

# The Parish Community of St. Matthew the Apostle

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**“Be the living expression of God’s kindness and mercy.”**

## Second Sunday in Lent - March 17, 2019

### Parish Leadership

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### Parish Phone Numbers

Church.....732-985-5063  
 Fax.....732-985-9104  
 School.....732-985-6633  
 School Fax.....732-985-7748  
 Office of Religious Formation....732-985-5063

### Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 10:30 AM-4:30 PM  
 Wednesday evening: 4:30 PM-8:00 PM  
 The priests are available by appointment  
 through the Parish Office.

### Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM  
 2nd Saturday: 7:00 PM (Tagalog)  
 Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 12:00  
 & 1:30 PM (Spanish)  
 2nd Sunday: 3:30 PM (Kiswahili)  
 Monday-Saturday: 8:30 AM

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon & after  
 the 5:00 PM Mass or by appoint  
 ment with one of the priests.

### Mission Statement

St. Matthew the Apostle Church is a diverse Roman Catholic community empowered by the Spirit of God, formed by His Word, and nourished by the Eucharist. We are called to bear witness to the Gospel through stewardship, hospitality, and service.

### Parish Membership

Membership in our parish is open to all Catholics who reside within our borders as well as others who wish to worship with us and support our mission. All adult Catholics should officially register as members of the parish in which they reside. Registration is a condition for admission to our Religious Formation program and reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, First Penance, First Eucharist, Confirmation and Marriage. Being registered for at least one month as an active parishioner is required before we can testify to your eligibility to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. Please call the Parish Office (732-985-5063) for an appointment to register. Young adults over the age of 21 should register independently of their parents. Please notify the Parish Office of any changes in name, address, marital status or if you are leaving the Parish.

**GODPARENT / CONFIRMATION SPONSOR**

**LETTERS** Church law mandates that a sponsor for baptism and confirmation be an active Confirmed Catholic. An active Catholic is a parishioner who is registered, attends Mass weekly, contributes to the support of the church, is in a valid Catholic marriage, and publicly leads a life compatible with Church teaching. We can only write letters of eligibility for parishioners who meet these criteria. Mass attendance is normally confirmed by envelope use. If you don't use envelopes, the office will provide a form that you need to have signed by a parish priest for several consecutive weeks before a sponsorship letter can be written. Call the office for more information.

**PRE-BAPTISM** A mandatory Pre-Baptism instruction class is scheduled on the second Sunday of every month at 10:30 AM in the Faculty Room of the school. Please call the parish office at 732-985-5063 to register.

**BAPTISM** Baptism is normally celebrated on the first and second Saturday of each month at 12:15 PM. Baptisms are not celebrated during Lent. To arrange for Baptisms please call the parish office at 732-985-5063.

**RELIGIOUS FORMATION (CCD)** If you are new to the parish and wish to enroll your child in the Religious Formation Program, please call the Office of Religious Formation at 732-985-5063. Office hours: Monday - Friday, 1:30 - 4:30 PM.

**RCIA** Adults wishing to become Roman Catholic or receive First Eucharist and/or Confirmation should contact the Parish Office for information on the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

**MARRIAGE** Marriage arrangements should be made one year in advance and prior to any social plans. Contact the Parish Office for all pre-marriage information.

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK or HOMEBOUND** Our Priests, Deacons and Eucharistic Ministers visit and bring Communion to homebound parishioners or those in JFK Hartwyck at Edison Estates nursing home. Contact the Parish Office to arrange such visits. To contact a priest in a genuine emergency involving the sick or dying, call the rectory office. After business hours dial the parish emergency line at 732-735-9570.

**ST. MATTHEW PRAYER CHAIN** Call Tom or Pat Krosnowski at 609-586-2320 with your request or email it to tekpak59@yahoo.com & it will be sent to a group of people who will pray immediately. All requests will be confidential and will remain on the prayer list until you ask for them to be removed.

**MASS INTENTIONS** Contact the Parish Office to schedule a Mass for our beloved deceased.

**MUSIC MINISTRY** For information regarding our Adult Choir, Children's Choir, Middle Choir, Youth Choir or Hand Bell Choir, contact the Parish Office at 732-985-5063.

**PARISH ORGANIZATIONS/MINISTRIES**

**Parish Pastoral Council:**

Marge Hermitt 732-985-5063

**Choirs/Music Ministry:**

David Jules 732-985-5063

**Eucharistic Ministers/Lectors/Ushers:**

Fr. Alphonsus 732-985-5063

**Religious Formation:**

Alice Fogarty 732-985-5063

**St. Matthew's School:**

Mrs. Joyce Schaefer 732-985-6633

**HSA:** Carla Elfeld 646-541-1172

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA):**

Donna Hamer 732-985-5063

**High School Youth Group:** Diane Kohlbecker

732-742-4613

**Rosary Altar Society/Social Ministry Group:**

Marie Reybert 732-287-2373

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:**

Mike Rohal 862-621-5327

**Philippine-Amer. Assoc.:**

Jose Lagdameo 732-742-1854

**School Advisory Council:**

Trish Wechter 908-510-3168

**Fathers' Club:**

Jose Ortiz 917-396-2492

**Knights of Columbus:**

John Quinn 732-572-6652

**Legion of Mary:**

Joan Gage 732-985-1888

**Athletics:**

Randy Encarnacion 201-344-2281

**Spanish Charismatic Prayer Group:**

Laura Bazares 732-718-7146

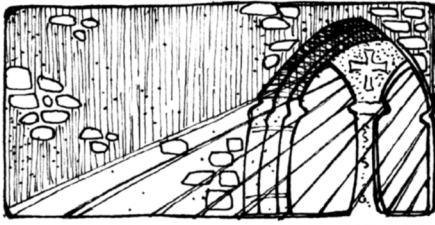
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**STEWARDSHIP** God invites all people to be good stewards of the gifts and talents he has entrusted to us. All parishioners are urged to give a weekly pre-planned generous contribution based on a percent-age of their income. Please use the church envelope system.

**HOLY ORDERS** If you are interested in learning more about the priesthood, diaconate or religious life, contact Father George at the Parish Office (732-985-5063).

**SCRIP OFFICE** Peggy Oliveira (848-702-4091) Monday-Friday 7:40 - 8:15 (On school days only); Wednesday Evenings at the rectory 4:30 - 8:00 PM

**MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA** Saturday Morning after 8:30 AM Mass.



## MASSES for the WEEK

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### SUNDAY, March 17, 2019

#### Second Sunday of Lent, St. Patrick's Day

- 7:30 AM +Pat Murphy r/o Meidhof Family  
 9:00 AM +John Lithgow and deceased members of the Lithgow Family r/o Ernie and Barbara Rich and Family  
 10:30 AM +Patrick Murphy r/o Prego Family  
 12:00 PM Matthew Szajdecki r/o Adolf Szajdecki  
 1:30 PM +People of the Parish (Spanish)

### MONDAY - March 18, 2019

#### St. Cyril of Jerusalem

- 8:30 AM Adolf Szajdecki r/o Family

### TUESDAY, March 19, 2019

#### St. Joseph

- 8:30 AM +Josefa Carual r/o Daughter and Family

### WEDNESDAY, March 20, 2019

#### Spring begins;

#### Purim (Jewish observance) begins at sundown

- 8:30 AM +Edward Przybylek r/o Dotty and Rocky Colombo

### THURSDAY, March 21, 2019

- 8:30 AM +Guadalupe H. Calilap r/o C/Y Micabalo and Family

### FRIDAY, March 22, 2019

#### Abstinence

- 8:30 AM +Matteo Derrico r/o Wife and children  
 12:15 PM Stations of the Cross  
 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross  
 7:45 PM Spanish Stations of the Cross

### SATURDAY March 23, 2019

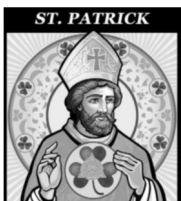
#### St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

- 8:30 AM +People of the Parish  
 5:00 PM +Helen Zdunek r/o Zdunek Family

### SUNDAY, March 24, 2019

#### Third Sunday of Lent

- 7:30 AM +Yuozas Racickas r/o Vaida Romano  
 9:00 AM +Florence Liuzzo r/o JoAnn Grega  
 10:30 AM +Eileen Murphy r/o Prega Family  
 12:00 PM +John Hernandez r/o Burke Family  
 1:30 PM +People of the Parish (Spanish)



### IRELAND

"No reptiles are found there [in Ireland], and no snake can live there; for, though often carried thither out of Britain, as soon as the ship comes near the shore, and the scent of the air reaches them, they die."

—Venerable Bede

### Second Sunday of Lent

March 17, 2019

The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
 whom should I fear?

*Psalm 27:1*

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, March 17, 2019

- Bishop's Appeal In-Pew Weekend  
 HSA Raffle Tickets on sale after all Masses  
 HS Youth Group 7-8:30 PM (Gym)  
 Athletics - 1:15-6:00 PM (Gym)

### Monday, March 18, 2019

- Adult Bells 8-9:30 PM (MR)  
 Childrens Choir 4-5:00 PM (MR)  
 Taizé Prayer 7:00 PM (CH)  
 Athletics 5:30-9:00 PM (Gym)

### Tuesday, March 19, 2019

- Religious Formation 4:15-5:30 PM (SC) and  
 7:00-8:15 PM (SC)  
 Girl Scouts 4-5:00 PM (CR and FR)  
 Athletics 5:30-9:00 PM (Gym)

### Wednesday, March 20, 2019

- Religious Formation 4:30-5:45 PM (SC)  
 Religious Formation Registration 4:45-5:30 (FR)  
 Athletics 5:30-9:00 PM (Gym)  
 Scouts Den Meeting 6:30-8:30 PM (CR)  
 Legion of Mary 7:00 PM (Cntg. Rm.)

### Thursday, March 21, 2019

- Youth Choir/Bells 5:45-7:15 PM (MR)  
 Adult Choir 8-9:30 PM (CH)  
 SMS Task Force 6:30-9:00 PM (CR)  
 Athletics 5:30-9:00 PM (Gym)

### Friday, March 22, 2019

- St. Matthew School CLOSED  
 Athletics 6-8:00 PM (Gym)

### Saturday, March 23, 2019

- HSA Raffle Tickets on sale after 5:00 PM Mass

### Sunday, March 24, 2019

- HSA Raffle Tickets on sale after all Masses  
 Athletics - 1:15-6:00 PM (Gym)

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38  
 Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;  
 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a  
 or Lk 2:41-51a  
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28  
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31  
 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21;  
 Mt 21:33-43, 45-46  
 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;  
 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
 Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11;  
 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

**THERE IS AN APPOINTED TIME FOR EVERYTHING...**

Please pray for the safety of our men and women in the military service who are supporting our country faithfully especially: Jerry Russel, Spc. Patrick Faulkner, Sgt. Daniel Kimenski, Spc. Tony Graziano, Spc. Jason Sellio, Spc. John Peterson, Pfc. Kevin Lane to, Spec. Richard Lantz, Gen. Patrick Donahoe, Alonzo Brown, Cpl. Kevin Kellick, Cpl. Todd Burton, Sec. Capt. Suzanne Planted, Sgt. K.M. Yom Delgado, Staff Sgt. Patrick D. Williams, Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class William Ashton, Staff Sgt. Michael Schwartz, Sgt. Mark Towel, Christopher John McKay, Spec. Jesse James Dunn, Thomas C. Woodley, Maj. Sean Donahoe, Sgt. James Lighter, 1st Lt. Kelly Ashton, Lance Cpl. Jamie Manning, Capt. Anthony Speziale, Pfc. Michael A. Bocho, Sgt. Michael Archibald, Staff Sgt. Jonathan Deacon, Philip Schaeffer

**A TIME TO HEAL. . .**

Please pray for those in our Parish Family who are sick: Jean Moran, Jean A. Robey, Harriet Marion, Maryann Hughes, Mary Machida, Ann Joseph Candy, Jai Whitelaw, Angelique DiCataldo, Mina Buzzek, Barbara Kappes, Harold Christensen, Charles Berrios, Joseph Nemeth and Family, Cathy Wilhelm, Gwendolyn Kolias, Colleen D'Aloia, Mildred Brennan, Anthony Abate, Alice Ashton, Eugene Logan, John Allen, Kevin Richardson, Enrique Curbelo, Elizabeth Alley, Judy Savage, Donnoven Alexander, Jill Ferentz, Samantha Hiller, Cheryl Asnath, Yvette Moses, Jim Miller, Sarah Flannigan, Dorothy Dunn, O'Neil and Bauer Families, Camille Capone, Kelly Sugihara, Sharon Hinton, Nina Riggio, Robert Meany, Otilio Luis Bidal, Mary Shirley, Frank Shirley, Hugh McCourt, Margaret Bythell, Susan Olsen, Mary Mullen, Frank Long, Patricia Ramos, Ken Kramer, Eleanor Palulis

**A TIME TO WEEP. . . Please pray for those of our Parish Family who have died:**

- +Carol Ann Fischer
- +Louis T. DiMaso
- +Virginia Capan

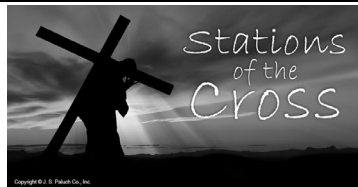
*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May their souls and*

**TUITION ASSISTANCE 2019-2020**

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL TUITION ASSISTANCE ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS OPEN**

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen Catholic elementary or high school may do so now. The application process is online through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment, Online applications must be completed (including supporting documentation) by no later than March 31, 2018. Applications are available in English and Spanish.

Families that need assistance completing the online application, or need access to the technology to apply, may attend one of two Application Workshops that are scheduled for January 23 and February 7 at Perth Amboy Catholic School, 500 State Street, Perth Amboy from 2-4:00 PM, and from 6-8:00 PM. A Spanish translator will be available.



Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 12:15 PM, 7:00 PM in English, and 7:45 PM in Spanish.

**TRICKY TRAY 2019**

**St. Matthew's Candyland - Where everything's sweet!**

**TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW!**

The HSA's 20th Annual Tricky Tray Auction will take place early this year, on **SUNDAY, APRIL 7th**, in the St. Matthew Gym. Doors open at 12pm and calling starts at 3pm. Seats are filling quickly! Admission is \$20/person, reserving you a seat at an assigned table of 8 or 12 people, and includes coffee, tea, and dessert. Feel free to bring your own food and drink. You may purchase a table or individual seats. Discounted Raffle Ticket bundles are on sale until March 29<sup>th</sup>. For more information, please contact our Seating Coordinator at [TrickyTray@saintMschool.org](mailto:TrickyTray@saintMschool.org) or 732-955-4891. Order forms are available on the Church bulletin board.

No one under 18 will be admitted.

**WE NEED TRICKY TRAY DONATIONS!!!**

We are less than 1 month away from our largest fundraising effort of the school year, and the St. Matthew HSA needs your help to make it a success! We need at least 300 prizes to make the event as profitable as it has been in the past. Some items we're looking for: grilling items, car accessories, garden tools. You may donate ANY NEW AND UNUSED items. Monetary donations of any amount are also welcome and greatly appreciated.

Donations can be dropped off at the school during school hours or in the Tricky Tray Donation Box located near the Church entrance, Please call for alternate arrangements. Please be sure to include your name on the donations, so that we may be able to acknowledge you or your family's generosity. Please don't wait; we need your donations now!

For more information, contact: **Rocio Budavari** and **Maria Mullen** (Prize/Basket Coordinators) at 732-844-0164 or email them at [HSAStMatthew@gmail.com](mailto:HSAStMatthew@gmail.com). Thank you in advance for your support.

For questions, you may contact: **Rocio Budavari** and **Maria Mullen** (Prize/Basket Coordinators) at 732-844-0164 or email them at [HSAStMatthew@gmail.com](mailto:HSAStMatthew@gmail.com). Thank you in advance for your support.

**March 16 - March 17**

**5:00 PM Mass - Eucharistic Ministers:** Diane Kohlbecker (c), Nina Mendoza, Trish Wechter, Jose Lagdameo, Patricia Gulyas  
**Lector:** Monica Foulkes

**Altar Servers:** Sebastian Gil, Diane Elizabeth Yeo, Cadence McGorvin

**7:30 AM Mass - Eucharistic Ministers:** Joseph Patalano (c), Ron Hayes, Mary Hayes, Diane Toto, Kathleen Husar

**Lector:** Gerald Bobal

**Altar Servers:** Anthony Clemintone, Matthew Clemintone, Colin Stapleton

**9:00 AM Mass - Eucharistic Ministers:** Barbara Rich (c), Stephen D'Souza, Ernest Rich, Simi D'Souza, Gladwin D'Souza

**Lector:** Lydia D'Souza

**Altar Servers:** Joshua Abuan, Miguel Castro, Kyle Roben, Dylan Roben

**10:30 AM Mass-Eucharistic Ministers:** Henry Frohnhoefer (c), Deborah Whittle, Joan Gage, Melissa Page, Melissa Jacinto, Ariel Jacinto, Jeanthy Jacob

**Lector:** Melissa Jacinto

**Altar Servers:** Jillian Jacinto, Leahana Ortiz, Emma Seaward

**12:00 Noon Mass - Eucharistic Ministers:** Donna Hamer (c), Brian Baretto, Mirta Smolar, Rudy Quiba, Fe Quiba

**Lector:** Angelo Lobo

**Altar Servers:** Matthew Jorge, Geraldine Mendoza, Quincy Macharia, Alexander Vavrinec

**1:30 PM Spanish Mass - Eucharistic Ministers:** Yovanny, Elvira, Lucila

**Lector:** Rafaela

**Altar Servers:** Emily Gonzalez, Cynthia Gonzalez

**March 23 - March 24**

**5:00 PM Mass - Eucharistic Ministers:** Diane Kohlbecker (c), Margaret M. Coogan, Catherine Tedesco, Lisa Mezzacappa, ToniAnn Ambrosio

**Lector:** Evan Ocasio

**Altar Servers:** Gary Misko, Ava Misko, Thomas Lagdameo

**7:30 AM Mass - Eucharistic Ministers:** Joseph Patalano (c), Ron Hayes, Mary Hayes, Diane Toto, John Quinn

**Lector:** Kathleen Husar

**Altar Servers:** Victoria Silverman, Ryan Salamante

**9:00 AM Mass - Eucharistic Ministers:** Barbara Rich (c), Joe Sutkowski, Raquel Maldonado, Richard Ferreira, Phyllis Miller

**Lector:** Peter Staples

**Altar Servers:** An Nguyen, Sean Radley Babol, Lia Maureen Babol

**10:30 AM Mass-Eucharistic Ministers:** Henry Frohnhoefer (c), Melissa Page, Mary Testa, Robert Muscolino, Maria Reyes, Jill Bond, Charlotte Puerari

**Lector:** Elizabeth Patalano

**Altar Servers:** Kelvin Feliciano, Belwin Julian, Nicholas Krakowiecki

**12:00 Noon Mass - Eucharistic Ministers:** Donna Hamer (c), Rosa Aggabao, Helen Wall, Vickey Bretones, Victor Bretones

**Altar Servers:** David Marcelo, John Marcelo, Sylvia Rivera, Lorelai Hagens

**1:30 PM Spanish Mass - Eucharistic Ministers:** Katty, Luis, Mary

**Lector:** Rosa

**Altar Servers:** Olivia Smart, Kallyn Saavendra

**PADRINOS DE BAUTISMO Y CONFIRMACIÓN:** La Ley eclesiástica manda que los padrinos para el bautismo y confirmación, deben ser Católicos confirmados y activos en la parroquia, o sea que asistan a la misa dominical, ayudan al mantenimiento de la Iglesia, esté casado/a por la iglesia; si es soltero/a no deberá estar en unión libre. Debe vivir una vida de acuerdo a las enseñanzas de la Iglesia. Solo podemos entregar cartas a parroquianos que viven de acuerdo a estas normas.

**BAUTISMOS:** Los Bautismos en español son celebrados el segundo Sabado del mes a la 1:00 PM. No se celebran bautismos durante la Cuaresma. Para hacer arreglos para los bautismos en español comuníquese con el padre Alfonso al 732-985-5063. Si él no está disponible en ese momento, le puede dejar un mensaje con su número de teléfono, para él llamarle luego.

**FORMACIÓN RELIGIOSA- CATECISMO:** Si usted es nuevo en la parroquia y quiere inscribir a su niño/a en las clases de catecismo, por favor comuníquese con el padre Alfonso al 732-985-5063.

**RICA:** Adultos que deseen convertirse a la religión Católica o que necesiten recibir Primera Comunión y o Confirmación, deberán ponerse en contacto con la oficina de la parroquia para el Ritode Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos. Llamar al padre Alfonso. 732-985-5063

**MATRIMONIOS:** Los arreglos para la fecha de casamiento se deben hacer un año por anticipado, antes de hacer los arreglos sociales. 732-985-5063 P. Alfonso.

**MINISTERIO DE VISITAR A LOS ENFERMOS:** Llamar al padre Alfonso. Si es una emergencia (en peligro de muerte) después de horas de oficina, puede llamar al número de emergencia 732-735-9570.

**CONFESIONES EN ESPAÑOL:** El padre Alfonso está dispuesto después de la misa dominical. Por favor comuníquese con él.

**TUITION ASSISTANCE 2019-2020**

**AYUDA PARA MATRICULA ESCUELA CATOLICA PROCESO DE SOLICITUD ABIERTO**

Familias interesadas en solicitar ayuda de matrícula para acudir a una escuela elemental o superior de la Diócesis de Metuchen pueden hacerlo ya. El proceso de solicitud está disponible en línea vía '(FACTS Grant & AidAssessment)'. Los formularios deben completarse (incluyendo evidencia de documentos) en o antes del 31 de marzo de 2019. La solicitud está disponible en inglés y español.

Familias que necesiten apoyo para completar la solicitud en línea, o que necesiten acceso a la tecnología para solicitar, pueden asistir a uno de los dos talleres de solicitud programados para el 23 de enero y el 7 de febrero en Perth Amboy Catholic School, 500 State Street, Perth Amboy de 2 a 4 pm, y de 6 a 8 pm, Un traductor de español estará disponible.

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**  
**2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal**  
*Help Build a Civilization of Love*

This weekend, parishes throughout the Diocese of Metuchen are celebrating ***Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend***. Our goal is for every family to participate. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated. Together, we are working to become kindling that is set aflame by the Holy Spirit, allowing God's love and power to burn more brightly here in the Diocese of Metuchen. Thank you for actively participating in this mission by your financial support.

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Este fin de semana, las parroquias en toda la Diócesis de Metuchen están celebrando el ***Fin de Semana de Apelación Anual en la Banca***. Nuestro objetivo es que cada familia participe. Cada regalo, sin importar el tamaño, es importante y muy apreciado. Juntos, estamos trabajando para encender el fuego que está en llamas por el Espíritu Santo, permitiendo que el amor y el poder de Dios ardan con más fuerza aquí en la Diócesis de Metuchen. Gracias por participar activamente en esta misión con su apoyo financiero.

**MOUNT ST. MARY HOUSE OF PRAYER**  
 1651 U.S. Highway 22  
 Watchung, NJ 07069-6587  
 (908) 753-2091 \* [mshmhope@mshmhope.org](mailto:mshmhope@mshmhope.org)

**Registration is Required**

**Please Call for Additional Information on the following:**

**“SO, HOW'S IT GOIN'?” - Examining the Examen for Beginners and the Rest of Us**  
**Monday, March 18, 7-9:00 PM**

Join us as we look at the Examen, a way to prayerfully reflect on the events of our lives and see how God is present in them, as taken from the Exercises of Ignatius of Loyola. We'll explore the 5 steps of this process and see how it can not only be a “rear-view mirror” for our day, but also a “windshield” to help us see the road ahead, in as little as 10 minutes. No experience necessary! (\$20-\$30 as you are able)

**THROUGH THE EYES OF WOMEN: A LENTEN JOURNEY**

Join us for this six-week women's program, based on the book Walk In Her Sandals by Kelly Wahlquist, as a prayerful and creative way to enter into Lent, Easter, and Pentecost.  
 Wed, 9:30 - 11 a.m.; final session Sat, \* 9:30-12 p.m.  
 Mar 13 - Gift of Receptivity \* Mar 20 - Gift of Generosity  
 Mar 27 - Gift of Sensitivity \* Apr 3 - Gift of Prayer  
 Apr 10 - Gift of Maternity \* May 11\* - Gift of the Holy Spirit (\$120-\$180 as you are able)

**SAVE THE DATE!!**  
**Saturday, April 6, 2019 - 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

Our Lady of Peace Church Columbiettes **9th Annual Indoor Garage and Bake Sale!!** **Free Admission** - 70 tables packed with baby clothes, toys, household goods, clothes, costume jewelry, books, and much more! Theme Baskets to be raffled off and Bake Sale with home baked goods. Our Lady of Peace Parish Center, 1740 US Route 130, North Brunswick, New Jersey 08902. Rain or Shine!

**ST. ANDREW'S HEALING HEART BEREAVEMENT GROUP**

244 Avenel St., Avenel New Jersey

Are you or someone you know in need of healing from a loss of someone you love? St. Andrew's will be starting an eight week group session on:

DATES: Thursdays March 21 through May 9

TIME: 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM

PLACE: the Chapel (at side door of the rectory).

For more information or to register please contact the rectory by March 15th. (732-634-4355)

**OPEN HOUSE at UNION CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

5th, 6th and 7th Grade students and families are invited to attend on:

**Wednesday - April 10 - 7:00 PM**

**Located at: 1600 Martine Avenue in Scotch Plains**

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**THE LEGION OF MARY**



In all of the Blessed Virgin Mary's apparitions, she implores us to have a close relationship with her son, and to pray the rosary. The Legion of Mary is presenting us with a golden opportunity to do just that through the following:

**PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE**

A statue of Our Lady of Lourdes can be brought to your home, so that you and your family and friends can say the rosary together. The statue will remain with you for a week or two and you will have guidance at the beginning and end of the visit from Legion members.

**ADULT LEGION OF MARY**

Men and women over the age of 18 are invited to become members. Meetings are held every Wednesday from 7-8:15 PM in the counting room, located in the church behind the altar. The focus of the Legion will be explained at your first meeting.

Hopefully, you are interested in one or both of these golden opportunities to grow in your personal spirituality for you and your family. Please contact Joan Gage at 732-985-1888 or Mary Niziolek at 732-287-1377 for more information. May God bless you abundantly!

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