

# 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 Forrestall .....*Deacon*  
Mr. John Phalen .....*Deacon*  
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

Saturday .....1:00 to 1:30 PM

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS

*- From September to May -*

Monday & Wednesday .....10:00 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 Friday .....9:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Fax.....908-526-5837  
Parish E-Mail.....HTChurch08807@yahoo.com  
Fr. Jeff E-Mail .....FrJeff@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  
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Maureen Montague, *Altar Servers*..... 526-7982

August 18, 2019  
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

@Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, August 17th, Vigil: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm Theresa Pozarycki r/o Emilio & Carol Suarez  
SUNDAY, August 18th, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Our Parishioners

10:30am Tony Ravi r/o Friends  
MONDAY, August 19th, Weekday  
St. John Eudes, Priest

TUESDAY, August 20th, St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

7:00pm Eleanor Phillipps (50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) r/o  
Daughter, Margaret Chiselko  
Jimmy Sunder r/o Diane & Marty  
Edsel Lee r/o Dr. Delia Figueroa

WEDNESDAY, August 21st, St. Pius X, Pope  
THURSDAY, August 22nd, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

FRIDAY, August 23rd, Weekday  
St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

7:00pm Jimmy Sunder r/o Pat Iulo

SATURDAY, August 24th, Vigil: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Bishop Checchio joining us to celebrate the 5pm mass)

5:00pm Jorge Martinez r/o Deacon Mike & Barbara Forrestall

SUNDAY, August 25th, Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Frank Curran

10:30am Our Parishioners



**BLESSED MOTHER FLOWERS**

The flowers placed before the Blessed Mother Statue this week are in memory of Eleanor Phillipps (50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) as lovingly requested by Her Daughter, Margaret Chiselko & 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**

August 10/11, 2019 - \$3,304.00 / 2018 - \$3,985.00

**Thank you for your continued support!**

**MONTHLY EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR**

THIS Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm / St. Ann's Church, Raritan  
The Oratorian community invites everyone to take part in a Eucharistic Holy Hour offered on the third Sunday of each month. This hour of Adoration includes readings, song, and silent prayer, and concludes with Benediction.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**

**RCIA IS FOR ANYONE WHO:**

- Desires to be baptized or want to learn about baptism
- Desires to know more about the Catholic faith tradition
- Desires to complete the sacraments of initiation  
First Communion and Confirmation.

**Welcome! If interested, call the Rectory at 908-526-2394.**

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



**First Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10**

Jeremiah urged the people of Jerusalem to surrender to the enemy. This angered the princes, who then requested that Jeremiah be put to death. The king allowed the princes to leave him in a cistern without food or water. But after Ebed Melech pleaded for Jeremiah's life, the king decided to free him.

**Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4**

This letter to the Hebrews inspires all Christians to persevere, in spite of the trials they may face. Jesus endured much suffering and was rewarded by God. Despite our struggles, we must remember Jesus' ability to endure and maintain strong faith in him.

**Gospel: Luke 12:49-53**

Jesus tells his disciples that his message will not bring peace to the earth. Instead, even families will become sharply divided because some members will embrace him, while others condemn him.



Looking Ahead:

**CATECHISTS**

September 3 RE Teachers' Meeting 7:00pm-8:00pm  
(Tuesday) (CB-TV)

**STUDENTS**

September 9 4:30 to 5:30pm Opening Day for **Monday**  
RE (Grades 1 to 8)  
September 11 4:30 to 5:30pm Opening Day for **Wednesday**  
RE (Grades 3,5,6,8)

**PARENTS**

September 16,18 Mandatory Grade 8 Confirmation Parents'  
& Students' Meeting Upstairs in Church during child's class time



Dear Church Members,  
*Please accept my apology for the delay in not getting this letter to you sooner. John Pendergast our beloved acknowledgment letter writer passed away recently. He was a fantastic guy who enjoyed doing this for the past two decades. He is missed by all and SHIP. I will be filling in for John while we search for someone like him to take over. I wish to express my gratitude and to give thanks to you and to all of those who have helped support SHIP and aid us in our battle to bring some hope to the abandoned and neglected among us.*

We sincerely appreciate the assistance you provided for the less fortunate through your very generous donation of **food items on June 5, 2019**. This gift will help to restore some hope and encouragement to those engaged in the daily battle to maintain dignity as they cope with the harsh realities of their existence. We are privileged to be in a position to see their expressions of joy and appreciation on their faces as they receive the assistance made possible through your generosity. On behalf of those you helped, please accept our gratitude and appreciation. Be at peace, and know you have touched the hearts and souls of these special people. Bless you.

Tom O'Leary, LCADC, CCJS  
Executive Director of SHIP (Samaritan Homeless Interim Program)

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**AUGUST 17/18**

5:00pm **Readers:** Stan & Marcia Pozarycki  
Sat. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Emilio & Carol  
Suarez and Joseph Bergan

**Altar Servers:**  
8:30am **Reader:** Tammy Weber  
Sun. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Catherine Phalen,  
Nick Vendemia and Sandy Kuklo

**Altar Server:** Kari La Cannna  
or Timmy La Cannna  
10:30am **Reader:** Peter George  
Sun. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Chris Mariani,  
Irene Fialkowsky and Jo Place  
**Altar Server:** Julian DiMaggio

**House Communion:** Chris Mariani

**AUGUST 24/25**

5:00pm **Reader:** Debbie Phibbs  
Sat. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Clergy  
**Altar Server:** Catherine Ulassin

8:30am **Reader:** Tammy Weber  
Sun. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Sandy Kuklo and  
Jim Sheeley  
**Altar Servers:**  
& Alexandra Vicari

10:30am **Reader:** Chris Mariani  
Sun. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Catherine Phalen and  
Margaret Chiselko  
**Altar Server:** Matthew George

**House Communion:** Catherine Phalen



*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](http://www.LightingHeartsOnFire.org/Walking-Pilgrimage)

**Registration Deadline:** September 13<sup>th</sup>

**For Questions contact the Diocese:**

[evangelization@diometuchen.org](mailto:evangelization@diometuchen.org) / 732-529-7932

The Holy Name Society invites all men of the parish to strengthen their faith through a retreat by the Redemptorists at San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch, NJ the weekend of September 13<sup>th</sup> through 15<sup>th</sup>. A change of pace is always good for the spirit. A retreat can bring us new ideas, a deeper faith and a stronger prayer life. For more information call the Rectory at 908-526-2394.



**MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2019 WORKERS – MONDAY – TEAM #3**

**CAPTAIN:** Marie Confortini  
Laura Wetzel, Janet Bergan, Marge Garzillo & Carol Martin  
**GAMES BEGIN AT 7:30PM**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 2019 WORKERS – FRIDAY – TEAM #4**

**CAPTAIN:** Stan Marszalek  
Alan Fross, Mary Laurencelle, Sal Adamo & Connie Adamo  
**GAMES BEGIN AT 7:30PM**



*We welcome Msgr. Andrew Martin of Cross Catholic Outreach who is speaking this weekend at all Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful line between parishes in America and the priest and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.*

*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.*

**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!**



A few weeks ago, we made available some copies of Bishop Barron's most recent book, *Letter to a Suffering Church*. As a way to follow-up further, Fr. Jeff invites those who have read the book to join him for a discussion on

**Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm** in the Church Basement/TV Room.

**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](http://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](mailto: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.



**Parish Office new E-mail Address:**

[office@holytrinitynj.org](mailto:office@holytrinitynj.org)

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[reoffice@holytrinitynj.org](mailto:reoffice@holytrinitynj.org)



"New Jersey has now become the eighth state that allows medically assisted suicide, something that all of the state's Catholic bishops are denouncing. 'We must be clear. What legislatures now refer to as 'death with dignity' is legal permission for one to end their own life with a lethal overdose of prescription drugs. This new state law has become an answer to addressing one's fear of affliction or suffering,' said Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, Archbishop of Newark in a written statement on August 1. Cardinal Tobin also noted that the law now puts immense pressure on Catholics in health care ministries to follow their conscience, instead of being coerced into providing assistance that is immoral. Cardinal Tobin called for remembrance of the sanctity of life from conception to natural death. 'Our Holy Father reminds us that we must never take a human life—even, or especially, our own, since 'this is a sin against God, the creator,' ' he wrote, turning to the words of Pope Francis. In a July 29 Pastoral Letter, Bishop James Checchio of Metuchen, New Jersey noted how the new legislation will also put pressure on older state residents. 'With this new law, the elderly could feel undue pressure to view this as an option to prevent being a burden to others, and young people will begin to think that people can and should be disposable,' Bishop Checchio wrote. Cardinal Tobin's letter acknowledged that concern, stating that 'dying patients who request euthanasia should receive loving care, psychological and spiritual support, and appropriate remedies for pain and other symptoms so they can live with dignity until the time of natural death.'"

-The Tablet



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 would like to thank you for your contributions of the Miraculous Medals. They are being sent to the Military overseas. Thank you and God Bless.



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](http://www.njdiocesesivcp.com)



**save the date**  
**St. Ann Regional Catholic Marriage Ministry**  
**Presents:**  
**An Invitation to newlywed or couples married**  
**several years**  
**DATE NIGHTS FOR A JOYFUL MARRIAGE!**  
**Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> / 6:30 pm - 9:00pm**  
**Dinner and Dessert / \$35 per couple**  
**Location: Catholic Church of St. Ann**  
**45 Anderson St. ~ Raritan, NJ**  
**Church meeting room**  
**More Info/RSVP: 908-872-0282**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, September 7, 2019

St. John Neumann Pastoral Center 10:00am - 12:00pm

The Word of God: Celebrated and Lived

Saturday, September 14, 2019

St. John Neumann Pastoral Center 10:00am - 12:00pm

On Saturday, September 7 & 14 the Diocesan Office of Worship will be offering a Formation Opportunity for those who serve as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion or as a Reader. This is an opportunity to learn and explore more about these areas of ministry and discover some practical ways of preparing for ministry.

**Presenter:** Mr. Tony Varas - Director of Worship, Diocese of Metuchen

To find out more and reserve a place go to:

[www.diometuchen.org/liturgy-workshops](http://www.diometuchen.org/liturgy-workshops) or call 732-765-6438.

### Calendar of Events

August 24 Bishop Checchio celebrating the 5pm Mass  
August 26 Liturgy Committee Meeting  
September 3 RE Teachers' Meeting  
September 8 Holy Hour of Peace 7-8pm  
September 9/11 Religious Education Resumes  
September 11 "Letter to a Suffering Church" discussion  
September 13-15 Men's Retreat  
September 15 Catechetical Sunday  
September 15 Children's Choir Practice resumes  
September 16 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting ~ 7:00pm  
September 16/18 Confirmation Parents'/Students' Meeting  
September 19 Adult Choir Practice resumes