The Parish Family of
St. Anthony of Padua

HAPPY
LABOR DAY

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 1, 2019
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
REV. MSGR. PAFNOUTI WASSEF, PAROCHIAL VICAR
MICHAEL BRUCATO, DEACON JOEY PERLAS, DEACON PETER BARCELLONA, DEACON

St. Anthony of Padua Worship Site
436 Port Reading Ave., Port Reading, NJ
732-634-1403 Fax: 732-602-0119

The Holy Eucharist
Saturday, Evening: 4:00 PM
Sunday, 8:30 AM & 11:15 AM

Daily: Monday—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

First Friday of the Month
Devotions to the Sacred Heart
Following the 7:30 AM Mass

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

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Worship Site
280 Amboy Ave. (Rt.35), Woodbridge, NJ

The Holy Eucharist
Sunday, 9:45 AM Rosary prayed in
Hungarian before Mass.
Divine Mercy Chaplet prayed after Mass.

Daily: Saturday: 8:30 AM

First Friday of the Month 8:00PM

First Saturday of the Month
Devotions to Mary following Mass

Liturgy of the Hours - Prayed 20 minutes
before Daily Mass

This weekend we celebrate Labor Day.
Our prayer for this week reflects the theme of Labor Day.

Prayer for Laborers

O God,
The creator of all things,
you designed the law of labor for the human race.

Graciously grant,
by the example and patronage of St. Joseph,
that we may do the work you provide us and
earn the reward you promise.

Sustain us with your grace to live up to our
duties in charity and justice.

We ask this through Jesus Christ,
Our Lord,

Amen.

Parish Office Hours
Monday, September 2nd—Office & Study Hall Closed
Tuesday 10:00AM—3:30PM
Wednesday 8:30AM—3:30PM
Thursday 8:30AM—5:30PM; 6:30PM—9:00PM
Office is CLOSED on Fridays
Closed for lunch each day at 12:45PM—1:30PM

www.saintanthonypadua.org
We’re on FACEBOOK, come and check us out!
The Parish Family of St. Anthony of Padua
Mission Statement

The Parish Family of St. Anthony of Padua is a diverse Community of Faith formed in July 2012 by the merging of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Woodbridge (est. 1920) with St. Anthony of Padua Church, Port Reading (est. 1904).

We proclaim the “Good News” of Jesus Christ and the beliefs of the Roman Catholic Church.

We are committed to maintaining worship as a powerful experience of the presence of God through Word, Sacrament, Music and Community. We have a passion for Social Justice and our duties toward all people.

We enrich the Faith of those in need through a variety of ministries. All are Welcome.

We strive to be a beacon of Faith, Hope and Love while honoring God’s Presence in every person.

Mass Intentions

at St. Anthony of Padua Worship Site

Monday, September 2nd
7:30AM William H. “Herb” Sullivan
req. by Jay & Colleen Barcellona & family

Tuesday, September 3rd
7:30AM Carmen V. Pagliuca [Birthday]
req. by his loving family

Wednesday, September 4th
7:30AM Purgatorial Mass Society

Thursday, September 5th
7:00PM Joseph Cunningham [3rd Anniversary]
req. by his loving wife, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren

Friday, September 6th
7:30AM Manuel & Leopoldine Vierira
req. by their loving daughter, Rose & Al Leone

Saturday, September 7th
4:00PM Robert Daly
req. by Maria Morais

Sunday, September 8th 23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time
8:30AM Robert Pribila
req. by his loving Mom, Suzanne
11:15AM Florence Scognamiglio
req. by The Becker Family

at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Worship Site

Saturday, September 7th
8:30AM Deceased Members of the former Altar Rosary Society

Sunday, September 8th 23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time
9:45AM John Kadash (55th Wedding Anniversary)
req. by his wife, Loretta

Respensorial Psalm in Hungarian for September 1, 2019 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Joságodban, Istenünk, hajléket készitesz a szegények.

Prayer Time with Father Smith for the people of the parish and the needs of the parish.

All are Welcome.

This Week’s Scripture Readings

Sunday: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29
Psalms 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a
Luke 14:1, 7-14

Monday: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Psalms 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13
Luke 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11
Psalms 27:1; 4, 13-14
Luke 4:31-37

Wednesday: Colossians 1:1-8
Psalms 52:10, 11
Luke 4:38-44

Thursday: Colossians 1:9-14
Psalms 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6

Friday: Colossians 1:15-20
Psalms 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5

Saturday: Colossians 1:21-23
Psalms 54:3-4, 6 and 8

Next Sunday: Wisdom 9:13-18b
Psalms 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17
Philemon 9-10, 12-17
Luke14:25-33
**Stewardship: God’s Plan for Giving**

Offertory for...
- Sunday, August 25th: $4,521.00
- Building & Maintenance Fund: $1,668.00

**UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**
- September: Property & Liability Insurance
- September 8: Peter’s Pence
- September 29: Utility Fund

“Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you.” Luke 14:13-14

We have a difficult time with the concept of giving without expecting something in return. Even when we give to charity we often want something in return – a raffle ticket, a dinner, a chance to play golf or our name in print. Yet, as Christian stewards, we need to remember that the true reward for our giving awaits us in heaven.

**NEW at St. Anthony’s OnLine Giving,**
a web-based electronic contribution application.

St. Anthony of Padua is providing this service so that you have the option to manage your contributions online. It helps you maintain your giving even if you cannot be here at Mass (vacation, weather). Allowing you to start, stop and change your contributions at any time. Your gift will be transferred from your preferred method of payment directly to our parish. This service is safe and secure and convenient for you.

Just go to our website:
www.saintanthonyepadua.org
Click on the box at the lower right hand corner. Complete the online registration form. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 732-634-1403; via email at info.stanthony1@gmail.com; or you can call OSV Donor Support Center at 1-800-348-2886 option 2; or visit: OL.Gapp.com to download the on-line giving app.

**FAITH FORMATION**

**G.I.F.T. 2019—2020 REGISTRATION**

**WERE DUE THURSDAY, AUGUST 8**

As always class size is limited, and registration is on “First Submitted / First Honored basis so get them in as soon as possible. Additional forms for new families are on the desk at the entrance of both worship sites and the parish office.

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

**Classes begin with a Mandatory Meeting being held at St. Anthony’s.**

**Communion**
- Monday, September 23rd
  - Level 1 (First Reconciliation): 7:00PM Parent ONLY
  - Level 2 (First Eucharist): 8:00PM Parent ONLY

**Confirmation**
- Monday, September 30th
  - 7:00PM - Confirmation Level 1 Student & Parent
  - 8:00PM - Confirmation Level 2 Student & Parent

**GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER**

**Monday, October 7th and Wednesday, October 9th**

This year’s theme: **Our Lady of Guadalupe**

**FOOD DRIVE**

**FOOD PANTRY UPDATE**

In August we were able to assist 12 families at the food pantry including 2 new families.

Next weekend is our September food drive. Items most needed in the pantry are coffee, tea, pancake mix and syrup, rice, canned meats and fruits, instant potatoes, pork & beans, cookies, crackers, jar tomato sauce and oatmeal. Toiletries such as detergents, toilet paper, body wash, toothpaste are always needed.

In the near future stores will no longer be using plastic bags. If you have plastic bags that you would like to donate or any type of canvas or plastic shopping totes that can be used at the pantry, please drop at the parish office.

The food pantry will be open on September 18th from 10:00am – 12noon.

**Thank you for your continued generosity.**

**Eucharistic Adoration**

**We are blessed to have Eucharistic Adoration at St. Anthony of Padua.**

2:00pm – 6:45pm; 7:00pm Mass / Novena; 7:30pm – 9:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration will resume on **Thursday, September 12th**. We need to have 3 people (2 minimum) to sit before the Blessed Sacrament (see times below.) We are in particular need of adorers **between 4:00pm and 6:00pm.** Please fill out a form (available on the desk in the entrance of both worship sites) and return it to the parish office or simply place it in a plain envelope and place it in the collection basket at Mass. You may also contact the parish office at 732-634-1403.
REST IN PEACE
Please remember in your prayers the souls of:

Entered Eternal Life

Veronica Austin—July 25, 2019
Maureen Dries—August 2, 2019
Rose DeNittis—August 4, 2019
Joseph Nespole—August 12, 2019
Joseph A. Russo—August 16, 2019
Alex Ziro, Jr.—August 20, 2019
Louise Wyckoff—August 22, 2019

ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARIES:
During the month of September, please remember those parishioners who died a year ago:

Anniversary of Death
John Stanley Szatkowski, Jr.—September 2nd
Anne DeLecce—September 22nd

MISSION MASS
The souls of: Requested by:....
Richard Fortes Samantha Russo
Maureen Dries Nancy Bunavage & family
Maureen Dries Linda Drakoulis & family
Pete Stec Bette Sullivan
Jean Marren Bill & Nancy Bunavage & family
Joseph Russo Pete, Virginia & Katie Reuben
Joseph Russo Karen Brenner
John Straile Margaret Russo
Graham Felix Hillier Judy Mulfane &
Elizabeth Aleszczyk

A Mass will be offered in private.

Purgatorial Mass Society
The souls of: Requested by:....
Kathleen Marie Mahon St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
Camille Cianci St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
Janet (Vargo) Witt Mr. & Mrs. John Lucas
Janet (Vargo) Witt Mr. & Mrs. George Lucas
Ella (Munich) Rypkema Merlino Bill Skinner
Janet (Vargo) Witt St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
Anthony Rose Timothy Piombino
Anthony Rose Mark Piombino
William Budd III St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
Judith Stanczewski Patricia & Matthew Goldish
Veronica Austin St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
Erika Sanyigo Aunt Angela & Frank Fowler & Justin
Maureen Dries St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
Rose DeNittis St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
Cory Holsten The Oberhuber-Fowler Family
Joseph Nespole St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
Obi Amuzie Skip & Pat Emory
Skip & Pat Emory
Joseph Russo St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
Joseph Russo Deacon Mickey & Colleen Coppola
Joseph Russo Jacqueline Bamber
Alex Ziro, Jr. Pete, Virginia & Katie Reuben
Joseph Russo

They have been enrolled into the St. Anthony’s Perpetual Mass Society. They will be remembered in a special Mass the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30AM at St. Anthony of Padua and remembered daily at the Altar in the Eucharistic Prayer.

GOD’S LITTLE HELPERS
St. Anthony’s Pre-school Program for 3, 4 and 5 year old children (potty trained, of course). We meet on Sunday mornings at 11:15AM. 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.

Mayor John E. McCormac
Woodbridge Township Municipal Council
Woodbridge Interfaith Clergy
“A Townsiwp Remembers”
9/11 Interfaith Memorial Service
Salute to the Woodbridge Township
First Responder Community
Woodbridge Township Police Department;
Fire Departments, First Aid Squads
Office of Emergency Management; and C.E.R.T. Team

Wednesday, September 11, 2019 6:00PM
9/11 Memorial Park
Woodbridge Township Municipal Building
1 Main Street, Woodbridge, NJ

REFLECTION 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Can you imagine if Jesus threw a party? From the wedding feast at Cana, we know he wouldn’t let the wine run out. From this Sunday’s Gospel, we know there would be quite a lively array of guests! We also knew who the most important people would be — everyone. Jesus advises throwing a party that turns everything upside down. Everyone should assume they’re the least important attendee, and the guest list shouldn’t include the neighborhood “who’s who.” Rather, we should go looking for “the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind” and hope they RSVP. Jesus describes a particular posture towards our own hospitality.

Parties are about the other people. “Do not recline at table in the place of honor.” How often can small talk become a one-upmanship of job promotions, home renovations, and our children’s achievements? We’ve all been to parties where being the most interesting guest is the highest achievement. Yet so often, we know the best party guests are the ones who listen well to our stories. Whether we are guests or hosts, we have the opportunity to look on others with humility and awe.

Parties are opportunities to serve. Jesus advises us to be careful who we invite “in case they might invite you back and you have repayment.” Does Jesus literally mean we shouldn’t invite our friends over? Of course not! But he does invite us to special consideration when we offer hospitality. When we invite people over to our home, what motivates us? Who do we want to spend time with? Who we’d like to impress? These ultimately have only ourselves in mind. How about asking: Who could use some extra care right now? Who could benefit from a fun evening out? In other words, who can I serve?
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
In Loving memory of Carmen Pagliuca
Happy Birthday in Heaven Champ!
req. by his loving family
In Loving Memory of my husband, John Szatkowski
req. by his loving wife, Linda

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

at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Worship Site

ALTAR
In Loving Memory of James M. Herczeg
req. by St. Anthony’s Religious Education


Let us join with Pope Francis I’s prayer intention for September: The Protection of the Oceans. That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world’s seas and oceans.

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

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2,000 Hail Marys

During these times of turmoil and uncertainty, Pope Francis urges us to pray more fervently and consistently to bring about God’s peace and social justice throughout the world. Since we believe that our Blessed Virgin Mary is our greatest intercessor and our Perpetual Help, we invoke her unfailing and powerful intercession during these uncertain times.

Please join us in praying 2,000 Hail Marys at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church EVERY FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH. Our next prayer session will be on Saturday, September 7th. Prayers will begin at 9:00AM after the 8:30AM Mass. Come, stay for a half-hour, a hour or more and you will be blessed. You may also send us your personal intentions or petitions or drop them in a box at the front of the altar and we will pray for them.

As a Parish Family we rejoice and celebrate the gifts of life and love that God has given to us all.
We offer to all those celebrating their birthdays this month our best wishes and prayers that God may continue to bless them abundantly in the years ahead.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like flowers for the altar for your special intention at St. Anthony of Padua Worship Site or Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Worship Site please call the Parish office.

In honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe flowers may be placed by the icon in the Church narthex each weekend in memory of a loved one or for your special intention. If interested please call the parish office at 732-634-1403 or email: info.stanthony1@gmail.com.

Year of Spiritual Renewal and Awakening of Faith
If you would like to host the icon in your home for private prayer and devotion, please pick up a flyer from the desk at the entrances of both worship sites and return the form to the parish office or email: info.stanthony1@gmail.com.

The icon can be picked up on Thursday and returned the following Tuesday during office hours.
ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
QUEEN FOR A DAY AUCTION!!!
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24th, 2019

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.

BASKETS....
Do you have any baskets just sitting around your house taking up much need space? Baskets of various sizes, esp. medium and large, are needed for our auction. Please consider donating them. We also need cellophane wrap for our beautiful baskets.

All donations are greatly appreciated and may be dropped off at our Parish Office ONLY or call to arrange a pickup 732-634-1403 or 732-429-4850.

COUNTING TEAMS
SUNDAY, September 1st
Team #3  N. Ackerman, C. Ellis, R. Kierstead
MONDAY, September 9th
Team #4  L. Casey, A. Fowler, P. Russo

MONDAY, September 2nd  12:00Noon
Team #1  Captain: R. Sorbanelli
Caller –  R. Simeone
Kitchen -  J. Ballance, D. Bortner, B. Walliser
FRIDAY, September 6th  7:30PM
Captain  C. Volk
Caller—  M. Moricz
Kitchen—- M. Herczeg, A. Czum
MONDAY, September 9th  12:00Noon
Team #2  Captain: R. Sorbanelli
Caller –  R. Simeone
Kitchen -  J. Ballance, D. Bortner, B. Walliser
FRIDAY, September 13th  7:30PM
Captain  C. Volk
Caller—  M. Moricz
Kitchen—- M. Gesso

BUS TRIP TO CAESARS
sponsored by
St. Anthony of Padua Holy Name Society

Sunday, September 15, 2019
$30.00
(Upone arrival receive $30.00 in casino “Slot” money)

Bus will depart at: 10:30AM
from the parking lot on the corner of Port Reading Ave. & Lee St., (by Action Pools & D’Orsi Bakery))

For information contact: Garry Sutphen at 732-841-4618

YAOUTH MINISTRY CORNER
The 2019-2020 Youth Ministry season will begin with a kick off meeting Sunday, September 15th at St James in Woodbridge. Youth Group is open to all kids in grades 6 through 12. Meetings take place on Sunday, they begin at 1:00pm and end at 2:30pm. We hope you will be able to make it!

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
PARISH OFFICE & STUDY HALL CLOSED
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2nd
in observance of
LABOR DAY
Liturgical Minister Schedule

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA WORSHIP SITE

ALTAR SERVERS
Saturday 09/07/19
4:00PM N. Alvarez, K. Tobar

Sunday 09/08/19
8:30AM Volunteer Welcome
11:15AM A. Dohanyos, M. Dohanyos

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 Alb's are available.

Eucharistic Ministers
Homebound Ministers 09/07/19—09/08/19
M. Russo

Saturday 09/07/19
4:00PM K. Brenner, C. Marney, G. Pronti, D. Scharff

Sunday 09/08/19
8:30AM S. Gadomski, D. & M. Martino, J. Pannullo
11:15AM B. Cuozzo, J. Kondrk, M. Lerro, B. McCauley

READERS
Saturday 09/07/19
4:00PM R. Simeone

Sunday 09/08/19
8:30AM S. Martino
11:15AM D. Stuart

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL WORSHIP SITE

ALTAR SERVERS
Sunday 09/08/19
9:45AM Volunteer Welcome

Eucharistic Ministers
Sunday 09/08/19
9:45AM A. & V. Rabago

READERS
Sunday 09/08/19
9:45AM E. Bonus

Are you going to Rutgers in New Brunswick?

The Catholic Student Association at The Catholic Center at Rutgers, located at 84 Somerset Street on the College avenue Campus, is looking forward to welcoming you to the New Brunswick/Piscataway campuses.

Please note the following information:

Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses
8:00AM St. Peter’s Church, 94 Somerset St.
11:00AM St. Peter’s Church
12:00PM Busch Student Center, Rm. 120ABC
6:00PM St. Peter’s Church, 94 Somerset St.
(St. Peter’s is in between the Catholic Center and Barnes & Noble)

Daily Mass
7:30AM St. Peter’s Church (Monday—Friday)
12:15PM The Catholic Center Chapel
(Located inside the Catholic Center) Monday—Thursday

Opening Activities

Monday, Sept. 2: Luau, 6:00 pm at The Catholic Ctr.
Wednesday, Sept. 4: CSA Night, 8:00pm,
The Catholic Center: Welcome to RU!

Friday, Sept. 6: BBQ, 5:00 pm at the Livingston Student Center
Come hungry!!

Check us out at the Involvement Fair on Sept. 2!

Visit us online at www.rutgerscatholic.org
www.stpeternewbrunswick.org

Also check us out on Facebook: Rutgers Catholic Student Association

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
STUDY HALL PROGRAM

YIKES! Only 3 DAYS UNTIL SCHOOL STARTS!!!

Do you have your before and after services setup?
Plan ahead and register now with no deposit or registration fees.

St Anthony Study Hall meets and exceeds your childcare needs for children in grades kindergarten to 8th grade. We accept Community Childcare Solutions and Childcare Aware of America subsidy payments. Please see the flyer inserted in today’s bulletin or see the parish website under childcare services for all forms and prices.

SCHOOL’S OPENING SOON...
TIME TO PACK THOSE LUNCH BOXES!!!

...THINK SHOP-RITE GIFT CARDS

Please consider helping St. Anthony’s the next time you shop. For each gift card purchased, our Parish receives 5% of the proceeds. Gift Cards are available in a variety of denominations and can be purchased in the Parish Office.
ST. THOMAS AQUINAS (formerly Bishop George Ahr)  
HIGH SCHOOL

50th Anniversary Celebration  
Saturday, September 28, 2019

Family Open House 10:00AM—2:00PM  
Cost is $5/person

Mass with Bishop Checchio  4:00PM  
Ticketed Event—No Cost

50th Anniversary Gala & Awards Ceremony  5:30PM  
Tickets are $100/person

For more information and to purchase tickets—please visit  
www.bgahs.org/50th

Only 300 tickets will be sold - please order by August 15th.

Any questions  - please email Anniversary Chairperson  
Mr. John Roche ('06) at jroche@bgahs.org

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St. Thomas Aquinas H.S. / Ahr  

STAR SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER for  

Elijah Patino  
Born with a rare autoimmune disease  
and  

Andrew Yrarus  
Born with a rare chromosome deletion

OCTOBER 3, 2019  4:30PM—7:00PM  
(serving begins at 4:30pm and continues until 6:30pm)  
STA/Bishop Ahr High School Cafeteria  
One Tingley Lane, Edison, NJ 08820  
Adults $10.00  
Students $7.00  
Children (under 12) $4.00

For tickets or info, please call 732-549-1108 x 648

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PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY & SICILY  
Hosted by: Father David Kosmoski  
St. Andrew the Apostle Church, Avenel

NOVEMBER 2nd – 13th, 2020  $3,479

Fee includes: air/land tour prices $1,999 plus gov’t taxes/  
airline surcharge from both gateways)

Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Padre Pio, San Giovanni Rotondo,  
including Sicily (Palermo, Agrigento, Siracusa, Mt. Etna.  
Taormina, Massina) and Rome with a papal audience.  Includes:  
superior hotels, most meals, professional guides and  
tour escort and daily Mass.

Call St. Andrew Church office au 732-634-4355 for full color  
brochure.

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ARE YOU,  
OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW,  
A SURVIVOR OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE  
BY A PRIEST OR DEACON  
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY?

If so, please contact the  
Independent Victim Compensation Program,  
Created to offer financial settlements to abuse survivors.

The IVCP will remain open  
through December 31, 2019

Apply directly online at:  
www.njdiocesesivcp.com

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Silver & Gold Wedding  
Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th 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.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2019 at 4:00PM

Registration is required. Please register online  
at: diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold. If you are unable to access, please contact your parish office or the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or on-line at  
amarshall@diometuchen.org.

Registration will close on October 11, 2019. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online or calling 732-562-1543.

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SAVE THE DATE

October 19, 2019  6:30pm
St. James School Alumni Celebration Dinner  
All are welcome & invited.

Please help us celebrate our wonderful school and especially the 50th anniversary of the class of 1969.

Tell your friends, family, & classmates.  $50 per ticket,  
BYOB, Buffet style dinner, Corporate Casual attire, tours of the school, and historical displays.

It will be a night you won't forget. Call Bob Golden 908-930-1017 or robertgolden@topproducer.com for questions, donations, or to purchase tickets.
In Our Neighborhood & Diocese

Mount Saint Mary House of Prayer
1651 US Highway 22, Watchung, NJ 07069

Registration is required: www.msmhope.org or 908-753-2091

PAINT AND PRAY:
REFLECTING ON YOUR STORY IN ART
In this workshop you will create a painting in a folk art style that tells the story of a favorite fall holiday moment with friends and family. No painting experience is necessary - class size is limited so that each person can work on their own "story".

Wed., Sept. 18, 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.
$100 fee includes $25 for supplies. Lunch included.

THE COMMUNITY HOUSE AT ST. THOMAS
"Community House" at St. Thomas, in Old Bridge, 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 www.communityhouse-sainthomas.org for information.

24 HOUR HOT LINE
Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities has a 24 hour prayer line for those who desire prayers 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, families, 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.

EnCOURAGE….EnCourage is a spiritual support group helping Catholic men and women live in accordance with the Catholic Church’s teaching about same-sex-attraction and discipleship. Courage members strive to develop lives of interior chastity in union with Christ, through participation in the Sacraments, prayer, fellowship and moral support. Courage meets within the Diocese with a priest chaplain. EnCourage is a separate spiritual support group for family members and friends of loved ones with same-sex-attraction. For information about locations and meeting times for each of these groups call: 732-562-2476 for Courage (email: couragecnj@gmail.com) and 732-248-9460 for EnCourage. Also visit the national website at Couragerc.org. All contacts are confidential.

Donate-A-Car to Catholic Charities
Diocese of Metuchen!

Funds from the sale of donated vehicles support our programs for the poor in need throughout our Diocese.

◊ Donations 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.

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Metuchen
CONNECTIONS PROGRAM

Is looking for volunteers, both men and women to participate in one-to-one activities and become mentors 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 jecullen@ccdom.org, for more information.

POVERTY RELIEF SERVICE

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. 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.

COUNSELING AND WELLNESS SERVICES

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Metuchen is offering Counseling and Wellness Services. If you or someone you know needs counseling or is impacted by addiction, we can help. Individual and family therapy for children and adults are available. For an appointment, call (800) 655-9491.

ST. PETER’S GIANNA CENTER

The Center is dedicated to offering truly prolife women’s health care, including infertility services, general gynecologic care, and more. All services are provided in accordance with the US Catholic Bishops Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services. For more information visit: http://www.saintpetershcs.com/GiannaCenter/ or contact us at 732-565-5490.