

# St. Philip & St. James

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

430 SOUTH MAIN STREET • PHILLIPSBURG, NJ 08865

### 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

**Fr. Antony Arockiadoss** *Pastor*

**Nancy Ensley** *Parish Sec./Bookkeeper*  
ext. 401

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*Parochial Vicar* ext. 403

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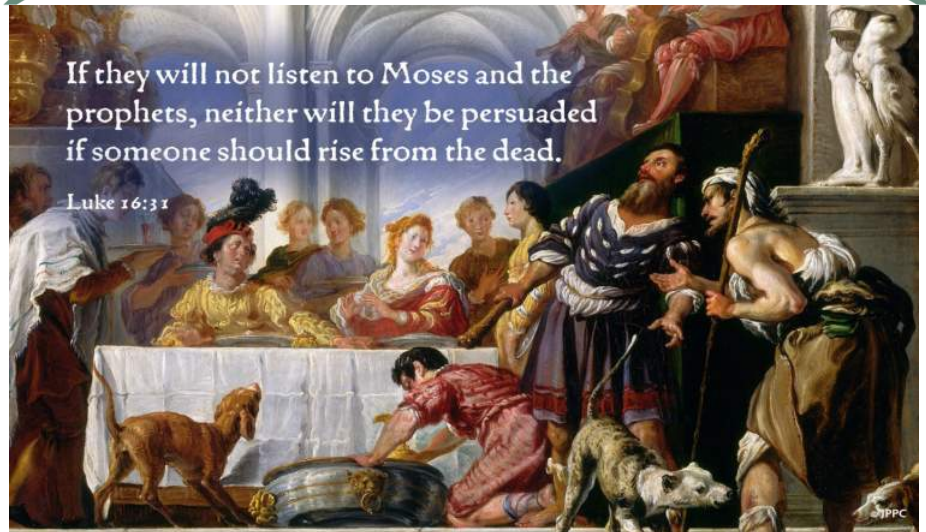
(Closed for lunch) 1pm to 5pm, Tues.—

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

1pm-4pm & Friday 9am—1pm

(Asistencia en español durante estas horas.)

### TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME † September 28, 2025



### Baptism, Marriage and OCIA

Please call the Church Office to make arrangements.

### PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

**Sunday 9/28/25** 12pm-2pm Knights of Columbus Installation in Mercy Hall

**Mon. 9/29/25**

**Tues. 9/30/25** 8:30–9:30am Legion of Mary in Conference Room

4:30-5:30pm Faith Formation Classes at SSPJ - 137 Roseberry St.

7pm Spanish Charismatic Group in the Church

7pm Cenacles of Life & St. Peregrine Novena in the Chapel

**Wed. 10/1/25** 10:30am Legion of Mary in Conference Room

1pm Over 50s Meeting in Mercy Hall

7:30pm—8:30pm Men's Ministry in the Chapel

**Thurs. 10/2/25** 7pm Blue Army Prayer Cell in the Chapel

7pm Choir Practice in the Church

**Friday. 10/3/25** 6pm First Friday Holy Hour in the Church

**Sat. 10/4/25** 8:30am First Saturday Devotion in the Church

9am-11am Committee Timon in PMR

9am-12:30pm Soup Kitchen in Mercy Hall

**Sunday 10/5/25** 2pm Life Chain in front of the Church

2pm Guadalupe Food Sale

12:30pm Blessing of the Animals in the Church Parking lot (next to Mercy Hall)

3pm-7pm Spanish Prayer Cenacles in the PMR

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

Dear Family!

The Gospel is better proclaimed when loving God and loving neighbor taken together. "The earth herself, burdened and laid waste, is among the most abandoned and maltreated of our poor; she 'groans in travail' (Rom 8:22). We have forgotten that we ourselves are dust of the earth (cf. Gen 2:7); our very bodies are made up of her elements, we breathe her air, and we receive life and refreshment from her waters." --Pope Francis

Pope Francis also states, "We need to participate for the common good. Sometimes we hear: a good Catholic is not interested in politics. This is not true: good Catholics immerse themselves in politics by offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern." (9/16/13)

The readings remind us of the importance of being sensitive to the poor and the needy in the society. Being sensitive to the needs of others is a mark of being a Christian. The rich man in the gospel was condemned for not treating Lazarus as his brother. The bible is filled with instances that prove one point - God takes the side of the poor and needy. In order that God be on our side, every rich person must side with the poor and needy.

The Church has a preferential love for the poor because the Church imitates her founder's compassion toward the poor by working "for their relief, defense, and liberation through numerous works of charity" (CCC 2448). God's justice to the poor is mediated in the most complete, filling and generous way by our Lord Jesus Christ. Our Lord taught his followers to do the same.

**Open House - St. Thomas Aquinas High School  
Edison (Sunday, Oct 19<sup>th</sup>)  
Immaculata High School, Somerville  
(Wednesday, Oct 15<sup>th</sup>)  
St. Joseph High School, Metuchen (Saturday,  
Nov 1<sup>st</sup>)  
Amount Saint Mary Academy, Watchung  
(Sunday, Oct 19<sup>th</sup>)**

### **Traveling Eucharistic Rosary Congress (October 4-10):**

Eight different parishes will be offering 24hour Eucharistic Adoration across these seven days in response to Our Lady of Fatima's call to conversion, consecration and prayer. Pope Leo recently imparted his Apostolic Blessing to the Eucharistic Rosary Congress.

### **Healing Mass at our Parish:**

I thank Fr. Alex, our parochial vicar in celebrating the Healing Mass on September 23<sup>rd</sup> in our church at 7pm in my absence and also anointing all those who participated in the mass. We will plan one more Healing Mass in the near future.

### **Confirmation at our Parish:**

Please mark your calendar - May 7, 2026 - 5pm Mass

### **150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Catholic Education in Phillipsburg (Sun, Dec 7<sup>th</sup> at 11am)**

As the anniversary approaches near, there are preliminary preparations that need to happen. Please save the date: Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, Bishop Checchio will celebrate a special mass at 11am to mark the event. All are welcome!

### **Mercy Hall Building Updates:**

After the roof work and installation of 29 energy efficient windows at the top floor we are continuing the repair of all the classrooms. Please pray for the boiler situation in Mercy Hall. We hope to have a solution before winter starts.

### **Diocesan Programs in the near future:**

**Bible study** program from September 4<sup>th</sup> to December 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Feminine Genius Brunch (Oct 11)**

### **Blue Mass (Oct 29)**

**Surviving Divorce** (8 week program organized by the Diocese): This program starts on October 1<sup>st</sup> and ends on November 19<sup>th</sup>.

Jay Donofrio, our **Diocesan Youth Director** is announcing the launch of a new podcast 'No half Saints'. Please check it out in YouTube.

Fr. Antony

## Masses For The Week



### **SUNDAY, September 28<sup>th</sup> – TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:00am – For the People

9:00am – Joseph Consentino by Ann Marie Naumann  
& Tony Consentino

11:00am – Margaret Pavkovic by Family

1:00pm – (SP) \*Sp. Int. Anthony & Johanna Sinchi by  
Luisa Tacuri

5:30pm – Thomas Jiorle by Merrie Mulrine

### **MONDAY, September 29<sup>th</sup> - Sts. Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael, Archangels**

6:45am – Kathy Verdon by Family

12:10pm – Michael Flynn by Family

### **TUESDAY, September 30<sup>th</sup> - St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church**

6:45am – Eleanor Fahy by Steven B. Fatina

12:10pm – Louis Reda (A) by Family

### **WEDNESDAY, October 1<sup>st</sup> - St. Therese of the Little Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church**

6:45am – Patricia Flynn by Rosalie Flynn

12:10pm – Martha Richline by Dave & Terri Ostile

### **THURSDAY, October 2<sup>nd</sup> – The Holy Guardian Angels**

6:45am – Blanche Gebhard by Ann Flynn & Family

12:10pm – Edward Rodriguez by Dave & Terri Ostile

### **FRIDAY, October 3<sup>rd</sup>**

6:45am – Mr. & Mrs. Louis Torony by Family

12:10pm – Theresa & Peter Schiro by Rose Bladies

### **SATURDAY, October 4<sup>th</sup> Saint Francis of Assisi**

8:00am – Rosa Duque by Darío Duque

4:30pm – Nancy Stahley by Jim & Ruth Martin

### **SUNDAY, October 5<sup>th</sup> – TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:00am – For the People

9:00am – Art & Ann Ostili by Lusardi Family

11:00am – Alice & Frank Doyle by Pat & Mike  
James

1:00pm – (SP) María Olimpiada Rojas by Zoila  
Andrade

5:30pm – Sister Agnese Neumann by Gail Barbadora

## Liturgical Ministry Schedule



October 4<sup>th</sup>

4:30pm	Acolyte	-
	Lector	Ronald Rossini
	Minister	Margie Markus
	Minister	Tom Casey
	Server	Gavin Hayes
	Server	Alana Palos

October 5<sup>th</sup>

7:00am	Acolyte	-
	Lector	Kelechi Odimma
	Server	Anthony Stefano
	Server	Julian Mendoza
9:00am	Acolyte	-
	Lector	Henrietta Schupper
	Minister	Valerie Lusardi
	Minister	Joseph Lusardi
	Server	Andrew Sretenovic
	Server	Chimbuzo Odimma
11:00am	Acolyte	-
	Lector	Rachel Lazier
	Minister	Eileen Catalli
	Minister	Robert Hopkins
	Server	Adam Sretenovic
	Server	Chiezimuzo Odimma
1:00pm	Lector	Oscar Dilone
	Lector	Anyelina Rodríguez
	Minister	Maria C. Rossenouff
	Announcements	Ivan Lam
	Server	Miguel García
	Server	Ayeisha Jauridez
	Server	Jackie García
5:30pm	Acolyte	-
	Lector	Michael Boylan
	Server	Lucas Blanes
	Server	Leah Blanes

## Stewardship

<b>September 21, 2025</b>	<b>\$ 8,004.00</b>
<b>On-line</b>	<b><u>1,880.00</u></b>
	<b>\$ 9,884.00</b>
<b>Collection for SSPJ</b>	<b>\$ 1,197.00</b>
<b>Various Collections</b>	<b>\$ 120.00</b>

## Around the Parish

### Faith Formation News

#### 25-26 SPSJ Faith Formation Classes

**Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>  
4:30pm at 137 Roseberry St.**



**Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>  
4:30pm at 137 Roseberry St.**

### 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, Grace Epo, Kevin Stannard, Cecilia Malizzi, Paxton John Bowman, Michael Boyle, Jennie Rossetti, Terry LaBar, Jack Kane, Patti Bisci, Pat Houck, Thomas Sulick, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Caceres Family, Gustavo Caceres, & Anthony Comito.*

### 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, Bryan Malizzi, Paul C. Hesch, Luis Quizhpi, Jason Erz, Staff Sergeant Kevin Jiorle, Lt. Commander Dominique D'Anthony, Major Joseph Skopowski, Airman Seth Reyes, Private First Class Marine Chad Bruckman, Angelo Luzzetti Army, & PFC. Steven Fulse.*



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



#### PRAYERS FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED MEMBERS OF ST. PHILIP & ST. JAMES

*Patricia A. Flynn, Joyce Farley,  
Blanche "Sis" Gebhard, &  
Vita Loughry*

### 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:** 9/28 Ron Rossini, 10/5 Ed Socci, & 10/12 Eileen Catalli

**Brakeley Nursing Home:** 9/28 Eileen Dean & Michael St. Jacques, 10/5 Deacon Francisco, & 10/12 Michael St. Jacques & Mike Burke

**Phillipsburg Care Center** 9/28 & 10/5 Lisa Spanopolous & 10/12 Beth Dispoto

### "Could you not watch one hour with me?"



We need adorers for **11am and 12noon on Tuesdays, 11am and 6pm on Wednesdays, 12noon on Thursdays, and 2pm on Fridays.** Call Deacon Enock at **908-310-8990** or Camille at **908-319-2719**.



### HOLY HOUR

All are welcomed to come together for a Holy Hour on October 3<sup>rd</sup> (First Friday) at 6:00pm in the Church.



Year to Date we have served **5800 COMPLETE meals** to our neighbors. Your generosity allows us to continue to feed the hungry in our community. The Soup Kitchen is in need of cookies and pudding cups. Any help is appreciated. It can be dropped off Saturday mornings from 9am-12noon. Thank you!



## **MEMORIALS AND FEASTS THIS WEEK**

**Sept 28 Sun - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sept 29 Mon - Feast of Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels**

“Today, we celebrate three of these Archangels because they played an important role in the history of salvation and also because they play an important role in our journey towards salvation”, the Holy Father said. He described Michael as being “great: the one who fights against the devil”, as described in the day's reading from the Book of Revelation (12: 7-12), and the devil as being our enemy: “troubling our lives: he always tries to seduce [us] as he seduced our mother Eve”. “This is mine’ are the very words of the devil; he wins us over with seduction and then accuses us before God: ‘This [one] is mine, I will take him with me’”. “Michael fights against him”, he continued, because the “Lord asked him to fight [the devil] for us who are on our life journey towards heaven; Michael helps us to fight against him and to not be seduced by this evil spirit which deceives us”. (Pope Francis on 29th September, 2017)

**Sept 30 Tue - Memorial of St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church**

“In the remotest part of a wild and stony desert, burnt up with the heat of the scorching sun so that it frightens even the monks that inhabit it, I seemed to myself to be in the midst of the delights and crowds of Rome. In this exile and prison to which for the fear of hell I had voluntarily condemned myself, I many times imagined myself witnessing the dancing of the Roman maidens as if I had been in the midst of them: In my cold body and in my parched-up flesh, which seemed dead before its death, passion was able to live. Alone with this enemy, I threw myself in spirit at the feet of Jesus, watering them with my tears, and I tamed my flesh by fasting whole weeks. I am not ashamed to disclose my temptations, but I grieve that I am not now what I then was” (“Letter to St. Eustochium”).

**Oct 1 Wed - Memorial of St. Therese of Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church**

**Oct 2 Thu - Memorial of The Holy Guardian Angels**

**Oct 4 Sat - Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi**

“Where did Francis’s journey to Christ begin? It began with the gaze of the crucified Jesus. With letting Jesus look at us at the very moment that he gives his life for us and draws us to himself. Francis experienced this in a special way in the Church of San Damiano, as he prayed before the cross which I too will have an opportunity to venerate. On that cross, Jesus is depicted not as dead, but alive! Blood is flowing from his wounded hands, feet and side, but that blood speaks of life. Jesus’ eyes are not closed but open, wide open: he looks at us in a way that touches our hearts. The cross does not speak to us about defeat and failure; paradoxically, it speaks to us about a death which is life, a death which gives life, for it speaks to us of love, the love of God incarnate, a love which does not die, but triumphs over evil and death. When we let the crucified Jesus gaze upon us, we are re-created, we become “a new creation. Everything else starts with this: the experience of transforming grace, the experience of being loved for no merits of our own, in spite of our being sinners. That is why Saint Francis could say with Saint Paul: “Far be it for me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ” (Gal 6:14).” “We turn to you, Francis, and we ask you: Teach us to remain before the cross, to let the crucified Christ gaze upon us, to let ourselves be forgiven, and recreated by his love.” (Pope Francis’ Pastoral Visit to Assisi, Friday, Oct 4, 2013)

## **OVER 50s CLUB MEETING**

The Over 50’s club will have their next meeting on Wednesday, October 1, 2025, at 1:00 pm in Mercy Hall. We will also have refreshments and bingo. The officers will meet at 12:00 pm for a brief meeting. New members are welcome. Any questions please call Dolly Loiacono at 908-454-8067.

## **FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION**

Join us on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, after the 8 am 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 10 am & 3:15 pm .

## **DEACON'S CORNER**

In this Gospel, Jesus tells the story of a rich man who lived every day in luxury while a poor beggar named Lazarus lay at his gate, longing for scraps of food. When both die, their destinies are reversed: Lazarus is carried to the bosom of Abraham, while the rich man suffers torment.

The heart of this passage is not simply about wealth, but about our response to the suffering around us. The rich man did not harm Lazarus directly—his sin was indifference. He saw him every day and chose to ignore him.

This is a warning for us: God places the poor, the sick, the lonely, and the forgotten at the “gates” of our lives. How do we respond? Do we walk past, too busy or too comfortable? Or do we notice, stop, and love in action?

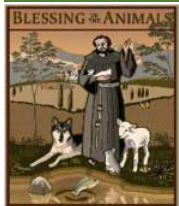
Jesus also reminds us that we already have Moses and the prophets—the Word of God is clear about caring for others. We cannot say we didn’t know. What matters is whether we let God’s Word transform our hearts into compassion.

The final lesson: our choices on earth echo in eternity. Wealth, comfort, or success cannot save us; only love lived out in mercy does. Lazarus had nothing in this life, yet he had faith. The rich man had everything but lacked love—and that was his ruin.

So today, let’s ask: Who is the Lazarus at my gate? Is it a neighbor, a family member, someone homeless I pass on the street, or even a co-worker in silent pain? May we not wait until it’s too late, but recognize Christ in them now

Deacon Francisco

## **BLESSING OF ANIMALS**



The blessing of the animals will take place next Sunday October 5<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm in the Church parking lot (next to Mercy Hall) Please bring all your pets and animals! St. Francis, Pray for us!

## **LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY**

Come & join us in prayer for the unborn & for women in crisis pregnancies for Life Chain Sunday on Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, from 2:00 – 3:30 pm in front of St. Philip & St. James Church. It is a powerful quiet time of prayer for the unborn & their mothers.

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**



*Our Famous  
Sausage Sandwich Sale  
Curbside, 11am to 6pm  
Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>  
SSPJ School*

137 Roseberry St, Phillipsburg, NJ

## **CALLING ALL MEN**

Looking for men who want to grow deeper in their faith and relationship with Christ through St. Joseph and some uncommon saints. We will meet on the first and third Wednesdays of every month from 7:30-8:30 pm in the Adoration Chapel. The first half hour will be in adoration of Jesus, and the last half hour will consist of reflection and prayer to St. Joseph. On the first Wednesday and the third Wednesday there will be reflection and prayer on saints who have sinned, suffered and struggled on their way to holiness.

If you have any questions, please text or call our diaconate candidate, Rob Anselmo at (917) 626-3907

## **Diocesan News**

### **SURVIVING DIVORCE**

Surviving Divorce – For men and women seeking healing from separation or divorce. This 8-week program, while based on the teachings of the Catholic Church, is open to anyone who needs comfort, counsel and clarity after a divorce. Meetings will be held on Wednesdays 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm beginning October 1 – November 19, 2025 at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, NJ. For more information or to register contact Rachele Hanna at [rachele.hanna@gmail.com](mailto:rachele.hanna@gmail.com).

### **SILVER AND GOLD 5 YEAR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

You cordially invited to celebrate your 25<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 50+, 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 19, 2025 at 3pm. The Silver and Gold Anniversary Prayer Service 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 it, please contact the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or [amarshall@diometuchen.org](mailto:amarshall@diometuchen.org)

Registration will close October 10, 2025. 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 AND PUT MERCY INTO ACTION**

**50/50 RAFFLE DRAWING ~  
OCTOBER 31, 2025**

We might never know the recipients of our Works of Mercy or the impact our financial gift had on their lives. Consider the family that was helped by Catholic Charities during a period of unemployment and is now on the path to self-sufficiency or, the person whose struggle with addictions is being alleviated through our Catholic Charities' counseling services. Who would guess that becoming a Champion for Catholic Charities by purchasing a raffle ticket could have such far-reaching results. When a community responds in generosity, that is exactly what happens.

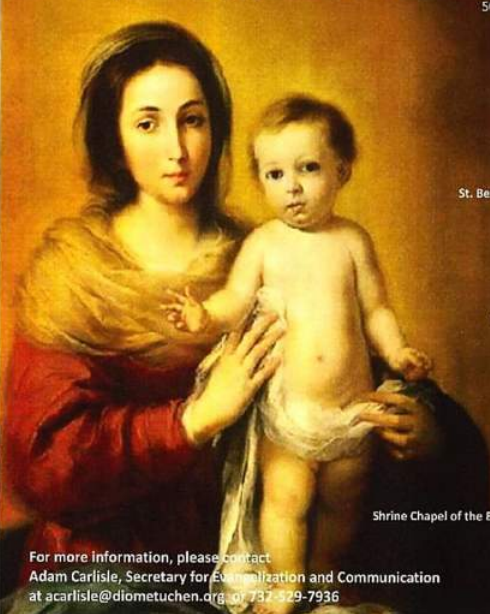
By entering our Champions 50/50 Raffle, you are helping our neighbors in need, and you just may win one of the two grand prizes. ***Over the years, the prize for this raffle has reached as high as \$40,000 each for two lucky winners!*** With your participation, we are hoping for even greater success this year. Tickets are \$100 each and can be purchased by downloading a raffle form at [www.diometuchen.org/champions](http://www.diometuchen.org/champions) and mailing it in with your payment or by calling 732-562-2432. Thank you and good luck!



**DIocese of METUCHEN**

# Traveling Eucharistic Rosary Congress

October 4 - 10, 2025  
"My Soul Magnifies the Lord"



**Saturday, October 4, 2025**  
National Blue Army Shrine (Morris Canal) \*  
674 Mountain View Road E., Asbury  
(908) 689-1700  
12:15 p.m. Opening Mass  
Followed by Adoration

**Sunday, October 5, 2025**  
Blessed Sacrament (Somerset Hills)  
1890 Washington Valley Rd., Martinsville  
(732) 356-4405  
12:00 p.m. Opening Mass  
Followed by Adoration

**Monday, October 6, 2025**  
Our Lady of Fatima (Middlebrook)  
501 New Market Road, Piscataway  
(732) 968-5555  
9:00 a.m. Opening Mass  
Followed by Adoration

**Tuesday, October 7, 2025**  
Queenship of Mary (Forsgate)  
16 Dey Road, Plainsboro  
(609) 799-7511  
8:00 a.m. Opening Mass  
Followed by Adoration

**St. Bernard of Clairvaux (Somerset Hills)**  
500 US Highway 22, Bridgewater  
(908) 725-0552  
12:10 p.m. Opening Mass  
Followed by Adoration

**Wednesday, October 8, 2025**  
St. Ambrose (Raritan Bay)  
83 Throckmorton Lane, Old Bridge  
(732) 679-5666  
9:00 a.m. Opening Mass  
Followed by Adoration

**Thursday, October 9, 2025**  
St. Ann (Round Valley)  
6 Church Street, Hampton  
(908) 537-2221  
8:00 a.m. Opening Mass  
Followed by Adoration

**Friday, October 10, 2025**  
Shrine Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament (County Seat) \*  
52 West Somerset Street, Raritan  
(908) 722-1489  
9:30 a.m. Opening Mass  
Followed by Adoration

For more information, please contact  
Adam Carlisle, Secretary for Evangelization and Communication  
at [acarlisle@diometuchen.org](mailto:acarlisle@diometuchen.org) or 732-529-7936

\* Designated by Bishop James J. Checchio as sacred places in the Diocese of Metuchen where the faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence during the 2025 Jubilee Holy Year.

**DIocese of METUCHEN PRESENTS:**

# FEMININE GENTUS BRUNCH

## JUBILEE CELEBRATION OF WOMEN

Come discover God's plan for your ultimate flourishing!

**EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Fellowship & Music
- Hot Brunch
- Prayer & Reflection

**MAIN SPEAKER:**  
LISA COTTER  
"REVEAL THE GIFT"

**OCTOBER 11, 2025**  
9:30 AM TO 12:30 PM

ST. JOHN NEUMANN PASTORAL CENTER  
146 METLARS LANE - PISCATAWAY, NJ



**made to magnify**

**\$30/PERSON**

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER, VISIT:  
[HTTPS://DIOMETUCHEN.ORG/HUMANLIFEANDDIGNITY](https://diometuchen.org/humanlifeanddignity)



## **HEALING MASS AT OUR LADY OF PEACE CHURCH**

Come celebrate Our Lady of the Rosary Feast Day with a Healing Mass with Father John Campoli, i.v.dei, at Our Lady of Peace Church, 1730 US Hwy 130 North, North Brunswick, NJ 08902, Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at 7:00pm. All are welcome! A gifted homilist, Father's beloved Masses are always a grace-filled, peaceful celebration of God's Healing Love & Mercy.

Sponsored by the Parish Columbiettes.

For more info: <https://www.frjohncampoli.com/>

## **NOTICIAS EN ESPAÑOL** **DEL ESCRITORIO DEL P. ANTONY** **26° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

¡Querida familia!

El Evangelio se proclama mejor cuando se ama a Dios y al prójimo conjuntamente. «La tierra misma, agobiada y devastada, se encuentra entre los más abandonados y maltratados de nuestros pobres; gime con dolores de parto (Rm 8,22). Hemos olvidado que nosotros mismos somos polvo de la tierra (cf. Gn 2,7); nuestros cuerpos están hechos de sus elementos, respiramos su aire y recibimos vida y refrigerio de sus aguas». --Papa Francisco

¿Estás estresado? ¿Estás obsesionado con algo? ¿Le El Papa Francisco también afirma: «Necesitamos participar por el bien común. A veces oímos: a un buen católico no le interesa la política. Esto no es cierto: los buenos católicos se sumergen en la política ofreciendo lo mejor de sí mismos para que el líder pueda gobernar». (16/09/13)

Las lecturas nos recuerdan la importancia de ser sensibles a los pobres y necesitados de la sociedad. Ser sensibles a las necesidades de los demás es una señal de ser cristiano. El hombre rico del Evangelio fue condenado por no tratar a Lázaro como a su hermano. La Biblia está llena de ejemplos que demuestran un punto: Dios se pone del lado de los pobres y necesitados. Para que Dios esté de nuestro lado, todo rico debe ponerse del lado de los pobres y necesitados.

La Iglesia tiene un amor preferencial por los pobres porque imita la compasión de su fundador hacia ellos, trabajando «por su socorro, defensa y liberación mediante numerosas obras de caridad» (CIC 2448).

La justicia de Dios hacia los pobres es mediada de la manera más completa, plena y generosa por nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Nuestro Señor enseñó a sus seguidores a hacer lo mismo.

### **Jornada de puertas abiertas:**

**Preparatoria St. Thomas Aquinas, Edison**  
**(domingo, 19 de octubre)**

**Preparatoria Inmaculada, Somerville (miércoles, 15 de octubre)**

**Preparatoria St. Joseph, Metuchen (sábado, 1 de noviembre)**

**Academia Mount Saint Mary, Watchung**  
**(domingo, 19 de octubre)**

### **Congreso Eucarístico Itinerante del Rosario (4-10 de octubre):**

Ocho parroquias ofrecerán Adoración Eucarística las 24 horas del día durante siete días, en respuesta al llamado de Nuestra Señora de Fátima a la conversión, la consagración y la oración. El Papa León impartió recientemente su Bendición Apostólica al Congreso Eucarístico del Rosario.

### **Misa de Sanación en nuestra parroquia:**

Agradezco al Padre Alex, nuestro vicario parroquial, por celebrar la Misa de Sanación el 23 de septiembre en nuestra iglesia a las 7 pm durante mi ausencia, y por ungir a todos los que participaron. Próximamente tendremos otra Misa de Sanación.

### **Misa de Confirmación en nuestra parroquia:**

Apunten en su calendario: 7 de mayo de 2026, misa de 5pm.

### **150° Aniversario de la Educación Católica en Phillipsburg (Domingo 7 de diciembre, 11am)**

A medida que se acerca el aniversario, es necesario realizar preparativos preliminares. Por favor, reserven la fecha: el domingo 7 de diciembre, el Obispo celebrará una misa especial a las 11:00 am para conmemorar el evento. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

### **Actualizaciones del edificio Mercy Hall:**

Tras las obras del techo y la instalación de 29 ventanas de bajo consumo en la planta superior, continuamos con la reparación de todas las aulas. Por favor, oren por el problema de la caldera en Mercy Hall. Esperamos tener una solución antes del inicio del invierno.



### Programas Diocesanos:

Jay Donofrio, nuestro **Director Diocesano de Juventud**, anuncia el lanzamiento de un nuevo podcast, "No Half Saints/No hay medio santos ". Por favor, díganles a sus jóvenes y échale un vistazo en YouTube.

P. Antony

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

#### **25-26 SPSJ Formación en la Fe**

**Martes 30 de septiembre  
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**Martes 6 de octubre  
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*"¿No pudieron velar una hora conmigo?"*



Necesitamos adoradores martes a las 11am y el mediodía, los miércoles a la 11am y 6pm, los jueves al mediodía, y los viernes a las 2pm. Si estás interesado habla con el diácono Francisco.

### ALIENTO DE VIDA GRUPO DE ORACIÓN

Todos los martes de 7:00pm a 9:00pm el 2do y 4to martes del mes tendremos Santa Misa. El 4to. martes del mes tendremos Santa Misa de unción de los enfermos. Ven a encontrarte con nuestro dulce Amigo JESÚS!!!

### CONVIÉRTASE EN UN CAMPEÓN DE CARIDADES CATÓLICAS Y PONGA LA MISERICORDIA EN ACCIÓN

#### **50/50 RIFA ~ 31 DE OCTUBRE DE 2025**

Es posible que nunca conozcamos a los destinatarios de nuestras Obras de Misericordia o el impacto que nuestro aporte financiero tuvo en sus vidas. Piense en la familia que recibió ayuda de Caridades Católicas durante un período de desempleo y ahora está en el camino hacia la autosuficiencia o, la persona cuya lucha con las adicciones está siendo aliviada a través de los servicios de consejería de Caridades Católicas. ¿Quién creería que convertirse en un Campeón de Caridades Católicas comprando un boleto para una rifa podría tener resultados a tan largo plazo? Cuando una comunidad responde con generosidad, eso es exactamente lo que sucede.

Al participar en nuestra rifa de Campeones 50/50, estamos ayudando a nuestros hermanos necesitados y usted podría ganar uno de los dos grandes premios. **¡A lo largo de los años, el premio para esta rifa ha alcanzado hasta \$ 40,000 para cada uno para dos afortunados ganadores!** Con su participación, esperamos tener un éxito aún mayor este año. Los boletos cuestan \$100 cada uno y se pueden comprar descargando el formulario de rifa en **[www.diometuchen.org/champions](http://www.diometuchen.org/champions)** y enviándolo por correo con su pago o llamando al 732-562-2432. ¡Gracias y Buena suerte!





Sunday		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	CH - Church CHP - Chapel CR - Conference Room (in the office) MH - Mercy Hall PMR - Parish Meeting Room SSPJ - School on Roseberry St	29	30	01	02	03	04
05	<b>TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> CH - 7am, 9am, 11am Mass in English, 1pm Mass in Spanish MH - 12:30pm Parking Lot Blessing of the Animals CH - 2pm-3:30pm Life Chain CH - 2pm Guadalupe Food Sale PMR - 3-7pm Sp. Prayer Cenacles 5:30pm Mass in English	06	07	08	09	10	11
12	<b>TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> CH - 7am, 9am, 11am Mass in English, 1pm Mass in Spanish, 5:30pm Mass in English CH - Knights of Columbus Rose's for Life Sale after all Masses	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	<b>TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b> CH - 7am, 9am, 11am Mass in English, 1pm Mass in Spanish, 5:30 Mass in English PMR - 10am Blues Grieving Group CR - 10am OCIA MH - 1pm- Curia Meeting CH - 2pm Guadalupe Food Sale	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	<b>THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> CH - 7am, 9am, 11am Mass in English, 1pm Mass in Spanish, 5:30pm Mass in English CR - 10am OCIA CH - Columbietes Bake Sale after all Masses	27	28	29	30	31	01





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