

Saturday, March 22 Vigil Mass

5:00 p.m. +Christopher Haase

Third Sunday in Lent Sunday, March 23

8:00 a.m. +Marilyn +Ronald &+Roger Rinfret

9:30 a.m. +Barney Shannon5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Monday, March 24

7:00 a.m. +Alipio Rodrigues

Tuesday, March 25 Wednesday, March 26

6:15 p.m. * +All Souls in Purgatory

Marina & Bill Sicknick

+Ladeth Espiritu

+Pascual & +Celestina Sarmiento

7:00 a.m. Thursday, March 27

+Fatima Rodrigues

Friday, March 28

7:00 a.m. +Cremilde Fernandes

Saturday, March 29

5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Fourth Sunday of Lent Sunday, March 30

8:00 a.m. +Tom Lewinski

9:30 a.m. +Grazio & +Frank De Monico

5:00 p.m. +Ellen Hefferman

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for March

For Families in crisis:

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

Daily Mass – Mon., Thurs. & Fri. - 7:00 a.m.

Every Wednesday Confessions 5:00-5:45 p.m.-Church

*Mass 6:15 (TLM) will be celebrated at St. Mark's Christian Academy School Conference Room (former Convent of CC) corner of David & Kamm Ave. followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in church 7:30 pm till 9:00 pm.

Stewardship - Time, Talent & Treasure

March 16 - \$ 5,972.00 Mail Donations \$ 902.50 On-Line Giving \$ 784.30 Easter Flowers \$917.00

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MEMORIAL AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS

March 22 - March 28

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Please pray for the sick of our parish: Joann Heinlin, Juliet Hobson, Jean DuFour, Ernest J. Volkmann, Sr., Stevie Telofski,

Elizabeth Fehl, Ian Birchak, Fr. Michael J. King, Barbara Medvetz, Mark Cramer, Geraldine Patton, Kim Madlinger, Angel Cortez, David Catchpole, Rose Rein, Karen Kleinschmidt, Theresa Marchese, Patrick Ahern, Bonnie Anderson, Ashley Larson, Javier Fuentes, Erik Farah, Melissa Telofski, Joseph Kwiatkowski, Miguel Agudeo, John Loughlin, Justin Dyrwal, OSB, Bill Dyrwal, Bonnie Saloom, Joseph Bubnis, Peter Kaufman.

Handicap Accessibility seating is located in the front pews of the church for your convenience. Holy Communion will be brought to these individuals firstly by the priest, deacon or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion. Kindly utilize this area if you require such assistance.

Stations of the Cross every
Friday during Lent
6:30 p.m. followed by
Confessions.



March 23, 2025 Third Sunday of Lent

"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on its fig tree but have found none." LUKE 13:7

We can all be like the barren fig at times. Do you cling to what you have, or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous with all of gifts; especially the one that means the most to you.

2025 Lenten Obligations

- 1. The days of both fast and abstinence are Ash Wednesday (March 5) and Good Friday (April 18).
- 2. The other Fridays of Lent (Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28; April 4, and 11) are days of abstinence (no meat).
- Fasting in the Roman Catholic tradition means to limit oneself to one full meal with two smaller meals which together do not equal the size of your full meal. The obligation of fasting applies only to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59.
- Abstinence in the Roman Catholic tradition, means to abstain from eating meat (beef, chicken, pork, turkey, etc.) The obligation of abstinence applies to all Catholics who have reached the age of 14.

2025 Annual Bishop's Appeal

This weekend, parishes throughout the Diocese of Metuchen are celebrating *Bishop's Annual Appeal In*-Pew Weekend. Our goal is for every family to participate. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated. Together, we are keeping Christ's presence alive in the world today. Thank you for actively participating in this mission by your financial support.

HOLY YEAR JUBILEE of HOPE PILGRIMAGE*ITALY *POLAND * CZECH REPUBLIC,

Sept 15-28. Daily Mass, R/T Airfare from Newark Int'l. Deluxe Hotels, Daily Breakfast/Dinner. Modern Coach, Guided Tours, Medical Travel Insurance & More. FR. TOM LANZA, Tour Chaplain. Call Juliet Hobson 732-439-2835. Yetjcb@icloud.com

Chrism Mass

On Tuesday, April 15, 2025, Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese. At the Mass, all priests make a Renewal of Commitment to priestly service, recommitting themselves to their Bishop and to their ministry to God and His People; the Bishop and all Priests then ask the people for a pledge of their prayerful support. The Bishop will also bless and consecrate the Holy Oils, which each parish receives for the rites of anointing. The Oil of Catechumens is used to anoint infants and adults before their Baptism; the Oil of the Sick is used on the forehead and hands of the infirm in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick; and Sacred Chrism is used to anoint the head of the newly baptized, the foreheads of confirmandi, the hands of a priest at his ordination, the head of a bishop at his ordination, and the altar and walls of new churches.

All are encouraged to join-in-person (or watch via livestream), the ancient, grace-filled Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen at 4:00 p.m. To watch the Chrism Mass livestream, Visit https://diometuchen.org/chrism-mass

A 12-Day Pilgrimage honoring the Life and Legacy of Saint John Paul II, with St. Thomas the Apostle Church Led by Rev. John M. Rozembajgier, JCL, STL, Spiritual Director with Mr. Tony Melendez, Catholic Musician & Speaker June 19-30, 2025
Poland & Italy
Krakow, Wadowice, Czestochowa, Warsaw, Rome, Assisi
Jubilee 2025 – Peter's Way Tours

Easter Egg Hunt Corpus Christi Church Lawn April 6, 2025 – 11:00 a.m.



Sponsored by the Youth Group.
All parishioners welcome!

Silver & Gold & 5 Year Wedding Anniversary Celebration You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th, 50th, 50+, or 5th 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 19, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. The Silver and Gold Anniversary Prayer Service will again include couples celebrating 5 years of marriage. Registration is required. Please register online at: https:www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-goldanniversary-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 10, 2025. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in

Thank you

memory of this special occasion.

Many thanks to Maliszewski Funeral Home for donating pastries on St. Joseph Day following the 7:00 p.m. Mass.



Volunteers needed to upkeep outdoor
Stations of the Cross.
No "green thumb" or special gardening skills are required, just the desire to help.

With Spring just around the corner, the Garden Angels Ministry is reaching out for volunteers to help beautify the grounds of our home parish. Garden stations are cared for by individuals or groups. Anyone interested to taking over this ministry, please call the parish office.

Witnesses of Hope: A Virtual Jubilee Journey

Join fellow ministers, leaders and missionaries on a virtual journey of hope for the Church, world and all creation! Using the Bull of Indiction of the Ordinary Jubilee Year and Pope Francis' recent messages for World Mission Day as our guide, these monthly reflection and discussion sessions will lead us towards new horizons of encounter, dialogue and solidarity. Facilitator: Father Dinh Anh Nhue Nguyen, OFM Conv. Dates: March 27, April 24, May 29 & June 26th Time 11:30 am., Zoom. More info to follow.

Lenten Penance Service
April 11, 2025 - 7:30 p.m.
Several priests will be available to hear confessions.



SAVE THE DATE! June 14th St. Vincent de Paul Society Flea Market lower parking lot of the Church – Rain Date June 21st. More info will follow shortly.

Corpus Christi Men's Group

Thursday, March 27, 2025

Corpus Christi Men's Group will meet this Thursday, March 27th at 6:30 p.m. in the church hall. The men will be watching a video from Fr. Chad Riggiger, an



exorcist from the Diocese of Denver, for 20 minutes, followed by discussion and closing with prayer. All men of the parish are welcome to attend.