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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

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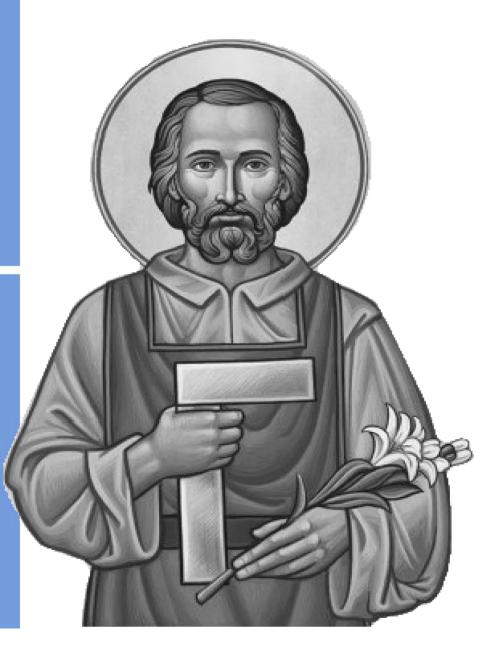
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Weekend Masses are at 4:45 PM on Saturday and Sunday at 9:30 AM. Simply go to the parish web page and click away – for live streaming or for viewing an archived Mass.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

MASS INTENTIONS – Until further notice we will be combining mass intentions as follows: *at the 4:45PM Mass we will combine the 4:45PM, the 7:15AM & the 6:00PM intentions.
And **at the 9:30AM Mass we will combine the 9:30AM & the11:30AM intentions.

MASS INTENTIONS & SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

Mon. 8:35AM Angela Putvinski

R/B George, Chris & Anthony Putvinski

Tue. 8:35AM James Paterno

R/B Wife Barbara & Family

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R/B 8:35 Mass Group

8:35AM Doris Errico

R/B Tina & Tom Lochmann

6:30PM Communion Prayer Service

Wed.. 8:35AM Robert Ferretti Sr.

R/B George & Dottie Lukazik

10:00AM Communion Prayer Service

Thu. 8:35AM Robert Ferretti Sr.

R/B Delucia Family

Fri. 8:35AM Tim Kirby

R/B George & Dottie Lukazik

8:35AM Rose D'Arrigo

R/B Delucia Family

Sat. 4:45PM Raymond Schabot R/B Tabernero Family

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4:45PM William Degregorio

R/B Ronnie Donahue & Arlene

4:45PM People of the Parish

Sun. 9:30AM Catherine DeLuca

R/B Maryellen Tobia

9:30AM Mike Stevko

R/B Miller Family

9:30AM Maria Nesgood

R/B Marvellen Tobia

9:30AM Elio Bercarica

R/B Walter & Florence Bercarica

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

1Kings 19:9a, 11-13a Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:22-33



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. If you would like more information call Ann Smith at 908-285-6481.

The members of our Healing Prayer Ministry have created a virtual option and a phone option. This option will be offered at 10:30AM after the 9:30 Sunday Mass and will take place every other weekend until we are back to normal.

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Healing Prayers after the 9:30 liturgy.

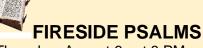
Future sessions will be on
August 9 & 23 at the same time.

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/healing-prayer for complete details

For questions please call Ann Smith at 908-285-6481 or e mail her at annbsmith46@hot-mail.com.



Thursday, August 6, at 8 PM Psalm 85 (eighty-five).



This Moment in Prayer, Service and Community

July 31, 2020, Feast of Saint Ignatius

Dear All: Christ's peace!

"Ad majórem Dei glóriam." "AMDG" for short. "For the greater glory of God." The Jesuit phrase.

But it is not just for Jesuits. Saint Ignatius' feast day reminds us that it is for all people who want to dwell in God now and in eternity. What is AMDG? Ignatius knew that every moment of our lives presents us with a choice — about what to do, how to do it, why to do it, or not. The phrase urges us always to make the choice that more closely aligns with God's hopes, always to choose what leads people to true peace and helps God's dreams for our world become more of a reality, in big choices and small. May you have an AMDG day.

This Moment in Prayer

AUGUST MASS SCHEDULE – Starting August 1, we will have just one Mass with a congregation. That Mass will be the 9:30 Sunday Mass. When September rolls around and more people come back from summer locations, we will add an additional Mass. That extra Mass will most likely be at 11:30 on Sundays. Remember to register if you want to come to the 9:30. The schedule for livestreamed Masses will remain unchanged: Monday through Friday at 8:35; Saturday at 4:45; and Sunday at 9:30.

AUGUST COMMUNION SERVICE SCHED-ULE – Starting Tuesday, August 4, the evening Communion Service will start at 6:30 pm (six-thirty). We will stay with that starting time through September. The Wednesday morning Communion Service will continue to start at 10:00 am.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – VIRTUAL –

Does your family include youngsters in grades K-8? If so, check out our first-ever virtual Vacation Bible School! Go to https://www.stjosephsparish.com/religious-education

CCD REGISTRATION – Registration for the 2020-21 CCD year is on. Please sign up ASAP so we can make great plans. Go to https://www.stjosephsparish.com/religious-education-registration-links-fall-2020

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMA-

TION FAMILIES – Please sign up for your sacrament date by next Friday, Aug 7. If you don't have the Google form link we emailed to you, please contact Linda Mackiw at Imackiw@stjosephsparish.com If we don't hear from you we will assume you would like your child to wait until the spring to receive the sacrament.

This Moment in Service

OUR YOUTH GROUP WORK CAMPS –
God bless all the high-school students, college students, young adults, and wise volunteers who are making this happen. The COLLEGE STUDENT AND YOUNG ADULT work projects start this Monday, August 3. They will be creating and improving our outdoor spaces for gatherings of all sorts – for Becca's Friends, Youth Group, Sages, the Knitting Group, K of C, Columbiettes, etc. Our HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY workers take up the tools from August 18-21. Interested high school students can register until August 6th at https://forms.gle/fVRs7yrUUP4e4sq29. And

This Moment in Community BECCA'S FRIENDS (BF) MOVIE NIGHT -

maybe let's all pray for the workers.

It was a most excellent movie night – socially distanced and all. A fine time was had by all – thanks to the generous efforts of the BF ministry and the other volunteers. Wow. Happy Saint Ignatius Day. Have an AMDG weekend.

Father Hank

(More from Fr. Hank on page 4.)

SAGES CALENDAR

Our Chair Exercise Classes are online at www.stjosephsparish.com/sages.



In the Meantime,...

-'Tis the season for socially distant picnics!

BACKYARD VISITS -

We are really enjoying the backyard visits! For those of you who are not quite ready to go out but would like a socially distant backyard visit, please reach AnnaMaria at arealbuto@stjosephsparish.com or 908-874-3141 ext 240. We will also bring you the lunch and the social distancing.

SAGES PARKING LOT PICNICS -

Join us for a socially distant picnic right in our parish's parking lot from 11AM-1PM on either August 13, 20 or 27. We will provide the shade, tables, and chairs - ALL socially distant – plus individually wrapped sandwiches.

Groups will be kept to a safe max of 25. masks are a must and we will provide you one if needed. Please register with AnnaMaria at arealbuto@stjosephsparish.com or 908-874-3141 ext 240.

RESPONDING TO PUBLIC POLICY

As Catholics, we have an obligation to consider public policy issues in light of the Gospel and the moral and social teaching of the Church. As faithful citizens, we are called to respond in both prayer and action and consider how public policy can impact our communities, nation and world in the context of Catholic teaching.

To provide the faithful of the Diocese of Metuchen with information and resources about issues affecting public policy and to highlight our lifelong responsibility as Catholics to form our own consciences in accord with the Church's teaching, the diocese has launched a new webpage: https://diometuchen.org/issues-and-action.

There you can sign up to receive action alerts directly from the diocese or sign up to receive alerts directly from the New Jersey Catholic Conference and the USCCB. Visitors to the page can also take action on current pending legislation and can see the latest news affecting public policy in our state, nation and world.

NEW DEACONS

Please pray for the following seminarians who took the next step in their journey toward the priesthood on Saturday, July 25, when they were ordained as deacons by Bishop James F. Checchio during a Mass of the Rite of Ordination. Please pray for:

Jun Joseph "Jay" Alquiros, Ariel Bautista, Jr., Timothy Eck II, and Gregory Zanetti.

The ordination was livestreamed from the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen. You can watch the recording of the ordination which is posted at

https://diometuchen.org/ordinations

More from Father Hank:

AUGUST MASS SCHEDULE – For starters, greatest thanks and blessings for all who have helped at the recent weekend Masses. Thanks to the ushers, members of the Safety Committee, tech folk, sacristans, fumigators, and others. Your assistance has made it possible.

Thanks also to the folks who contemplated helping, or maybe even tried it, and then had second thoughts. Your willingness to give it a try is a great testimony to your generosity.

The last two weekends of Mass with a congregation have supplied three very helpful lessons that are shaping our plans for the near-term future. First, one weekend Mass could easily accommodate everyone who wants to participate, in person, in Mass. Second, between summer schedules and concerns about the virus, it can be very challenging for ministry leaders to recruit ministry members. Third, many of you have described competing desires to participate in Mass in person and to stay away from indoor groups.

Putting all that together, the following tweaks take place as of today.

Starting in September, we will add an additional weekend Mass. That additional Mass will take place under the tent. Participants will have the choice of sitting, socially distanced, under the tent or outside the tent. Reservations for both options will be taken separately. Masses under the tent will be BYOC ("bring your own chair"). The most likely time for the tent Mass is 11:30 Sunday. We hope the weather will allow us to hold outdoor Masses from early September through Thanksgiving. The tent Mass will NOT be livestreamed.

Per the instructions from the CCD office, we will welcome up to two First Communions at both weekend Masses.

After Labor Day, we will welcome those who have arranged Mass intentions on weekdays to be at the Mass for which they have arranged the intention.

The course of the virus and the corresponding changes in state and diocesan policies could change these plans at any time.

2020 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL Stepping Forward in Faith: Grace in Action

Thank you to all who have so generously given to the 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal! Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal helps support initiatives, services and the spiritual needs of all, among them, the work of Catholic Charities and the needs of those impacted by COVID-19. Through prayer and reflection, please consider a sacrificial gift to this year's appeal and give to the best of your means. With many people impacted by COVID-19, it is important to bring people the opportunity to grow closer to Christ and see the work of God in their midst. All funds raised through the Bishop's Annual Appeal are used to support the ministries and programs of the Diocese of Metuchen. There is still an opportunity to participate by responding to the most recent mailing or by making an online pledge at

https://diometuchen.org/ways-to-give.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS in the Diocese of Metuchen ARE STILL ENROLLING!

Catholic schools in the Diocese of Metuchen will safely welcome students back to school and are now enrolling for fall 2020. With small class sizes and a sensible approach, Catholic schools in the diocese are ready to shift, no matter what the school year may bring. For more information about enrolling your child or to find a Catholic school near you, please visit diometuchen.org/schools or call (732) 562-2446.

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