

St. Philip & St. James

CATHOLIC CHURCH

430 SOUTH MAIN STREET • PHILLIPSBURG, NJ 08865

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME † OCTOBER 27, 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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(Para asistencia en español)

Journey of Faith

Baptism, Marriage and RCIA

Please call the Church Office to make arrangements.

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Sunday 10/27/24** 10am OCIA in Conference Room, 2pm Empanada Sale in front of the Church, & Advance ticket sale of Knights of Columbus Pasta Dinner in front of Church after all masses.
- Mon. 10/28/24** 7pm Spanish Charismatic Group “Aliento de Vida” in the Church.
- Tues. 10/29/24** 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. 10/30/24**
- Thurs. 10/31/24** 7pm Blue Army Prayer Cell in the Chapel.
- Friday 11/1/24** 6pm First Friday Holy Hour in the Church.
- Sat. 11/2/24** 7am-8am Men’s Fellowship Group in PMR, 8:30am First Saturday Devotion in the Church, 9am—11am Committee Timon in PMR, 9am-12:30pm Soup Kitchen in Mercy Hall.
- Sunday 11/3/24** 10am OCIA in Conference Room, 10am Alumni Mass at SSPJ School, 3pm—7pm Spanish Prayer Cenacles in PMR, & 3pm—7pm Knights of Columbus Pasta Dinner in Mercy Hall.

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Family!

On Thursday, Pope Francis published a new encyclical focusing on the Sacred Heart of Jesus (Dilexit Nos - He loved us) in the context of a world which seems to have lost its heart. The Pope calls for a change of perspective, urging humanity to rediscover what is most essential: the heart. This encyclical will commemorate the 350th anniversary of the first appearance of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to St. Mary Alacoque in 1673. This 26 year old French Visitation nun received the mission from Jesus to spread His love particularly towards sinners. Please find a copy of the encyclical on the Vatican Website:

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/index.html>.

While the Sacred Heart of Jesus is the great Messianic sign and remedy for the evils of our time, the readings this Sunday point to healing the blind and restoring the faithful remnant. These symbolic actions point to Jesus performing messianic signs. The Catechism teaches us “By freeing some individuals from the earthly evils of hunger, injustice, illness and death, Jesus performed messianic signs. Nevertheless, he did not come to abolish all evils here below, but to free men from the gravest slavery, sin, which thwarts them in their vocation as God's sons and causes all forms of human bondage.” (CCC 549)

We learn a great lesson on how we need to approach our Lord and God, Jesus Christ. What amazed me the most in the gospel is the way Bartimaeus approaches Jesus. A beggar, throwing his cloak off (that is his sleeping mat, his only possession) and approaches Jesus with nothing except himself. This blind man could see again because he risked all for Jesus. Growth happens in Church when we take risk for our faith.

Election Catechesis from our Bishops

Last week I have posted all the articles that are found on USCCB website to learn what our Bishops are teaching us regarding our approach to the coming election. Please search for “Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship” and you can freely access these online resources.

Free access to Catechetical Formation for all leaders in ministry: The recent Synod listening sessions, and the recommendations from National Eucharistic Congress showed our people are asking for more opportunities for Catechesis at the parish level. Please visit franciscanathome.com for more information. This is a free platform, and we thank our Diocese to make this available to all of us for free.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA): (Previously known as RCIA) We started the OCIA program last Sunday for our parish. We thank all the members of this program along with Deacon Larry. We pray for all the candidates and wish them well!

Special Second Collection on October 27th to assist with Hurricane 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 & Church for ALL SOULS DAY: This year, All Souls Day falls on a Saturday. We will have the following masses on Saturday: 8am in the church, 10am at the Cemetery, 4:30pm Vigil Mass for Sunday and 7pm in the Church (All Souls who has passed away from our parish last year.)

Confirmation is on May 7th, 2025: We will have the Confirmation Mass on May 7th, 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, our Confirmation Coordinator Deacon Rob Fisher, Mr. Matthew Crouse the SSPJ Religious Education teacher, 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 for 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 27th - THIRTIETH

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:00am – Gregory Fodero by Deacon Rob
 9:00 – Gerline Gilet by Deacon Enock & Ines Berluche
 11:00 – Mary Mamrak by Family
 1:00pm (SP) – *Sp. Int. Gomez-Zuna Family
 5:30pm - John J. Luby Jr. by Jeannine Riotto

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28th – SAINTS SIMON & JUDE

6:45am – Maria Medina by Maria
 12:10pm – Carol Lupi by Victor & Melissa Lupi

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29th

6:45am – Terrance Boyle by John & Kathy Butchko
 12:10pm – Michael Jabbour by Bob & Dee Ellwood

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30th

6:45am – Mr. & Mrs. Robert Reily by Dan & Terri Starosciak
 12:10pm – William Hummell by Bev & Lisa

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31st

6:45am – Joyce Gasparovic by Ayala Family
 12:10pm – Mahoney Family by Dieu Mahoney
 7pm – Mary Huff by James & Jean Callinan

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1st – ALL SAINTS

6:45am – Thomas B. Smith, Sr. by Wife & Family
 12:10pm – Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary by Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament
 7pm – All Saints Mass - Bilingual

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd – ALL SOULS' DAY

8:00am – Donna Rossini by Ron Rossini
 10:00am - Cemetery Mass for all the Dearly Departed
 4:30pm – Rosa Duque – Darío F. Duque
 7pm – All Souls' Mass

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd - THIRTY-FIRST

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:00am – Terry Boyle by Donna & Paul Kucinski
 9:00 – *Sp. Int for Brad Hoffman by Hoffman Family
 11:00 – Margaret Pavkovic by Lisa & Matt Frinzi
 1:00pm (SP) – Miguel Santillan by Maria Santillan & Family
 5:30pm - Thomas Marullo, Sr. by Jeannine Riotto

Stewardship

October 20, 2024:	\$8,725.58
Online Giving:	<u>2,263.00</u>
	\$10,988.58
World Mission Day	\$1,164.58
SSPJ School	\$1,109.00
Various Collections:	\$200.00

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

November 2nd

4:30pm	Acolyte	Anthony Ventura
	Lector	Michael Boylan
	Minister	William Casey
	Minister	Thomas Casey
	Server	Gavin Hayes
	Server	Chiezimuzo Odimma

November 3rd

7:00am	Acolyte	Brett Bruckman
	Lector	Susan Gerhardt
	Server	Oliver McKenna
	Server	Anthony Stefano
9:00am	Acolyte	Cole Rautenberg
	Lector	Rachel Lazier
	Minister	-
	Minister	Marion Smith
	Server	Andrew Sretenovic
	Server	Adam Sretenovic

11:00am	Acolyte	Joseph Cruz
	Lector	Carol Bevilacqua
	Minister	Robert Hopkins
	Minister	Pat James
	Server	Erin Giacalone
	Server	Emma Giacalone

1:00pm	Lector	Oscar Dilone
	Lector	Gladys Jauridez
	Minister	Francisco Jauridez
	Announcements	Juan Lalama
	Server	-
	Server	Ayeisha Jauridez
	Server	José Jauridez

5:30pm	Acolyte	-
	Lector	-
	Server	-
	Server	-

2024 PASTOR'S APPEAL

Goal:	\$150,000.00
Total Received:	\$30,230.00

Let's keep the momentum going in order to meet our goal of \$150,000.00!

Thank you for your generosity.

Around the Parish

Faith Formation News



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

Tuesday, October 29th &

Tuesday, November 5th 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, Martha Richline, Owen McCaffery, Grace Epo, Rich Dantinne, Kevin Stannard, Cecilia Malizzi, & Michael Boyle.

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.



A gracious thank you to the Berlieb-Santini Family for the donations of the assortment of pumpkins for the altar.

SPSJ NURSING HOME MINISTRY

Every 1st, 2nd, & 3rd 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: 10/27 Anne Coyle, 11/3 Magnolia Mateo, & 11/10 Ron Rossini.

Brakeley Nursing Home: October - Deacon Francisco.

Phillipsburg Care Center: Lisa Spanopolous 11/10 & 11/17 Beth Dispoto.

DECEMBER BUS TRIP

Friday, December 6th – 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.

SOUP KITCHEN NEWS



The dedicated volunteers of the St. Philip & St. James Soup Kitchen handed out 201 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.

OVER 50's CLUB

The next Over 50's Club meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 6th, at 1 pm in Mercy Hall at St. Philip and St. James Church. There will be a business meeting, refreshments, and bingo. Dues are also being collected. Please come join us, and new members are always welcome. Officers will meet at 12:00 pm for a brief meeting. Please call President, Dolly Loiacono at 908-454-1067 for any questions you may have.

DEACON'S CORNER

All Saint's Day

A saint is someone who is in heaven — it is as simple as that. While “saint” as a title is reserved to those whose lives the church has thoroughly investigated (typically through whose intercession two miracles can be demonstrated to have occurred), the term applies to anyone in heaven. Everyone from a saintly grandmother to the martyrs facing death for Christ: They are all part of the communion of saints. The church commemorates all these saints on All Saints' Day. The history of the feast reveals a great deal about the church's understanding of the communion of saints. The communion of saints is the church, both the living and dead.

All Saints' Day is a holy day of obligation and recognized as one of the most important feasts on the liturgical calendar. However, the celebration of Halloween typically overshadows the commemoration of All Saints' Day. Most of us realize that Halloween is in reality the vigil of All Saints' (“Allhallows Eve” or “Hallow E'en”), but All Saints' Day itself has become a bit of an afterthought. It shouldn't be this way! The saints are our friends, our intercessors, our brothers and sisters in Christ. They care deeply for us, and their lives are recognized by the church as exemplary, **as models to follow**. The interesting thing is that the saints had their issues just like we do. What made them saints is how they overcame their obstacles and turned to God for assistance.

So how can we celebrate this wonderful feast of All Saints' Day? Whether you are commemorating individually or in a group or a family, there are many ways to observe this solemnity.

1. The most obvious is: **Go to Mass!** It is a holy day of obligation, and there is no more appropriate way to commemorate the saintly lives of those who have gone before us than the eucharistic sacrifice.
2. It is also good to **do other liturgical or prayerful things** to mark the day: Pray the Divine Office for All Saints' Day; read the lives of the saints; watch a movie about a saint; pray the litany of saints; think back to your confirmation saint and study that saint's life. Similarly, if any of your children share the name of a saint, learn about that saint together: Read about the saint and pray together, asking for the saint's intercession.

3. There are also a number of **creative and fun games that can be played** to help celebrate All Saints' Day. Try putting on a play of the life of a saint (many Halloween costumes can be repurposed to be saints costumes). There are books for all ages, coloring books and even comic books featuring the saints.

All Saints' Day is the perfect time to pray to all these holy men and women, asking for their intercession for the conversion of sinners, so that we might all become saints.

Source: [All Saints' Day: History and traditions - Catholic Review](#)

MEMORIALS AND FEASTS THIS WEEK

October 27 – 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 28 - St. Simon & St. Jude, Apostles - Feast

November 1 - All Saints - Solemnity (Day of Obligation)

"Praise and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving and honor, power and might, to our God for ever and ever" (*Rv 7: 12*). In a spirit of profound adoration of the Most Holy Trinity, we join all the saints who eternally celebrate the heavenly liturgy, to offer thanks again with them to our God for the wonders he has accomplished in the history of salvation.

Praise and thanksgiving to God for having raised up in the Church a great multitude of saints, whom no one could count (*cf. Rv 7: 9*). *A great multitude*: not only the saints and blessed do we honor during the liturgical year, but also the *anonymous* saints known only to him. Mothers and fathers of families, who in their daily devotion to their children made an effective contribution to the Church's growth and to the building of society; priests, sisters and lay people who, like candles lit before the altar of the Lord, were consumed in offering material and spiritual aid to their neighbor in need; men and women missionaries, who left everything to bring the Gospel message to every part of the world. And the list could go on.

Praise and thanksgiving to God, particularly for the *holiest of creatures*, *Mary*, beloved of the Father, blessed because of Jesus, the fruit of her womb, sanctified and made a new creation by the Holy Spirit.

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 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 or by phone to 732-562-2432.



RETROUVAILLE

Stress In Your Marriage?

- Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
- Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
- Have you thought about separation or divorce?
- Does talking about it only make it worse?

RETROUVAILLE is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages sponsored by the Office of Family Life, Diocese of Metuchen, NJ.

RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with four follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is **February 28 – March 2, 2025**. All inquiries are confidential. For further information, please contact Rich Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or Annette Colasuonno 732-672-0748 or via email 3024@helpourmarriage.org.

A model of holiness for having put her own life at the disposal of the Most High, she "shines forth on earth as a sign of certain hope and comfort to the pilgrim People of God" (*Lumen gentium*, n. 68)." (Excerpt from the Homily of Saint John Paul II on Wednesday, Nov 1, 2000)

November 2 - The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

"We find an account of its origins in the writings of Saint Peter Damian, who records the following story. In the 900s, there was a French pilgrim returning from the Holy Land who was shipwrecked on an island with a cave from which belched heat and gas (a volcano of some sort).

This pilgrim met a Christian hermit who lived near this cave. The hermit explained that he could sometimes overhear demons in the cave complaining about all the souls that are released from purgatory through the prayers and sacrifices of the monks in Cluny, France. When the French pilgrim returned to France, he visited the monastery of Cluny and recounted the hermit's story to the abbot of the monastery, then Abbot Odilo. The pilgrim testified to the great number of souls delivered from purgatory through the humble prayers of the Cluniac monks.

Odilo (died in 1048) was deeply moved by this and redoubled the monks efforts in assisting the souls in purgatory. Thus, he dedicated the day after All Saints Day (Nov 1) to all the souls still in purgatory (Nov 2). Soon, the practice spread to the rest of France and then to the universal Church so that November 2nd became All Souls Day.

Saint Odilo, pray for us." (Dr. Taylor Marshall)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #474

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

PHILLIPSBURG CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI MASS

You are cordially invited to the P.C.H.S. Alumni Mass on Sunday, November 3rd at 10:00 am at 137 Roseberry Street, followed by coffee and light refreshments. (The mass will take place in the gym of the old High School and current elementary school.) Please RSVP to: pchsalumniassociation1@gmail.com if you think you might attend (for supply purposes only). Thank you!

**ADULT ENRICHMENT CLASSES –
PRESENTED BY FR. GLENN J.
COMANDINI, S.T.D.**

Eschatology Part I: Vision of Hope

\$20 - February 6 to March 13 - St. John Neumann Pastoral Center - 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM

This introductory course will propose that the study of the last things, end times and creation of a new heaven and new earth pivots on the axis of hope. We will explore the major themes of eschatology: the Second Coming, Heaven, hell and purgatory and also examine the resurrection of the body, particular judgment and final judgment.

Eschatology Part II: The Book of Revelation

\$20 - March 20 to May 29 - St. John Neumann Pastoral Center - 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM

In this continuation of the first course, we will examine this final book of the New Testament and the Apocalypse. We will dedicate extra attention, using Catholic exegesis, on The Seven Letters, The Seven Seals, The Seven Trumpets, The Woman Clothed with the Sun, The Dragon and the Lamb, The Seven Bowls, the Fate of Babylon and The Heavenly Rider.

For more information or to register:

www.diometuchen.org/faith-formation or call 732-562-1543.

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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT CATHOLIC CHARITIES



Catholic Charities Thrift Store and Food Pantry at 387 South Main Street in Phillipsburg are in need of volunteers. If you or someone you know may be interested in volunteering, contact Maria Hunter at 732-387-1315 for more details. Please consider this opportunity to practice the Works of Mercy and bring hope to someone in need. The most critical need is for the Thrift Store from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm on Fridays and Saturdays.

NOTICIAS EN ESPAÑOL

DEL ESCRITORIO DEL P. ANTONY TRIGÉSIMO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Querida Familia!

El jueves, el Papa Francisco publico una nueva encíclica centrada en el Sagrado Corazón de Jesús (Dilexit Nos - Él nos amó) en el contexto de un mundo que parece haber perdido su corazón. El Papa llama a un cambio de perspectiva, instando a la humanidad a redescubrir lo que es más esencial: el corazón. Esta encíclica conmemorará el 350 aniversario de la primera aparición del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús a Santa María Alacoque en 1673. Esta monja francesa de la Visitación de 26 años recibió la misión de Jesús de difundir su amor particularmente hacia los pecadores. Pueden encontrar una copia de la encíclica en el sitio web del Vaticano:

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/es/encyclicals.index.html>

Mientras el Sagrado Corazón de Jesús es el gran signo mesiánico y remedio para los males de nuestro tiempo, las lecturas de este domingo apuntan a la sanación de los ciegos y la restauración de los fieles remanente. Estas acciones simbólicas indican que Jesús realizó signos mesiánicos. El Catecismo nos enseña que “al liberar a algunos seres humanos de los males terrenos del hambre, la injusticia, la enfermedad y la muerte, Jesús realizó signos mesiánicos. Sin embargo, no vino a neutralizar todos los males de la tierra, sino a liberar a los hombres de la esclavitud más grave, el pecado, que frustra su vocación de hijos de Dios y causa de toda forma de servidumbre humana” (CIC 549).

Aprendemos una gran lección sobre cómo debemos acercarnos a nuestro Señor y Dios, Jesucristo. Lo que más me sorprendió en el evangelio es la forma en que Bartimeo se acerca a Jesús. Un mendigo, tirando su manto (que es su camilla, su única posesión) y se acerca a Jesús sin nada más que él mismo. Este hombre ciego pudo ver de nuevo porque arriesgó todo por Jesús. El crecimiento ocurre en la Iglesia cuando tomamos riesgos por nuestra fe.

Catequesis electoral de nuestros obispos: La semana pasada publiqué todos los artículos que se encuentran en el sitio web de la USCCB para conocer lo que nuestros obispos nos están enseñando sobre nuestro enfoque de las próximas elecciones. Busque “Formando la conciencia para ser ciudadanos fieles” y podrá acceder libremente a estos recursos en línea.

Acceso gratuito a la formación catequética para todos los líderes en el ministerio: en las recientes sesiones de audiencia del Sínodo y las recomendaciones del Congreso Eucarístico Nacional mostraron que los feligreses están pidiendo más oportunidades para la catequesis a nivel parroquial. Visite franciscanathome.com para obtener más información. Esta es una plataforma gratuita y agradecemos a nuestra Diócesis por ponerla a disposición de todos nosotros de forma gratuita. **(Hay cursos en español.)**

Orden de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos (OCIA): (Anteriormente conocida como R.I.C.A.) El domingo pasado comenzamos el programa OCIA en nuestra parroquia. Agradecemos a todos los miembros de este programa junto con el diácono Larry. ¡Oremos por todos los candidatos y les deseamos lo mejor!

Una segunda colecta especial el 27 de octubre para ayudar con los esfuerzos de socorro tras el huracán: La diócesis enviará todos los fondos recaudados. Oremos por todos aquellos que han perdido a sus seres queridos, sus hogares y sus medios de vida y por aquellos que están respondiendo con los esfuerzos de rescate y reparación. ¡Gracias por su apoyo!

Misas especiales en el cementerio y la iglesia para el DÍA DE LOS FIELES DIFUNTOS: Este año, el Día de los Fieles Difuntos cae un sábado. Tendremos las siguientes misas el sábado: 8 am en la iglesia, 10 am en el cementerio, 4:30 pm misa de vigilia del domingo y 7 pm en la iglesia (para los difuntos que fallecieron en nuestra parroquia el año pasado.)

La misa de 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 este momento tenemos 42 niños en conjunto.

Agradezco a nuestro Equipo de Formación en la Fe, a la Sra. Escarlen Duran, a nuestro Coordinador de Confirmación, el Diácono Rob Fisher, al Sr. Matthew Crouse, el maestro de Educación Religiosa de la SSPJ, 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

INFORMACIÓN DEL PROGRAMA DE FORMACIÓN EN LA FE DE ST. PHILIP & ST. JAMES



**Clases de Formación en la Fe en la escuela SSPJ -
137 Roseberry St, Phillipsburg, NJ a las 4:30pm.**

**Martes 29 de octubre y
Martes 5 de noviembre**

**Comuníquese con la Sra. Escarlen Duran
(Directora de Catequesis Parroquial)
al 908-454-0112 x406, si tiene alguna pregunta.**

HORA SANTA

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

APELACIÓN DEL PASTOR 2024

Hasta ahora, la Apelación del Pastor ha recaudado \$30,230.00. ¡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.

NOTICIAS DE LA DIÓCESIS ESCUELA BÍBLICA HISPANA

Ciclo 2025 - 2028

Quieres iniciar un programa de Biblia?

Iniciamos un nuevo ciclo, para todos aquellos que estén interesados en profundizar en las sagradas escrituras, comenzando con el curso de:

Introducción a las Sagradas Escrituras

Lunes de 7 pm a 9 pm del 28 de Octubre al 2 de Diciembre de 2024.

Lugar: St John Neumann Pastoral Center (146 Metlars Ln; Piscataway New Jersey, 08854)

Valor por persona: \$35

Para información sobre la Escuela Bíblica Hispana, escribe a Lescobar@diometuchen.org o comunícate al 732-243-4573.

HAZ OÍDO DE LA PLATAFORMA “FRANCISCAN AT HOME”?

La Diócesis de Metuchen en coordinación con el Instituto Catequético de la Universidad Franciscana, ofrece talleres y cursos certificados en línea, tanto en inglés como en español, de manera gratuita.

Qué debo hacer para acceder a estos talleres?

- Visita: <https://franciscanathome.com/es/tobogan/denied?diocese=38&destination=free-institution-signup> Ten en cuenta que debes pertenecer a alguna de las parroquias de la Diócesis de Metuchen.
- Al crear tu usuario tendrás acceso a todos los talleres que ofrece el programa. En español encontrarán cinco cursos certificados en los siguientes temas: Catequesis, Familia, Jóvenes, OICA y Liderazgo, así como alrededor de 20 talleres individuales bajo el título de especializaciones ministeriales.

Anímate a explorar esta oportunidad de formación!!

Si tienes dudas sobre el programa o sobre cómo crear tu usuario, para los cursos en español puedes comunicarte al correo Lescobar@diometuchen.org.

El Instituto Catequético de la Universidad Franciscana ofrece cada mes webinar gratuitos en español. Los invitamos a visitar la página <https://franciscanathome.com/es/guild-webinar-series> para consultar el horario completo.

- El próximo es el Martes 29 de octubre a las 2:00 pm – Los niveles de comunicación con Dios en las Escrituras: Cómo profundizar nuestra vida de oración – Padre Dempsey Rosales.

SEMINARIO DE ADVIENTO 2024

Seminario de Adviento: El Evangelio según San Lucas

Sábado 23 de Noviembre de 2024, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Los invitamos a participar de este seminario de adviento, donde el Padre Gustavo Amell S.T., explorará diferentes aspectos del evangelio según San Lucas, y nos ayudará a reflexionar sobre el mensaje que nos brinda, a la luz de nuestra vida de fe.

Lugar: St. John Neumann Pastoral Center (146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway New Jersey, 08854)
Valor: \$25 por persona (Incluye almuerzo)

PRE-CANA EN ESPAÑOL en 2025

Curso de preparación para el Sacramento de Matrimonio. Los sábados 15, 22, y 29 de marzo de 2025 a las 6:30pm de 9:30pm en la parroquia St. Magdalen de Pazzi en el 105 Mine St. Flemington, NJ.

Este curso consiste de 3 clases presenciales en las fechas indicadas. Cada pareja debe de asistir a las 3 clases para recibir el Certificado de Aprobación que es válido por 1 año. El costo total del curso es \$100 por pareja y esto incluye los materiales. Se requiere registro y los cupos son limitados. Los facilitadores son Yamiris Marcano y Arturo Colom. Para más información o para registrarse llame al 908-503-1073 o al 908-806-8719.





Christmas Wreaths, Grave Blankets, Cemetery Logs, Pine Roping and Poinsettias



Saints Philip and James School is sponsoring a Wreath Sale!

Due to order and delivery deadlines, orders are due EARLY this year. Please have forms submitted by Monday November 11, 2024.

Note: There will be one pick up day: Saturday November 23rd from 1pm to 4pm.

Any questions please contact Marianne Cicalese macicalese3@gmail.com

You can call or text me at 610-554-6645 or call the school at 908-859-1244

Thank you for your support!

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Gospel Today Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 10:46-52

The blind man, Bartimaeus, continued to call out to Jesus, even as the crowd told him to be silent. Bartimaeus had courage, faith, great hope and belief in Jesus.

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“Go your way; your faith has saved you.”

Mark 10:52



BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words...
left, right, up, down
or diagonally.

- Blind
- Bartimaeus
- Belief
- Waiting
- Sizable
- Crowd
- Jericho
- Heard
- Jesus
- Approaching
- Call
- Faith
- Courage
- Sprang
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- Son
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- Immediately
- Received
- Sight
- Followed
- Him

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