

Mission Statement

In the spirit of St. John Vianney's zeal and concern for people, we are a community proclaiming the Gospel in the tradition of the Roman Catholic Church. The community of St. John Vianney strives to utilize the gifts and talents of each parishioner to create a vibrant welcoming parish. Through our liturgies, ministries, and organizations, we encounter Christ and are empowered to bring Him to the world.

Parish Staff

Administrative Assistant	Linda Dunbar
Parish Secretary	Stephanie Noto
Administrative School Secretary	Agnes Bacsik
School Office Assistant	Laura Gruenling
Parish/School Bookkeeper	Paula Roibal
Maintenance Supervisor	Poncho Julius

Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday	7am - 8:45am
Saturday	8am - 5pm - 7pm
Sunday	7am - 9am - 10:45am - 12:15pm

Holy Days will be announced at the end of mass and in the bulletin.

Sacramental Schedule

Reconciliation: Saturdays 11am-12pm & after 7pm
Anytime in the rectory – call ahead

Baptism: most Sundays at 1:30pm.
Requirements: registration in parish, baptism preparation class, arrangements are made at least 3 MONTHS prior to the date of the baptism. Sponsors and Christian witnesses need verification of belonging to a Church.

Anointing of the Sick: anyone who is ill and or would like to receive Communion is asked to call the rectory.

Marriage: Couples planning marriage must notify the Parish Rectory at least ONE YEAR in advance for date and necessary info. Pre-Cana classes and F.O.C.C.U.S. Program etc. are required. At least one party must be a registered member of this parish.

Parish Membership

All new families who live within our boundaries are welcome to the parish. They are requested to register at the rectory. If a parishioner is not registered, it is difficult for us to issue testimonial letters, recommendations, references, etc. When you move or change your address please notify the rectory beforehand. Anyone 18 years of age/older not in school must be registered separate of their family. Thank you.

Mass Intentions – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, October 7, 2018

7:00 AM	Purgatorial Society
9:00 AM	Altar Rosary Society
10:45 AM	Leonard Wronski, r/o John & Mary Jantas
12:15 PM	Rae Germinario, r/o Joan & John Denoia

MONDAY, October 8, 2018

9:00 AM	Ed Curtis, r/o Family
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**TUESDAY, October 9, 2018 – St. Denis & Companions
St. John Leonardi**

7:00 AM	Bill Cisco, r/o Pagano Family
8:45 AM	Katherine Szaroleta, r/o the Priests of SJV

WEDNESDAY, October 10, 2018

7:00 AM	No Mass – Convocation Prayer Services
8:45AM	No Mass – Convocation Prayer Services

THURSDAY, October 11, 2018 – St. John XXIII

7:00 AM	No Mass – Convocation Prayer Services
8:45 AM	No Mass – Convocation Prayer Services

FRIDAY, October 12, 2018

7:00 AM	Joseph DiMarisico, r/o Jan Gagnon
8:45 AM	John Davis, r/o Wife & Family

SATURDAY, October 13, 2018

8:00 AM	Fred J. Harris, r/o Cassie Nisky
5:00 PM	Dominick Cavallero, r/o wife
7:00 PM	Conchita & Vincente Hilvano, r/o Family

SUNDAY, October 14, 2018

7:00 AM	For the people of our parish, living/deceased
9:00 AM	Theresa Stinger, r/o Dominick & Anita Pugliese
10:45 AM	Martin Kearney, r/o Family
12:15 PM	Edward & Son Michael, r/o Kay

**The Bread and Wine
have been offered in
loving memory of
John Bohrman
from Rosemary &
Joseph Tittel and for
Dale Barth
from Joanne Streck.**



**The Sanctuary Light has
been donated in
loving memory of
John Davis
from his wife and
family.**



**The Flowers for the
altar this week are
in celebration of
Fr. John and his
installment as
Pastor of St. John
Vianney.**



The Prayer Corner

“There is a season and a time for every purpose...”

A TIME TO BAPTIZE

TO WED

John McLaughlin & Lilian Rodriguez

TO HEAL

Ryan Shaughnessy, Barbara Perez, Marc Repace, Art Horning, Bob Bayer, Carl Walker, Mary Ragucci, Mary Bowkley, Edward Sprague, Dan Weiss, Arthur Shipiro, Helen Slusark, Eileen Reilly, Ronald Syslo, Christine Camping, Arthur Ellermann, Gladys Gonzalez, Catherine Donahue, Becky McCabe, Art Boudier, Bill Hillyer, Marianne Muscavage, Marie Negri, Christiano Bianco, Dorothy Zsamba, Charlene Misak, Mike Misak, Mary Ann Baureis, Andres Quijano, Eileen Ammon, John Murphy, Marian Cassel, Louis Faccione, Mary Mayo, William Kriston, Pauline Mendicino-Franke, Sadako Vargas, Robert Grecco, Baby Lucas DeCarlo.

TO JOIN GOD IN HEAVEN

A TIME OF WAR & PEACE

Keith D. Lee (National Guard), Captain Brian McCartin (Army), Staff Sgt. Matthew Harris (Army), Sgt. Albert Cipas (Airforce), Alan Bridges (Navy), John Bridges (Navy), PO 3 Liam Ryan (Navy), 2nd Lieutenant Phillip G. Faccione Jr. (Marines)

Weekend Readings

Genesis 2:18-24
 Hebrews 2:9-11
 Mark 10:2-12 (or 2-16)

Weekday readings can be found on the parish website.

October 7, 2018 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name.”
 GENESIS 2:19

The creation story reminds us of two important points. First, since the start, God has put the entire world into our care. Second, stewardship has been around since the beginning of mankind, it isn't something recently invented by the Church. Just as past generations built our Church, it is now our responsibility to continue to nurture and develop these gifts for future generations.

Reflection

Last weekend we learned about using our senses and gifts to serve God rather than to go against Him. The gospel stated, “if your hand causes you to sin cut it off.” Of course, this is not something to be taken literally. What Jesus means by this, for example, is if you notice you are cursing a lot, knock it off, because what good is that really doing for anyone? It's not exactly using the gifts God gave you to serve Him. It does not mean that you should judge anyone if this is something a person struggles with either. We should never pass judgement on others because their journey and relationship with God is at a different place than our own. It is so easy to get caught up in comparing what we have, how we look, how we act to others, but nothing good ever comes from this. None of us are a perfect person, and we must remember not to give into temptation when it comes our way. We must be aware of what we want from our relationship with God and tend to it and nurture it. Just as God wants us to nurture and care for our faith, he also intends for us to care for the earth the same way. It has become so easy to focus on other earthly things, but not caring for the earth itself. The reality is that the earth was created before mankind and we must get back to treating the earth with the same tender, love, and care that God has. I encourage all of you to look at how you interact and care for the earth around you – what changes can you make to make this earth a better place for future generations?





St. John Vianney School News

732-388-1662 <https://school.sjvianney.com/>

Congratulations to Father John on his installation as our new pastor. We hope he'll be with us for many years to come!

School will be closed on Monday, October 8, in observance of Columbus Day.

If you placed an order for mums from our 8th Grade, don't forget to pick up your order on Tuesday, Oct. 9, from 1:00-6:00 PM in the parking lot.

On Wednesday, Oct. 10, come watch our students walk and dance around our parking lot as they participate in our annual Walk-a-Thon for Technology. Pledge forms will be available on the day of the Walk-a-Thon if you would like to make a pledge. All monies raised will go toward equipping our classrooms with 21st Century technology.

We are very excited to have our fourth and fifth grade students visiting and working with our Pre-K students during the course of the year. They will be working together on various STEM projects.

We are in need of substitute teachers and substitute teaching assistants. If you would be interested, please call the school office at (732) 388-1662 for more information.

Religious Ed (CCD) News & Class Schedule

732-388-1424

Monday's Only

Grades 1 - 5 6pm - 7:15pm
Grades 6 & 7 7:30pm - 8:45pm

Thursday Only

Grade 8 6pm -8pm

PARISH MINISTRIES & CONTACTS

Organization	Contact	Phone
Altar Rosary Society	Louise Faccone	732-815-0004
Altar Servers	Mary Jantas	732-574-1191
Basketball	Joe Marinello	732-690-7061
Bible Study	Deacon Joe & Rose Ragucci	732-548-3880
Cheerleading	Cathy Carroll	732-574-0218
Communion/ Homebound	Joanne Streck	732-382-4147
Cub/Boy Scouts	Sandra Franczak	732-388-9076
Eucharistic Ministers	Rose Ragucci	732-548-3880
Finance Council	Cliff Bacsik	732-388-9034
HSA	Jen Walusz	732-388-5486
Knights of Columbus	Robert Luban	732-382-6939
Ladies Aux. K of C	Mary Swiderski	732-382-2558
Lazarus Ministry	Ann Ruth	732-381-6815
Lectors	Deacon Tom Michnewicz	732-574-1651
Music Ministry	Jamie Frame	908-331-0471
Pastoral Council	Suzanne MacIntyre	732-283-0731
Pre-Cana	Deacon Tom & Janice Michnewicz	732-574-1651
Pro-Life	Carolyn Glodek	732-381-0499
R.C.I.A.	Deacon Joe Ragucci	732-548-3880
Secular Franciscans	Rev. J. Kubiak	732-574-0150
	Dolores Jules	908-756-3659
SJV Seniors	Robert & Mary Nilan	732-574-3427
Soccer	Jennie Derkack	732-574-2340
Social Justice	Jim Leathem	732-388-5512
St. Isidore's Garden	Maureen Jorgensen	732-396-4320
St. Vincent DePaul	Joe Pampalone	732-429-2901
Track	Amanda Miller	732-549-2356
Ushers	Ray Morgan	732-815-1037
Youth Group	Vacant	732-381-0008

Parish Gift Shop

Hours: before & after the 5pm mass, 9am mass, 10:45 mass, and 12:15 mass.

This Week at a Glance

Day	Time	Event
Monday		NO CCD
Tuesday	7:30pm	St. Vincent dePaul
	9:30am	Bible Study
	4:00pm	Cheering
	6:00pm	Cub Scouts
	7:30pm	Boy Scouts
Thursday	7:30pm	Al-Anon
	5:00pm	Cheering
	6:45pm	CCD Commitment Ceremony
Friday	7:00pm	Scouts Movie Night
Saturday	9:00am	8 th Grade Car Wash
	9:00am	SJV Clothes Drive
	12:15pm	Living Rosary
Sunday	10:00am	Parish Breakfast, Ladies Aux. KofC
		Secular Franciscans
	1:30pm 6:30pm	Bible Study

Parish Update

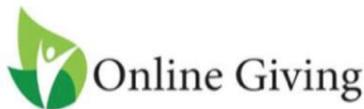
Thank you to everyone who came to the parish meetings last week, emailed suggestions, and took advantage of the suggestion box. We are taking all of the suggestions we've received very seriously and looking into all details and options. Special thanks to those who have made monetary donations and increased their weekly contribution. **Please continue to prayerfully reflect on how you can increase your weekly contribution to offer a long-term solution to help our wonderful parish flourish.**

SEPTEMBER 29-30, 2018 OFFERTORY:

Collection:	\$ 13,253.25
On-line giving:	<u>\$ 2,450.00</u>
	\$ 15,703.25
Avg. Weekly Expenses:	-\$ 22,781.50
Balance:	-\$ 7,078.25

SEPT. 30-OCT. 1, 2017 OFFERTORY:

Collection:	\$ 15,388.55
On-line giving:	<u>\$ 1,635.00</u>
	\$ 17,023.55
Avg. Weekly Expenses:	-\$ 22,970.18
Balance:	-\$ 5,946.63



A Secure & Convenient Way to Give to St. John Vianney Church

Donate Now!

No cash or check? No problem! Our parish offers a convenient, safe, and automatic way to contribute to our parish directly from your bank or using a credit card. Online Giving is a web-based application that allows you to start, stop and change your contributions at any time. You will still receive offering envelopes to present during offertory at Mass to indicate "I've given online". Online Giving is very easy to use and requires no special knowledge. If you haven't already signed up, then go to our parish website at "sjvianney.com" and select Online Giving. It's easy and safe!

Saint of the Week: St. Denis and Companions



St. Denis is known as the first bishop of France. There are a lot of legends surrounding him, as some believe he was beheaded

under Emperor Valerius in 258. Some believe that after he was martyred, coincidentally at a place translating to "mountain of martyrs," he carried his head to a northeast village. Later, a chapel was built over the tomb of St. Denis and his companions who met the same fate. This became known as the great abbey of St. Denis. Although there is not too much known about St. Denis he is a saint that is heavily remembered as someone who gave his life for Christ.

Please note that there will not be any masses on October 10th & 11th. Instead there will be Convocation Prayer Services at 7am & 8:45am.

St. Vincent DePaul Friends of the Poor Walk-Thank You

On Saturday, September 29, a group including my daughter, Lisa, Sue MacIntyre, seminarians Jay Alquiros and Steve Bertonazzi and I successfully completed the 3+ mile Saint Vincent de Paul 'Friends of the Poor' walk in Long Branch. Together we raised over \$2100 to be used to assist people in need in our community. This would not have been possible without the generosity of so many people who supported our effort by making pledges and contributions. We want to express our sincerest thanks to all of you.

God Bless You, Deacon Tom Michnewicz

St. Vincent DePaul

The food pantry is in need of pasta sauce, jelly, pancake syrup, canned meat, and canned fruit. Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

**Become an Altar Server for
St. John Vianney!**

Did you know that you are eligible to become an altar server? St. John Vianney's Altar Servers play an essential role in the celebration of the Mass and other special liturgies. Any interested students in grades 5 or higher are welcome to join. We are looking for dependable altar servers who can be counted on to fulfill their duties. This is for anyone who is part of the St. John Vianney parish. It is a beautiful way to support our parish community and a wonderful opportunity to assist Father John, Father Joseph and Father Bede, as well as Deacon Tom B., Deacon Tom M. and Deacon Joe.

At a very important time in Jesus' life, He accepted the services of a young boy. This young boy provided five loaves and two fish for that very momentous miracle with which Jesus launched his teaching on the Holy Eucharist. The Sacred Writers do not tell us the name of the young boy, only his deed, and his act of service. Like this young boy, altar servers also perform a great deed of service.

Applications will be available in the SJV school office or the Catechetical Program office. Completed applications may be dropped off at the SJV school office during class or Sunday in the sacristy after any Mass. Applications need to be turned in by **October 12th** so training materials can be prepared. All training will be done in the church on five Sunday afternoons in October and November, beginning Sunday October 14th. An altar server commissioning service will be held at the 9:00 AM mass on November 18th after training is completed. The application has the dates and times of each training session. It is imperative that all new servers attend all training sessions. We ask that parents of new altar servers stay during the training, so you can fully understand the commitment needed. Each server will be assigned to a team and a schedule of Masses will be made available.

If you have any questions about this special parish ministry, please call one of the committee members and we'll be happy to help.

Sincerely,

Mary Jantas (732-574-1191)
Deacon Thomas Bresnan (732-827-2821)
Agnes Bacsik (732-388-9034)

Music Ministry News

All our musical groups are very happy to be singing for Fr. John's installation mass this weekend!

Adult Choir

Our parish adult choir enhances our liturgies each Sunday from September through mid-June. The choir also sings for many special occasions during the year, such as: Christmas Eve Mass, Holy Week, Confirmation, and our "Mass of Remembrance" in November!! The choir also provides two beautiful concerts for the parish, one during Advent and the other during Lent. We welcome all adults (And high school students) to be part of our choir! The adult choir sings weekly at the 9:00 am mass (And once a month at the 10:45 am mass). We practice each Wednesday from 7:30 to 9:00 Pm in the church. **Our next rehearsal will be on Wednesday October 17th and we sing again next Sunday October 14th at the 10:45 am mass.**

Children's Choir

Our parish children's choir is made of students from our parish from grades two and up! The children in the group love coming together to sing for Sunday liturgies as well as special events during the year. The choir sings for our parish Christmas Pageant and 4:00 pm mass on Christmas Eve, as well as the 9:00 am mass on Easter Sunday!! We practice on Tuesday afternoons from 4:00 to 5:00 pm in the church. We sing twice a month at either the 9:00 or 10:45 am mass! **Our next rehearsal will be on Tuesday October 9th and we sing again on Sunday October 14th at the 9:00 am mass! Please join us in the school cafeteria for our monthly parish breakfast following mass!!**

Folk Group

Our Parish Folk Group enhances the 12:15 liturgy each week. The Folk Group is under the direction of Ms. Jennie Esposito. Rehearsals are held weekly at 11:15 Am in the conference room adjacent to the church gathering area. Jennie is always looking for more singers as well as instrumentalists to join with the Folk Group!

High School Group

This year we are going to start a new group consisting of high school students. We are reaching out to ALL high school students and parents to try to coordinate practices etc. While we are still in the planning stages, our hope is to have the students sing once a month at either the 10:45 or 12:15 pm mass. **We are hoping to get this group going by the end of October!!**

You can contact me at jframeiii@yahoo.com with any questions. See you at rehearsals!

Jamie Frame
Dir. Of Music/Organist

Blanket Drive 2018



Fall is in the air and it is time for the annual St. Vincent de Paul Blanket and Coat Drive! We will be collecting new blankets, and new or gently used clean coats from now through the weekend of

October 27-28 in the back of the church. Your donations will go to those in our community who need it the most as the cold weather quickly approaches. Thank you in advance for your generosity. If you have any questions please contact Barbara Morrisey 732-501-2195 or Donna Worosila 732-381-1584.

SJV Secular Franciscan Fraternity

The Secular Franciscan Order (Third Order) is not an organization or a club but an Order. Our Fraternity meets the Second Sunday of each month at 1:30pm in the upstairs room of St. John Vianney Church. Is God calling you to walk in the footsteps of St. Francis of Assisi? Do you want to deepen your relationship with the Lord & give witness to the Kingdom of God? Then come visit with us. Information call: Dolores Jules 908-756-3659



Walk for Life

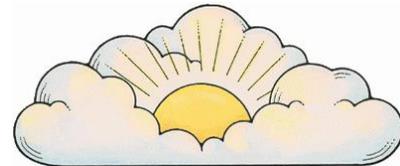
Please join us on Saturday, October 13th from 9am-12pm at Merril Park for the Walk for Life. The day will include a DJ, refreshments, games, family fun, and students that participate can receive Confirmation hours! This event benefits the lifesaving work of Life Choices Resource Center. Register or donate today at www.LifeChoicesRC.com. Call (732) 516-0811 or text 848-229-7634 for more information.

POST CARD CAMPAIGN

In NJ abortion for any reason is legal throughout all 9 months of pregnancy. The New Jersey Catholic Conference of Bishops has approved a statewide postcard campaign urging the State Senators and Assembly(wo)men to support the NJ Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, A1686/S537. If passed, this bill would protect babies in the womb at 20 weeks post-fertilization -that is 5 months and beyond. On Oct.13/14 there will be postcards for you to sign urging your senator and representatives to support and vote for this bill. Your signature and address on each card will help educate our legislators on this important issue. Please consider adding your voice to this campaign.

Altar Rosary Society

On Saturday, October 13th at 12pm we will be saying a public rosary around Mary's Island at St. John Vianney. This is the 6th Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima. All are welcome!



All Souls Mass of Remembrance

There will be a Mass of Remembrance on Saturday, November 3, 2018 at 12pm to remember family members of parishioners who died during the past year (November 2017 through October 2018). Immediately following the Mass, a light lunch will be served in the cafeteria.

We realize that many of those who died this past year were buried from other parishes. We would like to include those persons in our prayer remembrance along with those who were buried from St. John Vianney parish. If one of your family members died this past year, and you would like that person to be remembered during the Mass on November 3rd, please call the Rectory (732)574-0150 no later than Monday, October 29th. We Will ask you to provide the following information: name of the deceased family member, date of death, and number of persons who plan to come to the Mass and light lunch.

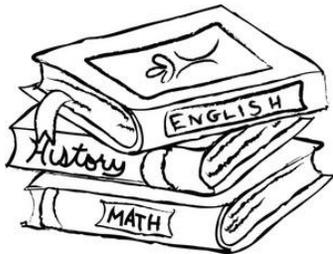


Critical Life Issues Conference

On Saturday, October 20th, the Diocese of Metuchen in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Newark will be sponsoring the “17th Annual Critical Life Issues Conference.” The theme is “Every Life: Cherished, Chosen & Sent.” It will be held at the St. John Neumann Conference Center, Piscataway from 8:30am-3:30pm. Registration is \$25 – this fee includes lunch and handouts. To register please visit <http://diometuchen.org/critical-life> or call 732-562-1990 ext. 1629 or 1543.

Bishop George AHR HS - Fall Open House

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2018 – 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Call Bishop Ahr for further info or directions (732) 549-1108 X620 or bgahs.org.



Mount St. Mary’s Open House

Sunday, October 21, from 1 to 4:30 pm
Student-led tours will be available and Directress S. Lisa D. Gambacorto, RSM, Ed.S. will offer a special presentation.
Please contact Donna Toryak, Director of Admissions, at (908) 757-0108, ext. 4506 or dtoryak@mountsaintmary.org.
Pre-registration is also available at www.mountsaintmary.org under Admissions.

Saint Joseph High School Brothers of the Sacred Heart in Metuchen since 1901

OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, October 21 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Entrance Exam Test Dates Saturday, November 3, 2018 Friday, November 9, 2018 Saturday, November 10, 2018
www.STJOES.org

Pocketbook Bingo

Mother Seton Regional HS
One Valley Rd. Clark, NJ 07066
732-382-1952 – www.motherseton.org

Pocketbook Bingo – Friday, Nov. 2 – 5:30 pm
Admission \$25
Contact: Bingo@motherseton.org

“The Future is Hers”



Viking Spooktacular 5K and 1 Mile Children’s Costume Trek Saturday, October 27, 2018

Union Catholic High School
Runners/Walkers welcome!
For more information call 908-889-1600, ext. 392 or email racedirector@unioncatholic.org
To register online, visit www.raceforum.com/unioncatholic



2018 Champions for Catholic Charities Dinner

Please join us for this year's dinner on Thursday, October 18th at The Palace at Somerset Park. Cocktails – 6:30pm, Dinner 7:30pm. The cost is \$250 per person. The honorees are David & Debra Samuel and Rev. Msgr. John N. Fell, STD. Your presence at the Champions Dinner will be a sign of solidarity for the less fortunate among us while providing much-needed financial support. For registration and information call 732-562-2432 or email champions@diometuchen.org.

Come Pray for Those Who Serve and Protect

The 17th Annual Blue Mass for Law Enforcements will be on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 10:30am at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen. Bishop Checchio cordially invites ALL the faithful in the Diocese of Metuchen to join him at the annual Blue Mass to pray for and with police officers and law enforcement personnel from the communities and towns across Middlesex, Hunterdon, Somerset, and Warren counties. For more information, call (732) 562-2435 or visit <http://diometuchen.org/2018-blue-mass>.



Where Bible Comes to Life!

All youth are invited to attend the *Jesus* trip offered by St. Francis Cathedral Youth Group on Saturday, December 1st. This trip includes seeing the show *Jesus* at the Sight and Sound Theater, coach bus, dinner, and all tips. The coach bus leaves St. Francis at 8am and returns at 8pm. This is a non-refundable trip. Please call or email Sister Maria Lan Nguyen for more information at 732-770-2506 or smlorchid@hotmail.com.

The Body of Christ Prayer Group

Please join us for 7 Thursdays that will change your life! September 13th – October 25th. The prayer group will meet at St. Francis Cathedral, in Metuchen at 8pm each Thursday. For more information or to register contact Tom Mockoviak 732-549-4740 or mockofam@optonline.net.



Prayer & Support for Families Affected by Mental Health Issues

The Office for Persons with Disabilities is sponsoring a Catholic Prayer & Support Group for Families Affected by Mental Health Issues. The first session will take place on Tuesday, October 2, 2018 (1:30 – 3pm) and will be repeated in the evening (7 – 8:30pm) at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway, in conference room C. To reserve a space please call 732-765-6432 or email catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com.

Annulment Info. Session

An informational session on Annulments will be held at St. James Church in Basking Ridge on Wednesday, November 7th and at St. Augustine of Canterbury Church in Kendall Park on Thursday, November 8th. Both sessions begin at 7pm. Presentation by the Tribunal of the Diocese of Metuchen in a confidential and sensitive atmosphere. RSVP appreciated by calling 732-529-7589 or emailing Tribunal@diometuchen.org