



HOLY NAME SOCIETY

There are no Masses during the summer. They will resume September 10th at 8:00 a.m.

No meetings during the summer. Will resume September 12th, 7:00 p.m.

WEB PAGE

For updated bulletin information, please go to www.mhr-parish.org.

MONDAY, JULY 24

8:00AM -HARRY BEATON
-r/o Patricia Thomas

TUESDAY, JULY 25

8:00AM -FRANK FALCONE
-r/o Louise Wayne

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

8:00AM -FRANK FALCONE
-r/o Roseann Chrzanowski

FRIDAY, JULY 28

8:00AM -JOHN TAPSCOTT
-r/o Deacon Bob & Family
7:00PM -AGATHA DUNBAR
-(Padre Pio Mass)
r/o Barbara Bauer

SATURDAY, JULY 29

9:00AM -HARRY BEATON
-r/o Betty & Dale Green
5:00PM -BILLIE NOLDEN
-r/o Annette & Bill Dundas

SUNDAY, JULY 30

8:00AM -LOUISE REVELLO
-r/o Mr. & Mrs. Mantle
10:00AM -MILDRED "BABE" NATOLI
-r/o Mr. & Mrs. Michael Murphy &
-Family
11:30AM -FRANCIS FABRIZIO
-r/o The Mannino Family

VOTIVE LIGHTS - IN MEMORY OF

Muriel, Leslie & Anna Roberts Michael Kelsall
Rosalie & Frank Moscarello M & E. Dubicki
Joseph L. Esposito Michael Costagliola
Wladyslaw Wojcicki Dan Ciccone
Patricia Kim

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Mark & Kelly Chrzanowski Teresa & Michael DeLuca
Ryan, Julia & Lydia Watch over our daughter
Health for my husband, me & our family
Spiritual help & forgiveness
Thank you for all our blessings
Health & help for all dear friends
Help & guidance for Michael & Jonathan
Help & guidance for Carolyn
Please guidance and protect my children

TABERNACLE LIGHT



Tabernacle candle in the Church burns this week in loving memory of DJ Blish r/o Marilyn Martucci

PARISH SICK LIST



Rev. Edward J. Struzik, Shannon, Hayley & Brett Lawrence, Jacqueline Braniff, Christina Pulido, Sophie Wojtaszek, Janice Sanborn, Marie Velleneuve, Beth Morris, Renee Burke, Joseph Peabody, Veronica Balmore, Billy Sherwood, Jr., Peter Skujins, Cindy Junquet, Kenneth Kramer, Timothy McGravey, Beatriz Castillo, Dolores Nee, Michael Guariglia, Marieann Poplaski, Lucy Littlefield, Jean Marie Brigandi, Elena Coumo, Gabino & Maria Rodriguez, Alice Gorres, Johnny Gibbs, Barbara Celia, Ida Morales, Maryann Hughes, Emilie Matlosz, Germaine Raimo, Luddy Demsia, William Armstrong, Fr. Gregory Moore, Sandra Steinberger, Frank Roberts, Barbara Bradshaw, Fred Morrone, Larry & Marie Fama, Lenny Gatti, Sumanta Chowdhuri, Nicole E. Montagna, Nico Oneto, Kathleen O'Brien, Debbie Archibold, Alex Berg, Wendy Oates, Sally Ann Tabasco, Robert Charles Pederson, Jean Pelligra, John McCrodden, Marie Scifo, Patrick Barry, Toni O'Rourke, William Sohor, Robert Pedersen, Robert Conte, Dan Marcellus, Jose Pacheo, Margaret Malloy, Rose LaFergola, Gary Flynn, Kathleen Lau, Sharon Thylan, Anne Slate, Kimberly Perry, Jackson Christian Thomas, Miguel Ley and Marie Ciezka.

We ask Almighty God and our Blessed Mother, Mary to comfort and heal the sick. If your loved one recovers and our prayers for them are no longer required, please call the parish office to have their name removed. Thank you.

PRE-BAPTISM CLASS



Please call the Parish Office to register. **The next Pre-Baptism class will be held Wednesday, August 2, 2017 at 8:00 p.m. in the Chapel.**



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MILITARY PERSONNEL SERVING OVERSEAS

Matthew B. Kaplan, U.S. Army
Michael Lanzafama, U.S. Army
Richard A. Lapp, U.S. Navy
Douglas Leo, U.S. Army
Michael J. Sanzone, U. S. Army
Mark G. Sieczkowski, U. S. Navy
Thomas Welch, U.S. Army

ST. PADRE PIO CELEBRATION



Come and learn about a beloved modern-day saint, Padre Pio. Hear personally from his former secretary, Fr. John Aurilia, OFM, Cap.

Mass at 7:00 p.m., Friday, July 28, 2017
Celebrant and homilist:
Fr. Chester H. Carina

Presentation at 7:45 p.m.
Speaker: Fr. John Aurilia
Bring a friend!



PARISH PICNIC

The Picnic Committee will meet Monday, July 31st at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room.

PARISH PICNIC
Sunday, September 24th



ESL TUTORS NEEDED

Every fall and spring, the Old Bridge Library offers ESL (English as a Second Language) classes on both Tuesday evenings and Wednesday mornings. Tutors work in small group settings with at least one other tutor. Materials and support offer assistance to new tutors. Teaching experience, while helpful, is not necessary. If you are interested, please contact Peg Garvey-Mitchell at 732-673-0214 or pgm11@optonline.net for more information.



STEWARDS OF OUR TREASURE

Weekend of July 15/16, 2017: \$6026
Weekend of July 16/17, 2016: \$8120



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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Our Most Holy Redeemer Conference exists primarily to help those in financial need. This is made possible by the generosity of our Parishioners each month; **thank you.**

If you or someone you know needs help, please call 732-566-9334. *Everything is completely confidential.*

Food Pantry

Groceries collected every weekend at Mass.

St. Lawrence Food Pantry opens on Saturdays and Mondays from 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

During the month of June the St. Lawrence Food Pantry helped 164 adults and 122 children. Thank you for your generosity.



SYMPOSIUM OF CHRISTIANS IN THE MIDDLE EAST

A special presentation on the plight of Christians in the Middle East will be held at St. Brigid Church in Peapack on Tuesday, August 8th beginning with a Mass at 4:00 p.m., celebrated by Cardinal O'Brien, Grand Master of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre.

Following the Mass a presentation will be offered in the Church and a cocktail reception at 6:00 p.m. will conclude the evening. All are welcome.

THANK YOU



Thanks to all who responded to our Blood Drive on July 13th -- 45 people registered and 35 donated blood. It was very much appreciated.

Mark your calendar for the next Blood Drive scheduled for November 16, 2017, 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. in Desmond Hall

STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE



- Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
- Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
- Are you constantly fighting? Or do you simply shut down?
- Have you thought about separation or divorce?
- Does talking about it only make it worse?

...RETROUVAILLE is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages sponsored by the Family Life Office, Diocese of Metuchen, New Jersey.

Retrouvaille consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six-follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is **September 15 – 17, 2017**. All inquiries are confidential. For further information, please contact the Family Life Office at 732-243-4573, Rich Colasuonnon at 732-236-0671 or Tom & Pat McTague at 732-583-4468 (evenings).

SILVER & GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS



You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen. Renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service in the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen.

Sunday, September 17, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

Application forms may be secured by contacting our parish office or by logging on to the diocesan website: <http://www.diometuchen.org/marriage-enrichment/>. Kindly note that this form can be typed on and printed out but cannot be forwarded. If you wish to keep the information in must be **SAVED AS** a word document in your computer.

Forms must be signed by your priest, pastoral minister or deacon and returned to the Family Life Office by our parish office. Application forms will be accepted by the Family Life Office **until the deadline for registration Friday, September 1st**. A confirmation letter with further details will be sent once your application has been processed.

For further information, please call the Family Life Office at 732-562-1990, ext. 1705 or 4573 or email mfonseca@diometuchen.org.

OPEN YOUR HEART AND HOME TO A FOSTER CHILD



Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen is seeking loving families to foster children of all ages, who have been abused, neglected or have had multiple out of home placements, through its Treatment Family Homes Program, contracted by New Jersey's Department of Children and Families. The goal for the children in this program is to leave foster care and achieve permanency through reunification with their families, adoption, or independent living. Catholic Charities provides these resilient children with individual and family therapy, assistance with educational and medical needs, and independent living skills to help them reach their full potential.

Applicants must have adequate space for a child and complete a home study which includes background checks, references, interviews, and a home inspection. All Catholic Charities licensed families receive initial and ongoing specialized training, 24 hour emergency access to staff, respite services, monthly reimbursement for the child's expenses and support from experienced families.

For more information about the program, please visit www.ccdom.org or contact Miguelina Nunez at 866-247-HOME (4663) or at mnunez@ccdom.org.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Middlesex County Right to Life is requesting volunteers to help staff their booth at the Middlesex County Fair 2017. It would be for a two hour block and would involve interacting with the fair goers who

visit the Right to Life booth. If anyone is interested in staffing a two hour block at the Middlesex County Fair for the Middlesex County chapter of NJ Right to Life, please contact fair volunteer coordinator Gerry Blinstrub at 732-251-5879.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING**WHAT IS NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING?**

Natural Family Planning (NFP) is the general title for the scientific, natural and moral methods of family planning that can help married couples either achieve or postpone

pregnancies.

NFP methods are based on the observation of the naturally occurring signs and symptoms of the fertile and infertile phases of a woman's menstrual cycle. No drugs, devices, or surgical procedures are used to avoid pregnancy.

Since the methods of NFP respect the love-giving (unitive) and life-giving (procreative) nature of the conjugal act, they support God's design for married love!

NFP IS GOOD FOR MARRIAGE!

- Supports reproductive health
- Has no harmful side effects
- Is environmentally friendly
- Is inexpensive
- Cooperates with a couple's combined fertility
- Is useful to either achieve or avoid pregnancy
- Can be used throughout the reproductive life cycle
- Requires shared responsibility and cooperation by husband and wife
- Fosters mutual communication between husband and wife
- Encourages respect for and acceptance of the total person
- Promotes marital chastity
- Values the child
- Honors God's design for married love!

WHERE CAN I LEARN HOW TO USE NFP?

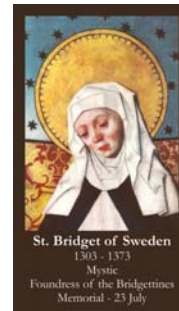
The best way to learn NFP is from a qualified instructor—that is, one who is certified from an NFP teacher training program. Contact your local Catholic diocese (usually the Office of Marriage and Family Life) to find a certified NFP teacher near you (see: www.usccb.org/nfp/find-an-nfp-class.cfm).

To study a method of NFP in your home, many NFP providers offer distance learning (see: www.usccb.org/nfp/nfp-distance-learning.cfm).

For additional NFP information, see: www.usccb.org/nfp.

CADETTE GIRL SCOUTS

Join our summer session on July 27th to get a head start on your Marian Medal Award. Field trip to the Blue Army Shrine, Washington, NJ, Thursday, July 27th, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Cost \$10, snack and beverages provided, bring bag lunch, hat, and sun tan lotion. For more information, please contact DOMgirlscouts@gmail.com.

**SAINT OF THE DAY FOR JULY 23****Saint Bridget of Sweden's Story****Saint Bridget of Sweden****is the Patron Saint of: Europe**

From age 7 on, Bridget had visions of Christ crucified. Her visions formed the basis for her activity—always with the emphasis on charity rather than spiritual favors.

She lived her married life in the court of the Swedish king Magnus II. Mother of eight children—the second eldest was Saint Catherine of Sweden—Bridget lived the strict life of a penitent after her husband's death.

Bridget constantly strove to exert her good influence over Magnus; while never fully reforming, he did give her land and buildings to found a monastery for men and women. This group eventually expanded into an Order known as the Bridgettines.

In 1350, a year of jubilee, Bridget braved a plague-stricken Europe to make a pilgrimage to Rome. Although she never returned to Sweden, her years in Rome were far from happy, being hounded by debts and by opposition to her work against Church abuses.

A final pilgrimage to the Holy Land, marred by shipwreck and the death of her son, Charles, eventually led to her death in 1373. In 1999, Bridget, Saints Catherine of Siena and Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, were named co-patronesses of Europe.

SUMMER ENVELOPES

We sincerely thank our parishioners who mail or deliver their weekly envelopes to the parish office while out-of-town on vacations this summer. As many of you understand, our parish expenses and obligations do not take a vacation when you do, so it is very helpful to be able to rely on your continued support, even when you cannot personally attend Mass here.