



ST. PETER THE APOSTLE
UNIVERSITY & COMMUNITY PARISH
 THE CATHOLIC CENTER AT RUTGERS UNIVERSITY



Celebrating a Marian Year 2018-2019

**St. Peter the Apostle University and Community Parish
 proclaims the Gospel through worship, formation, outreach and service
 in order to foster a faithful, loving, dynamic, and lifelong relationship with Jesus Christ
 and provides a spiritual home to the diverse local and university communities.**

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 9:00 a.m.,
 5:00 p.m. Vigil
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m.

Holy Days of Obligation: For an updated schedule of Masses, please visit StPeterNewBrunswick.org.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday – Friday: 7:30 a.m. in the Catholic Center Chapel
Monday – Thursday 12:15 p.m. in the Catholic Center Chapel, 84 Somerset Street

CONFESSION (Sacrament of Reconciliation):

Saturdays: 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon; and by appointment

NOVENA PRAYERS: Mondays at 7:30pm in the Catholic Center Chapel

BAPTISMS:

Normally scheduled on the second & fourth Sundays of the month at 12:30pm (not during Lent). Please observe the requirements for sponsors. Must contact the office in advance to register. First-time parents are required to attend a baptism formation session.

WEDDINGS:

Marriage arrangements should be made one year in advance of the wedding. Please call the parish office before making other definitive plans. Once a wedding is approved and the date is confirmed, the required marriage preparation process may commence.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:

Please call the parish office to make arrangements for the administration of the Sacrament of the Sick and/or for the reception of the Holy Eucharist to those who are ill or elderly.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

In the case of an **emergency** requiring a priest after business hours, please call **732-545-6185**.

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 732-668-6584
 (for assessment of assistance needed, leave message including name and contact number)

PARISH OFFICE

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Monday, January 21—St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr Martin Luther King Jr. Day

9:00 a.m. Mary Lou Gillespie

Tuesday, January 22—Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

7:30 a.m. For the Victims of Abortion

12:15 p.m. Catherine Malanaphy

Wednesday, January 23

7:30 a.m. Yolanda Egan

12:15 p.m. Birthday Blessings for Don Wilson

Thursday, January 24—St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

7:30 a.m. Trudy Robertson

12:15 p.m. Jane Putera

Friday, January 25—Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

7:30 a.m. Yolanda Egan

Saturday, January 26—St. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

9:00 a.m. Frederick Robertson

5:00 p.m. Rosario Valdes

Sunday, January 27—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Esther Shamy

11:00 a.m. For the People

6:00p.m.



Pray for ...

Kevin Hoagland, Thomas Spataro, Connor Montferrat, Theresa Birdsey, Ginnie Previte, Jonathan Swedel, John William Criscuoli, Danielle Reiser, Esther Wambui, Norman Corbett, Florence Gowin, Margaret Cleary, Jenny Locandro, Teresa Yannazzone, Bill Spataro, Nicholas Rossi, Chris Joyce, Gary Vavila, Patricia & Sylvanus Ashamole, Louis Svelec, Joseph D'Imperio III, the sick members of the Akushie and Nwachukwu Families, Doris Tarquinio, Peg Byrne, Rick Scuderi, Edward Migliore, Linda Ryan, Rita Pietrobono, Nicole Mancini, Angelo Mancini, Becky Yurga, Rebecca Miller, Orlando Gines, Yvonne Finaldi, Sheila Lavery, Tanya Davis, Sgt. John McLaughlin, Patricia Deri, Alessia DePasquale, Brian Donoghue, Christine Fellin, Jose Lopez, Sara Mette, Joseph Gerity, Mary Cignarella, Joseph Mahoney, Lorraine Fellin, Russell C. Hall, Russell J. Hall, Angelo Rossi, Mary Ann Hrapsky, William Kish, Maria Kratzar, Theresita DeGuzman, Bette Smith, Mary Spicer, Tom and Kathleen Monchek, Anna Graziosi, Shirley Murphy, Joey Mahoney, Evelyn Echevarria, Patricia Krakowski, Carmella LaVera, Joseph Gutsick, Marlene Salimbene, Barbara Wittreich, Frederick DeLong, Anne Gutsick-Smith, Mario Fusco, W.J.R.

All the sick, those who are homebound, the hospitalized, and all who serve in the military.

Stewardship

A Way of Life

January 20, 2019 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." (1 Corinthians 12:7)

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you, feel His love, peace and joy!

The Catholic Center & Parish Office will be closed on Monday, Jan. 21 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. There is only a 9:00am Mass in the Chapel.

Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Candle Memorials



There are many dates available for both Mass intentions and memorials for the Sanctuary Candle. Please contact the parish office for information at extension 110. Our 2019 Mass Intentions book is open.

HOLY HOUR

The Oratory is hosting its monthly Eucharistic Holy Hour today **Sunday, January 20th at 3:30pm**



The Holy Hour takes place at The Church of St. Ann located at 45 Anderson Street, Raritan, NJ. All are welcome and invited to spend an hour with the Lord in adoration.

This Week's Readings

Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22
 Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28, *or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer*
 Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6
 Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
 Friday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
 Saturday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 or Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:20-21
 Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21



**A reflection from Msgr. Celano on last week's
Baptism of the Lord**

In 1948, a woman left her convent in India without a place to stay and with only \$2.00 in her pocket. She was following what she described as the “call within the call” to serve Christ in the “poorest of the poor”. That woman, of course, was St. Teresa of Calcutta. The slums of Calcutta certainly did not lack for the people she was looking for. The streets were full of them; the diseased, the displaced, and even the “untouchables” whose bodies were often left unburied where they died. And so she set herself to work, balancing her mission with long hours of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. At her death in 1997, she would leave behind an international religious congregation of women and men that numbered over 4000, 80 hospitals, and missions scattered throughout the third world.

The baptism of Jesus in the Jordan is the “inaugural event” of his public ministry. St. Mark’s account of this Gospel is short and straightforward. Yet it is striking in this way: Christ alone sees the descent of the Spirit and hears the voice of the Father that proclaims Him the “beloved Son”. This is not a public revelation at all, but one that is given only to Jesus.

But let’s step back for a minute. Why did Jesus seek John’s baptism in the first place? After all, Jesus is the sinless Lamb of God, who has no need of repentance. The answer is found in His mission. By stepping into the river, Jesus identifies Himself with the broken and sinful, with those estranged from God and on the margins of grace. He does not redeem us from “outside” of our condition, but from “within” it. He becomes one with us in all things but

sin and proclaims “good news to the poor, liberty to captives, sight to the blind, and year of favor from God”. His “amen/yes” to all that the Father wills is total and complete, even to death on the cross so that the power of sin and death might be overthrown and the hope of eternal life might be given to all who live and die in union with Him.

Our “Amen/yes” must be modeled on His. The Church – you and me – cannot be truly effective in our witness to Christ if we stand apart from others or are apathetic to their needs. In baptism, we were anointed priests, prophets, and kings, and given a share in Christ’s messianic mission; to proclaim the Reign of God and to serve in love. Teresa of Calcutta knew this. She too stepped into the river of human need. We are called to do the same.

The feast of the “Baptism of the Lord” reminds us that there is a river into which we must step; the river of human need. But don’t rush off to Calcutta. That is not where you are called to serve. Let’s start here in New Brunswick, keeping in mind the words of Teresa of Calcutta, *“Do not think that love has to be extraordinary to be genuine. What we need is to love without getting tired. Be faithful in all the small things because it is in them that your true strength lies.”*

Take a look at the “mission territory” that is your family, your community, your school, workplace, and even this parish, and follow Jesus as he steps into this river. Only you can echo His “amen/yes!” in these places. Be untiring in love and attentive to all the small things you find there; in these things Christ will make Himself known to you, and through you, make Himself known to others.

But, first, we must take a step into the river ...





Blood Drive

Mark your calendars!

*Parish Blood Drive
Sunday, 10 February from
11:00 a.m.— 6 p.m. In the parish hall*

*University & Parish Goal is
40 donors!*

*We can do this!
Any questions?
frjames@stpeternewbrunswick.org*



Annual Respect Life Mass & Presentation of Pro-Vita Awards

*January 20, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.
Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi
32 Elm Avenue, Metuchen*

Join in celebrating God's gift of Human life and the 2019 Pro-Vita awardees. All are welcome to attend and a light reception will be held immediately following the Mass.

For more information, please call the Office of Human Life and Dignity at **(732) 562-1990, ext. 1629 or 1543**

"The Fight for the right to life is not the cause of a specific few, but the cause of every man, woman and child who cares not only about his or her own family, but the whole family of man."

- Dr. Mildred Jefferson

Prayer Service for Those Touched by the Pain of Addiction or Loss

January 30, 2019

Many of us struggle to comfort and support our brothers and sisters who have suffered as a result of addiction and/or loss of a family member to an overdose. In an effort to offer spiritual support, a Prayer Service will be held on **Wednesday, Jan. 30 at 7:00 p.m. in St. Anthony of Padua Parish**, 436 Port Reading Ave, Port Reading.

Refreshments and fellowship to follow. Pastoral ministers will be present at the service to listen and speak with participants and to offer healing resources. All are welcome.

For more information, please call **(732) 243-4574**.



**FOUNDATION FOR
CATHOLIC EDUCATION**
Special Collection

The second collection this weekend is for the Foundation for Catholic Education, which provides scholarships to financially-deserving children attend a Diocese of Metuchen Catholic elementary or high school.

Over 100 deserving children are enrolled in on of our schools today thanks to you generous support of last year's collection. Hundreds of families, hoping to give their children the gift of a Catholic school education, will seek financial assistance from the FCE Scholarship Program for the 2019-2020 school year. Your gift will send a child to Catholic school, changing a life forever! Please be as generous as your means allow.

**PRAYER & SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES
AFFECTED BY MENTAL HEALTH
ISSUES**

A Catholic Prayer and Support Group for Families Affected by Mental Health Issues will take place at **St. Patrick's Church** in Belvidere, NJ on the following Wednesdays, at 10:00 a.m., and again at 7:00 p.m.:

- Feb.6, March 13
- April—December: 1st Wednesday of the Month

Elaine Eckard, President of the Warren County chapter of *NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness)*, will serve as facilitator. The hope for this newly formed support group is to offer spiritual support and many beneficial tips on how to cope with these health issues.

For more information, please call our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities at (732) 765-6432 or e-mail CatholicsWithDisabilities@gmail.com

**THANK YOU FOR
YOUR GENEROSITY**

Thank you to everyone who participated in our 2018 Christmas Giving Tree project from those who volunteered to help collect, sort, and deliver the gifts to those who generously donated toys, clothing, household items, and gift cards. With your help St. Peter the Apostle University and Community Parish was able to provide over 300 gifts and over \$1,500 in gift certificates to the following organizations.

- The Children's Center of Edison
- Roosevelt Care Center at Edison
- The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Diocese of Metuchen Council
- Catholic Charities—Diocese of Metuchen
- The Youth Enrichment Services—Early Learning Center
- The Youth Enrichment Center Services—School Age Child Care
- New Jersey Veterans Memorial Home at Menlo Park

INFORMATION ON THE ORGAN

As you may have noticed, our digital pipe organ has been experiencing some technical difficulties. Sometimes these difficulties are subtle, and others, they are not (like when the entire instrument turns off in the middle of a song!). Our organ technician has determined that these deep-rooted and erratic electrical failures are the result of the lightning strike that the church building sustained in the summer of 2016. A claim was filed with our insurance company in 2017, resulting in a payment of ~\$60,000. Just last month, Monsignor Celano was able to re-open our file and an additional ~\$40,000 was granted. This is great news. Anthony, our music director, is in conversation with organ companies, seeking a new instrument. Specific figures will be available soon, however, it is anticipated that additional funds will be needed to bridge the gap from the insurance money received and the expected cost of the replacement instrument. Any donations for the organ project are most welcome. In the interim, we will continue to use the current organ, and we thank you for your patience and understanding when issues arise.

**Celebrating our Catholic School
St. Augustine of Canterbury
45 Henderson Road, Kendall Park**

Open House

Sunday, January 27th 1:00-2:30pm
& Wednesday, January 30th - 9-10AM
Information Night
Tuesday, January 29th—7-8PM
Pre-K to Grade 7

Call 7320297-6042 or contact us:

info@staugustinenj.org

Stay connected on Facebook

St. Matthew School – Open House

St. Matthew School in Edison has scheduled an Open House for Sunday, January 27, 2019.

The day will begin with Mass to kick-off Catholic Schools Week at 10:30 a.m. The open house will take place directly after Mass, from 11:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Prospective students are also invited to tour the school, visit classrooms and speak with current students on Wednesday, Jan. 30 from 8:30—11:00 a.m.



Private tours are available by calling (732) 985-6633 or e-mailing jschaefer@saintmschool.org



**Petros Young Adults
Upcoming Events**

First Friday Adoration

Friday, Feb. 1 at 7:30 p.m.
St. Peter's Church, 94 Somerset Street

All are welcome to join the Petros Community for a holy hour of Eucharistic Adoration. There will be an opportunity for silent reflection as well as praise and worship. Please join us and bring a friend!

**TRANSITIONAL MEN'S
HOMELESS SHELTER**

Volunteers Needed

During the cold winter months various houses of worship in the city of New Brunswick take turns hosting the shelter from a Sunday evening to the following Sunday morning for about 15 homeless men.

St. Peter's will host the shelter in our parish hall during the weeks of: **January 27 - February 3 and again February 24 - March 3.**

Volunteer positions needed for the first week:

- Sunday, Jan 27, to clean and setup the parish hall
- Prep and serve a meal each night
- Monitor the parish hall each night (stay overnight)
- Clean the parish hall and bathrooms after the men leave on Sunday, Feb 3.

Sign up to volunteer after Masses this weekend. Carmel Mangarella will be coordinating the effort. You may contact her at idadgirl@optimum.net for more information.

Donations of sheets and blankets are welcome.

MENTORS NEEDED

The Connections Program of Catholic Charities is seeking both male and female mentors to participate in one-to-one activities and be a role model to young people.

Do you: Have a minimum of three hours per week to offer a child? Like having fun? Reside in or near Middlesex County or Franklin Township? Want to make a difference in a child's life?

**Contact Jeanette Cullen at
(732) 646-4076 or
jcullen@ccdom.org
for more information.**



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