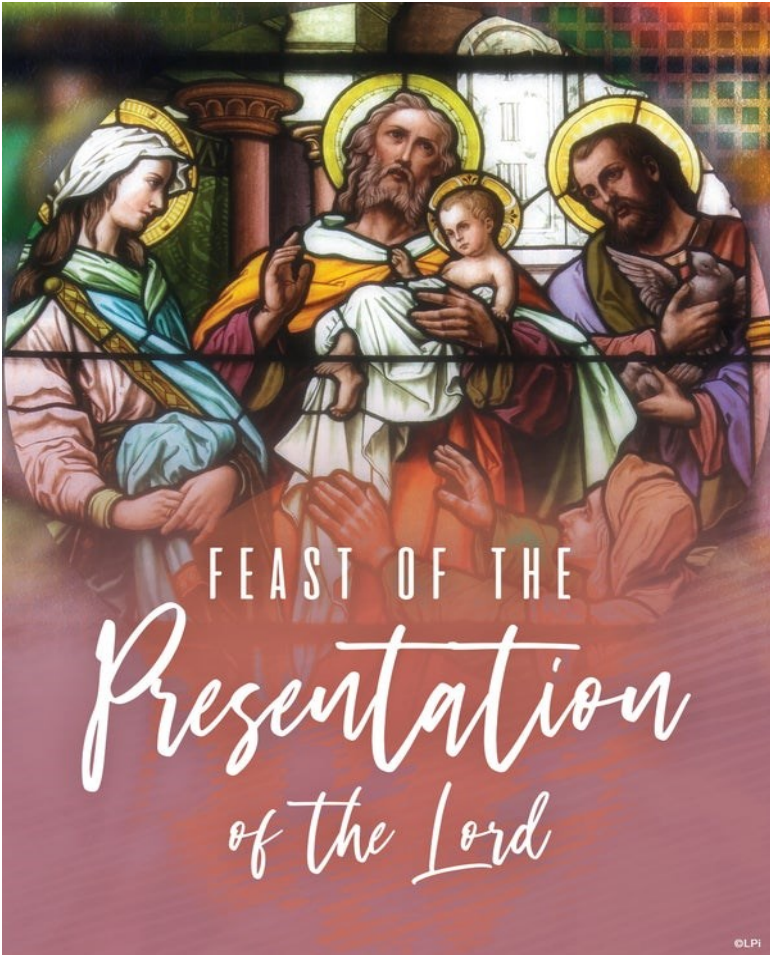


ST. JOSEPH ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

OVER A CENTURY OF CATHOLIC PRESENCE



FEAST OF THE *Presentation* of the Lord

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4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!"

Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!"

- Mk 1:23-25

4^º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Había en la sinagoga un hombre poseído por un espíritu inmundo, que se puso a gritar: "¿Qué quieres tú con nosotros, Jesús de Nazaret? ¿Has venido a acabar con nosotros? Ya sé quién eres: el Santo de Dios". Jesús le ordenó: "¡Cállate y sal de él!" - Mc 1, 23-25

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MISSION STATEMENT

"IN SINCERE GRATITUDE AND WITH GRACE IN OUR HEARTS, ST. JOSEPH PARISH CALLS GOD OUR ONE FATHER. HIS LIFE IS SHOWN TO US THROUGH JESUS AS HIS SON AND OUR SAVIOR. IN THE SPIRIT OF THAT SAME DIVINE LIFE WE REMEMBER, PROFESS AND PRACTICE AS A FAMILY OF BELIEVERS SO THAT THE GOSPEL MAY BE LIGHT AND LEAVEN TO OUR WORLD."

Rev. Msgr. John B. Gordon - Pastor
Rev. Msgr. Pafnouti Wassef - Parochial Vicar
Rev. Sean G. Winters - In Residence
Deacon George Kimball - Permanent Deacon

Deacon Ramon Torres - Permanent Deacon
Deacon Vidal Gonzalez - Permanent Deacon
Ms. Joanne McKnight - Principal
Mrs. Marcelle Doherty - Director of Religious Education/Pastoral Assistant

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 28th, 2024

From the Pastor
 *Carta del Pastor*

Dear Parish Family,

Thank you, as always for your amazing support of our parish and faith!

At this time of the year, you will begin to receive correspondence from myself, as well as from our bishop, announcing the Bishop's Annual Appeal and our parish commitment.

As you know, the leadership of our local church, by our shepherd Most Rev. James Checchio, is thriving through each of our responses in support and sacrifice.

With our parish goal calling us to contribute as our means permit, please prayerfully and thoughtfully receive these materials. May the Lord bless each and every one of you for your generosity and charity.

Our next parish outing will be to Amish country and the Sight and Sound theatre to attend the performance of 'Daniel' in September 28th at 11am. Please contact Lisa at 732 407 9676 or Ivis at 732 423 8132 for information and to reserve your seat.

Also, an update on our pilgrimage to Rome during the upcoming Jubilee Year announced by the Holy Father. Due to the official opening of the Holy Doors not occurring until December 24, our trip dates will now be December 26-30, 2024. The price remains the same. We ask those interested to please contact the parish office so that your passport and registration can be processed. Your \$500.00 deposit is requested prior to March 28.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Msgr. John

Querida familia parroquial:

Como siempre, Gracias, por su increíble apoyo a nuestra parroquia y a nuestra fe.

En esta época del año, comenzarán a recibir correspondencia tanto como de nuestro obispo, anunciando la Campaña Anual del Obispo y nuestro compromiso parroquial.

Como ustedes saben, el liderazgo de nuestra iglesia local por parte de nuestro pastor, Mas Revendendo James Checchio, está prosperando a través de cada una de nuestras respuestas en apoyo y sacrificio.

Con el objetivo de nuestra parroquia llamándonos a contribuir según lo permitan nuestros medios, por favor reciban estos materiales con oración y consideración y que el Señor los bendiga a todos y cada uno de ustedes por su generosidad y caridad.

Nuestra parroquia anuncia la próxima salida al país Amish y al teatro Sight and Sound para asistir a la representación de 'Daniel' el 28 de septiembre a las 11 am. Por favor contacte a Ivis al 732 423 8132 para obtener mas información y reservar su asiento.

También, una actualización sobre nuestra peregrinación a Roma durante el próximo Año Jubilar anunciado por el Santo Padre. Debido a que la apertura oficial de las Puertas Santas no ocurrirá hasta el 24 de diciembre, nuestras fechas del viaje serán ahora del 26 al 30 de diciembre de 2024. El precio sigue siendo el mismo. Pedimos a los interesados que se comuniquen con la oficina parroquial para que se pueda tramitar su pasaporte e inscripción y se pide un depósito de \$500 antes del 28 de marzo.

Atentamente en el Señor,

Mons. 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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

MAILING ADDRESS

Parish	School
7 Locust Street	865 Roosevelt Avenue
Carteret, NJ 07008	Carteret, NJ 07008

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Parish Office	732-541-8946
Parish Office Fax	732-541-0500
Religious Education	732-969-8767
School	732-541-7111
St. Vincent de Paul Society	732-541-8946 x108

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.

WEBSITE:

sjps.net

EMAIL:

stjosephparishcarteret@sjps.net



Ash Wednesday Schedule

February 14, 2024

- 8:00 AM Mass with Ashes
10:00 AM School Mass with Ashes
3:00 PM Liturgy of the Word with Ash
7:00 PM Mass with Ashes

2024 Lenten Obligations

1. The days of both fast and abstinence are Ash Wednesday (February 14) and Good Friday (March 29).
2. The other Fridays of Lent (Feb. 16 and 23, Mar. 1, 8, 15, and 22) are days of abstinence.
3. Fasting in the Roman Catholic tradition means to limit oneself to one full meal with two smaller meals which together do not equal the size of your full meal. The obligation of fasting applies only to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59.
4. Abstinence in the Roman Catholic tradition means to abstain from eating meat (beef, chicken, pork, turkey, etc.). The obligation of abstinence applies to all Catholics who have reached the age of 14.

Update your Contact Information

St Joseph Parish office is currently in the process of updating our parishioner files. If you have not done so already, please update your family information. Complete information below and return to parish office.

Family Envelope Number: _____

Family Last Name: _____

His First Names: _____

Her First Name: _____

Phone number: _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____

Name of Children: _____

: _____

: _____

Do you receive envelopes? Yes No

(Please Circle)

ZUMBA

Zumba at St Joseph Parish
On Wednesdays
from

7pm to 8pm at the Church hall.

Cost: \$10 per person

Ages: 12 and over

Please note: Minors must be accompanied by
an adult. For more information please contact

Johanna at:

joperez1575@yahoo.com or (201) 282 - 9023

2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal

STAY WITH US, LORD: Renew our Hearts and Send Us on Mission

Please watch your mailbox for a letter from Bishop Checchio coming to you this week announcing the 2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal. Our parish can share in a successful Appeal by earning a rebate of 50% of the amount collected over goal.

Through your support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal you help those in our diocese whose needs are the greatest—the poor, the homeless, and those struggling with illness or grief. Among other needed pastoral ministries, your gift also supports the formation of seminarians and many other vital services. The many pastoral, educational and charitable ministries of the Diocese of Metuchen would not be possible without a generous contribution from every household. Please be as generous as your means allow.



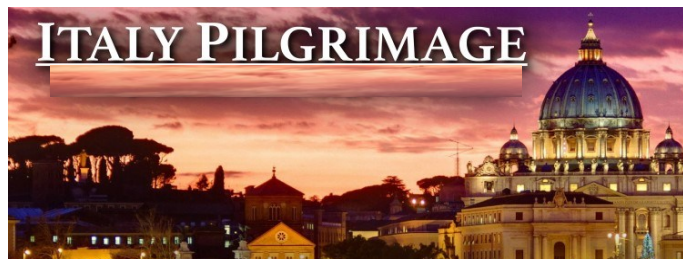
Saint Joseph 'Feast Day Raffle'



Our Parish 50/50 Drawing is scheduled for
March 16, 2024

Tickets are on sale now.

Please anticipate this annual fundraiser as we celebrate our parish patron and support our growing faith community. Each ticket is \$20.00, 5 tickets are prepared in an envelope for each household to receive and return. Thank you for your continued support, and God Bless you!



Holy Year Holy Doors Italy Pilgrimage

Msgr. John Gordon

December (5 Days)

\$2,499.00 from Newark

**For more information contact
the Parish office at (732) 541- 8946
or email: pjuanla@aol.com**



Saint Joseph School

PreK-3 and PreK-4 through 8th Grade

A Place to Believe, Achieve, Serve & Succeed

What Makes Saint Joseph School Stand Out



- ✓ Catholic Faith Based Education
- ✓ Robotics & Coding Program
- ✓ Enriched Student Life
- ✓ Student Collaboration
- ✓ IXL & STREAM
- ✓ Rigorous Academic Program
- ✓ Eagles Before and After Care program
- ✓ Fine Arts
- ✓ Athletic Program
- ✓ FLEX Program

**Become A Part Of Our School Family
Please Visit the following link to register:**

<https://saintjosephschoolcarteret.net/2023-2024registration>

**Forme en parte de nuestra familia Escolar
Por favor visite el siguiente enlace para registrarse:**
<https://saintjosephschoolcarteret.net/2023-2024registration>

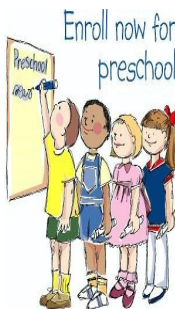
**Registrarse ahora 2023-2024
Llama al (732) 541-7111 y Programa un Visita**

Saint Joseph Pre-School

3 & 4 Year Old Program

Full and Half –Day sessions are available
Where Faith, Learning, and Fun go
hand in hand!

For more information or to register,
Please call the School Office
at (732) 541-7111.



In our Eagles Preschool Program, children ages three (3) and four (4) experience the same learning environment as the older students. Not only do the children believe, achieve, serve, and succeed, but they are provided with a rich STREAM program that encourages them to reach their full potential.



Calendar Raffle Tickets

Saint Joseph Parish School is selling tickets for its Annual Calendar Raffle. Each ticket costs \$20.00 and you get up to 10 chances of winning \$400.00. Don't miss your chance to be a winner. Each family has a chance to purchase tickets after Mass or contact the parish office at 732 541 8946. Thanks in advance for your support. All proceeds go to fund Saint Joseph School Improvements.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2024-2025 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, 2024**. 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.

ESCUELA CATÓLICA 2024 -2025 ASISTENCIA DE MATRÍCULA PROCESO DE APLICACIÓN EN LÍNEA ESTA ABIERTO

Las familias interesadas en solicitar asistencia con la matrícula para acudir a una escuela primaria o secundaria elegible de la Diócesis de Metuchen, pueden presentar su solicitud en línea ahora a través FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment en la dirección electrónica:

<https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>

Las solicitudes en línea deben completarse (incluida toda la documentación requerida) antes del **31 de Marzo de 2024**. Las solicitudes están disponibles en inglés y en español. Las familias que necesiten ayuda para completar la solicitud en línea o necesiten acceso a una computadora para postularse deben comunicarse directamente con su escuela.

Saint Joseph School

BINGO

February 17th | Doors open at 6 PM | Open Entry

Must be 18+ to enter

865 Roosevelt Ave, Carteret, NJ (732) 541-7111 HSA@sjps.net



St. Joseph Church
Parish Religious Education Program

PREP Office Hours

Monday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday 1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

2023 - 2024

PREP Classes

Tuesdays - 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Grades 5, 6, 7, 8

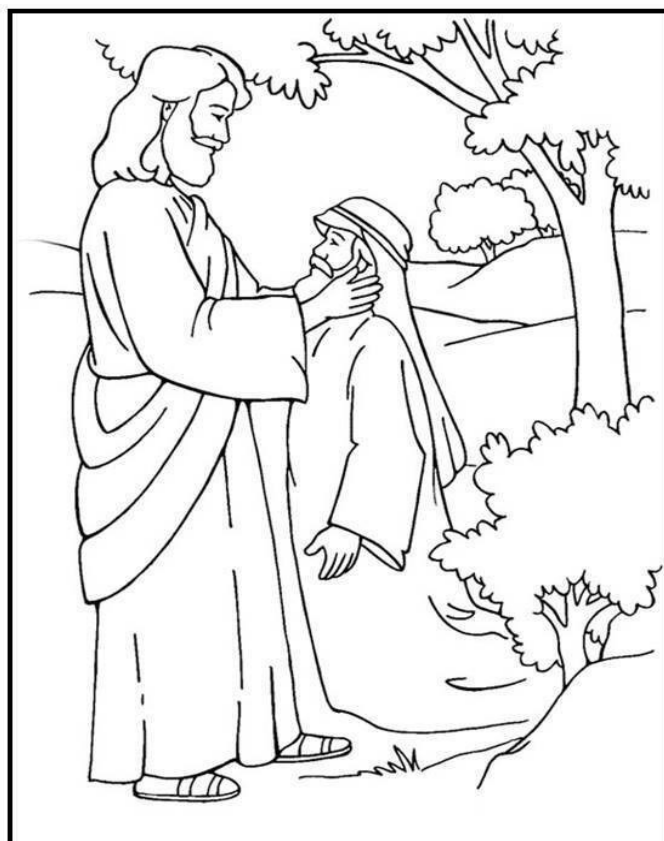
Wednesdays - 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Grades 1, 2, 3, 4

The St. Joseph Parish Religion Education Program (PREP) Office is located in the St. Joseph School.

Please give us a call or send an email to
mndoherty@sjps.net for additional information.
Phone: 732-969-8767 or 732-969-6677
Fax: 732-541-0712

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The power of Jesus



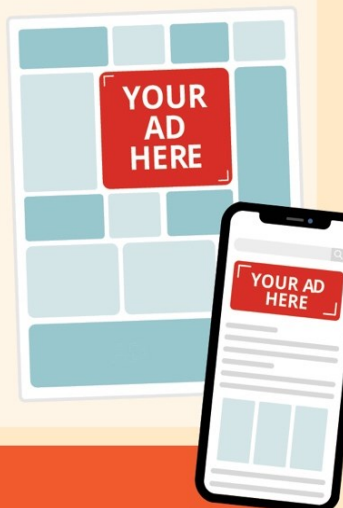
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The Support of Your Business is Greatly Appreciated

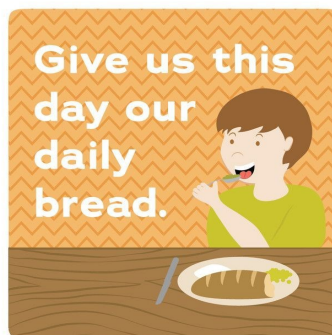
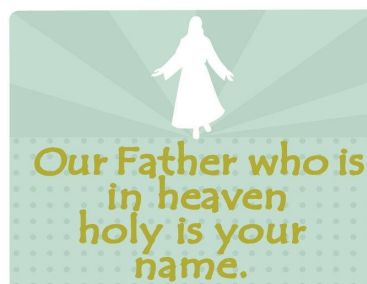
Donna Delgrosso from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. It is the support of the business community that helps to make our church thrive. Please consider purchasing a print and/or digital ad as your participation makes our bulletin successful, and you attract customers!

Church bulletin advertising is a cost-effective way to advertise 52 times per year and show support for your local community; in turn, parishioners will support you!

Digital advertising allows your business to be front and center to anyone who visits a church profile page on ParishesOnline.com — that's approximately 500,000 page views per month!



Donna Delgrosso
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Thanksgiving

In this season of Thanksgiving, why not celebrate your marriage and its many blessings by attending a Marriage Encounter Weekend?

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 February 16 - 18.

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.

Acción de gracias

En esta temporada de Acción de Gracias, ¿por qué no celebrar su matrimonio y sus muchas bendiciones asistiendo a un Fin de Semana de Encuentro Matrimonial?

Un Fin de Semana Mundial de Encuentro Matrimonial le brinda el tiempo y las herramientas para revitalizar el romance, profundizar la comunicación y nutrir la espiritualidad en su matrimonio.

El próximo Fin de Semana Mundial de Encuentro Matrimonial se llevará a cabo del 16 al 18 de febrero.

Por favor, aplique lo antes posible ya que el espacio es limitado. Llame al 1-732-904-9636 para solicitar e información (Tom y Ruth DeFalco).

Visítenos en: www.wwme.org para obtener más información.

Choices Matter – A Critical Life Issues Conference – Saturday, March 16, 2024

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Human Life and Dignity presents "Choices Matter – A Critical Life Issues Conference which will be held at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway on Saturday, March 16, 2024. An Opening Mass will be celebrated by Bishop James Checchio at 9:00 AM and the conference will begin at 10:00 AM and end at 3:30 pm. This year's topics/expert speakers are:

- Jim Towey – Author and advisor and personal friend of St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta
- Kevin Dunn – An award-winning filmmaker and pro-life speaker
- Evie West – Ex-gang member, Teen Mom & Author "Revolving Choices: Playing Roulette with Life"

General registration is \$35 and student registration is \$15. The conference features Eucharistic Adoration, exhibits and more. The fee includes lunch and handouts. To register visit: <https://www.diometuchen.org/choicesmatter>. Everyone is welcome! For questions or for more information please email amarshall@diometuchen.org. Seating is limited.

Diocesan Youth Day

April 20th, 2024 Check-In Begins at 10am. The day will run from 10:30-5pm.

St. Thomas Aquinas High School, Edison

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry will run our Diocesan Youth Day at St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Edison, NJ on Saturday, April 20th, 2024.

Throughout the course of this day, 8th-12th grade teens will come together to enter into the sacrament of the Mass, have fun with one another, hear talks from Chika Anyanwu, have the opportunity for Adoration and Confession, enjoy live music, good food, and more! Please register at:

<https://www.diometuchen.org/diocesan-youth-day>

ESCUELA BÍBLICA HISPANA

de la Diócesis de Metuchen

Dirigida a los laicos de las comunidades Hispanas.

El programa completo ofrece 9 cursos, cada uno aproximadamente de 7 clases. Allí podrán leer, estudiar y profundizar en los aspectos humanos y divinos de las Sagradas Escrituras.

Inscripciones Abiertas

CURSO I INTRODUCCIÓN A LAS SAGRADAS ESCRITURAS

Jueves de 7:00 pm a 9:00 pm,
Del 25 de Enero al 7 de Marzo de 2024
Costo: \$35 por persona
Centro Pastoral St John Neumann
146 Metlars Ln, Piscataway



Información:
Lescobar@diometuchen.org
o al 732 243 4573

Escanea el Código QR
o visita
[diometuchen.org/
Hispanicevangelization](http://diometuchen.org/Hispanicevangelization)



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MASS INTENTIONS



SATURDAY January 27th

Saint Angela Merici, Virgin

5:00 PM + Virginia Ibanez

SUNDAY January 28th

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:30 AM Catholic School Week Opening Mass

12:00 PM + Soledad Sanchez

MONDAY January 29th

Weekday

8:00 AM + Philip Collura

TUESDAY January 30th

Weekday

8:00AM + Christine R. Baviello

WEDNESDAY January 31th

Saint John Bosco, Priest

8:00AM + Christine Baviello

THURSDAY February 1st

Weekday

8:00 AM + Jayceryll M De Chavez

11:30 AM Adoration

6:00 PM Holy Hour

7:00 PM + Nut A. Mejia

FRIDAY February 2nd

The Presentation of the Lord

8:00 AM + Albert Rego

SATURDAY February 3rd

Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, Saint Ansgar, Bishop, BVM

8:30 AM + Robert J. Meyer

5:00 PM + Amelia Gervino

SUNDAY February 4th

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM + Joan Packard

10:30 AM + Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Tomchak

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.

PRESENTACIÓN DE PAN Y VINO

Si ha solicitado que se celebre una Misa por su intención y le gustaría presentar los dones que se convertirán en el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo en esa Misa, asegúrese de informar a uno de los ujieres antes de la Misa; de lo contrario, le pedirán a alguien de la congregación que presente el Pan y Vino. Gracias.

Pope Francis' Monthly Intention

For January 2024

For The Gift Of Diversity In The Church

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

Intencion del Papa Francisco

Para Enero 2024

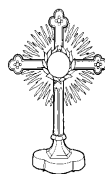
Por el don de la diversidad en la Iglesia

Oremos para que el Espíritu Santo nos ayude a reconocer el don de los diferentes carismas dentro de la comunidad cristiana, y a descubrir la riqueza de las diferentes tradiciones rituales en el corazón de la Iglesia Católica.

EUCCHARISTIC 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,

"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, Anthony Reveillac, Angelina Virola, Ashley Thatcher, Constance Sewing, Elsa Pacheco, Josie Gibbs, Kelley Nelson, Kirsten Kisselman, Mary Jane Nemara, Mary Warren, Ray Sewing, Raymond Sewing, Rev. Msgr. Edward C. Puleo.

Recently Departed but never will be forgotten...

Albert Rego, Robert Mayer, Gladys Pieters, Arthur Fiore, Christine Baviello, Rose M. Borbone, Maryann Pletterer

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

January 21, 2024 \$5422.41



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; 1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28
Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34

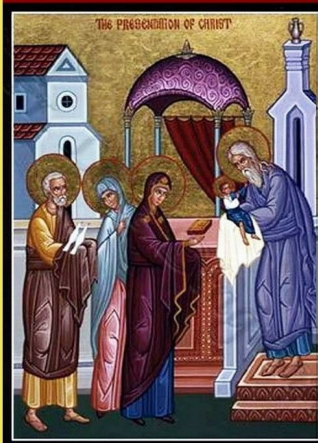
LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Dt 18, 15-20; 1 Cor 7, 32-35/Mc 1, 21-28
Lunes: 2 Sm 15, 13-14. 30; 16, 5-13; Mc 5, 1-20
Martes: 2 Sm 18, 9-10. 14. 24-25. 30-19, 3; Mc 5, 21-43
Miércoles: 2 Sm 24, 2. 9-17; Mc 6, 1-6
Jueves: 1 Re 2, 1-4. 10-12; Mc 6, 7-13
Viernes: Mal 3, 1-4; Heb 2, 14-18; Lc 2, 22-40 o 2, 22-32
Sábado: 1 Re 3, 4-13; Mc 6, 30-34

Purification of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

February 2



"(On this day), the feast of CANDLEMAS, we recall the PRESENTATION OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST. Forty days after His birth, Mary and Joseph went to Jerusalem to offer Him to the Lord as prescribed by the law of Moses.

~ St. John Paul II ~