



THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY

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THE CHURCH OF THE 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

We strive to carry out the teachings of Christ in our daily lives and through our parish activities.

BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is normally celebrated on the first Sunday of the month at 12:00 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 - Friday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Phone / Fax----- 908-526-2394 / 908-526-5837
Email----- office@holymtrinitynj.org
Fr. Jeff Email ----- FrJeff@holymtrinitynj.org
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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 ----- 5:00 pm
 Sunday----- 8:30 & 10:30 am
 Holy Days ----- as announced

DAILY MASSES

Holy Trinity: Tuesday & Friday ----- 7:00 pm
St. Ann: Monday & Friday ----- 7:00 pm
 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday ----- 7:00 am
 Saturday ----- 9:00 am
St. Joseph: Monday - Friday ----- 8:00 am
Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament
 Monday - Friday ----- 12:15 pm

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

Mrs. Nancy Cichocki
Parish Catechetical Leader
 RE Office: 908-725-6339

Ann Marie Izzo
Director of Music Ministry
 908-930-4769

Eileen Fisher
Respect Life Comm.
 908-526-6568

Bob Skorny
Social Ministry
 908-526-2394

Maureen Montague
Altar Servers
 908-526-7982

January 19, 2020
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



SATURDAY, January 18th, Vigil: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm Rose & Bert Ford r/o Daughter

SUNDAY, January 19th, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

8:30am Our Parishioners

10:30am The Alvaro Family r/o Dolores Johnson

MONDAY, January 20th, Weekday

St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr

(Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday)

9:00am Mass at St. Ann's in Raritan

TUESDAY, January 21st, St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

7:00pm Robert & Wanda Coen r/o Roberto & Marie Chico

WEDNESDAY, January 22nd, Day of Prayer for the

Legal Protection of Unborn Children

THURSDAY, January 23rd, Weekday

St. Marianne Cope, Virgin; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr

FRIDAY, January 24th, St. Francis de Sales,

Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Eucharistic Adoration (noon and concluding with Mass)

7:00pm Robert Fine r/o Wife, Joan Fine

SATURDAY, January 25th, Vigil: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm Jorge Martinez r/o Emilio & Carol Suarez

SUNDAY, January 26th, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Our Parishioners

10:30am Luke Padian (35th Anniversary) r/o Daughter, Kathy McGill & Family



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle burning before the Blessed Sacrament this week is in memory of Julius Madrid (7th Anniversary) as lovingly requested by Malou Camara.



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

January 11/12, 2020 - \$3,902.00 / 2019 - \$4,520.70

Initial Offering 2020 - \$987.00 / 2019 - \$808.00

Thank you for your continued support!



Pope Francis recently established the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time as the "Sunday of the Word of God," in order to honor and promote the role of Sacred Scripture in the spiritual life of Catholics. This year, it falls on the weekend of January 25-26. As a way of observing this special day in our parish, everyone is invited to bring your Bible to church to be blessed during the celebration of Mass.

From the Provost

On behalf of the Fathers and Brothers of the Congregation of the Oratory, I want to thank all of you for your kind and thoughtful Christmas remembrances. It is a joy for us to serve the parishioners of St. Ann and Holy Trinity and we are sincerely grateful for your support and encouragement as we work together for the sake of the Gospel. I would also like to take this opportunity to share the good news that on New Year's Eve we received notification that Br. Fredy's visa was approved and that he will be returning to us shortly. I would ask for your continued prayers that all would proceed smoothly in the next few weeks as we make arrangements for his return home. May the joy and love of the Christmas season continue to reside in your hearts and minds throughout this new year!

In St. Philip Neri,
Fr. Peter Cebulka, C.O.

Provost: The Raritan Congregation of the Oratory



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

This reading is a short passage from the second song of the Servant of the Lord. The Lord will show his glory through His servant whose mission is to restore Israel and bring salvation "to the ends of the earth."

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

Paul sends greetings to the people of Corinth, who have been called to be holy and consecrated in Christ.

Gospel: John 1:29-34

When Jesus visits John, John recognizes Jesus as the "Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world." John further indicates that Jesus is truly the Messiah and "God's chosen One."

Religious Education News

STUDENTS

January 20

NO Monday RE

(Public Schools Closed)

January 22

4:30 to 5:30pm

Wednesday RE

(Grades 3,5,6,8)

January 26

10:30am Mass **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

Children's Liturgy of the Word

The **Children's Liturgy of the Word** will be offered at the 10:30am mass on January 26, 2020. Children from kindergarten through 4th grades are invited to participate in these age appropriate gospel lessons. The children will leave the mass prior to the first reading and return prior to the preparation of the gifts. We will hold these lessons in the Church Basement/TV Room. The purpose is to help younger children better understand the gospel readings through discussion and activities. The next **Children's Liturgy of the Word** will be on February 23rd. If you would like to help or have questions, contact Nancy at 908-725-6339 or email reoffice@holyltrinitynj.org.

Ministry Schedule

JANUARY 18/19

5:00pm **Reader:** *Mary Psak*
Sat. Extraordinary Ministers: Maureen Montague and Tom & Allison Truchan
Altar Server: *Jacqueline Salvato*

8:30am **Reader:** *Francine Giorello*
Sun. Extraordinary Ministers: Jim Sheeley, Catherine Phalen and Nick Vendemia
Altar Server: *Kari La Canna*

10:30am **Reader:** *Peter George*
Sun. Extraordinary Ministers: Chris Mariani and Joseph & Doreen Marino
Altar Server: *Emily Caldarola*

House Communion: *Chris Mariani*



JANUARY 25/26

5:00pm **Reader:** *Anna Marie Vendemia*
Sat. Extraordinary Ministers: Emilio & Carol Suarez
Altar Server: *Zachary Salvato*

8:30am **Reader:** *Tammy Weber*
Sun. Extraordinary Ministers: John & Kathie Dalessio
Altar Server: *Timmy La Canna*

10:30am **Reader:** *Chris Halligan*
Sun. Extraordinary Ministers: Kevin & Audrey Henry
Altar Server: *Alexandra Vicari*

House Communion: *Kevin & Audrey Henry*



MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2020

WORKERS – MONDAY – TEAM #3
CAPTAIN: Marie Confortini
 Laura Wetzel, Janet Bergan, Marge Garzillo & Carol Martin
GAMES BEGIN AT 7:30PM

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 2020

WORKERS – FRIDAY – TEAM #4
CAPTAIN: Stan Marszalek
 Alan Fross, Sal Adamo & Connie Adamo
GAMES BEGIN AT 7:30PM



Rectory will be closed on Monday, January 20th in honor of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

SECOND COLLECTION – this weekend, January 18/19 for the Foundation for Catholic Education. This program provides needs-based grants to children attending a Catholic elementary or high school in our Diocese. Thanks to the generosity of our faithful to this collection last year we were able to provide larger scholarships to students and send over 79 children to one of our schools in September. Your gift makes an impact and provides great promise to so many young lives.

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 or E-mail: babysis30@optonline.net.



Congratulations to our newest parishioner, Noelle Quinn Melencio Frey, daughter of Veronique M. & Adam Frey, who, having been baptized in the hospital was welcomed into the Church on Saturday, January 11.



The **Bereavement Ministry** strives to bring consolation and peer support to those who grieve the loss of a loved one. Informal small group gatherings are facilitated by caring parishioners. Sharing thoughts, feelings and emotions in the atmosphere of our faith with others who are also going through a personal loss can often bring some peace and acceptance, when understanding that these experiences are normal. Knowing that we are not alone may give some strength and consolation. A nine-week session will begin here at Holy Trinity Church this Monday, January 20th from 6:30pm until 8:00pm. No fee, but registration is required. Please contact Deacon John Phalen 908-500-2050.

Catholic Charities-Diocese of Metuchen

Please consider supporting our local poverty relief services by donating gently used clothing, shoes, household items and small appliances to Catholic Charities-Diocese of Metuchen. Clearly marked donation boxes are available in more than 30 locations throughout our four-county diocese. For a complete list of drop-off locations, visit: <http://www.ccdom.org/how-you-can-help/clothing-donation-drop-boxes> If you have an item that is too big to fit in a donation box, call 877-343-3651 to arrange for a free pick up at your home.

MONTHLY EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

Sunday, January 19th 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. This month, the Holy Hour will be held THIS Sunday, January 19th at 3:30pm in St. Ann's Church in Raritan.

St. Ann Catholic Regional Marriage Ministry invites adult couples who are dating, as well as engaged, newlywed and couples married several years to celebrate World Marriage Day 2020, at "Date Night for a Joyful Marriage". **Saturday, February 8th, 6:30 to 9:00pm**, includes: appetizers, dinner and dessert, BYOB - \$35.00 per couple, \$40.00 at the door. Location: St. Ann, 45 Anderson Street, Raritan. For more information and to RSVP call Ken and Madeline Swartz 908-872-0282.



There will be Eucharistic Adoration at Holy Trinity Church on Friday, Jan. 24th, starting at Noon and concluding with Mass at 7 PM. Jan. 24th is also the day of the March for Life in Washington, D.C., when thousands march and speak out for defenseless unborn babies (more than 60,000,000 have been aborted since the 1973 Supreme Court Roe v Wade Decision). Please consider spending time before Our Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament between Noon and 7 PM. Your prayers are greatly needed for our nation, our children and those who march for life.

"Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love. Your hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament will repair for evils of the world and bring about peace on earth."

-(Pope John Paul II, *Dominicai Cena*)

Jan. 21 Movie "Unplanned" will be shown at Immaculate Conception Church, Parish Hall, 316 Old Allerton Rd., Annandale, 7 PM.

Jan. 22 Rally for Life, Trenton, Statehouse Steps, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Jan. 24 March for Life, Washington, D.C.

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Human Life and Dignity will be running a bus trip to the Rally for Life in Trenton, NJ on Wednesday, January 22, 2020. The bus ride is free of charge, but since space is limited all passengers must reserve their seats. Passengers will board the bus at the Diocesan Center in Piscataway at 9:30am. The Rally at the State House begins at 11:00am and ends at 1:00pm. Passengers will attend a small reception afterwards. The bus will bring everyone back to the Diocesan Center around 3:00pm. If you have any questions or would like to reserve a seat please email:

amarshall@diometuchen.org OR call 732-562-1543.

2020 Call to Action Day

Over 120,000 postcards have been mailed to our NJ State Legislators over the past year urging them to pass the "Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act" which would ban abortion past 20 weeks gestation in NJ by the year 2020. Studies show that this is when babies in the womb feel pain. We are asking everyone to call your New Jersey State Legislators (Senator and 2 Assembly(wo)men) on Jan. 24 and ask them for their response to our postcards. There are currently no restrictions on abortion in New Jersey at all! Urge them to advance this bill (A3452/S2026)now! For a listing of legislators and a sample phone message, visit: <http://babiesinthewombfeelpain.com/>



SOCIAL MINISTRY

The Food Pantry can always use non-perishable items. (Soups are needed for the winter.) 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.



Pray for the Military

New deadline established for NJ Independent Victim Compensation Program

The Diocese of Metuchen is among the five Roman Catholic dioceses in New Jersey to announce a six-week extension for those, who as children or young adults, were sexually abused by a priest or deacon of the Diocese, who may still want to file a claim through the Independent Victims Compensation Program (IVCP). The deadline for the registration of new allegations has been extended until Jan. 31, while the deadline for the submission of all claims has been extended until Feb. 15. Those survivors, who as minors were the victim of clergy sexual abuse and who now wish to pursue a claim through the IVCP, can begin the claims process by going to www.NJdiocesesIVCP.com. The IVCP operates independently of the Diocese or any church-affiliated institution and the administrators of the IVCP have complete autonomy to determine the eligibility of a claim with the guidelines of the established Protocol. The amount of compensation for those who make a claim will be independently determined by the IVCP administrators. All victims – no matter when the abuse occurred – are eligible to participate, and all matters will be handled confidentially. Victims of clergy sexual abuse of a minor can begin the process of utilizing the program by going to www.njdiocesesivcp.com and reviewing the protocol for submitting a claim. Anyone who is a survivor of sexual abuse by a priest or deacon of the Diocese is encouraged to participate in the IVCP.

World Youth Day in Metuchen – Saturday, February 8, 2020

Calling all youth! You're invited to spend the day, celebrating God's love for you with your peers at the Diocesan Youth Day. The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Youth Ministry will host a Youth Day on Saturday, February 8, 2020 from 1:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. at St. Joseph High School, 145 Plainfield Avenue, Metuchen, NJ 08840. Bishop James F. Checchio will preside at a Mass. Join us for this fun-filled day of food, music, prayer and reflection. All 7th – 12th graders are invited to come with their parish! The deadline to register is February 1, 2020. The cost to attend is \$20.

For more information, please visit <https://diometuchen.org>.

Calendar of Events

January 20	Bereavement Support Group Begins
January 22	Liturgy Committee Meeting
January 24	Eucharistic Adoration (noon-6:45pm, Benediction, 7pm Mass)
January 25/26	Baby Bottle Boomerang begins
January 26	Children's Liturgy of the Word (10:30am Mass)
February 1	RE Registration for 2020-2021 Begins
February 8/9	Baby Bottles Returned
February 8/9	HNS Parish Breakfast Ticket Sales Begins