# JULY 24, 2022

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## MASS & CONFESSION SCHEDULE

**Daily Mass:** 

Monday-Friday 8:35 AM

(Wednesday is an Enhanced-precautions mass-6' spacing and masks are encouraged.)

## **Outdoor Communion Service:**

| Wednesday          | 10:00 AM                  |
|--------------------|---------------------------|
| (This service is   | held outdoors. Attendees  |
| remain in their co | r and tune into FM 88.7.) |

## Weekend Masses:

| Saturday                           | 4:45 PM |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Sunday                             | 8:00 AM |
| (Enhanced-precautions mass-6'      |         |
| spacing and masks are encouraged.) |         |
|                                    | 9:30 AM |

11:30 AM (This mass is outside under the tent/attendees may remain in their vehicle as well.)

## **Confessions:**

Until further notice, Confessions are by Appointment only. Typically, Saturday morning between 10am - 12pm. Other times are possible. Email Fr. Hank at fatherhank@sjmillstone.com for an appointment.

## Sacrament of the Sick

In Emergency- Please call 908-874-3141 and press 1 for a priest. Non-Emergency-Please email FatherHank@sjmillstone.com

**EMERGENCIES Crisis Pregnancy Hotline**—732-516-0911

Suicide Prevention NJ Lifeline—1-800-273TALK Teen Crisis Text Hotline—Text 741741

Emergency Meals emergencymeals@stjosephsparish.com

# PARISH COMMUNITY OF

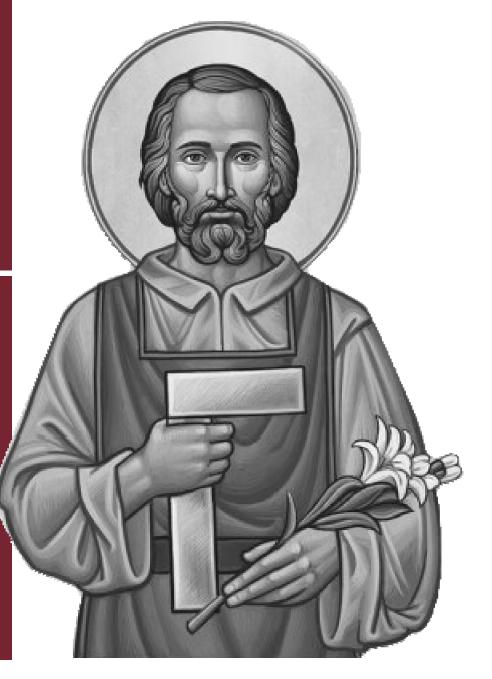
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# HILLSBOROUGH, NEW JERSEY

Priests

Prophets





## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

8:35 AM Franklin Smith Mon. **R/B** Diana Sieberg Tue. 8:35 AM Peter Tafara R/B Dan & Carmela Maresca 8:35AM Yong-She Lee **R/B** Terry Lee 8:35AM Dan Peters (2A) R/B Terri & Peter Macor Wed. 8:35AM William Matis **R/B** Paulette Matis Thur. 8:35AM Theresa Maffucci R/B Monica McDevitt Fri.. 8:35AM Robert Fischer **R/B Candy Meyer** 8:35AM Petro P. Sanchez **R/B Sanchez Family** Sat. 4:45PM Rachel & William Houle **R/B Houle Family** 4:45 PM Loretta Cavanagh **R/B Gail Bellas** 8:00AM Theresa E. Whitelock. Sun. **R/B Novak Family** 9:30AM Bernard Pesci. R/B Beth Ann Gale 9:30AM Pasquale P. Rosa R/B Maryellen Tobia 9:30AM People of the Parish 11:30AM Elio Bercarich R/B Walter & Florence Bercarich

### **READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK**

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23 Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11 Luke 12:13-21

### Behind the Scenes of This Week's Readings Today's Gospel - Luke 11:1-13

Of the four Gospels, the Lord's Prayer is only found in today's Gospel and in Matthew's. While both versions are similar, there are some differences. In Matthew's Gospel the Lord's Prayer is part of the Sermon on the Mount (Mt. 6:9-13), while In Luke, Jesus teaches the prayer in a time of prayer. Although slightly different, both versions of the Lord's Prayer follow the same basic formula: 1) They both begin with an address to God as Father and a glorification of his name. 2) The needs of the disciples are addressed next. And 3) the prayer ends with God's forgiveness for us that ;leads us to forgive others. Matthew's version is more familiar as it is prayed at Mass and in other prayer settings. *- Dorothy Gearon* 



Dear All - Christ's Peace!

**Baptism** Schedules – As we continue to transition out of pandemic mode, we are learning what worked and what did not. Interestingly, Saturday morning baptisms have become quite popular. To make this easy for everyone, we will start to encourage families to celebrate baptisms on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month – at 9:30, 10:00 or 10:30. Of course, we still welcome baptisms at weekend Masses.

This Summer's Three Service Trips – The last of our three summer service trips ended last week. The bus from Tennessee, carrying forty students and chaperones, returned on Saturday. Thanks to Jeanine Cavanagh for leading the adults' trip to West Virginia and thanks to Bob Ferretti for leading the young adults to Texas and the high school students to Tennessee. Now, it is almost time to let August be August..

**Caregivers Ministry** – Save the date for our Fall retreat on September 24. More information to follow!

**Helping the Sisters Help Ukraine's Refugees** – Half of the donations you made are still available to help the Sisters help Ukraine's refugees. A considerable portion of the aid will go toward supporting (and, we hope, expanding) the full-service day-care center in Winnica, Ukraine. Their services to the refugees are continuing as always. But, for now, I am giving Mother General a break from our questions and conversations, as she is singularly overloaded. We will have more news in a few weeks.

**Outreach to Young Families** – It is official! Starting in September, Liz Loughlin will coordinate our outreach and programs for parents with young children. Welcome, Liz!

**Blessings of Brains and Artifacts** – Save the Date – at the 11:30 Mass on Sunday, September 11, just before the parish picnic

With great blessings for you and your beloved – and with hopes that you are having plenty of fun.

## Father Hank

## POOR BOX

.Contributions to the Poor Box July 24 – August 7 go to **Feeding Hands** 

Your generous donations will support **Feeding Hands** which exists to live out God's commandment to care for the poor by loving and serving our neighbors in need. They distribute almost 10,000 pounds of meat, produce and non-perishables each month to veterans, the working poor, persons with disabilities, seniors and the unemployed

## OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP A Ministry for All Mobility Levels

**The Pregnancy Aid Center in Raritan (PAC)** The PAC serves women and families in need of assistance. Our parish PAC Ministry helps PAC by sorting and organizing donations and by assembling packages for those who need them. Our PAC Ministry works on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. For more information, email Marianne Gennaro at mgenn.3@gmail.com

## **ALTAR SERVERS**

We will recruit new servers and welcome the returnees just after Labor Day. Age requirement? Fourth grade and up. Other requirements? Age-appropriate amounts of faith, flexibility, and fun.

# **UPCOMING SERVICE TRIPS**

Day Missions: August 7, 21, and 28.

Weekend Mission: September 16-18..

August 1-3 – Youth group work projects here at church for students who cannot travel.

\* August 8, 21, and 28 – Adult day trip missions to Saint Francis Center in Philly.

September 16-18 – Adult weekend mission to Saint Francis in Philly.

For more information, email Jeanine Cavanaugh at jcavanagh@sjmillstone.com

## **Spaces Still Available**

\*Philly Mercy Missions

– Thinking of helping on one of the day trips to serve at Philly's Saint Francis Inn? You are in luck.

Day Trips – We still have one space for the trip on Monday, August 8 and three spaces for the trip on Sunday, August 28. The August 21 trip is fully subscribed.

Weekend Trips – The next overnight trip, scheduled for September 16-18, still has three spaces.

More Information – For more info, email Jeanine at jcavanagh@sjmillstone.com



## HOLY CHOW FOOD TRUCK

The parish food truck ministry swings into gear in mid-September. Between now and then, we will be seeking your input on taglines and logos. We will also be asking you to be ready to cook when your section at Mass is invited to prepare the week's casseroles. Recipes and pans will be provided. There will also be a need for a few people to serve the food, etc.

## PILGRIMAGE TO WASHINGTON

As part of the celebration of our diocese's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, all parishes are invited to participate in the diocesan pilgrimage to The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

## Saturday, September 24.

We will be sharing a bus with MMOG. Each church gets 25 seats. Please let Fr. Hank know if you would like to be part of this pilgrimage.

# A NEW BABY IN YOUR FAMILY?

Remember to let us know, via the webpage, so we can share the beautiful news with the parish and pray for your family's newest member.

## IN MEMORIAM

**June Barnett, 74**, mother of parishioner Audra Yacka, died on June 18

Please pray for her eternal rest and for all who mourn her death.

## **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Please send info for the bulletin no later than Friday, 8 days prior to the weekend you want the article to appear, directly to

stjoebulletin@yahoo.com.

Questions? Contact Dorothy at this address. Thank You



## **CCD REGISTRATION**

CCD registrations have gone out for classes beginning in September. If you did not receive an e-mail from us, please contact the CCD Office.

## SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAM

We also offer a parent and child modified Special Needs Program on Sunday mornings for those children who would benefit from a smaller class or who would need a more modified schedule.

For more info, please email Jim Jungels at jjungels@stjosephsparish.com

## TEACHERS STILL NEEDED.

Although we are making GREAT progress, we still have a few slots to fill. Don't feel equipped? Please consider sharing your faith through this very special ministry as a teacher or an aide. This could be a great chance for you to learn more about your faith and to provide the invaluable service of facilitating the faith of our young people. We still have the following openings We provide the tools and God provides the inspiration!

Contact Jim Jungels at 908-874-3141 x 224 for info. And remember, YES YOU CAN!

## UPDATED LIST OF TEACHER NEEDS

Sunday 10:45 – Grade 1 & 2 - Aide and/or Co-Teacher Grade 4 - Teacher/Aide Grade 6 - 2 Teachers or Aides

- Monday 6:00 Grade 7 Co-Teacher/Aider
- Tuesday 5:45 Grade 6 2 Teachers
- Tuesday 7:30 Grade 7 2 Teachers/Aides Grade 8 – 3 Teachers/Aides



## HEALING PRAYER in PERSON in CHURCH

Immediately after the 4:45 PM, 9:30 AM, and 11:30 AM Masses

## Next Dates: August 13-14

For more Information :contact Ann Smith at 908-285-6481.

All conversations and prayer requests are confidential.



**Big blessings** for all who made this week's pilgrimage to Sacred Heart Basilica and Saint Lucy's church such a splendid adventure

**Letting August be August** – Our Monday lunches and our Thursday exercise classes will take a pause for August and will resume right after Labor Day. Meanwhile, stay well and enjoy our final July activities.

## Topic Tuesdays -

End of Life Planner Review September: dates to be determined Pre-Plan Funeral Event (steps to writing a eulogy and Mass preparation).

### Toning Thursdays: Chair Yoga, Thursdays 10 AM.

Under the tent (weather permitting) or in parish hall. No registration required.

**Retreat:** We are planning 1-day retreat at the San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch, NJ on Monday, October 3. Trip details to follow.

**General Information**: To learn more about SAGES and all options for our over-55 parishioners, visit our website at SAGES Senior Ministry <u>http://simillstone.com/sages</u> For more info contact AnnaMaria at 908-874-3141 ext 240 or <u>arealbuto@stjosephsparish.com</u>



## SILVER & GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a

### Special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on Sunday, October 16, 2022 at 3:30 PM.

Registration is required. Please register online at: https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration. If you are unable to access, please contact the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org.

**Registration will close on October 7, 2022.** 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 at

https://www.diometuchen.org/donation-silver-and-gold or calling 732-562-1543.

# **IMMIGRATION SERVICES**

The Immigration Services Program of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen provides immigration services at a low, flat-rate cost for individuals and families. Please call for more information or to make an appointment: 732-324-8200. The main office is located at 319 Maple Street, Perth Amboy, NJ. Other offices are in New Brunswick & Phillipsburg.

# RETROUUVAILLE

August 19 - 21, 2022

Stress In Your Marriage? Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking about it only make it worse?

RETROUVAILLE is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages sponsored by the Office of Family Life, Diocese of Metuchen, NJ.

RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions)with six follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is August 19 – 21.. All inquiries are confidential. For further information, please contact Rich Colasuonno at 732-236-0671 or Annette Colasuonno at 732-672-0748 or email 3024@helpourmarriage.org.



Bishop Checchio requests that this information be shared with all people in the Diocese of Metuchen:

The Navex EthicsPoint initiative provides a confidential method for employees, volunteers and parishioners to report suspected financial malfeasance in any of our parishes, schools, cemeteries and diocesan institutions. The successful usage of Navex EthicsPoint will be a further way to ensure that our Diocese and entities are cooperating in the light to be authentically who we are called to be. Options for reporting:

Web intake site URL:

https://diometuchen.ethicspoint.com Mobile URL:

https://diometuchenmobile.ethicspoint.com Hotline:844-796-1296

# Call 988 For Mental Health Emergencies

The Federal Communications Commission recently approved a new 3-digit dialing code, **988**, for mental health crisis and suicide prevention.



The 988 line will oper-

ate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for calls, texts, and chat **beginning on July 16th, 2022.** 

### Sunday, Jul 24, 2022

### This year the award goes to . . .

Are you a prize-winning parent? Do you know someone who deserves recognition for nurturing the future of society? Every fourth Sunday of July since 1994, our country has celebrated Parents' Day. Nationwide, parents are nominated for exemplary service and dedication to their families and to the broader local community. Of course, most parents have humbler aspirations than garnering a trophy for their trouble. They hope simply to nurture honest, decent adults who feel empathy and treat others kindly. Celebrate the courage of parents and support the essential work they do.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 18:20-32; Colossians 2:12-14; Luke 11:1-13 (111). "What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish?"

#### Monday, Jul 25, 2022

#### You can't do it all

Distinguished poet and scholar Sister Madeleva Wolff, C.S.C. was the author of more than 20 books and the third president of her alma mater, Saint Mary's College, in Notre Dame, Indiana, where she served for 26 years. She accomplished much—but like most of us, struggled with how much more there always was to do. She wrote, "Thinking of things to be done, hopes to be realized, persons to be helped, I say laughingly that I go to a multitude of funerals daily, burying so many deceased projects, so much of what I have had to let die and must bury without regret." On this, the anniversary of her death, pray for the grace to surrender to God when you are overwhelmed with busyness.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 20:20-28 (605). "Can you drink the chalice that I am going to drink?"

#### Tuesday, Jul 26, 2022

#### A grand mission for grandparents

At a time when grandparents shoulder an ever-greater role in the nurturing of children—helping young families navigate the many complex realities of modern life—it's fortunate we have an international Catholic Grandparents Association, founded in 2009, to help fulfill a dual mission: "passing on the faith and keeping prayer at the heart of family life." With Saints Joachim and Anne as patrons, the association hosts a podcast and encourages parishes to develop a thriving ministry for and by grandparents, recognizing their unique evangelizing presence. Remembering grandparents, pray today the official prayer of the 2022 World Meeting of Families.

MEMORIAL OF JOACHIM AND ANNE, PARENTS OF MARY TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 14:17-22; Matthew 13:36-43 (402). "The field is the world, the good seed the children of the Kingdom."

#### Wednesday, Jul 27, 2022

#### Take responsibility

Racial tension, economic unrest, and summer heat have fueled countless murderous altercations throughout America's short history. July 27, 1919 marks the start of one of the most violent and tragic race riots sparked by the stoning and drowning of a young black boy in Chicago who inadvertently swam into an area of Lake Michigan reserved for "whites only." By the end, 38 people were dead, 537 injured, and 1,000 families made homeless. These statistics are stacked upon decades before and after this date of the extreme violence that plagues our nation. In their 1994 statement, *Confronting a Culture of Violence: A Catholic Framework for Action*, the U.S. Catholic Bishops conclude that "our society needs both more personal responsibility and broader social responsibility to overcome the plague of violence in our land and the lack of peace in our hearts."

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21; Matthew 13:44-46 (403). "I will free you from the hand of the wicked, and rescue you from the grasp of the violent."

#### Thursday, Jul 28, 2022

#### Divine by any name

An accomplished Catholic writer used to joke that "God" was the worst nickname ever: The term had acquired way too much baggage for him. Fortunately, the church has dozens of terms and metaphors for God, including the vivid image of God as potter. The reality of God is beyond any one term or comparison, so it is fortunate that the Christian tradition gives us so many. Light, Rock, Creator, Wisdom, Savior, Shepherd, Fortress, Vine, Shield, and on and on. What terms help bring God alive for you?

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 18:1-6; Matthew 13:47-53 (404). "Indeed, like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, house of Israel."

#### Friday, Jul 29, 2022

#### What friends are for

It's not easy to picture God as one of our friends. We can't just call God up to meet us for a cup of coffee. But friendship has many characteristics that help us better understand our own relationship with God. "Friendship," writes Pope Francis, "is no fleeting or temporary relationship, but one that is stable, firm and faithful, and matures with the passage of time. A relationship of affection that brings us together and a generous love that makes us seek the good of our friend" (*Christus vivit* §152). For further reflection, look to Jesus himself and his friends Martha, Mary, and Lazarus.

MEMORIAL OF MARTHA, MARY, AND LAZARUS, FRIENDS OF JESUS

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 26:1-9 (405); John 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42 (607). *"Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him."* 

## Saturday, Jul 30, 2022

#### **Golden moments**

Peter Chrysologus (c.380–c.450) is the hands-down champion homilist of our tradition. Known as the "doctor of homilies," his name literally means "golden-tongued." Have you been moved by a great homily? Pope Francis (*Evangelii Gaudium*, *135*) said that "The homily can actually be an intense and happy experience of the Spirit, a consoling encounter with God's word, a constant source of renewal and growth." Great homilies can be life changing, bringing about a deep conversion. May you encounter a great homily and be touched by the golden word of God.

MEMORIAL OF PETER CHRYSOLOGUS, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24; Matthew 14:1-12 (406). "For in truth it was the LORD who sent me to you, to speak all these things for you to hear."



Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time

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