padre Pio by celebrant, Father Jack C. Grimes. Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, January 21, 2023, at 9:00am and will be followed by veneration of a first-class relic of Saint Padre Pio.

*thank you!*

South Amboy Knights of Columbus #426 would like to thank all those who have supported their various fundraisers during this past year. Thanks to your generosity, the Knights were able to gift \$1,000.00 each to both Sacred Heart Church and Saint Mary's. May God bless you for your kindness!

### COMING EVENT

Sacred Heart Church "Annual Tricky Tray" will be held in Memorial Hall on Friday, March 31, 2023.

The holidays are over! You may have received a gift you appreciate but cannot use. Re-gift it and help the Tricky Tray reach their goal again for this year. You may drop off your donations at the Parish Office during business hours. More details will follow soon!

## SPANISH CORNER

### EL RINCÓN DEL MINISTERIO ESPAÑOL

Mis queridos hermanos y hermanas,

en el umbral del Nuevo Testamento se encontraba un hombre enviado por Dios: su nombre era Juan. Vino como testigo para dar testimonio de la Luz. Juan -una voz que llama a la sencillez de los caminos humanos ante Dios- cumplió su misión señalando a Jesús como el Cordero de Dios que quita el pecado del mundo. El nombre de Jesucristo no es sólo una memoria histórica, sino que cumple el papel de un Acontecimiento en la historia del mundo. Todavía perdura y es un lugar indispensable de los encuentros salvíficos de Dios con todo ser humano. En Jesucristo, el Cordero de Dios, cada persona puede encontrar un nombre nuevo para Dios que exprese su cercanía y su amor. El comienzo del nuevo siglo nos impone a todos, y especialmente a las personas que invocan el nombre de Dios, el nombre de Jesucristo, tareas especiales: restaurar la unidad de la Iglesia y buscar los caminos de la verdadera paz.

### Nuestra Oración del Domingo

Oh Jesús mío, Tú eres el Salvador que has dado Tu sangre y Tu vida por mí, te ruego que escribas Tu nombre adorable en mi pobre corazón; para que, teniéndola siempre impresa en mi corazón por el amor, yo también la tenga siempre en mis labios, invocándola en todas mis necesidades. Amén. ¡QUE TENGAS UN HERMOSO DOMINGO!

*Padre Lukas*





thank you

I wish to thank Father Lukasz and his team of helpers  
who spent many hours beautifully decorating our church for Christmas!

Piotr Cybura ♦ Jakub (Kuba) Cybura ♦ Renata Kacprzyk

Waldemar Mroczkowski ♦ Ewa Mroczkowska ♦ Mateusz Mroczkowski

Nikola Mroczkowska ♦ Bogdan Osewski ♦ Elzbieta Osewska

Anna Przybyła ♦ Artur Przybyła ♦ Tomasz Fiolek

Zofia Szabla ♦ Krzysztof Kalinowski ♦ Michał Marter



Thank you also to the parishioners who gave so generously to the purchase of  
hymnals in both the English and Polish languages.

**May God bless you always for your dedication to our parish!**

*Father Stanley*