

MOST HOLY REDEEMER

OLD BRIDGE, NJ



MONDAY, AUGUST 14

8:00AM -MARY MURPHY
-r/o Teresa & James Murphy

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

8:00AM -JERRY W. ENG
-r/o The Gomez Family
7:30PM -PHILIP & JOHN MURRAY
-r/o Mary Murray

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

8:00AM -FRANK COSENTINO
-r/o Debbie Dyson

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

8:00AM -MARY HOPKINS
-r/o Pat Keaveney

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

9:00AM -MELINDA ERRICO
-r/o Antoinette & Joseph Marzella
5:00PM -JEFF & JUDY MURPHY
-r/o Louis & Linda Savarese

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

8:00AM -ROSALIE MOSCARELLO
-r/o Sam & Rosalie Mantle
10:00AM -VIOLET BUMMARA
-r/o Anne Marie Kruszka
11:30AM -SAL PELLIGRA
-r/o Roseann Chrzanowski

VOTIVE LIGHTS - IN MEMORY OF

Muriel, Leslie & Anna Roberts	Anthony Romano
Juan Antonio "Tony" Medina	Michael Kelsall
Peter & Susan Colombo	Nick & Anna Circolone
Joseph L. Esposito	John J. Jean x4 (May he rest in peace)

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Mark & Kelly Chrzanowski	Teresa & Michael DeLuca
Ryan, Julia & Lydia	Special Intention
Watch over our daughter	World Peace
Help & guidance for Michael & Jonathan	
Help & guidance for Carolyn	



Elliot T. Campbell and Melissa A. Maglaqui – 1st
James S. Rossidis and Colleen G. Hanley – 1st



HOLY NAME SOCIETY

There are no Masses during the summer. They will resume September 10th at 8:00 a.m.

No meetings during the summer. Will resume September 12th, 7:00 p.m.

WEB PAGE

For updated bulletin information, please go to www.mhr-parish.org.



TABERNACLE LIGHT

Tabernacle candle in the Church burns this week in loving memory of Michael Martucci
r/o Irma Knox



PARISH SICK LIST

Rev. Edward J. Struzik, Shannon, Hayley & Brett Lawrence, Jacqueline Braniff, Christina Pulido, Sophie Wojtaszek, Janice Sanborn, Marie Velleneuve, Beth Morris, Renee Burke, Joseph Peabody, Veronica Balmore, Billy Sherwood, Jr., Peter Skujins, Cindy Junquet, Kenneth Kramer, Timothy McGravey, Beatriz Castillo, Dolores Nee, Michael Guariglia, Marieann Poplaski, Lucy Littlefield, Jean Marie Brigandi, Elena Coumo, Gabino & Maria Rodriguez, Alice Gorres, Johnny Gibbs, Barbara Celia, Ida Morales, Maryann Hughes, Emilie Matlosz, Germaine Raimo, Luddy Demsia, William Armstrong, Fr. Gregory Moore, Sandra Steinberger, Frank Roberts, Barbara Bradshaw, Fred Morrone, Larry & Marie Fama, Lenny Gatti, Sumanta Chowdhuri, Nicole E. Montagna, Nico Oneto, Kathleen O'Brien, Debbie Archibold, Alex Berg, Wendy Oates, Sally Ann Tabasco, Robert Charles Pederson, Jean Pelligra, John McCrodden, Marie Scifo, Patrick Barry, Toni O'Rourke, William Sohor, Robert Pedersen, Robert Conte, Dan Marcellus, Jose Pacheco, Margaret Malloy, Rose LaFergola, Gary Flynn, Kathleen Lau, Sharon Thylan, Anne Slate, Kimberly Perry, Jackson Christian Thomas, Miguel Ley, Marie Ciezka and Betty Pulido.

We ask Almighty God and our Blessed Mother, Mary to comfort and heal the sick. If your loved one recovers and our prayers for them are no longer required, please call the parish office to have their name removed. Thank you.

PRE-BAPTISM CLASS



Please call the Parish Office to register.
The next Pre-Baptism class will be held Wednesday, October 4, 2017 at 8:00 p.m. in the Chapel.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE
FOLLOWING MILITARY PERSONNEL
SERVING OVERSEAS**

Matthew B. Kaplan, U.S. Army
 Michael Lanzafama, U.S. Army
 Richard A. Lapp, U.S. Navy
 Douglas Leo, U.S. Army
 Michael J. Sanzone, U. S. Army
 Mark G. Sieczkowski, U. S. Navy
 Thomas Welch, U.S. Army

STEWARDS OF OUR TREASURE
 Weekend of August 5/6, 2017: \$7105
 Weekend of August 6/7, 2016: \$7520

OFFICE STAFF EMAILS
Irma Knox – Parish Secretary
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Teachers Needed

-Tuesday, 4:15 – 5:30 p.m. -Grade 3

Come join us as a catechist and share your faith with our children.

Please note the following dates:

- Confirmation Retreat: Saturday, September 10, at 11:00 a.m.
- Sacrament of Confirmation: Tuesday, September 12, at 7:00 p.m.
- Communion Retreat: Saturday, April 14, 2018
- Sacrament of 1st Eucharist: Saturday, May 5, 2018

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Our Most Holy Redeemer Conference exists primarily to help those in financial need. This is made possible by the generosity of our Parishioners each month; **thank you.**

If you or someone you know needs help, please call 732-566-9334. *Everything is completely confidential.*

Food Pantry
 Groceries collected every weekend at Mass.
 St. Lawrence Food Pantry opens on Saturdays and Mondays from 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

PARISH PICNIC

The Picnic Committee will meet Monday, August 28th at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room.

PARISH PICNIC
Sunday, September 24th
 1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Children up to 12 years old – FREE
 Ages 13 – 18 - \$5.00
 Adults - \$10.00

MOST HOLY REDEEMER PRAYER GROUP

Most Holy Redeemer Prayer Group will meet on Friday, August 25th, in the daily Mass Chapel from 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. All parishioners are welcome. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament concluding with Benediction.

The prayer program includes the Holy Rosary and a Scriptural reading. A short fellowship will follow after the prayers. All are welcome to join us as we gather together. For more information, please contact the parish office.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next weekend's second collection will be for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. **Please make checks payable to: St. Vincent de Paul Society.** Your generosity helps the Society help others.



**SILVER & GOLD
WEDDING
ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATIONS**



CATHOLIC RURAL LIFE
Applying the teachings of Jesus Christ for the betterment of rural America

CATHOLIC RURAL LIFE MASS

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, September 17, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

Application forms may be secured by contacting our parish office or by logging on to the diocesan website: <http://www.diometuchen.org/marriage-enrichment/>. Kindly note that this form can be typed on and printed out but cannot be forwarded. If you wish to keep the information in must be **SAVED AS A** word document in your computer.

Forms must be signed by your priest, pastoral minister or deacon and returned to the Family Life Office by our parish office. Application forms will be accepted by the Family Life Office **until the deadline for registration Friday, September 1st**. A confirmation letter with further details will be sent once your application has been processed.

For further information, please call the Family Life Office at 732-562-1990, ext. 1705 or 4573 or email mfonseca@diometuchen.org.

Bishop Checchio will offer Mass for all those engaged in farming and other agricultural related businesses on Sunday, August 27, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. at Saint Ann Parish, 32 Main Street, Hampton, NJ 08827-0405.

Families and individuals who are involved in all aspects of agricultural production and services, such as tree farmers and nursery, horticulture, landscapers and lawn care service providers and home or community gardeners and bee keepers, are invited to attend.

Fellowship and light refreshments to follow Mass. So that we may plan properly, please register online by August 20, 2017 at <http://diometuchen.org/RuralLifeMass>.

For questions, contact Rev. Michael C. Saharic, Coordinator of the Diocese of Metuchen's Catholic Rural Life Ministry, at 732-765-6435 or msaharic@diometuchen.org.



27TH ANNUAL GIANT FLEA MARKET

Sponsored by

**St. Thomas Rosary Society
Saturday, August 19, 2017**

(one rain date - Saturday, August 26th)

Time: 8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

St. Thomas Church Parking Lot

Space rental - 1 for \$15 or 2 for \$25

Table rental - \$5 each

Contact Charlotte Guarino at 732-257-0721

- No refunds
- All trash must be removed
- No selling of food/drink concessions permitted.

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 sponsored by the Family Life Office, Diocese of Metuchen, New Jersey.

Retrouvaille consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six-follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is **September 15 - 17, 2017**. All inquiries are confidential. For further information, please contact the Family Life Office at 732-243-4573, Rich Colasuonno at 732-236-0671 or Tom & Pat McTague at 732-583-4468 (evenings).

HEALING HEARTS SUPPORT GROUP



If you know someone going through or have gone through a divorce, make sure he or she knows about us. Our next session will begin on Wednesday, September 6th from 7:30 -9:30 p.m. at

St. Veronica's ACTS Office (rectory basement) located at 4215 Route 9, Howell, NJ 07731. This is a 12 week program for those who have suffered or are suffering from separation and/or divorce. **The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide** program incorporates a DVD and follow-up discussion. Topics that are discussed are: shock, anger, peace, forgiveness, family issues, money, trust, dating, annulments and life beyond divorce. Please email stveronicakre4u@gmail.com for more information or contact Maria at 732-363-5698. This program will be 12 consecutive Wednesday evenings. The best gift you can give yourself is to make a commitment to your healing!



Dear Father Carina,

Please extend my sincere thanks to the parishioners of Most Holy Redeemer Parish for their generous response to the 2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal. With pledges totaling \$64,584.37, your parish achieved 99.35% of its \$65,000 goal. Since your parish is so close to reaching goal, I am hopeful that you will be eligible for a rebate by year's end when the final results will be tallied.

I am particularly grateful to you, your staff and your parish coordinators for the Appeal who worked so hard to ensure our success. Through your efforts, and those of pastors, parish teams and generous parishioners across the diocese, total contributions exceeded \$8 million. This is the highest amount the diocese has ever raised for our annual appeal and we had the highest number of donors in many years, too. Money raised over our goal will allow us to fund needed ministries that have been putting our diocese into deficit spending in recent years; so these above-goal funds will enable us to work at cutting that diocesan deficit we have been experiencing.

The outstanding results of the Appeal are a reflection of our commitment to our Catholic faith and will allow us to continue the vital ministries that serve thousands of people each day throughout Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon and Warren counties. Together, we are Ambassadors for Christ helping to make our world and our diocese a better place. God bless you and be assured you have my heartfelt gratitude and prayers.

With renewed best wishes; I am

Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA
Bishop of Metuchen



SAINTS PONTIAN AND HIPPOLYTUS

Saint of the Day for August 13th

Saints Pontian and Hippolytus' Story. Two men died for the faith after harsh treatment and exhaustion in the mines of Sardinia. One had been pope for five years, the other an antipope for 18. They died reconciled.

Pontian. Pontian was a Roman who served as pope from 230 to 235. During his reign he held a synod in Alexandria which confirmed the excommunication of the great theologian Origen. Pontian was banished to exile by the Roman emperor in 235, and resigned so that a successor could be elected in Rome. He was sent to the "unhealthy" island of Sardinia, where he died that same year of harsh treatment. With him was Hippolytus with whom he was reconciled. The bodies of both were brought back to Rome and buried as martyrs with solemn rites.

Hippolytus. As a priest in Rome, Hippolytus—the name means "a horse turned loose"—was at first "holier than the Church." He censured the pope for not coming down hard enough on a certain heresy—calling him a tool in the hands of one Callistus, a deacon—and coming close to advocating the opposite heresy himself. When Callistus was elected pope, Hippolytus accused him of being too lenient with penitents, and had himself elected antipope by a group of followers. He felt that the Church must be composed of pure souls uncompromisingly separated from the world: Hippolytus evidently thought that his group fitted the description. He remained in schism through the reigns of three popes. In 235, he also was banished to the island of Sardinia. Shortly before or after this event, he was reconciled to the Church, and died in exile with Pope Pontian.

Hippolytus was a rigorist, a vehement and intransigent man for whom even orthodox doctrine and practice were not purified enough. He is, nevertheless, the most important theologian and prolific religious writer before the age of Constantine. His writings are the fullest source of our knowledge of the Roman liturgy and the structure of the Church in the second and third centuries. His works include many Scripture commentaries, polemics against heresies, and a history of the world. A marble statue dating from the third century, representing the saint sitting in a chair, was found in 1551. On one side is inscribed his table for computing the date of Easter; on the other, a list of how the system works out until the year 224. Pope John XXIII installed the statue in the Vatican library.



CLASSIC/CUSTOM CRUISE NIGHT

Our Lady of Peace Church located on Amboy Avenue in Ford is sponsoring a "Classic/Custom Cruise Night" on Saturday, September 16th at our Parish Center from 5:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Admission is free and there will be great food, a live Disc Jockey, vendors and some beautiful classic and vintage automobiles. Please join us!