

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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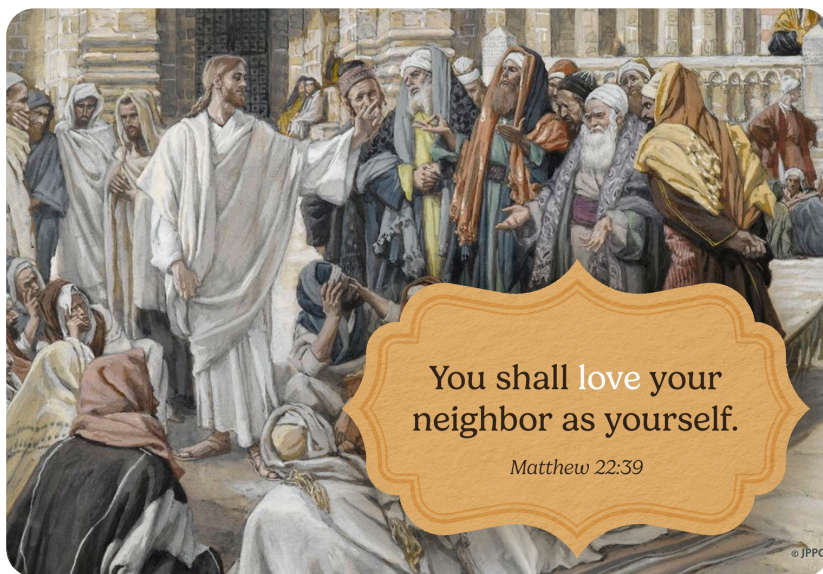
Website: www.spsj.org

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

Tues. - Thurs. 9 am-12:30 pm
(Closed for lunch) 1 pm - 4 pm,
& **Friday** 9 am-1 pm

(Asistencia en español durante horas de
atencion.)

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME † OCTOBER 25, 2026



You shall love your
neighbor as yourself.

Matthew 22:39

Baptism, Marriage and OCIA

Please call the Church Office to make arrangements.

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday	10/25/26	10am OCIA in the Conference Room 10am OCIA in Spanish in PMR Guadalupe Food Sale after the 1pm Mass in front of the Church
Monday	10/26/26	
Tuesday	10/27/26	9am Legion of Mary in the Conference Room 4:30pm Faith Formation (CCD) at SSPJ School 7pm Cenacles of Life & St. Peregrine Novena in the Chapel 7pm Spanish Mass followed by Spanish Charismatic Prayer Group in the Church
Wednesday	10/28/26	10:30am Legion of Mary in the Conference Room 4pm St. Monica Prayer Ministry in the Chapel
Thursday	10/29/26	7pm Blue Army Prayer Cell in the Chapel
Friday	10/30/26	7pm Spanish Bible Study in PMR
Saturday	10/31/26	8:30pm Prayers for Life, Liberty, & Marriage in the Church 9am - 12:30pm Soup Kitchen in Mercy Hall 9am - 12noon 2027 Mass Book for Intentions in Mercy Hall 10am Confessions in the Church 3:15pm Confessions in the Church
Sunday	11/01/26	10am OCIA in the Conference Room 10am OCIA in Spanish in PMR 2:30pm Spanish Intercessory Cenacle

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Family!

Reflection: People take up the subject on 'Pro-Life' mostly during the election time and use it for or against a presidential candidate. 'Pro-Life' must be understood in the context of our love and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ without whom we have no life let alone 'Pro-Life'. How 'Pro-Eucharist' you are determines how 'Pro-Life' you are. Your love for the Eucharist, longing to receive the Body and Blood of Jesus through which we receive 'Life' in fulness, compels us to honor and respect our God-given, free-gift of life.

The First reading is another integral aspect of being 'Pro-Life' which are often ignored and sometimes rejected. Treating human life with respect, nurturing human life especially the poor - 'the widows and orphans, debtors, homeless, people who need our love and compassion are great sentiments of 'Pro-Life'. People who use 'Pro-Life' sentiments only at the time of election and do not long to receive Jesus, the Author of Life are 'Selective Pro-Lifers', are continuously misinterpreting the Scriptures and often divide the people. We are either practicing Christians or no Christians. A 'Pro-Life' Christian is a 'practicing' Christian.

'Shema Yisrael' is prayed three times daily by practicing Jews. Out of 613 commandments, Jesus choosing this commandment from Deuteronomy 6:4-9 is not surprising. But what is surprising is that Jesus combines Leviticus 19:18 with the 'Shema Yisrael'. Jesus goes beyond all the overwhelming rules and regulations and cut through all layers and point out to us what is essential in life. What is most important in your life? What has particularly enriched your life?

All Saints Day & All Souls Day at SPSJ

This year All Saints Day falls on a Sunday. Usual masses will be celebrated on this Solemnity. On All Souls Day, which is Monday, October 2nd, we have the usual 2 masses at the church during the day. In addition to that we have a special Mass at the Cemetery at 10am and a special mass at 7pm where we remember all the deceased of our parish in the past year.

You are most welcome to bring the pictures of the deceased to the mass and get them blessed.

OCIA at SPSJ

We began the OCIA 2026 with six candidates. Please keep them in your prayers. I thank Deacon Larry and his wife Carol for their leadership. Our sincere thanks to the whole team of catechists who are involved in OCIA including a Spanish candidate this year.

Bishop Installation:

The Most Reverend Michael A. Saporito, D.D. is the Sixth Bishop of Metuchen. The Mass of Installation was on Thursday, October 22, 2026 at the Church of the Sacred Heart in South Plainfield. It was a wonderful celebration that we prayed and offered mass for our newly installed Bishop along with all other bishops, priests, deacons and all the laity present. We hope to welcome our Bishop to our parish in the near future. Please keep the new Bishop in your daily prayers.

Father Joseph's Temporary Assignment:

Father Joseph is temporarily asked by the Diocesan Administration to help out the people of Belvidere, NJ in both the worshipping sites of the parish in place of their Pastor Fr. Charles Sebella who is going through a medical procedure. Father Joseph will still be living with us in our rectory but will be helping with their sacramental needs. Please keep both Fr. Charles and Fr. Joseph in your prayers. This is just a temporary assignment, and we hope to have Fr. Joseph back with us ministering for us at the end of November.

Diocesan Programs in the near future:

The **Multicultural Mass & Fair** (Nov. 7). Also included is information regarding the **Upcoming Adult Faith Formation Classes, National Black Catholic History Month** (Nov.).

Fr. Antony

Masses For The Week

SUNDAY, October 25th –THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00am – Mariann Fisher by Deacon Rob
 11:00am – Mary Jane MacVicar (A) by Catalli Family
 1:00pm – (SP) – Cecilio Cora, Jr. by Family
 5:30pm – For the People

MONDAY, October 26th

6:45am – Edward Tolosko by Danny & Terri Starosciak
 12:10pm – Mary Mamrak by Family

TUESDAY, October 27th

6:45am – Gerline Gilet by Deacon Enock & Ines Berluche
 12:10pm – JoAnn Murray by Family
 7pm – (SP) – Jorge Nunez & Family by Gladys

WEDNESDAY, October 28th

6:45am – Patricia Cole by Hoffman Family
 12:10pm – Jameson, Loreaux Price & Anna Bernadette Gomes Aversa by Gomes-Aversa Family

THURSDAY, October 29th – Sts. Simon & Jude, Apostles

6:45am – Lorraine Whitmore by Hoffman Family
 12:10pm – Michael Jabbour by Dee & Bob Ellwood

FRIDAY, October 30th

6:45am – Deceased Members of the Bronico Family by Fran & Tom
 12:10pm – William Hummell by Bev & Lisa

SATURDAY, October 31st

8am – Santo & Theresa Sciabica by Family
 4:30pm – Deceased Members of the Lilly Family by Family

SUNDAY, November 1st – ALL SAINTS

9:00am – Gregorio Fodero by Deacon Rob
 11:00am – Thomas B. Smith, Sr. by Wife
 1:00pm – (SP) – Liliana Ávila & Isabela Espinoza by Olga Astudillo
 5:30pm – For the People

Liturgical Ministry Schedule



October 31st

4:30pm	Acolyte	-
	Lector	Ron Rossini
	Minister	Ron Rossini
	Minister	Tom Casey
	Server	-
	Server	-

November 1st

9am	Acolyte	Anthony Stefano
	Lector	Rob Anselmo
	Minister	Julie Duffy
	Minister	Michael Duffy
	Server	Erin Case
	Server	Olivia Grinshaw
11am	Acolyte	Chiezimuzo Odemma
	Lector	Carol Bevilacqua
	Minister	Miles Dionisio
	Minister	Eileen Catalli
	Server	Chimbuzo Odemma
	Server	-
1pm	Acolyte	Kaley Bustamante
	Lector	Lisette Herrera
	Lector	Ivan Lam
	Minister	Maria Cristina Rossenouff
	Announcements	Jaime Rocha
	Server	Raphael Alfaro
	Server	Gregory Cano
5:30pm	Acolyte	Lucas Blanes
	Lector	Marianne Palos
	Server	Noah Blanes
	Server	Leah Blanes

Stewardship

	October 18th
Weekly Offering:	\$6,917.00
Online Giving:	<u>1,537.00</u>
	\$8,454.00

World Mission Sunday:	\$2,564.00
Various Collections:	\$186.00

2026 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Goal:	\$78,000.00
Total Pledged:	\$48,602.25
Total Received:	\$48,256.00
Over/under Goal:	(\$29,397.75)
Percent of Goal Pledged:	62.31%
Percent of Goal Received:	61.87%
Avg. Gift Amt.:	\$262.71

Around the Parish

Faith Formation News



Next Faith Formation
Class is Tuesday,
Oct. 27th at 4:30pm
at SSPJ School
137 Roseberry St.

Is God calling you to do more? Become a Catechist or volunteer to help in the SPSJ Faith Formation Program! Call the Church Office at 908-454-0112 x406



James Tersigni, Jamey Perrone, Lorraine Wonder, Rosa Zevallos, Manuel Venegas, The Pulecio Family, Theresa Adams, The Quesada-Rocha Family, Janet Duran, Steven Hille, Richard Dalrymple, Mauricio Castro, Grace Epo, Kevin Stannard, Jennie Rossetti, Terry LaBar, Jack Kane, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Caceres Family, Gustavo Caceres, Connie Sartini, Michael Burke, Hannah Paxton, Ruth Ann, Scott Visco, Ann Janasek Visco, Lynn Trimmer, Russell Perna, Angel, Ellen Piperata, Pam McMichael, William Archer, Ronald Browe, Jason Chan, & Bruce Smith.

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, Marine LCpl 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.

**The 2027 Mass Book for Intentions
will open on Saturday, Oct. 31st
from 9am to 12noon in Mercy Hall.**

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: 10/25 Kelly Perna, 11/1 Ed Socci, & 11/8 Ron Rossini

Brakeley Nursing Home: 10/25 Deacon Fransico, & 11/1 Gladys Jauridez, & 11/8 Melody Talpas

Phillipsburg Care Center: 10/25 & 11/1 Beth Dispoto and 11/8 Lisa García

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR



All are welcome to come together for a Holy Hour on November 6th (First Friday) at 6:00pm in the Church.



Your generosity allows us to continue to feed the hungry in our community. The Soup Kitchen's current needs are Ziploc style gallon storage bags. Please not the **SLIDER** type. We also could use the **FLAP** style sandwich bags. We now have a registry on Amazon as well. We are listed as: SPSJ Soup Kitchen. We want to thank all of you for everything you do for us. Thus far this calendar year we have feed 5308 people in our community. We are able to do this because of your continued support. It can be dropped off Saturday mornings from 9am-12noon in MH. Thank you!

MEMORIALS AND FEASTS THIS WEEK

October 25th - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 28, Wed - Feasts of St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles

**POPE LEO XIV FOR THE
2026 WORLD FOOD DAY
(16 of October 2026)**

1. The theme for this year's World Food Day is "Innovate Today. Nourish Tomorrow." We currently find ourselves in a paradoxical situation, in which global progress is advancing at an ever-increasing pace, while hunger and poverty continue to persist. This is not a technical or financial problem, but rather a profound anthropological and ethical crisis.

2. Today, people speak of innovation often in reference to financial gain. Genuine innovation does not displace creation but involves reverently inquiring into the complex laws that guide the work of the Creator's hands. Using appropriate technology to cultivate the land is an expression of the human person's role as God's collaborator in the work of creation. The irresponsible use of technology for exclusively selfish interests not only violates the principle of solidarity but also disregards humanity's duty to safeguard creation. The kind of innovation the world needs is not measured by the quantity of grain produced, but also by the protection of the human dignity that God has bestowed upon each of us and the integrity of the ecosystem that we are called to preserve.

3. Hunger cannot be considered a statistical anomaly, for it is caused mainly by a lack of political will and collective charity. Nor are food shortages geographically unavoidable. Indeed, in an era of greater technological advancement than ever before, it is intolerable that bread should be considered a privilege and water a contested commodity. Regular access to safe, adequate and sufficient food, in keeping with the dignity of every person, is a basic human right. Grain markets are being optimized on stock exchanges, while the actual seeds that germinate in the soil fall into the hands of monopolies that suffocate small-scale farming.

4. Bread should be neither an instrument of geopolitical pressure nor a volatile financial asset. Nor must it ever be used as a weapon of war.

Indeed, it is a terrible offense against human dignity to prevent bread from reaching any person or to destroy the means by which it is produced. Today, innovation requires adopting an intergenerational sense of responsibility that looks beyond annual budgets. Innovation means reconciling technology with wisdom, including ancestral wisdom, while maintaining a vision for the future.

5. Mr. Director-General, I encourage the Food and Agriculture Organization, and its member States, not to settle for abstract analyses or declarations of limited effectiveness. Now is the time for moral audacity. A new global food order is essential — one in which technological innovation is unconditionally subordinated to respect for God-given human dignity and the universal common good. Furthermore, there is an urgent ethical imperative to redirect resources invested in the war industry toward sustainable agricultural research and the regeneration of degraded soils. Tomorrow is not an abstract span of time that awaits us passively; rather, it is the harvest of what we sow today through our decisions. If we sow unethical innovation based on a desire to dominate the earth and exclude the weak, we will reap barrenness and strife. If, on the other hand, innovation stems from respect for the natural order and justice for the hungry, tomorrow will bring a table spread wide for the nourishment of humanity.

6. With these thoughts for those who dedicate themselves to cultivating and protecting creation, I invoke upon all the abundant blessings of Almighty God, and I willingly assure you of the Holy See's tireless support for initiatives that assist the FAO in its noble efforts.

PRAYERS FOR LIFE, LIBERTY, & MARRIAGE

Join us on October 31st, after the 8 am mass for prayers for Life, Liberty & Marriage. We will be praying for the women who lost babies in the womb.



Knights of Columbus are collecting 'Coats for Kids'. Bins will be in the back of the church for donations of new children's coats through Sunday, November 1st.

DEACON'S CORNER

My Calling to the Diaconate

Who goes back to school at 52?! My calling to the diaconate has not been a walk in the park, but I would not change any part of the journey. My classmates, who I consider brothers, and I are working on a master's degree in theology with Immaculate Conception Seminary at Seton Hall University.

On Monday and Thursday nights I have been making the trek to the diocese office in South Plainfield for my classes the last four years. I have taken classes in Christology, Canon law, morality, the Synoptic Gospels, John and Paul, the Old Testament, homiletics and Christian anthropology to name a few. As I look back on the time I spent in class and writing papers, I want to say it was grueling, but with the support of my brothers we pulled each other through our classes and made the best of our long nights together. On the homefront the support and prayers of my wife has truly been a gift from God. She has had to endure me getting home late and spending our weekends tackling my homework assignments.

As my classes wind down (we only have 2 left), I will miss the gathering with my brothers for evening prayers, our lively class discussion and the group projects that brought us closer together. I know in my heart that the work I have been doing the last four years has been guided by the hand of the Holy Spirit to better prepare me to serve the parishioners of St. Philip and St. James.

Diaconate Candidate Rob Anselmo

EXPLORING OUR FAITH TOGETHER"



The November 19th topic is ***When Prayers Seem To Go Unanswered.*** The gathering is at 6:00pm in Mercy Hall. Light Refreshments will be served!

OUR 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.**



Knights of Columbus is Sponsoring a Ziti & Meatballs Dinner at Saints Philip and James School cafeteria on Sunday, November 1st from 12 – 5pm \$12 Adults \$8 Children Proceeds Benefit Monsignor Sheehan Scholarship Fund - Take-Out Available.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL SHRINE IN PHILADELPHIA

The pilgrimage is on Friday, November 6th from 7am to 5:30pm, departing from 137 Roseberry St., Phillipsburg, with a stop at the Reading Terminal Market for lunch & shopping. The cost is \$60/person; optional tour cost is: Basilica Shrine & Rosary Walk \$15 and Marian Art Museum \$12, please write out a separate check for each tour. Contact Camille Bates - 908-319-2719.

PCHS CLASS OF 1976

...is planning a 50th class reunion on Nov. 21, 2026 at Harkers Hollow Golf Club. Our goal is to reach out to all of our classmates, but we need your help! Please share this information if you know the whereabouts of anyone from the class. Contact Eileen Kearns Hiller at ehiller419@gmail.com with an email address.

Could you not watch one hour with me?"



We need adorers for **Mondays: 9am & 10am, Tuesdays: 4pm Wednesdays: 11am, 2pm, & 5pm; Thursdays: 11am & Noon; and Fridays: 2pm.** Call Deacon Enock at 908-310-8990 or Camille at 908-319-2719.

GROUND MAINTENANCE HELP



We are in the process of interviewing for a ground's maintenance person. The person will be responsible for the mowing and weed whacking of the lawn at the rectory and back parking lot, assisting at the cemeteries and school. This will also include the removal of snow and ice and salting during the winter months. Knowledge of maintenance of equipment is a plus. If you are interested in this job, please call the church office at 908-454-0112

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: **CHURCH CLEANING MINISTRY**

Over the years, St. Philip and St. James Parish has been blessed with a wonderful, dedicated, and generous group of parishioners who faithfully volunteered their time to keep our church clean and beautiful. We would like to revive our Church Cleaning Ministry and invite parishioners who are willing to volunteer their time and talents to help care for our church. If you are interested in volunteering for the greater glory of God and the care of His house, please contact Deacon Enock at 908-310-8990. Thank you for considering this important ministry. May God bless you for your generosity and service to our parish!

Diocesan News **BE A CHAMPION FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

As a CHAMPION for CATHOLIC CHARITIES, you are a champion in every sense of the word. Through your financial support, you provide a warm bed for someone who is homeless...food for a hungry child...emergency aid for a disaster victim...and help for a family in crisis; all of which truly makes you a champion in our eyes and in the eyes of those we serve. Please join our team today and become a CHAMPION for CATHOLIC CHARITIES by making a gift or purchasing a raffle ticket.

Go to www.diometuchen.org/champions to make a gift or download a raffle form to purchase a ticket. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated. Checks should be made payable to Champions for Catholic Charities and mailed to Champions for Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen, PO Box 191, Metuchen, NJ 08840-0191.



Questions may be directed by email to champions@diometuchen.org or by phone to 732-562-2432.

DIOCESAN MULTICULTURAL MASS & FAIR

Join us Nov. 7th for Holy Mass at 11:00am, followed by a festive celebration of the different ethnic groups in our diocesan family, sharing their food and dance. For RSVP, flyer and more information:

<http://diometuchen.org/multicultural-mass-fair>

POST-ABORTION HEALING WEEKEND RETREAT

Are you struggling from an abortion? This retreat, from November 13-15, 2026, 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. Contact Judy Warkiewicz at (732) 536-6871

RETROUVAILLE FOR COUPLES IN TROUBLED MARRIAGES

The next Retrouvaille weekend in the Diocese of Metuchen will be February 19-21, 2027.

This weekend will assist couples who are presently experiencing serious problems in their marriage. It consists of a weekend experience from Friday night to Sunday afternoon and is followed by six post-weekend sessions. Both partners must express a desire to attend the weekend and a willingness to work at their marriage. During the weekend, presentations are made by a team of three married couples and a priest. The presentations deal with a technique of communication that enables a couple the ability to examine areas of their relationship. After each presentation, the husband and wife have time in the privacy of their room to discuss the previous presentation as it relates to them.

*****Before registering, all couples must first speak to and be screened by Rich Colasuono 732-236-0671 and/or Annette Colasuono 732-672-0748*****

NOTICIAS EN ESPAÑOL DEL ESCRITORIO DEL P. ANTONY **30º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

¡Querida familia!

Reflexión: El tema de la «defensa de la vida» suele abordarse principalmente durante las épocas electorales, utilizándose a favor o en contra de algún candidato presidencial. La «defensa de la vida» debe entenderse en el contexto de nuestro amor y nuestra fe en nuestro Señor Jesucristo; sin Él, no tenemos vida, y mucho menos podemos hablar de «defensa de la vida». El grado en que uno es «pro-Eucaristía» determina el grado en que uno es «provida». El amor por la Eucaristía —el anhelo de recibir el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Jesús, por medio de los cuales recibimos la «Vida» en plenitud— nos impulsa a honrar y respetar la vida, ese don gratuito que Dios nos ha concedido.

La primera lectura presenta otro aspecto fundamental de la postura «provida» que, a menudo, se ignora e incluso se rechaza. Tratar la vida humana con respeto y cuidarla —especialmente la de los más pobres: las viudas, los huérfanos, los endeudados, las personas sin hogar y todos aquellos que necesitan nuestro amor y compasión— constituye la esencia misma de la postura «provida». Quienes emplean el discurso «provida» únicamente en época electoral, sin anhelar recibir a Jesús —el Autor de la Vida—, son «próvidas selectivos»: interpretan erróneamente las Escrituras de forma constante y, a menudo, siembran la división entre las personas. O somos cristianos practicantes, o no somos cristianos en absoluto. Un cristiano «provida» es, por definición, un cristiano «practicante».

Los judíos practicantes rezan el «Shemá Israel» tres veces al día. No resulta sorprendente que, de entre los 613 mandamientos, Jesús eligiera este, que se encuentra en Deuteronomio 6:4-9. Lo que sí resulta sorprendente es que Jesús combine Levítico 19:18 con el «Shemá Israel». Jesús va más allá de la abrumadora cantidad de normas y reglamentos, atraviesa todas las capas y nos señala lo que es esencial en la vida. ¿Qué es lo más importante en tu vida? ¿Qué es lo que ha enriquecido tu vida de manera especial?

Día de Todos los Santos y Día de los Fieles Difuntos en SPSJ

Este año, el Día de Todos los Santos cae en domingo. Se celebrarán las misas habituales con motivo de esta solemnidad. El Día de los Fieles Difuntos, que es el lunes 2 de octubre, tendremos las dos misas de costumbre en la iglesia a lo largo del día. Además, habrá una misa especial en el cementerio a las 10am y otra a las 7pm, en la que recordaremos a todos los difuntos de nuestra parroquia fallecidos durante el último año. Les invitamos a traer fotografías de sus seres queridos fallecidos a la misa para que sean bendecidas.

OCIA en SPSJ

Hace unos domingos comenzamos el programa OCIA 2026 con seis candidatos. Por favor, ténganlos presentes en sus oraciones. Agradezco al diácono Larry y a su esposa Carol por su liderazgo. Nuestro sincero agradecimiento a todo el equipo de catequistas que participa en el OCIA, incluyendo a un candidato de habla hispana este año.

Instalación del Obispo:

Su Excelencia Reverendísimo Michael A. Saporito, D. D., será el sexto obispo de Metuchen. La Misa de instalación tendrá lugar el jueves 22 de octubre de 2026 en la iglesia del Sagrado Corazón (Sacred Heart) en South Plainfield. Dado que hay muy poco tiempo para los preparativos, la diócesis nos ha pedido que invitemos a un representante laico de cada parroquia. He elegido a la Sra. Eileen Catalli para representar a la parroquia junto con nuestro clero parroquial. Por favor, tengan presente en sus oraciones a nuestro obispo electo mientras se prepara para asumir su cargo como obispo de Metuchen.

Asignación temporal del padre Joseph:

La administración diocesana ha solicitado al padre Joseph que preste ayuda temporalmente a la comunidad de Belvedere —en ambos lugares de culto de la parroquia—, sustituyendo al párroco, el padre Charles Sebella, quien se someterá a un procedimiento médico. El padre Joseph seguirá residiendo con nosotros en la casa parroquial, pero colaborará en la atención de las necesidades sacramentales de dicha comunidad. Por favor, tengan presentes al padre Charles y al padre Joseph en sus oraciones. Se trata de una asignación temporal; esperamos que el padre Joseph esté de vuelta con nosotros, retomando su ministerio aquí, a finales de noviembre.

Programas Diocesanos en el futuro cercano: Misa y Feria Multicultural (7 de noviembre).

P. Antony

INFORMACIÓN DEL PROGRAMA DE FORMACIÓN EN LA FE DE ST. PHILIP & ST. JAMES



Clases de Formación en la Fe 27 de octubre a las 4:30 pm en la escuela SSPJ en la 137 calle Roseberry

El libro de intenciones para las misas del año 2027 se abrirá el sábado 31 de octubre, de 9am a 12pm, en Mercy Hall.

MINISTERIO DE LIMPIEZA DE LA IGLESIA

A lo largo de los años, nuestra parroquia de St. Philip y St. James ha sido bendecida con un maravilloso grupo de feligreses dedicados, generosos y comprometidos, que han ofrecido fielmente su tiempo para mantener nuestra iglesia limpia y hermosa. Nos gustaría reactivar el Ministerio de Limpieza de la Iglesia e invitamos a los feligreses que estén dispuestos a ofrecer su tiempo y sus talentos para ayudar a cuidar nuestra iglesia. Si está interesado en ser voluntario para la mayor gloria de Dios y el cuidado de Su casa, por favor comuníquese con el Diácono Enock al 908-310-8990. Gracias por considerar este importante ministerio! Que Dios los bendiga por su generosidad y servicio a nuestra parroquia.

CONVIÉRTASE EN UN CAMPEÓN DE CARIDADES CATÓLICAS

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Visite www.diometuchen.org/champions para hacer una ofrenda o descargue el formulario de rifa para comprar un boleto. Cada ofrenda, sin importar el tamaño, es importante y muy apreciado. Los cheques deben hacerse a nombre de Champions for Catholic Charities y enviarse por correo a Champions for Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen, PO Box 191, Metuchen, NJ 08840-0191. Las preguntas pueden dirigirse por correo electrónico a champions@diometuchen.org.

"¿No pudieron velar una hora conmigo?"



Necesitamos adoradores los **lunes** a las **9am y 10am**, **martes** a las **4pm**; **miércoles** a las **11am, 2pm y 5pm**; **los jueves** a las **11am y 12pm**; y **los viernes** a las **12pm**. Si estás interesado hable con el diácono Francisco.

MISA Y FERIA MULTICULTURAL DIOCESANA

Acompáñenos el 7 de noviembre a la Santa Misa a las 11am, seguida de una celebración festiva que destaca a los diversos grupos étnicos de nuestra familia diocesana, quienes compartirán su gastronomía y sus danzas. Para confirmar su asistencia, obtener el folleto y más información, visite:

<https://diometuchen.org/multicultural-mass-fair>

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La peregrinación tendrá lugar el viernes 6 de noviembre, de 7am a 5:30pm, con salida desde el 137 de Roseberry St., Phillipsburg, y una parada en el Reading Terminal Market para almorzar y hacer compras. El costo es de \$60 por persona; los costos de las visitas opcionales son: \$15 por la Basílica y el Camino del Rosario, y \$12 por el Museo de Arte Mariano (por favor, emita un cheque separado para cada visita). Para más información, comuníquese con Camille Bates al 908-319-2719.

You are cordially invited to
The SPSJ & PCHS Alumni Mass
followed by coffee and light refreshments



When: Sunday November 1, 2026

Where: 137 Roseberry Street, Phillipsburg N.J.
(In the gym of the old high school and current elementary school.)

Time: 10:00 AM





Annual Tricky Tray

WISHLIST & DONATIONS

NOVEMBER 1

Donation Deadline (Appreciated)

NOVEMBER 14

Tricky Tray Event & Drawing

We are gathering items to build beautiful gift baskets for our annual fundraiser. Your generous support makes a massive difference! We are looking for:

Theme Baskets

- Family Game Night
- Spa & Relaxation
- Golf
- Kitchen & Cooking
- Sports & Outdoors
- Gourmet Coffee & Tea

High-Value Items

- Electronics & Tablets
- Designer Handbags
- Concert/Sports Tickets
- Smart Home Devices
- Experiences & Getaways

Gift Cards

- Purchase Raise Right gift cards (most are on hand at the school)
- Local Restaurants
- Amazon & Retailers
- Grocery Stores
- Spas & Salons

How to Donate

Please label donations "Tricky Tray" and drop them off at the main school office. All contributions support academic programs and student activities. Thank you!

2026 Tricky Tray Wish List



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