



SUNDAY, August 19, 2018

7:00 AM For the people of the parish living or deceased
 9:00 AM John Makar, r/o Ciuba family
 10:45 AM Hedy Moskwa, r/o Gert & Bob Zdanowski
 12:15 PM Matthew Ciesla, r/o Marietta Ciesla

MONDAY, August 20, 2018

7:00 AM Organ Donor Families, r/o Partyka family
 8:45 AM Arthur Palumbo, r/o Accardi family

TUESDAY, August 21, 2018

7:00 AM Gaetano Tripaldi, r/o Italia & family
 8:45 AM Fannie Tanzola, r/o Julie & Stanley Sikora

WEDNESDAY, August 22, 2018

7:00 AM Edward Cohombrito, r/o Karen Gabriele
 8:45AM Palma Sisco, r/o mom & dad

THURSDAY, August 23, 2018

7:00 AM Victor Pacheco, r/o Florczak family
 8:45 AM Delia & Malcom Cobham, r/o Margaret Shaughnessy

FRIDAY, August 24, 2018

7:00 AM Teresa Ciani, r/o Pam Botti
 8:45 AM Stella Geraci, r/o Terrance & Patricia O'dell

SATURDAY, August 25, 2018

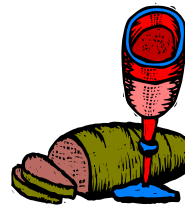
8:00 AM Victor Pacheco, r/o DeGeorge family
 5:00 PM Julia Papkow, r/o Jacqueline Cacchione & David Paster
 7:00 PM Timothy William Stevens, r/o mom & dad

SUNDAY, August 26, 2018

7:00 AM Rae Germinario, r/o Tom & Janice Michnewicz
 9:00 AM For the people of the parish living or deceased
 10:45 AM Teresa Burzi, r/o daughter Louise Faccone
 12:15 PM Joseph H. Mitchell, r/o wife Rose



Remember and pray for the sick of the parish, those who are hospitalized, and their caregivers: Art Horning, Bob Bayer, Annie Panaccione, Carl Walker, Priscilla Ragucci, Mary Bowkley, Edward Sprague, Dan Weiss, Arthur Shipiro, Ed Fitzgerald, Helen Slusark, Peggy Van Cleef, Eileen Reilly, Ronald Syslo, Christine Camping, Arthur Ellermann, Gladys Gonzalez, Catherine Donahue, Becky McCabe, John Farawell, Art Boudier, Bill Hillyer, Marianne Muscavage, Marie Negri, Christiano Bianco, Edward Holobinko, Dorothy Zsamba, Charlene Misak, Mike Misak, Mary Ann Baureis, Andres Quijano, Eileen Ammon, John Murphy, Marian Cassel, Louis Faccone, Mary Mayo, William Kriston, Pauline Mendicino-Franke, Sadako Vargas, Robert Grecco, Baby Lucas DeCarlo, and please remember our service men and women in your prayers.
 Let us pray for our recently departed brothers and sisters: Edward Holobinko.
 May they rest in the eternal embrace of our loving God.



The Bread and Wine have been offered in loving memory of Linda & Rudolph Barth from Joanne Streck & for Joseph Maccia from the Cholewa family.



The Sanctuary Light has been donated in loving memory of Joseph L. Minotto from Paula Dugan.



Flowers for the Altar have been donated in loving memory of Lily & Timothy Stevens from mom & dad.

We welcome our littlest members born to new life " Baptized in water and the Holy Spirit"

August 19, 2018

Aria Elizabeth Ravelle

Child of Ronald Ravelle Jr. & Rose Zelaskowski

Landon Goncalves

Child of David Goncalves & Kelly McDermott

Next Baptismal class will be August 21, 2018. Please call the Rectory to register.

THE 2019 MASS BOOK IS CURRENTLY OPEN. ONLY 3 MASSES MAY BE SCHEDULED PER VISIT.

Volunteer Catechists (Teachers) Needed

What is a Catechist? The word is from the Greek word "echo". Catechists **echo** the **Word of God** to our parish children. They come from all walks of life and all ages: women, men, parents, grandparents, single, and married. They are not expert teachers or theologians. They are ordinary people, **just like you**, who generously give of their time to share their Catholic faith with our youngsters in the Religious Education Program. **It is a very important ministry.** Is God calling you to open your heart to help our parish with this ministry? You will be supplied with books, training, and support. Our program is on Monday evenings beginning in September. If you are interested or want more information PLEASE call the Religious Education Office at 732-388-1424.

The Holy Spirit can and will work through you! Our children need you! Can you step forward to share your faith?



St. John Vianney School News

The school office is open from 8 AM to 12 noon during the month of August.

Kindergarten Orientation will be held on Wednesday, August 22, at 7 PM. Come meet our faculty and learn more about our full day Kindergarten program.

School will reopen for all students in Grades K-8 on Wednesday, September 5. We will have full day sessions, and before and aftercare will be provided. Hot lunch will also be available for students in grades 1-8.

Students must be in uniform on the first day of school. If you have not yet purchased uniforms for your child/children, please do so as soon as possible.

Openings are available in all grade levels. Please call the office at 732-388-1662 for more information.

Enjoy the remainder of the summer, and we look forward to seeing everyone back in September!

Pre-School News

Our Pre-School Parent Orientation has been scheduled for Tuesday evening, August 21, at 6:00 PM in the main school cafeteria.

Pre-School will reopen on Wednesday, September 5, with full day sessions. Before and aftercare will be provided.

We still have a few openings for the Pre-School program. Please call 732-388-1662 for more information.

RECTORY SUMMER HOURS

July 16 – August 31st

Mon., Tues., Wed. 9:00 – 4:00

Thursday 9:00 – 7:00

Closed Fridays

August 19, 2018 – 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
'Watch carefully then how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise...' **EPHESIANS 5:15**

A wise person recognizes that all we have and all we are comes from God. A wise person thanks God continually throughout the day for all His many blessings. A wise person realizes that God has blessed us for a reason and that He wants us to help Him build His kingdom on earth.

Reflection

The past few weeks we have been going through John 6 and learning about how frequently people questioned, doubted, and did not believe that Jesus was in fact the Son of God. As we reflect on this gospel, we see Jesus once again expressing that He is the bread that brings eternal life to those on earth. It is so important for us to remember this when we receive the Eucharist at Church each week. In the crazy, busy moments in life we sometimes switch into autopilot and our weekly endeavors become something to just check off our to-do list. Sometimes we even let ourselves switch to autopilot during mass. Although life gets hectic and overwhelming at times, it is important for us to be present and remember the significance of receiving the Eucharist during mass. I encourage you to reflect the next time you receive the body and blood of Christ and remember that *“whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.”*

A special thank you to Patricia Branche for donating beautiful flowers from her garden for our altar.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

The July St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box contained \$1,219.00. Thank you for your on-going financial support and generosity.

Military Families

We're looking to include names of SJV parishioners and family members serving in the military in future bulletins. If you know someone who would like to be included, please contact the rectory.

Message from Bishop Checchio

While the past few weeks have been challenging, casting sadness and confusion over news regarding Archbishop McCarrick, please be aware that a letter from Bishop Checchio regarding this topic can be found on the Diocesan website (diometuchen.org) and will be included in The Catholic Spirit.

Novena for the Protection of all Human Life

The U.S. bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life, August 3-September 28. Participants will receive weekly email/text reminders to pray and fast, along with little-known facts about *Roe v. Wade* to share with others. Sign up at www.usccb.org/pray



It is that time again...help us get ready for "Back" to School Backpacks for Kids!

The Society of St. Vincent DePaul is asking for donations of new backpacks and school supplies to be given to the children of our parish, school, and community. Please consider purchasing a backpack for any school age child and/or any of the following items: Assignment books, notebooks, rulers, pens, pencils, highlighters, book covers, binders/filler paper, day planners, pencil sharpeners, colored pencils, crayons, calculators, folders, glue sticks, washable magic markers, erasers, staplers. Monetary donations are always accepted. Please bring your donations to the church **no later than August 26th**. Please contact Donna Worosila at 732-381-1584 or Barbara Morrissey at 732-501-2195 with any questions. Thank you in advance for making Back to School cool for the children of our community!

Golf Outing Fundraiser

Join us Friday September 14th at Old Orchard Country Club to raise funds for St. John Vianney School. The day of fellowship and fun will include lunch, golf, dinner, and prizes. Information flyers are attached to the poster in the gathering area. If you would like to support us as a sponsor even if you are not a golfer, please join us. We look forward to having you.

Altar Rosary Society Communion Breakfast

The Altar Rosary Society is celebrating 57 years. A breakfast will be held at the Colonia Country Club after the 9am mass on October 7th. Tickets will be available at the Religious counter and at the meeting. This event will have valet parking.

SJV Wildwood Trip

Enjoy 5 days - 4 nights at Montego Bay Resort on September 9-13, 2018. For more information call Connie O'Donnell (732) 388-6543.

Stress in Your Marriage!

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down?



Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking about it only make it worse? ...Retrouvaille is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages. The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions.

UPCOMING WEEKEND:
August 24-26, 2018

More information calling the Family Life Office at 732-243-4573 ; TO REGISTER: Call Rich & Annette Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or email 3024@retrouvaille.org

Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen. Renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service in the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen.

Sunday, October 21, 2018 at 4:00pm

Please register online by logging on to the diocese website (<https://diometuchen.org/offices-andministries/family-and-pastoral-life/family-life/silver-and-gold/>).

The system will automatically generate a confirmation message with some facts about the event. More specifics will be sent closer to the event. If you are unable to access, please contact your parish secretary or the Family Life Office at 732-243-4582, amatos@diometuchen.org. Even though 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 can be made online or calling 732.243.4582, Monday- Friday during business hours.