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*Our mission is to be a Faith Community
centered in the Eucharist,
proclaiming Christ's message
of love and service,
and living as true disciples of Christ.*

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening:	Sunday
5:30 PM (Vigil)	7:30 AM
9:00 AM	
10:30 AM	
12:00 Noon	

Weekdays:

Monday - Friday 7:00 AM
Tuesday - Saturday 8:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays after the 8:00am Mass in the chapel
Saturdays 4:00—5:00 pm in the church

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

1:15 PM Sundays by appointment only
908-766-0888, ext. 3

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Application for marriage by registered parishioners
should be made at the parish office a year in advance
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READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-2, 3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56
Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9

Please Pray For...

Members of our Armed Services:

MM3 Charles Boyle, USN, Capt. Timothy Knapp, USN, 2nd Lt. Mike Singer, USM, 1st Lt. Emma Altonji, USA, Cpt. Aaron Reed, USA, SSGT Andrew Ludwig USAF, Gen. Farrell Sullivan, USMC; Col. Brendan Sullivan, USMC, CPT Ryan Gutshall, SGT Anthony Donatelli, 2nd Lt. Ryan P. Waters, USMC

Our loved ones: Wyatt Pieper, Rob Davies, Melissa Curtis Wadley, Dana Ludwig, Lynn Frazier, Jean Gorzkowski, Jacob and Jaxson Rivera, Meisha Hunter, Jim Indiveri, Catherine Wessel, Joetta Stula, Austin Carr, Chris Waryn, Agata Quinn, John Quiterio, Katie King, Ruven Hoffman, Lori Vaeth, and Ruth Rovtar, Patrick Mellin, nephew of Kathy and Charles Wasilewski, Lynn Burdick, Rich DePoortere, Connie Siceloff, Cynthia Marzulli

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Mass Intentions for the Week

SUNDAY, March 26 Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30 am	Samuel Kovacsy
requested by:	Maryann Kosakowski
9:00 am	Rev. John R. Neilson
requested by:	Kimberly McNeece Lalley
10:30 am	The People of the Parish
12:00 pm :	George Michinard
requested by:	Cathy Zavaglia

MONDAY, March 27

7:00 am	Francis Durso
requested by:	Extended Bunsa Family

TUESDAY, March 28

7:00 am	Ed Hartnett
requested by:	Jack & Dolores Durso
8:00 am	Deceased members of the Donnelly Family
requested by:	Jerry & Marie Giordano

WEDNESDAY, March 29

7:00 am	Denis Duggan
requested by:	The D'Agostini Family
8:00 am	Micki O'Callaghan
requested by:	Mary Marie Darling

THURSDAY, March 30

7:00 am	Rose Gentile
requested by:	St. James Rosary Altar Society
8:00 am	George Neumann
requested by:	Patricia Lorenz

FRIDAY, March 31

7:00 am	John G. Valeri, MD
requested by:	John G. Valeri, Jr.
8:00 am	Gina Mack-Forlist
requested by:	The Mack-Forlist Family

SATURDAY, April 1

8:00 am	Marguerite Camacho
requested by:	The Davies Family
5:30 pm	Catherine Patterson
requested by:	Al & Joan Patterson

SUNDAY, April 2

8:00 am	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
7:30 am	Christine Paolella
requested by:	The Vindici Family
9:00 am	Barbara Hefner
requested by:	Dan & Dawn Murphy
10:30 am	The Godelain & Carr Families
requested by:	Jeanine Carr
12:00 pm :	The People of the Parish

ADULT CONFIRMATION– MAY 28, 2023

If you were baptized and received your First Communion but were never confirmed, and would like to receive this sacrament May 28, 2023, please contact Deacon Frank at deaconfrank2017@gmail.com to discuss. Classes start Sunday April 23rd

A message from our Pastor...

My dear friends:

Resurrection hope is the central theme of the Scripture readings for the Fifth Sunday of Lent. We can see the progression in themes from the thirst for living water (on the Third Sunday of Lent), through the desire to be healed of our spiritual blindness (Fourth Sunday) to our ultimate desire to share in eternal life with the risen Lord (Fifth Sunday).

John's Gospel begins and ends with signs, the first at a wedding and the later at a funeral. The total number is seven.

- The turning of water into wine (John 2:1-12)
- The healing of the royal official's son (John 4:46-54)
- The healing of the paralytic at the pool of Bethesda (John 5:1-17)
- The feeding of the five thousand (John 6:1-14)
- The walking on water (John 6:15-25)
- The healing of the man born blind (John 9:1-41)
- The raising of Lazarus (John 11:1-46)

This week we here about the raising of Lazarus. According to John, the raising of Lazarus is the seventh sign. The story is presented in five distinct, self-contained scenes:

- Jesus receiving the news of Lazarus' death.
- Protesting, Jesus returns to Judea.
- Martha's pleading with Jesus
- Mary's arrival as Jesus stands waiting in the road.
- The miraculous raising of Lazarus

Lazarus was in the dark tomb for three days. Jesus tells them to "Roll away the stone, unbind him and let him go." There is great symbolism here. Lazarus goes from darkness to light. The question for us, what are the dark places in our lives? People often find themselves in dark places binding ourselves with chains of addiction to alcohol, drugs, deviations, slander, gossip, envy, prejudices, hatred and uncontrollable anger, and we bury ourselves in the tombs of despair. Sometimes we are buried in the tomb of selfishness, filled with negative feelings such as worry, fear, resentment, hatred, and guilt.

Where is our tomb of darkness? Maybe the tomb of self-pity. Maybe we are in a cave of self-doubt or the tomb of unknowing? We know well our private darkest areas. Invite, then Jesus into this area. Specifically ask Him during Holy Mass on Sunday to bring the light and the power of the Holy Spirit into your tomb "If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit dwelling in you." Romans 8:11

Whatever our tombs may be, we do not need to remain in them. "Come out." Jesus calls. Come out and come into life. Jesus is more powerful than anything holding us back, including our sins.

When Lazarus was called from the tomb, Jesus said to Martha and Mary and those others present, "Untie him. Unbind him." When someone is called from the darkness the Lord says, "Unbind them." *With Christ we are loosened from that which binds us to anything that will not allow us to live to the fullest.* Some examples may be alcohol, drugs, deviations, slander, gossip, envy, prejudices, anger, and despair.

As we come to the conclusion of our Lent are we realigning our lives so that we will leave the darkness behind
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(continued...) and come out into the fullness of the light with Christ? Therefore, come out of the darkness of the tomb and live in the light of my joy.

Blessed forthcoming Triduum,
Msgr. Cronin



Chrism Mass Tuesday, April 4, 2023 Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen – 4:00 PM

On Tuesday, April 4, 2023, Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese. At the Mass, all priests make a Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service, recommitting themselves to their Bishop and to their ministry to God and His People; the Bishop and all Priests then ask the people for a pledge of their prayerful support. The Bishop will also bless and consecrate the Holy Oils, which each parish receives for the rites of anointing. The Oil of Catechumens is used to anoint infants and adults before their Baptism; the Oil of the Sick is used on the forehead and hands of the infirm in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick; and Sacred Chrism is used to anoint the head of the newly baptized, the foreheads of *confirmandi*, the hands of a priest at his ordination, the head of a bishop at his ordination, and the altar and walls of new churches. All are encouraged to join in-person (or watch via livestream), the ancient, grace-filled Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen at 4:00 PM.

To watch the Chrism Mass livestream, visit
<https://diometuchen.org/cathedral-livestream>

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As our national celebration of the Eucharistic Revival continues to call us to more deeply appreciate the gift of the Eucharist, it is a fitting time to reflect on the indispensable importance of the priest in the Eucharistic life of the Church. We are blessed to have many good, holy priests faithfully serving in the Diocese of Metuchen in our parishes, hospitals and other important ministries. Let us not forget that we also have a number of retired priests who have dedicated many years of devotion to God and our communities.

With the passing of time, there comes a point when we as a Church must care for the priests who first cared for us. There are currently 31 retired priests in the Diocese of Metuchen. While some priests return home to live with relatives, there are those who do not have this option and need a safe, welcoming environment in which to retire. We currently have 11 priests residing at our Maria Regina Residence for Retired Priests where these faithful men live modestly and peacefully with access to medical care. Here our retired diocesan priests live each day with dignity and the ability to practice their Catholic faith in a brotherly community. Although retired, those who are physically able continue to generously help in so many ways—offering Mass at local parishes, hearing confessions, and sharing their spiritual and administrative wisdom with their brother priests. They also spend time in prayer in their chapel praying for the needs of everyone in our diocese, including you.

Our retired priests have served so many people over the course of their ministry, nourishing our Catholic faith, educating our youth, and serving the poor and vulnerable. Next weekend, April 1 and 2, as we celebrate Palm Sunday, the faithful of the diocese will have the opportunity to gratefully acknowledge the life-long dedication of these priests by contributing to the Annual Collection for our Retired Diocesan Priests. All funds raised through this collection will be used exclusively to assist our retired priests by subsidizing the Maria Regina Residence.

Thank you for your continued generosity. Please keep all of our priests in your daily prayers. Please also continue to pray for vocations from our local Church to the holy priesthood for service in our diocese.

With renewed best wishes, I remain
Yours in Christ,

+ James F. Checchio

Most Reverend James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA
Bishop of Metuchen

Calendar at a Glance

March 26: Journey From Grief to Healing 1:00PM to 2:30PM in parish library

March 27: Rosary for Peace in Chapel at 3:00PM

March 30: Eucharistic Adoration 8:30AM to 3:00PM in the Chapel

March 31: Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 7:00PM in the chapel every Friday during Lent. Friday in Lent, a day of abstinence

March 31: Men's Mini-Retreat Chapel Auditorium 7:00PM

March 31: Blankets of Blessings at 7:00PM parish library

April 1: First Saturday Devotion after 8:00AM Mass chapel

April 1: Baptism Preparation Class 1100AM parish library

April 2: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord. Second collection for *Retirement Collection for Diocesan Clergy*

April 2: Blood Drive in chapel auditorium from 8:00AM to 1:30PM

April 3: No Rosary for Peace

April 5: Parish Office closed 12:00 Noon through Monday April 10.

April 6: Holy Thursday, no 7:00 or 8:00AM Mass

April 6: 8:00AM Morning Prayer in the chapel

April 6: Mass of the Lord's Last Supper will be celebrated at 7:00PM in the church. Eucharistic Adoration will follow in the chapel until 11:00PM Benediction.

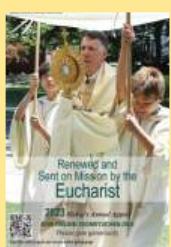
April 7: Good Friday— a day of Fast and Abstinence, no 7:00 or 8:00AM Mass, Morning Prayer at 8:00AM in the chapel

April 7: Outdoor Stations of the Cross 2:30PM, followed by Liturgy of the Passion 3:00PM in the church

April 8: Morning Prayer at 8:00AM in the chapel

April 8: The Easter Vigil will be celebrated at 8:00PM in the church.

April 9: Easter Sunday— NO 7:30AM Mass. Masses will be celebrated at 9:00AM., 10:30AM, and 12:00Noon in both the chapel and church.



2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal Renewed and Sent on Mission by the Eucharist

Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not made a pledge, there is still time to participate. Mail your gift to: Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000 or give online at <https://diometuchen.org/BAA>.

Our parish goal: \$344,000.00
Pledged to date: \$155,254.50
Percentage of goal: 45.13%
from 236 families



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



Holy Thursday: April 6
Morning Prayer at 8:00 AM in the Chapel
Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 PM in the Church
Night Prayer and reposition at 11:00 PM in the Chapel
(no 7:00am or 8:00am daily Mass)

Good Friday: April 7
Morning Prayer at 8:00 AM in the Chapel
Outdoor Stations of the Cross at 2:30 PM
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 PM in the Church
Holy Land Collection
(no 7:00am or 8:00am daily Mass)

Holy Saturday: April 8
Morning Prayer at 8:00 AM in the Chapel
Blessing of Easter Food at 1:00PM in the Chapel
(No 8:00am Mass; No 8:30am or 4-5pm Confessions)
Easter Vigil at 8:00 PM in the Church

Easter Sunday: April 9
Masses at 9:00am, 10:30am and 12:00 Noon in the **Church**
and 9:00am, 10:30am and 12:00 Noon in the **Chapel**
(No 7:30am Mass)

Please continue to pray for your preborn child each day using this prayer:

"Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby [baby's name] that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion. Amen."



If you would like to join the Respect Life Ministry to help defend life at all stages and promote awareness in the parish about life issues, please email Christine Roberts at christinerobertsmusic@gmail.com

MONTH 7 – Developing Baby “I can look around!”
Spiritual Adoption Program

You are in the home stretch with your spiritually adopted baby. Beginning this month the baby uses all four senses. He can see, hear, taste, touch, cough, yawn and hiccup. He now recognizes his mother's voice. During this time he will also receive antibodies from his mother protecting him from a wide variety of diseases



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RESPECT LIFE CORNER

St. James Women's Ministry & Cherubs and Angels

SPRING Clothing Drive

Friday, April 28th, 9am - 6pm

Drop off at St. James Church Multipurpose Room

Accepted items:

- Children's clothing & shoes - infant to size 14*
- *PLEASE sort, bag and label separately by gender and size
- Adult clothing
- Adult shoes - in separate bags from clothes
- Belts, hats, scarves, handbags, gloves, ties
- Towels, blankets, bed sheets, pillows, quilts, comforters, curtains, tablecloths
- Small toys (2 feet or less)
- Stuffed animals
- Backpacks, briefcases
- Strollers
- Bicycles - adult and/or children, scooters

NOT Accepted: sports equipment, hard toys, board games, books, puzzles, pots and pans, electronics, high-chairs, baby cribs, car seats, VCR tapes, CDs, furniture, home decor, and anything containing glass.

Children's clothing/shoes go to directly help the needs of local families.
Proceeds fund Women's Ministry expenses.
No clothes are shredded!

Receipts are available for tax purposes.

For additional information:
Christine Roberts at 908-672-7453 or christineroberts@music@gmail.com

To volunteer to help:
<https://tinyurl.com/mvpzw6x>

**St. James Church Easter Egg Hunt!****Come one, Come All!!****Who:** Parish & Community Youth**What:** St. James Parish -**ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT****Where:** ST. JAMES CHURCH FIELD,**When:** Two Hunts - Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023

10:00 am (after 9:00 AM Mass) &

11:30 am (after 10:30 AM Mass)

Fee/Cost: FREE (Donations welcome)**Sponsor:** KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, Council # 2393 For Information Call Glenn Marzoli at 908-512-1119**St. James Parish Administrative Assistant Job Opening:**

Supports the day-to-day operations of the parish, interacts with the parish community at-large, including clergy, religious sisters, parish ministries, diocesan staff, school personnel, and act as a confidential secretary to the Pastor. Manages scheduling, performs general office duties, maintains electronic communications.

Please contact:

Merari Castanon at parishmanager@saintjamesbr.org
Msgr. Cronin scronin@diometuchen.org

GAME ON!

Raffle, Card, and Game Luncheon

Saturday, April 22, 2023, 12:00 Noon—3:00pm

St. James Church Chapel Auditorium (lower level of church)

184 South Finley Avenue, Basking Ridge

donation \$10.00

Sponsored by the St. James Rosary Altar Society


Men's Mini Retreat:
March 31, 7pm
Chapel Auditorium

Happy Lent from the Men of St James! All men of the parish are invited to attend the Men of St. James Lenten Mini-Retreat on Friday, March 31st. The retreat will begin with Stations of the Cross in the Chapel at 7pm, followed by a light meatless dinner, music, reflection and prayer in the St. James Chapel Auditorium. Our guest speaker will be Fr. Steve Pugliese from Loyola House. Most of us struggle to keep God at the center of our busy lives, so come and be encouraged by your fellow men in this common goal! Please bring your male family members, friends, and neighbors for 3 hours of Hope, Fellowship and Encouragement!

To sign up, or for more information, email Terry Conley, terryconley@me.com,

**Blankets of Blessings:**

The next meeting will be Friday March 31 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Library: Come join us to knit or crochet baby blankets and prayer shawls to share with others. We are happy to provide instruction and supplies! Questions? Contact:

Deb Knapp at deborahknapp912@gmail.com
Prepare for Divine Mercy
Sunday April 16 2023


“My daughter, encourage souls to say the chaplet which I have given you. It pleases me to grant everything they ask of me by saying the Chaplet. When hardened sinners say it, I will fill their souls with peace, and the hour of their death will be a happy one.”

(Diary of St. Faustina, 1541)

BOLD Youth Ministry



Next Lent TNL:
Monday, March 27th | 7:30-9pm
 St. James Parish Center



Middle School and High School teens are invited to join us for an afternoon of prayer and reflection on this Lenten Season. We'll pray the Stations of the Cross, reflect on our Lent so far and end our time with games and snacks!

Tuesday, March 28th | 4:30pm - 6:00pm
St. James Chapel Auditorium



Holy Thursday | Thursday, April 6th

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30pm

Churches Visitation 9pm - 11:15pm

Join us as we follow the ancient tradition of keeping watch and visiting the Blessed Sacrament at Churches in our area on Holy Thursday Night. We will leave after the 7:30pm Mass and return for Benediction at St. James at 11:00pm

RSVP at boldym.com/sjbr/events if you'd like to join us for Church Visitations!

Questions about BOLD? Contact us!

Brian Flanagan and Karen Theckston at StJames@boldym.com

The 2024 Mass Book will open on Tuesday April 11. Moving forward, only in person Mass Card requests will be processed. St. James is blessed with over 3,300 families served in the parish. Email and phone requests will be accepted only for the sick, homebound, and those with extenuating circumstances. Timely processing has been an issue this year. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation. Thank you and God Bless.



Eucharistic Adoration

Thursdays from 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM in the Chapel

Come spend time with our Lord

To sign up for a time slot contact

Steve Wetzel at skwpaw66@gmail.com.



Rosary for Peace

Mondays at 3:00 pm in the chapel

All are welcome.

Pray for peace in our world, our country and our families

St. James School News

3rd Grade

Mrs. Danielle Harcourt and Ms. Jennifer Schedlbauer's third grade students have been busy learning and growing. In Language Arts, they have been delving into informational text, biographies, folktales, trickster tales, and humorous fictional genres, just to name a few. They took an imaginary tour to the Dominican Republic where they learned about the talented and philanthropic life of Roberto Clemente. Later, they developed a greater understanding of Thomas Edison through Michael Dooling's story of *Young Thomas Edison* then visited the Thomas Edison museum in West Orange where they experienced, first-hand, the tools, instruments, and materials used in many of his inventions that were made in the laboratory facility.



In math, the third grade students are touring the world, learning multiplication problems, and collecting country flags in their multiplication passport books. Each level of test is connected to a specific country, multiplication focus, and contains an interesting fact about the country. As soon as a student "passes" the time limits and correct number of problems, they color the corresponding flag in their passport book to mark this accomplishment. The goal is to get through all 26 countries and return to the USA!

Our studies in religion have focused on the church. We are growing as disciples of Jesus by learning that the pope and bishops lead the one, holy, Catholic, and apostolic Church. We are recognizing that the church is guided by the Holy Spirit to teach the truth. We have learned the different types of prayer such as, praying alone, praying with others; while we thank God for forgiveness, offer blessings, and seek God's help. We are learning to appreciate the ways that people can grow in holiness as laypeople, ordained, and religious. We look forward to learning about the sacraments, the mass, and the sacrifices and good deeds we will be performing throughout Lent, as we prepare our hearts for Jesus' death and resurrection.

Third graders have been reviewing how scientists investigate questions and gather data to support their ideas. We are learning how engineers use the design process to create a new product. Students, working in collaborative groups, have put the design process to use as they create caves to keep baby cubs safe, designed obstacle courses, and became paleontologists as they unearthed dinosaur eggs. Students are learning how technology and society are related and the tools that are used.

In social studies, we are reviewing different types of landforms, as well as learning about the variety of regions and natural resources there are in the United States. After which, we are creating a timeline of the early United States and studying the first Native American groups that inhabited North America and how they contributed to our country's history, as well as the many explorers who traveled throughout this country and leading us to when the first colonists created communities in Virginia.

Our Project Based Learning experience during the third quarter includes studying weather patterns in our region and making predictions about future weather. We will be sharing daily weather reports with the school community and learning how to prepare for extreme weather by organizing safety drills. Also, pretending to be a manufacturer, we will study how rain barrels work to help conserve water and stop pollutants from moving through the environment. We will share our designs for rain barrels and educate "buyer's" about water conservation. Lots of learning going on as we learn how to protect our environment!



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