

Sunday

September 23, 2018



Mass Intentions

Monday, 9/24

7:00 a.m. Aida Diestro by brother-in-law

Tuesday, 9/25

7:00 a.m. Art Manabat by
Mark & Gilda Spazian

Wednesday, 9/26

7:00 a.m. Special Intention by Billones

Thursday, 9/27

7:00 a.m. Kathy Jupina by Mary Snyder

Friday, 9/28

7:00 a.m. Mathilde Santiago by
Deacon Mike & Barbara

Saturday, 9/29

5:00 p.m. Mary St. Laurent by children

Sunday, 9/30

8:30 a.m. Anthony Payer by
Nina DiQuollo

10:30 a.m. Michael Scudiero by Esolda

*This week our Sanctuary lamp is lit in memory of
Tony Payer by Barbara Carlisle.*

*This week our Chapel candle is lit in memory of Tony
Payer by Barbara Carlisle.*

Sacrificial Offerings 2018

Sunday, September 16

Average needed from weekly offerings to
cover expenses **\$7,000.00**

Regular Collection: \$4,999.03

Children's: \$ 26.50

Under: \$2,000.97

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.**

Parish Eucharistic Adoration

Please note the new time for Thursday
Eucharistic Adoration in our chapel.
Adoration will begin **after the 7:00 am
Mass** and conclude with **Benediction at
5:00 pm.**

Help Wanted

Religious Education Admin Assistant

Seeking energetic and organized individual
to join the Religious Ed team.

~Candidate will provide a variety of
administrative support functions.

~10-15 hours per week

~Knowledge of Word / Excel / Google a plus

Forward resume to stjohnpcl@gmail.com



Congratulations to

Nick Christian

Nicholas Christian, son of
Rebecca and Gene Christian,
has earned the rank of Eagle Scout. He is a
member of Troop 119 in Dunellen, where he
has earned 35 merit badges, God and
Church Religious Emblem, and a member
of the Order of Arrow. Nick's Eagle Scout
Project was renovating the basement of
American Legion Post 119. His court of
honor will be **Saturday, 9/29 at St John's.**
Please join us to congratulate Nick **after
5pm Mass on 9/29** where refreshments will
be served in the auditorium.

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:

Our Catechists & Aides

Thank you for your participation!

Fall Golf Classic



St. John's Annual Fall Golf Classic will be held on **Sunday, 10/7** at **Rutgers University Golf Course in**

Piscataway. Sponsors and golfers are needed. Registration including lunch is \$130 per golfer. **50/50 raffle tickets are on sale after all Masses.** For information contact John Nicholson at 732-563-1473 or email: stjdunellengolf@gmail.com.

Altar Rosary Prayer Group Meeting

St. John's Altar Rosary prayer Group will hold their first meeting on **Monday, 10/8** at **6pm.** **Rosary will be prayed in the church and the meeting will follow in the auditorium.** Please use the elevator. Refreshments will be served and you are welcome to invite a guest.

Sacrament of Confirmation

If you are a teen or young adult who never received the Sacrament of Confirmation, you are invited to complete your Sacraments of Initiation when Bishop Checchio confirms in our parish in the spring of next year. For more information, you can call the Parish Office or our Parish Catechetical Leader, Sharon Sweeney, directly at 732-968-0233.

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>.



Pray
for the
Military

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 Meritorious Cpl. Thomas Tyler Lizak
U.S. Army Pfc. Sean Parente
U.S. Marine Pvt. Dante Parente
U.S. Army Off. Candidate 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.

Union Catholic Open House

Union Catholic High School, **1600 Martine Avenue, Scotch Plains, NJ**, welcomes you to an Open House on **Wednesday, 10/3 at 7:00 p.m.** “**Early Bird Tours**” will begin at **6:15 p.m.** Union Catholic is a faith-based environment where you'll be inspired to reach your greatest potential and get the greatest return on your investment. Create your distinction, embrace your excellence, and learn to be all God calls you to be. For more information, contact Betsy Thornton at 908-889-1600, ext. 302 or bthornton@unioncatholic.org.

Spirit & Truth, Linden

Join Catholics in their 20s, 30s & 40s for Holy Hour & fellowship at **8:00pm Fridays**. Location: **McGuinness Center next to St. John the Apostle, Ridgeview Terrace at Valley Road, Clark, NJ**. Visit <https://m.facebook.com/groups/6354198182?ref=bookmark> for more info and updates.

Diocesan Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is held in the **Chapel** of the **St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 11:45 am**. Mass follows at 11:45. Adorers and intercessors are needed. For more information or to volunteer, call Laura Ferreras, 732-529-7932. To submit a prayer request, email Adoration@diometuchen.org or call 732-765-6445.

Office For Persons With Disabilities

The Office is sponsoring a Catholic Prayer and Support Group for Families Affected by Mental Health Issues. The first session will take place on **Tuesday, 10/2, from 1:30-3 pm (repeated from 7:00-8:30 pm)** at the **St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway**. The facilitator will be Elaine Eckard, president of the Warren County Chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness, the nation's largest grassroots organization on mental illness. The aim of the support group is to offer spiritual support and to provide beneficial tips on coping with this issue that continues to be misunderstood by society at large. The Office has a 24-hour prayer line, as well as a Facebook page that provides inspirational reflections and resources for those persons coping with physical, emotional, cognitive, visual, auditory, and other special challenges. Both the prayer line and Facebook page are intended for family members and caregivers. For more information, please call 732-765-6432 or email: catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com.

Mount Saint Mary House of Prayer

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

WOMEN'S FALL SPIRITUAL SPA DAY

Are you looking for more balance and peace in your everyday life? Come and receive refreshment of spirit, mind and body as you surrender yourself to our loving, gentle God! The day includes prayer and a variety of ways in which participants can learn how to achieve greater serenity in their ordinary lives. **Sat., Oct. 13, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.** (\$45- \$55 as you are able) Facilitators: Team

Coping With The Holidays

If you have recently lost a loved one through death and are wondering how you will get through the holidays, Our Lady of Fatima Parish Lazarus Ministry invites you to attend a seminar on **Tuesday 10/9 at 8PM** in our **Parish Center at 50 Van Winkle Place Piscataway, NJ**. Ways to cope with the holidays, cope with stress, special ways to remember your loved one during the holidays, and a memorial service will be offered by Jessie Flynn, a certified bereavement counselor, author, and educator specializing in bereavement. To register for this free seminar, please call 732-752-4979, by October 1.

Fall Open House

Bishop George Ahr High School, One Tingley Lane, Edison, NJ, invites you to a **Fall Open House** on **Sunday, 10/14** from **1:00 – 4:00 P.M.**

Meet our faculty, tour our facility, and hear about our technology. Learn about our sports, clubs and organizations. Student guides, brochures available, refreshments served. All are welcome! 7th graders are encouraged to get an early start! Call Bishop Ahr for further info or directions, (732) 549-1108 X620 or visit us on the Web at bgahs.org.

Be a Champion for Catholic Charities

Champions for Catholic Charities is a community of individual, parish and corporate benefactors who support Catholic Charities' vital programs and services for our neighbors in need. Here are 2 ways to help: 1) join us for the **2018 Champions for Catholic Charities Dinner** being held on **Thursday evening, 10/8** at the **Palace in Somerset Park** and/or 2) purchase a **Champion 50/50 Raffle** ticket. For more information call 732-562-2432, email champions@diometuchen.org or visit <https://diometuchen.org/champions>. With your help, Catholic Charities is making a real difference in the lives of so many.



Silver and Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with members of our diocesan family on **Sunday, 10/21**, at **4:00 pm**, at the **Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen**. Bishop Checchio will preside over the renewal of marriage vows at a special celebration of Evening Prayer. If possible you are asked to register online by logging on to the diocesan website—Offices and Ministries—Family and Pastoral Life—Family Life—Silver and Gold. Or you can call the Family Life Office at 732-243-4582. Registration will close on October 3. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of gratitude can be made online or by calling the Family Life Office during business hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm).

An Afternoon in Portugal

Our Lady of Fatima Church located at **501 New Market Road in Piscataway** will host "An Afternoon in Portugal" on **Sunday, 10/21** from **12:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** in the **parish auditorium**. Tickets are \$50.00 for adults (\$65.00 at the door and \$25.00 for children, ages 6-12, (\$40.00 at the door.) The event, a fundraiser to benefit the renovation of the church, will include a luncheon buffet with Portuguese dishes prepared by Sol-Mar Restaurant of Newark, NJ, a cultural show featuring traditional music (Fado) and folklore dances (Rancho.) You will also enjoy music by DJ Ricky and open floor dancing. More information is available at olparish.org. and by calling the parish office at **(732) 968-5555**. Tickets are available at the Our Lady of Fatima Parish center located at 50 Van Winkle Place, Piscataway, Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. and Sundays from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Please join our parish family for a bit of Portuguese cuisine and culture.