



THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY

60 MAPLE STREET • BRIDGEWATER, NEW JERSEY 08807

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@holytrinitynj.org
Fr. Jeff Email ----- FrJeff@holytrinitynj.org
Website ----- www.holytrinitynj.org



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 26, 2020
 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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
 MONDAY, January 27th, Weekday

St. Angela Merici, Virgin and Religious Founder

TUESDAY, January 28th, St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

7:00pm Salvatore Aloe (1st Anniversary) r/o Vittorio & Raffaella Ravi
 Kenneth Mitchell Kacsmar r/o The Horton Family
 Michael & Margaret Andusko r/o Robert & Carol McCarthy

WEDNESDAY, January 29th, Weekday

THURSDAY, January 30th, Bl. Sebastian Valfre, Oratorian Priest

FRIDAY, January 31st, St. John Bosco, Priest

7:00pm Agnes Strycharz r/o Marcia & Stan Pozarycki

SATURDAY, February 1st, Vigil: The Presentation of the Lord

5:00pm Our Parishioners

SUNDAY, February 2nd, The Presentation of the Lord

8:30am Rosary Altar Society

10:30am Eleanor Rodgers (1st Anniversary) r/o The Rodgers Family



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle burning before the Blessed Sacrament this week is in memory of Mervin Abayari (9th 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 18/19, 2020 - \$3,802.00 / 2019 - \$3,211.70
 Catholic Education 2020 - \$1,112.00 / 2019 - \$1,001.00

Thank you for your continued support!



Holy Trinity now offers Online Giving through eCatholic; an easy option for donating to the Sunday Collection. It's simple. Visit holytrinitynj.org/donate and follow the easy registration instructions.

Grow closer to God! Pick up a copy of the devotional publication *The Word Among Us* and spend 5 to 10 minutes each day reflecting on the word of God for your life. (a limited supply is available at all exits)

News from the Provost of the Raritan Congregation of the Oratory

I would like to take this opportunity to share some recent developments in our Oratorian community. As of January 15, Fr. Ken Kolibas, Pastor of St. Joseph Church in Raritan, is on a four-month sabbatical. Please join us in praying for Fr. Ken that this would be a fruitful and spiritually renewing time for him. During the time of the sabbatical, the pastoral care of St. Joseph Church in Raritan will be provided by the members of the Raritan Congregation of the Oratory of St Philip Neri. Fr. Kevin Kelly, C.O. will continue at St. Joseph in his capacity as parochial vicar and will be the primary pastoral person serving the spiritual needs of the parish community. Fr. Jeffrey Calia, C.O., Pastor of Holy Trinity in Bradley Gardens, will serve as the financial administrator at St. Joseph while continuing his service as Pastor of Holy Trinity. Fr. Kevin and Fr. Jeff will be assisted by the other members of the Oratory.

In addition, as of January 27 the members of the Congregation will assume responsibility for the Blessed Sacrament Shrine in Raritan. I will take on the position of Rector of the Shrine while continuing as Head of School and member of the Faculty at St. Ann School.

Finally, Br. Fredy has scheduled his interview at the embassy in Bogota, Colombia for February 3. This is the final step in the visa process. We hope to have him home with us somewhere between February 10-15.

Please continue to keep us in your prayers as we take on these new ministries and pray fervently that the rest of Br. Fredy's visa process proceeds smoothly and quickly!

In the Heart of Jesus and St. Philip Neri,
 Very Rev. Peter R. Cebulka, C.O.
 Provost: The Raritan Oratory



First Reading: Isaiah 8:23—9:3

The prophet Isaiah describes the anguish of a conquered people, but he promises that they will triumph and will see a great light as on the "day of Midian."

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

Paul speaks to the Corinthians with both anger and indignation because they are quarreling among themselves as to whom they should show allegiance. Some wish to follow Paul; some, Peter; others Apollos; others, Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

Jesus begins his mission by going to Capernaum, fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah. He selects Peter, Andrew, James and John as his disciples, inviting them to be "fishers of men."



Religious Education News

STUDENTS

January 26 10:30am Mass **Children's Liturgy of the Word**
 January 27 4:30 to 5:30pm **Monday RE**
 (Grades 1 to 8)
 January 29 4:30 to 5:30pm **Wednesday RE**
 (Grades 3,5,6,8)

LOOKING AHEAD:

Saturday, February 1st RE Registration for the 2020-2021 School year begins (refer to next page)

Ministry Schedule 

JANUARY 25/26

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

8:30am **Altar Server:** Zachary Salvato
 Sun. **Reader:** Tammy Weber
Extraordinary Ministers: John & Kathie Dalessio

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



FEBRUARY 1/2

5:00pm **Reader:** Debbie Phibbs
 Sat. **Extraordinary Ministers:** Rebecca Majewski and Ray & Linda Rakowitz

8:30am **Altar Server:** Julian DiMaggio
 Sun. **Reader:** Sandy Kuklo
Extraordinary Ministers: Marie Confortini and Audrey Henry

10:30am **Altar Server:** Kari La Canna
 Sun. **Reader:** Dawn Solari
Extraordinary Ministers: Pat Thomason, Frank Meier and Irene Fialkowsky
Altar Server: Catherine Ulassin
House Communion: Pat Thomason



MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020

WORKERS – MONDAY – TEAM #4

CAPTAIN:

Claire Russell, Fran Brzezinski, Helena Martin, Gloria Chester, Evelyn Inzitari & Bill Flynn
GAMES BEGIN AT 7:30PM

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2020

WORKERS – FRIDAY – TEAM #1

CAPTAIN: John Papalski

John Caldarola, Charlie Moersdorf & Patrick Camperchioli
GAMES BEGIN AT 7:30PM

WORK or PLAY

WORK – Monday or Friday, Bingo or Kitchen for a couple of hours a month
PLAY – Any Monday or Friday at 7:30pm Start Time

CALL - Bill at 908-267-5033

E-MAIL - willyfly@optonline.net



SECOND COLLECTION – next weekend, February 1st/2nd for Energy Needs.

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.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The 8:30am Mass next Sunday, February 2nd is for the Living and Deceased Members of the **ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY**. Their regular monthly meeting will be held after the Mass and Rosary over in the Parish Center.

ST. ANN SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2020 (11:30am-1:00pm)

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK is January 26-31, 2020

St. Ann School has distinguished itself by adopting the Catholic Classical Education method, the only K-8 elementary school to offer a classical liberal arts education in the Diocese of Metuchen and throughout the local NJ region. This is a great opportunity to come and see what St. Ann Catholic Classical School is about. Discover the differences between the classical method and the modern method of education. Come to understand the benefits of classical education for your child's learning experience. Learn why this approach best honors and advances the personal dignity and faith journey of your child. Families, especially with young children, are invited. Invite friends and extended family members who have grade school children to come to St. Ann's Open House on January 26.



Hear Ye!
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Religious Education Registration for 2020-2021 – will begin Saturday, February 1, 2020 from **9:30am – 11:00am** in the RE Office. Registration will continue the month of February during regular office hours.

STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 1 IN

SEPTEMBER SHOULD ALSO REGISTER AT THIS TIME.

Questions: Call 908-725-6339

RE Office hours are:

Monday & Wednesday 10:00am - 5:00pm

Class Schedules being offered are:

Monday 4:30-5:30pm Grades 1-8



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. Guest Speakers: Cristina Averso-Collins & her husband. Cristina is the new Director of Family Life for the Metuchen Diocese. Location: St. Ann, 45 Anderson Street, Raritan. For more information and to RSVP call Ken and Madeline Swartz 908-872-0282.





"The right to life is a human right. Our defense of that right is a joyful witness to the beauty and dignity of every human person.

*The March for Life is an inspiring, peaceful, vibrant, and joy-filled rally of women, men, young people, and children from all across the country. Every year, tens of thousands of pro-lifers converge on the National Mall and march on Capitol Hill on the anniversary of the Supreme Court's 1973 Roe v. Wade ruling which legalized abortion in all 50 states. It's the largest annual human rights demonstration in the world. But this is not just a protest... **TOGETHER, WE GATHER TO CELEBRATE LIFE.** We celebrate each and every life, from the moment of conception. We envision a world where every life is celebrated, valued, and protected."*

-National March for Life 2020



Baby Bottle Boomerang!



The Elizabeth Ministers fundraiser again this year is the - Baby Bottle Boomerang! Baby bottles will be passed out after mass THIS weekend, Jan. 25 & 26. Fill the bottles with your spare change and return the bottles to Holy Trinity Parish on February 8/9. Your generous donations will be used to buy much needed infant formula for the Pregnancy Aid and Information Center. Start the New Year a little lighter by setting aside your spare change for the Baby Bottle Fundraiser!



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

Eucharistic Adoration is now being held in the chapel at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Meltars Lane, Piscataway. Adorers and intercessors are needed Monday through Friday, 9 to 11:45 a.m. Daily Mass is held at 11:45 a.m. For information or to become an adorer, call Laura Riccardi, (609) 578-0841. To submit a prayer request, call (732) 765-6445 or email Adoration@diometuchen.org.

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>.

The annual drive to support our diocesan newspaper, *The Catholic Spirit*, is taking place during the month of February, National Catholic Press Month. Please support their good work by using the envelope in your packet. Any amount you contribute will show your support for the ministry of *The Catholic Spirit* and will be greatly appreciated. And please remember to take home a copy of the paper – it has a special role to play in your life as a practicing Catholic.

Calendar of Events

- 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*
- Feb. 15/16, 22/23** *Collection of Palm Branches*
- February 22/23** *Rice Bowls Distributed*
- February 23** *HNS Parish Breakfast*
- February 23** *Children's Liturgy of the Word (10:30am Mass)*
- February 23** *Burning of Palm Branches*
- February 24** *Confirmation Rehearsal*