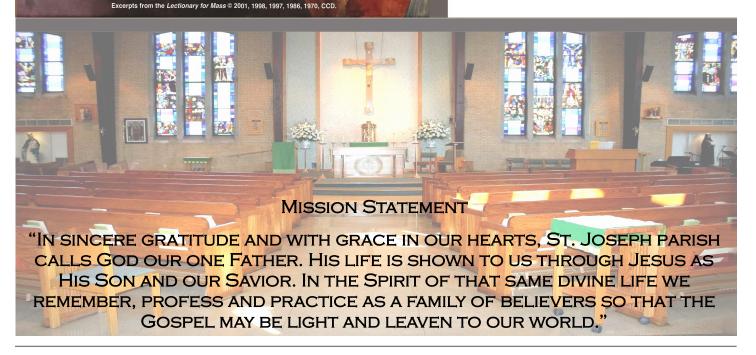
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"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

John 8:7



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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

April 3, 2022



Lent Stations of the Cross

For all of your intentions during Lent, the Holy Season of Renewal, join us each Friday from March 4 for the recitation of the Stations of the Cross. Stations will start at 11:30 a.m. (English) in the church. Copies of the Way of the Cross will be available for personal prayer.



Lenten Holy Hour Series

The Lenten Holy Hour series will start on Sunday, March 6 at 4 p.m. in the church. Each week until April 3, a visiting priest or deacon will offer Vesper prayers and a reflection on a chosen topic while the Blessed Sacrament is exposed.

<u>Date</u> <u>Theme</u> <u>Visitor</u>

April 3 Holy week Rev. Edmund Shallow (Divine Mercy Parish, Carteret)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday mornings in the Church 11:00 AM. to 12:00 PM

During Lent, confessions will be available on Saturday from 4:00PM until 4:45PM



I consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.

Philippians 3:8

Dear Parish Family,

Greetings on this 5th Sunday in Lent!

Please remember to return your Rice Bowl offerings which you have collected in the Mite boxes which were distributed to each family on Ash Wednesday. A drop-off display is found in the foyer of the church.

Next weekend is the annual offering for the Retired Priests of our diocese. At present, over 24 priests benefit from your generosity as they utilize the Maria Regina Residence in Somerset, N.J. They receive the care after so many faithful years of dedicated parish ministry and diocesan commitment. Those who are not able to occupy the residence often share rectory housing and are also very much supported with your response.

This Friday, April 8, our youth will direct Mary's Way of the Cross at 7 p.m. in our church with a bi-lingual praying of this devotion written by the Servants of Mary. Palm Sunday Masses will bless palm branches with a procession prior to each Mass. Please plan to arrive early with the additional moments of the liturgy that have been planned.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Msgr. John



SACRAMENTS

Baptism (English): The second Saturday of the month at 1:00 PM.

Baptism (Spanish): The first Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m.

Please arrange for the obligatory preparation session by calling the Parish Office.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: The Holy Eucharist and the Anointing of the Sick are available to the sick and shut-ins upon request.

First Penance, First Eucharist, Confirmation: Children are expected to receive a Catholic upbringing in their family life, to worship regularly at Sunday Mass, and to receive ongoing Religious Education in the years preceding the reception of these sacraments.

Matrimony: To allow ample time for preparation, please contact the Parish Office at least one year before the intended wedding date.

Holy Orders or Religious Life: If you are considering serving God as a Priest, Deacon or Religious, you may contact your Parish Priest or Deacon; or phone the Office of Vocations at 732-562-2457 for additional information.

MASS SCHEDULE

5:00 PM (Saturday evening Vigil Mass) Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM 12:30 PM - Spanish Mass

Monday to Friday: 8:00 AM; Saturday: 8:30 AM Thursday: 7:00 PM - Spanish Mass St. Peregrine Mass for the Sick Second Thursday of the month - 7:00 PM

Recitation of Rosary before 8am Daily Mass

CONFESSIONS Saturday: 11:00 AM

Saturday: 11:00 AM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Weekdays: 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

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PARISH SERVICES

Parish Registration: New parishioners are welcome. Please call the parish office to register. Please inform us if you move.

R.C.I.A.: Adults inquiring about the Catholic Church with a desire to become Catholic are invited to call the parish office for information about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

Parish Organizations: Adult Choir, Children's Choir, Ministry to the Sick & Elderly, RCIA Team, Food Pantry, Hispanic Ministry, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Home School Association, Athletic Association, and Catechetical Instruction.

Sponsorship: To act as a Godparent for Baptism or sponsor for Confirmation, the sponsor must be a baptized Catholic, Confirmed, received Communion, and live a morally good life; if married, done so within church law. Ordinarily the sponsor must be at least 14 years old.

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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



Thursdays in the Church Chapel 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Restoration, sanctification, transformation, reparation, and salvation are the graces being poured out graciously upon us with each Holy Hour we make. -Excerpt from Letter To A Brother Priest

Join us for Eucharistic Adoration. Prayer and meditation before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament are great ways to spend some special time with Him. You can ask Him for graces for yourself or for loved ones, reflect on His Word, or just keep Him company!

Bingo Night Fundraiser, Tricky Tray and Raffle

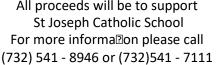
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With tens of millions of Americans currently unemployed due to the pandemic, it's no

surprise that many families are facing shortfalls when it comes to purchasing food. As a result, there are many families skipping meals or relying on their local Food Pantry to feed their families.

With your support, our Food Pantry is able to feed several families in our community each month. To help them with the increase in the number of families in need of food and a decrease in available resources, we are now accepting donations for the Food Pantry online. To donate online, please visit our website at www.stjosephparishfamily.com and click on the Food Pantry button. Your support is greatly appreciated!



Updates from



2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal Celebrating 40 Years—

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Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2022 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.

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.



How to Live the Works of Mercy

Do you need some ideas of how can put mercy into action this Lent? Visit: diometuchen.org/worksofmercy

Marriage Encounter

Special families begin with special husband – wife relationships. Please join us for a special weekend experience. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held April 29 – May 1. Please apply ASAP as space is limited. Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco). Visit us at: www.wwme.org for more information.

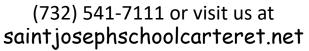
Are you being called to the diaconate?

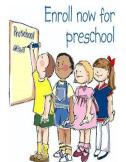
The Diocese is looking for men who are interested in becoming Permanent Deacons. A new diaconate formation class is about to begin. Applications for that class will be accepted near the end of this summer; prior to applying, interested men must attend an Information Meeting. A General Information Meeting will be held at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway on Tuesday, March 29, 2022 at 7 p.m. and again on Saturday, April 9, 2022 at 10 a.m. 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 visit us at

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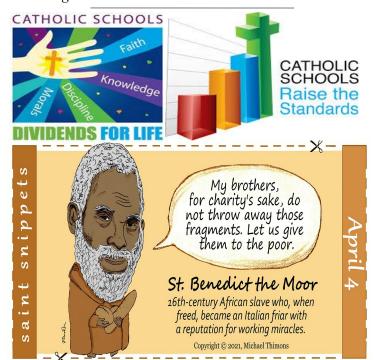
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LENTEN COMPANION: ST. JOHN BAPTISTE DE LA SALLE

2 weeks to Easter: We travel with St. John Baptiste de la Salle.

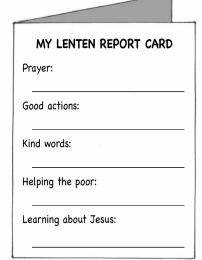
Today we remember the life and death of our Lenten companion St. John Baptiste de la Salle. Born in 1651 in Rheims, France, he died on Good Friday, April 7, 1719. John spent his life teaching the poor at a time when only rich families were able to send their children to school. He started a school for boys and began a program for training teachers.

At that time children were taught in Latin. If you didn't understand Latin you couldn't go to school to learn. John encouraged his teachers in France to teach students in their own language—French. Although he came from a rich family, he gave away his share of his family's fortune to the poor and hungry. He opened the first teacher's college as well as many schools for the poor in several different cities. John's group of teachers became known as the Brothers of the Christian Schools.

How can John be our companion? His story teaches us how important a Christian education is for everyone. What John did wasn't easy, but he never gave up. Our teachers today do the same for us. St. John helps us to appreciate the education we have been given.

This week take some time to thank your teachers for their hard work. As part of your Lenten fast, spend more time studying and less time on social media.

Fill in the areas on this report card in which you are doing well and note the ones in which you need help to do better.





The LORD... opens a way in the sea and a path in the mighty waters, [and] leads out chariots and horsemen.

Isaiah 43: 16-17

MASS INTENTIONS



SATURDAY April 2nd

Lenten Weekday Saint Francis of Paola, Hermit

5:00p.m. + Anthony & Steffie Ostrowski

SUNDAY April 3rd FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00 AM + Lena Marinelli 10:30 AM + Theresa Policastro 12:30 PM + People of the Parish

MONDAY April 4th

Lenten Weekday Saint Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00 AM + Nick Romano

TUESDAY April 5th

Lenten Weekday Saint Vincent Ferrer, Priest 8:00 AM + Anthony Bilvi

WEDNESDAY April 6th

Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM + Patricia Gautier

THURSDAY April 7th

Lenten Weekday

Saint John Baptist de la Salle, Priest

8:00 AM + Jeanne Polinski 11:30 AM Adoration 6:00 PM Adoration

7:00 PM + Jose Alberto Chumpitazi Sanchez

FRIDAY April 8th

Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM + Kimberly Mix

SATURDAY April 9th

Lenten Weekday

8:30 AM + World Peace 5:00 PM + Thomas Stiglic

SUNDAY April 10th PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

8:00 AM + Angel Luis Mendez 10:30 AM + Gloria D'Agata 12:30 PM + People of the Parish

Recitation of Rosary before 8am Daily Mass

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

If you have requested a Mass to be celebrated for your intention and would like to present the gifts that will become the Body and Blood of Christ at that Mass, please be sure to inform one of the ushers before Mass; otherwise, they will ask someone from the congregation to present the gifts. Thank you.

INTENTIONS ~ April 3 - April 9

The **St. Joseph Lamp** burns in loving memory of *Rita Scudiere*.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.



Reflection question:

How do I follow the example of Jesus in loving others?

"For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under Heaven..."

a time to heal... for those in our Parish who are ill and especially for Alice Benson, Anthony LaMotta, Angelina Virola, Constance Sewing, Genevieve Elko, Helen Lurker, Josie Gibbs, Kirsten Kisselman, Mary Warren, Peter Gallo, Ray Sewing, Raymond Sewing, Rev. Msgr. Edward C. Puleo, Robert Sulo and Theresa Tumolo.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62

In 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59 Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42 Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11;

Lk 22:14 — 23:56 or 23:1-49



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March 27, 2022 Parish \$ 6362.50

Support! The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy —Psalm 126



Sunday, April 10

Palm Sunday of the Passion of our Lord – 5:00 p.m., 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Wednesday, April 13

Confessions - 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Holy Thursday, April 14

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:30 p.m. (Bi-lingual) Mass

Good Friday, April 15

The Way of the Cross — 12:00 p.m.

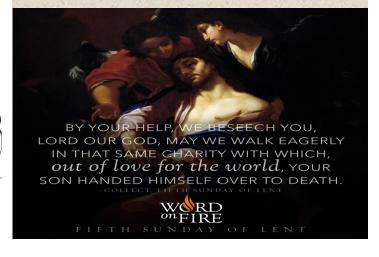
Passion of Our Lord (Bi-lingual) —3:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 16

Blessing of the Food — 1p.m. Mass Easter Vigil —8:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 17

8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)





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