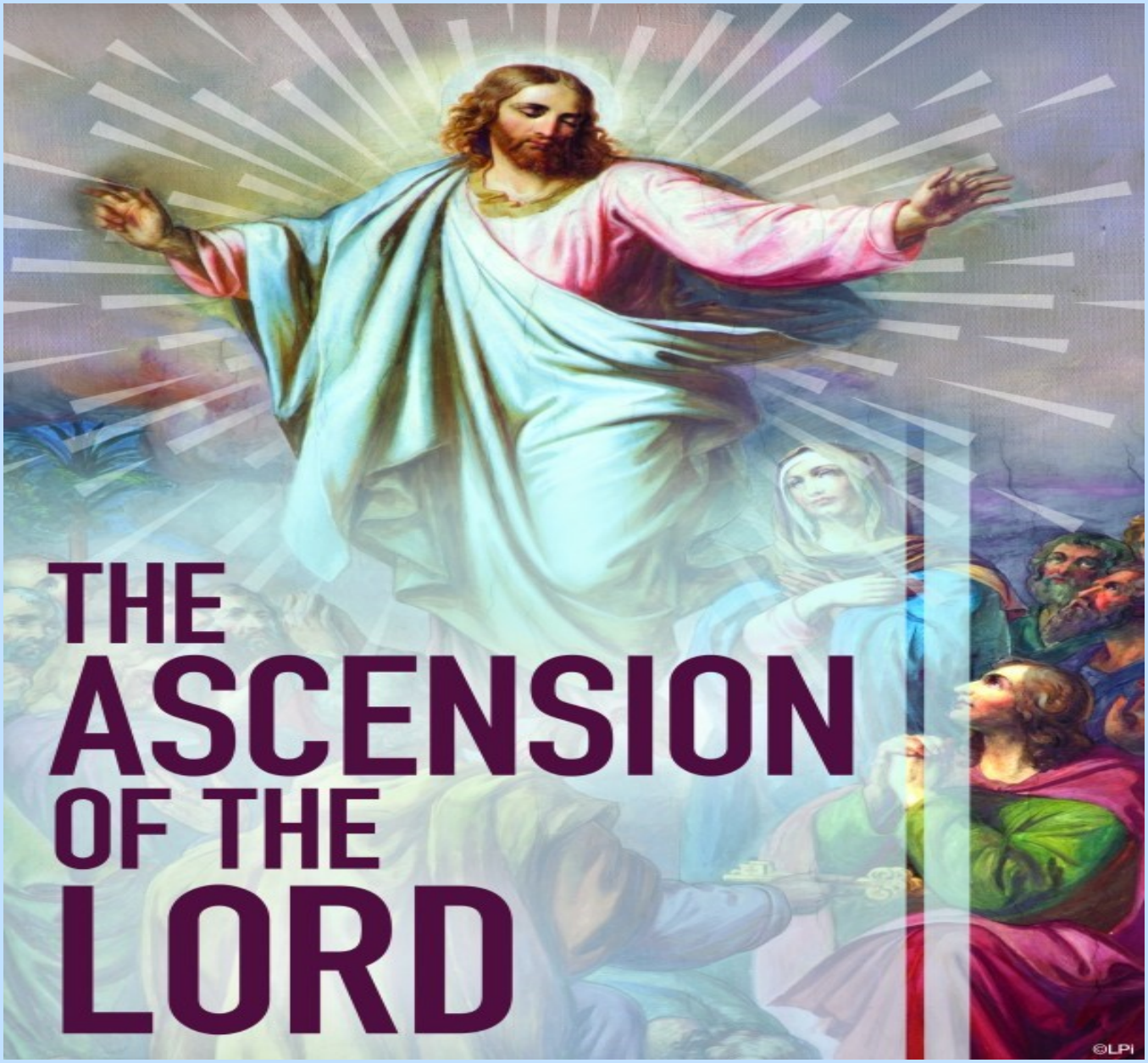
OUR LADY OF PEACE

May 21st, 2023
7th Sunday of Easter



SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:
Saturday: 11:00 A.M.to 12:00 P.M.
4:00 P.M. to 4:45 P.M.

HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS:
Saturday 5:15 P.M.
Sunday: 8:00 A.M.
10:00 A.M. 12:00 P.M.

Weekday Masses:
Monday – Saturday
8:00 A.M.
Last Tuesday of the month: 7:00 P.M.

Parish Office:

Address: **26 Maple Ave**
Edison, NJ 08837
Hours: Monday through Friday
9:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m.
Phone: **732-738-7940**
Website: **www.olpfords.org**
Email: **mail@olpfords.org**

CHURCH ADDRESS:

GPS: 620 Amboy Ave, Edison, NJ 08837
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 69, Fords, NJ 08863

PRAYER FOR THE EUCHARISTIC REVIVIAL

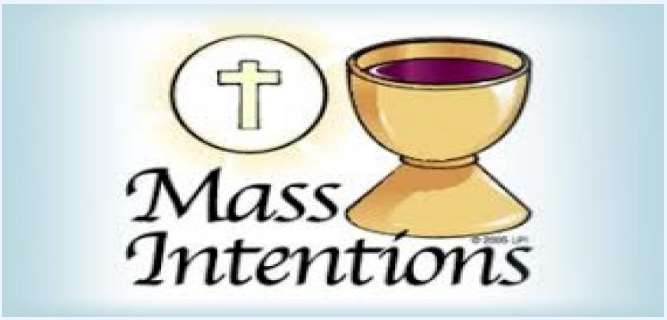
My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love you! I beg pardon for those who do not believe, nor adore, nor hope, nor love You. Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly.
I offer You the most precious Body. Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference by which He is offended.
And, through the infinite merits of the Scared Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
I beg of You the conversion of sinners.
Our Lady of Fatima,
Pray for us!

Parochial Ministry
Rev. Matthew R. Paratore, S.T.L., J.C.L., Pastor
Rev. James G. Tucker, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Sebastian Kaithackal C.M.I., (In Res.)
Deacon John A. Raychel

Parish Services
Rev. John J. Zec, Ph.D., Music Director
Candida Gonzalez, Coordinator of Religious Ed
Lourdes Hnath, Organist

Parish Staff
Walter Springer, Business Administrator
Norma Izzo, Bookkeeping Assistant
Dawn Aube, Religious Education Secretary

Trustees
Joan C. Deyak
Paul B. Coleman



Monday, May 22
8:00 am
+Tanya Cole from Virginia Resetar

Tuesday, May 23
8:00 am
+Mario Alaimo from Emil

Wednesday May 24
8:00 am
+Remo Ambrosi from Daughter Corinne

Thursday May 25
8:00 am
+For Our Parishioners From Our Pastor

Friday May 26
8:00 am
+Jerry Anderson from Valerie Strucich

Saturday May 27
8:00 am
+Helen Rose Bakos from Family
5:15 pm
+George Joseph Quattrone from mother, Delores

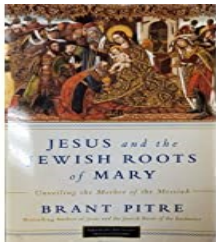
Sunday May 28
8:00 am
+Judith Wendt from Mike Wendt & Family

10:00 am
+Ethel Burke from Rich & Joan Fetzer

12:00 pm
+Lorraine Lo Casale from The Orchid Family

May 21, 2023 - 7th Sunday of Easter (The Ascension of the Lord)

"I am praying for them…" (John 17:9)
Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of Stewardship. Pray in good times and in bad. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation, not just the last resort.
Pray for friends and family and for those that don't treat you very well. Pray to give praise, to thank, and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you.



Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary: Unveiling the Mother of the Messiah
Brant James Pitre

Are Catholic teachings on Mary really biblical? Or are they the "traditions of men"? Should she be called the "Mother of God", or just the mother of Jesus? Did she actually remain a virgin her whole life, or do the "brothers of Jesus" refer to her other children? By praying to Mary, are Catholics worshiping her? And what does Mary have to do with the quest to understand Jesus?

In Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary, Dr. Pitre takes listeners step-by-step from the Garden of Eden to the Book of Revelation to reveal how deeply biblical Catholic beliefs about Mary really are. Dr. Pitre uses the Old Testament and ancient Judaism to unlock how the Bible itself teaches that Mary is in fact the new Eve, the Mother of God, the Queen of Heaven and Earth, and the new Ark of the Covenant.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY ~ May 21
6:00pm 8th Grade Religious Ed. Confirmation Retreat Parish Center

MONDAY ~ May 22
8:30am Novena ~ Church
7:00 pm Bible Study ~ Parish Center

TUESDAY ~ May 23
7:00 pm Blue Army Devotions ~ Church

WEDNESDAY ~ May 24
No Activities

Thursday May 25
7:00 pm Choir Practice ~ Church

FRIDAY ~ May 26
No activities

SATURDAY ~ May 27
11:00 am Confessions ~ Church
4:00 pm Confessions ~ Church

SUNDAY ~ May 28
1:00 pm Baptism ~ Church

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR MAY 28 & MAY 29

5:15 p.m. Mass
Eucharistic Ministers: Barbara Balog, Joan Deyak, Julia Dischler
Reader: Gloria Demarzo
Altar Server: EmmaRose Felcetto

8:00 a.m. Mass
Eucharistic Ministers: Barbara Sinko, Arlene Verendia, Tom Bednar
Reader: Olivia Pellizzon

10:00 a.m. Mass
Eucharistic Ministers: Jennifer Sardo, Mary Prumos Marie Frey
Reader: Annalise Dantes
Altar Server: Joshua Baptista

12:00 noon Mass
Eucharistic Ministers: Frank Heelan, Kathleen Kazary, Kevin Broesler
Reader: Corinne Ambrosi
Altar Server: Brandon Chung

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 on Sunday, October 22, 2023 at 3:00 PM.
Registration is required.
Please register on at **https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration.**
If you are unable to access, please contact the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or **amarshall@diometuchen.org.**
Registration will close on October 6, 2023.

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 at **https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration** or calling 732-562-1543.

Don't be in a hurry at the conclusion of Holy Mass:

Please do not leave the Church before the Celebrant (priest). The Mass ends officially when the priest leaves the Church.
Even then, it is usually advised you sit or kneel in silent prayer of thanksgiving or simply gaze at Jesus in the Tabernacle, smile at Him and just be joyful.

God loves you!

LORD, hear our prayers… For our parishioners and friends who are sick…

Raymond Miller, Danielle Maglies, Francis Lee, Dotty Karnowski, Anna Verrico, Anthony Sclafani, Christine Mary Brown, Donna Ferrara, Julia Forsythe, Camille Wasilewski, Jessica Barretta, Maria Fortin, Joanne M., Maria Lavid, Teddy Sabo, Lisa Sabo, Diane Cowhey.

HOTLINE NUMBERS:

Alanon/Alateen:
1-888-425-2666

Narcotics Anonymous:
1-800-992-0401

Alcoholics Anonymous:
1-888-568-1112

Domestic Violence:
1-800-572-7233

NJ Gamblers Anonymous:
1-855-222-5542

Suicide/Crisis:
1-800-999-9999

Life Choices/Pregnancy Center:
1-888-678-4437

Courage:
1-732-562-2476

EnCourage:
1-732-248-9460

The Pastor's Pen

Dear Friend,

When a famous restaurateur died in early 2002, he left behind more than just thousands of restaurants.

He also left a legacy of being a practical, hard-working man who was respected for his down-to-earth values.

Among the pieces of good advice that have outlived the smiling entrepreneur is his view of what Catholics should be doing with their lives.

This very savvy businessman, who as a youngster was influenced for Christ by his grandmother, said that believers should be "roll-up-your-shirt sleeves" Catholics.

In his biography, he said, "Roll-up-your-shirtsleeves Catholics see Christianity as faith and action."

"They still make the time to talk with God through prayer, study Scripture with devotion, be super-active in their church and take their ministry to others to spread the Good News of Christ and His Church."

He went onto say they are "anonymous people who are doing good for Christ and the Church may be doing even more good than all the well-known Catholics in the world."

That statement has more "meat" in it than a triple burger. Our successful restaurateur knew about hard work in the restaurant business; and he knew it is vital in the spiritual world also.

Let's Roll-up-our-shirt sleeves, there is plenty to do.

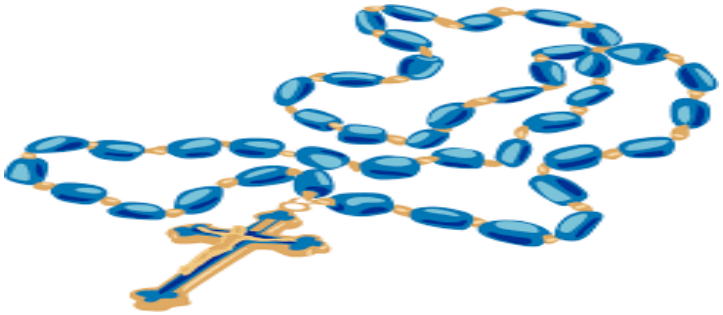
We can sustain this enthusiasm by always praying, and thus, never losing heart.

Father Matthew
Pastor

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Anyone who wishes to present the gifts at the Offertory of the Mass should speak with one of the ushers at the main entrance to the Church before Mass.

The usher will give you instructions on where to sit and when to bring the gifts forward.



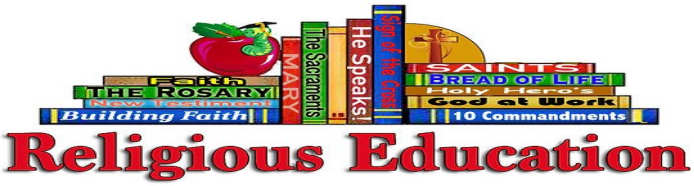
THE JOYFUL, LUMINOUS, SORROWFUL OR GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

Joyful Mysteries
1. The Annunciation of the Angel Gabriel to Mary
2. The Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth
3. The Birth of Jesus in Bethlehem of Judea
4. The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple
5. The Finding of Jesus in the Temple

The Luminous Mysteries
1. Jesus' Baptism in the Jordan
2. The Wedding at Cana
3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom
4. The Transfiguration
5. The Institution of the Eucharist

The Sorrowful Mysteries
1. The Agony of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane
2. The Scourging of Jesus at the Pillar
3. The Crowning of Jesus with Thorns
4. The Carrying of the Cross
5. The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus

The Glorious Mysteries
1. The Resurrection of Jesus
2. The Ascension of Jesus into Heaven
3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost
4. The Assumption of Mary into Heaven
5. The Coronation of Our Lady in Heaven



Our Lady of Peace's RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION is now open.
Grades 1 through 8
Forms are available at the Parish Office or online at:
https://www.olpfords.org/religious-education

Please register early. Our Classes fill up quickly! If you have any questions please call 732-738-7940 ext. 12.

Volunteers are needed
Come and offer your services to the Lord.

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY COLLECTION ~ May 14, 2023

Offertory Collection……$ 5,216.70
Mail In…… $ 978.00
Online Giving……..$ 2,375.50
Repair and Maintenance……$ 1,149.00

Total:……$ 9,719.20

Stewardship of Treasure

Thank you for remembering your parish with your Stewardship of Treasure when you are away on vacation or when weather prohibits your attendance at Mass. Your continued financial support is essential and much appreciated by our parish community.

We're back! The Our Lady of Peace Altar Rosary Society would like to extend an invitation to YOU to our Hour with Mary event being held on Wednesday, May 31, 2023 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Our Lady of Peace Church, Fords, New Jersey.

We are excited and blessed to be installing 3 new members into our Society! Please join us in welcoming our new members while also remembering all living and deceased members. All are welcome to attend.

Please call Angela Chundak at 732-221-0977 for further information. Last time we met, pre-pandemic, the Rosary was recited in ten languages, including English. We are looking to expand on this venture. If you or someone you know can recite the Hail Mary in a language other than English, please also call Angela Chundak and give your name and language spoken.

We would love to make tribute to our Blessed Mother while highlighting our very diverse Parish. Please help us to make this event a success! Prayer is Power! We all need Prayer! Queen of the Rosary Pray for us!

*****PARISH REGISTRATION*****

To enable us to better serve you, all parishioners should register at the Parish Office. If you are a new parishioner, or a current parishioner who has moved or changed phone numbers, please contact the Parish Office.

Family members 23 years or older should register separately as individuals even if continuing to live with their parents. You must be a registered parishioner to be a Confirmation Sponsor or a Godparent.

****GODPARENT/CONFIRMATION SPONSOR REQUIREMENTS****

Must be an ACTIVE, REGISTERED parishioner for a minimum of six months, who attends Mass weekly, and contributes to the support of the Church, in accordance with one's means.
Must have received all the Sacraments of Initiation.
If married, must be in a marriage recognized as valid by the Catholic Church.
Must live a Christian life consistent with the role of godparent or sponsor.

*****REGISTRO PARROQUIAL*****

Para permitirnos servirle mejor, todos los feligreses deben registrarse en la oficina parroquial. Si usted es un nuevo feligrés, o un feligrés actual que se mudó o cambió de número de teléfono, por favor contacte a la Oficina Parroquial.

Los miembros de la familia de 23 años o más deben registrarse por separado como individuos, incluso si continúan viviendo con sus padres. Debe ser un feligrés registrado para ser un Patrocinador de Confirmación o un Padrino.

REQUISITOS PARA SER PADRINO/ PATROCINADOR DE CONFIRMACIÓN

Debe ser un feligrés ACTIVO, REGISTRADO por un mínimo de seis meses que asista a misa semanalmente y contribuya al apoyo de la Iglesia, de acuerdo con los medios de uno.

Debe haber recibido todos los sacramentos de iniciación.
Si está casado, debe estar en un matrimoni reconocido como válido por la Iglesia Católica.
Debe vivir una vida cristiana consistente con el papel de padrino o patrocinador de confirmación

ONLINE GIVING

Another easy way to manage your church giving is with Online Giving. You can manage your giving or give a one-time gift.

*Visit our church website **www.olpfords.org** and click the **ONLINE GIVING** link and register with our church. Your support during the year helps sustain our church.*