

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, 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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Fr. Joseph Ban Thien Ho *Parochial Vicar ext. 402*

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Dn. Rob Fisher *ext. 405*

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Office Hours: **Mon.** 9 am-12:30 pm

(Closed for lunch) 1 pm - 5 pm

Tues. - Thurs. 9 am-12:30 pm

(Closed for lunch) 1 pm - 4 pm,

& **Friday** 9 am-1 pm

(Asistencia en español durante horas de atencion.)

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME † SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

For where two or three are
gathered together in my name,
there am I in the midst of them.

MATTHEW 18:20

Baptism, Marriage and OCIA

Please call the Church Office to make arrangements.

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday	9/06/26	2:30pm Intercessory Cenacle in the PMR
Monday	9/07/26	Church Office and Adoration Closed 9am Mass only
Tuesday	9/08/26	4:30pm Faith Formation Mass (CCD) in the Church 7pm Spanish Mass followed by Spanish Charismatic Group in the Church 7pm Cenacles of Life & St. Peregrine Novena in the Chapel
Wednesday	9/09/26	9am Legion of Mary in the Conference Room 10:30am Legion of Mary in the Conference Room 4pm St. Monica Prayer Ministry in the Chapel 7pm Columbiettes Meeting in Mercy Hall
Thursday	9/10/26	7pm Blue Army Prayer Cell in the Chapel
Friday	9/11/26	
Saturday	9/12/26	8:30am Frank Duff Prayer Group in the Church 9am National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children in the Church 9am - 12:30pm Soup Kitchen in Mercy Hall 10am Confessions in the Church 3:15pm Confessions in the Church
Sunday	9/13/26	11am - 3pm Multicultural Fair: Mercy Hall Parking Lot

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Family!

Reflection: In the Lord's Prayer we pray, 'Forgive us our trespasses', that forgiveness is prayed for after food which is life's necessity. Saint Ambrose taught us, *"For when the Lord forgave all sins, He made an exception of none."* Yes, God forgives everyone without exceptions. Forgiveness indeed brings blessings from God. As Saint Faustina once said, *"He who knows how to forgive prepares for himself many graces from God. As often as I look upon the Cross, so often will I forgive with all my heart."*

Church teaches us that, *"Christian prayer extends to the forgiveness of enemies.... Forgiveness is a high-point of Christian prayer; only hearts attuned to God's compassion can receive the gift of prayer. Forgiveness also bears witness that, in our world, love is stronger than sin. The martyrs of yesterday and today bear this witness to Jesus. Forgiveness is the fundamental condition of the reconciliation of the children of God with their Father and of men with one another. There is no limit or measure to this essentially divine forgiveness.... The communion of the Holy Trinity is the source and criterion of truth in every relationship. It is lived out in prayer, above all in the Eucharist". (CCC 2844, 2845)*

It is indeed our Christian responsibility that we are reconciled with God and make every effort to reconcile our dear and near ones with God. This reconciliation heals, builds and makes whole our community where God is the unifying power. This community is led by the awesome presence of God as Jesus assures us, "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Start of the New Academic Year:

As we begin a new Academic year, let us remember and pray for our school. We commence this year amidst huge financial challenges, not to forget the contribution from the diocese to complete last year. It is never too late to enroll your children to our school as the future relies heavily on the enrollment. Please continue to keep our principal, staff and all the children in your daily prayers!

Pride in Our Priests Banquet: Our Knights of Columbus Metuchen Chapter is continuing its tradition of generosity towards our priests. As they have in the past, the Knights are inviting all the priests of our diocese to join them at their **"Pride in Our Priests" Banquet** on Tuesday, September 15, from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm at The Grand Marquis, 1550 Route 9 South, Old Bridge, NJ 08857.

BEWARE OF "PASTOR TO PARISHIONER" E-MAIL SCAMS! Please beware of the phony emails supposedly from a priest of a parish, asking for gift cards. The scammer will create an email address using the priest's name, so it will look credible. Two things that should identify a scam:

1. The scammer will only communicate to you through e-mail and will have a reason they can't speak to you (of course they can't. You'd know it's not Father's voice).
2. Scams won't ask for cash. They almost always are going to ask you to buy gift cards. They will ask you to scratch off the security tape on the back, and either send them a photo of the card's account and PIN numbers or send the numbers in an email.

The 25th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks is less than two weeks away. We have all observed that society has gotten less and less attentive to commemorating the day as the years have passed. But I think the media and local events will bring it back to the front of everyone's attention right after Labor Day. Please remember to pray for the dead & their families.

NJ Bishops' Mass for Life & NJ March for Life

On Thursday, October 8th, 9:30am at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption, there will be a special NJ Bishops' Mass for Life, and the NJ Rally and March for Life will begin at 11am at the Statehouse Annex, a short walk from the Cathedral. A bus will be departing from the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center at 7:15am. Space is limited! To register visit: <https://diometuchen.org/humanlifeanddignity>

Diocesan Programs in the near future:

PCL Formation Days (Sept. 10 & Oct. 8), the **Hispanic Heritage Mass** (Sept. 18), **OCIA Formation Days** (Sept 26, Nov. 14 and Jan. 23), the **NJ Bishops' Mass for Life** (Oct. 8), **The Feminine Genius Brunch** (Oct. 24) and the **Silver & Gold Anniversary Celebration** (Oct. 18). The **Upcoming Adult Faith Formation Classes** and **National Black Catholic History Month** (Nov.).

Fr. Antony

Masses For The Week



SUNDAY, September 6th – TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00am – Ana & Art Ostili by Lusardi Family
11:00am – Samantha Pesaresi by Deacon Larry & Carol Bevilacqua
1:00pm – (SP) For the People
5:30pm – Louise & Joseph George by Joan & George Corriere

MONDAY, September 7th

6:45am – *No Mass*
9:00am – Deceased Members of the Guerreiro, Gomes, & Aversa Families by Gomes-Aversa Family
12:10pm – *No Mass*

TUESDAY, September 8th – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:45am – *Special Intention by Gomes-Aversa Family
12:10pm – Blanch Gebhard by Mary Lily
7:00pm – (SP) – Angel L. Garcia by Family

WEDNESDAY, September 9th – St. Peter Claver, Priest

6:45am – Carmine Centanni by Mike Sweeny & Family
12:10pm – Patricia McMann (A) by Patti & Bob Merlo

THURSDAY, September 10th

6:45am – Margaret Petchonka (A) by Children
12:10pm – Blanch Gebhard by Family

FRIDAY, September 11th

6:45am – Mary Louise Rosnagle by Tricia, Wendy, Jaclyn & Families
12:10pm – Bernard A. Blades, Sr. by Rose Bladies

SATURDAY, September 12th – The Most Holy Name of Mary

8am – Rosa Duque by Dario F. Duque
4:30pm – Georgiana Cleary by Eileen Carey

SUNDAY, September 13th – TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00am – Robert Fisher by Deacon Rob Fisher
11:00am – Thomas B. Smith, Sr. by Layla, Kylie, & Travis
1:00pm – (SP) For the People
5:30pm – Clifford Bonney by Rick & Lou Anne Bonney

Liturgical Ministry Schedule



September 12th

4:30pm Acolyte Andrew Sretenovic
 Lector
 Minister Bill Casey
 Minister Melody Talpas
 Server Erin Case
 Server Oliva Grimshaw

September 13th

9am Acolyte Adam Sretenovic
 Lector
 Minister Paul Juliano
 Minister Karen Juliano
 Server Gabriel Sretenovic
 Server Luke Sretenovic

11am Acolyte Chiezimuzo Odemma
 Lector
 Minister Eileen Catalli
 Minister Kelvin Osoria
 Server Chimbuzo Odemma
 Server -

1pm Acolyte Miguel Quizhpi-García
 Lector María Cristina Rossenouff
 Lector Jaime Rocha
 Minister Giovanni Lam
 Announcements Anyelina Rodríguez
 Server Jacqueline Quizhpi-García
 Server Liam Rosario

5:30pm Acolyte Lucas Blanes
 Lector
 Server Leah Blanes
 Server Noah Blanes

2026 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Goal:	\$78,000.00
Total Pledged:	\$48,432.25
Total Received:	\$47,254.75
Over/under Goal:	(\$29,567.75)
Percent of Goal Pledged:	62.09%
Percent of Goal Received:	60.58%
Avg. Gift Amt.:	\$264.66

Stewardship

August 30 th	\$7,011.00
Online Giving:	1,380.00
	\$8,391.00
Various Collections:	\$88.50

The Church Office and Adoration
will be closed on
Monday, September 7th in
observance of Labor Day.
9am Mass Only

Around the Parish

Faith Formation News



**26-27 SPSJ ONLINE
REGISTRATION FOR THE
FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM
IS OPEN Visit:**

<https://www.spsj.org/ccd>

**Tuesday, Sept. 8th at 4:30pm
Faith Formation Mass
in the Church**

Is God calling you to do more? Become a Catechist or volunteer to help in the SPSJ Faith Formation Program! Call the Church Office at 908-454-0112 x406

Pray FOR THE SICK

James Tersigni, Jamey Perrone, Lorraine Wonder, Rosa Zevallos, Manuel Venegas, The Pulecio Family, Theresa Adams, The Quesada-Rocha Family, Janet Duran, Bob Hoesley, Steven Hille, Richard Dalrymple, Mauricio Castro, Grace Epo, Kevin Stannard, Jennie Rossetti, Terry LaBar, Jack Kane, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Caceres Family, Gustavo Caceres, Connie Sartini, Michael Burke, Hannah Paxton, Ruth Ann, Scott Visco, Ann Janasek Visco, Lynn Trimmer, Russell Perna, Angel, Ellen Piperata, & Pam McMichael.

Pray for our Military ☆☆☆

Jack Pike, Michael Vega, Gianni Luzzetti, Lt. Colonel Abigail Gage, James B. Collins, Spec. Theodore Bill, Billy Erz, Bryan Malizzi, Paul C. Hesch, Luis Quizhpi, Jason Erz, Staff Sergeant Kevin Jiorle, Lt. Commander Dominique D'Anthony, Major Joseph Skopowski, Airman Seth Reyes, Marine LCpl Chad Bruckman, Angelo Luzzetti Army, Marine LCpl Steven Fulse, & Robby Anselmo.



Please help us keep both prayer lists up to date, contact the parish office when changes occur.

Thank you & God Bless.

EUCARIST HOLY HOUR FOR THE NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR ABORTED CHILDREN

Join us on Saturday, September 12th, at 9:00am, for a Eucharistic Holy Hour for the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children. Let us not forget the children who were aborted. They are still children of God.

SPSJ NURSING HOME MINISTRY

Every 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Tuesday of the month, we hold Mass at the following nursing homes, 10:30am the First Tuesday at Complete Care also known as Brakeley Care Center, 10:30am the Second Tuesday at Lopatcong nursing home, and 10:30am 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: 9/6 Ed Socci, 9/13 Ron Rossini, & 9/20 Anne Coyle

Brakeley Nursing Home: 9/6 William Casey, 9/13 Melody Talpas, & 9/20 Eileen Dean

Phillipsburg Care Center: 9/6 & 9/13 Lisa Spanopolous and 9/20 Beth Dispoto

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR



All are welcomed to come together for a Holy Hour on October 2nd (First Friday) at 6:00pm in the Church.



Your generosity allows us to continue to feed the hungry in our community. The Soup Kitchen's current needs are: Ziploc style gallon storage bags. Please not the **SLIDER** type. We also could use the **FLAP** style sandwich bags. We now have a registry on Amazon as well. We are listed as:

SPSJ Soup Kitchen. We want to thank all of you for everything you do for us. Thus far this calendar year we have feed 5308 people in our community. We are able to do this because of your continued support. It can be dropped off Saturday mornings from 9am-12noon in MH. Thank you!

RUMMAGE SALE

Rummage sale items are now being accepted Monday - Friday 9:30am - 3:30pm and on Saturdays from 9:30am - 11:30am in Mercy Hall. Please remember **No** electronics, books, Appliances, Undergarments, Large Furniture, Dishes or glassware will be accepted.

MEMORIALS AND FEASTS THIS WEEK

September 6th - Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

**September 8, Tue - Feast of the Nativity of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**

**September 9, Wed - Memorial of St. Peter
Claver, Priest**

*September 12, Sat - Optional Memorial of the Most
Holy Name of Mary*

"PRAY WITH THE POPE"

(Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network)

SEPTEMBER: For the care of water

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amén.

Lord of Life,
You have given us the gift of water,
source of fruitfulness, freshness, and hope.
It quenches thirst, nourishes the earth, and heals
wounds.

We thank You,
because it is also a symbol of your grace and love
that renews us through Baptism.
Today we ask You to teach us to safeguard it
with gratitude, justice, and responsibility.

Forgive us for turning it into a commodity,
forgetting that it is a universal gift,
a right without borders, meant for all your children.
We see with pain so many brothers and sisters
who lack clean water,
who walk for miles to find it,
who become ill due to its scarcity.

May your Spirit make us pilgrims of the essential,
able to live with simplicity,
denouncing waste and pollution,
defending the right of every brother and sister
to drink without fear and without inequality.

May our care for water
be a sign of love for the Creator
and a commitment to the lives of the poor,
educating new generations to value
and protect the Earth's resources.

Amen.

DEACON'S CORNER

Reflection on Matthew 18:15–20

Today Jesus teaches us how to deal with conflict. When someone hurts us, Jesus tells us not to gossip or seek revenge. Instead, He says, "Go and tell him his fault between you and him alone."

The goal is not to win an argument. The goal is to win our brother or sister.

Sometimes pride keeps us from saying, "I am sorry," or "Please forgive me." But Jesus calls us to choose forgiveness and reconciliation.

He also reminds us: "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."

When we come together in prayer, forgiveness, and love, Jesus is present among us.

Today, let us ask ourselves:

- Is there someone I need to forgive?
- Is there someone I need to ask forgiveness from?

Let us choose peace instead of anger, forgiveness instead of resentment, and love instead of division.

Lord, help us to bring healing and unity wherever we go. Amen.

Deacon Francisco

GROUND MAINTENANCE HELP

**HELP
WANTED**

We are in the process of interviewing for a ground's maintenance person. The person will be responsible for the mowing and weed whacking of the lawn at the rectory and back parking lot, assisting at the cemeteries and school. This will also include the removal of snow and ice and salting during the winter months. Knowledge of maintenance of equipment is a plus. If you are interested in this job, please call the church office at 908-454-0112.

Volunteer Drivers Needed

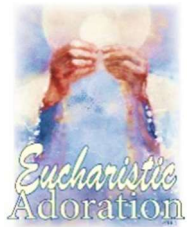
Deliver meals to Homebound Seniors
Call Warren County Division of
Aging & Disability Services at
908-475-6591

PILGRIMAGE TO THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL SHRINE IN PHILADELPHIA

The pilgrimage is on Friday, November 6th from 7am to 5:30pm, departing from 137 Roseberry St., Phillipsburg, with a stop at the Reading Terminal Market for lunch & shopping. The cost is \$60/person; optional tour cost are: Basilica Shrine & Rosary Walk \$15 and Marian Art Museum \$12, please write out a separate check for each tour.

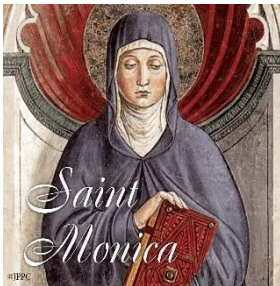
For more information contact Camille Bates at 908-319-2719.

"Could you not watch one hour with me?"



...also, we need adorers for **Mondays 9am & 10am, Tuesdays 10am & 4pm; Wednesdays 8am & 7pm; Thursdays 10am, Noon & 6pm; and Fridays 11am & 2pm.** Call Deacon Enock at **908-310-8990** or Camille at **908-319-2719**.

ST. MONICA PRAYER MINISTRY



The **St. Monica Ministry** is dedicated to offering hope and support to the families and friends of fallen-away Catholics. Like St. Monica, its members pray unconditionally for loved ones who have left the Church. St. Monica prayed for 20+ years for her wayward son and her prayers were answered. St. Monica's great faithfulness was rewarded as her son, St. Augustine, converted and went on to become one of the greatest theologians in Church History and was declared a Doctor of the Church. This is a testimony to perseverance in prayer!!! ***NOTHING IS FAR FROM GOD!!!***

Please join us on Wednesday's at 4:00pm in the Adoration Chapel for the St. Monica Prayer Ministry.

VENDORS FOR MULTICULTURAL FAIR



There is still time to sign up for the SPSJ Multicultural Fair. Please call the office to sign up. Share your favorite dish your heritage and help our parish as well. All proceed go to the church. Please note that you will have to set up and attend to your own table/booth.

HUMANITARIAN HELP

We recently graciously donated in solidarity to the people of Venezuela & the Philippines following the earthquakes they experienced. Recently, a powerful earthquake in Colombia and mudslide in Nepal has prompted us once again to invite members of our parish to show solidarity with those affected through prayer and financial support. CRS is working with Caritas Colombia to provide an on-the-ground response.

For more information, please visit www.crs.org

LAZARUS MINISTRY

The **Lazarus Ministry** is a function of the Legion of Mary and is designed to assist the **Souls of the Faithful Departed** and their families by praying the Rosary prior to a **Viewing or Funeral Mass**. If you would like this devotion to be performed for your deceased loved one, please send your request to: lazarusministry@spsj.org.

This is a **free ministry** that will greatly assist your loved one on their journey toward heaven!

St. Padre Pio on the Rosary, "Its costs so little and is worth so much to a precious soul!!!"

"EXPLORING OUR FAITH TOGETHER"



...discussion Group meetings will be on the following date: **Sept. 17th at 6:00pm** in Mercy Hall. Light Refreshments will be served! The September topic is TBD.

OUR MISSION: To build our **Knowledge** of the Faith; to help us **Explain** the Faith; & to encourage us to **Share** the Faith!!! No membership, no dues, no obligations! **Let Us Answer Your Questions.**

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

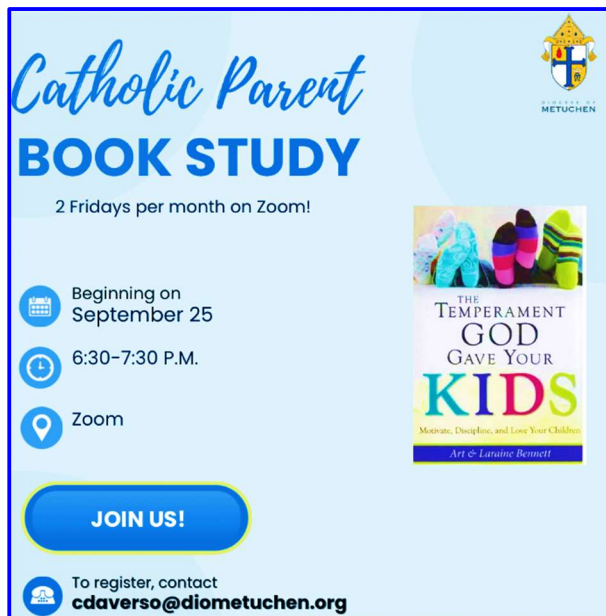
Please join Christians throughout the globe to pray and fast for an end to abortion from September 23rd-November 1st during the 40 Days for Life campaign, in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, [66 East Washington Ave](http://66EastWashingtonAve.com), Washington, NJ. For more information contact: Jennifer English, amjadopt@comcast.net, [973-525-6692](tel:973-525-6692), or visit https://40daysforlife.com/

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go. ~Joshua 1:9

Diocesan News

VIRTUAL BOOK STUDY FOR CATHOLIC PARENTS

Parents are invited to a virtual bi-monthly discussion of the book, "The Temperament God Gave Your Kids" beginning on September 25th. Meetings take place 2 Fridays per month from 6:30pm to 7:30pm on Zoom. To register, please contact Cristina at cdaverso@diometuchen.org



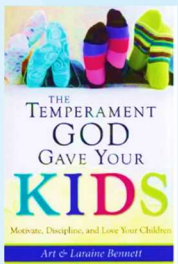
Catholic Parent BOOK STUDY

2 Fridays per month on Zoom!

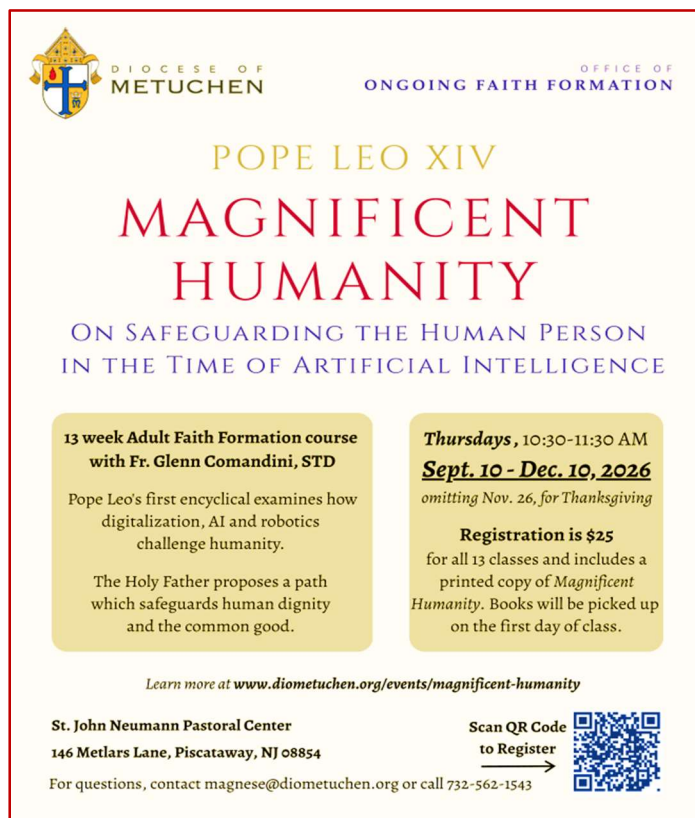
- Beginning on September 25
- 6:30-7:30 P.M.
- Zoom

JOIN US!

To register, contact cdaverso@diometuchen.org



SAFEGUARDING THE HUMAN PERSON IN THE TIME OF AI



POPE LEO XIV

MAGNIFICENT HUMANITY

ON SAFEGUARDING THE HUMAN PERSON IN THE TIME OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

13 week Adult Faith Formation course with Fr. Glenn Comandini, STD

Pope Leo's first encyclical examines how digitalization, AI and robotics challenge humanity.

The Holy Father proposes a path which safeguards human dignity and the common good.

Thursdays, 10:30-11:30 AM
Sept. 10 - Dec. 10, 2026
omitting Nov. 26, for Thanksgiving

Registration is \$25 for all 13 classes and includes a printed copy of *Magnificent Humanity*. Books will be picked up on the first day of class.

Learn more at www.diometuchen.org/events/magnificent-humanity

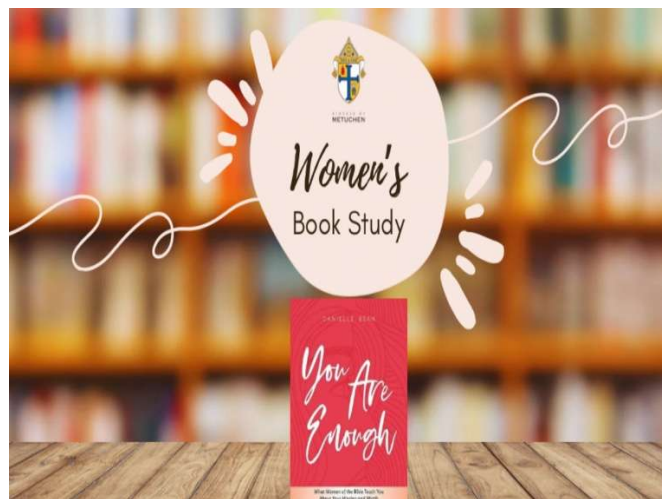
St. John Neumann Pastoral Center
146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, NJ 08854

For questions, contact magnese@diometuchen.org or call 732-562-1543

Scan QR Code to Register 

YOU ARE ENOUGH: VIRTUAL WOMEN'S GROUP

In anticipation of author, Danielle Bean's, visit to the Diocese in October, the Virtual Women's Group will discuss her book, "You Are Enough: What Women of the Bible Teach You About Your Mission and Worth" each Sunday at 2:30 pm. On Zoom beginning on September 13th. Purchase of the book is required for attendance. To join, please contact Cristina at cdaverso@diometuchen.org



NOTICIAS EN ESPAÑOL DEL ESCRITORIO DEL P. ANTONY 23º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

¡Querida familia!

Reflexión: En el Padre Nuestro pedimos: «Perdona nuestras ofensas»; este perdón se solicita después de pedir el alimento, que es una necesidad vital. San Ambrosio nos enseñó: «*Cuando el Señor perdonó todos los pecados, no hizo excepción de ninguno*». Sí, Dios perdona a todos sin excepciones. Ciertamente, el perdón atrae bendiciones de Dios. Como dijo una vez Santa Faustina: «*Quien sabe perdonar se prepara para recibir muchas gracias de Dios. Cuantas veces mire la Cruz, otras tantas perdonaré de todo corazón*».

La Iglesia nos enseña que «*la oración cristiana llega hasta el perdón de los enemigos... El perdón es una cumbre de la oración cristiana; solo corazones en sintonía con la compasión de Dios pueden recibir el don de la oración. El perdón da testimonio también de que, en nuestro mundo, el amor es más fuerte que el pecado. Los mártires de ayer y de hoy dan este testimonio de Jesús*».

El perdón es la condición fundamental de la reconciliación de los hijos de Dios con su Padre y de los hombres entre sí. No hay límite ni medida para este perdón esencialmente divino... La comunión de la Santísima Trinidad es la fuente y el criterio de verdad en toda relación. Se vive en la oración, sobre todo en la Eucaristía» (CCE 2844, 2845).

Es, en efecto, nuestra responsabilidad cristiana reconciliarnos con Dios y esforzarnos al máximo por reconciliar a nuestros seres queridos con Él. Esta reconciliación sana, edifica y restaura la integridad de nuestra comunidad, en la cual Dios es la fuerza que nos une. Esta comunidad es guiada por la maravillosa presencia de Dios, tal como Jesús nos asegura: «Donde dos o tres están reunidos en mi nombre, allí estoy yo en medio de ellos».

Inicio del nuevo año académico:

Al comenzar un nuevo año académico, recordemos y oremos por nuestra escuela. Iniciamos este año en medio de grandes desafíos económicos, sin olvidar la contribución de la diócesis para cerrar el año anterior. Nunca es tarde para inscribir a sus hijos en nuestra escuela, ya que el futuro depende en gran medida de las inscripciones. ¡Por favor, sigan teniendo presentes en sus oraciones diarias a nuestra directora, al personal y a todos los niños!

Banquete «Orgullo por nuestros sacerdotes»:

El Capítulo de Metuchen de los Caballeros de Colón continúa con su tradición de generosidad hacia nuestros sacerdotes. Al igual que en ocasiones anteriores, los Caballeros invitan a todos los sacerdotes de nuestra diócesis a acompañarlos en el banquete «Orgullo por nuestros sacerdotes», que se celebrará el martes 15 de septiembre, de 6:00 pm a 10:00 pm, en The Grand Marquis (1550 Route 9 South, Old Bridge, NJ 08857).

¡CUIDADO CON LAS ESTAFAS POR CORREO ELECTRÓNICO QUE PRETENDEN VENIR DEL PÁRROCO!

Por favor, tenga cuidado con los correos electrónicos falsos que supuestamente provienen de un sacerdote de la parroquia y solicitan tarjetas de regalo. El estafador crea una dirección de correo electrónico utilizando el nombre del sacerdote para que parezca auténtica. Hay dos señales que permiten identificar esta estafa:

1. El estafador se comunicará con usted únicamente por correo electrónico y alegará algún motivo para no poder hablar personalmente (naturalmente, no pueden hacerlo, ya que usted reconocería que no es la voz del sacerdote).
2. En estas estafas no se pide dinero en efectivo. Casi siempre le pedirán que compre tarjetas de regalo. Le solicitarán que raspe la banda de seguridad en el reverso y que les envíe una foto de los números de cuenta y el PIN de la tarjeta, o bien que les facilite dichos números por correo electrónico.

Faltan menos de dos semanas para el **25.º aniversario de los atentados del 11 de septiembre**. Todos hemos observado que, con el paso de los años, la sociedad presta cada vez menos atención a la conmemoración de este día. Sin embargo, creo que los medios de comunicación y los actos locales volverán a situarlo en el centro de la atención pública justo después del Día del Trabajo. Por favor, recuerden orar por los fallecidos y sus familias.

Misa por la Vida de los Obispos de NJ y Marcha por la Vida de NJ

El jueves 8 de octubre, a las 9:30 am, se celebrará una Misa especial por la Vida oficiada por los obispos de Nueva Jersey en la Catedral de Santa María de la Asunción; posteriormente, a las 11:00am, comenzarán el mitin y la Marcha por la Vida de Nueva Jersey en el anexo del Capitolio estatal (Statehouse Annex), situado a poca distancia a pie de la Catedral. Un autobús saldrá del Centro Pastoral St. John Neumann a las 7:15am. ¡El cupo es limitado!

Para inscribirse, visite:

<https://diometuchen.org/humanlifeanddignity>

Programas Diocesanos en el futuro cercano:

La **Misa de la Herencia Hispana** (18 de septiembre) y la **XI Conferencia Nacional para Músicos Hispanos** (25 y 26 de septiembre).

P. Antony

"¿No pudieron velar una hora conmigo?"



Necesitamos adoradores los lunes a las 9am y 10am, martes a las 10am, 1pm y 5pm; los miércoles a las 8am, 2pm, 5pm y 7pm; los jueves a al mediodía y 2pm; y a las 11am y al mediodía los viernes. Si estás interesado hable con el diácono Francisco.

ORDEN DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA DE ADULTOS EN ESPAÑOL

Nuestra parroquia va a comenzar un programa de "Orden de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos" en español. El programa de O. I. C. A es el camino ordinario de integración plena en la Iglesia Católica para adultos, que necesitan recibir uno o varios de los Sacramentos de Iniciación Cristiana (v.gr. Bautismo, Comunión, o Confirmación). Por favor llame al 908-454-0112 x406 para más información.

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



LA INSCRIPCIÓN PARA EL PROGRAMA DE FORMACIÓN EN LA FE DE SPSJ 26-27 HA COMENZADO EL ENLACE ES:

<https://www.spsj.org/ccd>

Misa de formación en la fe en la iglesia martes 8 de septiembre a las 4:30 pm

AYUDA HUMANITARIA

Recientemente, hicimos una generosa donación en solidaridad con los pueblos de Venezuela y Filipinas tras los terremotos que sufrieron. Recién, un fuerte terremoto en Colombia y en Nepal una avalancha de lodo nos ha impulsado una vez más a invitar a los miembros de nuestra parroquia a mostrar su solidaridad con los afectados mediante la oración y el apoyo financiero. CRS está colaborando con Cáritas Colombia para brindar asistencia directamente a las zonas afectadas.

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DATOS IMPORTANTE DEL PROGRAMA FORMACIÓN EN LA FE

Nuestra esperanza es caminar junto con las familias en la formación de sus hijos en la fe católica, que comienza en sus hogares. Nuestro programa de formación en la fe comienza en el primer grado y continúa hasta el octavo grado. Dentro de estos años se celebran los Sacramentos de la Primera Comunión (en el segundo grado) y la Confirmación (en el octavo grado). De acuerdo con los requisitos establecidos por la Diócesis de Metuchen, un niño(a) debe prepararse durante dos años antes de recibir estos sacramentos. La preparación para la Primera Comunión comienza en el primer grado, continúa en el segundo grado y al final del segundo año el niño(a) recibe su Primera Comunión. Lo mismo con la Confirmación los años de preparación son en los grados séptimo y octavo y al final del octavo grado recibe la Confirmación.

Sra. Escarlen Duran (Directora de Catequesis Parroquial)

908-454-0112 x406 - eduran@spsj.org

La oficina parroquial y la adoración estarán cerradas el lunes 7 de septiembre con motivo del Día del Trabajo.

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SPIRIT NIGHT:

Don't forget to join us at Panera on Tuesday, September 15, from 4-8PM. Visit sspjnj.org to print the flyer and help our school raise funds!

MUM SALE:

Mums vouchers are still available until Friday, September 25 or until we sell out. Plants are \$8 each or 3 for \$20, and can be picked up from Cierech's Greenhouse from 9/8 until 10/4. All proceeds benefit SSPJ S.T.R.E.A.M. initiatives. Visit our school website for more info.

TRICKY TRAY:

Save the date for our school Tricky Tray, which will be held at SSPJ School on Saturday, November, 14 2026. Donations are still needed! Please contact stettner.bettina@spsj.org for more information.

Wishing all our students, teachers, staff, and families a blessed and successful 2026-2027 school year. May God guide you, protect you, and fill your days with joy and learning!



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