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Office Hours
Monday - Friday,
9:30 am to 3:00 pm



Rev. Grzegorz Podsiadlo
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Music Director

MASSSES:

Saturday Evening: 5:00 pm

Sundays: 7:30 am, 10:00 am (*Eng*)
11:30 am (*Pol*)

Holydays: 7:00 am & 6:30 pm,
8:00 pm (*Polish*)

Weekdays (including Sat.): 8:30 am
Rosary Mon.-Sat 8:00 am

CONFESSION: Saturday,
4:00 - 4:50 pm (*before the 5:00 pm
Mass*) and before the 8:30 am Mass
(*by appointment only*).

BAPTISMS: Class and
arrangements must be made by
contacting the Rectory. If you are
a newly registered family you are
required to be attending Mass for
at least three months and using
offering envelopes.

MARRIAGES: Requirements...
Marriage preparation classes and
Confirmation (*if you are Catholic*).
Arrangements are to be made at
least six months in advance. At
least three meetings with the priest
are required.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Classes are held for Parish registered
members only on Sunday mornings
from mid September to May. Children
seeking their Sacraments must attend
all 8 years of a Religious Education
Program. Call 908-637-4269.

O.C.I.A. (ODER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS):

Interested in becoming Catholic?
Interest in making the Sacraments of
Confirmation? Eucharist? 908-637-
4269.

VISITATION OF THE SICK:

Every first Friday of the month, at
home or in the hospital, please call
the church office, 908-637-4269.

OUTREACH PROGRAM: If you
are in need please call the Parish
Office at 908-637-4269. All calls kept
confidential.

POLISH ROSARY SOCIETY:

Meets every first Friday of each month
at 7:00 pm. New members are always
welcome!

YOUTH GROUP:

Calling all 8th through 12th graders.
Join our youth group, bring your
friends. Call Brian at 908-246-2843 for
more information.

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stpeterandpaul@comcast.net

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www.walkingpilgrimage.us

Welcome to Ss. Peter & Paul Church:

Our warmest welcome to all who
celebrate the Holy Mass with us. We
thank God you are here.

Name: _____

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New Parishioner/Family

Change of Address or Phone

Moving, please remove

PARISH REGISTRATION

Every family should be properly registered. New parishioners should register at the Parish Office. Children 18 and over should be registered as adults. Envelopes are the only means we have to verify parishioners attendance at Mass. Please use your envelope regardless of the amount you are able to include. Without verification of Mass attendance we cannot issue sponsor certification for Baptism, Confirmation, or any character references, etc. Please notify the Parish Office of any address change as soon as possible.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 17/18, 2026

SAT – Jan 17 (St. Anthony)

5:00p +Czeslawa Pilch req Adella Kowalski

SUN – Jan 18 (Baptism of the Lord)

7:30a +Juan Colinas req Marilyn Gorski

10a +Thomas Penner req Norm & Pat Willis

11:30a Pol: +Anna Buczek od rodziny

MON – Jan 19 (Martin Luther King, Jr.)

8:30a +-All names on the Christmas Rem Envs

TUES – Jan 20 (Ss. Fabian & Sebastian)

8:30a -Return to good health of Maria Teixeira req

Morning Prayer Group

WED – Jan 21 (St. Agnes)

8:30a +Meg McGrath req Walt & Trish Horzepa

THUR – Jan 22 (Day of Prayer for the Unborn)

8:30a +Mary Mezger req brother Arthur Grabowski

6:30p Rosary for the Unborn

7:00p MASS -For the protection of all unborn

FRI – Jan 23 (Ss. Vincent & Marianne Cope)

8:30a +-All names on the Christmas Rem Envs

SAT – Jan 24 (St. Francis de Sales)

8:30a +Frank Kowalski req Jenn & Chris Mulhall

5:00p +Genevieve Godlewsky req LuAnn Wojcik

SUN – Jan 25 (Word of God Sunday)

7:30a +Jan Lubas req his wife and sons

10a +-All names on the Christmas Rem Envs

11:30a Pol: +Marianna Zych od Czesia & Jan Hader

Altar Flowers – donated by our parishioners

Bread & Wine – is donated this week in memory of Mario Teixeira req his wife and family

Sanctuary Lamp – is lit this week in memory of Margaret Szewczyk req her family

Divine Mercy Candle – is lit this week in memory of Marian Gzella req his family

Family Christmas Candles sponsored by - Talajczyk/Saulewicz, Szmigielski, Buga, Gzella, Turek/Smith, Hader, McKenna, Silva, Dudzinski, Hancock/delaRama/Chretien, Surowiecki, Crawford, Gaynor, Wyss, Yturbe, Lubecki, Szmigiel, Baldwin, Koonz, Horzepa, Crawford, O'Neill, Gunther, Maza, Schleckmann, Bober, Peres/Muniz, Penner, Granata, Galletto, Fortin, Gac, Baran, Doktor/Promowicz, Szczeblewski, Lukijaniuk, Wojtuszewski, Szewc, Sanders, Knysak, Milewski, Gilliland/Mierzwa, Jacek, Zubel/Buczek, Szewczyk, Leavy, Tyma, Balint, Cuiffo/Vincenti/Tully, Francis families

Rosary & Mass for the Unborn

The March for Life in Washington DC is January 23rd. For those who cannot attend, we will be having a mass on Thursday, January 22nd starting with the rosary at 6:30pm and Mass at 7pm. Nearly 1million babies are lost each year by abortion. Please join us to pray as a community lifting our voices to stand up for those who can not.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Please help yourselves to one box of offering envelopes per family for next year, 2026. Remember, if you wish us to keep track of your donations for tax purposes, please put your name and amount on each envelope. The free address labels are an easy and fast way to address your envelope. This also helps in receiving sponsor certificates.



TAX LETTERS-NOW AVAILABLE

Please call or email the church office if you need a tax letter, stpeterandpaul@comcast.net or 908-637-4269.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION COLLECTION

This collection will be taken up next weekend at all Masses. All monies will go to the Financial Aid program of our Diocese. This helps students financially who attend diocesan and parochial elementary and high schools in the Diocese of Metuchen.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS – Jan 2026

Thank you for your continued generosity & support.

1st week - \$3664 2nd week - \$3345

3rd week - \$ 4th week - \$

Diocesan Youth Day

Will be held on Saturday, January 31st, at St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Edison. This is a great opportunity for the youths in grades 8-12 to experience a retreat day filled with the Sacraments, Holy Mass, community, music, and fun. The sign-up link for this event is:

<https://fundraise.givesmart.com/form/Br1Q0Q?vid=1ni9zd>. Questions email - Jdonofrio@diometuchen.org.

FOOD CARD PROGRAM

It really helps!!! Please remember to purchase your food cards for Shop Rite as you leave Mass today. For every \$1,000 in food cards we sell the church receives back \$50.



You use them as you would a debit card in that the balance decreases as you use them. The remaining balance on your card will show up at the bottom of your shopping receipt. Thanks for all your support and thank you to our volunteers who stay to help sell them.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2026-2027 TUITION ASSISTANCE

ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS OPEN

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Financial Aid Management at <https://online.factsmgmt.com/aid>. Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) no later than **March 31**. A **signed Parish Verification Form is also required by the Diocese, and should be signed by your Pastor, and submitted to the school or schools your children attend.** Eligibility requirements, instructions and forms can be found at <https://diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance>.

Applications are available in English and Spanish. Families that need assistance completing the online application or need access to a computer to apply should contact their school.

PRAYER FOR A NEW BISHOP

O Lord, Shepherd of Shepherds, we turn to you seeking your grace, that we in the Diocese of Metuchen may be given a bishop who is a shepherd after your heart and will guide us, your flock, to be a faithful flock and fruitful field in union with you now and for eternity. Amen.

CONSOLATA MISSIONARIES

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GENTLE REMINDER...

Think of our beautiful church building as your home. Just as you always want your home to be ready to welcome guests and visitors, please be conscious of picking up after you and your family at the end of Mass; readying the church for others. Please replace all misselettes and song

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- Airfare from Newark and Domestic flight in Uzbekistan
- Entrance fees (museums and sites)
- English speaking permanent guide
- Transportations by air-conditioned, private vehicle during the tour with driver.

Contact--St. Andrew Church, 244 Avenel Street, Avenel, NJ 07001. FULL ITINERARY AND RESERVATION FORM: www.standrewparish.com email: standrewparish.com, 732 634-4355

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to enrich your marriage, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held February 13 – 15. Please apply ASAP as space is limited. Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco). Visit us at: www.wwme.org for more information.

“Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb...” Isaiah 49:5

God has given each of us different gifts. In order for God’s plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do, and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don’t let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and become the saint that God is calling you to be.

PRAY FOR:

Living: Brian Young, John Wyss, Terry Medino, Irena Mika, Gerardo Patane, Isabel Pereiras

Deceased: William Hmirak, Annette Munley, Joan Critchley, Tom Ward, Agnes Martinez, Genevieve Godlewsky

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“John testified further saying, ‘I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him. I did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, ‘On whomever, you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God.’”

As happened last week, we are still at the Jordan, observing the sign of the presence of the Spirit. Isn't it a powerful moment, when John the Evangelist in His first chapter quotes the Baptist saying, ‘He is the Son of God?’ The Baptist said he did not know Him. This is what we believe! How well do we know Jesus, not just about Jesus. Do I know Him as well as He knows me? Open the bible, read the word, join a discussion group. Jesus and His Spirit will join you.

HIS WORD TODAY

BY REV. WILLIAM J. REILLY

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON
THE SUNDAY READINGS



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