Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 6
Vigil Mass
5:00 p.m. +Fernando Clemente

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, September 7
8:00 a.m. + Anthony Riccardelli
9:30 a.m. +Lourdes Mamaril
5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Monday, September 8
7:00 a.m. +Natividad P. Roa

Tuesday, September 9

Wednesday, September 10
6:15 p.m. * +Fortunata & +Arsenio Landi
Erik Ernest Weber
+Rufino Honculada
Special Intention

Thursday, September 11
7:00 a.m. +JR Ciak

Friday, September 12
7:00 a.m. +Dave Fuller

Saturday, September 13
5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Sunday, September 14
8:00 a.m. +Matthew Cronce
9:30 a.m. +Maria Carolina Silva
5:00 p.m. +Helen Casey

Pope's Prayer Intention for September

For our relationship with all of creation
Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

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 7:00 pm till 9:00 pm.

Stewardship – Time, Talent & Treasure
August 31 - $ 4,595.00
Mail Donations $ 769.00
On-Line Giving $ 1,079.61
August Parish Assessment $1,747.00

Thank you for your support of Corpus Christi Parish
Please remember Corpus Christi Parish
in your will and estate planning.

MEMORIAL AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS
September 6—September 12
+Candle for Mary +
Families of the victims of
Annunciation Catholic School

Please use corpuschristichurch5@gmail.com for emails only to the church.

Parish Giving is the premier online giving and payment system for *Corpus Christi* and church communities throughout the nation. Please note at any time, you may begin ON LINE GIVING by logging on to our website:

ON LINE GIVING Our thanks to the many families that have signed up for Online Giving! If you manage your bills online, we're sure you'll like the convenience of giving to your parish online. It's safe and secure, and you decide exactly when your gift is made. You may even view your giving history just by logging in Visit our website: www.corpuschristisouthriver.org – and get started.

Prayer

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, Mark Cramer, Geraldine Patton, David Catchpole, Kim Madlinger, Angel Cortez, Ashley Larson, Karen Kleinschmidt, Theresa Marchese, Erik Farah, Javier Fuentes, Miguel Agudeo, Bill Dyrwal, Melissa Telofski, Bonnie Saloom, Patrick Ahern, John Loughlin, Justin Dyrwal, OSB, Peter Kaufman, Joseph Bubnis, Bonnie Anderson, Josephine Arcaro.

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.

September 7, 2025

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Everyone of you, who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." LUKE 14:33.

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making any unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God as given us. Then we truly are his Disciples.

Dedicated to the Corpus Christi parishioners who are celebrating their birthday during this month

As you celebrate your special day, remember that God's presence is a continual source of light in your life. His blessings are like rays of sunshine, bringing peace and grace into every new year you face.

Your birthday doesn't just mark another year, but rather another chapter of the incredible plans God has for you. Embrace the hope and future that shine brightly ahead, crafted by God's loving hands.

Religious Education Program 2025-2026

Religious Education Registration Forms for grades 1 thru 8 at the parish office during regular office hours. Please keep in mind these are for active registered parishioners. If your child is entering the first grade, now is the time to register them for Religious Education. If your child was not baptized at Corpus Christi, a copy of a baptismal record must be included with the registration

We are always looking for additional help. Anyone interested in assisting with the program, teacher, teacher aide, please call the parish office and leave your name and phone number.

Faith. Friendship. Love.

CATHOLIC SINGLES IN NJ

Catholic Singles in NJ is a new faith-centered community for Catholic singles (21+) of all ages – whether you're in your 20s or your 60s, deeply devout or just rediscovering your faith, you are welcome here. We're here to foster genuine connection, joyful fellowship, lasting friendship – and maybe something more. We host in-person events at least every other month to bring people together through faith, food, and fun. www.catholicsinglessnj.com Email: catholicsinglesnewjersey@gmail.com

NJ Bishops' Statewide Mass and Rally/March for Life

The Mass and NJ March for Life in Trenton will take place on Thursday, September 25, 2025. The Diocese of Metuchen will have a bus trip to this event.

The bus departs the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane in Piscataway at 7:15 a.m. The Mass begins 9:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption, 152 N. Warren Street, Trenton. After Mass, everyone will walk a short way to the Rally and March at 125 West State St., Trenton which begins at 11:00 a.m. The bus will depart Trenton at 1:15 p.m. and will arrive back in Piscataway at approximately 2:45 p.m.

Bus seats are $20 per person. To register for the bus visit: https://diometuchen.org/.humalifeanddignity.

For more information, please email amarshall@diometuchen.org or call 732-562-1543.

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-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 10, 2025**.

Although no fee is required, the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations may be made online at https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration or calling 732-562-1543.

Virtual Book Study for Women

The Diocesan women's group meets on Zoom each Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Beginning on September 7th they will meet at their regular time to discuss the book, "A Cardiologist Examines Jesus" by Dr. Franco Serafini. All women are invited to join. Purchase of the book is required to participate. If interested please contact Cristina at cdaverso@diometuchen.org.

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?

RETROUBAILLE IS A Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages sponsored by the Office of Family Life, Diocese of Metuchen, NJ.

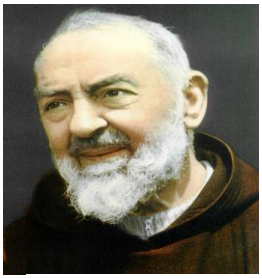
RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with four follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is January 30 – February 1, 2026. All inquires are confidential. For further information, please contact Rich Colauonno 732-236-0671 or Annette Colasuonno 732-672-0748 or email 3024@helpourmarriage.org.

NJ Right to Life Raffles will be sold at all Masses on the weekend of September 27 & 28th. Also, on the first Saturday, October 4th in the church hall at 1:45 p.m. The drawing date is November 21, 2025. The prizes are as follows: 1st Prize – 2025 Volvo XC40 SUV valued at $44,595. 2nd Prize $1,000 Shop Rite Gift Card, 3rd Prize $750 Shop Rite Gift Card, 4th Prize $500 Shop Rite Gift Card. Proceeds to benefit NJ Right to Life which is dedicated to protecting all human life from conception to natural death including the elderly and handicapped. Please support this important cause by purchasing a raffle ticket. Price is $10 cash or check.

23rd Annual Blue Mass

On Wednesday, October 29th at 10:30 a.m. Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the 23rd Annual Blue Mass at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen. Gathered together with local, county, state, and federal law enforcement officials, we will honor and pray for those law enforcement officials of all faiths who live and work in the Diocese of Metuchen.

In gratitude for their service to our diocesan family, the Diocese of Metuchen's Blue Mass Committee has selected South Brunswick Police Department to be the host agency for the 23rd Annual Blue Mass this year.



St. Padre Pio Prayer Group Of St. Ambrose Parish

Come join us in prayer as we celebrate mass together in honor of S. Padre Pio by Celebrant Fr. Jack C. Grimes. Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, September 20, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. followed by veneration of a first- class relic of St. Padre Pio.

St. Ambrose Parish
83 Throckmorton Lane,
Old Bridge, NJ 08857 (732)679-5666

Diocesan Festival Choir – The Diocesan Festival Choir is actively seeking new potential members from any parish within the Diocese. The Choir sings for 5 major events throughout the year (Silver & Gold Anniversary Vespers; The Rite of Election; Chrism Mass; Diaconal Ordination; Presbyteral Ordination) and occasionally for other events. Rehearsals are held on the three preceding Tuesdays of each event. Interested singers should contact Christopher Deibert, Director of Diocesan Liturgical Music for more information: deibert@diometuchen.org

Couples Take Action for a Better Life

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille. Couples increase intimacy, learn to improve communication skills, and receive help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. All inquiries are strictly confidential. Visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 800-470-2230.

On the Funny Side …….

A cop pulls over a carload of nuns. The cop says, "Sister, this is a 55 MPH highway. Why are you going so slow?" The Sister replies, "Sir, I saw a lot of signs that said 41, not 55." The cop answers, "Oh, Sister, that's not the speed limit, that's the name of the highway you are on!" The Sister says, "Oh! Silly me! Thanks for letting me know. I'll be more careful." At this point, the cop looks in the backseat where the other nuns are shaking and trembling. The cop asks, "Excuse me, Sister, what's wrong with your friends back there? They are shaking something terrible." The Sister answers, "We just got off Highway 101."