

Mass Intentions for the Week

**Saturday - November 24**

**5:00 PM - People of Blessed Sacrament**

**Sunday - November 25**

**7:30 AM - For all those who have no one to pray for them  
r/o The Yessman Family**

**9:00 AM + Deceased Members Smith & Cristo Families  
r/o Bill & Alicia Smith**

**10:30 AM + James Glynn  
r/o Doris and Tom Conly**

**12:00 PM + Rosalia & Vincenzo Armetta  
r/o Giuseppa Armetta**

**Monday - November 26**

**9:00 AM + Giuseppe Amato  
r/o Giuseppa Armetta**

**12:30 PM + Anthony & Victoria Natalizio  
r/o Son - Anthony**

**Tuesday - November 27**

**9:00 AM + John, Nancy and Michael King  
r/o Family**

**12:30 PM + John Lucido  
r/o Giuseppa Armetta, Sister**

**Wednesday - November 28**

**9:00 AM + Anthony Zarejko  
r/o Larena and family**

**12:30 PM + For the Holy Souls in Purgatory  
r/o A Parishioner**

**Thursday - November 29**

**9:00 AM + Giocanni Di Benedetto  
r/o Sister**

**12:30 PM + Antonino Armetta  
r/o Maria Armetta, Sister in Law**

**Friday - November 30**

**9:00 AM + Nancy Bemis  
r/o Bernice & Doug Wicks**

**12:30 PM + Jack, Anthony & Luz Lopes  
r/o Eliza Lopes**

**Saturday - December 1**

**9:00 AM + Criston and Smith Families  
r/o Family**

**12:00 PM - For All the Sick**

**5:00 PM + Phyllis Baum  
r/o Cheryl Colline**

**Sunday - December 2**

**7:30 AM - People of Blessed Sacrament**

**9:00 AM + BettyJean Golmont  
r/o Kevin and Trish Stagg**

**10:30 AM + Joseph Falcone, Anniversary  
r/o Daughter Anne Marie Marinaccio**

**12:00 PM + Pietro & Petrina Passalacqua  
r/o Giuseppa Armetta**

From the Pastor's Desk

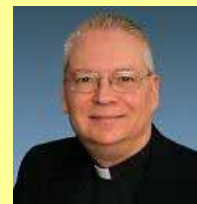
Lighting Hearts on Fire

Diocesan Marian Consecration Preparation Year

Bishop Checchio has announced his plan to consecrate the Diocese of Metuchen to Our Lady of Guadalupe in 2019. There will be year-long preparation process launching December 12th, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, with Evening Prayer at the Cathedral of St. Francis in Metuchen at 7:30 p.m. All of the faithful are invited to attend.

Our Lady of Guadalupe is the Patroness of the Americas and was also given the title, The Star of the New Evangelization, by St. John Paul II. The purpose of this consecration is to invoke her aid for our diocese so that we can be spiritually renewed and equipped to live out our call to evangelize more faithfully. For more information: [www.LightingHeartsOnFire.com](http://www.LightingHeartsOnFire.com)

God Bless  
Father Rick



We are pleased to announce that we have started up the Parish Council. Our parish council email is [parishcouncil@blesseedsacramentnj.org](mailto:parishcouncil@blesseedsacramentnj.org). We are pleased to welcome our new members!



The Altar Bread and Wine is Offered for:

*Carmelo Diez Tome*



The Sanctuary Candle burns before the Blessed Sacrament:

*Carmelo Diez Tome*

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATES



### WE NEED YOU!

Calling All Actors, Actresses, Stagehands,  
Dancers, Set and Costume Designers.

The Diocese of Metuchen is seeking people ages 18 and older to participate in a 2019 production about Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Join Us:

Wednesday, November 28 at 7:30 p.m. At the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway to see a sample play and for details of the 2019 production.

English and Spanish speaking participants are needed. To RSVP or for details, email: [evangelization@diometuchen.org](mailto:evangelization@diometuchen.org)



For Pre-K to 2nd Grade  
10:30 AM Mass on:

**November 25, 2018**  
**December 23, 2018**

Father Rick Prepares a Special Homily For the Kids!

They join him on the altar for the homily and then go to Classroom 1 for a craft.



**BLESSED SACRAMENT  
YOUTH GROUP**

**ADVENT CANDLE AND GIFT SALE**

**November 24 & 25 After All Masses**  
**All Gifts \$10 or Less**



**BLESSED SACRAMENT  
YOUTH GROUP**

*Come and Feel Free*



**LASER TAG**

**\$15/Person for Active Members**  
**\$25/Person for Guests**  
**Fee Includes:**  
**2 Laser Tag Games**  
**Pizza and Cup Cakes**  
**\$5 Credit for Arcade Games**

**Sunday, November 25**  
**Mass at 12 Noon; De-**  
**part from Parish Hall**  
**at 1:15 PM**

**2 Permission Slips Re-**  
**quired:**  
**Blessed Sacrament**  
**Branchburg Sports**  
**Center**  
**RSVP to Parish Office**  
**by November 15**  
**732-356-4405**

**Parish Office Hours**

**Sunday 8 AM—1PM**

**Monday 9 AM—6PM**


**Tuesday 9 AM—9PM**

**Wednesday 9 AM—2PM**

**Thursday 9 AM—6PM**

**Closed Friday and Saturday**

**Closed Thanksgiving Day, November 22**



**Youth Group Christmas Party!**

**Sunday, December 9, 2019**  
**5:00 p.m.**

**Gift Swap, Service Project, and Pizza!**

RSVP to Parish Office by November 30th:  
732-356-4405



**Youth Mass**

**Sunday, December 9**

**10:30 AM**

**Mr. Mertz's 8th Grade Class**



**2018 Annual Christmas Pageant**

**Sunday, December 16, 2018—2:00 p.m.**

**All children in grades K—5 are invited to participate as an actor, narrator, or singer.**

**8th Grade Students are welcome to assist and earn Confirmation Service Hours.**

There will be 2 rehearsals:  
**Sat., 12/8 & Sat. 12/15**  
**10 a.m.—12 p.m. in the Parish Hall.**



If interested, please contact the Parish Office: 732-356-4405 prior to November 30th

# Parish Organizations and Info

## ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The mission of the Society is to honor the Blessed Mother by proclaiming the Good News of Christ, her Son, in our members' lives and in relationships with others; to promote the praying of the Rosary; to encourage a spirit of friendship and cooperation among its members and to participate in parish activities.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 12th—1:00 p.m.

**NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!**



## OUR LADY ROSARY MAKERS

Please join us as we make rosaries sent to missions around the world. It is fun, easy, inexpensive and very rewarding! We meet in the Conference Room on the second Tuesday of each month following the 9am Mass and Rosary. For more information, please call Theresa Carson at 732-424-8064.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 11—9:00 a.m.**



A social group of widowed persons of the Catholic Faith dedicated to providing emotional support and opportunities for Social Activities.

The Circle of Friends holds monthly meetings on the **third Sunday of the month**, September thru June at 1:30 p.m. in Classroom 15.

Our next meeting will be on November 18th - 1 p.m. Please note that there has been a change in the time of our mass - from 1:30 p.m. to 1 p.m.

We are having a special mass for our deceased spouses in the church, followed by refreshments in the church hall. Everyone is invited to attend.



The Blessed Sacrament Council of Catholic Women's mission is to respond with Christian values to the needs of women and their families. We are here to unite women of our Parish, to develop their spiritual growth and leadership potential and to encourage women to share their gifts from God with others in our Church and community. If you want to grow spiritually, while meeting and making new friends in a cordial, fun and very fulfilling way, join us at our monthly meetings. .

### Activities/Meetings:

November 27—Radio City trip

December 10—Christmas Social @ Luna Rossa

### PRAYER LINE

Council of Catholic Women sponsors a "Prayer Line".

If you would like to request prayers or join the "Prayer Line" to offer prayers for the particular intentions of other Parishioners, call Gloria at 908-722-4791 or Barbara at 908-647-5749.

## **Blessed Sacrament Catholic Spiritual Book Club**



Come join in exploring our Catholic Faith  
2nd Monday of the Month

Next meeting: Dec. 10—9:45 a.m.—11 a.m.

We will be discussing: Rediscover the Rosary by Matthew Kelly

Books are available at Amazon and Dynamic Catholic.com.  
No fees to join.

For info. Contact: Mary Brady: 732-356-3083 or Ketrin Maxwell: 732-356-1932.



## **VOCATIONS TRAVELING CHALICE PROGRAM**

*The Vocation Seekers give special thanks to those who take the vocations traveling chalice home and pray for Vocations, particularly for seminarians in the Diocese of Metuchen. Please consider taking the chalice home to pray for vocations. Your prayers are truly being answered! **We especially need volunteers for December.** Please sign up in the foyer and pick up and return the Vocation Traveling Chalice to the foyer. **REMINDER - please remember to take the chalice on your selected date and return it by noon on Saturday. Thanks!***



## **Knights of Columbus Council #5959**

### Upcoming Activities & Meetings

**Wednesday, Nov 28<sup>th</sup> Council Event 7:30pm**  
**Short Council Meeting followed at 8:00 p.m. by our guest speaker, Brother Frank Devita, WWII Veteran**  
**Open to all parishioners—Parish Hall at 8:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, Dec. 8th at 6:30 p.m.**  
**Council Christmas Social in the Parish Hall**  
**Council Members will receive an Evite invitation**

**Wednesday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>—Council Meeting Canceled**

**Please refer to Wind O' the Hills for the latest information**

### VOCATIONS PRAY-A-DAY CLUB

November– December

- 24 - Jim Brogan, Virginia Panicuci
- 25 - Leisa Begley, Sue Delaney, Tatiana Ho, Ella Loffelman, Diana Malone, Pete Sheridan
- 26 - Karen Hess, Joan & Lawrence Livornese
- 27 - Michael Addison, Sue Delaney, Mary Lou Elzer, the Freijomil Family
- 28 - Ro Bersch, Sue Delaney, Diana Malone, Mary Plicinik
- 29 - Anne & Stephen Frank
- 30 - Mary Ann Fritz, Andrew Piech
- 31 - Gay Eisenhardt
- 01 - Michele Cirne, Diana Hayes, Cheryl Machusky, Kathy & Steve Sisolak

# Our Parish Prayers

## Parish Prayer Book of Intentions:

In our Parish Prayer Book, we pray for the sick, needy, struggling, suffering, etc. Every intention in our hearts! No intention is too big or too small for prayer! St. Paul reminds us:

*“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”*

*Philippians 4:6-7*

### MAKE YOUR CHILD’S FIRST SCHOOL EXPERIENCE A POSITIVE ONE!



The Vocationist Sisters cordially invite parents of prospective students to visit the Nursery School and meet the staff.

**ENROLLING ALL CHILDREN FROM  
2 ½ - 5 YEARS OF AGE**

For more information or questions, please call Sister Perpetua at  
732-667-5272 Fax: 732 667 5277  
Email: littlefriendsnursery@gmail.com

# Info and Needs



We are always in need of Eucharistic Ministers for patients at the Robert Wood Johnson Barnabas Hospital Somerset - every day of the week - **for one hour** - between 9am & 4pm . If you can help us serve in this ministry, please contact:

**Mike Zurat at michael.zurat@rwjbh.org**

*Please note, the hospital does require and provides a TB test, yearly free Flu shots, and a Photo ID.*

We also need Eucharistic Ministers to visit the elderly and ill at their homes. To help with this ministry, please contact:

**Peg Harmon at harmonp99@aol.com.**

## Pray for our Military ☆☆☆

*O Lord, be present with all those who serve our country. Comfort their spirits with your divine presence. Keep them close to You and grant them strength, wisdom and grace.*

Pfc Jim Donovan, Army  
EM3 Nicholas D. Hogan, Navy  
Lt Michael Marano, Army  
Sr. Chief Rich Symington, Navy  
Lt Douglas Stahl, Navy  
CPT Matthew McCarthy, Army  
SPC Alexander Meditz, Army  
Pfc AJ Anderle, Army  
MAJ Christopher Lund, Army  
4 Star Admiral John C. Acqualino, Navy

Pfc Sean Pieper  
Major Antonio Martinez  
SSGT Kirk F. Smith  
Pfc Ryan Sternberg, Army  
CPT John Nastus, Army  
CPT Robert Emmons  
CPT Michael Lyness, Army  
Col. Patrick Hsieh, Air Force  
Reservist Adam Starzyk, Air Force

If you have a family member, relative, or friend in the military, especially overseas, or in a dangerous assignment, please let us know so we can request the prayers of our parish family. Simply furnish their name, rank and Branch of Service.

*Our Knights of Columbus, Council #5959, regularly sends “SHOEBOX” packages to troops serving overseas when a current military address is provided. For more information, please call Al Beronio at 732-356-8687.*



## SOCIAL OUTREACH PROGRAM

If you are not using your free turkey or ham from Shop Rite, please consider donating it to the church. We also welcome gift cards from Target, Walmart, and Shop Rite. Any questions, please contact the Religious Education office.

## FLU SEASON IS HERE

With the onset of flu season, you may not be feeling 100%. Please know that it is totally appropriate to nod at the Sign of Peace, rather than shaking hands. We also would appreciate your refraining from taking the cup at communion. Receiving the host in your hand is appropriate and is full communion.

Hand sanitizer is also available on tables in the narthex and along the side wall of the church (where Eucharistic Ministers use hand sanitizer prior to distributing communion at Mass.) Please feel free to use these before or after Mass.

We appreciate your consideration of your fellow parishioners by following these guidelines.



## CHRISTMAS OPLATKI WAFERS

**\$3 EACH**

**AVAILABLE IN THE  
PARISH OFFICE**

## How to Report Sexual Abuse

If you were sexually abused by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or know 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>.

## CCW CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

You are invited to join the women of the parish for their Christmas Social: a great evening of food and fun

Monday, December 10, 2018  
6:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.

Luna Rossa Ristorante at the Courtyards  
in Pluckemin

Make Check Payable to: CCW for \$40

Mail your check to:

Jean Mans  
6 Jeffrey Lane  
Bridgewater, NJ  
08807



Deadline for registration: December 5, 2018



Wednesday, November 28, 2018

7:30 p.m.

Guest Speaker: Frank Devita

Join us as Brother Frank Devita, a World War II veteran, recounts his story—Stepping Back in Time. A gripping story of the beach landing at Normandy on D-Day.

In a special ceremony on June 6, 2014, in memory of the 70th Anniversary of the invasion of Normandy, Frank was awarded the National Order of the Legion of Honor.

Frank has had numerous speaking engagements, both in the United States and France, and has been interviewed by Tom Brokaw on NBC's Today Show.

All parishioners are welcome to attend this special evening!



### Knights Of Columbus Kids Clothing Drive

Please Bring New or Gently Used Coats,  
Snow Pants, Mittens, Gloves, Scarves and Hats  
for Needy Children

Collection Box in Narthex Through  
November 25, 2018



### BAPTISM CLASSES

For All New Parents

1st Wednesdays of the month  
December 5th: 6:00 p.m.

Class will be held in the Conference Room

### ANNUAL JESSE TREE



Gift Giving Program for the Needy

Benefitting These Local Charities:

Catholic Charities (red) — Samaritan  
Homeless Interim Program (SHIP)(yellow) — People  
Care Home Sharing (blue)— Great Expectations  
Home for Unwed Mothers (pink)— Children of the  
Somerset County Jail Detainees (green)— Parish  
Needy Families (orange)

November 21—December 9:

- Pick a Tag from the Tree for the Charity of Your Choice (tags will state the charity)
- Purchase the Requested Item
- \$10-\$25 Gift Cards from Target, Walmart or Shop Rite Are Also Welcome—Collection Box in Back of Church
- Return UNWRAPPED Gift by NOON, Sunday, December 9—Leave in the rear of the Church

Your Generosity Makes a Difference!

Any questions:  
contact Carol Hopkins, 908-658-4008



### GAUDETE

A Festival of Lessons and Carols  
Christmas Concert  
Sunday December 16, 2018, 5 PM

A joyful and prayerful experience of  
Scripture, the words of Pope Francis,  
and Music of the Season

A free will offering will be taken up  
to support the social outreach  
ministries of Blessed Sacrament  
Parish