PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, September 11, 2022

1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Children 4 and under – FREE

Ages 5 - 15 - $5.00

Adults - $12.00

Come join us for good food, fun games, The Bubble Man and great music

Most Holy Redeemer

Old Bridge, New Jersey

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
8:00 AM -FRANK COLUCCIO
-r/o Anna Coluccio

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
8:00 AM -GEORGE B. TREMBLEY
-r/o Jay Caldon & Joe McDonnell

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
8:00 AM -DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ASSANTE FAMILY
-r/o Mr. & Mrs. Dominick Buonpane

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
8:00 AM -THOMAS CUNNINGHAM
-r/o Debbie Dyson

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
9:00 AM -LOUISE PICKET
-r/o Bruce & Trish Whitford & Family
5:00 PM -MIKE BOYLE
-r/o Mr. & Mrs. Bramante & Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
8:00 AM -DONALD SCHUCK
-r/o Adele, Randy, Britt, Barbara, and Boys
10:00 AM -JUAN GONZALEZ, JR.
-r/o Phyllis Cirbus
11:30 AM -OLYMPIA BALUARTE
-r/o Jorge, Son and Family

IN MEMORY OF
Carmela & Richie Schefer

SPECIAL INTENTIONS
People of the Parish Maria Buonpane
September Intentions

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
The Parish office will be closed Monday, September 5th, in observance of Labor Day. It will reopen Tuesday, September 6th, with our regular office hours of 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. **Face masks are optional.**

PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS
- Parish Picnic, September 11th, 1:30 – 5:00 p.m.
- Blood Drive, September 22nd, 1:00 – 7:00 p.m. in Desmond Hall.

All other parish events have been canceled until further notice.

WEB PAGE
For updated bulletin information, please go to www.mhr-parish.org.

TABERNACLE LIGHT
Tabernacle candle in the Church burns this week in memory of Joseph Passaretti, Sr.
r/o Laura Jean Palma

PARISH SICK LIST
Rev. Edward J. Struzik, Shannon, Hayley & Brett Lawrence, Veronica Balmore, Beatriz Castillo, Marieann Poplaski, Germaine Raimo, Sandra Steinberger, Frank Roberts, Lenny Gatti, Sumanta Chowdhuri, Nicole E. Montagna, Nico Oneto, Alex Berg, Wendy Oates, Robert C. Pederson, Patrick Barry, William Sohor, Robert Conte, Jose Pacheo, Kathleen Lau, Kimberly Perry, Jackson Christian Thomas, Miguel Ley, Marie Ciezbka, Betty Pulido, Charley Goldsmith, Louis Martinez, Joel Rivera, Columbia Emilio, Andrew Gasperchek, Dominic DiFede, Jose Santos, Nora Decker, Faye Parrilla, Debbie Mangano, Karell Christian Bernardo, Anna Schiano, Carmela Fabrizio, Carol Ann Granata, Terry McCormick, William Stefanelli, Vito Vitiello, Ruth Ikan, Dominick Perez, Bryce Lomas, Susan & Josephine Ponzillo, Courtney Palehonki, Robert Miglionica, Michael J. Williams, Michael Tocci, Jr., Debbie Timko, Elisa Ortiz, Jennifer Vezzuto, Manny Marana, Deacon Bob McGovern, Frank Cotroneo, Maureen Finnegan, Jenna Rosant, John Bello, Nina Miller, Janelle Thomas and Brian McGovern.

We ask Almighty God and our Blessed Mother, Mary, to comfort and heal the sick. If your loved one recovers and our prayers for them are no longer required, please call the parish office to have their name removed. Thank you.

PRAY FOR ALL who have died in the service of our country, and remember the military men and women below who are currently serving at home and abroad…

Patrick Atherton, U.S. Army
Alex Barnhard, U.S. Navy
Jason Del Duca, U.S. Air Force
Krystal L. Gadowski, U.S. Army
Matthew B. Kaplan, U.S. Army
Michael Lanzafama, U.S. Army
Richard A. Lapp, U.S. Navy
Douglas Leo, U.S. Army
Marco de asa-Littig, U.S. Air Force
Dominique Lovallo, U.S. Air Force
Johanna Lovallo-Medero, U.S. Army
Joseph Lovallo, U.S. Army
Robert C. McCann, U.S. Marines
Timothy P. McCann, U.S. Marines
Christopher Putko, U.S. Navy
James Putko, U.S. Navy
Robert Putko, U. S. Navy
Michael J. Sanzone, U.S. Army
Thomas Welch, U.S. Army

If anyone has a son, daughter, or relative currently serving in the Armed Forces and wishes to have their name on this Special Prayers List. Please call the parish office at 732-566-9334. Also, please notify the parish office when a name may be removed.

R.E.D. FRIDAY

RED stands for Remember Everyone Deployed, and the term describes civilian and military families' efforts to show their support for those deployed.

To show support, civilians and military families wear red on Fridays, a shirt, a tie, a pin, and anything as a reminder to remember everyone deployed.

Veteran's Crisis Hotline: 1-800-273-8255

DID YOU KNOW WHEN YOU SING YOU PRAY TWICE?

The music ministry of Most Holy Redeemer (10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Masses) is looking for members who wish to pray via music. ***Can you imagine Christmas or Easter without music??? No Silent Night or Alleluia He is Risen???*** No matter what Mass you attend, please speak to one of the musicians or choir members if you are interested. The 11:30 a.m. choir also sings at Holy Week and the Easter Vigil. **All ages and voices are welcome.** Anyone who plays an instrument is ***more than welcome*** to praise God's Glory at both Masses. For more information, please call the parish office at 732-566-9334. *Let this be the year you join.*

STEWARDS OF OUR TREASURE

Weekend of August 27/28, 2022	***$5704***
Weekend of August 28/29, 2021	***$6385***
Additional Church Renovation:	***$ 745***

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PRE-BAPTISM CLASS

The next Pre-Baptism class will be held Wednesday, October 5th, at 8:00 p.m. in the church. Would you please call the Parish Office to register? Face masks are optional. Adequate social distancing will be maintained.

THANK YOU

Dear Most Holy Redeemer Church Parishioners,

Thank you so much for your generosity and support of our Baby Bottle Blessings Fundraiser! ***CHRIST is definitely alive and present here!***

Your beautiful hearts raised an amazing $6,922. ***Words cannot express our gratitude to you!***

Your gifts enable us to continue serving mothers and families by providing the practical, emotional, and spiritual support they need when faced with a difficult or unplanned pregnancy or just needs a hand to help right now. Your **LIFE** affirming support gives families hope! **YOU** celebrate **LIFE** right alongside of us! **GOD** loves you!

You are making a difference in the lives of many of God's people – born and unborn. You are helping to save lives and transform hearts right here in our own community. God bless you!

Please know that you are in our daily prayers of Thanksgiving.

Your friends at,
Life Choice Resource Center

PARISH BLOOD DRIVE

New Jersey Blood Services will conduct a blood drive on **Thursday, September 22nd, from 1:00—7:00 p.m. in Desmond Hall**. The blood supply is critically low—**PLEASE HELP**.

To remain in compliance with the federal guidelines for social distancing. APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED. DONORS PRESENTING:

- Must wear a mask or face covering
- Will have their temperature taken
- Must be 14 days symptom-free if recovered from COVID-19
- May **NOT** donate if they have had a positive diagnostic test or experienced symptoms of COVID-19 in the last 14 days
- May **NOT** donate if they are currently on self-quarantine restrictions

Please be aware that we DO NOT test for COVID-19. You should contact your health care provider if you want to be tested. Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your ID with your name and photo. Donors 76 and over need a doctor's note unless one is already on file. If you have received the COVID vaccine, there is no waiting period before donating if you feel well.

Appointments suggested. For an appointment, call 1-800-933-2566 or visit NYBC.ORG/DRIVE. The sponsor code is 10712.

PARISH PICNIC

Once again, we will need volunteers, especially all our wonderful cooks and bakers, to help make the picnic buffet a spectacular feast as in the past. There will be entertainment for adults and children, "THE BUBBLE MAN," Tricky Tray, a 50/50 raffle, and the Holy Name raffle drawing. Tickets are on sale after all Masses.

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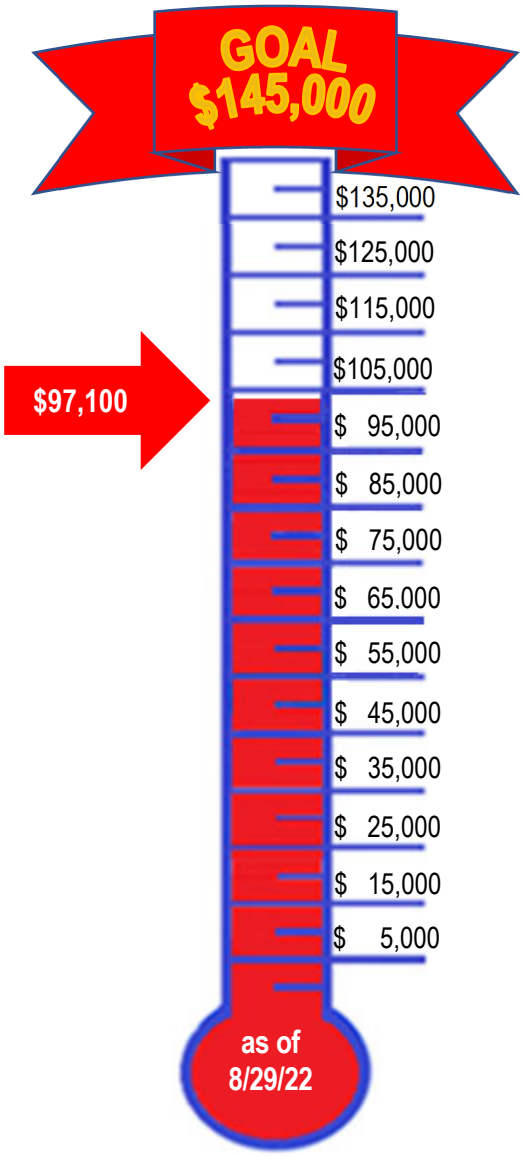
Wedding bands

David Krzewinski and Jennifer Farina – 1st

CHURCH RENOVATION GOAL



CHURCH RENOVATION UPDATE

Thanks to the generosity of so many parishioners, we are now over the $90,000 mark on our renovation thermometer. Despite the economic challenges we face these days, your commitment to your parish is more than just commendable—it is extraordinary. We have a ways to go, but with confidence in the Lord, I believe we shall get very close to our goal, if not actually realize it.

WE APOLOGIZE FOR NOT BEING EQUIPPED AT THE MOMENT FOR ONLINE GIVING. Contributions can be made by check, payable to **Most Holy Redeemer Church,** with the memo reading "Church Renovations." Whatever you can do will be a blessing!

Sincere thanks to all who have contributed thus far.

Father Carina

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Our Most Holy Redeemer Conference exists primarily to help those in financial need. This is made possible by the generosity of our parishioners each month; thank you.

If you or someone you know needs help, please call 732-566-9334. Everything is completely confidential.

Food Pantry

FOOD PANTRY

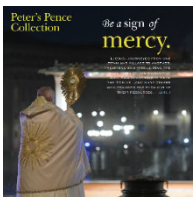
Groceries are collected every weekend at Mass. **St. Lawrence Food Pantry has reopened.** The Pantry will be open on **Saturdays only** from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Face masks are required. Social distancing is in practice.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

Please join the diocesan pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., with Most Rev. James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA, Bishop of Metuchen on Saturday, September 24, 2022, to celebrate the closing event of the 40th Anniversary of the Diocese of Metuchen. Bishop Checchio will also welcome Archbishop Christophe Pierre, Apostolic Nuncio, to the United States, the personal and official representative of Pope Francis, to join us on this prayerful day. For a schedule of the day, additional information, and a list of parishes running buses to the Basilica, please visit www.diometuchen.org/pilgrimage-in-honor-of-the-40th-anniversary. For questions or concerns, please contact amarshall@diometuchen.org.

Our parish will leave from Most Holy Redeemer parking lot at 6:30 a.m. Cost: $40. For more information or reservation, please contact our Parish Coordinator: Porter Keller, at 732-727-7140. Please consider representing our Parish on this special grace-filled day. Please visit www.diometuchen.org for more information. THERE ARE PILGRIMAGE REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE IN THE VESTIBULE TODAY.

SPECIAL COLLECTION



Next week, we will take the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

BAPTISM

We wish to welcome into the family of God and the parish community of Most Holy Redeemer the following child baptized here on August 28th.

ALEXANDRA SKYE CERRUTI

Daughter of Brian and Kimberlyanne

We pray that her parents will be examples of faith to inspire her to follow the Lord. We, as their family in faith, also accept the responsibility to help these parents in their duty to bring up their children in the practice of the Faith through our prayers and example.

BOXED ENVELOPES

We will soon be in the process of preparing our year **2023 boxed envelopes for registered parishioners**. You must be registered to receive envelopes. If you did not use your 2022 envelopes a minimum of 10 times during the past year, envelopes would not be reissued to you. Besides assisting with the regular financial support of your parish, your usage of envelopes also helps record your Mass attendance. This, in turn, helps the pastor better verify your commitment to the parish when requesting sponsorship certificates. Participation in the envelope system is also necessary for the parish office to be able to issue statements for IRS purposes.

As a reminder, loose cash offerings at Mass cannot be traced to any individual and, therefore, are not considered for an end-of-year statement of charitable contribution. We suggest ALWAYS using your offering envelopes. Alternatively, blank envelopes are available in the church vestibule, where you can fill in your name so your donation can be properly posted to your account. If you are not receiving envelopes or have questions, don't hesitate to contact the parish office at 732-566-9334 or email us at MHR1985@optimum.net. Thank you.

IN GOD'S IMAGE

In God's Image, the Catholic Faith Sharing Group for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people at Church of the Sacred Heart, South Plainfield, meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. Our next meeting is on September 14th and will be in person and online. Please email for more information. The group is open to LGBTQ adults, 18 and over, and their families. All are welcome for faith sharing, prayer, conversation, and support. Contact Father John at 908-756-0633, ext 125, or the group may be contacted via email at sacredheartigi@gmail.com.

KID'S KORNER

Year C

Gospel Today

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time | Luke 14:25-33

Jesus said God should be #1 in the center of our lives. Followed by ourselves, family and friends.

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Jesus knows life is not always easy.

He will help us carry our cross. Just ask!

MY CROSS

MY LIFE

GOD

Decorate this cross with words or pictures which best describe your life each day. Remember everyone has challenges, but they are not all the same.

Cut on the dotted line and keep it as a reminder to pray and give thanks each day.

Examples of daily struggles... personal or family illness or disability, problems with family, school or neighbors... add your own.

Thank you, God, for... good times, loving and healthy family members, fun with family, school & neighbors, good friends and favorite pets... add your own.

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