The Parish Family of St. Anthony of Padua

Parish Office: 436 Port Reading Ave., Port Reading, NJ 07064
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ALL ARE WELCOME!
Whatever your present status in the Catholic Church, whatever your current family or marital situation, whatever your past or present religious affiliation, whatever your personal history, age, background, race or color, you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at the Parish Family of St. Anthony of Padua.

There are no Strangers at St. Anthony’s - Only Friends We Haven’t Met

FATHER WILLIAM J. SMITH, K.C.H.S. PASTOR
FATHER LAURO C. SEDLMAYER, PAROCHIAL VICAR
MICHAEL BRUCATO, DEACON
JOEY PERLAS, DEACON
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**The Holy Eucharist**
- **Saturday, Evening**: 4:00 PM
- **Sunday**: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM
- **Daily**: Tuesday & Wednesday: 7:30 AM
  - Thursday: 7:00 PM
- **Tuesday**— Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal following 7:30 AM Mass
- **Thursday**—Novena to St. Anthony following the 7:00PM Mass
- **Liturgy of the Hours** - Prayed 20 minutes before Daily Mass

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**
- **Thursday Evening**: 6:30 PM
- **Saturday**: 3:15 PM

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel Worship Site**

**The Holy Eucharist**
- **Saturday, Evening**: 5:30 PM
- **Sunday**: 9:30 AM Rosary prayed in Hungarian before Mass.
  - Divine Mercy Chaplet prayed after Mass.
- **Daily**: Monday, Friday & Saturday: 8:00 AM

**First Friday of the Month**
- Devotions to the Sacred Heart Following the 8:00 AM Mass

**First Saturday of the Month**
- Devotions to Mary following Mass

**Liturgy of the Hours** - Prayed 20 minutes before Daily Mass

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**
- **Saturday**: 4:45 PM

**Parish Office Hours**
- **Monday**: 8:30AM—3:30PM
- **Tuesday**: 10:00AM—3:30PM
- **Wednesday**: 8:30AM—3:30PM
- **Thursday**: 8:30AM—5:30PM, 6:30PM—9:00PM
- **Office is CLOSED on Fridays**

**www.saintanthonypadua.org**

CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK!

**EMAIL**: info.StAnthony1@gmail.com
**Religious Education**: religioused.StAnthony1@gmail.com
**Bulletin**: bulletin.stanthony@gmail.com
**Study Hall**: studyhalloffice@gmail.com or studyhalldirector@gmail.com
**Youth Ministry**: jaamyyouthministry4@gmail.com

30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 29, 2017
**Mass Intentions**

**at St. Anthony of Padua Worship Site**

**Tuesday, October 31st**

7:30AM  Catherine Yarmack  
req. by John Rucando & family

**Wednesday, November 1st**  
ALL SAINTS DAY

6:30AM  Janice Ciardiello  
req. by Mr. & Mrs. Vincent R. Martino
12:15PM  Judy Pronti  
req. by The Huber Family
7:00AM  Nancy Gallagher  
req. by her sister, Florence Scognamiglio

**Thursday, November 2nd**  
ALL SOULS DAY

7:30PM  Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

**Saturday, November 4th**  
St. Charles Borromeo

4:00PM  Andrea Pacifico  
req. by her sister, Jo & Nick Cinelli

**Sunday, November 5th**  
31st Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00AM  Bud Smith  
req. by Fr. William J. Smith
9:30AM  Frank & Patricia Burns  
req. by their son, Michael & Susan Burns
11:30AM  People of the Parish Family

**at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Worship Site**

**Monday, October 30th**

8:00AM  John Mansfield  
req. by Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Martino

**Wednesday, November 1st**  
ALL SAINTS DAY

8:00AM  Ceasar Ramirez  
req. by Violet Pattay

**Thursday, November 2nd**  
ALL SOULS DAY

8:00AM  All Souls

**Friday, November 3rd**  
St. Martin de Porres

8:00AM  Deceased Members of the Former Rosary Society

**Saturday, November 4th**  
St. Charles Borromeo

8:00AM  Purgatory Mass Society
5:30PM  Robert & Helen Lanigan  
req. by Brian, Irma & granddaughters

**Sunday, November 5th**  
31st Sunday In Ordinary Time

9:30AM  Lajos & Margit Wellner  
req. by Anna Czum & family

*Responsorial Psalm in Hungarian for October 29, 2017 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Szeretlek, Uram, Istenem, én erősségem.

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Holy Mary, Mother of God………..Pray for us  
St. Michel the Archangel ………….Pray for us  
St. Peter  (after each repeat “Pray for us”)  
St. Paul  
St. Andrew & St. James  
St. Thomas  
St. John  
St. Matthew  
St. Mark  
St. Luke  
St. Mary Magdalene  
St. Stephen  
St. Lawrence  
St. Thomas Becket  
St. Thomas More  
St. Maximillian Kolbe  
St. Andrew Kim  
St. Leo and St. Gregory  
St. Albert  
St. Augustine  
St. Basil  
St. Francis of Assisi  
St. Anthony of Padua  
St. Dominic  
St. Thomas Aquinas  
St. Vincent de Paul  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
St. John Neumann  
St. Katharine Drexel  
St. Isaac Jogues and the North American Martyrs  
St. Juan Diego  
St. Junipero Serra  
St. Kateri Ke Tekakwitha  
St. Pope John XXIII  
St. Pope John Paul II

continued

This Week’s Scripture Readings

**Monday:**  
Romans 8:12-17  
Psalms 68:2, 4, 6-7ab, 20-21  
Luke 13:10-17

**Tuesday:**  
Romans 8:18-25  
Psalms 126:1b-6  
Luke 13:18-21

**Wednesday:**  
Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14  
Psalms 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6  
1 John 3:1-3  
Matthew 5:1-12a

**Thursday:**  
Wisdom 3:1-9  
Psalms 23:1-6  
Romans 5:5-11 or Romans 6:3-9  
John 6:37-40

**Friday:**  
Romans 9:1-5  
Psalms 147:12-15, 19-20  
Luke 14:1-6

**Saturday:**  
Romans 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29  
Psalms 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18  
Luke 14:1, 7-11

**Next Sunday:**  
Malachi 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10  
Psalms 131:1-3  
1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13  
Matthew 23:1-12

Amen
**God’s Little Helpers**

*St. Anthony’s Pre-school Program for 3, 4 and 5 year olds (potty trained, of course).*

We meet on **Sunday mornings** at 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM.

There is **NO FEE!** Registration forms are available on the desk in the narthex and the parish office. Have questions please call Jackie at the parish office 732-634-1403.

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**Sacramental Formations Program**

**Class Schedule:**

- **Confirmation Level 1 & 2**
  - **Wednesday, November 1st**
  - **All Saints Day**—mandatory
    
  (see Mass schedule)

- **Confirmation Level 2**
  - **Sunday, November 19th**
  - 9:30 am Retreat (St. James)

- **Confirmation Level 1 & 2**
  - **Monday, November 20th**

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**EUCHARISTICADORATION**

***...an HOUR WITH JESUS***

We are blessed to have Eucharistic Adoration at 

*St. Anthony of Padua every Thursday from 2:00 PM to 9:00 PM.* The Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary are prayed at 3:00 PM. Please consider joining us for the hour or even a half-hour. Please feel free to join us whenever and as often as you wish. All are welcome!

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**All Parishioners**

*Are invited and encouraged to share*

**Coffee & Conversation**

On the first Sunday of the month, **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5th**

In Father Milos Hall after the **8:00 AM and 9:30 AM Mass**
Saint Anthony of Padua
2018 Mass Book

If you did not have the opportunity to come on Oct. 24th, the office will continue to record Mass intentions during office hours.

Monday & Wednesday 8:30am – 3:30pm
Tuesday 9:30am – 3:30pm
Thursday 8:30am – 5:30pm; 6:30pm – 9:00pm

On Monday, November 13th you may reserve additional Masses (1 Sat./Sun., & 1 weekday)

Votive Candles
Votive candles burn constantly as a form of prayer and adoration. The candles burning this weekend are dedicated at St. Anthony of Padua Worship Site

Tabernacle
In Loving Memory of our dear parents, Maria & Carmen
req. by Albina & Victor D’Alessio

Special Blessings for Sebastian & Vincent LaMorte
req. by Uncle Richie & Aunt Adrienne

May God Bestow His Healing Grace Upon Steve Olah
req. by The Port Reading / Sewaren Seniors

Good Shepherd
In Loving Memory of Gordon & Ann Ur, John Patrick & Owen
req. by their family

In Loving Memory of Patricia J. (Capik) Guzofski
req. by Vincent & Rose Martin

Cross of San Domiano
In Loving Memory of Norma McLaughlin
req. by Elisa Gurney

Pray for our brave soldiers & their families, our parishioners residing in nursing homes and care centers, the sick and homebound of our parish family, especially: an anonymous request; Matthew Ackerman, Celia Arroyo, Noemi Arroyo, Joseph Baumlin, Lydia Bellino, William Bunagave, Marie Cacace, James Calimano, Anthony Carreira, Alexis Cavaciuti, Alice Cavaciuti, Elizabeth Clark, Rosa Claudino, Mario Coppola, Michael DeFilipps, Josephine Dellaguzzo, Linda Drakoulis, Richard Emory, Veronica Evans, Mikaela Febres, The Fenyar Family, Donna Furago, Frank Grossman, Joseph M. Hale, Kim Hickman, Jake Honig, Brody Kasowski, Chris Killmurray, Anna Kowalewski, Robert Kowalewski, Evelyn Lamberti, Rose Langan, Cynthia Larsen, Josie LaSpina, Kity Lessuk, Veronica Lisco, Paul Marini, Jean Martin, Richard Martino, Beverly Mayte, Dorothy McDermott, Thomas McNamara, Joseph Mikos, Tom Miller, Evaristo Morales, Mindy Nagy, Natalie “Dolly” Nardiello, Paul Naumyk, Jordy Pavey, Robert Pavey, Taylor Pavey, Joan Petro, Richard Petrowski, Laura Poland, Patsy Renaldi, Peter Reuben, Virginia Reuben, John Sabin, Michele Santamaria, George Seibert, Jackson Silva, Natalia Sosnin, Joseph Strunak, Stanley Szymanik Sr., Francis Tierney, Mary Toth, A-Mei Lin Wang; Chung-Tung Wang.

Dear Brothers and Sisters!

Please join us for a free Pasta Dinner at The Deacons’ Table!

Located at the Most Holy Rosary Worship Site of the Good Shepherd Parish
625 Florida Grove Rd., Hopelawn

Meals are offered every Wednesday 4:00-5:30PM!!!
Please join us and bring your family and friends!

Let us join with Pope Francis I in his Universal prayer for October, 2017....

Workers and the Unemployed. That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

Pray for our priests

Oct. 30 Rev. Albino Santos SDV Msgr. Joseph Curry
Oct. 31 Rev. Leopoldo Salvarina Rev. Edmund Shallow
Nov. 1 Our Holy Father, Pope Francis I
Nov. 2 All Deceased Priests
Nov. 3 Rev. Andrzej Kielkowski SDS Msgr. David Fulton
Nov. 4 Rev. John Barbella Msgr. William Haughney
Nov. 5 Most Rev. James Checchio, JCD, MBA Bishop of Metuchen

Saint Anthony of Padua 2018 Mass Book
Queen for a Day Auction!!!
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017

Tickets are $12.00 NOW ON SALE after Mass and at the Parish Office

Donations: If you have any new items that you would like to donate, or do you sew, crochet, craft, woodwork??? If you would like to donate a gift card for a store, restaurant, etc. for our raffle table that would be most welcome. All donations are greatly appreciated and may be dropped off at the parish office.

Baskets: Do you have any baskets just sitting around your house taking up much need space? Baskets of various sizes, are needed for our auction. Please consider donating them.

We also need: Cellophane wrap and/or large bags to wrap-up our beautiful baskets.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
2018 MASS BOOK

Bishop of Metuchen
**Hall office line at 732**

Childcare services for all forms and prices, call the Study area of our narthex, go online to our parish website under pick up a flyer from the information desk in the entrance grades kindergarten to 8th grade.

Do you have your before and after services setup?

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**The Week Ahead at St. Anthony of Padua Worship Site**

**Monday, October 30th**
- Study Hall: 6:30AM Fr. Milos Hall
- Bingo (doors open 10:30am): 12:30PM Fr. Milos Hall
- Prayer w/Fr. Smith: 1:00PM Chapel

**Tuesday, October 31st**
- Study Hall: 6:30AM Fr. Milos Hall
- AA: 7:30PM Fr. Milos Hall

**Wednesday November 1st**

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**Friday, November 3rd**
- Study Hall: 6:30AM Fr. Milos Hall
- Bingo (doors open 6:00pm): 7:30PM Fr. Milos Hall

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<td>Novena (Sacred Heart of Jesus): 7:30PM</td>
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<td><strong>First Friday Mass: 8:00PM Church</strong> Followed by fellowship in Church basement</td>
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**Saturday, November 4th**

| Mass followed by |
| Confessions: 4:45PM Church |

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**ST. ANTHONY STUDY HALL PROGRAM**

Do you have your before and after services setup?

**STEWARTSHIP: GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING**

Offertory for October 22, 2017: $5,494.00
World Mission Appeal: $1,648.00

“You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind.” - Matthew 22:37

Do you put other “gods” before God? Is your love of money, power, status or some personal possession greater than your love for God? Do you really recognize that everything you have and everything you are is a gift from God? The good news – it’s not too late to put God first in your life in all things.

**COUNTING TEAMS**

**SUNDAY, October 29th**
- Team #6: A. & J. Pannullo

**SUNDAY, November 5th**
- Team #7: J. Cinelli, C. Huber, R. McNamara

**NEW JERSEY RIGHT TO LIFE**

ANNUAL RAFFLE

Tickets on sale at the parish office.

COST: $10.00  DRAWING: NOVEMBER 17th, 2017 (Winner need not be present)

1st Prize: 2017 Volvo XC60 AWD SUV (valued at $43,500)

2nd Prize: $1,000.00 ShopRite Gift Card

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Proceeds will benefit New Jersey Right to Life, the state’s largest pro-life organization, whose work saves the lives of the unborn, elderly, and disabled from conception to natural death.

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**BINGO**

**MONDAY, October 30th**
- Bingo Team #5 Captain: R. Simone
- Caller: M. Oddo
- Kitchen: J. Ballance, D. Bortner, R. Sorbanelli

**FRIDAY, November 3rd**
- Bingo Team #1 Captain: R. Sorbanelli
- Caller: J. Nellen
- Kitchen: J. Ballance, B. Walliser, D. Bortner

**MONDAY, November 6th**
- Bingo Team #1 Captain: R. Sorbanelli
- Caller: J. Nellen
- Kitchen: B. Silvaney, M. Herczeg, A. Czum

**FRIDAY, November 10th**
- Bingo Team #1 Captain: R. Sorbanelli
- Caller: J. Nellen
- Kitchen: B. Silvaney, M. Gesso

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**Irish American Breakfast**

**God’s Little Helpers**

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*STEP UP...When you come for Mass if you notice that there is no altar server, please volunteer to substitute. Just speak to Fr. Smith. Extra Albs are available.*

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**HOLY FAMILY PRAYER GROUP OF OUR LADY OF MT. Carmel**

The Holy Family Prayer Group invites you to join them at their **Prayer meeting** each **Friday at 8:00PM** in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church basement. Each **First Friday** they welcome you to join them in the celebration of **Mass at 8:00PM**. Blessing for those celebrating the month of their birth after Mass. **(Rosary recited 7:30PM.)**

**SHOPRITE GIFT CARDS**

At St. Anthony’s we have an ongoing fundraiser, ShopRite Gift Cards. When purchasing ShopRite gift cards, our Parish receives 5% of the proceeds. Gift Cards come in a variety of denominations and can be purchased in the Parish Office. Please consider helping St. Anthony’s the next time you shop.

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**SHOP AT AMAZON - SUPPORT THE ST. ANTHONY STUDY HALL**

Do you shop on Amazon? Why not consider designating St. Anthony of Padua Church as your charity on **Amazon Smile**, and use it instead of the regular Amazon site. Just go to **http://smile.amazon.com** and log in using your personal Amazon account number or if you do not have one click on create one. Select a charity by typing St. Anthony of Padua Church and click the search tab and select the one that says, Port Reading, NJ.
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULES

Immaculata HIGH SCHOOL

240 Mountain Avenue, Somerville, 08876

Sunday, October 29th, 2017  12:00pm—3:00pm

Online registration: www.immaculatahighschool.org
Click admission Process

VETERANS DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE
ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL GYM
865 Roosevelt Ave., Carteret, NJ

Please join them on Friday, November 3, 2017 at 10:00am for their annual Veterans Day Memorial Service. You’re invited to participate in a dedication service honoring the men and women who have served in the Armed Forces.

ANNULMENTS
An information session on Annulments will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Whitehouse Station on Wednesday, November 8th, 2017 and Saint Thomas the Apostle Church in Old Bridge on Thursday, November 9th, 2017. Both identical presentations will begin at 7:00PM.

This identical presentations are intended for those who have experienced the pain and anguish of a divorce and who wish to learn more about the Annulment process and have common myths dispelled.

Presented by The Tribunal of the Diocese of Metuchen in a confidential and sensitive atmosphere. RSVP appreciated: 732-529-7589 or Tribunal@diometuchen.org.

DESIGNER BAG BINGO
Benefits St. James Catholic School

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2017
St. James Catholic Church—McCormistin Hall
369 Amboy Avenue, Woodbridge, NJ

Doors Open at 6:00PM—Games Begin at 7:30PM

Admission: $30.00 - Includes ….
2- two-faced bingo card for each of the 10 regular games.
Additional games will be available.

Complimentary Coffee and Desserts
**Bring your own food, snacks & beverages**

For tickets email—sjshsa@sj-school.org

Please note: all prizes are final and cannot be exchanged or returned for cash value. Must be 18 years of age or older for admittance. No children, No exceptions.

MOUNT SAINT MARY HOUSE OF PRAYER
1651 U.S. Highway 22, Watchung, NJ 07069
908-753-2091 * msmhope@msmhope.org

Registration Required

COME & REST AWHILE: Respite Evening for Busy Moms
Beginning with prayer, the evening will include time to relax, reflect, and share with other Moms.

Wednesday, November 8th, 2017  7:30PM—9:30PM
Fee: $20-$30 As You Are Able

The 2016 Autumn Tricky Tray
November 10, 2017—Double Tree by Hilton
200 Atrium Dr., Somerset
Doors Open at 5:00pm

Hosted by The Foundation for Catholic Education, Diocese of Metuchen

Tickets may be purchased online at www.diometuchen.org/trickytray, by phone at 732-562-2438, or you may mail in your order (forms available on the desk in the entrance of the church) All tickets will be held for you at the door.

Admission $60/person includes a 3-course Sit-down dinner
~ No one under 18 admitted ~
Ticket Bundles ($60 early bird—save $15!) - includes 2 sheets of Tier 1 tickets, 2 sheets of Tier 2 tickets, and 1 sheet of Tier 3 tickets (at the Event—$75).

Proceeds support tuition aid for deserving children attending a Catholic school in the Diocese of Metuchen.

Donate Your Vehicle to Catholic Charities Diocese of Metuchen!

Funds from the sale of donated vehicles support our programs for the poor in need across Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon, and Warren counties.

*Donated vehicles are tax deductible.
*Free pick-up is available
*Vehicles do not need to be running.

Visit www.ccdom.org/cars or call 1-877-999-8322 to get started.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

St. Andrew’s Annual Christmas Bazaar
Saturday, December 2, 2017
10:00AM—3:00PM

St. Andrew Church Hall, 244 Avenel Street, Avenel

Enjoy Basket Raffles, Crafts, Great Food. Pictures with Santa, story telling by Mrs. Santa, games and much more!!

Kids: Come and do your Christmas Shopping!
Free gift-wrapping for children.
DISASTER RELIEF

In the wake of the recent hurricanes that devastated Puerto Rico and the Caribbean, Florida, Louisiana and Texas, and the deadly earthquakes in Mexico, Bishop Checchio has asked that the diocesan-wide Disaster Relief Collection, originally intended to close September 30, be extended to support the relief and recovery efforts in the affected communities.

You may donate online at http://diometuchen.org or write a check made payable to “Diocese of Metuchen” with “Disaster Relief” in the memo line and mail to:

Disaster Relief Donation, Diocese of Metuchen
P.O. Box 191
Metuchen, NJ 08840-0191

Please give generously, as your means allow, to help our brothers and sisters who are most in need at this time. The Diocese will accept donations through Thanksgiving Day, November 23. All monies collected will be used to assist victims of these recent natural disasters, working with local Catholic relief and recovery agencies in the affected regions. We extend our heartfelt thanks to all who have already contributed.

Please continue to pray for all hurricane and earthquake victims, especially for the deceased and for families who have lost a loved one.

Action Alert to Support DREAM Act of 2017

The Dream Act of 2017 (S. 1615 / H.R. 3440) was recently introduced in Congress as a bipartisan effort. The bills are intended to protect immigrant youth who entered the United States as children and know America as their only home. The bills offer qualifying immigrant youth “conditional permanent resident status” and a path to full lawful permanent residency and eventual citizenship. These bills would protect numerous youth, including the over 780,000 individual who received temporary relief from deportation and employment eligibility through the Department of Homeland Security’s Deferred action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program.

The young people S. 1615 / H.R. 3400 seeks to protect are contributors to our economy, veterans of our military, academic standouts in our universities, and leaders in our parishes and communities. As Catholics, we have long supported DREAMers as we believe in protecting the dignity of every human being, especially that of our children.

To make your voice heard visit: https://justiceforimmigrants.org/action-alerts/action-alert-support-dream-act-2017/

Youth Rally & Mass for Life Washington DC
January 19, 2018

Bishop James Checchio will concelebrate the Youth Rally & Mass for Life in Washington DC on Friday, January 19, 2018. The Youth Rally & Mass for Life is held at the Capital One Arena starting at approximately 6:45 AM prior to the March for Life.

Anyone wishing to attend must request tickets through the Respect Life Office 732-562-1990 ext. 1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org. The deadline for requests is Tuesday, October 31, 2017.

For more information on the Youth Rally & Mass please visit www.youthrallyandmassforlife.org

SURVIVING DIVORCE

The Office of Family Life is offering a half day workshop to train facilitators to run a 12 week, DVD based support program, "SURVIVING DIVORCE". It is easy. All you need is the inspiration of the Holy Spirit and a willingness to help.

Saturday, November 4th, 2017 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM
Saint John Neumann Pastoral Center
146 Metlars Lane Piscataway, NJ

Cost is $35 per person (Includes breakfast and materials)

For more information and to register, please contact RO BERSCH at (908) 313-5947

"The Lord...heals the brokenhearted" (Ps. 147:3)

Diocese of Metuchen—Youth & Young Adult Office
Invites Young Adults from Age 18 to 39 for a YOUNG ADULT HOLY HOUR
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2017 (followed by fellowship*)
St. Bernard of Clairvaux Parish*
500 Rt. 22, Bridgewater, NJ

*Parish locations might be used but notifications will be made prior to date.

The Second Sunday of every Month – 6:00 – 7:00 PM (except May 13, 2018).

For more information, contact Mary Ann Giannone at mgiannone@diometuchen.org.

*Please note individuals will be responsible for their own meal at a local restaurant.
LEGISLATIVE ACTION ALERT!

URGENT!
Take action to Oppose Assisted Suicide Bill—Update

New Jersey Senate bill S2474, the Aid in Dying for the Terminally Ill Act, may be voted on in the next few weeks. An identical bill, A2451, passed the General Assembly on October 20th. If passed, this bill would allow physicians to prescribe drugs to end the lives of terminally ill patients who have been diagnosed with six months or less to live.

Doctor-assisted suicide is a direct threat to anyone viewed as a cost liability to an insurance company. In an era of cost containment and managed care, patients with lingering illnesses may be branded as an economic liability, and decisions to encourage death could be driven by cost.

The facts are clear - in California, Vermont and Oregon - states that have passed assisted suicide bills - insurance companies have denied individuals healthcare coverage but offered them low cost drugs to end their life. One such example is Stephanie Packer, a young mother of four from California. Stephanie was recently denied insurance coverage for her new chemotherapy treatment but suicide drugs were approved by her insurance with a nominal co-pay of $1.20.

Other reasons to oppose assisted suicide legislation include:

♦ A six-month prognosis for a terminal illness is not always accurate. Often, with treatment, patients survive well beyond their prognosis.

♦ S2474 would allow the death certificate to list the cause of death as the underlying terminal disease - not assisted suicide. The cause of death should be listed as self-administered drugs that ended life. Why not tell the truth?

♦ Legalized assisted suicide would send the wrong message to vulnerable groups such as our troubled youth and to our veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder. Studies have shown that in states where assisted suicide has been legalized, overall suicide rates increase.

♦ There is no requirement for a physician to be present when the patient takes the lethal prescription. In fact there is no supervision of the drugs once they leave the pharmacy. Our society should embrace what Pope John Paul II called “the way of love and true mercy” — a readiness to surround patients with love, support, and companionship, providing the assistance needed to ease their physical, emotional, and spiritual suffering. Our duty is to assist those who are dying-not kill them. Please contact your state Senators today and urge them to oppose S2474 by visiting: http://njcatholic.org/faith-in-action. Also, contact Governor Christie (609-292-6000) and ask him to veto the bill if it reaches his desk.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ~ DIOCESE OF METUCHEN

Please consider supporting our local poverty relief services by donating gently used clothing, shoes, household items and small appliances to Catholic Charities-Diocese of Metuchen.

Clearly marked donation boxes are available in more than 30 locations throughout our four-county diocese including:

St. John Vianney, Inman Ave., Colonia;
O.L. of Most Holy Rosary—Florida Grove Rd. Hopelawn;
Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Elm Ave., Metuchen;
St. James, Grenville St., Woodbridge

For a complete list of drop-off locations, visit http://www.ccdom.org/how-you-can-help/clothing-donation-drop-boxes.

If you have an item that is too big to fit in a donation box, call 877-343-3651 to arrange for a free pick up at your home.

NJ CATHOLIC ADVANCE DIRECTIVES FOR HEALTH CARE FORM

The New Jersey Catholic Conference (NJCC) Advance Directives for Health Care forms are available by contacting the Respect Life Office at 732-562-1990 ext. 1629 or 1543. An English of Spanish copy can also be downloaded from the NJCC website:
http://www.njcatholic.org/content/respect_life_living_will.php

In addition, A Catholic Guide to End-of-Life Decisions is a resource made available by the National Catholic Bioethics Center. This document provides a clear explanation of the Church’s teaching on end-of-life care, including advance directives and physician assisted suicide. Individual copies of this guide can be ordered and downloaded online at www.ncbcenter.org by clicking on “publications.”
Please Support A3452/S2026, the NJ Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act

There is substantial medical evidence that babies in the womb feel pain at a very early stage of gestation. Thanks to advances in medicine, babies as young as 20 weeks post-fertilization can survive and thrive with appropriate care and treatment. Experts in the field of Maternal-Fetal medicine routinely administer pain medication as standard medical practice when performing fetal surgery because they recognize these babies as patients.

The NJ Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (A3452/S2026) will protect babies in the womb at 20 weeks and older who are capable of feeling pain and ensure that babies born alive during an abortion will be given the same proper lifesaving medical care given to premature infants.

We are happy to report that A3452/S2026, the NJ Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act has been introduced in the NJ Legislature. We thank the sponsors of this bill for wanting to protect babies in the womb and the lives of women. This bill is modeled after H.R. 36, the Federal bill by the same name. Passing this legislation is part of the 2020 Project, a collaborative effort by pro-life groups in NJ to protect babies in the womb who are capable of feeling pain at 20 weeks gestation.

Take Action Now!

- Pray for the protection of babies in the womb and their families.
- Contact your NJ State Senator and Assembly Members and ask them to support A3452/S2026, the “Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act.”

To find your NJ State Senator and two State Representatives by district/town, visit: http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/districts/municipalities.asp. For information on this initiative or to obtain a car magnet or sticker, please visit www.babiesinthewombfeelpain.com.

Catholic Charities
Diocese of Metuchen
Connections Program

Is looking for volunteers, both men and women to participate in on-to-one activities and become a mentor to the youth of Middlesex County and Franklin Township.

Do you:
- Have a minimum of three hours a week to offer to a child?
- Like having fun?
- Want to make a difference in a child’s life?
- Enjoy being a positive role model?

Then call Jeanette Cullen at 732-738-1323 or email her at jeullen@ccdom.org, for more information.

24 HOUR HOT 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 email our office: catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com

Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities has a Facebook page that provides daily updates with short inspirational reflections for people with disabilities, family members and care givers. The site also provides endless resources for those with physical, emotional, cognitive, visual, auditory and other special challenges. To access our Facebook page (even if you are not a member of Facebook), type the following into your search engine: Diocese of Metuchen Office for Persons with Disabilities.

THE COMMUNITY HOUSE AT ST. THOMAS

"Community House at St. Thomas, in Old Bridge NJ, is a program managed by Catholic Charities and provides affordable, accessible housing for adults of very low income who have physical disabilities.

Up to 8 physically challenged adults live together as a group, functioning to their individual level of independence, and with professional case management services provided.

If you or someone you know is in need of this type of housing, please call Susan at 732-251-0022 or go to www.communityhouse-stthomas.org for information. We look forward to hearing from you.

HISTORY OF OUR DIOCESE’S BEGINNINGS

On November 19th, 2016, the Diocese of Metuchen celebrated the 35th Anniversary of its founding by Pope St. John Paul II. Msgr. John Szymanski, who served then-Bishop McCarrick as chancellor and, later, as vicar general in the early years of the Diocese, has written a history of how the Diocese came to be established and a chronicle of its first five years. Entitled, The Lighting of the Watch Fires, it is available for purchase for $25. Send your check to: Rev. Msgr. John B. Szymanski, The Maria Regina Residence, 5 Dellwood Lane, Somerset, NJ 08873.

Are you suffering after an Abortion? Help is available!

If you or someone you know is suffering after an abortion, confidential, non-judgmental help is available! Experience God’s merciful love and begin the journey of healing:

Call Project Rachel
local toll-free helpline number: 877-877-4300 or visit HopeAfterAbortion.org.

Spanish-speakers may visit EsperanzaPosaborto.org; call Sisters of Life at 866-575-0075; or email: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org