Happy Grandparents Day
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
Thursdays: 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

Liturgical 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 Grandparents Day. Today’s prayer reflects their day.

God, who is our model of an ever-loving and patient parent,
We give thanks for these men and women who stand in our community as models of grandparenting.

We implore your blessing on these grandmothers and grandfathers gathered here today.
We ask that you give them health and longevity so that they may impart their knowledge and love to their grandchildren.
Help them to be patient, loving, and kind.

We ask all this in the name of
The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

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
Offices is CLOSED on Fridays
Closed for lunch each day at 12:45PM—1:30PM!

www.saintanthonyypadua.org
We’re on FACEBOOK, come and check us out!

EMAIL:
Office: info.StAnthony1@gmail.com
Religious Education: religioused.StAnthony1@gmail.com
Bulletin: bulletin.stanthony@gmail.com
Food Pantry: foodpantrystanding@gmail.com
Study Hall: studyhalloffice@gmail.com or studyhalldirector@gmail.com
Youth Ministry: jaamyouthministry4@gmail.com
Mass Intentions

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

**Monday, September 9th**
7:30AM William H. Sullivan
req. by The Huber Family

**Tuesday, September 10th**
7:30AM Jim Reilly
req. by George T. Miller

**Wednesday, September 11th**
7:30AM 9/11 18th Anniversary

**Thursday, September 12th**
The Most Holy Name of Mary
7:00pm Leonora Trotto [46th Anniversary]
req. by her loving daughters, Maryann & Nora

**Friday, September 13th**
7:30AM Gerald McDevitt, Sr
req. by St. Anthony Adult Choir

**Saturday, September 14th**
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
4:00PM Joseph Cunningham [Birthday]
req. by his loving wife & family

**Sunday, September 15th**
24th Sunday In Ordinary Time
8:30AM Donald Hahn [16th Anniversary]
req. by his loving family
11:15AM Louis N. Masters
req. by his loving wife, Ro

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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.

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

**Saturday, September 14th**
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
8:30AM Zachary Sarroca [Living Intention: Birthday]
req. by his family

**Sunday, September 15th**
24th Sunday In Ordinary Time
9:45AM People of the Parish Family

**Responsorial Psalm in Hungarian for September 8, 2019 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Te lettél, Uram, menedékünk, nemzedékről nemzedékre.

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

All are Welcome.

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This Week’s Scripture Readings

**Sunday:**
Wisdom 9:13-18b
Psalms 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17
Philemon 9-10, 12-17
Luke 14:25-33

**Monday:**
Colossians 1:24–2:3
Psalms 62:6-7, 9
Luke 6:6-11

**Tuesday:**
Colossians 2:6–15
Psalms 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11
Luke 6:12-19

**Wednesday:**
Colossians 3:1–11
Psalms 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab
Luke 6:20-26

**Thursday:**
Colossians 3:12-17
Psalms 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6

**Friday:**
1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14
Psalms 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11

**Saturday:**
Numbers 34-35, 36-37, 38
Philippians 2:6-11
John 3:13-17

**Next Sunday:**
Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14
Psalms 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19
1 Timothy 1:12-17
Luke 15:1-32 or 15:1-10
Stewardship: God’s Plan for Giving

Due to our bulletin publisher’s Labor Day holiday schedule the contributions for September 1st will be published in next week’s bulletin.

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

September  Property & Liability Insurance
September 29  Utility Fund

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.saintanthonypadua.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: OLGapp.com to download the on-line giving app.

WHY WE DO ----WHAT WE DO---- AT MASS’
AN INVITATION

Do we really understand the meaning- or origin- of what we do at Mass? Don’t you want to know?

Join us at our very first TEACHING MASS during our regular Sunday Liturgy at St. Anthony of Padua Church on Sunday, Sept. 15th @ either Mass or Saturday, Sept. 21 @ 4pm Mass.

Through the use of a script, a narrator will:

* Explore the roots of each section of the liturgy
* Explain the meaning of the Sacrament that is central to who we are as Catholics
* Guide us through the gestures, prayers and music of the Mass

This experience will give you a deeper understanding of the Catholic Mass. It will lead you into an appreciation for the nearly 2000 years of tradition that undergirds the ONE, TRUE Church.

Don’t just settle for “going through the motions” ....BE MOVED!!!

Sponsored by the Word Committee, Pastoral Council

FAITH FORMATION

G.L.F.T. 2019—2020

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

EUCHARISTICADORATION

St. Anthony of Padua Church

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

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 our 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.

2:00pm – 6:45pm; 7:00pm Mass /Novena
3:30pm – 9:00pm

In the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus asked His disciples that question...

“Can you not stay awake with me for even one hour?”

Mayor John E. McCormac
Woodbridge Township Municipal Council
Woodbridge Interfaith Clergy

“A Township 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
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 Danielle (D’Orsi) & Brian Caynor req. by Richie & Adrienne
In Loving Memory of Joseph Cunningham 3rd Anniversary in Heaven req. by his loving wife and family

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


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 at info.stanthony1@gmail.com

The icon can be picked up on Thursday and returned the following Tuesday during office hours.

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.

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.

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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Starting Next Sunday!!

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!
Stop by on Sunday, September 15th and check us out!
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.

Save the Date
HOLY NAME SOCIETY’S PRE-HOLIDAY Bazaar & Flea Market

Saturday, October 5, 2019
8:00AM—2:00PM [Rain Date October 12th]

St. Anthony of Padua’s Father Milos Hall & Parking Lot

Vendors Wanted:
Contracts available in the Parish Office, on the table at the entrance narthex of Both worship sites and on our website:
www.stanthonyandpadua.org
**This Week at St. Anthony of Padua Worship Site**

**Monday, September 9th**  
Study Hall  6:30AM  Fr. Milos Hall  
Bingo  12:00PM  Fr. Milos Hall  
(doors open at 10:30AM)  
Columbiette Meeting  7:30PM  Fr. Milos Hall

**Tuesday, September 10th**  
Study Hall  6:30AM  Fr. Milos Hall  
AA  7:30PM  Fr. Milos Hall  

**Wednesday, September 11th**  
Study Hall  6:30AM  Fr. Milos Hall  

**Thursday, September 12th**  
Study Hall  6:30AM  Fr. Milos Hall  
Eucharistic Adoration  2:00PM  Chapel  
Chapel / Rosary  3:00PM  Chapel  
Prayer Time/Fr. Smith  3:00PM  Chapel  
Confession  6:30PM  Church  
Pastoral/Finance Councils  7:00PM  Fr. Milos Hall  
AA  8:00PM  Fr. Milos Hall

**Friday, September 13th**  
Study Hall  6:30AM  Fr. Milos Hall  
Bingo  7:30PM  Fr. Milos Hall  
(doors open at 6:00PM)

**Saturday, September 14th**  
Confessions  3:15PM  Church

**Sunday, September 15th**  
Teaching Mass  8:30AM  Church  
Teaching Mass  11:15AM  Church  
God’s Little Helpers  11:15AM  Fr. Milos Hall  
Youth Ministry Meeting  1:00PM  St. James  
Holy Name Atlantic City Trip 10:30AM

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

**Friday, September 13th**  
Holy Family Prayer Group  8:00PM  Church

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**BUS TRIP TO CAESARS**  
sponsored by  
*St. Anthony of Padua Holy Name Society*  
**Sunday, September 15, 2019**  
$30.00  
(Upon 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

**LOST & FOUND**—There is a box on the shelf in the hallway by the restrooms with items that have been forgotten here at St. Anthony’s. They will be held for 30 days, after which they will be donated to a local charity. Jewelry, cell phones, etc. are kept in the parish office.

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**COUNTING TEAMS**

**MONDAY, September 9th**  
Team #4  L. Casey, A. Fowler, P. Russo

**SUNDAY, September 15th**  
Team #5  L. Palasits, R. Sorbanelli

**MONDAY, September 9th**  
Team #2  Captain: R. Sorbanelli  
Caller—  R. Simeone  
Kitchen—  J. Ballance, D. Bortner, B. Walliser

**FRIDAY, September 13th**  
Captain  C. Volk  
Caller—  M. Moricz  
Kitchen—  M. Gesso

**MONDAY, September 16th**  
Team #3  Captain: R. Simeone  
Caller—  M. Oddo  
Kitchen—  J. Ballance, D. Bortner, B. Walliser

**FRIDAY, September 20th**  
Captain  C. Volk  
Caller—  M. Moricz  
Kitchen—  A. Rabago

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**ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA QUEEN FOR A DAY AUCTION!!!**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24th, 2019**

Tickets go on sale OCTOBER 1st  
$12.00 in Advance  $15.00 at the Door

**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? Basket 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.

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**YOUTH 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!
**Liturgical Minister Schedule**

**ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA WORSHIP SITE**

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

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**ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA STUDY HALL PROGRAM**

*Where can I be safe, have a snack, get help with my homework and have some fun with friends?*

Do you need before and after services for your child?

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.

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**Boscov’s**

*ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH will participate in this event!*

For a $5 donation receive a 25% Off Shopping Pass, and 100% of all profits will benefit ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA!

Please call 732-634-1403 or stop by the Parish office for tickets or more information.

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**SCHOOL’S OPEN...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 Checcio  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

St. Thomas Aquinas H.S. / Ahr

STAR SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER for
Elijah Patino
Born with a rare autoimmune disease
and
Andrew Yarus
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

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

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

WELCOMING THE STRANGER: NEXT STEPS

Joseph Cardinal Tobin’s presentation in April set the tone of how Christ invites all of us who are his disciples to open our hearts to those in need of refuge. This program will be an evening dedicate to discovering concrete ways of responding to the needs of our recent immigrants. A panel of four organizational leaders will describe how they are helping and how you can assist them in their efforts during this humanitari- an crisis

Wednesday, September 25th   7:00-9:00PM    $20-$30 As You Are Able

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

Newark    Camden    Metuchen    Paterson    Trenton

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.

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.
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.

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, family members and caregivers. 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 Couragec.org. All contacts are confidential.

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

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.cedom.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.