

SECOND SUNDAY *of Advent*



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RU Students and those who use debit cards, St. Peter the Apostle University and Community Parish is now on Venmo! Please consider sacrificing one cup of name-brand coffee each week and donate the cost to help support our parish and campus ministry. Every sacrifice to the Lord matters and is appreciated!

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Report of the Sunday Offerings in Support of Our Parish**Fiscal Year 2023**

The Sunday offering is the principle means by which we fund the ordinary operations of our parish and its ministries. Thank you for making ministry possible at St. Peter the Apostle University and Community Church.

Please consider using WePay or another form of automated giving as your preferred means of contributing to the support of the parish. You can sign up for online giving by clicking on the "Giving" photo-button on the home page of our Parish website: www.StPeterNewBrunswick.org

When writing or updating your will, please remember our parish in your planning. For more information on planned giving, please contact the parish office.

Welcome Back

Sunday Café is returning monthly beginning Sunday, December 10, following the 8:00 AM Mass in the Parish Hall. We will be reflecting on the Gospel reading for the 2nd Sunday of Advent.



Mass Intentions

Monday, December 11, Advent Weekday; *St. Damasus I, Pope*

7:30 a.m. Cheryl Rudis

12:15 p.m. Intentions of Jean Ballai

Tuesday, December 12, OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

7:30 a.m. John A. Cook, III

12:15 p.m.

Wednesday, December 13, St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr

7:30 a.m. Linda Fischer

12:15 p.m. In Loving Memory of Grandma Roma

Thursday, December 14, St. John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor of the Church

7:30 a.m.

12:15 p.m.

Friday, December 15, Advent Weekday

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the Ballai Family

12:15 p.m. Nicholas William Deri Sr.

Saturday, December 16, Advent Weekday

7:30 a.m.

5:00 p.m. John Sabatura

Sunday, December 17, THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00 a.m. Agnes Giangreco

10:00 a.m. Salvatore Aquino

12:00 p.m. Juan Carlos Aguirre & Beloved Dead of the Moyano Family

6:00 p.m. For the Clergy, Religious, Staff and Parishioners of St. Peter's Parish

If you would like to reserve a Mass intention or obtain a Mass card, please contact Colleen, at 732-545-6663 x 12 or email colleen@stpeternewbrunswick.org or request an intention on our website.

Mass intentions will be offered once the stipend fee(s) is received.

PLEASE NOTE: If we send out the Mass card for you, there is an additional fee of \$1.00 each for postage and handling.

Remembering Your Loved Ones (Living and Deceased)

In addition to week day and Sunday Mass Intentions, St. Peter's offers other options to remember your loved ones.

*We not only have Mass cards for the deceased, but also for Birthday, Healing and Special Intentions. The Stipend fee is \$10 per Mass.

*We have two Tabernacle sanctuary lamps - one in the Church and one in the Catholic Center chapel, which can be lit for one week in remembrance of or for the special intentions of your loved ones. The fee is \$15.00.

*You can also provide altar flowers in the church (living or deceased).

For any of these options, or for additional information, please contact **Colleen at 732-545-6663 ext. 12.**



Don't miss another update from our Parish!

We have a tremendous community here at St. Peter's and we want to make sure it's as easy as possible for every one of you to be involved and connected to it all.

Text SPNB to 84576 or sign up online at www.stpeterparishnb.flocknote.com and join our parish Flocknote Community!

Once you send that in, Flocknote will text you back a confirmation message AND another message with a link you'll need to click to complete the process.

In your charity, please pray for...

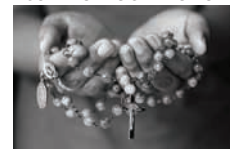
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All the sick, those who are homebound, the hospitalized, and all who serve in the military

If a name no longer needs to be on our list, please contact the Parish Office at 732-545-6820 or ParishOffice@StPeterNewBrunswick.org

Rosary for Life – January 19, 2024

Come Pray a Rosary for Life (in solidarity with those at the March for Life in Washington, DC and across the country). Bishop Checchio is scheduled to attend! Friday, January 19, 2024 at 1:00 pm on Main Street in Woodbridge. Park and meet in the St. James Parish parking lot at 12:45 pm (369 Amboy Ave, Woodbridge, NJ) There is a 12:10 pm daily Mass at St. James for those who wish to attend. For more information, contact amarshall@diometuchen.org or call 732-562-1543.



Christmas Giving Tree

The Christmas Giving Trees will be decorated with tags for the 2023 season beginning the weekend of November 18 and 19.

Please take a tag. The groups who will benefit from your generosity are:

- The Children's Center of Edison
- Roosevelt Care Center at Edison
- The Society of St. Vincent DePaul, Diocese of Metuchen Council
 - Catholic Charities – Diocese of Metuchen
- The Youth Enrichment Services – Early Learning Center
- New Jersey Veterans Memorial Home at Menlo Park

Attach the tags to each gift, but please **Do Not Wrap the Gifts**. If donating a gift card, please **write the dollar amount on the gift card**. **Gift cards should be placed in the collection basket during mass** while the other gifts may be placed in the vestibule of the Church. We would appreciate the gift cards be dropped off by December 3. All gifts must be returned by the weekend of **December 10 and 11**.

Volunteers are needed to help collect, sort and/or deliver the gifts to each organization. Please contact Carmel at Idagirl@optonline.net

Thank you in advance for your generous donations!



Thoughts From God's Garden

Sr. Gabriela of the Incarnation, O.C.D.

"Tell Him a Welcome"



Carmelites love Christmas! We love Easter, of course, and we thrill at the thought of the Resurrection, but Christmas has a special place in our hearts. We are utterly delighted that God was born as a baby, that He became human because it is our humanity that He took, and He will have it forevermore! Jesus is God and now He is also made of the same stuff as we are: He has a human soul and body, and He can never ever separate Himself from us!

We love that we share humanity with Him, and though Carmel is an austere place, with a plain building and simple fare, at Christmas we decorate for all we are worth! We hang decorations on anything that will hold them, we sing Christmas carols as part of our prayer time, we have a posada procession throughout the whole monastery, and we have about six different nativity sets besides the crib set up in our chapel.

The Infant in the crib is a special delight for us, and there is a story that St. John of the Cross, who is often portrayed as a solemn killjoy of a saint, once picked up the Infant from the crib and danced around the room with him. We all want to do that every day of our life: to dance through time holding God in our arms and in our hearts!

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ADVENT AT A GLANCE

Brothers and Sisters,

As we begin this hope-filled season of Advent, please review and mark your calendars for the events listed below in order to assist you in your Advent preparations. May God bless you in this Advent season and know of our daily prayers for you.

With a prayer,

Fr. Jay

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration will be celebrated in our Catholic Center Chapel, as usual, on Mondays following the 12:15pm Mass until 7:30pm.

December 4th

December 11th

December 18th

Tuesday, December 19th (in church during Penance Service)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

In order to prevent long lines and large crowds, St. Peter's will be offering numerous opportunities to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. They are as follows:

Saturday Mornings 11:00am in the Church

December 9th

December 16th

December 23rd

Advent Penance Service/Eucharistic Adoration, Tuesday, December 19th at 7:00pm

Lessons and Carols

St. Peter's will celebrate a Lessons and Carols event in our Church on

Sunday, December 17th at 3:30pm.

Christmas Mass Times

December 24th Christmas Vigil Mass


4:00pm

December 25th

12:00am Midnight

8:00am

10:00am





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(Masses start at 7 PM, unless otherwise noted)

CATHEDRAL OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

15 December (Fri)

32 Elm Avenue, Metuchen

Celebrant: Most Rev. James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA BISHOP OF METUCHEN

16 December (Sat)

OUR LADY OF FATIMA
ST. BARTHOLOMEW
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501 New Market Road, Piscataway
470 Ryders Lane, East Brunswick
81 Seymour Avenue, Edison

17 December (Sun)

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (4 PM)
NATIVITY OF THE LORD (6 PM)
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35 Mountain Avenue, Somerville
185 Applegarth Road, Monroe
20 Villanova Road, Parlin
302 High Street, Hackettstown

18 December (Mon)

QUEENSHIP OF MARY
ST. HELENA
ST. FRANCES CABRINI

16 Dey Road, Plainsboro
950 Grove Avenue, Edison
208 Bound Brook Avenue, Piscataway

19 December (Tue)

ST. MATTHIAS (6 PM)
ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
ST. CECILIA

168 JFK Boulevard, Somerset
436 Port Reading Avenue, Port Reading
10 Kingston Lane, Monmouth Junction

20 December (Wed)

ST. JAMES
MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

148 Grenville Street, Woodbridge
157 South Triangle Road, Hillsborough

21 December (Thu)

ST. BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX
OUR LADY OF VICTORIES

500 Route 22, Bridgewater
42 Main Street, Sayreville

22 December (Fri)

ST. CECILIA
CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART
ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY

45 Wilus Way, Iselin
149 So. Plainfield Avenue, So. Plainfield
45 Henderson Road, Kendall Park

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

318 Old Allerton Road, Annandale

Celebrant: Most Rev. Michael A. Saporito, D.D.
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23 December (Sat)

MISA de GALLO

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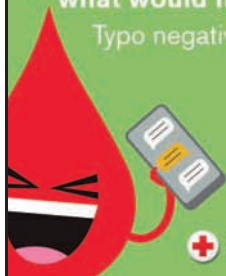
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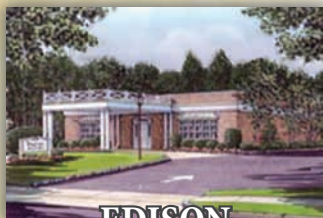
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