

St. Philip & St. James CATHOLIC CHURCH

430 SOUTH MAIN STREET • PHILLIPSBURG, NJ 08865

Mission Statement

To love God and neighbor by sharing our belief in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior through prayerful celebration of His Sacraments, ministering to all in need, protecting life, and welcoming all who come to us.

Weekend Masses

Saturday 8:00 am

Saturday & Sunday

4:30 pm, 9:00 & 11:00 am; 1:00 pm
(Spanish) & 5:30 pm

Weekday Masses: Monday - Friday:

6:45 am & 12:10 pm

Confessions: Saturdays 10:00 am

& 3:15 pm

Adoration: Monday - Friday:

7:30 am—8 pm in the Chapel

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Dn. Rob Fisher *ext. 405*

Dn. Francisco Jaurides *ext. 405*

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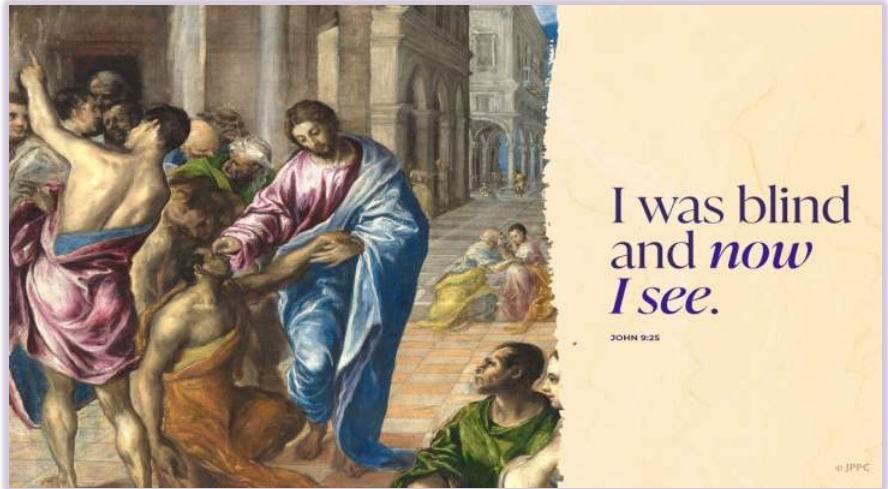
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Office Hours **Mon.** 9am-12:30pm
(Closed for lunch) 1pm to 5pm,

Tues.—Thurs. 9am-12:30pm (Closed for lunch) 1pm-4pm & **Friday** 9am—1pm
(Asistencia en español durante estas horas.)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT † March 15, 2026



Baptism, Marriage and OCIA

Please call the Church Office to make arrangements.

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Sunday 3/15/26** 10am OCIA in the Conference Room
10am Blues Grieving Group in MH
1pm Legion of Mary Curia Meeting in MH
- Mon. 3/16/26** 6:30pm Knights of Columbus Meeting in MH
- Tues. 3/17/26** 9am Legion of Mary in the Conference Room
4:30pm—5:30pm Faith Formation (CCD) Classes at SSPJ School—137 Roseberry St.
7pm-9pm Spanish Lenten Workshop in PMR
7pm Cenacles of Life & St. Peregrine Novena in the Chapel
- Wed. 3/18/26** 10:30am Legion of Mary in the Conference Room
7:30pm—8:30pm Men's Ministry in the Chapel
- Thurs. 3/19/26** 7pm Blue Army Prayer Cell in the Chapel
7pm Choir Practice in the Church
- Friday. 3/20/26** 3pm & 7pm Stations of the Cross in English in the Church
4pm-7pm Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Dinner in MH
8pm Stations of the Cross in Spanish in the Church
- Sat. 3/21/26** 10am Confessions in the Church
9am—12:30pm Soup Kitchen in MH
12pm Legion of Mary Acies in the Church followed by Fellowship in MH
3:15pm Confessions in the Church
After 4:30pm Mass Columbiettes Postulants & Seminarians Collection in the Church
After 4:30pm Mass Scapular Investiture
- Sunday 3/22/26** 10am OCIA in the Conference Room
After 4:30pm Mass Columbiettes Postulants & Seminarians Collection in the Church

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Dear Family!

The First Scrutiny is celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of Lent. The scrutinies are a time of prayer and reflection, designed to help the 'Elect' deepen their faith and prepare for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). Today, on the Laetare Sunday we are celebrating the Second Scrutiny (4th Sunday of Lent) and next week we will celebrate the last Scrutiny. In all the scrutinies we have Prayers of Exorcism intended to help the 'Elect' reject sin and evil influences, Laying on of Hands, a symbol of the power of Holy Spirit for enlightenment and grace and Intercessory prayers for the 'Elect'. We pray for all who are preparing themselves for the sacraments: Maggie Durnin, Sophia Durnin, Jude Blanes, Joshua Heron, Jeffrey Hurst, Conor McCullough, Kaitlynn Strausser, Alejandro Tenchipe, Angelic Tenchipe and Miguel Tenchipe.

As David is anointed king of Israel in the first reading, we remember our own baptism and in the words of Saint Peter, "You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light." (1 Peter 2:9). The name 'David' means 'Beloved'. We are the beloved of God. As we take part in the three-fold ministry of Jesus as prophet, priest and king, our prayers are and good works both private and public to please God and we are blessed.

St. Paul in the second reading compares the sinner's conversion to his 'rising up' out of the sleep of death into a new existence illuminated by Christ who radiates the light that is the glory of God. That is why we Christians are called children of the light. In the Gospel Jesus cures the blind man and the invitation to God's Light is extended to all.

Grant is approved - Thanks to all of you for your efforts:

I am grateful to the State of New Jersey, Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness for approving a grant to help us better our security around the premises, thanks to the efforts of Laura Sretenovic and Nancy Ensley. We have also just applied for another Grant - National Fund for Sacred Places, pending their approval. Please pray that these projects bring the necessary updates we need to do throughout the parish.

Chrism Mass will be at the Cathedral on Tuesday, March 31st at 4pm. Bishop Bootkoski will be the Celebrant.

"From Isolation to Belonging: Mental Health and the Catholic Church" sponsored by the Catholic Bishops of New Jersey will take place on May 2, 2026 at St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway. This conference seeks to deepen awareness of the mental health crisis and to equip clergy, parish staff, ministry leaders, educators, healthcare professionals, and lay faithful with practical resources to better serve those in need. Bishop John P. Dolan of the Diocese of Phoenix will join us as keynote speaker, sharing his experience and leadership in establishing the nation's first diocesan Office of Mental Health Ministry.

The **Catholic Relief Services Collection** is scheduled to take place in our diocese on the weekend of April 25 & 26. The funds received every year through the collection support outreach to immigrant communities, seafarers, migrant farmworkers, and others whose work and travels take them far from home. Migrants' pastoral needs have only grown in a time of anti-immigrant public sentiment.

Beware of email scams posing to be your priest, deacon or a diocesan personnel asking for gift cards or money transfers. Individuals should never ask you money for themselves. All contributions must be made to the parish.

Diocesan Programs in the near future:

The Family Healing Mass (Mar. 14th), **Lenten Day of Recollection for Priests** (Mar. 18th), Choices Matter Conference (Mar. 21st), **St. Timothy & St. Teresa of Calcutta Awards** (Mar. 26th), **Chrism Mass** (Mar. 31st at 4pm), NJ State Catholic Mental Health Conference (May 2nd), & NJ Catholic Youth Rally (May 17th).

Fr. Antony

Masses For The Week



SUNDAY, March 15th - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00am – Lori Piperata Herman by Al & Ellen Piperata

11:00am – Council #474 Columbiettes

1:00pm – (SP) Nelson Rocha by Family

5:30pm – For the People

MONDAY, March 16th

6:45am – *Sp. Int. Michael Johnson by Pat & Art Verdon

12:10pm – Vinnie Catalli by Eileen Catalli

TUESDAY, March 17th - St. Patrick, Bishop

6:45am – Paddy Bracken by Family

12:10pm – Gabriel Lantos by Family

WEDNESDAY, March 18th - St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

6:45am – Najat Dabahneh by Adma Dabahneh

12:10pm – John Natisin by Patricia Natisin

THURSDAY, March 19th – St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:45am – Sr. Mary Densita White, CSJ by Aversa Family

12:10pm – Deceased Members of the O'Donnell Family by Family

FRIDAY, March 20th

6:45am – Ada Duran-Ruiz by Family

12:10pm – Francisco Pereiro Gomes & Parents by Gomes-Aversa Family

SATURDAY, March 21st

8:00am – John Mamrak by Family

4:30pm – Dale Briggs by Mac Briggs

SUNDAY, March 22nd - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00am – Yola Marinelli by Lisa Marinelli

11:00am – Shirley Emery by Deacon Larry & Carol Bevilacqua

1:00pm – (SP) For the People

5:30pm – Kathleen Kingfield by Elaine Opdyke

2026 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Goal:	\$78,000.00
Total Pledged:	\$23,210.25
Total Received:	\$19,430.25
Over/under Goal:	(\$59,789.75)
Percent of Goal Pledged:	29.76%
Percent of Goal Received:	24.91%
Avg. Gift Amt.:	\$260.79

Liturgical Ministry Schedule



March 21st

4:30pm	Acolyte	-
	Lector	Ronald Rossini
	Minister	Margie Markus
	Minister	Beth Dispoto
	Server	Noah Blanes
	Server	Leah Blanes

March 22nd

9:00am	Acolyte	-
	Lector	Kelechi Odimma
	Minister	Ann Coyle
	Minister	Kelly Perna
	Server	Jack Perna
	Server	Chiezmuzo Odimma

11:00am

Acolyte	-
Lector	Lisa De Gerolamo
Minister	Pat James
Minister	Robert Hopkins
Server	Adam Sretenovic
Server	Gabriel Sretenovic

1:00pm

Acolyte	Miguel Quizhpi-García
Lector	Oscar Dilone
Lector	Anyelina Rodriguez
Minister	Giovanni Lam
Announcements	Maria Rubi
Server	Ayeisha Jauridez
Server	José Jauridez

5:30pm

Acolyte	Alana Palos
Lector	Rob & Jen Anselmo
Server	-
Server	Allyssa Palos

Stewardship

	March 8th
	\$8,940.72
Online Giving:	3,479.50
	\$12,420.22
Various Collections:	\$532.00

Around the Parish

Faith Formation News



25-26 SPSJ Faith Formation - Classes for 1st thru 8th grades at 4:30pm at 137 Roseberry St March 17, 24, & 31

Pray FOR THE SICK

James Tersigni, Jamey Perrone, Lorraine Wonder, Rosa Zevallos, Manuel Venegas, The Pulecio Family, Theresa Adams, The Quesada-Rocha Family, Janet Duran, Bob Hoesley, Steven Hille, Bill Coyle, Richard Dalrymple, Mauricio Castro, Grace Epo, Kevin Stannard, Paxton John Bowman, Michael Boyle, Jennie Rossetti, Terry LaBar, Jack Kane, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Caceres Family, Gustavo Caceres, Connie Sartini, Michael Burke, Scott Visco, Hannah Paxton, & Ruth Ann.

Pray for our Military ☆☆☆

Jack Pike, Michael Vega, Gianni Luzzetti, Lt. Colonel Abigail Gage, James B. Collins, Spec. Theodore Bill, Billy Erz, Bryan Malizzi, Paul C. Hesch, Luis Quizhpi, Jason Erz, Staff Sergeant Kevin Jiorle, Lt. Commander Dominique D'Anthony, Major Joseph Skopowski, Airman Seth Reyes, Private First Class Marine Chad Bruckman, Angelo Luzzetti Army, Marine LCpl Steven Fulse, & Robby Anselmo.



Please help us keep both prayer lists up to date, contact the parish office when changes occur.

Thank you & God Bless.

Stations of the Cross in the Church

March 20th & 27th

3pm & 7pm in English; & 8pm in Spanish

April 3rd – Good Friday

6pm in English & 8pm in Spanish

SPSJ NURSING HOME MINISTRY

Every 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Tuesday of the month, we hold Mass at the following nursing homes, 10:30am the First Tuesday at Complete Care also known as Brakeley Care Center, 10:30am the Second Tuesday at Lopatcong nursing home, and 10:30am the Third Tuesday at Phillipsburg nursing home. During this time sacraments of Confession and Anointing of the Sick are available to the Catholic residents who desire them. In addition, Holy Communion is distributed to the Catholic residents of these facilities every Sunday. If you would like to participate in the ministry and pray with our elderly residents, please contact the Legion of Mary or Deacon Enock.

NURSING HOME SUNDAY ASSIGNMENTS

Lopatcong Nursing Home: 3/15 Kelly Perna, 3/22 Bettina Socci, & 3/29 Anne Coyle

Brakeley Nursing Home: 3/15 Melody Talpas, 3/22 Eileen Dean, & 3/29 Mike St. Jacques

Phillipsburg Care Center: 3/15 Lisa Spanopolous, 3/22 Beth Dispoto, & 3/29 Lisa Spanopolous

“Could you not watch one hour with me?”



We need adorers for **12noon on Mondays; 4pm & 5pm on Tuesdays; 9am & 2pm on Wednesdays; 12noon, 2pm, & 4pm on Thursdays; and 8am on Fridays.** Call Deacon Enock at **908-310-8990** or Camille at **908-**

319-2719.



Your generosity allows us to continue to feed the hungry in our community. The Soup Kitchen is in need of peanut butter and jelly. Any help is appreciated. It can be dropped off Saturday mornings from 9am-12noon in MH. Thank you!

COLUMBIETTES WARREN COUNCIL



Due to the inclement snowy weather in February. The Warren Council Columbiettes will be collecting for our Postulants and Seminarians on March 21st and 22nd at SPSJ Church and St. Mary's Church after all masses. Thank you for your support.

MEMORIALS AND FEASTS THIS WEEK

March 15 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

Mar 17, Tue - Optional Memorial of St. Patrick, Bishop

Mar 18, Wed - Optional Memorial of St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor of Church

Mar 19, Thu - Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MARCH: For disarmament and peace

(Pope Leo XIV's Prayer for Peace on March 5, 2026)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Lord of Life,
you shaped every human being in your image and likeness.
We believe you created us for communion, not for war, for fraternity, not for destruction.

You who greeted your disciples saying, "Peace be with you," grant us the gift of your peace and the strength to make it a reality in history. Today we lift up our prayer for peace in the world, asking that nations renounce weapons and choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy.

Disarm our hearts of hatred, resentment, and indifference, so we may become instruments of reconciliation. Help us understand that true security does not come from control fueled by fear, but from trust, justice, and solidarity among peoples.

Lord, enlighten the leaders of the nations, so they may have the courage to abandon projects of death, halt the arms race, and place the lives of the most vulnerable at the center. May the nuclear threat never again dictate the future of humanity.

Holy Spirit,
make us faithful and creative builders of daily peace: in our hearts, our families, our communities, and our cities.
May every kind word, every gesture of reconciliation, and every choice for dialogue be seeds of a new world.

Amen.

DEACON'S CORNER

Curing the Blind

This is the only miracle in the Gospels in which the sufferer is said to have been afflicted from his birth. During the time of Jesus certain people did believe that a person's affliction, even if from birth, might come from sin that was committed before the person was born. It is a strange idea, and it may seem to us almost fantastic, but at its heart lies the idea of a sin – infected universe.

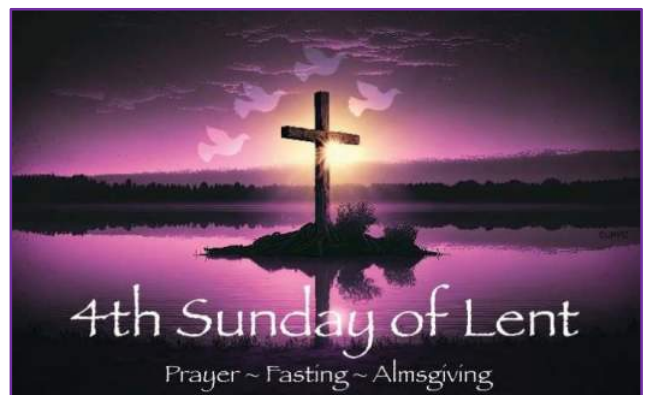
Jesus does not try to explain the connection of sin and suffering. He states that this man's affliction came to Him in order to show the people what God can do for them. Remember sometime you must show the people the truth!! At its heart is the supreme truth that the glory of God lies in His compassion, and that He fully reveals His glory when He reveals His pity. We glorify God when we help a person in need.

Jesus came into this world to judge the elites of His time!! If we see in Jesus nothing to desire, nothing to admire, nothing to love, then we have condemned ourselves. The people who are conscious of their own blindness, and long to see better, are the people whose eyes can be opened and who can be led more and more deeply into the truth. The people who realize their own weaknesses can become strong. The more we know Jesus the greater He becomes to us. That will be true, not only in time, but also in eternity!!!

Remember: B. I. B. L. E.

† God Bless †

Deacon Larry



RITE OF ELECTION 2026



The SPSJ OCIA candidates
are one step closer!
Please keep them in your prayers.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LENTEN FISH DINNERS



The Knights of Columbus Council #474 will be having our annual Lenten Fish Dinners on March 20th and 27th. Dinner will include: fish, fries, mac & cheese, coleslaw, & dessert for table service or

take-out from 4pm to 7pm in Mercy Hall. The cost is \$12/adult & \$6/child. Pizza will be available for \$3/slice. Place your order before going into church and we'll have your meal waiting for you after Stations of the Cross.

"EXPLORING OUR FAITH TOGETHER"



Discussion Group: **Thursday, March 19th – 6:00 pm** in Mercy Hall, light Refreshments will be served! **MISSION:** To build our *Knowledge* of the Faith; to help us *Explain* the Faith; & to encourage us to *Share* the Faith!!! No membership, no dues, no obligations! **Let Us Answer Your Questions.**

LEGION OF MARY ANNUAL ACIES

(Reconsecration to Mary) will take place on Saturday, March 21st in the Church beginning with the Angelus at Noon and Rosary in five languages followed by fellowship in Mercy Hall. Everyone is invited!!

SCAPULAR INVESTITURE

On July 16, 1251, the blessed virgin appeared to St. Simon stock giving him a scapular saying "receive, my beloved son, this scapular. Whosoever dies wearing this scapular shall not suffer eternal fire....it shall be a sign of salvation, a protection in danger and a pledge of peace." The scapular investiture will take place on Saturday, March 21st after the 4:30pm mass. Facilitated by Legion of Mary.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

Our parish is seeking volunteers to serve as ****Eucharistic Ministers****, especially those able to bring Holy Communion to nursing homes, hospitals, and the homebound—fulfilling Jesus' words: **"I was sick and you visited Me."**

We are also looking for ****Lectors**** to proclaim the Word of God at weekend and daily Masses. A clear voice and a prayerful heart are all that is needed. If you feel called to these ministries of service, please contact ****Deacon Enock at 908-310-8990****. Jesus loves you—and so do we.

PHILLIPSBURG HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1976

Phillipsburg High School Class of 1976 is planning a 50th class reunion on October 10, 2026 at the Mountain View Chalet. Our goal is to reach out to all our classmates, and those that graduated from the Vo-tech class of 76 as well. Please share this information if you know the whereabouts of any classmates have them contact Louann Bonano at louieb613@yahoo.com with an email address.



HELP IS NEEDED FOR THE CEMETERY



Applications for Cemetery Assistants are now being accepted for the cemetery's main location, and on Filmore Street. This includes mowing lawns, trimming, burial sites (provision for burial and seeding), cleaning

of the cemetery, internees in the mausoleum, placing letters on crypts and niches, any necessary repairs to the cemetery, and repair of small engines. This position will start on a part-time basis.

Also included is mowing and trimming of school grounds. Please stop by the office and ask for Nancy for an application on Mondays from 9am to 5pm, Tuesdays through Thursdays from 9am to 4 pm, and Fridays from 9am to 1pm. If you have any questions, please call Nancy at 908-454-0112 ext. 401.

Diocesan News

2026 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL ONE IN CHRIST: CALLED TO LOVE AND SERVE

Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2026 Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not made a pledge, there is still time to participate. Mail your gift to: Diocese of Metuchen Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000 or give online at

<https://diometuchen.org/BAA>.

CHOICES MATTER CONFERENCE

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Human Life and Dignity presents "The 2026 Choices Matter Conference— A Critical Life Issues Conference" which will be held at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway on Saturday, March 21, 2026. An Opening Mass will be held at 9:00 am. The conference will begin at 10:15 am and end at 3:30 pm. This year's theme is "Safeguarding Human Dignity ... Shining a Light on Human Trafficking." The topics/expert speakers are: The Role of the Church in Combating Human Trafficking: **Maria Celina Márquez**; Human Trafficking Awareness Through the Lens of a Subject Matter Expert: **Gina Cavallo**; & Survivor Informed Human Trafficking Prevention: **David M. Ryan**

General registration is \$35 and student registration is \$15. The conference features Eucharistic Adoration, exhibits and more. The fee includes lunch and handouts.

To register visit:

<https://www.diometuchen.org/choicesmatter>.

Everyone is welcome! For questions or for more information please email

magnese@diometuchen.org or call 732-562-1543.

Seating is limited. Register today!



CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2026-2027 TUITION ASSISTANCE ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS IS OPEN

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an

eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Financial Aid Management at

<https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>.

Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) by no later than **March 31, 2026**. A signed **Parish Verification Form** is also required by the Diocese, and should be signed by your Pastor, and submitted to the school or schools your children attend. Eligibility requirements, instructions, and forms can be found at

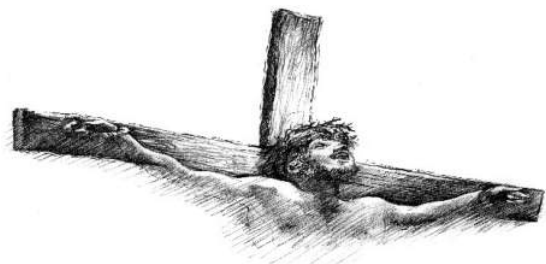
<https://diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance>.

Applications are available in English and Spanish. Families that need assistance completing the online application or need access to a computer to apply should contact their school.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD: HEALING WEEKEND RETREATS

Are you struggling from an abortion? This retreat will help you move beyond any guilt, shame, or anger you have. Experience God's mercy and compassion in a safe, confidential, non-judgmental group environment. April 17-19, 2026, Washington, NJ, To register or learn more, contact

LeahSoulFilledByGrace@gmail.com, or call/text (609) 709-3479. Sponsored by Life Choices, Inc.



**NOTICIAS EN ESPAÑOL DEL
ESCRITORIO DEL P. ANTONY**
CUARTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

¡Querida familia!

El Primer Escrutinio se celebra el tercer domingo de Cuaresma. Los escrutinios son un tiempo de oración y reflexión, diseñado para ayudar a los elegidos a profundizar su fe y prepararse para los sacramentos de Iniciación (Bautismo, Confirmación y Eucaristía). Hoy, Domingo de Laetare, celebramos el Segundo Escrutinio (cuarto domingo de Cuaresma) y la próxima semana celebraremos el último. En todos los escrutinios se realizan oraciones de exorcismo para ayudar a los elegidos a rechazar el pecado y las malas influencias; la imposición de manos, símbolo del poder del Espíritu Santo para la iluminación y la gracia; y oraciones de intercesión por los elegidos. Oramos por todos los que se preparan para los sacramentos: Maggie Durnin, Sophia Durnin, Jude Blanes, Joshua Heron, Jeffrey Hurst, Conor McCullough, Kaitlynn Strausser, Alejandro Tenchipe, Angelic Tenchipe y Miguel Tenchipe.

Al ser ungido David rey de Israel en la primera lectura, recordamos nuestro propio bautismo y, en palabras de San Pedro: «Ustedes son linaje escogido, sacerdocio real, nación santa, pueblo adquirido por Dios, para que anuncien las virtudes de aquel que los llamó de las tinieblas a su luz admirable» (1 Pedro 2:9). El nombre «David» significa «Amado». Somos los amados de Dios. Al participar en el triple ministerio de Jesús como profeta, sacerdote y rey, nuestras oraciones y buenas obras, tanto privadas como públicas, agradan a Dios y somos bendecidos.

San Pablo, en la segunda lectura, compara la conversión del pecador con su resurgimiento del sueño de la muerte a una nueva existencia iluminada por Cristo, quien irradia la luz que es la gloria de Dios. Por eso, los cristianos somos llamados hijos de la luz. En el Evangelio, Jesús cura al ciego y la invitación a la Luz de Dios se extiende a todos.

Subvención aprobada. Gracias a todos por su esfuerzo: Agradezco a la Oficina de Seguridad Nacional y Preparación del Estado de Nueva Jersey por aprobar una subvención para mejorar la seguridad en las instalaciones, gracias a la labor de Laura Sretenovic y Nancy Ensley. También acabamos de solicitar otra subvención, del Fondo Nacional para Lugares Sagrados, pendiente de su aprobación.

Les pido que oren para que estos proyectos aporten las actualizaciones necesarias a la parroquia.

La Misa Crismal se celebrará en la Catedral el martes 31 de marzo a las 4pm. El obispo Bootkoski será el celebrante.

El evento “Del Aislamiento a la Pertenencia: Salud Mental y la Iglesia Católica”, patrocinado por los Obispos Católicos de Nueva Jersey, se llevará a cabo el 2 de mayo de 2026 en el Centro Pastoral St. John Neumann en Piscataway. Esta conferencia busca profundizar la conciencia sobre la crisis de salud mental y dotar al clero, personal parroquial, líderes ministeriales, educadores, profesionales de la salud y fieles laicos con recursos prácticos para servir mejor a quienes lo necesitan. El Obispo John P. Dolan, de la Diócesis de Phoenix, nos acompañará como orador principal, compartiendo su experiencia y liderazgo en el establecimiento de la primera Oficina Diocesana del Ministerio de Salud Mental del país.

La Colecta de “Catholic Relief Services”

Está programada para el fin de semana del 25 y 26 de abril en nuestra diócesis. Los fondos recibidos anualmente a través de la colecta apoyan la ayuda a las comunidades inmigrantes, marineros, trabajadores agrícolas migrantes y otras personas cuyo trabajo y viajes los alejan de sus hogares. Las necesidades pastorales de los migrantes no han hecho más que crecer en tiempos de sentimiento público antiinmigrante.

Tenga cuidado con las estafas por correo electrónico que se hacen pasar por su sacerdote, diácono o miembro del personal diocesano y le piden tarjetas de regalo o transferencias de dinero. Nunca se le debe pedir dinero para sí mismo. Todas las contribuciones deben hacerse a la parroquia.

Programas Diocesanos en el futuro cercano:

Misa de Sanación Familiar (14 de marzo), Jornada de Retiro Cuaresmal para Sacerdotes (18 de marzo), Conferencia "Las Decisiones Importan" (21 de marzo), Premios San Timoteo y Santa Teresa de Calcuta (26 de marzo), Misa Crismal (31 de marzo, 16:00 h), Conferencia Estatal Católica de Salud Mental de Nueva Jersey (2 de mayo), Encuentro de Jóvenes Católicos de Nueva Jersey (17 de mayo).

P. Antony

CENAS DE PESCADO DE CUARESMA

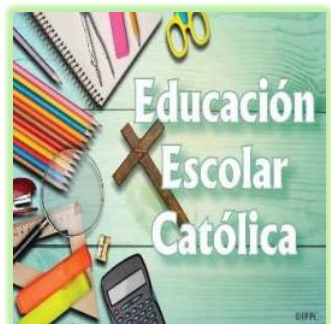


DE LOS CABALLEROS DE COLÓN

El Consejo n.º 474 de los Caballeros de Colón celebrará sus cenas de pescado anuales durante los siguientes días de Cuaresma 20 y 27 de marzo. La cena

incluye pescado, papas fritas, macarrones con queso, ensalada de repollo y postre, para comer en Mercy Hall o para llevar de 4pm a 7pm. El costo es de \$12 por adulto y \$6 por niño. También habrá pizza disponible a \$3 la porción.

ASISTENCIA PARA LA MATRÍCULA EN LAS ESCUELAS CATÓLICAS 2026-2027 - EL PROCESO DE SOLICITUD EN LÍNEA ESTA ABIERTO



Las familias interesadas en solicitar ayuda en la matrícula para asistir a una escuela primaria o secundaria elegible de la Diócesis de Metuchen pueden presentar su solicitud en línea ahora, a través de la Evaluación de subvenciones y

ayuda de FACTS en <https://online.factsmtg.com/aid>. Las solicitudes en línea deben completarse (incluida toda la documentación requerida) a más tardar el **31 de marzo de 2026**. La Diócesis también exige un **Formulario de Verificación Parroquial**, que debe estar firmado por su Párroco y presentarse en la escuela o escuelas a las que asisten sus hijos. Los requisitos de elegibilidad, las instrucciones y los formularios se pueden encontrar en <https://diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance>.

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