

Sacrificial Offerings 2019

Sunday

February 3, 2019



Mass Intentions

Monday, 2/4

7:00 a.m. **Audrea Gilhooly by
Mary Lou Chingery**

Tuesday, 2/5

7:00 a.m. **Pat Wenzel by
the Woerner family**

Wednesday, 2/6

7:00 a.m. **Audrey Nagy by
Kim Rabouin-Wood**

Thursday, 2/7

7:00 a.m. **Mark Yates by
Sue & Ed Chmielewski**

Friday, 2/8

7:00 a.m. **Daniel Nunzello by
loving grandson Ramón**

Saturday, 2/9

5:00 p.m. **Katherine Tagliatella &
Josephine D'Ovidio by Tony &
Cathy D'Ovidio**

Sunday, 2/10

8:30 a.m. **Ted Kotz by
Terry & Matt Kurzius**
10:30 a.m. **Parishioners of St. John's &
Anthony Marsjanik by the
Marsjanik family**

*This week our Sanctuary lamp is lit in memory of
Eddie Marren by Jeff Marren & family.*

Sunday, January 27

Regular Collection: \$4,709.07

Children's: \$ 22.83

Foundation for Catholic Education
\$ 59.00

Poor Box Collection

Monies collected in the poor boxes located in the Church entryway are used for the needy in our parish. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. **Please be as generous as your means allow.**

Time Is Running Out!

Next Saturday, from

6:00pm – 11:00pm, is the

Seventh Annual Casino Night. There are still a few tickets left for purchase.

Admission is \$35 in and includes a \$70 chip voucher, hors d'oeuvres, soft drinks and coffee, and desserts. The event is BYOB. You can also purchase 50-50 tickets for \$5. Tickets are available after Mass this weekend. For more details on the event, please see our website.



Donate On The Parish Website

Did you know you can now donate to St. John's directly on the parish website,



stjohnsdunellen.org? Just click on the "donate" link and fill out the form. All donations will be anonymous. If you wish to be acknowledged, you can contact the parish secretary. Consider this quick and easy method to make your donation today!

*This week our Chapel candle is lit in memory of
Josephine D'Ovidio by Tony & Cathy D'Ovidio.*

St. John Food Pantry

Our Food Pantry for those less fortunate is in need of the following food products: Dry pasta, cereals, tomato sauce, canned soups, canned meats, canned fruit and juice. Please note that all foods that are donated to St. John's will be brought to the FISH Food Pantry located on New Market Rd., Piscataway. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity.

Social Concerns

Do you know a needy person or family? Could one of your neighbors benefit from assistance with food and/or other essentials? Please call the Pastoral Center, 732-968-2621, in confidence, and we will do whatever we can to help. Please continue to bring men's toiletries, tooth brushes, and large and medium thongs or slippers for the Ozanam Men's Shelter. Articles may be left in the vestibule. Thanks for not forgetting the "guys"

Time, Talent and Treasure



Fostering stewardship is a way of life. Everyone benefits from the sacrificial gift one makes of his/her time, talent and treasure. We gratefully acknowledge and salute:

The Church Cleaners

Thank you for your participation!



Prayers for Our Service Members

Please pray for the following parishioners who are currently serving in the Military:

U.S. Navy Lt. Michael Bartilotti
U.S. Army Pvt. Luke Harshaney
U.S. Army Pvt. Raymond C. Pizzigoni
U.S. Coast Guard Lt. Ed Sella
U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Paul Frabizzio
U.S. Marine Mer. Cpl. Thomas Tyler Lizak
U.S. Army Pfc. Sean Parente
U.S. Marine Pvt. Dante Parente
U.S. Army 2nd Lt. Casey Wenzel
U.S. Army Recruit Timothy Francisco
US Marine Pvt. Stephen Wright
U.S. Marine Pvt. José Citron

If there are any other military members you would like to be included in our prayers, please contact the Parish Office.



Knights of Columbus

Deacons Brunch

The Knights of Columbus Assembly 1775 will be holding their Third Annual Communion Brunch honoring the deacons of St. John's, Our Lady of Fatima and Our Lady of Mount Virgin for their ministry and service to our parishes on **Sunday, 2/10** at **Our Lady of Fatima. The brunch will follow the 11:30 Mass in the Cafeteria, beginning at 12:45.** Cost is \$25.00 per person. For tickets contact Jeff Marren at (609) 577-1202 or email at koc2544_dunellen@yahoo.com.

**An invitation to
the Men of the Parish**

Loyola Jesuit Center in Morristown provides a sacred tranquil setting where you can step out of your busy world, slow down and reflect on God's presence in our lives. Unlike any other means available to us today, a silent retreat creates a meditative atmosphere that is perfect for knowing God better, ourselves spiritually and upon return to everyday life, opening up to others.

Consider making a silent retreat at the **Loyola Jesuit Center in Morristown, March 8-10, 2019. The retreat begins with super at 7:00 pm on Friday and concludes on Sunday at 12:30 pm.** For more information or to register, call Tony Pugliesi, 908-419-8392.

How To Report Sexual Abuse

If you were sexually abused by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or you know of someone who was, you are encouraged to report that abuse to law enforcement and/or by contacting the Diocesan Response Officer at (908) 930-4558 (24 hours/7 days a week). For more information on how to report abuse, visit our diocesan website: <https://diometuchen.org/report-a-suspected-abuse>.

Mount Saint Mary House of Prayer

UPCOMING PROGRAMS: Registration required; call 908-753-2091 or e-mail: msmhope@msmhope.org

NAMELESS YET KNOWN: *Identifying with the Unnamed People in Scripture*

Scripture is filled with "anonymous" people who encounter Jesus and are healed or transformed. What do these unnamed people have to say to me? Do I see my story in theirs? Come for an evening of reflection to learn how your journey mirrors the encounters of some of the nameless women and men who meet Jesus. **Tue., Feb. 12, 7-9 p.m.** (\$20-\$30 as you are able) Presenter: Laura M. Arvin, OP

Assistance Online Application

Process Open

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen Catholic elementary or high school may do so now. The application process is online through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment. Online applications must be completed (including supporting documentation) by no later than **March 31, 2018**. Applications are available in English and Spanish.

Families that need assistance completing the online application, or need access to the technology to apply, may attend one of two Application Workshops that are scheduled for January 23 and February 7 at Perth Amboy Catholic School, 500 State Street, Perth Amboy from 2 to 4 pm, and from 6 to 8 pm. A Spanish translator will be available.

**Annual Diocesan Respect Life Mass
& Pro-Vita Awards**

The Annual Diocesan Respect for Life Mass has been rescheduled for **Sunday, 2/10** and will be celebrated by Bishop Checchio at **Noon** at the **Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen**. The Bishop will present the 2019 "Pro-Vita" awards at this time. This year's recipients are Patricia Daly who is a parishioner at Immaculate Conception Church in Annandale and is being recognized for her service in promoting the sanctity of human life in the parish and the local community, Carolyn Glodek who is a parishioner at St. John Vianney Parish in Colonia and is very involved with Life Choices Resource Center in Metuchen which helps young women facing unplanned pregnancies to choose life, and William Tevald who is a parishioner at Immaculate Conception Church in Annandale and is heavily involved with setting up the St. Anne's Center in Phillipsburg which is a home for women who are pregnant and homeless. Immediately following the Mass there will be a small reception in the Community Room downstairs. All are welcome to attend. Please call 732-562-1990 ext. 1629 or 1543 or email amarshall@diometuchen.org for more information.

Retrouvaille Weekend

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut
down?
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, Secretariat of Pastoral and Family Life,
Diocese of Metuchen. Retrouvaille consists of a
weekend experience for married couples (no group
discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The
upcoming weekend is **February 8-10**. All inquiries are
confidential. For further facts, contact the Family Life
Office, (732) 243-4573, Rick (732) 236-0671 or
Annette Colasuonno, (732)672-0748.

24 Hour Prayer Line

Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities has
a 24 hour prayer line for those who desire prayer for
special needs. If you, a family member or friend
would like to be remembered in prayer for a
temporary or permanent illness, please call us and
leave a detailed message at (732) 765-6431 or
send an email to our office:
catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com

Diocesan Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is now being held in the chapel
at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146
Metlars Lane, Piscataway. Adorers and intercessors
are needed Monday through Friday, 9 to 11:45 a.m.
Daily Mass is held at 11:45 a.m. For information or to
volunteer, call Laura Ferreras, (732) 529-7932. To
submit a prayer request, call (732) 765-6445 or email
Adoration@diometuchen.org.

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 3, 2019

**“When the people in the synagogue
heard this they were filled with fury. They
rose up and drove him out of the town,
and led him to the brow of the hill on
which their town had been built, to hurl
him down headlong. But Jesus passed
through their midst...They will fight
against you but not prevail over you, for I
am with you to deliver you, says the
Lord.”**

The call of the prophet Jeremiah and the
prophetic voice of Jesus can be the source
of comfort, as well as concern. A prophet is
sometimes described as one who comforts
the disturbed and disturbs the comfortable.
Surely the mission of the Old Testament
prophet and the challenge of Jesus can
arouse anxiety or produce a calm, as He
with us to deliver us. The word of God is
designed to help us discern how we can
grow in our Christian lives, to know the Lord
better, to love Him in the most trying
circumstance, and to serve Him in the most
vulnerable and marginalized. We do not
have to look far to discover where this
challenge can be put into action. We so
admire those who seemingly give of
themselves for the good of others.
Remember when a wealthy admirer told a
Missionary of Charity that he wouldn't dress
the wound of a suffering leper for a million
dollars. The Sister replied 'I wouldn't either.'

