



Saturday, January 7th

5:30pm: For the People of the Parish

7:00pm: For the Intentions of the Spanish Community

Sunday, January 8th

8:00am: Kevin O'Neill – r/o Melissa Maney

10:00am: For the Deceased Members of the Knights Of Columbus, Joyce Kilmer Council

Monday, January 9th

8:00am: Susan Macaulay – r/o Her Loving Family

Tuesday, January 10th

8:00am: Ms. May Bagnell – r/o Her Nephew, Bill

Wednesday, January 11th

8:00am: Donna Tapp – r/o Kathy Gromlowicz

Thursday, January 12th

8:00am: Health & Blessing on 80th Birthday, Carlon Krantz – r/o Terry & Doug

Friday, January 13th

8:00am: Gottlieb Strohmaier – r/o M/M Steve Fantano

7:00pm: For the Intentions of the Spanish Community

Saturday, January 14th

8:00am: Donna Marie Tapp – r/o Morraine Ryellars

8:30am: Adoration till 12 noon

5:30pm: Henry & Sophie Bryk – r/o Their Family

7:00pm: For the Intentions of the Spanish Community

Sunday, January 15th

8:00am: Mary Katherine Bujnowski – r/o Bob Bujnowski & Family

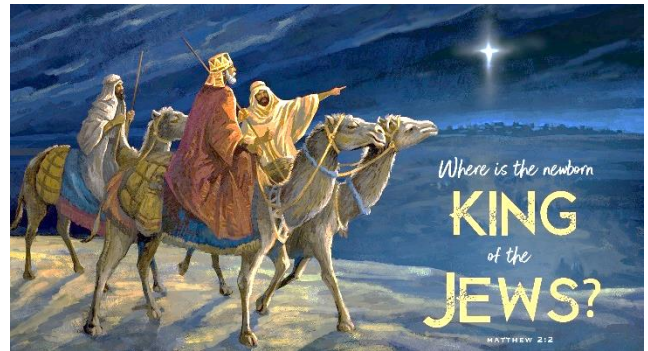
10:00am: Julia Stanton – r/o The Burke Family



The Saint Anthony Candle this week burns in loving memory of **Joseph Koslo** – r/o The Koslo Family



The Sanctuary Candle this week burns in loving memory of **Scott Tomlinson** – r/o His Family



“Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.” Matthew 2:11

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.



Please pray for all those who have died, especially **Pope Benedict XVI** and **Alphonse DeMaio**. May their souls and all the souls of the faithfully departed, rest in peace. Amen

Collections OTPC thank you

December 25th

Weekly Collection: \$6,439

Electronic Giving: \$1,221

Total Giving: \$7,660

12/8 Immaculate Conception: \$1,593

12/11 Retirement Religious: \$1,463

12/12 Our Lady of Guadalupe: \$961

12/25 Christmas Collection: \$12,706

January 1st

Weekly Collection: \$3,819

Electronic Giving: \$900

Total Giving: \$4,719

1/1 Administrative Costs: \$513

This weekend there is a Diocesan Collection **"Together in Charity"**. The entire collection will benefit Catholic Charities' Parish Emergency Assistance Fund. Please be as generous as your means allow.



PRAY THE ROSARY

Monday – Friday - 7:30pm
on ZOOM - with Deacon Walter
Meeting ID: 358634252
Password: 008173

You may also email Deacon Walter at walter.p257@comcast.net to request a prayer for a special intention.

PRAY FOR OUR SOLDIERS



Anthony Appleby-US Army, Nicholas Appleby, US Air Force, Jon Barrett-Marines, Shaun Collins-Navy, Nolan Drylie-U.S.M.C., Jason Fischer-US

Army, Gabriella Gongala-E4 Airforce Reserve, Robert Hess, Brial Holl, General Dixon Taylor-PFC, Alex Urankar-1st Lieutenant U.S.M.C., Ronald James Vizcarra, Bret Wade-CSM, Ryan Oakley, U.S. Army Reserve

PRAY REMEMBER *the sick of our parish*

Mary Lou Blasiolo, Jodi Bremner, Lucille Caldara, Joe Chiarello, Danny Decker, Lili Decker, Edward Dimiceli, Donald J. Keady, Stacey Lennon, Tiffany Pulis and Elaina Rewiski and Steve Yosh.

For all those sick with COVID-19 & their caregivers.

Please call the parish if you are a parishioner who would like to be added onto our prayer list.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38;

Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10; Mt 3:13-17

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-7, 8-9;

Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4,

6-7, 8-9; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9,

10-11; Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-7,

8; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15;

Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9,

10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

SUPPORT OUR CHURCH

-Shop Amazon.com just go to our website and click on the *amazon smile* tab and our church receives a percentage back from Amazon.

-Before you go food shopping buy Shoprite and Weis gift cards from us. We get \$5 for every \$100 dollars you buy! On sale after all Masses and in the Rectory from Monday thru Thursday from 9am to 4pm. This also does not cost you any more money than you usually use at the store.

We now have the capability to take credit cards. The charge is \$3. Per \$100.

-Electronic Giving is available to you for your weekly donations to our church. Just go on to our website and click on the **"Electronic Giving"** tab and set up your account. You can edit your account any time you would like.

FAITH FORMATION

Rose Strohmaier, Director (908) 303-9692

The Faith Formation Office
is located in the School Building
faithformation@assumptionbvmnj.org



On Sundays at 10AM Mass, our Pilgrimage Statue of Mary will be sent home with a Faith Formation Family to venerate for the week. She will be returned the following Sunday to be gifted to another family for the week.

There is a sign-up sheet outside the Faith Formation Office in the school for all who wish to participate in the opportunity to have this beautiful and blessed statue of Mary in their home.

Calendar

January

Wednesday 11—Faith Formation

Saturday 14—1st Year Confirmation Retreat-Meet in School Cafeteria 1:00PM-6:30PM

Sunday 15—Year 3 Hosts 10:00AM Mass—arrive no later than 9:45AM dressed and prepared for hosting; be sure to sign-in

Wednesday 18—Faith Formation— Father Leo Parent Session discussing an article on the teaching of the faith-- Evaluations Sent Home

Sunday 22—Confirmation I Hosts 10:00AM Mass—arrive no later than 9:50AM dressed and prepared for hosting; be sure to sign-in

Sunday 22—Session #2: Spiritual Gifts—Confirmation II Candidates and Sponsors meet in the School-6:00-8:00PM

Wednesday 25—Faith Formation- Evaluations Sent Home

Sunday 29—Year 3 Hosts 10:00AM Mass—arrive no later than 9:45AM dressed and prepared for hosting; be sure to sign-in



HOSTING MASS:

Four times during the Faith Formation Year, each Catechist is responsible for hosting 10am Sunday Mass with his/her children. The

Catechist plans for readers, servers, ushers, gifts, etc. As a part of the Faith Formation Family, the children are to arrive to their assigned Mass at 9:50am, sit with their class and fully participate in the celebration of Mass. The dates are clearly stated on the calendar.

Thank you for adjusting your schedule to be sure your child is at Mass on those four Sundays.



**First Communion Class Nativity Play
On Christmas Eve**

SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY

ST. MARY'S CUPBOARD

Pantry Hours in School Building:

**Tuesday 6pm to 7pm and
Saturday 10am till 12noon**

**This week we are collecting
Canned Soup!**

Donations can be dropped off in the Church or at the Pantry during opened hours. Monetary donations are also appreciated.

For information please call/text/email Kathy Segada at 908-337-2118 Kathleen.d.segada@gmail.com

FUNDRAISING MINISTRY

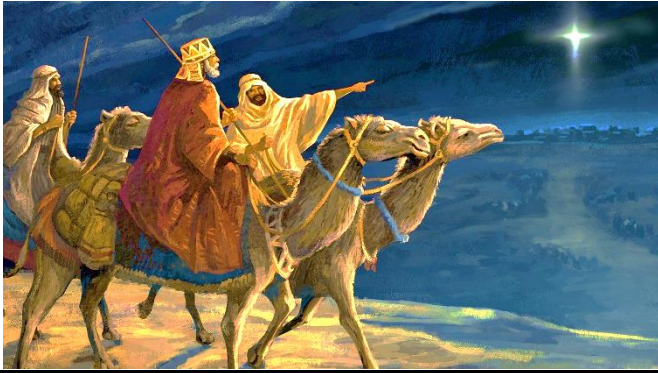


Our Baking Santa Extravaganza was a great success! Thank you to all who baked for us! We raised \$691 for our church.

HISPANIC MINISTRY

Bautizos: Todos los Bautizos se celebraran el segundo domingo del mes a la 1:30pm en español. Minimo un mes de anticipacion. Contactar a Nicolas Salinas para las clases de preparacion.

Bodas: Contactar la rectoria
(Minimo un año de anticipacion)



8 de enero de 2023 Epifanía del Señor

“Entonces abrieron sus cofres y le ofrecieron sus regalos de oro, incienso y mirra” MATEO 2:11

La imagen de los Magos arrodillados ante el niño Jesús, abriendo los cofres y los tesoros que tenían para Él, es una imagen que todos debemos tratar de seguir cada día. En agradecimiento por todo lo que hemos recibido, somos llamados a compartir con generosidad todos nuestros dones, no solo aquellos que escogemos. Dios quiere que seamos generosos con todos ellos, pero especialmente con aquel que tiene más significado para nosotros.

LECTURAS PARA LA SEMANA DEL 01/08

Lunes: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 o Hch 10:34-38; Sal 28:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9b-10 o 103:1-2a, 2b-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30; Mt 3:13-17

Martes: Heb 2:5-12; Sal 8:2ab, 5, 6-7, 8-9; Mc 1:21-28

Miércoles: Heb 2:14-18; Sal 104:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Mc 1:29-39

Jueves: Heb 3:7-14; Sal 94:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11; Mc 1:40-45

Viernes: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Sal 77:3, 4bc, 6c-7, 8; Mc 2:1-12

Sábado: Heb 4:12-16; Sal 18:8, 9, 10, 15; Mc 2:13-17

Domingo: Is 49:3, 5-6; Sal 39:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

ESCUELA BÍBLICA HISPANA (Hispanic Bible School)

La Diócesis de Metuchen iniciará un nuevo ciclo de la **Escuela Bíblica Hispana**. Esta escuela se divide en 9 cursos (Introducción a la Sagradas Escrituras, Pentateuco, Libros Históricos, Profetas, Sapienciales, Evangelios, Cartas Paulinas, Cartas Católicas y Apocalipsis); cada curso consta de 7 sesiones.

Las clases se realizan de forma presencial los lunes de 7:00 pm a 9:00 pm en el Centro Pastoral St John Neumann (146 Metlars Ln, Piscataway NJ), el asistente no podrá faltar a más de 2 clases por curso. Al finalizar cada curso el estudiante recibirá la calificación de aprobado o no aprobado. Al aprobar los 9 cursos recibirá certificado.

El 23 de Enero de 2023 iniciaremos con el curso de Introducción a las Sagradas Escrituras. El curso tiene un costo de \$35 por persona.

Si deseas más información comunícate a Lescobar@diometuchen.org o al teléfono 732 243 4563

Por favor, considere unirse a nosotros para el Misa Anual Diocesana de Respeto a la Vida Domingo 22 de enero de 2023 a las 12:00 del mediodía en la Catedral de San Francisco de Asís, Metuchen.

El obispo James F. Checchio será el celebrante. Los jóvenes que han estado activos en el voluntariado pro-vida serán reconocidos. Habrá una recepción ligera inmediatamente después de la Misa. Todos son bienvenidos a asistir. Para obtener más información, póngase en contacto conamarshall@diometuchen.org

o 732-562-1543.

PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.
We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.
All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever. Amen.

ORACIÓN POR EL SÍNODO SOBRE LA SINODALIDAD

Estamos ante ti, Espíritu Santo, reunidos en tu nombre. Tú que eres nuestro verdadero consejero: ven a nosotros, apóyanos, entra en nuestros corazones.
Enséñanos el camino, muéstranos cómo alcanzar la meta.
Impide que perdamos el rumbo como personas débiles y pecadoras.
No permitas que la ignorancia nos lleve por falsos caminos.
Concédenos el don del discernimiento, para que no dejemos que nuestras acciones se guíen por perjuicios y falsas consideraciones.
Condúcenos a la unidad en ti, para que no nos desviemos del camino de la verdad y la justicia, sino que en nuestro peregrinaje terrenal nos esforcemos por alcanzar la vida eterna.
Esto te lo pedimos a ti, que obras en todo tiempo y lugar, en comunión con el Padre y el Hijo por los siglos de los siglos. Amén

DIOCESE OF METUCHEN

**Please consider joining us for the
Annual Diocesan Respect Life Mass
Sunday, Jan. 22, 2023 at 12:00 noon**
at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi,
Metuchen. Bishop James F. Checchio will be
the celebrant. Youth who have been active in
pro-life volunteering will be recognized.
There will be a light reception immediately
following the Mass. All are welcome to
attend. For more information, contact
amarshall@diometuchen.org
or 732-562-1543.

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL EVENTS

**Lecture Series: "The Mystery of the
Eucharist in the Life of the Church"**

January 17, 2023 at 7 pm

Presenter: Very Rev. Timothy Christy

**Location: Cathedral of St. Francis of
Assisi, Metuchen**

Fr. Christy, Rector of the Cathedral, will be exploring the USCCB's document on the Eucharist. As Christians, we know that we need Christ to be present in our lives. He is our very sustenance as he reminded us: unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you (John 6:53). The Lord accompanies us in many ways, but none as profound as when we encounter Him in the Eucharist. Please join Fr. Christy for this important event.

Lecture Series :

"The Liturgy of the Eucharist"

Wed., February 15, 2023 at 7 pm

Let us discover the nuances of the Liturgy of the Eucharist within the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There are two main parts: Liturgy of the Word and Liturgy of the Eucharist. Following the presentation the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated. Presenter: Fr. Timothy Eck II

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Readings	Sunday Jan 7 & 8	No. 1011
Entrance Hymn	We Three King of Orient Are	No. 463
Offertory Hymn	The First Noel	No. 460
Communion Hymn	What Child is This	No. 466
Recessional Hymn	Songs of Thankfulness and Praise	No. 459

Due to the bad weather we had before Christmas, the mailing of our contribution envelopes was delayed by the company who produces them.

Please use a check or your own envelope until you receive yours.

Electronic giving is also available. Thank you for your patience.



HELP THE HOMELESS

Winter is here and we can anticipate very cold temperatures for the next several months. We would like to support the homeless veterans and their families again this year. Your generosity in providing some necessary items that would help the homeless endure the challenging and grueling winter ahead would be truly appreciated.

Some items needed include:

Hats, gloves, coats, jackets, socks, slippers, water proof footwear, blankets, and back packs.

Please return your donations as soon as possible. Donations will be distributed as they are received. Thank you so much again for your ongoing care and support for others in need.

Gratefully, The Giving Tree Ministry



COME AND JOIN US!

AFTER 10AM MASS

SUN. JAN. 15TH

FOR KIDS CRAFTS

IN THE SCHOOL

CAFETERIA

REFRESHMENTS WILL

BE SERVED.

Organized by Faith Formation

Mom's Group