

ST. CECELIA CHURCH

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2025



2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT



“John wore clothing Made of camel’s hair and had a leather
belt around his waist” Mt 3:4



*St. Cecelia,
Pray for Us*

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Parish Office

Monday-Thursday 8am-4pm
Friday 8am-12pm
Closed Saturday & Sunday

Confession

Saturday 9:00am-10:30am &
3:15pm-4:00 pm or
by appointment 732-283-2300.

Gift Shop

Mon.-Thur. 10:00am-1:00pm

Fri. Closed

Sat. 3pm-6:00pm

Sun. 10am-12:30pm

Hours may vary, please call ahead.
732-283-1775

Adoration Chapel

Mon-Thurs 7am to 4pm. Fri. 7am-12pm.
Sat. and Sun. only during Mass &
Confession hours.

If the Tabernacle doors are closed, please open them to expose the Blessed Sacrament. If you are the last person to leave, please close the Tabernacle doors, the Exposed Blessed Sacrament should never be left unattended. Turn off the lights when leaving, ensuring the switches are fully pressed down.

New to the Parish?

Welcome! To register you may visit the Parish Office in person, enroll online at www.stcecelia.com, or call the Parish Office at 732-283-2300. Upon registering, please provide copies of all your sacramental records. Family members age 18 and older are asked to register independently, as an adult.

Sacraments

Sponsor Letter To be eligible as a sponsor, an individual must:

- Have received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation.
- Be an active Catholic who is registered at St. Cecelia Parish, attends Mass regularly, supports the Church, and leads a life in accordance with the teachings of the Church.
- If married, be in a valid Christian marriage that is recognized by the Church. We are only able to provide letters of eligibility for parishioners who meet all of the above criteria. Original Baptism and/or Confirmation certificates for both God-parents must be presented to the Parish Office. These requirements are universal laws of the Church and do not vary by parish.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation

To enroll your child, please contact Sister Anna (732) 283-2816.

The Order of Christian Initiation (O.C.I.A.)

OCIA is the process through which Non-Catholics who are interested in becoming members of the Roman Catholic Church and/or Baptized Catholics who wish to complete their Sacraments of Initiation are guided through prayer, instruction, and community support. Classes will begin the second week of September. For more information, please contact: Sister Anna at (732) 283-2816.

Marriage Preparation:

Registered parishioners may begin making wedding arrangements **at least 1 year** in advance of the proposed wedding date. **Please note:** The Church must confirm and approve the wedding date **before** any other wedding plans are finalized. To begin the process, please contact the Parish Office at 732-283-2300 to schedule an appointment with a priest and secure your date.

Wedding Etiquette

Remember, when entering the Church, for your rehearsal or wedding, it is a place of worship and proper reverence is expected at all times. All preparations and rehearsals will be coordinated in advance with the Priest who will be officiating the wedding.

Floral Arrangements:

- *May not be placed in front of the altar.
- *They may be placed on the sides, in front of the pulpit, or somewhere else in the sanctuary.
- *Do not use tape, glue, putty, staples or wire on the pews to attach flowers or ribbons.

Additional Restrictions:

- *Throwing rice, rose petals, confetti, bird seed, or any other materials that leave residue is not permitted.
- *Pets are not allowed with the exception of service animals.

Ministry to the Sick or Homebound:

If a loved one is in need of a priest for the Sacraments, please contact the Parish Office any time at 732-283-2300. Our priests are always on call to serve those in need. For regular Communion, visits to the sick, elderly, or homebound, please make arrangements in advance through the Parish Office.

House Blessing

If you would like Fr. Deniskingsley or Fr. Ignatius to bless your home, please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment. This would be a wonderful opportunity for our Priests to meet with parishioners and for families to receive a special blessing!

Devotions

Novenas- St. Jude and Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, after 8am Sat. Mass.

Divine Mercy Chaplet- on Fridays after 9:15 am Mass

First Fridays- 6pm Adoration, and 7pm Mass.

2000 Hail Marys- Every 2nd Saturdays of the Month.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 12/6 St. Nicholas, Bishop

8:00am †Felipe Lacsina, Jr. req. Patrick Lacsina
†John Palmer req. Christine Palmer

4:30pm **Vigil Mass**

†Deceased Members of the LaRouche Family
req. Carol LaRouche

†Akhtar Javed req. Ann Cecilia

Sunday 12/7 Second Sunday of Advent

7:30am †Living & Deceased

9:30am †William Singerline req. Carol LaRouche

†Lorna Encarnacion req. Eloisa Valdes

11:30am †Jack Frost Sr. req. Barbara Frost & Family

†Carl Walker Sr. req. Victor & Cristy Reyes

Monday 12/8 The Immaculate Conception of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00am Intention of the Parishioners

9:15am †Immaculata Roglieri req. Tony, Jackie, Roglieri
& Family

12:00pm †Eugene Skoneki req. Barbara Frost & Family

7:00pm Special Intention—Karyn Shaw

Tuesday 12/9 Advent Weekday

7:00am Special Intention - Claudia Pena

9:15am †Ellen Dalton Jones req. Family

Wednesday 12/10 Advent Weekday

7:00am †Margaret Truppa req. Truppa Family

9:15am †Luisa Franco req. Gali & Cynthia Munar

†Ruth Kascin req. Anne & Jean

Thursday 12/11 Advent Weekday

7:00am †Soul of Oswin Eric Silva req. Sandra Warnasici

9:15am †William Henkel req. The Henkel Family

†Phyllis Gomulka req. Evans & Partyka Families

Friday 12/12 Our Lady of Guadalupe

7:00am †Intention of the Parishioners

9:15am †Gloria Pysarchyk req. Carol LaRouche

†Nancy Ann Joyce req. William Joyce

Saturday 12/13 Weekday

8:00am †Gloria Pysarchyk req. Marva & Anne

4:30pm **Vigil Mass**

†Keleher & Kolibas Families req. Family

Special Intention—Krisha Palang req. Maria Palang

Sunday 12/14 Third Sunday of Advent

7:30am †Living & Deceased

9:30am †Olga Chenowith req. Cecelia Hoffman &
Mary Spitler

†Ryszarda & Elzbieta Wojna req. Kumor Family

11:30am †Grace Fernandes req. Vincent Fernandes

†Anne Coppa req. Deacon Anthony, Lisa Pepe
& Family

Responsorial Psalm:

Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever (Ps 72)

Readings for the week of December 7, 2025

Sunday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 (see 7)/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/



Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass Schedule

December 8, 2025

7am, 9:15am, 12 noon, 7pm

2000 HAIL MARY'S

**PLEASE JOIN US EVERY
2nd SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH
BEGINNING AT 7:30 AM IN THE
ADORATION CHAPEL.**

WHETHER YOU ARE A REGULAR PARISHIONER OR A FIRST-TIME VISITOR, WE EXTEND A WARM INVITATION TO ALL!

HEALING MASS



**First Saturday
December 6 at
12:00pm**

*11am Confession, Rosary, Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

*Following Mass-Sacramental (water, oil, salt, etc.) will be blessed.

Hosted by Fr. Ignatius Okoroji, SDV.



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Healing Mass
720-527-5959

Access Code - 4744736#

For more information
visit: www.cmdorg.org



Sanctuary Candle

The Noel Family



Bread & Wine

*In Loving Memory Jack Frost
Req. Barbara Frost & Family*



A Time to Mourn

*Garry Owens
Eugene J. Washington Sr.*

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual
light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen*

Faith Formation

12/6/2025	Christmas Tree Lighting
12/8/2025	No Faith Formation Classes
12/15/2025	Faith Formation Classes 5pm-6pm
12/22/2025	No Faith Formation Classes-Christmas Break
12/24/2025	Christmas Eve Children's Mass
12/29/2025	No Faith Formation Classes New Year Break

Advent Schedule

Christmas Tree Lighting

December 6 after
4:30 Mass

Simbang Gabi

December 15
7:00pm

Advent Retreat

December 13
8:00am-4:00pm

Penitential Service

December 17
6:00pm

Christmas Eve Masses

December 24th

4:00pm Christmas Carols - 4:30pm

6:30pm Christmas Carols - 7:00pm

9:00pm Christmas Carols - 9:30pm

11:30pm Christmas Carols

12:00am Midnight

Christmas Day Masses

December 25th

9:30am & 11:30am

Leaving a Legacy of Faith

Leaving a bequest to the Church is a meaningful way to extend your faith and values beyond your lifetime. By ensuring the wording in your Will is correct, you can make certain that your wishes are honored. One of the simplest and most impactful ways to support our parish, Saint Cecelia, is through a bequest. With the guidance of an attorney, you can designate a specific dollar amount, asset, or percentage of your estate to be given to Saint Cecelia Church upon your passing. Your generosity will help sustain our parish for future generations.

*Thank you for considering Saint Cecelia
in your bequest.*

Baptism Class

Pre-Baptism class is required for all Parents & Godparents. Baptisms are celebrated the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 12:30pm. Baptism Classes are held the 3rd Wednesday of every month. All documents for both Parents & Godparents must be received by the parish office no later than 2 weeks prior to the date of Baptism. Please contact the Parish Office at (732) 283-2300 for all information and to make arrangements.

Please provide the following information or complete the following information and return to Parish Office.

Class month requested: _____

Child's Name: _____

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Godfather's Name: _____

Godmother's Name: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Scrip Gift Cards No Activation Fees

Purchasing **GIFT CARDS** is an easy way to support our church. **GIFT CARDS** are available in the Atrium after all Masses or the Parish Office. Visit the RaiseRight website to view the brands available <https://www.raiseight.com/brands> or Register at <https://www.raiseight.com/enroll/DCL9571831148>.

St. Cecelia will receive credit for your purchase.

Thank you for your support!

URGENT NEED: FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Our Food Pantry is in **desperate need** of non-perishable food items. Shelves are running low. Please consider bringing **one or more non-perishable food items**.

Open Tuesdays 10am-12pm-scfodP@gmail.com

Stuffing - Yams - Gravy - Cranbury Sauce - Powdered Milk - Peanut Butter-Pancake Mix - Tomato Sauce - Toothpaste - Shampoo- Bar Soap - Canned Spaghetti - Coffee - Tea Bags -Tuna- Chicken Broth- Syrup

Shop Rite Gift Cards purchased in the Atrium or Parish Office. Please bring Shop Rite Gift Cards to the Parish Office.

The Food Pantry will be closed on December 30, 2025.

Thank you to our parishioners for your generous donations to the food pantry. It is greatly appreciated.

Navex EthicsPoint

Diocese of Metuchen announced the implementation of an independent third-party reporting system that will allow any person who suspects financial impropriety or other violations of the Diocese of Metuchen's Pastoral Code of Conduct, to file an anonymous and confidential report. The EthicsPoint initiatives provide a confidential method for the employees, volunteers and parishioners to report suspected financial malfeasance in any of our parishes, schools, cemeteries, and diocesan institutions.

Options for Reporting: Hotline: 844-796-1296

Web site URL:<https://diometuchen.ethicspoint.com>

Mobile URL:<https://diometuchenmobile.ethicspoint.com>

Pastor's Weekly Digest

Welcoming God's greatest gift with a prepared heart



My dear brothers and sisters, every year when we gather for our parish Christmas Tree Lighting, our children and our whole parish community experience something truly uplifting. The brightness of the lights, the joyful singing, the unity of families standing together, and the excitement of Santa's visit with gifts create a moment of wonder. You can see the sparkle in the eyes of our children as they receive gifts. They look surprised, delighted, and eager. Moments like these remind us of the beauty of being a community that celebrates, shares joy, and values one another. This week reflects this beauty as we light up the Christmas Tree.

But beneath the joy and excitement lies a deeper spiritual truth. God is the first and most generous giver. The gifts that our children receive from Santa are only a small reflection of the far greater gift God offers to each of us. Just as a child opens a present with wide eyes and eager hands, God invites us to open our hearts to the gift he wants to give; it is not a toy, not something wrapped in paper, but the very gift of himself in Jesus Christ. This is the heart of Advent. This is what the lighting of our tree symbolizes. It is a reminder that God's light is on the way and that his greatest gift is approaching.

The readings for this Second Sunday of Advent beautifully highlight this truth. From Isaiah, we hear the promise of a new world, a world filled with justice, harmony, and peace. Isaiah speaks of a *shoot* from the stump of Jesse, a sign that from what once looked lifeless, God brings forth fresh life and hope. This "shoot" is Jesus, God's gift of restoration and renewal. When our Christmas tree comes to life with its glowing lights, it was a small sign of this promise, even in the darkness of winter, light triumphs. Even in the dryness of life's struggles, God brings forth new life.

But the Gospel challenges us, through the fiery preaching of John the Baptist, to make sure our hearts are ready to receive this gift. John calls out, "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." He is reminding us that God's gift is offered freely, but we must prepare room for it. Think of a child on Christmas morning whose hands are so full of old, broken toys that they cannot receive anything new. John invites us to set aside the broken things we hold onto, such as anger, resentment, selfishness, pride, and the distractions that crowd our hearts, so that there is space for God's gift to enter.

On another note, this week, the Church also invites us to celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary on December 8. This celebration beautifully connects with today's message. The Immaculate Conception is about Mary being preserved from sin from the first moment of her life so that she could receive God's greatest gift with absolute purity and openness. Mary shows us what a prepared heart looks like, a heart that listens, a heart that trusts, a heart that is humble enough to say "yes" to God without hesitation. When the angel Gabriel brought God's message to her, she did not resist or hold back. She simply welcomed God's gift with her whole being. Her life reminds us that God's gifts flourish in hearts that are open and willing.

As we continue through Advent, we are invited to follow Mary's example of readiness and John's call to repentance. And the good news is that preparing our hearts does not require extraordinary actions. It requires small but sincere steps. It could be forgiving someone who has hurt us. Letting go of grudges that weigh us down. Being kinder, more patient, and more compassionate. Spending a few more moments in prayer. Making a sincere confession and allowing God's mercy to clear away the clutter. Offering help to someone in need. Listening more carefully to those around us. These small steps create room for Christ in our hearts.

The tree lighting reminded us of the joy of receiving. Advent invites us to prepare for the joy of receiving God himself. The gifts Santa gives to our children bring excitement for a moment, but the gift God gives brings peace, strength, mercy, and purpose that last forever. Santa's gifts may be wrapped in bright colors, but God's gift is wrapped in humility, in a tiny Child lying in a manger. And yet, this Child is the Light of the World.

My dear friends, in just a few weeks we will kneel before that manger again. God will present his greatest gift to us and whisper into our hearts, "This is my Son receive him." The question is, will our hearts be ready? Will there be room for him? Will we welcome him with the openness of Mary and the eagerness of a child receiving a gift? Let this Advent be a time in which we prepare not just our homes with decorations, but our hearts with love, forgiveness, humility, and faith. Let the light of our Christmas tree remind us of the coming Light of Christ. Let the joy of our children remind us of the joy God wants to give. And let the Immaculate Conception remind us that God delights in hearts that are ready to say "yes." As we continue this Second Week of Advent, may our prayer be simple. "Lord, prepare my heart to welcome your greatest gift." Amen.

Peace.

Fr. Deniskingsley.

DONATIONS

IN GENERAL, SOME POINTS TO REMEMBER:

Thank you all for your generous support. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and will help in managing donations. Please keep the following guidelines in mind:

Registered parishioners: If you are using a blank envelope and do not have your parishioner number please write your name and address, clearly. ***Our Counting Teams remind you to print clearly the amount you enclose on your envelopes.**
Unregistered parishioner donations: Please include a note with your name & contact information if you would like to register, you may also contact the Parish Office.

The Capital Campaign on Faith Direct: Any donations given to the Campaign must be done directly to the Campaign. Please do not apply funds to any other regular or special collections with a note that it is for the Capital Campaign.

Faith Direct provides you the opportunity to give to our weekly, special collections. If you would like to sign up for electronic giving, please visit our parish website at www.stcecelia.org, or www.faithdirect.net



For new users
www.faithdirect.net or scan
 code to sign up **NJ425**.



The Immaculate Conception
 of the Blessed Virgin Mary



*The Parish Office will be
 closed on December 8, 2025
 In Observance of the Feast of
 the Immaculate Conception.*

	November 23, 2025	November 24, 2024
In-pew	\$ 7,840.00	In-pew \$ 6,729.00
Faith Direct	\$ 1,927.30	Faith Direct \$ 2,076.85
Total	\$ 9,767.30	Total \$ 8,805.85
	Work of Mercy 2025	Work of Mercy 2024
In-pew	\$ 2,135.50	In-pew \$ 1,710.50
Faith Direct	\$ 33.00	Faith Direct \$ 32.00
Total	\$ 2,168.00	Total \$ 1,742.50
	November 30, 2025	December 1, 2024
In-pew	\$ 7,689.50	In-pew \$ 7,549.00
Faith Direct	\$ 1,927.30	Faith Direct \$ 2,076.85
Total	\$ 9,616.30	Total \$ 9,625.85
	Thanksgiving 2025	Thanksgiving 2024
In-pew	\$ 2,170.00	In-pew \$ 2,162.00
Faith Direct	\$ 177.00	Faith Direct \$ 137.00
Total	\$ 2,347.00	Total \$ 2,299.00



2025 Capital Campaign

93% OF OUR PLEDGE GOAL & 54% OF OUR CASH GOAL FROM OVER 200 PARISHIONERS!
There Is Still Time to Make Your Pledge

Please Respond

As we shift from the summer months into the fall, we are resuming our capital campaign efforts. Our goal is to complete the active phase within a few weeks. Please consider making a pledge, either online or by using the pledge forms in the pews. Your participation will ensure we reach our goal.

What's Next?

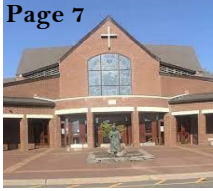
We kindly appeal to Parishioners who have made a pledge to please begin fulfilling their pledges. For those considering a onetime contribution, we greatly welcome your support. Your timely contributions are essential as we work together toward securing the necessary support from the Diocese to begin critical repairs to our Roof and HVAC System. Your timely contributions are crucial. *The Diocese requires that we have 75% of our \$750,000, goal. That is, \$562,500, in cash on hand before we can move forward with these critical repairs. To date we only have \$302,545.44 cash on hand or 54% of our cash on hand goal.*

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Total Pledge Amount	10% Down Payment	36 Monthly Payments	12 Quarterly Payments	6 Semi-Annual Payments	3 Annual Payments
\$25,000	\$2,500	\$625	\$1,875	\$3,750	\$7,500
\$20,000	\$2,000	\$500	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$6,000
\$15,000	\$1,500	\$375	\$1,125	\$2,250	\$4,500
\$10,000	\$1,000	\$250	\$750	\$1,500	\$3,000
\$7,500	\$750	\$187.50	\$562.50	\$1,125	\$2,250
\$5,000	\$500	\$125	\$375	\$750	\$1,500
\$4,000	\$400	\$100	\$300	\$600	\$1,200
\$3,000	\$300	\$75	\$225	\$450	\$900

Goal \$750,000
Total Pledge \$699,165.00
Received \$302,545.44

If you would like to contribute through Faith Direct, please use the QR Code:



St. Cecelia Church

Our Family of Faith Looks to the Future.

THANK YOU! To the following families for making pledge commitments toward our current **Capital Campaign Goal of \$750,000.** Your generosity is greatly appreciated! Only through the participation of **all** Parish Families can we achieve our goal. *We sincerely apologize for any misspellings or omissions. Please contact the Parish Office if corrections are needed.*

Anonymous 51
 Abuan, Mr & Mrs Leonard
 Adeogun, Mr. & Mrs. Tayo & Family
 Adikaladas, Amala
 Almeida, Nelson
 Amala, Arasu & Family
 Amarra, Gerard & Yllana
 Amarra, Mafelina
 Amegatse, Elizabeth
 Anthony, Judith
 Antoci, Giuseppe
 Anufore, Prisca
 Armand, Rico & Carmel
 Asirvatham, Karunya
 Atienza, Aldrian & Elvira
 Austria, Gil Gerard
 Baker, Joseph & Geraldine
 Batista, Alberto & Gloria
 Beebe, Alfred & Joanne
 Bergbauer, William & Margaret
 Blaha, Ken & Kathy
 Bonsol, Renelito
 Branco, Adelina
 Briones, Ian & Virginia
 Brown, Lorraine
 Bryson, Jack & Rita
 Burgoyne, Dorianne & Daniel
 Butfiloski, Robert
 Cadiz, Rainiel & Almah
 Caliendo, Judith
 Calingasan, Mario & Elena
 Carniglia, Margaret
 Canete, Family
 Cangemi, Michael & Maria
 Canova, John P
 Carrillo, Nicanor & Eleanor
 Carillo, Nicanor & Lelet
 Cartwright, Mary
 Causing, Angela
 Celestino, Richard
 Chacko, Josephine
 Chesky, Family
 Ciotto, Dolores Ann
 Conticelli, Vincent
 Conway, Lawrence & Elizabeth
 Conova, John
 Coyle, Mary Ann P.
 Crosgrrove, Susan
 Cudal, Heidi G
 Cudal, Maria
 Curtis, Christopher & Christine
 Debelen, Redentor & Erlinda
 Derczo, Lynn Marie
 Devaraj, Gnanarani
 Devaraj, Pooramaram
 Di Como, Anthony & Janet
 Dietze, Carmela
 Dizon, Virginia
 D'Mello, Leonard & Veera
 Dumapit, Irma & Inocencio

Duran, Rodrigo & Dinora
 Economou, Ted & Bozena
 Eddington, James & Christine
 Ellsworth, Tom \$ Julia
 Espiritu, Domingo & Virginia
 Faszczewski, James & Mary
 Fernandes, Peter & Jacinta
 Fernandes, Vincent & Naina
 Flowers, Ken & Cindy
 Forstenhausler, Jean in memory of
 Irene Forstenhausler
 Frost, Barbara & Family
 Furtado, Vijai
 Genoroso, Gian, Crista, & Cecelia
 Georgindis, John
 Gesumaria, Donna in memory of my
 parents Nancy & Cosmo Rossi
 Gisbey, Daniel
 Glass, Jessica
 Gochuico, Jose, Rene & Ela
 Gochuico, Rene & Ela Honchen-
 Gonzalez, Roland & Debra
 Grust Family
 Harrel, Melissa
 Haring, Arthur M
 Hedian, Jorge & Gladys
 Hewavitharana, Sashya
 Honchen, Joan
 Icasas, Corazon
 Idnay, William, Jr. & Maribelle
 & Family
 Ignatius Family
 Jacobsen, Anna L
 Janson Family
 Javier, Ana
 Javier, Gerard & Vergie
 Jeeva, Jolly Joseph, &
 Jeyaraj Eshove, Stephen & Family
 Johnson, Rose
 Johnson, Barbara
 Johny, Josy
 Jones, William
 Jones, Robinson
 Joyce, William
 Karpiej, Ronald & Deborah
 Kayiwa, Family
 Kmiotek, Family
 Knights of Columbus
 Kolibas, Martin & Denise
 Kondracki, Diane
 Kopacz, Richard & Joyce
 Kumor, Family
 Kuzma, Jeffrey & Barbara
 Lacina Family Foundation
 Ladis, Theasa
 Larobis, Charles & Rowena
 LaRouche, Carol
 Lisacchi, Family
 Lobo, Joseph Sebastian Chellaswamy
 Ananthi & Family
 Lombardi, Richard
 Long, Thomas

Lopez, Adolfo
 Madsen, Charlotte & Christian
 Maldonado & Colaso, Kailyn & Romeo
 Magara, Maira
 Maliniak, Patricia
 Manolo, Francisco & Aida
 Mariam, Rufina Anthony
 Marte, Jimmy
 Medley, James & Miriam
 Mendoza, Ernesto & Zenaida
 Mignone, Diane
 Miklasavage, Donald & Judith
 Mikulak, John & Anna
 Miller, Clayton & Suzanne
 Minue, Carl & Joanne
 Mraz, Larry & Judy
 Munar, Galicano & Cynthia
 Muretta, Bruce & Carmela
 Navarro, Susan
 Niemczyk, Cecylia in loving memory for
 Kazimierz
 Noel & Plowden Families
 Novak, Frank
 Ongtong, Enrique & Elaine Santiago
 Osborne, Patricia
 O'Sullivan, Elaine
 Owunna, Clement & Chinoel
 Partyka, Thomas & Colette
 Paulo, Barbara
 Pepe, Deacon Anthony & Lisa
 Perera, Victor & Manel
 Perera, Nishanthe
 Piegari, Margherita
 Pierre, Calixte Jean
 Pinto, John
 Praveen, Joseph
 Pysarchyk, Gloria
 Qua, Geoffrey, Mr & Mrs
 Quevada, Archie & Lelet
 Quintana, Luz
 Racelis, Leovina
 Raghunath, Meenhamma & Amarnath
 Rajput, Jatin & Shyny
 Rao, Nirmal Kumar Prakash
 Resuma, Redentor & Erlinda
 Retkwa, Jerry & Jean
 Reyes, Victoriano & Crisanta
 Rico, Armand
 Rodriguez, Faustino
 Rodriguez, Mariset
 Rodriguez, Rosa
 Roglieri, Anthony & Jacquelin
 Rosary Altar Society
 Ruggiero, Family
 Rusich, Luciano & Angela
 Salcedo, Mark & Cecile
 Salibanla Anita
 Sanchez, Ingrid
 Saravia, Ana
 Saubandla, Anita
 Savage, Edward
 Scala, Mary Anne

Scalia, Laura & Giacomo T
 Scharzt, Elizabeth
 Schultz, John & Barbara
 Scornavacca, Salvatore & Cleo
 Selvaras, Kathik & Siriam
 Shaw, Marilyn & Family
 Smith, Jeremiah & Jane
 Smith Family
 Solecki, Robert & Theresa
 Solecki Family
 Soper, Patricia
 Soriaga, Renato & Fe
 Sosa, Steve & Alma
 Strauss, Virginia
 Strzepek, Jerry & Sophie
 Sylvestro, Gerard & Yvonne
 Szakielo, Philip & Irene
 Taragano Family
 Terryne, Edwardraj
 Thara Mercy Thomas
 Thompson, Lisa M.
 Thorsen, Louis & Christine
 Tiacoaya Pineda, Rogelia
 Toczynski, Miroslaw John & Valerie
 Toth, Mathew & Marilyn
 Truppner, Lisa
 Valdes, Eloisa E.
 Vedanayagan, Colin
 Victorino, Severino & Gemma
 Vitale, Genevieve & Benjamin
 Wageman, Arthur Ellen
 Wahl, Frances
 Washington, Eugene & Elizabeth
 Werner, George & Maureen
 Wyzykowski, Maureen in memory
 of Donald Wyzykowski
 Yglesias, Ricardo & Isabel
 Yonone, Michael & Roberta

Sick Relatives & Friends

Gloria Reichley	Cathy (Napiorski) Harris	Jamie Nestor	Ryan Michael	Valentina Aubrey	Jolene Ochoa
Gail Rezmerski	Shawn Ekatan	Marietta M.	Raymond Kneckel	Lucas Aubrey	Steven Lahey
Maria Julia Perez	Olga Barritta	Robert Maurer	Elaine Dziuban	Anna P. Piscitello	Geraldine Nakawngu
Eliana Taveres	Ann Fitzsimmons	Martin Petrucci	Barbara Dee	Carol Helfin	Arthur Shapiro
Betty Whitehead	Kevin Lyman	Carol Foe	Carol Casino	Joseph Jonathan Cem	Alyce Stewart
Manny Parente	Stacy Boland	Willetta Boswel	Evelyn Pank	Donna D.	Amy Guidroz
Ms. Gloria Nikki	Peter "PJ" Pascalli	Rafael Rosario	Joyce Swiatek	Raul T. Palomata	Karen Nestor
Michael Clifford Jr.	Janice & Paul Pugliese	Carmelina Carrera	Marina Gomez	Audrey & Tony Corio	Stephanie M. Kratzel
Carolyn Misiewicz	Gloria Sprague	Paula Wegg	Ellen Morales	Ken Popan	Kristen Clifford
Joann Kisieleski	Norbert Neidenbach	Jessica Boland	Amanda & Christine Porceli	John-Paul Alfaro	Jacek Krasowski
Richard Dziuban	Kathleen Economou Grice	Patricia & Rob Schmidt	Flordeliza Arokiaswamy	Jaxson Rivera	Louis Pepe
Craig Soper	Monica Niemczyk Layman	Debbie Bujalski	Gladys & James Narcisco	Samuel Carrera	Bozena Economou
Elizabeth Pociask	Suzanne Sarisky	Claire Mosende	Jack & Rita Bryson	Brian Dougherty	Bishop Bootkoski
Michael Torrese	David Preston	Geraldine Drust	Edwin Skrobacz	Virginia Dizon	Kenneth Economou
Katherine Hickey	Kayla Chrostowski	Cecylia Niemczyk	R. Lee Bilon, N3RB	Jerzy Garbowski	Kayleon Stewart
Jackie Pety	Mirabella Parota	Anthony Preston	Elsie Martinez	Adele Garzone	Gregory Brigando
Luke Reno	Thomas Long	Nenita B. Palomata	Baby John M. Drury	Gloria Reichley	Marianne Brigando
Pauline Garbowski	Mary Spittler	Sashya Hewavitharana	Cecilia Prisca	Jose do Carmo	Linda Moschella
Elizabeth Cantwell	Elizabeth Preston	Mateo Rozmosh	Christian Rozmosh	Joselito Recondo	Carolyn Coppola
Priyanka & Ujjala Nath	Paul Hrustic				

Heavenly Father, We lift up all those who are facing various illnesses. Give them the hope and courage they need today and every day. Comfort their pain, calm their fears, and surround them with Your peace. Amen.

Please advise us if a name in the Sick List needs to be added or removed. Thank you.

Rosary Altar Society Annual Christmas Party Sunday, December 7, at 2pm

Location at Dominic's in Avenel. The cost is \$40.00 per person. A sign-up sheet will be available at the meeting. Any questions, please call Carol 732-494-8697.



The St. Cecelia Giving Tree will be up in the Atrium with gift suggestions. Please leave your unwrapped gift at the Parish Office with the Christmas tag attached no later than **December 10**. We kindly ask that you only take a tag if you are going to leave a gift.

Donations for the Food Pantry will be taken at this event. Thank you in advance for your generosity and for helping make Christmas brighter for those in need!

God Bless You!



If you are interested in helping those in need, serving your parish, growing in your faith, or having exclusive access to top rated insurance protection for your family, then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you. Please consider joining us. You can scan the QR code below and be welcomed to the Order. All men over 18 years old are welcome! For more information contact Grand Knight, Elroy Darden at 908-447-9083.



St. Cecelia Christmas Cards

Are now
available in the
Gift Shop.
\$20 / 20pk



Thank you to all the volunteers that gave their time & effort to make the Christmas Tree Lighting a success! A special Thank you to Santa!



Eucharistic Ministers

&

Lectors



There will be a **mandatory meeting** for All Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors on Monday, December 8 at 6:00 PM in our church. The goal of this meeting is to review our liturgical procedures and guidelines during masses and other celebrations. Please endeavor to attend to help ensure the well-organized and reverent celebration of our liturgy. Thank you for your dedication and faithful service to our parish community.

Christmas Flowers

IN MEMORY OF....

*Jack, Patrick, Dolores, Vincent, Philomenia, Martin, Anne Michael Sr, Clifford, Bridgid, Bernadeyyi, Michael Meehan, Maryra & Frank Mulderrig, Margaret Wisley & Gerry Stack
*Thanksgiving, Uricola Vontura
*Eddie & Flora Villanueva
*Ann & Charles O'Connor, Sr. & Anna & Jan (John) Werner
*Felipe Lacsina Jr., Catalina, Federico Sr., Boy, June & Willy Orphilla.
*Helen Ferrara

IN HONOR OF....

*Mr. & Mrs. Prybolsky, Thomas Family, .Schlaudy Family & Kazinshrt Family
*Robert & Theresa Solecki
*Special Intention Flora Villanueva
*James Anthony Cuppar & Special Intention Good Health & test results for my Son & Husband
*Vidal Family & Michael & Katrina Schwartz

IN MEMORY/HONOR OF....

*Ronald Wrabel
*Theresa, Helen, Eeo, Sr. Ladis & Tessie Gallo
*Mr. & Mrs. John Loutek & Mr. & Mrs. Walter Strassler
*John Kmiolek, Boguslava Pitera, Gerlach & Pitera Families.
*William, Katherine, Larry & Liboria Grant, Andrew & Ethel Kramer, Frank & Ceil Szeg
*William Cruscavage & Anna Mary Chronowski
*Collins, Durant, Donohue & Nocera Families.
*Basil & Julliet Leanage & Frances & Vernon Sriwardene
*Donald Wyzykowski & Keith Lahey
*Michael Cicora
*Parents Family & Friends of Mr. & Mrs. G Leon
*Kazimierz Niemczyk & Family, Olzacki & Evtush Families
*Bogumila, Frank, Gabrigl, Joshua Emmanuel & Abby Pitera & Ewa Kurwn.
*Marcelido, Isabel, Antonio Legaspi & Marcelina Viray
*Paul, William, Barbara & John Johnson
*Sharon, Tony, Stella Iorillo & Stephen E., Elizabeth & Stephen Meszaros

*Mary L. Gregor, Clara Staskiveg, Elizabeth Kazmerski & Mary Elizabeth Cueto

SPECIAL INTENTION OF....

*Mrs. Claudia Almedia
*Mr. & Mrs. Ricky Villanueva
*Mrs. Francis Wahl
*Mr. Daniel Gisbey
*Dr. & Mrs. Domingo Espiritu
*Mr. & Mrs. Alan Mercado
*Mrs. Bridget Timoney
*Mrs. Barbara Johnson
*Mr. & Mrs. Manuel Suarez
*Mr. & Mrs. Pedro Mora
*Mr. & Mrs. Smart Amegatse
*Mr & Mrs Inocencio Dumapit
*Mr. & Mrs Balbino
*Juliet Mabalot
*Mrs. Teresita Usi
*Mr. & Mrs. James D'Agostino
*Mr. & Mrs. Mendros
*Mr. & Mrs Gian
*Christal Generoso
*Mr. & Mrs. Sriram Seware
*Mr. Michael Stolte
*Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Ruglio
*Xia Jaicus Estaris
*Mr. & Mr. Adonis Causing
*Rico & Carmel Armand
*Ms. Jessa Lee
*Mr. & Mrs. John Marietta
*Miss Victoria Raymundo
*Mr. Franklin Pfeifer Sr..
*Mr. Royce Macwan
*Rolando Echeverria

*Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Roglieri
*Mr. & Mrs. Edward Honchen
*Mr. & Mrs. Christian Janson
*Mr. & Mrs. Roberto Daigoy
*Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Allam
*Mrs. Martha Vavrinec
*Mrs. Lester Soper
*Mr. & Mrs. Frank Catena
*Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Muretta
*Mr. & Mrs. Martin Kolibas
*Karunya Asirvatham
*Mr. & Mrs. John Mikulak
*Mrs. Shirley Sodono-Testa
*Mrs. Corazon Icasas
*Mr. Reynaldo Racelis
*Mr. & Mrs. Aldo Velez
*Mr. & Mrs. Jose Austin Raj
*Mrs. Denise Moschella
*Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Praveen
*Mr. & Mrs. Amarnath
*Mr. & Mrs. Juan Castro
*Mr. & Mrs. Thomas
*Ms. Rosy Walker
*Mr. & Mrs. Sajan Peter
*Mr. & Mrs. Ernesto
*Mr. & Mrs. Jair
*Mr. Rodrigo Duran
*Ms. lasbel Trujillo
*Ms. Niurka Marmolejos
*Ms. Maria Rodriguez
*Mrs. Maria Orsonneau



**DIOCESE OF METUCHEN
FILIPINO APOSTOLATE**

SIMBANG GABI 2025

Mass Schedule

(Masses start at
7 PM, unless
otherwise noted)

A devotional 9-day series of
Masses honoring the Blessed
Mother Mary in preparation for the
Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ.
ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

The Filipino-American Community of
St. Cecelia Parish
invites you to celebrate the
1ST night of Simbang Gabi on

DECEMBER 15, 2025

Monday, 7:00 PM

St. Cecelia Church

45 WILUS WAY, ISELIN, NJ 08830

Main Celebrant

VERY REV. JONATHAN S. TOBOROWSKY
DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR - DIOCESE OF METUCHEN

Music Ministry

DMFA FESTIVAL CHOIR

Sponsored by the

FILIPINO-AMERICAN COMMUNITY OF ST. CECELIA

15 TH December (Mon)	ST. CECELIA, Iselin <i>Celebrant: Very Rev. Jonathan S. Toborowsky</i>
16 TH December (Tue)	ST. CECILIA, Monmouth Junction ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, Kendall Park ST. MATTHIAS, Somerset (6:30 PM)
17 TH December (Wed)	ST. MARY, Alpha ST. AMBROSE, Old Bridge ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE, Edison
18 TH December (Thu)	OUR LADY OF FATIMA, Piscataway CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, Hackettstown ST. JAMES, Woodbridge
19 TH December (Fri)	NATIVITY OF OUR LORD, Monroe (6 PM) MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, Hillsborough ST. HELENA, Edison
20 TH December (Sat)	ST. BARTHOLOMEW, East Brunswick (6 PM) QUEENSHIP OF MARY, Plainsboro (5 PM) ST. BERNADETTE, Parlin
21 ST December (Sun)	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, Somerville (4 PM) OUR LADY OF VICTORIES, Sayreville CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART, So. Plainfield
22 ND December (Mon)	ST. BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX, Bridgewater ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, Dunellen ST. JAMES, Woodbridge
23 RD December (Tue)	ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, Metuchen <i>Celebrant: Most Rev. Michael A. Saporito, D.D., V.G.</i> AUXILIARY BISHOP OF NEWARK FOR BERGEN COUNTY



MISA de GALLO

16 - 24 December | Mass @ 5 AM | ST. LADISLAUS CHURCH • 215 Somerset St., New Brunswick

2026 SANTO NIÑO
CELEBRATIONS

Feast of Santo Niño

Sinulog

17 TH January 5:30 PM	ST. ANN, Raritan Mass followed by Sinulog
18 TH January 2:30 PM	ST. AUGUSTINE, Kendall Park Novena followed by Mass & Blessing of Children
18 TH January 3:00 PM	ST. FRANCIS CATHEDRAL, Metuchen Prayers followed by Mass at 5:00PM



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Advent Retreat Schedule

8am Mass
Devotional Prayers

9-9:30am - Coffee Break

10am - 1st Talk
Q&A

11:30am - Adoration/Confession/
Reflection

12:30am - Lunch

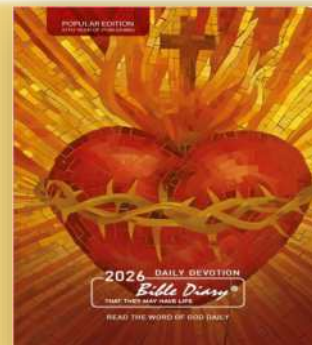
1:30pm - 2nd Talk
Q&A

3pm Coffee Break

3:30pm - Confession

4:30pm Vigil Mass

Hosted by: Fr. Anthony Mihalik, C.Ss.R.
San Alfonso Retreat House



The 2026 Bible Diary contains Daily Mass Readings, Psalms, enlightening Reflections, a biography of the Saint of the Day, Bible in a Year reference, a guide to examination of conscience, numerous prayers and more. The book provides inspiration and guidance through a personal 365 days spiritual voyage that will illumine and enrich your devotional life by reading the Word of God daily, just one page a day! Thank you once again for your support in evangelizing with the Bible Diary. The Bible diary can be purchased in the parish Gift Shop.

DECEMBER 2025/JANUARY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 2nd Sunday of Advent Rosary via Zoom	8 No Faith Formation <i>Feast of the Immaculate Conception</i> Mass Schedule 7am, 9:15am, 12noon & 7pm Parish Office Closed Rosary via Zoom	9 Rosary via Zoom	10 Rosary via Zoom	11 Rosary via Zoom	12 Rosary via Zoom	13 Confessions 9am-10:30am & 3:15-4:00pm 2000 Hail Marys Advent Retreat Religious Retirement Fund Rosary via Zoom
14 3rd Sunday of Advent Religious Retirement Fund Rosary via Zoom	15 Faith Formation 5pm-6pm Simbang Gabi 7pm Rosary via Zoom	16 Rosary via Zoom	17 Advent Penitential Service 6pm Rosary via Zoom	18 Rosary via Zoom	19 Rosary via Zoom	20 Confessions 9am-10:30am & 3:15-4:00pm Fuel Rosary via Zoom
21 4th Sunday of Advent Fuel Rosary via Zoom	22 No Faith Formation Christmas Break Rosary via Zoom	23 Rosary via Zoom	24 Christmas Eve Mass Schedule 4:00pm 6:30pm 9:00pm 11:30pm Parish Office Closed Rosary via Zoom	25 Christmas Day Mass Schedule 9:30am 11:30am Parish Office Closed Rosary via Zoom	26 Rosary via Zoom	27 Confessions 9am-10:30am & 3:15-4:00pm Rosary via Zoom
28 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph. Rosary via Zoom	29 No Faith Formation New Year Break Rosary via Zoom	30 Rosary via Zoom	31 Rosary via Zoom	1 Solemnity of Mary Mother of God HAPPY NEW YEAR 2026 Parish Office Closed Rosary via Zoom	2 Rosary via Zoom	3 Confessions 9am-10:30am & 3:15-4:00pm Rosary via Zoom

Mass Schedule

Mon.-Fri.: 7:00 am and 9:15 am

Sat. 8:00 am
4:30pm, Vigil Mass

Sunday Mass: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am & 1:30pm (*Spanish*)

First Friday No 9:15am Mass
Only 7am & 7pm Adoration
6pm before Mass

Food Pantry

Opens every Tuesday from 10am-12pm Only.

Rosary Altar Society

Daily Rosary prayed before every Mass

St. Vincent DePaul

Meetings are every 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 5:30pm

Daily Evening Rosary

7:30pm

Please join us as we pray the Rosary via Zoom.



Meeting ID—
84113113175
Meeting Passcode:
U20J6Y

Live-Stream Schedule

Daily Mass-9:15am
Weekend Mass-11:30am



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Iglesia Santa Cecelia



7 de diciembre 2025

2º Domingo de Adviento

“Juan usaba una túnica de pelo de camello, ceñida con un cinturón de cuero, y se alimentaba de saltamontes y de miel silvestre”. – Mt 3,4

Las lecturas de la semana del 7 de diciembre

- Domingo:** Is 11, 1-10/Sal 71, 1-2. 7-8. 12-13. 17 (ver 7)/Rom 15, 4-9/Mt 3, 1-12
- Lunes:** Gn 3, 9-15. 20/Sal 97, 1. 2-3. 3-4/Ef 1, 3-6. 11-12/Lc 1, 26-38
- Martes:** Is 40, 1-11/Sal 95, 1-2. 3 y 10. 11-12. 13/Mt 18, 12-14
- Miércoles:** Is 40, 25-31/Sal 102, 1-2. 3-4. 8 y 10/Mt 11, 28-30
- Jueves:** Is 41, 13-20/Sal 144, 1 y 9. 10-11. 12-13/Mt 11, 11-15
- Viernes:** Eclo 24, 23-31/Gal 4, 4-7/Lc 1, 39-48
- Sábado:** Eclo 48, 1-4. 9-11/Sal 79, 2 y 3. 15-16. 18-19/Mt 17, 10-13

6 de Diciembre

Santa MISA de Sanación

12pm

Presentado por el P. Ignacio Okoroji, SDV
Después de la Misa - Se bendecirán los sacramentales (agua, aceite, sal, etc.).

Salmo Responsorial

La justicia florecerá en su tiempo, y la paz será plena para siempre. (Salmo 72)

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

Durante el Adviento, Dios nos brinda la oportunidad de trabajar y movernos, de no quedarnos en un solo sitio. Como ejemplo, tenemos a Juan Bautista, personaje importante de este tiempo. El trabajo incansablemente anunciando cómo preparar el camino del Señor, cómo sería su venida. El profeta Isaías se refería a Juan de esta forma: "Una voz grita en el desierto: preparen un camino al Señor, hagan sus senderos rectos" (Juan 3:3). Hacer los senderos rectos, es decir, implica una conversión desde el fondo del corazón; un cambio radical a través de un proceso suave pero firme para llegar a Dios.

“La Iglesia de este tiempo es igual a un campo sembrado que tiene grano y paja mezclados, es decir, juntos buenos y malos. Después del juicio, en cambio, tendrá solamente buenos, sin malo alguno... De ahí vendrá el juzgar a vivos y muertos, y como dice el Evangelio: El tiene el bieldo en su mano para separar el trigo de la paja. Guardará el trigo en su granero y quemará la paja en un fuego que no se extingue” (San Agustín, 354-430. Sermón 223). Preparados o no, este Adviento es el tiempo de aprender que los tiempos de Dios son momentos de gracia. Paja y trigo crecen en nosotros, y es tiempo de ponerse a trabajar en la conversión para ir al encuentro del Señor. No olvidemos que Dios espera de nosotros lo mejor y nos da la libertad de seguirlo o dejarlo. ¿Qué escoges? El tiempo de Adviento es para revisar nuestra conciencia: cómo pensamos, creemos y actuamos.

PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

1ª Lectura: Isaías previó el futuro de Dios cuando el mundo será gobernado por un nuevo e ideal 'Rey David' ("un retoño brotará del tronco de Jesé") y la tierra se llenará de conocimiento del Señor. ¿Qué esperas para tu futuro?

2ª Lectura: Pablo animó a la comunidad de creyentes en Roma a estar en armonía unos con otros en pensamiento y mente. ¿Hay relaciones en tu vida que consideras armoniosas?

Evangelio: Juan el Bautista enseñó a la gente a prepararse para el reino de los cielos arrepintiéndose de los pecados y produciendo "buenos frutos". ¿Qué podrías hacer esta segunda semana de Adviento para tener un impacto positivo?

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Vigila
Jueves
11 de Diciembre
9pm en la Sala de Lourdes

Misa
Viernes
12 de Diciembre
7pm en la Iglesia



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HORARIO DE OFICINA

Lunes 8:00 am - 4 pm

Viernes 8:00 am - 12 pm

Visitas al Santísimo esta disponible en el horario de oficina.

TIEMPOS DE MISA

Lunes-Viernes 7:00 & 9:15am **en Inglés**

Sábado 8:00 am & 4:30 pm

Domingo 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am

1:30pm (Español)

El primer viernes NO hay misa a las 9:15 am SOLO 7:00 am y 7:00 pm.

HORARIO DE LA TIENDA

DE REGALOS

Lun—Jueves 10:00 am—1:00 pm

Viernes Cerrados

Sábado 3:00 pm—6:00 pm

Domingo 10:00 am—12:30 pm

El horario puede variar, llame antes de venir 732-283-1775.

La Despensa de Comida

Martes 10am-12pm

REGISTRACIÓN:

Para obtener cartas testimoniales, formularios de patrocinio para los sacramentos (**carta de elegibilidad**), cartas de recomendación o referencia de carácter se necesita inscribir a la parroquia. Por favor de llamar a la parroquia para mas información.

BAUTISMO:

Bautizos son celebrados los primeros y el cuartó domingo de cada mes a las 12:30pm. Comuníquese con la oficina al (732)283-2300 para obtener mas información.

1. Por favor de traer el certificado de nacimiento del niño/niña.
2. Los nombres completos del los Padrinos.
3. De los Padrinos se requerirá una carta de Elegibilidad de su parroquia.
4. Los Padres y Padrinos se deben registrarse para poder asistir clases Pre-Bautismales. Esta sesión brindará la oportunidad de crecer en nuestra comprensión de este Sacramento.

Qualificaciones para Elegibilidad de Padrinos:

La ley de la Iglesia exige que un patrocinador para el Bautismo y la Confirmación debe tener los 3 Sacramentos: Bautizo, Primer Comunión, Confirmación. Ser un Católico practicante y activo. Un católico activo es un feligrés que está registrado, asiste a misa semanalmente, contribuye al apoyo de la Iglesia, está en un matrimonio católico válido y públicamente lleva una vida compatible con la enseñanza de la Iglesia.

O.I.C.A (Orden de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos)

O.I.C.A. es el proceso en cual los no católicos que son interesados en convertirse o los que desean completar sus sacramentos de iniciación. Para obtener más información, llame a la Hermana Anna al (732)283-2816.

MATRIMONIO:

Por favor de discutir con el Pastor antes de fijar fechas, esto se debe hacer por lo menos **1 año** de anticipación a la boda. Llame a la oficina al (732)283-2300.

MINISTERIO A LOS ENFERMOS:

Si alguno de sus seres queridos necesita la Unción de los Enfermos, o Extremaunción, por favor llame a la Oficina Parroquial. Comunión a los enfermos, ancianos o confinados en el hogar deben organizarse con anticipación.

BENDICIÓN DE LA CASA

Si le gustaría tener una visita a un hogar o una bendición, por favor llame a la Oficina Parroquial al (732)283-2300.

Procedimientos de Bodas:

Recuerde que al ingresar a la Iglesia, para su ensayo y su boda, que es un lugar de veneración adonde esta expuesto el Santísimo Sacramento. Todas las preparaciones y el ensayo se llevaran acabo con el Sacerdote que oficiar la boda antes del acontecimiento.

Arreglos Florales: No podrán ser puestas en frente de el altar. Solo a los lados, en frente del pulpito o en algún otro lugar del santuario. No se podrá usar tape, pega, masilla, grapas o cables en los bancos de la iglesia para colocar flores o listones.

Otras restricciones: Arroz, pétalos de rosas, confeti, semilla de pájaros o cualquier otro que tenga residuos no será permitidos. No mascotas permitidos. Tampoco corredores de alfombras.

CATEQUESIS

8 de diciembre:	No hay Clases.
Lunes, 15 de diciembre:	Catequesis 5pm-6pm.
Lunes, 22 de diciembre:	No hay Clases.
Lunes, 29 de diciembre:	No hay Clases.
Lunes, 5 de enero:	Catequesis 5:45pm-7:15pm.



2025
Fiesta Navideña

21 de diciembre
Después de la Misa
de la 1:30pm
En la Sala de Lourdes

ADVIENTO

**Noche de Confesión /
Reconciliación**
Miércoles, 17 de diciembre
8pm

Misa de Navidad
1:30pm



La oficina parroquial estará cerrada el **8 de diciembre** en celebración de la Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Virgen María.
El Rosario de Hombres será cancelado este día.

	23 de Noviembre 2025	24 de Noviembre 2024
In-pew	\$ 7,840.00	In-pew \$ 6,729.00
Faith Direct	\$ 1,927.30	Faith Direct \$ 2,076.85
Total	\$ 9,767.30	Total \$ 8,805.85
	Obras de Misericordia 25	Obras de Misericordia 24
In-pew	\$ 2,135.50	In-pew \$ 1,710.50
Faith Direct	\$ 33.00	Faith Direct \$ 32.00
Total	\$ 2,168.00	Total \$ 1,742.50
	30 de Noviembre 2025	1 de Diciembre 2024
In-pew	\$ 7,689.50	In-pew \$ 7,549.00
Faith Direct	\$ 1,927.30	Faith Direct \$ 2,076.85
Total	\$ 9,616.80	Total \$ 9,625.85
	Día de Gracia 2025	Día de Gracia 2024
In-pew	\$ 2,170.00	In-pew \$ 2,162.00
Faith Direct	\$ 177.00	Faith Direct \$ 137.00
Total	\$ 2,347.00	Total \$ 2,299.00

EN GENERAL, ALGUNOS PUNTOS PARA RECORDAR:

Gracias a todos por su generoso apoyo. Agradecemos enormemente su cooperación, la cual nos ayudará a gestionar las donaciones. Por favor, tengan en cuenta lo siguiente:

Feligreses registrados: Si utilizan un sobre en blanco y no tienen número de sobre, por favor escriban su nombre y dirección.

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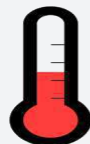


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