

Church of the Holy Trinity

60 MAPLE STREET ✕ BRIDGEWATER ✕ NEW JERSEY 08807



Under the Pastoral Care of the Priests and Brothers of the Congregation of the Oratory of St. Philip Neri

Very Rev. Peter R. Cebulka, C.O.Provost
Rev. Jeffrey M. Calia, C.O. Pastor

Mr. Michael ForrestallDeacon
Mr. John PhalenDeacon
Br. John Fredy Triana Beltran, C.O.....Deacon

MASSES

Saturday.....5:00PM
Sunday.....8:30am & 10:30AM
Holy Days.....as announced

Daily Masses:

Holy Trinity: Tuesday & Friday.....7:00PM
St. Ann: Monday & Friday.....7:00PM
 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.....7:00AM
 Saturday.....9:00AM
St. Joseph: Monday – Friday.....8:00AM
Shrine of the Bl. Sac.: Monday – Friday.....12:15PM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday1:00 to 1:30 PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS

- From September to May -

Monday & Wednesday10:00 AM to 5:30 PM

The parish of Holy Trinity has as its mission

- to form a welcoming community of believers
- to worship God
- to serve God and each other, and
- to spread the Gospel to all

Through the actions of the parish ministries we carry out the teachings of Christ in our daily lives.

BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is normally celebrated on the first Sunday of the month at 12 Noon (except during Lent). Parents must contact the parish office in advance; first-time parents are required to attend a baptism formation session.

SPONSOR CERTIFICATES

Sponsors (Godparents) for Baptism and Confirmation are required to verify their eligibility. They must be fully initiated Catholics who actively practice their faith and are in good standing with the Church. For more information please contact the Parish office.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

If you are considering becoming Catholic, or desire to complete your sacraments, please contact the parish office for more information about the RCIA.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Please call the parish office to arrange for a pastoral visit, Anointing of the Sick, and/or Holy Communion for those who are ill or elderly and unable to come to church.

MARRIAGES

Arrangements should be made one year in advance of the wedding. Please contact the parish office before booking a reception venue. Once a wedding date is confirmed, a priest or deacon will assist with the required marriage preparation process.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Fax.....908-526-5837
Parish E-Mail.....HTChurch08807@yahoo.com
Fr. Jeff E-MailFrJeff@holymtrinitynj.org
Parish Website.....www.holytrinitynj.org

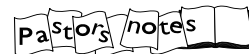
PARISH DIRECTORY

Parish Office Phone: 908-526-2394

Mrs. Nancy Cichocki, *Parish Catechetical Leader*
RE Office..... 725-6339
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Ann Marie Izzo, *Director of Music Ministry*..... 930-4769
Eileen Fisher, *Respect Life Comm.* 526-6568
Bob Skorny, *Social Ministry*..... 526-2394
Maureen Montague, *Altar Servers*..... 526-7982

August 4, 2019
 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 @Mass Intentions



Dear Brothers & Sisters,

Lately, I hear many people commenting on how quickly this summer seems to be going by. I'm glad that I'm not alone in thinking this! In the midst of the busyness of life, which seems not to slow down very much in the summer anymore, I hope that everyone is able to find some time and space for rest and recreation.

One of the challenges of this season, especially when opportunities arise for vacations, family visits, or time down the shore, is that it takes us out of our normal routine. That can be a good thing, a welcome break from our regular activities so that we can approach them with renewed energy when we return. However, it can also be disruptive to our spiritual health, pulling us away from Mass, the Sacraments, and the habit of prayer.

I want to encourage all of us, in these final weeks of summer, not to lose our focus on the Lord. We should remember that the good things this season brings to our lives are ultimately gifts from God. Let's offer Him thanks and praise as we enjoy these days, and make sure we continue to avail ourselves of the graces He offers us, especially through the Mass.

 A couple of brief updates, since so many have been asking:

Fr. Peter continues to recover from his back surgery a few weeks ago. The procedure was successful, and with rest and physical therapy he should be ready to resume his normal activities very soon.

Br. Fredy has been staying in Colombia since the end of May, as we wait for his visa situation to be resolved. All the necessary documentation has been submitted, so at this point it is out of our hands. We miss him and look forward to getting him back, having him ordained, and putting him to work!

I'm grateful for your care and concern for my Oratorian brothers. Please continue to pray for them (and for me, too)!

In Christ & St. Philip,
 Fr. Jeff

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23

"Vanity of vanities." Sometimes we may work for wealth, wisdom and knowledge only to discover that it has been left for some one who did not toil for it. The offering of our work, fatigue and pain, if not for God, can also be a kind of vanity.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Paul urges us to seek what is good and from God, encouraging us to put our minds on the spiritual. He reminds us that, as Christians, we have died with Christ and are hidden with Christ until his glory is once again revealed. We are all one in Christ.

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

On being requested to settle a question of inheritance, Jesus heeds us to beware of all covetousness because our life does not consist on the wealth of possessions. Through the lesson of a parable Jesus reinforces this teaching, explaining that those who store up the treasures of wealth and possessions are not the richest in God's eyes.



Religious Education News

RE CLASSES, Grades 1 through 8, are closed until Sept. 2019

SATURDAY, August 3rd, Vigil: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm Frank Curran r/o Deacon Mike & Barbara ForreSTALL

SUNDAY, August 4th, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Rosary Altar Society

10:30am Our Parishioners

MONDAY, August 5th, Weekday

The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

TUESDAY, August 6th, The Transfiguration of the Lord

7:00pm Tony Ravi r/o Mom & Dad & Family

Dorothy & William Flynn r/o Son

Andrea Sanfilippo & Salvatore Sanfilippo r/o Nicky

Private Intentions r/o Robert

WEDNESDAY, August 7th, Weekday

St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs;

St. Cajetan, Priest

THURSDAY, August 8th, St. Dominic, Priest,

FRIDAY, August 9th, Weekday

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr

7:00pm Justin Flynn r/o Grandparents

Angela & Frank Rusicki r/o Karen & Paul Healy

Richard Golembiewski r/o Mom, Sisters & Brothers

SATURDAY, August 10th, Vigil: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm Frank Curran r/o Rita Kiernan

SUNDAY, August 11th, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Holy Name Society

10:30am Our Parishioners



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle burning before the Blessed Sacrament this week is in memory of Jerry & Sonia Piacquadio as lovingly requested by Josephine & Maria.



BLESSED MOTHER FLOWERS

The Flowers placed before the Blessed Mother this week are in memory of Irene Volinsky (15th Anniversary) as lovingly requested by Her Husband, Ray & Family.



JOIN THE COMMUNITY OF HOLY TRINITY in reciting the Rosary for World Peace & Justice on Tuesday's after the 7:00pm Mass.

Our Weekly Offering

July 27/28, 2019 - \$3,180.00 / 2018 - \$3,870.00

Thank you for your continued support!

To date, the Development Office has received pledges totaling \$53,569.89 and payments totaling \$48,748.90 from 224 parishioners. This represents 77.6% of your \$69,000.00 goal. Thank you.

Ministry Schedule

AUGUST 3/4

5:00pm **Sat.** **Reader:** *Mary Psak*
Extraordinary Ministers: *Joseph Bergan and Emilio & Carol Suarez*
Altar Servers: *Jacqueline Salvato & Zachary Salvato*

8:30am **Sun.** **Reader:** *Sandy Kuklo*
Extraordinary Ministers: *Margaret Chiselko, Marie Confortini and Claire Russell*
Altar Server: *Kari La Canna or Timmy La Canna*

10:30am **Sun.** **Reader:** *Peter George*
Extraordinary Ministers: *Mike & Charlene Tackvic and Jerry Helmstetter*
Altar Servers: *Matthew George & Maeve Siddons*

House Communion: *Mike & Charlene Tackvic*

AUGUST 10/11

5:00pm **Sat.** **Reader:** *Lindsay Frevert*
Extraordinary Ministers: *Charlotte Shipley, Jean Radice and Kathy Herdman*
Altar Servers:

8:30am **Sun.** **Reader:** *Joseph Pagano*
Extraordinary Ministers: *Holy Name Society*
Altar Servers: *Holy Name Society*

10:30am **Sun.** **Reader:** *Isabella Halligan*
Extraordinary Ministers: *Irene Fialkowsky, Pat Thomason and Frank Meier*
Altar Servers: *Catherine Ulassin & Alexandra Vicari*

House Communion: *Irene Fialkowsky*



Please consider hosting the traveling image of Our Lady in your home for a week. This image, which has been blessed by the Bishop, is accompanied by a candle, holy water, rosaries, and other prayer resources. The sign-up sheet is available at the main entrance of the church.

Come Join

The Diocese of Metuchen for a One-Day 9-mile Walking Pilgrimage "THE WAY OF ST. JUAN DIEGO" Saturday, September 21, 2019

in preparation for the Consecration of the Diocese of Metuchen to Our Lady of Guadalupe. All youth, families and people of faith are invited to participate.

MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED BY BISHOP JAMES F. CHECCHIO

Cost: \$20 per person before August 30 or \$25 after August 30 (lunch & dinner included)

Location: Immaculate Conception Parish, 316 Old Allerton Road, Annandale, NJ

Timeframe: 10am to 8pm (rain or shine)

To Register: www.LightingHeartsOnFire.org/Walking-Pilgrimage

Registration Deadline: September 13th

For Questions contact the Diocese:

evangelization@diometuchen.org / 732-529-7932



MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2019
WORKERS – MONDAY – TEAM #1
CAPTAIN: **Carol Suarez**

Rebecca Majewski, Carol Martin, Sandra Garcia, Pat Thomason & Beatrice Samol
GAMES BEGIN AT 7:30PM

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 2019
WORKERS – FRIDAY – TEAM #2
CAPTAIN:

Irene Fialkowsky, Chet Scaletti, Jack Green & Robert Heintz
GAMES BEGIN AT 7:30PM



SECOND COLLECTION – this weekend, August 3/4 for Air Conditioning.

The Parish Prayer Chain is a group of parishioners that regularly pray for your needs. Should a need for prayer to arise, please Call Mary Raimondo at 908-725-7369.



The Rosary Altar Society will not have a regular monthly meeting in the month of August. The Rosarian Mass in September will be September 1st; however, the meeting will take place on Monday, Sept. 9th at 11:30am in the Parish Center.

The 8:00am Mass next Sunday, August 11th is for the Living and Deceased Members of the HOLY NAME SOCIETY. There will be NO regular monthly meeting in August. The next scheduled meeting will be Sunday, September 8th.

In need of Bingo Kitchen help on a Monday and/or a Friday night from 5:30pm to 8:00pm. If you can help just one night a month, please give the Rectory a call at 908-526-2394. No experience required!



THERE WILL BE NO BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST

Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration



You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and 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 27, 2019 at 4:00pm

Registration is required.

Please register online at: diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold
If you are unable to access, please contact the parish office (908-526-2394) or the Family Life Office (732-562-1543) or: amarshall@diometuchen.org. Registration will close on October 11, 2019. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have made a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online or calling 732-562-1543.

PLANNED
FROM THE START
A HEALTHY DECISION



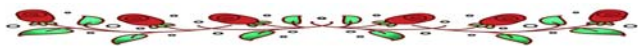
Abortion Healing Resources: Planned from the Start: A Healing Devotional shares the stories of women and men who have been affected by abortion and found healing by the love of God. It is a 40-day journey that provides daily words of encouragement and times for reflection.

*Where there is grief, He anoints your head with joy.
Where there is guilt, He offers you forgiveness.
Where there is shame, He covers you in grace.
Where there is regret, He wraps you in comfort.
Where there is depression, He lifts your heart with hope.*

See www.unplannedfilm.com/devotional



If you are expecting a baby or planning an adoption, the Elizabeth Ministers would like to pray for your impending arrival. Record your name, address and expected arrival date in the Elizabeth Ministry New Creations Book found on the table at the parking lot church entrance (across from Rectory garages).



SOCIAL MINISTRY

The Food Pantry is well stocked due to the generous contributions from our parishioners, as well as, from the Bridgewater community through their donations to the post office. Should you know of someone in need of non-perishable items, please call the Rectory at 908-526-2394. (Supermarket gift cards can also be used and can be dropped in the collection basket.) We are grateful for your support!



The Knitting Club meets every Wednesday evening at 6:00pm in the Rectory. Supplies are available. For information please call Charlotte at 908-526-0477.



On behalf of the Michael Sunder Project, Joyce Walker is asking for Miraculous Medals. They will be sent to our military overseas and then distributed to the third world countries. Medals can be dropped off in the baskets at all church exits.



Calendar of Events

August 26

Liturgy Committee Meeting
Have a fun and safe summer ☺

ARE YOU, OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW, A SURVIVOR OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE BY A PRIEST OR DEACON IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY?

If so, please contact the
**Independent Victim
Compensation Program**
created to offer financial settlements to abuse survivors.
The IVCP will remain open from
June 15 through December 31, 2019
Apply directly online at: www.njdiocesesivcp.com

WHAT IS IT WORTH Young Adult Retreat (Ages 18 - 39)

08-17-19
10am - 6pm
Rutgers Catholic Center
\$20 per person
More information and registration are available at:
www.diometuchen.org or by contacting
youngadult@diometuchen.org

August 13th Tuesday – The National Blue Army Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, 674 Mt. View Rd., E., Asbury, NJ. Celebrate Our Lady's apparitions at Fatima, and the 100th anniversary of the building of the Capelinha requested by Our Lady. Pray at the Holy House USA containing crushed stone from the Holy House of Loreto, the actual altar and baldacchino over which the last great vision of Fatima took place, and the largest extant piece of the tree upon which Our Lady stood at Fatima. 10:30am Confessions; 12:00pm Rosary Procession; 12:30pm **Guest Speaker: Rev Mathew Mauriello**; 1:15pm Holy Mass – **Celebrant: Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke**; Eucharistic Procession, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Fatima Farewell Procession, Talk at Holy House USA at 10:30am and 3:30pm.

908-689-1700 x 224 / <http://www.bluearmy.com>

The Diocese of Metuchen has begun a major effort to make people in Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon and Warren Counties aware of the outstanding PreK and Kindergarten programs offered by our schools. They feature certified teachers, a foundation in faith, and pricing competitive with independent preschools. We invite you to learn about a Catholic school near you! Visit metuchencatholicschools.org/schools or call 732.562.2446 to learn how Catholic schools in the Diocese of Metuchen offer students a SMARTER START in school and in life!

Pastoral Ministry for SAME-SEX ATTRACTION

If you are struggling with unwanted same-sex attraction and seek confidential, Catholic pastoral care, call Courage: 732-562-2476, or e-mail couragecnj@gmail.com. Support for family members, call EnCourage: 732-248-9460. See the website at Couragerc.org



The Glory of Summer

As we see the glory of summer, let's remember to give thanks to the Creator who designed the world with rhythms and cycles of life that operate with incredible precision. When you stop to smell the roses, take a minute to say thank you to the supreme Gardener!
The heavens tell of the glory of God.

The skies display his marvelous craftsmanship. -Psalm 19:1