

SAINTS PETER & PAUL CHURCH

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



Rev. Grzegorz Podsiadlo
Administrator

Eileen Wyss
Parish Secretary

Diane Francis
Religious Ed. Director

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.

R.C.I.A.: Anyone interested in adult
religious education or becoming
Catholic. Call Marilyn Gorski at
908-459-4483.

VISITATION OF THE SICK:

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

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH NIGHT PRAYER:

In Polish from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

BLUE ARMY PRAYER GROUP:

Every Monday from 5:00 pm in the
Chapel. New members are always
welcome!

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

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY: New
members are always welcome! We meet
every third Wednesday of the month at
7:00 pm. Call Walt at 908-459-5861.

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

E-mail

stpeterandpaul@comcast.net

Religious Education E-mail
peterpaulreled@comcast.net

Website

www.peterpaulgm.com

Walking Pilgrimage

www.walkingpilgrimage.us

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 16/17, 2023

SAT – Dec 16

5:00p +MaryAnn Boatman req cousin Adella

SUN – Dec 17 (Third Sunday of Advent)

7:30a +Helen & Raymond Hendershot req sister
Arlene Olenick

10a +Sharon Stryker req Susan Sterphone & Family

11:30a Pol +Roman & Halina Gac od rodziny

MON – Dec 18

8:30a +James Meringer req Pat & Norman Willis

TUES – Dec 19

8:30a +Tim Nielson req Crawford Family

WED – Dec 20

8:30a +James Meringer req Adella Kowalski

THUR – Dec 21 (St. Peter Canisius)

8:30a +Eleanor Vasko req brother Joe & Florance Dzurek

FRI – Dec 22

8:30a +Jim Meringer req Morning Prayer Group

SAT – Dec 23 (St. John Kanty)

8:30a -For the health of Marian Gzella req Polish
1st Holy Communion class

5:00p +MaryAnn Boatman req Pat & Norman Willis

SUN – Dec 24 (Fourth Sunday of Advent & Christmas Eve)

7:30a +Eleanor Vasko req brother Joe & Florence Dzurek

10a +Joseph & Helen Olenick req daughter Arlene

11:30a Pol +Anna Buczek od Eva & Bogdan Zubel

5:00p +Rev. Arthur Anderson

10:00p Pol: +Adam Talajczyk od Krystyna

12:00a +Josephine & Henry Topoleski

Altar Flowers – are NOT available during Advent
Bread & Wine – is offered this week in memory of
James Meringer req his sister Marilyn & Steve Gorski
Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week in memory of Helen
& Raymond Hendershot req their sons & family
Divine Mercy Candle is lit this week in memory of
James Meringer req his sister Marilyn & Steve Gorski

2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Boxed 2024 Offering Envelopes are now available in the back of our church. We ask that you take 1 box per family. Please write your last name and an amount on the envelopes if you wish us to keep track of your donations for tax purposes. Using offering envelopes also helps us when it comes time to issue sponsor certificates for a Baptism or for Confirmation.



AMERICAN FLAG

Many thanks to the family who donated our new American Flag. It really looks great!

2024 CALENDARS

Free 2024 calendars are available in the back of our church compliments of Maguire Funeral Home & Cochran Funeral Home of Hackettstown and Newbaker Funeral Home of Blairstown. Please help yourselves to one.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS – December 2023

1st week - \$2822

2nd week - \$3193

3rd week - \$

4th week - \$

YEAR-END CHARITABLE GIFT GIVING

As you consider your year-end tax planning, we hope that you will consider making good use of the income tax charitable deduction and remember our church. All monies are greatly appreciated and will be well spent with the good of the entire parish in mind.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING ENVELOPES



Please help us keep our traditions and donate towards our Christmas Flowers. This will also help area flower growers that supply us with our flowers. Offering envelopes can be found on our large brown table in the back of our church. You may

donate in memory of or in honor of loved ones. If you have more than two names, please write all the names on a separate piece of paper and slip it into the flower offering envelope. All names will be printed in the bulletin after Christmas.

CHRISTMAS MASS REMEMBRANCES

If you would like your loved ones, living or deceased, remembered in Christmas Remembrance Masses during Christmas and throughout the month of January, please pick up a Christmas Mass Remembrance envelope found on the large brown table in the back of our church. If you have more than two names, please write all the names on a separate piece of paper and slip it into the remembrance offering envelope. All names will be printed in the bulletin after Christmas.



**CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR'S
RECONCILIATION**

Wednesday, December 20th
7pm – 8pm

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

Sunday, December 24th
5:00 PM Mass
10:00 PM (Polish)
12:00 Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

Monday, December 25th
7:30am,
10:00am,
11:30am (Polish)

NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS

Sunday, December 31st
5:00 PM, Vigil Mass

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES

Monday, January 1st, 2024
10:00am (English)
11:30am (Polish)

GIVING TREE

All unwrapped presents, with tags attached, are due in today. All presents and food baskets will be given out on Monday, Dec. 18th. Any questions please call 908-637-4269.



CHRISTMAS PLEDGE

“On my honor, I will do my best to promote the CHRISTmas traditions. I will incorporate, use the word “CHRISTmas”: in my CHRISTmas greetings and conversation, in my CHRISTmas cards, CHRISTmas stamps, and every appropriate CHRISTmas way. This I pledge to CHRIST, my Lord.”

St. Jude Parish, Blirstown

St. Jude Parish is happy to announce to you that the St. Jude Thaddeus Relics Tour will be coming to St. Jude Church, Blirstown on Sunday December 17 with 3 PM Mass followed by Veneration of the Arm of St. Jude to 9 PM. For more information go to our website: www.stjudech.org.

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 books and take the bulletin with you so we all make the church ready to welcome others for worship.

HELP NEEDED

As you may know, our Catholic Charities Thrift Store and Food Pantry in Phillipsburg provides much-needed assistance to many families and individual when in need of food, clothing, and other small items. Our staff of employees and volunteers provide for these needs with kindness and compassion. Many find this to be a very heartwarming experience. There is much work to do so we need more volunteers. Anyone interested in more information, call Sister Michaelita at 908-859-5447 for details about volunteer opportunities.

THEOLOGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Office of Ongoing Faith Formation will be offering a 12-week Adult Enrichment Course entitled "Theology of the Eucharist" on twelve consecutive Thursdays starting January 4 through March 21, 2024 from 10:00AM – 11:30 AM. The course will be offered at the St. John Neuman Pastoral Center located at 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, NJ. Admission is \$15 for all twelve classes. Please register at www.diometuchen.org/faith-formation. For more info, please email amarshall@diometuchen.org or call 732-562-1543.

SANTA'S LETTER TO JESUS

My dear precious Jesus, I did not mean to take your place, I only bring toys and things and you bring love and grace. People give me lists of wishes and hope that they came true;

But you hear prayers of the heart and promise your will to do.

Children try to be good and not to cry when I am coming to town;

But you love them unconditionally and that love will abound.

I leave only a bag of toys and temporary joy for a season; But you leave a heart of love, full of purpose and reasons.

I have a lot of believers and what one might call fame; But I never healed the blind or tried to help the lame.

I have rosy cheeks and a voice full of laughter; But no nail—scarred hands or a promise of the hereafter.

You may find several of me in town or at a mall; But there is only one omnipotent, you, to answer a sinner's call.

And so, my dear precious Jesus, I kneel here to pray; To worship and adore you on this, your holy birthday.

PRAY FOR:

Living: Doug Romaine, Ellen Cavaliere, Kathy Hurley, Lottie Grochowicz, Irena Pietras, Julia Gromnicki, Marian Gzella

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