

The Catholic Church of St. Ann



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The Lord's Day Mass Schedule

Sat.: 4 pm St. Ann Church
4 pm St. Joseph Church
5 pm Holy Trinity

Sun.: 7:30 am St. Ann Church
8:00 am St. Joseph Church (Spanish)
8:30 am Holy Trinity
10 am St. Joseph Church

10 am St. Ann Church
10am Shrine of Bl. Sacrament (Latin EF)
10:30am Holy Trinity

12 pm St. Ann Church
12 pm St. Joseph Church (Spanish)

5 pm St. Ann Church

Daily Masses

Mon. 8 am St. Joseph	12:15 pm Shrine	7 pm St. Ann
Tue. 7 am St. Ann	12:15 pm Shrine	7 pm Holy Trinity
Wed. 7 am St. Ann	12:15 pm Shrine	
Thu. 7 am St. Ann	12:15 pm Shrine	
Fri. 8 am St. Joseph	12:15 pm Shrine	7 pm Holy Trinity
First Fridays		7pm St. Ann
Sat. 9 am St. Ann		

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday,	after the 9am Mass,	St. Ann
Saturday,	3-3:30pm,	St. Joseph
Wednesday,	11-12noon,	Holy Trinity
Friday,	11-12noon	Shrine of Bl. Sac.
	—or by appointment—	

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“ This is my Son,
the Chosen one.
Listen to him.

Luke 9:35

Second Sunday of Lent—March 13, 2022

Stewardship Reflection on Lectionary Readings

GN 15:5-12, 17-18; PHIL 3:17-4:1; LK 9:28B-36

In last week's Gospel, we followed Jesus into the desert where He fasted and prayed. This week, He leads us up a mountain to witness His Transfiguration. Why both of these experiences?

He is preparing us to go with Him in a few short weeks to a hilltop, Golgotha, where He will lay down His life for our sake — and finally to take us to an empty cave where He triumphed over sin and death once and for all.

Jesus perfectly understands our humanity. He knows we need desert experiences—times of self-denial and testing—in order to arrive at mountain-top moments when we see and feel His glorious presence in our lives. The purpose of these two types of experiences is summed up in the description of the Apostles who were with Jesus at that mountain-top experience in today's Gospel: "Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory...."

The reason for all of our fasting and prayer and almsgiving during lent is to be reawakened to all God has done for humanity and to all that He has done for each of us personally. It is all too easy to get lulled into complacency in our daily routines, to "sleepwalk" through life, getting up and getting ourselves and maybe kids out the door, going to work, returning home for dinner and dishes, meetings, or sports activities, and finally flopping on the couch to watch TV until bedtime. While there is nothing inherently sinful in this routine, as Christian stewards we are called to so much more!

We are called to be fully awake and fully alert to the love of the Holy Trinity that dwells within us through our Baptism and surrounds us at every moment. How do we know this is true? We wouldn't be alive at all but for the love of God that sustains us second by second! And we would not have eternal salvation and the perfect joy of heaven awaiting us if Jesus had not come and died for us.

The disciplines of lent are not meant to make us miserably "hangry" until Easter arrives, and we can eat chocolate in peace once again. The prayer and fasting and offering of ourselves to the poor are intended to shake us free from any apathy that has crept into our lives so that we can see His glory in everyday moments.

When we intentionally set aside time for prayer, He will give us exactly the wisdom we need to face what comes later in the day. When we bring a little discomfort into our lives by the sacrifices we make, we realize just how weak and dependent we are on Him. When we reach out to those who have less materially, we realize the abundance of blessings we have. These are mountain-top moments. They bring us back to our senses and fill us with gratitude to God — which in turn spurs us on to give Him more of ourselves in the sharing of our time, talents, and treasure.

In this way, we train ourselves, or more precisely, we allow Him to train us to say "Yes" to His will and to offer our lives back to Him. In so doing we, too, become "transfigured." This is what it means to live fully awake; this is a stewardship way of life and it is glorious indeed.

— Stewardship Reflections by *Catholic Stewardship Consultants*

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION

The Oratorian community invites you to our monthly Eucharistic Holy Hour.

This month's Holy Hour will be held on
Sunday, March 20, 2022 at 3:30 pm at the
Catholic Church of St. Ann, Raritan.

This hour of Adoration includes readings, song, silent prayer, and concludes with Benediction.



ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO THE DIACONATE?

The Diocese is looking for men who are interested in becoming Permanent Deacons. A new diaconate formation class is about to begin. Applications for that class will be accepted near the end of this summer; prior to applying, interested men must attend an Information Meeting. A General Information Meeting will be held at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway on Tuesday, March 29, 2022 at 7:00 PM and again on Saturday, April 9, 2022 at 10:00 AM. If you are between the ages of 35 and 60, and you believe you are being called to this ministry, you, your wife and your pastor are cordially invited to attend one of these meetings. If you have any questions, or wish to advise that you will attend, please contact the Diocesan Diaconate Office at (732) 562-2457 or diaconate@diometuchen.org.

2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Celebrating 40 Years—

Continuing to Fan the Flame of Faith into Service

The impact and success of the *Catholic Center at Rutgers* is relational outreach to students, a distinct approach for college campus ministry. The staff includes religious from the Sisters of Jesus Our Hope and the Brotherhood of Hope, as well as, the Associate Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Metuchen and several interns. They are out on campus meeting and interacting with students where they live their lives and also reach them using the tools of technology. Thanks to your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, the Catholic Center offers a safe haven where students are able to grow in their knowledge and practice of the faith, experience a meaningful sense of service to the community, and come to a deeper understanding of their call to discipleship. Thank you for your support.

ST. ANN'S DONATIONS UPDATE as of March 7

86 Donors; Total Pledged \$21,614; Parish Goal \$59,000

Ways to Share our Gifts

Pledging

Choosing to pledge with your desired payment schedule over time may allow you to be more generous. Monthly reminders will be sent.

Gift by Check

Whether your gift is a one-time paid in full gift or an installment of a pledged gift, please make your check payable to: Diocese of Metuchen- Bishop's Annual Appeal.

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Matching Your Gift

Corporate matching gifts are a great way to maximize your personal contribution. To use our **Company Match Finder** to see if your company has such a program and if it will match your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal or one of the entities of the Diocese of Metuchen, go to www.matchinggifts.com/diometuchen If you need assistance call 732-562-2436 or email matching.gifts@diometuchen.org

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LENTEN DEVOTIONS, FAITH FORMATION AND PENANCE SERVICE

Lenten Soup Supper

Wednesdays

5-6:30pm in school cafeteria

For the March 16 Lenten Soup Supper:

Pasta Primavera and Bread

Come enjoy a Lenten Meal with your parish family. .

All are welcomed!

Stations of the Cross

Fridays:

St. Ann's at 7:30pm

Holy Trinity following the 7pm Mass

Wednesdays:

Shrine Chapel following 12:15pm Mass

SOCIAL CONCERNS

Thank you for the generous donations for the monthly food collection in support of The Food Network of Somerset County! Please continue to donate; the need are is great.

During Lent we hope to collect 25 hams for distribution to needy families. As a Corporal Work of Mercy, please donate if you can. If you have any questions, please contact Christine at the Parish office. Thank you for your generosity.

Forty Act Impact: Putting Mercy into Action

In celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the establishment of the Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop James F. Checchio is inviting us all to make a commitment to doing 40 works of mercy. This same commitment will help us to serve one another with the same love and mercy bestowed on us by the Father and to witness to His great love in the four beautiful counties of the Diocese of Metuchen.

Visit diometuchen.org/worksofmercy to learn how your everyday acts can make an impact and to sign the commitment form.



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PRESENTS

THE MYSTERY OF THE EUCHARIST 2022 LENTEN REFLECTION SERIES

WEDNESDAYS AT 7:00 PM

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, BRIDGEWATER
IN-PERSON AND LIVESTREAMED ON YOUTUBE

EACH EVENING WILL INCLUDE EUCHARISTIC
ADORATION AND CONCLUDE WITH BENEDICTION

MARCH 9 - SACRIFICE: EUCHARISTIC ROOTS

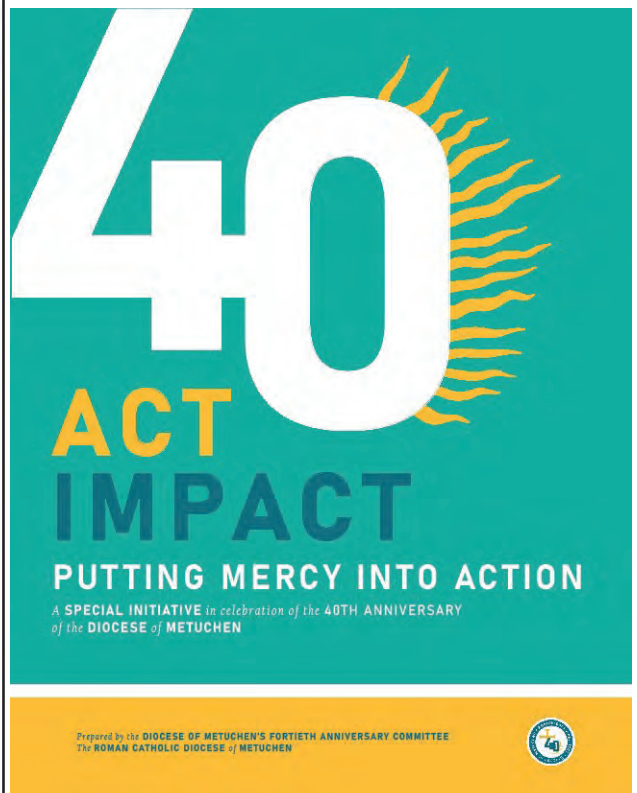
MARCH 16 - THE REAL PRESENCE: EUCHARISTIC BELIEF

MARCH 23 - SOURCE & SUMMIT: EUCHARISTIC WORSHIP

MARCH 30 - FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY: EUCHARISTIC CHARITY

APRIL 6 - PENANCE SERVICE (W/INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION)

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CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2022-2023

TUITION ASSISTANCE

ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS OPEN

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment at <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>.

Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) by no later than March 31, 2022.

Applications are available in English and Spanish.

Families that need assistance completing the online application or need access to a computer to apply should contact their school.

A Prayer to Saint Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.



Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil.
Amen.

Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary March 19

"Each of us can discover in Joseph—the man who goes unnoticed, a daily discreet, and hidden presence—an intercessor, a support, and a guide in times of trouble. Saint Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation."

— Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter, *Patris Corde*

Do not conform yourselves to this age but
be transformed by the renewal of your mind,
that you may discern what is the will of God,
what is good and pleasing and perfect.

(Romans 12:1)

2022 Choices Matter

A CRITICAL LIFE ISSUES CONFERENCE

March 26, 2022

OPENING MASS AT 8:30 AM
CONFERENCE FROM 10:00 AM TO 3:30 PM

St. Peter the Apostle University & Community Parish
New Brunswick, NJ

This event is sponsored by the
Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Human Life & Dignity
and the Catholic Student Association at Rutgers University



2022 CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

DJ Hueneman
International Speaker, Author

Grace Rykaczewski
Students for Life

Laura Strietmann
Executive Director
Cincinnati Right to Life

2022 LEGISLATIVE PANEL

Marie Tasy
Executive Director
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James King
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Dr. Gerald Burke
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Pickup Date: April 8th 10:00-12:00 Noon in the church meeting room downstairs

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Make checks payable to: KOC 13264

Orders MUST be placed by April 3rd



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FRIDAY, MARCH 25TH

DROP-OFF: 7:30 AM - 3:00 PM

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USED CLOTHING DRIVE

Time for Spring Cleaning!
Start Lent right with a bag-a-day challenge!

Nothing shredded! We receive a donation for the total poundage collected.

We are collecting usable:

- clothes, hats, gloves, scarves, ties
- shoes, belts, etc.
- handbags, briefcases, backpacks
- linens, pillows, towels, drapery, small rugs
- stuffed animals



We are also collecting donations of new items and baskets for our upcoming **Tricky Tray** on May 21st! Please let us know which donations are which at drop-off. Event details: www.stannclassical.org/tricky-tray

Alternative drop-off times? Call the school or parish office to make arrangements: 908-725-7787.

Please put donated items in TALL KITCHEN GARBAGE BAGS.

Visit clothingdrive.net for more information and a complete list of donatable items.

Volunteers needed to help make this a success! Contact Bill at billhelms@verizon.net

SAVE THE DATE
& BOOK THAT BABYSITTER:

MAY 21, 2022

ROARING TWENTIES
TRICKY TRAY

Our 21st annual event benefiting St. Ann Classical Academy!

Ticket drop-off option: 1 pm-4 pm; Live Event: 5:00 pm
Location: St. Ann Classical Academy | 40 Second Avenue, Raritan

DETAILS TO FOLLOW:
STANNCLASSICAL.ORG/TRICKY-TRAY

Standard Items	Quantity	Price	Amount
Crab Cakes (Pack of 4)	Pack of 4 (3.25 oz)	\$26.00	
	Pack of 6 (3.25 oz)	\$36.00	
	Pack of 12 (3.25 oz)	\$62.00	
Crab Critters Appetizer	Bag of 50	\$16.00	
Maryland Crab Soup	1 Quart Frozen	\$12.00	
Discounted Package Deals			
4 Crab Cakes, 1 50 bag Critter & 1 Soup		\$48.00	
6 Crab Cakes, 1, 50 bag Critter & 1 Soup		\$57.00	
12 Crab Cakes, 1, 50 bag Critter & 1 Soup		\$83.00	

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Mass Intentions

Monday, March 14

7:00 pm Living and Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus;
Col. Frank L. Carlone by his wife and family;
Mauro Rigante by Carolyn McGirl

Tuesday, March 15

7:00 am Oliver Lynch by Anne-Marie & Joe Calderone

Wednesday, March 16

7:00 am Salvatore Cammarata and Family by Lena Cammarata

Thursday, March 17

7:00 am Rose and Giuseppe DiGiuseppantonio by Grace and Elena

Friday, March 18

Saturday, March 19

9:00 am Special Intention for Vincenza Greco in honor of Santo Gregorio and Padre Pio
4:00 pm Aniello Scaffuto by Nancy Scaffuto

Sunday, March 20

7:30 am Yolanda Gallagher by her nieces and nephews
10:00 am Theresa Matteis by her niece
12:00 pm Fara Maltese by the Maltese Family
5:00 pm People of the Parish

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Sunday

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17-4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

Thursday

Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31

Monday

Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38

Friday

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Tuesday

Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12

Saturday

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Wednesday

Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28

Weekly Candle, Lamp and Flower Intentions

St. Joseph Lamp for Alex Davidson
by his mother



Blessed Mother Lamp
Special Intention In Thanksgiving
to the Blessed Mother



Pro-Life Candle for Joseph Rita
by Marie Rita



Parishioner Financial Support

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Ash Wednesday \$ 2,259
Ukraine/Eastern-Central Europe \$ 770

Contributions from the Weekend of March 6:

Offertory Contributions	\$ 7,225
WeShare Contributions	\$ 3,393
Ash Wednesday	\$ 607
Total for Parish Operation	\$11,225
DOM other	\$ 25

Thank you and God bless you for supporting the mission of the church and the ministry of St. Ann parish.

Pray for those who are Sick in our Community

Joseph Arena Joanmarie Carlone Anna Carra Bruno Cirianni Frank Cirianni Mary Contino Jerry Costanzo Maria Anastasia D'Amore Michael D'Angelo Roseann Danna Josephine DiPiazza John Falco Mike Florczak Frank Forte Cindy Galvacky	Gambino Family Maria Rosa Gasparro Susan H. Bernadette Healy Anthony Hughes Brianna Rose Larson Jay LaVerghetta Franco Lopreiato Michael Lynch Antonio, Alice & Lisa Magdamit Mark Marshall Giovanna Martini Susan Maurice	Jim McGuinness Edward J. McNamara Wilfredo Medina III Andrea Michaels Lidia Natale Ann Navatto Victor Rangel Marie Richardson Deborah Scarpone Karen Soriano Cathy Stinziano Patricia Tibaldi Saverio Todarello Emanuel Valentin Ron Wyka
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Pray for those in the Military

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