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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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Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

12:00 PM — 5:00 PM PARISH PICNIC

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH

8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH

8:00 AM MASS

1:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

3:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST

6:00 PM — 7:30 PM 7TH & 8TH GRADE FAITH FORMATION

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND

8:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM — 10:00 PM ED SCHILKE INSTALLATION AS NEW METUCHEN DIOCESE CHAPTER 4 PRESIDENT OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD

8:00 AM MASS

6:30 PM FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH

9:00 AM — 2:00 PM BOLD TEAM BUILDING DAY

10:00 AM PETER KIERAN MEMORIAL MASS

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH

8:00 AM — 9:00 AM 2ND GRADE FAITH FORMATION

8:00 AM MASS

8:30 AM — 10:15 AM 3RD GRADE FAITH FORMATION

9:30 AM FAMILY MASS

11:00 AM MASS

12:00 PM ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

PLEASE NOTE: The kitchen/common area has been formally renamed as Fellowship Hall.



Readings for the week of September 18, 2022

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8/1 Tm 2:1-8/
Lk 6:1-13 or 16:10-13

Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 8:
16-18

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35,
44/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and
17bc/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk
9:18-22

Saturday: Eccl 11:9—12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14
and 17/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/1 Tm
6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

Observances for the week of September 18, 2022

Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical

Monday: St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

Tuesday: Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gön, Priest, and Paul
Chöng Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs

Wednesday: St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Friday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Next Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; National
Migration Week

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Deacon Mike will be holding Altar Server Training on
Sunday, September 25th noon to 1 PM for all
interested parishioners who have received their
First Holy Communion.
Existing Altar servers are encouraged
to join as a refresher.

St. Catherine's Family Mass

Come celebrate "FAMILY MASS" on the last
Sunday of every month at 9:30 AM, where young-
sters serve as contemporary musicians,
altar servers, ushers, readers, and
offertory helpers.

Join us on September 25th at
9:30 AM for our next Family
Mass.

Please contact us at
stcathfamilymass@gmail.com
to volunteer at any Family
Mass.



St. Catherine's Men! SAVE THE DATE

**Immaculate Conception Church's
Men's Cornerstone Weekend
Friday Evening Oct. 21st & Saturday, Oct. 22nd**

This year marks the 25th Anniversary Year of Cornerstone.
Praising God..... Through Tough Times.

For more info:
<https://www.iccannandale.org/mens-cornerstone>
Or scan this QR Code to Register.



Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to celebrate your
25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary
with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage
vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special
Evening Prayer Service at the
Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on

Sunday, October 30, 2022 at 3:30 PM.



Registration is required. Please register
online at:
<https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration>

If you are unable to access, please contact the Family Life
Office at 732-562-1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org.

Registration will close on October 7, 2022. Although no fee
is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given
a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this spe-
cial occasion.

Donations of Gratitude may be made online at
<https://www.diometuchen.org/donation-silver-and-gold>
or by calling (732) 562-1543.



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 A "Good Will" or "bag of grocery" to support our food pantry and Thanksgiving Dinner Baskets for the needy is greatly appreciated. Open to the whole community.

Must be 18 years or older to enter.
 Free sub sandwiches, sodas, waters and desserts.
 Feel free to bring your own "special" drinks, food, salads, appetizers, and desserts.
 Please call Kris 908-797-4023 to reserve a table if you have 8 or more.
 Seats are first come first serve with limited seating of 200.

Presenting for the First Time
Family Movie Night
Friday, September 23, 2022



Bring your lawn chairs, bean bag chairs, blankets and pillows and get comfortable outdoors in the church parking lot for our first ever movie night.

Bring the family of all ages beginning at 6:30 PM so you can purchase candy, chips, popcorn, and soft drinks before the show. We will show the featured film on a big outdoor screen with a sound system. Admission is free, but any donations would be appreciated.

Our feature film will be **Encanto**.

Get ready for a night of fun with friends and family. If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to call, or text Debbie Fass at (973) 222-8100.

Diocesan Pilgrimage To The National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception With Our Lady of Victories and St. Edward's

LAST CHANCE!

The trip will be on Saturday, September 24th with departure times between 5:00 AM and 5:30 AM. The day will include incredible music, opportunity for confession, Mass and plenty of free time to tour and visit the Basilica. We depart around 4:30 PM, make a quick stop for dinner and return back to Baptistown and Milford around 10 - 11 PM.

If you would like a ride on the **FREE BUS** to Washington D.C. for our Metuchen Diocese 40th Anniversary, please email Bernadette Hunsicker brndtthunsicker2@gmail.com or call (908) 510-4050 with your name, email address, cell phone number and how many seats you would like to reserve.

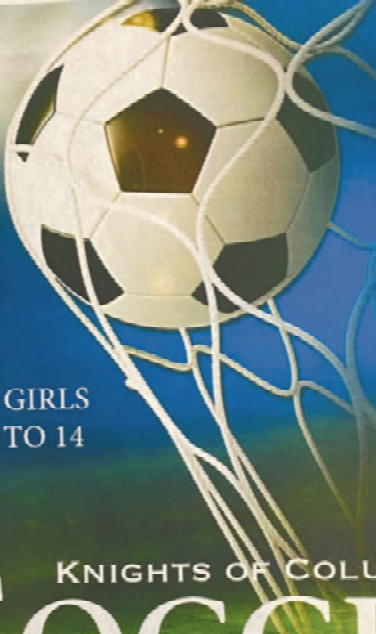
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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FAITH IN ACTION

For more information call Mark Kubian 732-422-6463 or email: mkkubian@gmail.com

Has Your Email Changed?

If your email has changed in the past year or so, please send your updated email information to scoscoffice@gmail.com



We are saddened to announce the death of:

Marie Nuzzio, mother of Don Nuzzio, who passed away on October 30, 2021



Mass Intentions

Saturday: September 17, 2022

4:30 PM Joseph & Betty Kosinski
r/o Marlene Kosinski

Sunday: September 18, 2022

8:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

9:30 AM Lucille Sullivan
r/o The Quick Family

11:00 AM John & Catherine Raymonds

Monday: September 19, 2022

8:00 AM Rosa Rofrano
r/o Ortensia Clancey

Tuesday: September 20, 2022

8:00 AM Anastasia Stolut
r/o Joanne & Tom Hyland

Wednesday: September 21, 2022

7:00 PM Margaret Rocca Birthday Blessings

Thursday: September 22, 2022

8:00 AM Albina Krowicki
r/o The Baker Family

Friday: September 23, 2022

8:00 AM Rev. Manuel M. Lorente

Saturday: September 24, 2022

4:30 PM Margaret Rocca
r/o The Family

Sunday: September 25, 2022

8:00 AM Anna May & Harry Coster
r/o The Munro Family

9:30 AM Michael G. Saccal
r/o St. Catherine's Rosary Society

11:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

From the Pastor's Desk "Catechetical Sunday" September 18th

For many years now, the Church in the United States has designated the third weekend of September "Catechetical Sunday" to coincide with the beginning of the new School year.

Here is a timely quote from the national catechetical office of the US Catholic Bishops on religious education:

Catechesis is a distinct and special ministry in the Church. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church makes clear, "Catechesis is intimately bound up with the whole of the Church's life . . . her inner growth and correspondence with God's plan depend essentially on catechesis" (no. 7). This ministry of teaching in the name of the Church has a profound dignity, which is why catechists are formally commissioned by the Church. It is only fitting that we set aside a day to highlight this ministry and invite the entire church community to think about our responsibility to share our faith with others.

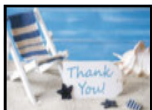
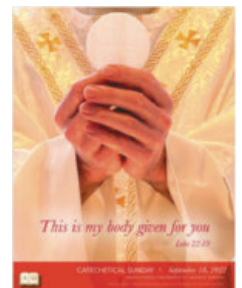
Parents are truly the primary catechists of their children. They prepare the soil and plant the first seeds of faith. On Catechetical Sunday, we not only highlight the work of catechists in parishes and schools, but we also commend parents and guardians and encourage them to take seriously their role of making their Catholic households a place where faith is passed on to the next generation. This is why the rite of blessing of catechists used on Catechetical Sunday includes a blessing of parents and guardians.

Our parish is so fortunate to have wonderful people in the religious education program. We are blessed to have **Mrs. Sandra Kopka**, the director of our Religious Education Program. We are also extremely blessed to have Mrs. Gallagher and Mrs. Sniscak, Mrs. Fass and Miss Riley, Mrs. Sutter, Mrs. Lawrence, Mr. Muir and Miss Morgan, Mrs. Strauss and Mr. Matthew, and Mrs. Hubbard as **volunteer catechists and aids** who give of their time, energy, and talents to share the Catholic faith with the Children entrusted to their care. Please keep all these wonderful people in your prayers for a successful ministry.

I hope and pray that all the young people of our parish will take part in the activities of this exciting ministry; **but we need their parents to encourage them!**

Once again, on behalf of the entire parish, we extend our thanks to our Catechetical team for their dedication to our children.

Fr. Chester



The collections for September 4th were \$3,327.00 (99 envelopes) for the General Collection and \$551.00 (37 envelopes) for Religious Education. The collections for September 11th were \$4,993.00 (133 envelopes) for the General Collection and \$1,281.00 (38 envelopes) for the Peter Pence Collection.



On-Line Giving for the September 4th collection was \$3,373.00 (115 donors). The collection for September 11th was \$2,818.00 (104 donors).

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