

St. Philip & St. James

CATHOLIC CHURCH

430 SOUTH MAIN STREET • PHILLIPSBURG, NJ 08865

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT † MARCH 30, 2025

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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Thurs. 9am-12:30pm (Closed for lunch)

1pm-4pm & Friday 9am-1pm

(Asistencia en español durante estas horas.)



Baptism, Marriage and OCIA

Please call the Church Office to make arrangements

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday 3/30/25

10am OCIA in the Conference Room.

Mon. 3/31/25

7pm-9pm Spanish Charismatic Group Lenten Program in PMR.

Tues. 4/1/25

9am-10am Legion of Mary in Conference Room, 4:30pm-5:30pm Faith Formation Class at SSPJ School, 7pm Cenacles of Life & St. Peregrine Novena in the Chapel.

Wed. 4/2/25

10am Legion of Mary in the Conference Room, & 1pm Over 50's Club Meeting.

Thurs. 4/3/25

7pm Blue Army Prayer Cell in the Chapel.

Friday 4/4/25

3pm, 7pm (English) & 8pm (Spanish) Stations of the Cross in the Church & 6pm First Friday Holy Hour in the Church.

Sat. 4/5/25

8:30am First Saturday Devotion in the Church, 9am-1pm Soup Kitchen in Mercy Hall, 9am-11am Timon Committee in PMR, 11am Reconciliation for First Communion Children in the Church, 1pm-3pm SSPJ School Open House, & 5:30pm Faith & Service Dinner at Mainline.

Sunday 4/6/25

10am OCIA in the Conference Room, 10am General Meeting in Mercy Hall, 10am "Blues" Grieving Group in PMR & 3pm-7pm Spanish Prayer Cenacles in PMR.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Dear Family!

My sincere thanks to all of you for participating in our Lenten Penance Service. Special word of thanks to all the parents who brought their children at 4:30pm for confessions. We thank all priests who helped us with confessions: Fathers Abraham Orapankal, Walter Wiktorek, Damian Tomseck, Luke Mary Fletcher and Gilbert Starcher. We also thank our PCL Escarlen Duran and Confirmation Coordinator Deacon Rob for coordinating the event along with the Faith Formation Catechists. Thank you all!

The parish is making inroads with this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal. We did well last year by getting so close to our parish goal. The bishop is appreciative of our efforts, thanks to your generosity. Last week we listened to the video of our Bishop at all masses and pledged our contributions. The Bishop talks about the various ministries and social work that benefit our people and beyond. I thank all of you for your generous support in this important work of the Church.

This Sunday we will have the Second Scrutiny. The readings for the Scrutinies are from Year A (we are in Year C now), the Scrutiny Mass will reflect on the Gospel about the Man born blind (4th Sunday in Lent - John 9). The three gospels, The Samaritan Woman (3rd Sunday in Lent - John 4), the Man born blind (John 9) and the Lazarus resuscitation (5th Sunday in Lent - John 11) are constructed in such way to help the elect to gradually mature in their faith in Jesus.

The regular gospel story is the best short story of all time - the Prodigal Son. It does not need any elaboration but personal reflection. Just think about it and savor it and let it sink in. As we all will be touched by different pieces of the story, we cannot ignore the central theme - there is no limit to God's forgiveness. This calls for our repentance.

150th Anniversary of Catholic Education in Phillipsburg

As the anniversary approaches near, preliminary preparations need to happen. On April 6th we will have a general meeting at Mercy Hall after the 9am Mass. We need to form a leadership team to plan and execute. All are welcome!

Diocesan programs in the near future:

Diocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage to the National Shrine in Washington, DC, (Sept. 20), the **Jubilee Mass Series for Hispanic Youth and Young Adults** (last Friday of each month), the **Diocesan Youth Day** (Apr. 5) - it is open to any 8th-12th graders and takes place at Immaculata High School, Somerville, NJ from 10:30am to 5pm. and the **Multicultural Fair** (May 10).

Jubilee Year 2025: (Jubilees in April 2025)

We have three important Jubilees coming up in April. April 5-6 we celebrate the Jubilee for the Sick & the World of Health; April 25-27 we celebrate the Jubilee for Teenagers and on April 28-29 the Jubilee of People with Disabilities.

Parish Survey on Mass Cancellation:

The Parish Pastoral Council, after carefully looking at the survey and statistics, have consulted with me regarding the cancellation of 7am. The majority (90+ families out of 127) would prefer to keep the 9am mass as it concerns the children. It will go into effect on January 1, 2026.

2025 Lenten Obligation and Penance Service

Please make an effort to worship the Stations of the Cross every Friday. We have Stations in the School at 1pm; in the Church at 3pm, 7pm and 8pm in Spanish.

Lenten Retreat for our Parish:

We are grateful to Father Luke Mary Fletcher and Brother Pius from the Blue Army Shrine to preach this year's Lenten Recollection for our parish. All are welcome. Please see the last page for more information.

Pastor's Appeal:

I am forever grateful to all of you for your generosity. The roof repair has begun in the Mercy Hall Building. As promised we have completed initial repairs to the roof. We will restart the permanent renovation in the spring. In the meantime, we will be acquiring all the restroom and flooring materials for the 3rd floor. 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, MARCH 30th – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

7:00am – For the People

9:00 – Frank Sciabicia by Sara & Sean Wilson

11:00 – Bishop Vincent De Paul Brean (A)

1:00pm (SP) – *Sp. Int. Luis Quizhpe by Family

5:30pm – David Lee Hall by Merrie Mulrine

MONDAY, MARCH 31st

6:45am – Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Zemba by Danny & Terri Starosciak

12:10pm – Frank Manasseri by Family

TUESDAY, APRIL 1st

6:45am – Ann Lynn De Gerolamo by Deacon Enock & Ines Berluche

12:10pm – Margaret Wochna by Gwen Fisk

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2nd - *St. Francis of Paola*

6:45am – *Sp. Int. Anthony & Johanna Sinchi by Luisa Tacuri

12:10pm – Samuel Frinzi by Rick & Lou Anne

THURSDAY, APRIL 3rd

6:45am – Shannon Starosciak by Danny & Terri Starosciak

12:10pm – Katie Massey by Merrie Mulrine

FRIDAY, APRIL 4th - *St. Isidore*

6:45am – Sebastian Gawlowski by Zmuda Family

12:10pm – Boguslawa & Joseph Szamlewski by Granddaughter

SATURDAY, APRIL 5th - *St. Vincent Ferrer*

8:00am – Rose Duque by Dario Duque

4:30pm – Jean Talpas by Baltz, Luzzetti & Talpas Families

SUNDAY, APRIL 6th – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

7:00am – For the People

9:00 – Bert O’Neill by Adrienne Parrott

11:00 – David Lee Hall by Elia & Anthony Pengue

1:00pm (SP) – *Sp. Int. Luis Quizhpe by Family

5:30pm – George Kober by Kim & Robby

Stewardship

March 23, 2025

Weekly Offertory: \$9,208.26
Online Giving: 2,288.00
\$11,496.26

Repairs & Reno: \$1,746.00
Various Collections: \$176.00

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

April 5th

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| 4:30pm | Acolyte | Anthony Ventura |
| | Lector | Mary O’Sullivan |
| | Minister | Ronald Rossini |
| | Minister | Melody Talpas |
| | Server | Alana Palos |
| | Server | Mark Talpas |

April 6th

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| 7:00am | Acolyte | Dominic Russo |
| | Lector | Susan Gerhardt |
| | Server | Brett Bruckman |
| | Server | Anthony Stefano |

9:00am

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| Acolyte | Gavin Hayes |
| Lector | Henrietta Schupper |
| Minister | Julie Duffy |
| Minister | Michael Duffy |
| Server | Luke Sretenovic |
| Server | Gabriel Sretenovic |

11:00am

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| Acolyte | Joseph Cruz |
| Lector | Kelechi Odimma |
| Minister | Carol Bevilacqua |
| Minister | Eileen Catalli |
| Server | Chimbuzo Odimma |
| Server | Chiezimuzo Odimma |

1:00pm

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| Lector | Giovanni Lam |
| Lector | Gladys Jauridez |
| Minister | Maria C. Rossenouf |
| Announcements | Ivan Lam |
| Server | Miguel Garcia |
| Server | Ayeisha Jauridez |
| Server | Jackie Garcia |

5:30pm

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| Acolyte | - |
| Lector | R. Craig Ellis |
| Server | Allyssa Palos |
| Server | - |

2025 BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL

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| Goal: | \$78,000.00 |
| Total Pledged: | \$ 29,132.50 |
| Total Received: | \$ 26,376.25 |
| Over/under Goal: | (\$48,867.50) |
| Percent of Goal Pledged: | 37.35% |
| Percent of Goal Received: | 33.82% |
| Avg. Gift Amt.: | \$320.14 |

2024 PASTOR’S APPEAL

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| Goal: | \$150,000.00 |
| Total Received: | \$46,476.00 |

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
137 Roseberry St, Phillipsburg, NJ

Tuesday, April 1st - 4:30pm
Tuesday, April 8th - 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 April 4, 2025 (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, Theresa Adams, Brett Marino, The Quesada-Rocha Family, Janet Duran, Bob Hoesley, Steven Hille, Bill Coyle, Laura Rinaldi, Richard Dalrymple, Mauricio Castro, Eric Godleski, Martha Richline, Owen McCaffery, Grace Epo, Rich Dantinne, Kevin Stannard, Cecilia Malizzi, Paxton John Bowman, John Carrig, Micheal Boyle, Jennie Rossetti, & Terry LaBar.

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 Sergeant 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.

OVER 50's CLUB MEETING

The Over 50's Club will have their next meeting on Wednesday, April 2, 2025, in Mercy Hall at 1:00 pm. We will be having our business meeting, refreshments, and bingo. New members are always welcome. The club officers will have their meeting at 12:00pm. If you have any questions, please contact President Dolly Loiacono at 908-454-1067.

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: 3/30 Ron Rossini, 4/6 Eileen Catalli, & 4/13 Anne Coyle.

Brakeley Nursing Home: 3/30 Deacon Francisco, 4/6 Eileen Dean & Mike Burke, & 4/13 Michael St. Jacques & Mike Burke.

Phillipsburg Care Center: 3/30 Lisa Spanopolous.

SOUP KITCHEN NEWS



The dedicated volunteers of the St. Philip & St. James Soup Kitchen handed out 224 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. Please drop off your donation on Saturdays from 9am to 11am in Mercy Hall.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

Join us on Saturday, April 5th, after the 8am Mass for the First Saturday Devotion. Our Lord has asked that we would make reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary for 5 First Saturdays by attending mass, saying the Rosary in reparation to her Immaculate Heart, and going to Confession. Her promise is that She will bring us to Heaven on the First Saturday after we die. Confessions are in the church at 10am & 3:15pm.

"THE BLUES" GROUP

Grieving, depressed, need support? Come & join us on Sunday, April 6th, at 10:00am in PMR. We will give you the support you need to get through this difficult time.

DEACON'S CORNER

The Loving Father

Not without reason this has been called the greatest story in the world. Under Jewish law a father was not free to leave his property to just anyone. The elder son must get two-thirds and the younger son one-third. (Deuteronomy 21:17.) It should never have been called the parable of the Prodigal Son, for the son is not the hero. It should be called the parable of the Loving Father, for it tells us rather about a father's love than a son's sin.

I would like to focus some thought on the elder son. The elder brother was actually sorry that his brother had come home. He stands for the self-righteous Pharisees who would rather see a sinner destroyed than saved. His attitude shows that his years of obedience to his father had been years of grim duty and not of loving service. He has an utter lack of sympathy. He was the kind of character who would cheerfully have kicked a person farther into the gutter when he was already down.

Once again we have the amazing truth that it is easier to confess to God than it is to someone else; that God is more merciful in his judgment than we are; that the love of God is far broader than the love of people, and that God can forgive when we refuse to forgive. This story has three main characters: the younger son, the elder son and the loving father. Which one do we relate to the most?

Remember: G.W.N.Y.N.
God We Need You Now

† God Bless † Deacon Larry

MEMORIALS AND FEASTS THIS WEEK

March 30 Sun - Fourth Sunday of Lent

April 2 Wed - Optional Memorial of St. Francis of Paola, Hermit

The instruction below is from a letter by Saint Francis of Paola, a 15th century Italian friar, miracle worker and mystic who founded the Order of Minims. "Brothers, I most strongly urge you to work for the salvation of your souls with prudence and diligence. Death is certain, and life is short and vanishes like smoke. Therefore, you must fix your minds on the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ who so burned with love for us that he came down from heaven to redeem us. For our sakes, he suffered all the agonies of body and mind, and did not shrink from any torment.

He gave us a perfect example of patience and love. For our part, we too must be patient when things go against us.

Put aside hatred and hostility. See to it that you refrain from harsh words. But if you do speak to them, do not be ashamed to apply the remedy from the same lips that inflicted the wounds. In this way, you will show each other mercy and not keep alive the memories of past wrongs. Remembering grievances works great damage. It is accompanied by anger, fosters sin, and brings a hatred for justice. It is a rusty arrow spreading poison in the soul. It destroys virtue and is a cancer in the mind. It thwarts prayer and mangles the petitions we make to God. It drives out love and is a nail driven into the soul, an evil that never sleeps, a sin that never fades away, a kind of daily death."

April 4 Fri - Optional Memorial of St. Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

April 5 Sat - Optional Memorial of St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest

JUBILEE 2025: PILGRIMS OF HOPE - 10 THINGS TO KNOW - #1

1. History and Frequency of Jubilee Year: A jubilee year, also known as a "holy year," is a special year in the life of the church currently celebrated every 25 years. The most recent ordinary jubilee was in 2000, proclaimed by St. John Paul II. Later, Pope Francis called for an Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy in 2015-2016. Jubilee years have been held on regular intervals in the Catholic Church since 1300, but they trace their roots to the Jewish tradition of marking a jubilee year every 50 years.

According to the Vatican website for the jubilee, these years in Jewish history were "intended to be marked as a time to re-establish a proper relationship with God, with one another, especially the poor, and with all of creation, and involved the forgiveness of debts, the return of misappropriated land, and a fallow period for the fields."

Reflection: We celebrate jubilees for almost everything—buildings, dioceses, churches, even streets. Sometimes, these jubilees occur every ten years, far removed from the 50-year interval of the Biblical Jubilee. Our jubilees are often vibrant and celebratory, yet they seem disconnected from their deeper purpose—spiritual renewal and engagement with the poor and creation. Are we truly celebrating jubilees in the spirit of their Biblical origins?

Perhaps it is time to reflect on whether our Jubilee celebrations in parishes, religious institutes, and families need a profound renewal—or even reconsideration altogether!

(This series is adapted from America, The Jesuit Review, 10 December 2024) Thanks to Fr. Abraham Orapankal.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #474

The Knights of Columbus Council #474 would like to thank everyone for their support of the Fish Dinner. Hope you all enjoyed it. We will have one more on April 11th. If you're not there you're missing out on a great dinner BUT also those awesome desserts served by the Columbiettes!

150th ANNIVERSARY OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN PHILLIPSBURG

Attention all alumni of Phillipsburg Parochial High School, SPSJ High School, Phillipsburg Catholic High School, All Saints Regional High School and SSPJ School. On May 3rd we will be having a social event to celebrate 150 years of Catholic School Education in Phillipsburg. It will be held at the Roseberry Street School from 4:00pm – 7:00pm. Please plan to join us for light hors d'oeuvres. More information to follow closer to the event. Please share this information with your family, friends, and classmates. Any questions please email pchsalumniassociation1@gmail.com.

HOME ENTHRONEMENT

Invite Jesus into your home by scheduling your Home Enthronement to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary by phoning Gwen at 973-769-3011. Pilgrim Virgin Statue for one week in your home is available by phoning Pat at 908-454-0767. (Facilitated by the SPSJ Legion of Mary)

Diocesan News

2025 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Pilgrims of hope: Journeying Together in Faith, Hope and Charity

Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not made a pledge, there is still time to participate. Mail your gift to: Diocese of Metuchen Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000 or give online at <https://diometuchen.org/BAA>.



RICE BOWL, LENTEN CAMPAIGN

CRS Rice Bowl is the Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services, the official relief and development agency of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. At this very moment, millions of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers are facing life-threatening levels of hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition. This program reminds us of our responsibility to the most vulnerable people around the world. We can bring hope to these people with our prayers and our support. For more information about this program, people's stories, and ways to donate, please visit: <https://www.crsricebowl.org/>

SILVER & GOLD & 5 YEAR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th, 50th, 50+ or 5th Wedding Anniversary with the church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service that will again 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. Registration will close on October 10, 2025. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given donations of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations for gratitude may be made online at <https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration> or calling 732-562-1543.

Community News

VOLUNTEERS FOR MEALS AT HOME

Drivers needed for the Meals at Home program of Warren County. If interested, please contact Michele Ried at 908-319-1393 for information.

NOTICIAS EN ESPAÑOL
DEL ESCRITORIO DEL P. ANTONY
CUARTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

¡Querida familia!

Mi más sincero agradecimiento a todos por participar en nuestro Servicio de Penitencia Cuaresmal. Un agradecimiento especial a todos los padres que trajeron a sus hijos a las 4:30 p. m. para confesarse. Agradecemos a todos los sacerdotes que nos ayudaron con las confesiones: Padres Abraham Orapankal, Walter Wiktorek, Damian Tomscek, Luke Mary Fletcher y Gilbert Starcher. También agradecemos a nuestra catequista de formación en la fe, Escarlen Duran, y al coordinador de confirmaciones, el diácono Rob, por coordinar el evento junto con otros catequistas de formación en la fe. ¡Gracias a todos!

La parroquia está avanzando con la Campaña Anual del Obispo de este año. El año pasado tuvimos un buen desempeño, acercándonos mucho a nuestra meta parroquial. El obispo agradeció con nuestros esfuerzos gracias a su generosidad. La semana pasada escuchamos el video de nuestro obispo en todas las misas y nos comprometimos a contribuir. El obispo habla sobre los diversos ministerios y obras sociales que benefician a nuestra gente y más allá. Les agradezco a todos su generoso apoyo en esta importante labor de la Iglesia.

Este domingo tendremos el Segundo Escrutinio. Las lecturas para los Escrutinios son del Año A (ahora estamos en el Año C). La Misa del Escrutinio reflexionará sobre el Evangelio del Hombre Ciego de Nacimiento (4.º Domingo de Cuaresma - Juan 9). Los tres evangelios: La Samaritana (3.er Domingo de Cuaresma - Juan 4), el Hombre Ciego de Nacimiento (Juan 9) y la Resurrección de Lázaro (5.º Domingo de Cuaresma - Juan 11) están estructurados de tal manera que ayudan a los elegidos a madurar gradualmente en su fe en Jesús.

El relato del Evangelio clásico es el mejor relato corto de todos los tiempos: el del Hijo Pródigo. No necesita mayor elaboración, solo reflexión personal. Simplemente piénselo, disfrútelo y déjelo penetrar. Como a todos nos conmoverá diferentes partes de la historia, no podemos ignorar el tema central: el perdón de Dios es infinito. Esto exige nuestro arrepentimiento.

150.º Aniversario de la Educación Católica en Phillipsburg

A medida que se acerca el aniversario, es necesario realizar preparativos preliminares. El 6 de abril tendremos una reunión general en Mercy Hall después de la misa de las 9 am. Necesitamos formar un equipo de liderazgo para planificar y ejecutar. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

Programas diocesanos en el futuro cercano: Peregrinación Jubilar Diocesana al Santuario Nacional en Washington, DC, (20 de septiembre), la Serie de Misas Jubilar para Jóvenes y Adultos Jóvenes Hispanos (último viernes de cada mes), el Día Diocesano de la Juventud (5 de abril) - está abierto a todos los estudiantes del 8º al 12º grado y se lleva a cabo en Immaculata High School, Somerville, NJ de 10:30 am a 5 pm y la Feria Multicultural (10 de mayo).

Año Jubilar 2025: (Jubileos en abril de 2025)

En abril se celebran tres Jubileo importantes. Del 5 al 6 de abril, el Jubileo de los Enfermos y del Mundo de la Salud; del 25 al 27 de abril, el Jubileo de los Adolescentes; y del 28 al 29 de abril, el Jubileo de las Personas con Discapacidad.

Servicio de Penitencia y Obligación Cuaresmal 2025:

Por favor, hagan el esfuerzo de rezar el Vía Crucis todos los viernes. En la escuela, el Vía Crucis se celebra a la 1 p. m.; en la iglesia, a las 3 pm, 7 pm y 8 pm, en español. Hemos programado el servicio de penitencia parroquial para el martes 25 de marzo. Habrá confesiones para los niños de Formación en la Fe de 4:30 pm a 5:30 pm y a las 7 pm para toda la parroquia. Un grupo de sacerdotes vendrá a nuestra parroquia para el servicio de penitencia. Por favor, aprovechen esta oportunidad.

Encuesta Parroquial sobre la Cancelación de Misas:

El Consejo Pastoral Parroquial, tras analizar detenidamente la encuesta y las estadísticas, me ha consultado sobre la cancelación de la misa de las 7:00 am. La mayoría (más de 90 familias de 127) preferiría mantener la misa de las 9:00 am por el bien de los niños. Entrará en vigor el 1 de enero de 2026.

Retiro de Cuaresma para nuestra parroquia:

Agradecemos al Padre Luke Mary Fletcher y al Hermano Pius del Santuario del Ejército Azul por predicar el Retiro Cuaresmal de este año en nuestra parroquia. Todos son bienvenidos. Para más información, consulten la última página.

Apelación del Pastor:

Les estaré eternamente agradecido por su generosidad. Ya comenzó la reparación del techo del edificio Mercy Hall. Como prometimos, hemos completado las reparaciones iniciales. Reanudaremos la renovación permanente en primavera. Mientras tanto, adquiriremos todos los materiales para los baños y el piso del tercer piso. Les pido que consideren con oración ayudarnos con la Campaña del Párroco este año para que las ideas que hemos planeado se implementen a tiempo para nuestros niños y nuestra parroquia.

P. Antony

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



Martes 1 de abril - 4:30 pm

Martes 8 de abril - 4:30pm

en la escuela en la 137 Roseberry St.

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

CAMPAÑA ANUAL DEL OBISPO, 2025 PEREGRINOS DE ESPERANZA: Caminando Juntos en la Fe, la Esperanza y la Caridad

Gracias a todos los que han donado tan generosamente a la Campaña Anual del Obispo 2025. Si aún no ha hecho su promesa de donación, todavía hay tiempo para participar. Envíe su aporte por correo a: Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000 o realice su donación en línea en <https://diometuchen.org/BAA>

PLATO DE ARROZ, CAMPAÑA DE CUARESMA

Plato de Arroz de CRS es el programa de Cuaresma de Catholic Relief Services, la agencia oficial de ayuda y desarrollo de la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos. En este mismo momento, millones de nuestros hermanos y hermanas más vulnerables se enfrentan a niveles de hambre, inseguridad alimentaria y desnutrición que amenazan sus vidas. Este programa nos recuerda nuestra responsabilidad con las personas más vulnerables alrededor del mundo, a quienes podemos llevar esperanza, por medio de nuestras oraciones y nuestra ayuda. Para obtener más información sobre este programa, las historias de las personas beneficiadas y las formas de donar, visite: <https://www.crsricebowl.org/es>
Adicionalmente, si desea formar parte la Comunidad de Solidaridad de CRS - Diócesis de Metuchen (español), comuníquese con Lescobar@diometuchen.org

SERIE DE MISAS DEL JUBILEO - JÓVENES HISPANOS

Serie de Misas del Jubileo - Jóvenes Hispanos

El Año Jubilar de los "Peregrinos de Esperanza" de 2025 es un momento para reconocer el valor de nuestros jóvenes y jóvenes adultos hispanos. Acompáñanos en la Misa mensual bilingüe, organizada por jóvenes y jóvenes adultos de nuestra diócesis, el último viernes de cada mes en una parroquia de nuestra diócesis. **Viernes 28 de marzo de 2025 a las 7:30 pm St Ladislaus, New Brunswick (213 Somerset St, New Brunswick, NJ 08901)** Para más información sobre fechas, horarios y lugares, pueden comunicarse al 732-243-4573 o a Lescobar@diometuchen.org

APELACIÓN DEL PASTOR 2024

Hasta ahora, la Apelación del Pastor ha recaudado \$46,476.00. ¡Mantengamos el impulso para alcanzar nuestra meta de \$150,000.00! Gracias por su generosidad.

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| 30 | CH - Church CHP - Chapel MH - Mercy Hall PMR - Parish Meeting Room SSPJ - School on Roseberry St. | 31 | | 01 | CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration | 02 | <i>St. Francis of Paula</i> CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration SSPJ 10am School Mass MH 1pm Over 50's meeting Day of recollection @ Diocese | 03 | CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration | 04 | <i>Saint Isidore, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i> CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration SSPJ 1pm Station of the Cross CH 3pm Stations of the Cross CH 7pm Stations of the Cross CH 8pm Stations of the Cross in Spanish | 05 | <i>Saint Vincent Ferrer, Priest</i> CH Daily Mass 8am MH 9am - 1pm Soup Kitchen PMR 9am - 11am Committee Timon CH 10am Confessions CH 11am First Penance Service SSPJ 1pm - 3pm Open House CH 3:15pm Confessions CH 4:30pm Mass Maintenance - 5:30pm Faith & Service Dinner |
| 06 | Fifth Sunday of Lent CH 7am, 9am, 11am Mass in English, 1pm Mass in Spanish, 5:30pm Mass in English CR 10am OCIA formation PMR 9pm - 7pm Spanish Prayer Cenacles | 07 | <i>Saint John the Baptist de la Salle, Priest</i> CH 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration MH 6:30pm Knights of Columbus Mtg. PMR 7pm - 9pm Spanish Lenten Program | 08 | CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration SSPJ 8:30am Honor Roll Breakfast SSPJ 4:30pm CCD Grade 1-8 | 09 | CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:30pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration MH 7pm Columbielles Mtg. | 10 | CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration | 11 | <i>Saint Stanislaus, Bishop, Martyr</i> CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration SSPJ 1pm Station of the Cross CH 3pm Stations of the Cross MH 4pm - 7pm Lenten Fish Dinner sponsored by Knights of Columbus CH 6pm practice for Quinceañera CH 7pm Stations of the Cross CH 1pm Quinceañera CH 8pm Stations of the Cross in Spanish | 12 | CH Daily Mass 8am MH 9am - 1pm Parish Lenten Retreat CH 8:30 Duff Prayer Group MH 9am - 1pm Soup Kitchen PMR 10am - 2pm Confirmation Retreat SSPJ HSA Spring Celebration CH 10am Confessions CH 1pm Quinceañera CH 3:15pm Confessions CH 4:30pm Mass |
| 13 | PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD CH 7am, 9am, 11am Mass in English, 1pm Mass in Spanish, 5:30pm Mass in English MH 10am Blues Grieving Group | 14 | CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration PMR 7pm - 9pm Spanish Easter Dinner MH 6pm Catholic Daughters Mtg. | 15 | CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration SSPJ 4:30 CCD Grades 1-8 | 16 | CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm SSPJ - 10am Confessions & Early Dismissal CH 7pm Spanish Mass | 17 | HOLY THURSDAY THE LORD'S SUPPER MASS AT 7PM NO DAILY MASSES SSPJ Closed Office-Closed CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration | 18 | GOOD FRIDAY-THE PASSION OF THE LORD CH 12PM SPANISH SERVICE, CH 3PM ENGLISH SERVICE NO DAILY MASSES CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration CH 6:30pm Stations of the Cross CH 8pm Stations of the Cross in Spanish | 19 | HOLY SATURDAY MH 9am - 1pm Soup Kitchen CH 10am Confessions CH 12:30PM Blessing of the Food CH 4PM Quinceañera (Blessing) Juliana CH 7pm Easter Vigil Mass |
| 20 | EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD CH 7am, 9am, 11am Mass in English, 1pm Mass in Spanish, MH 3pm Easter Dinner | 21 | OCTAVE OF EASTER Office & School Closed CH Daily Mass 6:45am, & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration | 22 | OCTAVE OF EASTER SSPJ Closed CH Daily Mass 6:45am, 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration | 23 | OCTAVE OF EASTER SSPJ Closed CH Daily Mass 6:45am, & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration CH 7pm Spanish Mass | 24 | OCTAVE OF EASTER SSPJ Closed CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration | 25 | OCTAVE OF EASTER SSPJ Closed Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration | 26 | OCTAVE OF EASTER CH Daily Mass 8am MH 9am - 1pm Soup Kitchen CH 10am Confessions CH 3:15pm Confessions CH 4:30pm Mass |
| 27 | DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY CH 7am, 9am, 11am Mass in English, 1pm Mass in Spanish, 5:30pm Mass in English CR 10am OCIA formation PMR 3pm - 7pm Spanish Prayer Cenacles | 28 | <i>Saint Peter, Chancel, Priest, Martyr</i> CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration | 29 | <i>Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor of the Church</i> CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration | 30 | <i>Saint Pius V, Pope</i> CH Daily Mass 6:45am & 12:10pm CHP 7:30am - 8pm Adoration | 01 | | 02 | | 03 | |
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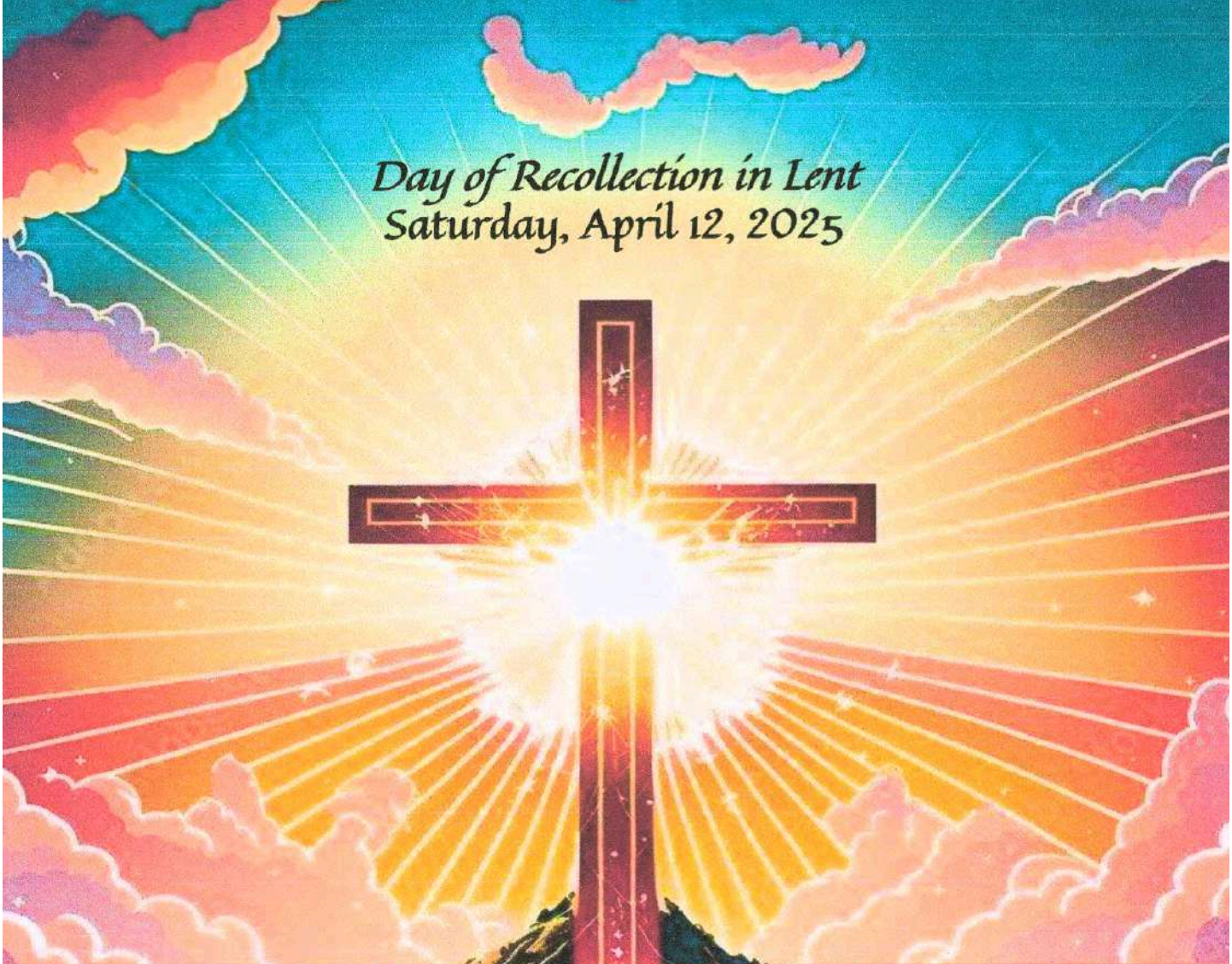
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*Day of Recollection in Lent
Saturday, April 12, 2025*

*9:00am - Coffee, Donuts, Light snack in Mercy Hall
9:30am - Adoration in Church*

*10am - 10:45am - First Session in Church
(Year of Jubilee and Christ's Paschal Mystery)
Fr. Luke Mary Fletcher*

10:45am - 11:15am - Group Discussions in Mercy Hall

11:15am - 11:30am - Break

*11:30am - 12:10pm - Second Session in Church
(Year of Jubilee and its impact in Parish Life)
Br. Pius*

12:10pm - 12:30 - Group Discussions in Mercy Hall

12:30 - Lunch in Mercy Hall

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