

# St. Philip & St. James

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

430 SOUTH MAIN STREET • PHILLIPSBURG, NJ 08865

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME † OCTOBER 13, 2024

### Mission Statement

To love God and neighbor by sharing our belief in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior through prayerful celebration of His Sacraments, ministering to all in need, protecting life, and welcoming all who come to us.

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 8:00 am

### Saturday & Sunday

4:30 pm, 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 am; 1:00 pm (*Spanish*) & 5:30 pm

**Weekday Masses:** Monday - Friday:

6:45 am & 12:10 pm

**Confessions:** Saturdays 10:00 am & 3:15 pm

**Adoration:** Monday - Friday:

7:30 am—8 pm in the Chapel

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(Closed for lunch) 1:00pm-4:00pm

Mondays & Fridays 3-5pm

(Para asistencia en español)



### Baptism, Marriage and RCIA

Please call the Church Office to make arrangements.

### PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

#### **Sunday 10/13/24**

Knights of Columbus Advance Ticket Sale of Pasta Dinner after all Masses, 2pm Empanada Sale in front of the Church, and 2pm—8pm Spanish Charismatic Couples Retreat in Mercy Hall & PMR.

#### **Mon. 10/14/24**

#### **Columbus Day - Church Office, Adoration, & School Closed.**

6pm Catholic Daughters Meeting in MH, & 7pm Spanish Charismatic Group "Aliento de Vida" in the Church.

#### **Tues. 10/15/24**

8:30am Legion of Mary in Mercy Hall, 4:30pm Faith Formation (CCD) Classes at SSPJ School, 6pm Legion of Mary in Conf. Room, and 7pm Cenacles of Life & St. Peregrine Novena in the Chapel.

#### **Wed. 10/16/24**

7pm Parish Fundraising Meeting in Conference Room

#### **Thurs. 10/17/24**

7pm Blue Army Prayer Cell in the Chapel.

#### **Friday 10/18/24**

#### **Sat. 10/19/24**

7am-8am Men's Fellowship Group in PMR, 9am-10am New Altar Server Practice in the Church, 9am-1pm Soup Kitchen in Mercy Hall, & Columbiettes Bake Sale after 4:30pm Mass.

#### **Sunday 10/20/24**

10am RCIA in Conference Room, 10am Blues Grieving Group in Mercy Hall, 1pm Legion of Mary Curia in Mercy Hall, & Columbiettes Bake Sale after all Mass.

## **TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Dear Family!

This Sunday, the readings focus on seeking the Wisdom of God. Jesus is our message as Jesus is the Wisdom of God (1st Reading) and Jesus is the Word of God (2nd Reading). There could be three kinds of people: the morally wanting, the morally good and striving for 'Perfection'. Jesus shows the young man in the Gospel the Heart of God. In the feeding of the 5000, 'the morally wanting' would never have cared for the hungry people; 'the morally good' would feel bad and come up with something to help; but 'the striving for perfection' would open his heart and share everything he has. The Eucharist we celebrate every day modeled after that sharing and striving for 'Perfection'.

In the same order, we also see Christians that hardly abide by any laws other than personal laws; Christians with just the 10 commandments that emphasize 'what we do' rather than 'what happens to others'; and the Christians who abide by the Law of love. This in turn is reflected in the Apostolic nature of our Church. Thus, we witness, people who do not share in the Faith of the Church; People who keep the faith to themselves; and people who see the compelling need to share the faith and evangelize in our own little ways.

Talking about the 'gaze' of Jesus, Pope Francis shared, "The young man did not allow himself to be conquered by Jesus' loving gaze, and thus was not able to change. Only by accepting with humble gratitude the love of the Lord do we free ourselves from the seduction of idols and the blindness of our illusions. Money, pleasure, success dazzle but then disappoint: they promise life but procure death. The Lord asks us to detach ourselves from these false riches in order to enter into true life, the full, authentic, luminous life. "Have you felt Jesus' gaze upon you? Do you prefer to leave this Square with the joy that Jesus gives us or with the sadness of heart that worldliness offers us?"

**Special Second Collection on October 27<sup>th</sup> to assist with Hurricane Helene Relief Efforts:** The diocese will be sending all the proceeds to the relief. Let us keep in prayer all those who have lost loved ones, homes, and livelihoods and with those who are responding with rescue and repair efforts. Thank you for your support!

### **Special Masses at the Cemetery for ALL SOULS DAY:**

This year, All Souls Day falls on a Saturday. We have added a few masses to accommodate the spiritual needs of people. We will still have the usual 8am mass. In addition to that we will have a Special Mass at 10am in our Cemetery. It has been a while since we celebrated a mass at the Cemetery grounds, and it is the perfect day for it. Please join us in prayer at the back of the mausoleum. There will also be the usual 4:30pm which is the Vigil Mass of Sunday. And the last of All Souls Day Mass will be a Special Mass at 7pm for all those who have passed away last year from the parish. We will have their pictures blessed and names read out. This special Mass at 7pm will be in our Church.

### **Special Days in October:**

Our diocese will have the following Masses: The Silver and Gold Anniversary Mass and celebration is on October 20<sup>th</sup> and the special Annual Blue Mass on October 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Confirmation is on May 7, 2025**

We will have the Confirmation Mass on May 7, 2025 at 5pm in our Church presided by Most Reverend Arthur Serratelli. At present we have 42 children collectively. I thank our Faith Formation Team, Mrs. Escarlen Duran and our Confirmation Coordinator Deacon Rob Fisher and the parents in forming our children for this important sacrament. Sunday Mass attendance is the source of all faith formation!

### **Pastor's Appeal:**

I am forever grateful to all of you for your generosity. We continue to receive help from families. As you have heard me say more than a few times now that this year our parish's focus will be our children and investing in our children. The demands of the church is such that we put in extra care in this venture to making our church a vibrant community. I ask you to prayerfully consider helping us with the Pastor's Appeal this year so that our planned ideas could be implemented in time for our children and for our parish.

Fr. Antony

## Mass Intentions

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13<sup>th</sup> - TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:00am – Elmer & Ruth Van Benschoten by Ed & Margaret Connolly  
 9:00 – Enzo Marinelli by Lisa Marinelli  
 11:00 – Alice & Frank Doyle by Pat & Mike James  
 1:00pm (SP) – Eveani Sanchez by Dilone-Rodriguez Family  
 5:30pm - Peggy Howlin by Eileen Carey

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 14<sup>th</sup> – *St. Callistus*

6:45am – **No Mass**  
 9:00am – Margaret Mary & Harvey Hill by Family  
 12:10pm – **No Mass**

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15<sup>th</sup> – *St. Teresa of Jesus*

6:45am – Terry Boyle by Patricia Flynn  
 12:10pm – Mom & Dad by Camille

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16<sup>th</sup> – *St. Hedwig & St. Mary Alacoque*

6:45am – Jean Baptiste Gilet by Deacon Enock & Ines Berluce  
 12:10pm – Catherine Volpe by Charles & Maryann Decker

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17<sup>th</sup> – *St. Ignatius of Antioch*

6:45am – Margaret Petchonka by Children  
 12:10pm – John Natisin by Patricia Natisin

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18<sup>th</sup> – *St. Luke*

6:45am – Margaret Petchonka by Patrick Rossnagle  
 12:10pm – Mark Reda by Family

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19<sup>th</sup> – *Sts. John de Brébeuf & Isaac Jogues; and Companions*

8:00am – Daryl & Diana Liro by Catalli Family  
 4:30pm – Mahoney Family by Dieu Mahoney

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20<sup>th</sup> - TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:00am – Frank Fodero & Mariann Fisher by Deacon Rob  
 9:00 – David James Savitski by Janet Swim  
 11:00 – Mary A. (Sestito) Lear by Son, William  
 1:00pm (SP) – \*Sp. Int. John Lucas Reyes by Grandmother  
 5:30pm - Kevin Early by Kevin

## Stewardship

October 6, 2024: \$11,935.50  
 Online Giving: 3,382.50  
 \$15,318.00

Repairs & Reno: \$1,557.00  
 Various Collections: \$70.00

## Liturgical Ministry Schedule

October 19 <sup>th</sup>		
4:30pm	Acolyte	Mark Talpas
	Lector	Kelechi Odimma
	Minister	Maria Gural
	Minister	Melody Talpas
	Server	Chiazam Odimma
	Server	Chiezimuzo Odimma
October 20 <sup>th</sup>		
7:00am	Acolyte	Brett Bruckman
	Lector	Susan Gerhardt
	Server	Oliver McKenna
	Server	Anthony Stefano
9:00am	Acolyte	Cole Rautenberg
	Lector	Henrietta Schupper
	Minister	Michael Duffy
	Minister	Julie Duffy
	Server	-
	Server	-
11:00am	Acolyte	Robby Basel
	Lector	Denise Kassick
	Minister	Carol Bevilacqua
	Minister	Kevin Kassick
	Server	Luke Sretenovic
	Server	Gabriel Sretenovic
1:00pm	Lector	Juan Lalama
	Lector	Lisette Herrera
	Minister	Maria Rossenouff
	Announcements	Giovanni Lam
	Server	-
	Server	Ayeisha Jauridez
	Server	José Jauridez
5:30pm	Acolyte	-
	Lector	R. Craig Ellis
	Server	-
	Server	-

### 2024 PASTOR'S APPEAL

**Goal:** \$150,000.00  
**Total Received:** \$28,355.00  
 Let's keep the momentum going in order to meet our goal of \$150,000.00!  
 Thank you for your generosity.

The Church office, Adoration, and SSPJ school will be closed in observance of Columbus Day on Monday, October 14, 2024.



# Around the Parish

## Faith Formation News



**Faith Formation Classes at the SSPJ School  
at 137 Roseberry St, Phillipsburg NJ.**

**Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> &  
Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at  
4:30pm**

**Contact Mrs. Escarlen Duran (PCL) at  
908-454-0112 x406, if you have any questions.**

### **HOLY HOUR**



All are welcomed to come together for a Holy Hour on November 1, 2024 (First Friday) at 6:00 pm in the Church. Let's spend an hour with our Lord as a community.

### **Pray for the Sick**

*James Tersigni, Jamey Perrone, Lorraine Wonder, Rosa Zevallos, Manuel Venegas, The Pulecio Family, Charlotte Meglic, Shirley Emery, Theresa Adams, Brett Marino, The Quesada-Rocha Family, Janet Duran, Bob Hoesley, Steven Hille, Frances Fulse, Bill Coyle, Laura Rinaldi, Richard Dalrymple, Mauricio Castro, Eric Godleski, Jaxson Rand, Martha Richline, Owen McCaffery, Grace Epo, Rich Dantine & Kevin Stannard.*

### **Pray for our Military**☆☆☆

*Jack Pike, Michael Vega, Gianni Luzzetti, Lt. Colonel Abigail Gage, James B. Collins, Spec. Theodore Bill, Billy Erz, Andrew N. Zellers, Seth Reyes, Bryan Malizzi, Paul C. Hesch, Luis Quizhpi, Jason Erz, Staff Sargent Kevin Jiorle, Lt. Commander Dominique D'Anthony, Major Joseph Skopowski, & Airman Seth Reyes.*



*Please help us keep both prayer lists up to date, contact the parish office when changes occur.  
Thank you & God Bless.*

### **NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING:**

There will be an altar server training session on Saturday, October 19, 2024 at 9-10am in the church. Any student who has already received First Holy Communion and wants to be an altar server may attend the training!

### **SPSJ NURSING HOME MINISTRY**

Every 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month, we hold Mass at the following nursing homes, starting at 10am: First Tuesday at Complete Care also known as Brakeley Care Center, Second Tuesday at Lopatcong nursing home, and the Third Tuesday at Phillipsburg nursing home. During this time sacraments of Confession and Anointing of the Sick are available to the Catholic residents who desire them. In addition, Holy Communion is distributed to the Catholic residents of these facilities every Sunday. If you would like to participate in the ministry and pray with our elderly residents, please contact the Legion of Mary or Deacon Enock.

### **NURSING HOME SUNDAY ASSIGNMENTS**



**Lopatcong Nursing Home:** 10/13 Ed Socci, 10/20 Eileen Catalli & 10/27 Anne Coyle.

**Brakeley Nursing Home:** October-Deacon Francisco.

**Phillipsburg Care Center:** 10/13 Lisa Spanopolous & 10/20 Beth Dispoto.

### **DECEMBER BUS TRIP**

Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> – Joy to the World Christmas Show at American Music Theatre. The cost is \$95 per Adult and \$75 per Child, departing at 10 am and returning around 7 pm. Please contact Camille at 908-319-2719 for more information and/or to make reservations.

### **PRAYERS FOR CONCEPTION**

There will be Prayers for those who are trying to conceive a child on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, after the 4:30 pm mass. Please come to the front of the church by the altar after the mass. We will pray for you to conceive a child.

### **SOUP KITCHEN NEWS**



The dedicated volunteers of the St. Philip & St. James Soup Kitchen handed out 173 meals to individuals in our community this past weekend. Thank you to all that help feed those in need and all who donate, we truly appreciate it! We are in need of store bought cookies, pudding cups, as well as peanut butter and jelly. Please drop off your donation on Saturdays from 9am to 11am in Mercy Hall.

## **DEACON'S CORNER**

Dear Parishioners:

This week I'd like to talk about finding time in your busy life to commune with the Lord. I'd like to recommend an absolutely breathtaking place I discovered on retreat years ago on Lake Champlain. If you're ever in the state of Vermont (near the Canadian border), I highly recommend that you check out the Shrine of St. Anne (Diocese of Burlington).

Saint Anne's Shrine is a peaceful, spiritual, and historical attraction which has been developed and maintained for the past 100 years by the Society of Saint Edmund in Vermont's scenic Champlain Islands. Each season, thousands of religious pilgrims, vacationers and tourists visit the popular waterfront site in Isle La Motte for devotion and recreation.

The Shrine is situated on thirty-two acres, touching the shores of Lake Champlain and overlooking the Adirondack Mountains. Visitors can reflect among the pine trees in the Way of the Cross. Many rustic grottos, dedicated to the Saints, dot the grounds providing areas for peace and prayer.

An all-purpose building is open daily to visitors providing space in inclement weather. Picnic facilities are plentiful for families and groups of all types. Meals are available for organizations and groups by reservation while beverages, snacks and ice cream are served daily. The Gift Shop is open daily for visitors wishing to purchase books, religious articles, souvenirs and Vermont gifts.

I've been coming up here for prayer and personal reflection for many years. It's one of my go-to places to chill and reset. Where is yours??

May God always be pleased with us,

Deacon Rob

Source: <https://www.saintannesshrine.org>

## **MEMORIALS AND FEASTS THIS WEEK**

### **October 13 - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*October 14 - St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr - Optional Memorial*

### **October 15 - St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church - Memorial**

*October 16 - St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin - Optional Memorial*

### **October 17 - St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr - Memorial**

“I ask of you that your love for me be not untimely; allow me to be devoured of wild beasts, through whom I may attain unto God. I am the grain of God ground between the teeth of wild beasts, that I may be found to be the pure bread of Christ. Then indeed shall I be the true disciple of Christ when the world shall no longer behold my body. Beseech Christ on my behalf that through these means I may be found a perfect sacrifice. Not as Peter and Paul do I command you. They were apostles, I am the least of them; they were free, but I am a slave even unto this day but, if you wish, I shall be the freedman of Jesus Christ and in Him I shall rise again and be free. Amen.”- *from a letter to the Romans from Saint Ignatius of Antioch*

### **October 18 - St. Luke, Evangelist - Feast**

“Saint Luke appears to have born of a pagan Semitic family, probably in Syria. After accepting the Christian faith, he became a co-worker of the apostle Paul. From Saint Paul's preaching he compiled one of the four canonical gospels. He handed down to us an inspired account of the beginnings of the Church in another canonical work, the Acts of the Apostles, which tells of events up to the time of Saint Paul's first stay in Rome. Between his Gospel and Acts, St. Luke's writings account for more of the verses in the New Testament than even St. Paul. He has preserved for us some of the most famous parables and stories of the gospel tradition which we would not know otherwise, including Gabriel's annunciation to the Virgin Mary, the Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth, the Prodigal Son and the Good Samaritan.” *This excerpt from a homily (Hom. 17, 1-3, PL 76, 1139) by St. Gregory the Great (d. 604 AD)*

**SILVER & GOLD & 5 YEAR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> 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 20, 2024 at 3:00 pm. **This year the Silver and Gold Anniversary Prayer Service will include couples celebrating 5 years of marriage.** 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](mailto:amarshall@diometuchen.org). Registration will close on October 11, 2024. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online at <https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration> or calling 732-562-1543.

**BE A CHAMPION FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

As a CHAMPION for CATHOLIC CHARITIES, you are a champion in every sense of the word. Through your financial support, you provide a warm bed for someone who is homeless...food for a hungry child...emergency aid for a disaster victim...and help for a family in crisis; all of which truly makes you a champion in our eyes and in the eyes of those we serve. Please join our team today and become a CHAMPION for CATHOLIC CHARITIES by making a gift or purchasing a raffle ticket.

Go to [www.diometuchen.org/champions](http://www.diometuchen.org/champions) to make a gift or download a raffle form to purchase a ticket. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated. Checks should be made payable to Champions for Catholic Charities and mailed to Champions for Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen, PO Box 191, Metuchen, NJ 08840-0191. Questions may be directed by email to [champions@diometuchen.org](mailto:champions@diometuchen.org) or by phone to 732-562-2432.



**October 19 - St. John De Brébeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priest & Companions, Martyrs - Memorial**

“My confidence is placed in God who does not need our help for accomplishing his designs. Our single endeavor should be to give ourselves to the work and to be faithful to him, and not to spoil his work by our shortcomings” *(from a letter of Isaac Jogues to a Jesuit friend in France, September 12, 1646, a month before he died).*

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS**

The Catholic Daughters will meet Monday, October 14, 2024 at 6 pm in Mercy Hall. New members are welcome.

**"THE BLUES" GROUP**

Grieving, depressed, need support? Come & join us on Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am in Mercy Hall. We will give you the support you need to get through this difficult time.

**UNBORN PRAYER SERVICE**

On Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, at 2:30 pm in St. Philip & St. James Church, there will be an Unborn Prayer Service. This is a special service for those who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, or abortion. An opportunity to name your child is expressed compassionately and confidentially through meditative prayer. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Mass will follow at 4:30 pm. For more information, call (908) 454-9880.

**COLUMBIETTES BAKE SALE**

The Warren Council Columbiettes #474 will be having our cake sale on October 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> at St. Philip & St. James Church. We will be selling after all masses. Our fund raisers allow us to help our charities in our community. Come enjoy our baked goods with your tea or coffee.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #474**

The Knights of Columbus will hold a Pasta Dinner Sunday November 3<sup>rd</sup> in Mercy Hall from 3-7pm. The menu will consists of Pasta, Meatballs, Sausage, Rolls, Salad, a Drink and Desert. (You can chose either Eat-In or Take-Out.) Buy your tickets in advance for \$12 the weekends of October 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> and October 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> after all masses or at the door for \$14; and kids 6-12 years old \$6.



## Community News

### FREE PRODUCE MARKET



On Wednesday, November 13, 2024, LocalShare with the collaboration of Warren County Hunger Coalition will be set up in the Mercy Hall parking lot from 4pm-5:30pm. Please share with those you may know that will benefit from this charitable gesture.

### NOTICIAS EN ESPAÑOL

**La oficina de la iglesia y la adoración, y la escuela estarán cerradas en conmemoración del Día de Colón el lunes 14 de octubre de 2024.**

### DEL ESCRITORIO DEL P. ANTONY **VIGÉSIMO OCTAVO DOMINGO DEL** **TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

Querida Familia!

Este domingo, las lecturas se centran en la búsqueda de la Sabiduría de Dios. Jesús es nuestro mensaje, como Jesús es la Sabiduría de Dios (1.<sup>a</sup> lectura) y Jesús es la Palabra de Dios (2.<sup>a</sup> lectura). Podría haber tres tipos de personas: los moralmente deficientes, los moralmente buenos y los que luchan por la “perfección”. Jesús le muestra al joven del Evangelio el Corazón de Dios. En la alimentación de los 5000, “los moralmente deficientes” nunca se habrían preocupado por la gente hambrienta; “los moralmente buenos” se sentirían mal y se les ocurriría algo para ayudar; pero “los que luchan por la perfección” abrirían su corazón y compartirían todo lo que tienen. La Eucaristía que celebramos todos los días se basó en ese compartir y luchar por la “perfección”.

En el mismo orden, vemos también cristianos que apenas se rigen por otras leyes que no sean las personales; cristianos que sólo se rigen por los diez mandamientos y que ponen el énfasis en “lo que hacemos” en lugar de “lo que les sucede a los demás”; y cristianos que se rigen por la Ley del amor. Esto, a su vez, se refleja en la naturaleza apostólica de nuestra Iglesia. Así, vemos a personas que no comparten la fe de la Iglesia; personas que se guardan la fe para sí mismas; y personas que ven la imperiosa necesidad de compartir la fe y evangelizar a nuestra manera.

El Papa Francisco, hablando de la “mirada” de Jesús, compartió: “El joven no se dejó conquistar por la mirada amorosa de Jesús y por eso no logró cambiar. Sólo acogiendo con humilde gratitud el amor del Señor nos liberamos de la seducción de los ídolos y de la ceguera de nuestras ilusiones. El dinero, el placer, el éxito deslumbran y luego desilusionan: prometen vida pero procuran la muerte. El Señor nos pide que nos desprendamos de estas falsas riquezas para entrar en la vida verdadera, la vida plena, auténtica, luminosa. ¿Has sentido la mirada de Jesús sobre ti? ¿Prefieres salir de esta plaza con la alegría que nos da Jesús o con la tristeza del corazón que nos ofrece la mundanidad?”.

**Segunda colecta especial el 27 de octubre para ayudar a las víctimas del huracán Helene:** la diócesis enviará todos los fondos recaudados a las víctimas. Oremos por todos aquellos que han perdido a sus seres queridos, sus hogares y sus medios de vida y por quienes están respondiendo con las labores de rescate y reparación. ¡Gracias por su apoyo!

### **Misas especiales en el cementerio para el DÍA DE LOS DIURNOS:**

Este año, el Día de los Difuntos cae en sábado. Hemos añadido algunas misas para atender las necesidades espirituales de las personas. Seguiremos teniendo la misa habitual de las 8:00 am. Además, tendremos una misa especial a las 10:00 am en nuestro cementerio. Hace tiempo que no celebramos una misa en el terreno del cementerio y es el día perfecto para ello. Únase a nosotros en oración en la parte trasera del mausoleo. También habrá la misa habitual de las 4:30 pm, que es la misa de vigilia del domingo. Y la última misa del Día de los Difuntos será una misa especial a las 7:00 pm para todos los que fallecieron el año pasado de la parroquia. Bendiciremos sus imágenes y leeremos sus nombres. Esta misa especial a las 7:00 pm será en nuestra iglesia.

### **Días especiales en octubre:**

Nuestra diócesis tendrá las siguientes misas: La misa y celebración del aniversario de plata y oro será el 20 de octubre y la misa azul anual especial será el 30 de octubre.

### **La Confirmación será el 7 de mayo de 2025:**

Tendremos la Misa de Confirmación el 7 de mayo de 2025 a las 5:00 pm en nuestra Iglesia presidida por el Reverendísimo Arthur Serratelli. En la actualidad, tenemos 42 niños en conjunto. Agradezco a nuestro Equipo de Formación en la Fe, a la Sra. Escarlen Duran y a nuestro Coordinador de Confirmación, el Diácono Rob Fisher, y a los padres por formar a nuestros niños para este importante sacramento. ¡La asistencia a la Misa dominical es la fuente de toda formación en la fe!

### **Apelación del Pastor:**

Estoy eternamente agradecido a todos ustedes por su generosidad. Seguimos recibiendo ayuda de las familias. Como me han oído decir más de una vez, este año el enfoque de nuestra parroquia serán nuestros niños y la inversión en ellos. Las exigencias de la iglesia son tales que ponemos especial cuidado en esta iniciativa para hacer de nuestra iglesia una comunidad vibrante. Les pido que consideren en oración ayudarnos con la Campaña del Pastor este año para que nuestras ideas planificadas puedan implementarse a tiempo para nuestros niños y para nuestra parroquia.

Padre Antony

### **HORA SANTA**

Todos son bienvenidos a reunirse para la Hora Santa el 1 de noviembre de 2024 (primer viernes) a las 6:00pm en la iglesia. Pasemos una hora con nuestro Señor como comunidad.

### **APELACIÓN DEL PASTOR 2024**

Hasta ahora, la Apelación del Pastor ha recaudado \$28,355.00. ¡Mantengamos el impulso para alcanzar nuestra meta de \$150,000.00! Gracias por su generosidad.

### **MERCADO DE VERDURAS GRATIS**



El miércoles 13 de noviembre de 2024, el LocalShare con la colaboración de la Coalición contra el Hambre del Condado de Warren se instalará en el estacionamiento del Mercy Hall de 4pm a 5:30pm. Por favor, compártelo con aquellos que conozcan que se beneficiarán de este gesto caritativo.

### **ORACIONES POR LA CONCEPCIÓN**

El sábado 19 de octubre, después de la misa de las 4:30 pm, se realizarán oraciones por quienes están tratando de concebir un hijo. Por favor, acérquese al altar, después de la misa.

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