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MASS & CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Daily Mass:

Monday-Saturday 8:35 AM

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:45 PM Sunday 7:15 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM 6:00 PM

Holyday Masses:

Vigil 5:00 PM Holyday 8:35 AM & 7:00 PM

Confessions:

Saturday 4 - 4:30 PM

or by appointment

EMERGENCIES

Sacrament of Anointing Call 908-874-3141 and press 1 for a priest.

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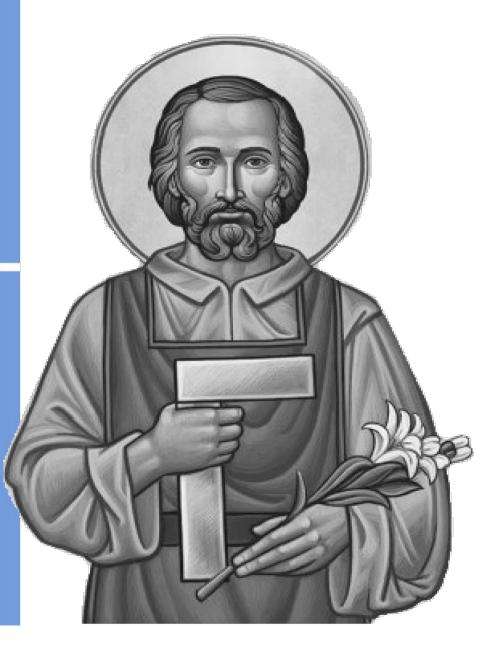
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Weekend Masses are at 4:45PM on Saturday and Sunday at 9:30AM & 11:30AM. Simply go to the parish web page and click away – for live streaming or for viewing an archived Mass.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

MASS INTENTIONS – Mass intentions are combined as follows:

4:45 Mass will combine the 4:45, 7:15 & 6:00 intentions..

9:30 and 11:30 will each have its own intention..

Correction: Intention for Saturday, Sept,12, 4:45 Mass is for Josephine & Joseph Quinn R/B Pat & Joann Gagliardi

MASS INTENTIONS & SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

Mon. 8:35AM Antonio Salas

R/B Donna & Ken Scherer

Tue. 8:35AM Mary & Peter Tummillo

R/B Connie & Carl Panzera

8:35AM Marie Lamoreaux

R/B Gail Bellas

8:35AM Florence Szul

R/B Lazarus Ministry

6:30PM Communion Prayer Service

Wed. 8:35AM Joseph Errico

R/B Tina & Tom Lochmann

Thu.. 8:35AM Michael Greene

R/B Sarah & Tom Greene

10:00AM Communion Prayer Service

Fri. 8:35AM Richard L. Kinney

R/B Maryellen Tobia

8:35AM John Heinemann

R/B Heinemann Family

Sat. 4:45PM Dr. Obal

R/B Marge Obal, Children & Grandchildren

4:45PM Fr. Hank Hilton (Living)

R/B Friends

4:45PM People of the Parish

Sun. 9:30AM Donna M. Rosa

R/B Maryellen Tobia

9:30AM Justine Thomson

R/B Andrew Thomson & Family

9:30AM Florence Szul

R/B Marie Paulette Matis

11:30AM Maria Conforto

R/B Glennon Family

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 5:1-7 Philippians 4:6-9
Matthew 21:33-43



Celebrating Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversaries

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary by receiving a congratulatory message from Bishop James F. Checchio. Registration is required to receive your message by mail. Please register online at: https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration. If you are unable to access, please contact your parish secretary or amarshall@diometuchen.org.

Registration will close on October 15, 2020. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online or emailing amarshall@diometuchen.org.



Thursday, September 24, at 8 PM
Psalm 122 (ONE-HUNDRED-TWENTY-TWO)

N.B. – this is NOT the psalm used in the Sunday
Mass for September 27

Emergency Rental Relief

Please see page 6 for complete information.

VOLUNTEER to MAKE POCKET ROSARIES for LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Diocesan Office of Family Life is pleased to announce the creation of the Blue Rosary Guild whose purpose is for community members of all ages to make pocket rosaries for law enforcement officers, providing them with support and spiritual strength and promoting devotion to the rosary among all the faithful. All materials and instructions will be provided and a Zoom virtual tutorial will also be scheduled. Anyone interested should contact Cristina D'Averso-Collins, Director of the Office of Family Life at cdaverso@diometuchen.org



This Moment in Prayer, Service and Community

Dear All:

What is your Communion plan? Whatever your concern, your parish has something for you:

If you have physical vulnerabilities or other causes for significant concern, come to a Communion Service in the parking lot. You stay in your car the whole time. Reservations are still required.

If you have no dangerous vulnerabilities and are not in close contact with vulnerable loved ones to whom you, even while you are asymptomatic, might transfer the virus, come to a "Cherubim Mass." For now, the 11:30 Sunday Mass under the tent. At this and other "Cherubim Masses," we simply and strictly observe all CDC, NJ, and diocesan basic guidelines for keeping people safe: masks are required, social distancing is observed, Communion will be given at the end of Mass. But temperatures are not taken. Reservations are currently required but, when we expand seating and later move indoors, we will try simply taking names rather than requiring an RSVP.

If your desires fall somewhere in the middle – between wanting to minimize exposure and wanting to practice standard precautions – come to a "Seraphim Mass." For now, the 9:30 Sunday Mass is our "Seraphim Mass: on Sunday. At this and other "Seraphim Masses," we will take all the standard precautions PLUS we will take temperatures so you can be assured that no one in the building has a fever. We will also continue to guide you to the next available seat so that you need not worry about people passing you in the aisle. At least one daily Mass each week will be a "Seraphim Mass" – i.e., will practice extra precautions.

We start the tent 11:30 Mass this Sunday and, in the next few weeks, probably in early October, we will have weekday Masses with congregations. Three or four will have standard procedures. The others will have extra precautions.

It was a great blessing to see several first-timers at this week's Communion Services. I was very glad you seemed so cheery and happy on the way out. I look forward to seeing more soon.

This Moment in Prayer

FIRST COMMUNIONS – God bless the 17 youngsters who made their First Communions last Sunday at the special 12:30 Mass. You were magnificent. The masks did not conceal your glow! Great thanks to the parents and teachers who prepared them. Special thanks to the grandparents in the background. Big blessings for the 16 who make their First Communions this week and the 12 more who will do so at regularly scheduled Masses. Your First Communions are a great day for all of us.

CONFIRMATIONS – God bless the 22 young people who will be confirmed tonight. Again, this is a wonderful day for all of us. Blessings too for 40 others who will be confirmed between now and October 3. It is a very great blessing to welcome you to the world of Confirmed parishioners.

BAPTISMS – Thanks to all the parents who have submitted all their paperwork and have now scheduled their child's baptism. Thanks too to the folks who are finishing up the paperwork and are about to schedule the baptisms. As with our First Communions and Confirmations, it is a wonderful day for you individually and a wonderful day for our parish and the Church Universal. Hosanna.

OUSTANDING APOSTLES – The transition through this stage of the pandemic has required extra kindness from many people. This week, I am particularly aware of the many people who operate the tech equipment that livestreams Masses and broadcasts Communion Services. Special thanks too to Tina and Tom Lochmann who fog the church after every 9:30 Mass. Thanks to Tim Leicht for painting the guidelines under the tent. Thanks to Al Garlatti for building the platform on which we will celebrate Mass under the tent. Thanks to the High School Youth Group for building the altar we will use under the tent. And a MONSTROUS thank you to John Yablonski who donated one of his hav wagons for us to use as the new stage for Communion Services. The generosity is truly inspired & inspir-

ing. (continued on next page)

This Moment in Service

PANDEMIC ECONOMIC HELP – Our Social Concerns staff has put together a terrific collection of information that will help you or anyone else who might be suffering from the pandemic's economic consequences. Please contact our Social Concerns Ministry for more information. And be sure to share it with everyone who might benefit.

BISHOP'S APPEAL – Despite the pandemic, you are doing a fine job on the Bishop's Appeal. We are currently at 95% of our goal. If you haven't already made your offering, and if the pandemic or other circumstances haven't decreased your ability to do so, perhaps you could make your contribution this month. If we contribute another \$9,000, we meet our goal. Thanks for doing what you have done and can do.

This Moment in Community

PARISH PICNIC - SAVE THE DATES - SAT-**URDAY OCTOBER 10 AND SUNDAY OCTOBER** 11 - 1:00 - 3:00 PM. The pandemic version of our annual parish picnic will be different and excellent. There will be plenty of fun activities (socially distanced of course) for the kids and the croquet will go on! Given the complications that food presents this year, our Knights will be serving beverages only and are currently working on a very creative menu of seasonal drinks. More than anything, the gatherings are meant to provide a chance for people to see each other, even if wearing masks. Next week's "This Week" will indicate suggested gathering times for people from different Masses. For example, "If you usually attend the 6:00 pm, try to go on this day. If you usually attend the 11:30, try to go on this day." If it rains, the gatherings will take place under the tent and attendance will be limited to the first 70 people who make reservations for each day. If it does not rain, everyone is welcome, with or without reservations - but with masks! It will be very good to connect with our familiar Mass crowds. Meanwhile, think of creative straws and masks that can accommodate straws. We might just have prizes for the best straws and masks!

PARISH RECORDS UPDATE – Thanks to the steady flow of folks who, after reading recent updates on the parish records project, inquired about their records. If you have any questions about the process, please let me know. Updated records enable us to answer God's call in even more powerful ways.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP – Forget the Hufflepuffs, Slytherins, Gryffindors, and Ravenclaws. Very two-decades-ago. The new way is under the banners of Ignatius, Therese, Maximilian, and Joan (of Loyola, of Lisieux, Kolbe, and of Arc). The organizing principles for this year's Youth Group are pretty astounding. If you have not already joined one of these groups, get to Youth Group this Sunday at 6:00. Light food available. If you feel shy or weird about joining, get over it. Youth Group welcomes you. Period.

Blessings for you and your last three days of summer. I am ready for the blessings that God seems to prefer to give in autumn, and I hope you are too. I look forward to seeing you here, and at the picnics. Father Hank



HEALING PRAYER

Healing Prayer invites anyone who is ill, facing surgery, hurting, anxious, burdened or worried to seek prayer for themselves or others. Jesus working through the minister will bring healing, glory and grace to your soul. God's love guides the ministers as they pray. All sessions are private and confidential.

Healing prayer requests can be not only for yourself but also for family and friends. Requests may cover healing of body, mind and spiritual issues.

Members of our Healing Prayer Ministry have created a virtual option and a phone option which is offered at 10:30AM after the 9:30 Sunday Mass and takes place every other weekend until we are back to normal.

Sunday, September 20 Sundays, October 4 & 18t

To participate in the virtual meeting, click on https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7692788835 and follow the directions. You can also engage the healing prayer over the phone by calling 1-929-205-6099 and then the ID number key in 769-278-8835#. Go to

https://www.stjosephsparish.com/healingprayer for complete details. For questions please call Ann Smith at 908-285-6481 or at annbsmith46@hotmail.com.

SAGES CALENDAR



GUYS & GALS, we invite you to our Sages BYOB WOOD ART CLASS

WHEN: Monday, September 21, 2-4pm

WHERE: Under tent

WHAT: We will be sanding, staining and

decorating a wood palette plaque.

Great to add to your Fall/Thanksgiving décor.

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We are limited to 25 tables. While we wait for the stain to dry we will safely socialize and enjoy our BYOB drink choice.

We will offer light refreshments.

Last Sages Picnic has been changed to Wednesday, October 14, from 12-2PM



Other October Events include:

Thursday, October 8

Movie Night Under the Tent 6:30PM Join us for *The 100 Foot Journey* Comedy Rated PG. Arrive early for seating

October 27, 2PM **Pumpkin decorating & carving.** Details and registrations to follow

To register for any of these Sages activities reach AnnaMaria at <u>arealbuto@stjoseph-spsrish.com</u> or 908-874-3141 ext. 240

OUR CHAIR EXERCISE CLASSES continue online at

www.stjosephsparish.com/sages

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

September 20, 2020

Why do we celebrate Catechetical Sunday? Since 1935, at the request of the Vatican, every country chooses a day to acknowledge the importance of the Church's teaching ministry and to honor those who serve the Christian community as catechists. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has designated the third Sunday in September as Catechetical Sunday.

Those whom the community has designated to serve as catechists are called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.



CARE OF GOD'S CREATION BEAUTY CONTEST

At the beginning of the summer we celebrated the fifth anniversary of Pope Francis' encyclical, Laudato Si: On Care of Our Common Home, in which our Holy Father calls us to join with others to address environmental challenges that face our planet and the people who live in it. The encyclical also reminds us that nature is a constant source of wonder and awe. During the Season of Creation which spans 5 weeks starting September 1 (World Day of Prayer for Creation) and ending on October 4 (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) we are encouraging parishioners and students to take time to experience the awe and wonder all around us with the "Season of Creation Challenge." Parishioners and students are asked to survey their parish and photograph the most beautiful outdoor area and then submit photos with parish/school name and a brief description to: communications@diometuchen.org. The photos will then be displayed on the diocesan website and on social media.

IHNSC RAFFLE Benefits Homeless Families

Be the difference to a family struggling with housing and food insecurity. Tickets are on sale now for the Interfaith Hospitality Network of Somerset County's annual fundraiser.

The Holiday Calendar Raffle draws seven

The Holiday Calendar Raffle draws seven winners each week in November and December 2020, and January 2021.

All tickets are reentered for each weekly drawing, giving ticket holders multiple chances to win! Each day of the three-month period has a designated value of \$30 to \$100. Winners will receive a check in the mail after each drawing.

Tickets are \$10 and are available by calling 908-704-1920 or emailing Karen@ihnsc.org. You may also stop by the office, 98 West End Avenue in Somerville, during regular business hours, or learn more at our website www.ihnsc.org.

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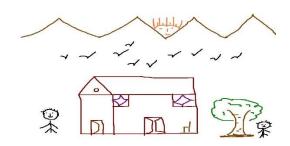
Volunteers are vital to the ministry of Catholic Charites, Diocese of Metuchen as they continue to offer assistance and create hope for those in need during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Social Service Center, 387 South Main Street, Phillipsburg is seeking volunteers to be salespersons in the Thrift Store. The main components of the job description include service to customers and sorting and arranging donated items for sale. Help is needed Monday through Friday from 10:00AM-4PM. The days and times you are able to serve as a Thrift Store Volunteer are flexible. precautions recommended by New Jersey and the CDC for retail businesses have been implemented for the Thrift Store. Please call 908-859-5447, if you require more information or wish an application.

Union Catholic High School 1600 Martine Avenue, Scotch Plains, NJ Fall Open House Wednesday, October 7th - 7:00 PM

Prospective students and their families have two options to attend our Fall Open House In-Person, Drive-In Format or Virtual Open House Via Zoom.

For additional information, or to reserve your spot,

visit our website at www.unioncatholic.org or call 908-889-1600, ext. 302



Emergency Rental Relief

Did you have a COVID-related financial impact that left you unable to pay your rent since April 2020?

If so, you may be eligible for assistance to pay the rent that is owed to your landlord from the

SOMERSET COUNTY CDBG-CV EMERGENCY RENTAL RELIEF PROGRAM

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- Be a resident of any Somerset County municipality (except Franklin Township) and have a current lease or rent agreement.
- Have a household income that is less than the following income limits, based on family size:

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4 People \$95,600 5 People \$103,200 6 People \$110,900•

- *Be able to prove that your rent payments were current as of March 2020.
- Provide documentation of a COVID-related loss of income after March 9, 2020.

Examples include:-

Layoff or Reduced work hours -

Unpaid leave to take care of children due to school and daycare closure -

Self-quarantine for 14 days resulting in a loss of income –

Other consequence of the virus that led to a reduction of income

In order to receive assistance, you must submit an application. You can complete and submit the application and required documentation online by visiting the following link: https://www.co.somerset.nj.us/CDBG-CVERROn most web browsers, the County link provides full translation features: at the top right of each County webpage bring cursor to "translate tab" and user will be able to choose to read page content readily translated into various different languages. You can also print the application from that link and submit the printed copy via email to: commdevelop@co.somerset.nj.us You can request a paper copy of the application to be mailed to you by using the email address or by calling the Community Development Office at:908-541-5756.

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