The Parish Family of St. Anthony of Padua

Parish Office: 436 Port Reading Ave., Port Reading, NJ 07064
Phone: 732-634-1403 • Fax: 732-602-0119 • www.saintanthonypadua.org

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
PETER BARCELLONA, DEACON

St. Anthony of Padua Worship Site
436 Port Reading Ave., Port Reading, NJ

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
280 Amboy Ave. (Rt.35), Woodbridge, NJ

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

18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 31, 2016
This Week’s Scripture Readings

Sunday:
- Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23
- Psalms 90:3-6, 12-14, 17
- Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Monday:
- Jeremiah 28:1-17
- Psalms 119:29, 43, 79-80, 95, 102
- Matthew 14:13-21

Tuesday:
- Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22
- Psalms 102:16-21, 29, 22-23
- Matthew 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday:
- Jeremiah 31:1-7
- Jeremiah 31:10-13
- Matthew 15:21-28

Thursday:
- Jeremiah 31:31-34
- Psalms 51:12-15, 18-19
- Matthew 16:13-23

Friday:
- Nahum 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7
- Deuteronomy 32:35-36, 39, 41
- Matthew 16:24-28

Saturday:
- Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
- Psalms 97:1-2, 5-6, 9
- 2 Peter 1:16-19

Next Sunday:
- Wisdom 18:6-9
- Psalms 33:1, 12, 18-22
- Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Mass Intentions

at St. Anthony of Padua Worship Site

Tuesday, August 2nd
7:30 AM  Imre Herczeg Jr.
- req. by Susan & Lester Balog

Wednesday, August 3rd
7:30 AM  Purgatorial Mass Society

Thursday, August 4th
7:00 PM  Phyllis Vulikich
- req. by Rose, Joe & Joy Walter

Saturday, August 6th
4:00 PM  Madeline Coppola
- req. by Rae & Sergio Germinario

Sunday, August 7th
8:00 AM  Lillian Susko
- req. by Barbara & Lester Mehes
9:30 AM  Claudia Rubino
- req. by Bob & Diane Aversa
11:30 AM  John & Elizabeth Bodak
- req. by their daughter, Ethel Osag & family

at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Worship Site

Monday, August 1st
8:00 AM  Katalin Herczeg
- req. by Joseph & Magda Mikos

Friday, August 5th
Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
8:00 AM  Deceased Members of the Altar Rosary Society
- req. by Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Rosary Society

Saturday, August 6th
The Transfiguration of the Lord
8:00 AM  Patricia Acquisto
- req. by Maria Herczeg & family
5:30 PM  People of the Parish Family

Sunday, August 7th
19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:30 AM  Stephen & Julia Szlinski
- req. by Janet Vargo

Responsorial Psalm in Hungarian for
July 31, 2016  18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Uram, menedékünk lettél nemzedékröl
nemzedékre.

Lord Jesus Christ,
Take all my freedom,
my memory, my understanding, and my will.
All that I have and cherish you gave me.
I surrender it all to be guided by your will.
Your grace and your love are wealth enough for me.
Give me these, Lord Jesus, and I ask for nothing more.

Amen

If you have requested a Mass to be celebrated you have the right to present the bread and wine that will become the Body and Blood of Christ during that particular celebration of Mass. If you would like to fulfill this responsibility, please inform one of the Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers) before Mass. If you don’t inform the Ministers of Hospitality, they will ask another person to fulfill that responsibility. Thank you for helping the Ministers of Hospitality in this matter.
REFLECTION 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." This isn't a message that gets much advertising. On the contrary, just about every advertised message we hear comes from someone who wants to make money by selling us possessions. The message we hear loud and clear on television or Internet ads or on highway billboards or the back cover of magazines is that we need this product or that service in order to be happy. Professional marketers are in the business of creating a supposed need and then promising to fill it with their product. In today's culture, it's hard to remember that life isn't about possessions.

But in this Gospel, Jesus reminds us that there is more to life than having "so many good things stored up for many years." All of this stuff—be it clothes, devices, equipment, decorations, entertainment centers, or anything else—does no lasting good if and when "this night your life will be demanded of you." Unlike the fool who spends all of his time, energy, and money building larger barns, we should focus our resources on becoming "rich in what matters to God."

This means cultivating virtue instead of vice. It means sharing our money with those in need instead of hoarding it out of selfish greed. The call is a challenging one, and countercultural too. But Jesus never said that the Christian way was the way of the world. As St. Paul instructs us in today's epistle, "Put to death, then, the parts of you that are worldly." Instead of falling for the marketers' messages, may we have the wisdom to store up our treasure in heaven.

BIBLE STUDY SESSIONS with Fr. Bill Halbing
Sponsored by the Holy Family Prayer Community

◊ CONTINUES MONDAY EVENINGS IN AUGUST!
Where: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School (next to the church) 280 Amboy Ave. (Rt.35N), Woodbridge. (Enter at the back on East Smith Street.)
When: Monday Evenings  7:00—8:30pm
Enjoy and have fun while mining the depth and richness of the bible!!! ALL ARE WELCOME!

FOOD DRIVE MINISTRY
Our monthly food drive will be held August 6th & 7th. Please be as generous as your means will allow. Your donation of food items is greatly appreciated and will enable us to provide for those in need. Just a reminder... Please do not send in any perishable items.

The ministry members working are asked to be in the Father Milos Hall at 10:00 am on Sunday morning.

The members working this month are:

R. McNamara
Delivery: P. Barcellona (Tuesday, August 9th)

G.I.F.T.
Growing In Faith Together

REGISTRATION FOR 2016—2017 HAS BEGUN!
Registration forms have been mailed to the families that participated last year. Copies are available in the parish office and on the desk at the entrance of both worship sites for new families wishing to register. Selection of the session you wish to attend is done on a First Come-First Honored basis so get your registration in early. Registrations are due Thursday, August 4th, 2016.

ATTENTION students entering our Confirmation Level 2 program this September. Enjoy your summer break and avoid the stress of "last minute" work. Complete and submit your summer projects as soon as possible then you can really enjoy your Summer Vacation!

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, August 6th. Prayers will begin at 9:00am after the 8:00am 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.

SAVE THE DATE!
COMING SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 8, 2016
St. Anthony of Padua Holy Name Society’s Annual Flea Market

While planning your vacation, remember it’s easy to locate a Catholic Church for Mass while you’re away.
Just log on to www.catholicmasstime.org; www.thecatholicdirectory.com; catholic-mass-times.com
You’ll be able to locate the Church closest to where you’ll be throughout the United States.
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
Happy 54th Birthday in Heaven Roberta (Nobes) Finch
req. by her loving parents, Bob & Gerry Nobes and
godparents, Richie & Adrienne Simeone
In Loving Memory on Your First Anniversary in Heaven
For My Loving Husband, Richie
req. by wife, Mary Coleman
In Loving Memory of James DeFilippo
req. by Diane & Bob Aversa

GOOD SHEPHERD
In Loving Memory of Gordon, Ann, John Patrick Ur & Owen
req. by their family
In Loving Memory of Zenon Szatkowski
req. by Richard & Carmella Pogarzelski

Every month Pope Francis I, has two special intentions.
The first intention is a General Intention. The General
Intention has to do with some aspect of the Gospel of Jesus
Christ.
The second intention is a Mission Intention. The Mission
Intention has to do with some aspect of the missionary activity
of the Church throughout the world which spreads the Good News
of Jesus Christ throughout the world.

Let us join with Pope Francis I
in his prayers for August, 2016...

Universal Intention: That sports may be an opportunity
for friendly encounters between peoples and may
contribute to peace in the world.

Intention for Evangelization: That Christians may live the
Gospel, giving witness to faith, honestly, and love
of neighbor.

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Aug. 1 Rev. J. Michael Venditti
Msgr. Gregory Malovetz
Aug. 2 Rev. Ignatius Okorogi SVD
Rev. Imre Juhasz
Aug. 3 Rev. Robert Lyman
Rev. Peter Akkanath Chakkuny CMI
Aug. 4 All Priests
Aug. 5 Very Rev. Patrick Kuffner
Rev. Mathew Joseph SDV
Aug. 6 Rev. James De Filippo
Rev. Louis Mattina
Aug. 7 Bishop James Checchio
Bishop Emeritus Paul Bootkoski

DIOCESE OF METUCHEN
OFFICE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The Office for Persons with Disabilities, Diocese of
Metuchen, has a number of donated disability aids on hand
which they would be happy to make available to anyone in
the parish who might have need of them. They include
wheelchairs, crutches, walkers, canes, and porta-potties,
plus other items. A complete list of available items has
been provided to the parish office. If you have any
questions, or wish to contact their office directly, please
feel free to contact them at 732-765-6432 or e-mail them at:
catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com. To request prayers
for yourself or others, please call their 24-hour prayer line
at: 732-765-6431.

Within the next few weeks we’ll be updating our Prayer List.
Please contact Jackie at the parish office if you or a loved
one needs to remain on or be placed on our list for prayers.
Please call the parish office at 732-634-1403 or contact her
via email at bulletin_StAnthony@verizon.net, subject:
Prayer List.
REST IN PEACE
Please remember in your prayers the souls of:

Entered Eternal Life
Caroline DeSantis-Prencipe—July 1, 2016
Harold “Harry” Kindlick—July 8, 2016

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

Anniversary of Death
Rose Volpone—August 7th
Joseph Riccardi—August 12th
Patricia Obolsky—August 20th
Alexander Lucieicz—August 26th

MISSION MASS
The souls of:
Aida Coppola
Joan Oxner
Zenen Szatkowski
Zenen Szatkowski
Caroline Prencipe
Caroline Prencipe
Joseph Mazzeo
Harold J. Kindlick
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Caroline Prencipe

Requested by:....
Ed & Vella Lagomarsino
Dorthea Landolfi
Richard & Carmela Pogorzelski
Michael Carnevale & family
Mr. & Mrs. Vincent R. Martino
Lorraine & Joseph DeMarino
Lorraine & Joseph DeMarino
Claudia Trotto
Vincent & Rose Martino
Alfred & Pat Russo
Frank & Grace Dispoto
Frank & Grace Dispoto
Genevieve Antonelli & Lorie Nyers

A Mass will be offered in private.

PURGATORIAL MASS SOCIETY
The souls of:
Edward Baldyga
Arumai Paul
Shirley Farias
Aida Coppola
Raymond Penna
William Elfride Mahon
Thomas John Cribbin, Sr.
Robin Richards
Joan Oxner
George Mirkovich
Aida Coppola
Caroline Prencipe
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Michael Larkin
Harold J. Kindlick
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Theresa Anyanwu

Requested by:....
St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
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Fr. William J. Smith, KCHS
St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
JAMES MAHON
Colleen & Mickey Coppola
Aunt Debbie Stuart & Chrisissie
Aunt Diane & Uncle John
The Pannullo Family
Deacon Mike & Roni Brucato
Robert & Alberta Molnar
St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
Jean & Charlie Cheddar
Christina & David Berk
St. Anthony of Padua Parish Family
Mr. & Mrs. Carl Ellis
Mr. & Mrs. James Covino
Mr. & Mrs. Roy Covino
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They have been enrolled into the St. Anthony’s Perpetual Mass Society. They will be remembered in a special Mass during the first week of the month alternating between our two worship sites. (Odd months on the First Saturday at 8:00AM at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel; even months on the First Wednesday at 7:30AM at St. Anthony of Padua and remembered daily at the Altar in the Eucharistic Prayer.

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.

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL PARISHIONERS
If you know of any parishioners of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Worship Site that are sick, homebound, in a Nursing Home or hospitalized, please contact Kathy “Tootsie” Simeone at 732-634-9285.

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS!
Please join us for a free Pasta Dinner at The Deacons’ Table!

We will be serving on Wednesdays between the hours of 4:00PM & 5:30PM.
We’re located at the Most Holy Rosary Worship Site of the Good Shepherd Parish, Msgr. Gambino Auditorium, 625 Florida Grove Rd., Hopelawn.

Please join us and bring your family and friends!

Donations will be graciously accepted and can be made payable to: Deacons’ Table—DOM Diocese of Metuchen, PO Box 191, Metuchen, NJ 08840

HOLY FAMILY PRAYER GROUP OF OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL
The Holy Family Prayer Group invites you to join them in a Prayer meeting each Friday at 8:00PM in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School. Each First Friday they welcome you to join them in the celebration of Mass at 8:00PM. (Rosary recited 7:30PM.) ALL ARE WELCOME!

SAVE THE DATE
DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL SHRINE
On Saturday, November 19, 2016 Bishop Checchio will lead a pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., concluding the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy and celebrating the Thirty-Fifth Anniversary of the creation of the Diocese by St. John Paul II. More details about the pilgrimage, including how to register, will appear in the bulletin in coming weeks.
BINGO VOLUNTEERS DESPERATELY NEEDED

As you may be aware Bingo is one of the major fund-raisers for our parish. We are currently in desperate need of Volunteers for our Monday Bingo especially as Callers and Kitchen Help.

If you can volunteer in any way please call Bette or Holly at the parish at the office 732-634-1403. As always all help is greatly appreciated.
**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.

### EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

**Homebound Ministers** 08/06/16—08/07/16

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### SOCKS OF LOVE

*Whatever you do to the least of my brothers that you do unto me also.* Matthew 25:40

In conjunction with our 2016 Vacation Bible School, the children learned that we are called to “Live out the Works of Mercy” by helping others. We collected white tube socks (men’s, women’s and children’s). The socks will be packed with love by our students in our SummerWorks of Faith program (August 8th—12th) and given to shelters, nursing homes and to help others in need. If you can assist us by donating mini-toiletries (shampoo, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, mini-tissue packs, deodorant, razors, etc.) to assist us with this project, it will be greatly appreciated. All items can be placed in our “Socks of Love” containers in the narthex/vestibule. Please return your items by August 7th. Thank you.

**OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL WORSHIP SITE**

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### ST. ANTHONY’S SUMMER BREAK PROGRAM

**NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

Can you help us out?

We need **GALLON SIZE PLASTIC MILK JUGS**. They can be placed in the container in the narthex or dropped off in the narthex or parish office. Thank you for your help.

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**ST. ANTHONY’S SUMMER BREAK AUCTION!! SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13th**

**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, esp. medium and large, are needed for our auction. Please consider donating them.

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

**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.

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CIVIL WAR LIVING HISTORY WEEKEND
SATURDAY, AUGUST 6th 10:00AM—4:00PM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 7th 10:00AM—3:00PM
Parker Press Park
Rahway Ave., Rte. 514, Woodbridge
Rain or Shine
**Special Saturday Evening
Candle-Light Tour of the Soldiers’ Camp & Civilian Areas
8:30PM—10:00PM for Candlelight Visitations.

Free Parking  Free Admission

MOUNT ST. MARY HOUSE OF PRAYER
1651 U.S. Highway 22, Watchung, NJ 07069-6587
(908) 753-2091 * msmhope@msmhope.org
Registration required: call or email

GIVE MY REGARDS TO BROADWAY
The experience of going to the theater doesn't have to end when the curtain goes down. Spend an evening listening to and reflecting on songs from Broadway musicals that touch on our human experience and draw us deeper into the heart of God.
Wednesday, August 10, 7:00pm—9:00pm
Cost: $20-$30 As You Are Able

BUS TRIP—GOLDEN NUGGET CASINO
Atlantic City
TUESDAY, AUGUST 16
Cost: $30
Receive: $25.00 in play and $5.00 food voucher
DEPARTS: GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH
MOST HOLY ROSARY WORSHIP SITE,
625 Florida Grove Rd., Hopelawn
TIME: 10:00AM  RETURN: approx. 7:00PM
CONTACT: Ronnie 732-442-5252

Blue Army Shrine
676 Mt. View Rd., Washington, NJ

Saturday, August 6th “You at Least Try to Console Me.”
World Apostolate of Fatima, Blue Army Shrine, invites all to Honor Our Lady's plea of Dec. 10, 1925 requesting Five Consecutive First Saturdays of Reparation. Special guest Speaker/Celebrant Fr. Peter Ssekajugo, I.M.C. Confessions 10:30am; 11:30am Rosary w/15 minute meditation; 12:00 Holy Mass; 1:30pm Benediction; 2:00pm Holy House: Confessions, Children's Video, Talk on Last Vision of Fatima; 3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet. Bring your family and friends to answer the call of the Child Jesus: "And have you spread through the world what our heavenly Mother requested of you?” www.bluearmy.com 908-689-1700 Ext 210.

Township of Ocean
40th Annual ITALIAN FESTIVAL
Hosted by the Italian American Association of the Township of Ocean
Wednesday, August 10th—Sunday, August 14th
5:00pm—11:00pm daily
Rides, games, great food, Friday night fireworks, a giant 50/50 (tickets at $5.00 each) will be drawn Sunday evening at 10:00pm. Admission is FREE.
Joe Palaia Park
Deal & Whalepond Roads, Ocean Township, NJ

You can Save Your Marriage!
Retrouvaille—a lifeline for troubled marriages.
Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring—your relationship grown cold, distant—thinking about a separation or divorce? Are you already separated/divorced but (both of you) wish to try again—then Retrouvaille program may help you. RETROUVAILLE (Rediscovery) sponsored by the Family Life Office/Diocese of Metuchen consists of a weekend experience for couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions.

The next program initiates the weekend of September 16th-18th, 2016. All inquiries are confidential.

For further information please call:

St. James School 27th Annual
Rain Date: Saturday, September 24th

ST. JAMES SCHOOL STREET FAIR
Saturday, September 17th

Vendors Wanted:
Interested Vendors please call 732-634-0500 Ext 105 or email: StJamesSF@gmail.com.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 471
PIG ROAST
COME AND ENJOY!
SATURDAY, AUGUST 27th, 2016  6:30PM
25 Brown Avenue, Iselin
Tickets are $30 in advance
(NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR)
Tricky Tray and 50/50—Entire proceeds go to the American Legion to fund its various Veterans’ Projects.
For more information call: Bill Kress 908-217-1928
SAVE THE DATE

2016 Champions for Catholic Charities Dinner
Thursday, November 10, 2016
The Palace at Somerset Park
Special Honorees
The Honorable James M. Cahill
Mayor of the City of New Brunswick
&
Sister M. Michaelita Popovice, RSM
Program Director, Warren Basic Material Needs
Catholic Charities Social Service Center, Phillipsburg

Please join us as we honor these two individuals for their exemplary work and servant leadership in the communities they serve. Your participation will help support the vital programs of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen.

For reservations and information call: 732-562-2438 or Email: champions@diometuchen.org

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 or Spanish copy can also be downloaded from the NJCC website:

http://www.njcathcomf.com/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.nebcenter.org by clicking on “publications.”

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.

A MESSAGE FROM THE DIOCESE

The Diocese is preparing to implement a new program at the Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities by hosting a group of young men and women from the local community with special needs.

The plan is to have the program take place weekly at the Diocesan Center (Monday’s from 9:30am—11:30am), under the supervision of employees from the Developmental Center.

We are seeking volunteers willing to oversee the weekly sessions and represent our Ministry to Persons with Disabilities. Assuming we get a generous number of volunteers, this may mean helping once a month or once every 4-6 weeks. Our first project is a craft project that entails preparing prayer boxes that will be used to store people’s prayer intentions and requests. Future projects may involve folding letters, placing labels on envelopes, etc.

We hope to begin as soon as we secure enough volunteers to meet our scheduling needs. If you are willing to offer your services by assisting with this project, please contact the Office for Persons with Disabilities as soon as possible by email at catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com or by phone at 732-765-6432.

Foster a Child! Become a Treatment Home Parent with Catholic Charities Diocese Of Metuchen

Treatment Parents are volunteers who provide consistent, flexible, and loving parenting to school age children in foster care who have histories of abuse and/or neglect. They work with Catholic Charities staff to become licensed by the State and receive ongoing training in areas such as behavior management, suicidal ideation, and drug/alcohol abuse. Treatment Parents are members of a professional team who work closely with their Catholic Charities Clinician to learn new behavior management techniques and therapeutic parenting skills. They provide a safe treatment home environment where they foster children by helping them heal from their past trauma. To become a Treatment Parent, applicants complete a screening process that includes fingerprinting, local police checks, interviews, home visits and reference checks. The TFH Program also arranges for pre-service education (PRIDE training) and ongoing training of all parents in the program.

If you are interested in becoming a Treatment parent and fostering a child, call 1-866-247-HOME if you are interested in fostering a child through this specialized program. Thank you!