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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:00 AM

Daily: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 8:00 AM

Wednesday 7:00 PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday: 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Wednesday: 6:30 PM – 7:00 PM or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

For registered and practicing parishioners (weekly attendance at Mass) by arrangement with Father Chester. Preparation classes are held at 7:00 PM on the third Thursday of each month. Please call to register.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Engaged parishioners are requested to make arrangements with Father Chester at least one year in advance.

CARE OF THE SICK

Please notify the Parish Office for a visit for a homebound or ill individual. Call for a prayer intention to be included in the bulletin and/or weekly intentions. Please notify us when someone is hospitalized.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP AND REGISTRATION

Every family should be registered properly. Registration is necessary to qualify for the Religious Education Program and the reception of the Sacraments.

Certificates of eligibility for sponsorship for Baptism or Confirmation will be given only to active (weekly Mass attendance) registered parishioners.

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Food Pantry Patty Battipaglia 735-6020

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Monthly Eucharistic Adoration 735-4582 Mary Kauza Jane Ricketts 782-6216

Parish Landscape Kevin Cahill 730-9384

Parish Pastoral Council Denise Botto 996-6760

Parish Picnic Debbie Fass 730-7303

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Readers Robert Preston 510-2712

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Rosary Society Debora Jamicky 894-8923

Sanctuary Guild Kathy Mathews 735-9511

SCRIP Program Jennifer Perna 208-0472

Social Concerns Dawn Salerno 477-0105

Doreen Opeikun 507-6752

Stewardship Lori Young 713-1997

<u>Ushers</u> Rich Kopf 797-4607

Veterans Military Apostolate Parish Office 735-4024

Website Ed Schilke 713-4914

Wedding Coordinator Ellen McCarthy 735-2028

Welcome Carol Rocha 996-7612

Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, JULY 3RD

KUBIAN/CONNOLY WEDDING 1:30 PM

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM **MASS**

SUNDAY, JULY 4TH

8:00 AM **MASS** 9:30 AM **MASS** 11:00 AM **MASS**



MONDAY, JULY 5TH — OFFICE CLOSED

8:00 AM **MASS**

TUESDAY, JULY 6TH

8:00 AM **MASS**

1:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MEETING 3:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MTG

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7TH

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, JULY 8TH

8:00 AM **MASS**

7:00 PM PICNIC MTG

FRIDAY, JULY 9TH

8:00 AM MASS

SATURDAY, JULY 10TH

10:00 AM **GARVEY MEMORIAL MASS**

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM **MASS**

SUNDAY, JULY 11TH

8:00 AM **MASS** 9:30 AM **MASS** 11:00 AM **MASS**



July 4, 2021 — 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings for the week of July 4, 2021

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd]/

2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15 ab

[cf. 2b]/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab,

8b and 15 [15a]/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3,

10-11, 18-19 [22]/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:

16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28,

39-40 [39a]/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4,

6-7 [cf. Ps 69:33]/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/

Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

Observances for the week of July 4, 2021

Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time;

Independence Day

Monday: St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest;

St. Elizabeth of Portugal

Tuesday: St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

Friday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and

Companions, Martyrs

Saturday: BVM (Blessed Virgin Mary)

Next Sunday:

(C)LPI

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Diocese of Metuchen, in collaboration with the other four Roman Catholic Arch/Dioceses in New Jersey, will sponsor "The Joy of Love & Family," a conference series in celebration of the Year of the Family as declared by Pope Francis.

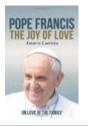
The Joy of Love & Family Conference

Beginning on June 24, the series of free talks will premiere over six months, covering topics for every stage of family life.

More information, including the full speaker line up and talk titles, is available on www.lightingheartsonfire.org, where you can also sign up to receive notifications.

Stay tuned to diocesan social media pages @diocesemetuchen for continued updates!





Spiritual Links to Prayers and Daily Devotions

The Catholic Crusade

www.thecatholiccrusade.com

Daily Rosary Meditations

www.schooloffaith.com

Daily Gospel Reflection

www.faith.nd.edu

Pray More Novenas

www.praymorenovenas.com

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

www.bible.usccb.org

"Explaining the Faith" — Father Chris Alar, MIC from National Shrine of the Divine Mercy, Stockbridge, MA

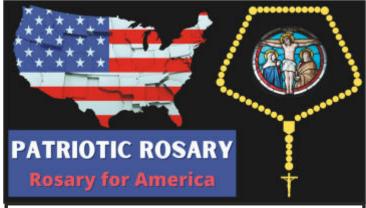
www.thedivinemercy.org/articles/explaining-faith

Volunteer to Make Pocket Rosaries for

Law Enforcement

The Office of Family Life is pleased to announce the creation of the Blue Rosary Guild. The purpose of the Guild is for community members of all ages to make pocket Rosaries for law enforcement officers, providing them with support and spiritual strength and promoting devotion to the Rosary among all the faithful. All materials and instructions will be provided and a Zoom virtual tutorial will also be scheduled. Anyone interested should contact:

Cristina D'Averso Collins,
Director of the Office of Family Life at
cdaverso@diometuchen.org.



To pray this rosary go to https://www.thecatholiccrusade.com Scroll to bottom of page and click on the picture.

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





Faith Formation 2021 – 2022

We are still in need of **(2)** Catechists and classroom aides in order for our program to be successful. Please consider participating in passing our Catholic faith onto our youth who are the future of our church.

Training is available for catechists. If interested, please contact:

Sandra Kopka PCL (908) 735-5086 stcscre@gmail.com

PROTECT OUR PLANET by Caring for God's Creation

How can you care for our oceans and seas?



Dispose of trash properly. When we dump what we don't need in the oceans and seas, these sensitive habitats are disrupted by plastic pollution. Millions of pounds of trash degrade in the living seas and may strangle, poison, or harm all

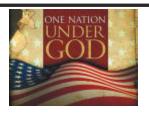
types of ocean wildlife, including plankton – the drifting plants and algae in our oceans that produce at least 50% of the planet's oxygen.

We are called to care for God's creation for current and future generations by honoring God's gift and protecting our marine environment.

Ask the Legislature to Increase Nonpublic School Accounts in FY 2022 Budget

Governor Murphy announced his proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2022 on February 23, 2021. The Budget process is now in the hands of the Legislature. We are asking the Legislature for increases in the per-pupil amounts for the nonpublic transportation ceiling and the Nonpublic School Technology Initiative. Specifically, we are asking for the nonpublic school transportation ceiling to be raised to \$1,150.00 and for the per-pupil amount for nonpublic school technology to be increased to \$45.00.

For more information, visit: https://njcatholic.org/faith-in-action



St. Catherine of Siena Parish Picnic 2021 Sunday, September 26th

(Rain or Shine)

Our picnic committees are in need of several more volunteers

Sign-up sheets are downstairs in the kitchen area beginning, Saturday, June 26th after all the weekend Masses and continuing through July 4th.



Please find an area that might interest you to volunteer. There are many opportunities to help and we greatly appreciate it.

If you would like to chair one of our committees, please contact Debbie Fass (973) 222-8100.

Look for future sign-up sheets for hot/cold foods, specialty items, and desserts.

Tickets will be available starting August 7th after all the Masses and continuing through Saturday, September 25th.

Tickets will also be available at our main entryway to the picnic grounds on the day of the picnic. YOU WON'T MISS IT – IT'S GOING TO BE A SPECIAL CARNIVAL TENT!!



Stewardship Scripture Reflections

July 4, 2021 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Stewardship reflection

"As the Lord spoke to me, the spirit entered me and set me on my feet, and I heard the one who was speaking say to me, 'Son of man, I am sending you..." EZEKIEL 2:2-3

God has a plan for each of us. He calls us to do something for Him. But, He doesn't leave us on our own to figure it out. He gives us the resources we need to do His work. Are you listening for God's call? When you hear it, do you get on your feet and do the work He asks of you? Do not be afraid. God doesn't call the equipped, he equips the called. Answer His call.



Mass Intentions

Saturday: July 3, 2021

4:30 PM Protection of Babies in the Womb &

Their Families

Sunday: July 4, 2021

8:00 AM Jose Matos

r/o The Koretzky and Matos

Family

9:30 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

11:00 AM For Our Country

Monday: July 5, 2021

8:00 AM Bob Campbell

r/o The Owens Family

Tuesday: July 6, 2021

8:00 AM William Ozmon

r/o The Ricketts Family

Wednesday: July 7, 2021

7:00 PM Anna Iwaszczenko

r/o The Perna & Rocca Family

Thursday: July 8, 2021

8:00 AM Brian Erling

r/o The Erling Family

Friday: July 9, 2021

8:00 AM Florence DeLuca

r/o Diane Corrigan

Saturday: July 10, 2021

4:30 PM Mike Foxx

r/o St. Catherine's Parish

Sunday: July 11, 2021

8:00 AM Antonio Rofrano

r/o The Innocenti Family

9:30 AM Catherine & Michael Pierce

r/o Stephanie & Michael Pierce

11:00 AM John W & Catherine Raymonds

r/o St. Catherine's Parish



The collection for June 27th was \$3,621.00 (96 envelopes) for the general collection and \$2,788.00 for the Mission Collection.



On-Line Giving for June 27th was \$3,237.00 (101 donors).

From the Pastor's Desk Independence Day

Today we celebrate the Fourth of July, Independence Day. On this day, we call to mind the birth of our nation. As Catholics, we are called to truly cherish in a very special way the many freedoms we enjoy in this country, freedoms not available to many people in other parts of the world. Our bishops have called on us to reaffirm our commitment to appreciate and guard our freedoms, especially our right to religious liberty. We are reminded that they should never be taken for granted.

The following "INDEPENDENCE DAY PRAYER" taken from the publication outlet, "Traditional and Contemporary Prayers," reflects the significance of these freedoms as we affirm Our Lord as the foundation of our freedoms:

Lord, we stand today as our forefathers have stood before You in times gone by, celebrating our history and reveling in all the great things that our country has achieved.

On this day we rejoice in the favor You have generously given us. We thank You for the blessings of liberty, for this generation and for the generations to come. We thank You for our independence, peace and for all those who have bravely given their lives in defense of freedom and justice. We thank You that Your gracious and provident hand has given us so much.

Yet as a nation and people we have not always chosen the right way. We ask You to forgive us for those times. On this day, we commit ourselves to whole-heartedly honoring and serving You. With everything that we are, we lay our lives before You.

Make us a generous people, a holy nation, a people set aside to love You forever, for the sake of the land of the brave and free, and the peoples and nations of this world.

Today, we do not presume Your grace for our country.
Our land is in need of You. Our peoples are in need of
You. Our industry and business is in need of You.
May we look only to You this Independence Day, dependent on You.

Please come now by your glorious Holy Spirit, breathe new life into the sinews on this nation. May justice flow like rivers and righteousness like a never failing stream, until the whole of our country is covered with Your glory, as the waters cover the sea.

We ask all this in the wonderful name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for all eternity. Amen.

Fr. Chester

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