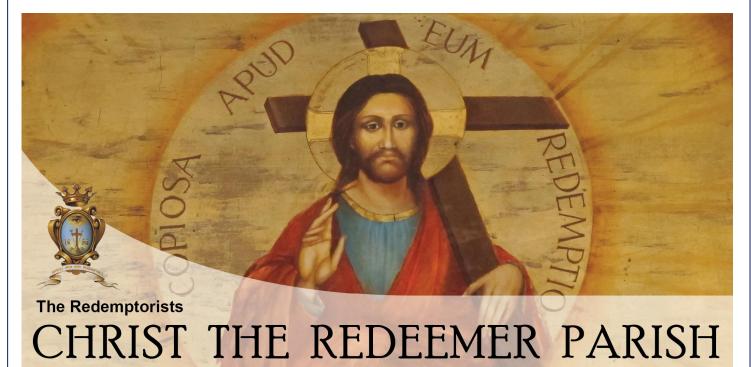
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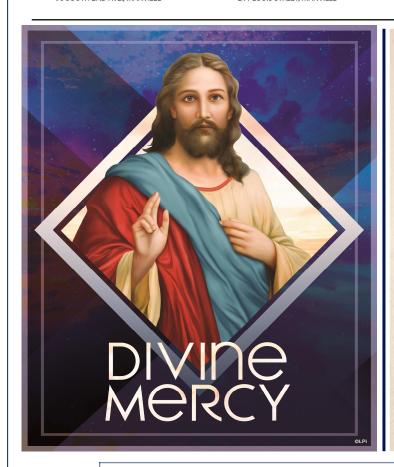
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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sacred Heart Worship Site

SATURDAY 8:30 - 9:00 AM (Our Lady of Czestochowa Chapel)

SATURDAY 4:00 - 4:45 PM

CONFESSION

(English & Polish)

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY 6:30 - 7:00 PM

SATURDAY 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM 4:00 - 4:50 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9:30AM to 3:00PM. Office closed on Thursdays. Saturdays and Evenings: By Appointment.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 12 (Poniedziałek)

SH - 8:00AM †Janina & Stanislaw Molka r/o daughter

SH - 11:00AM †Dorothy Tomasko r/o son

Tuesday, April 13 (Wtorek) - Martin I

SH - 8:00AM †Janina & Stanislaw Molka r/o daughter

SH - 11:00AM †Jozef Puzio r/o cousin, Janina Grzeczkowicz

SH - 11:30AM OLPH Novena in English

Wednesday, April 14 (Środa)

SH - 11:00AM †Jan Puzio r/o cousin, Janina Grzeczkowicz

SH - 11:30AM Exposition and Rosary

SH - 7:00PM OLPH Novena in Polish & Mass

Thursday, April 15 (Czwartek)

SH - 8:00AM †Zygmunt Michalak r/o Maria & Marian Puzio

SH - 11:00AM †Stefania Ziebka r/o friend, Janina Grzeczkowicz

Friday, April 16 (Piatek)

SH - 11:00AM †Nancy Givans r/o Patricia Decker

SH - 11:30AM Divine Mercy Devotions

SH - 7:00PM †Kazimierz Wiercinski r/o family

Saturday, April 17 (Sobota)

SH - 8:00AM †Zofia & Wasyl Haszczyc r/o family

SH - 11:00AM †Maria Ragucci r/o Maria & Rino Ragucci

SH - 5:00PM †Robert Marsicano r/o wife, daughter & granddaughter

3rd Sunday of Easter, April 18 (Niedziela)

SH - 7:00AM †Zofia Puzio r/o Marian & Maria Puzio

SH - 9:00AM †Living & Deceased Members of the Altar

Rosary Society

†Carmela Motto r/o daughters

†Michael Smolinski r/o family

†Andrew Wargin r/o Sasko Family

†Tom, Cecelia & Ed Finlan r/o son & family

†Edmund Gubernot r/o sister-in-law,

Dorothy Gubernot & family

SH - 11:30AM †Czeslawa i Jozef Kosciolek r/o Kurasinski Family

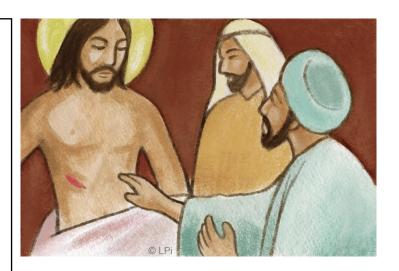
The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the repose of the soul of **Raymond Zolandz** at the request of the Christ the Redeemer Choir.

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

- Jn 20:28-29



II. Joseph Knolmajer & Monika Ozieblo



Divine Mercy Sunday

What a wonderful joy fills us today as we ponder the inexhaustible mercy of God. "Mercy is the heart of God," Pope Francis tells us. The image of a heart has been used to point to the very life source of a person as it is the organ that allows life to flow through our veins and sustain us. Mercy is the heart of God. Imagine this dynamic, powerful, compassionate, piercing, embracing, loving, propelling, penetrating, absorbing, and enveloping, transforming presence of God flowing into the very depth of our souls. It is God's mercy that allows blood to flow through our veins. It is God's mercy that forms every atom of our being and leads us to what is true. God's mercy reveals all superficiality and falsehood, and lays bare all distortions, empty promises, weakness, and sin.

"Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope," Pope Francis continues. God's all forgiving, compassionate love is with us. When we finally believe and accept that Christ's resurrected transfigured presence resides with us, we then find within us a strong confidence to accept life's imperfections and disappointments and move on. Every day is a new adventure in new life. God leaves the past behind and opens doors to the future. It doesn't matters is what we do tomorrow and what we learn along the way. It is so easy to remain tethered and mired in the past, but there is no need to do so. God is all about tomorrow and the work God has yet to do in our lives.

Mercy gives birth to hope. Hope for the greatest of sinners and hope for the worst of disasters. There is nothing God cannot do and nothing God cannot fashion. After all, everything we know and treasure was once nothing, and look what God did with the nothing God had! The resurrected Christ stands before us with nail marks in his wrists and wounds on his body as a testament that not even injustice, suffering and death can trample over and destroy God's mercy. What have we to fear? Why do we keep ourselves from peace? Our lack of faith prevents us from going forward and fully receiving the holiness God desires to breathe upon us. Breathe in God's mercy, allow the wind of God's presence to kiss all of your sins and caress all of your fears. Exhale peace.



TODAY, APRIL 11 RECITATION OF THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET & MASS — (bilingual) 3PM at Sacred Heart Church.

MONDAY, APRIL 12

GUITAR LESSONS FOR CHILDREN – Sacred Heart auditorium – 3:30 – 6PM. A small fee will be due.

NEXT WEEKEND, APRIL 17 & 18
THE SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT. Please consider increasing your contribution for this once a month collection.

Ogłoszenia Parafialne

NIEDZIELA, 11 KWIECIEŃ NIEDZIELA BOŻEGO MIŁOSIERDZIA. KORONKA DO BOŻEGO MIŁOSIERDZIA ORAZ MSZA ŚW. O godz. 3 PM. Serdecznie zapraszamy.

Poniedziałek, 12 kwiecień

LEKCJE GITARY - godz. 15.30; próba polskiej scholii dziecięcej - godz. 18.00.

Niedziela, 18 kwiecień

DRUGA SKŁADKA zbierana będzie na zapłacenie podatku diecezjalnego. Prosimy o ofiarność.

2021 Bishop's Annual Appeal Transformed by Christ Body and Blood – Sent on Mission to Light a Fire in the Heart of the Church

A vocation to the priesthood is both challenging and rewarding. A priest is called to be a witness of Christ. He is a minister of the sacraments, proclaimer of the word, teacher of the faith, and steward of the Church. He accompanies the faithful through this world, leading the way to the eternal kingdom of heaven.

Discernment of a vocation to the priesthood requires specialized guidance to navigate the spiritual formation and academic demands of the seminary. While the Diocese of Metuchen has been blessed with an increase in the number of men studying for the priesthood—currently 24—the expense of educating and preparing our future priests is also rising. Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal will help provide men with the opportunity to successfully complete their journey through the seminary and ensure the future of our Church. Please give as generously as your means allow.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy



Jesus, I trust in You!

Praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy is a glorious way to enter into the abundant Mercy of God. It only takes a few minutes and can easily be prayed almost anywhere. Using a rosary, follow the guide below to offer this wonderful prayer. It is especially good to pray it at the three o'clock hour.

Begin with the Sign of the Cross, 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary and The Apostles' Creed. Then on the Our Father Beads say the following:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On the 10 Hail Mary Beads say the following:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Repeat for all five decades. Conclude with (three times):

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule

Sunday: Natalie Day
Monday: Randy Hart
Tuesday: Colleen Hart
Wednesday: Frank Picciano
Thursday: Thomas Amato
Friday: John Tardy
Saturday: Ellen Michta



You can listen to our broadcast from the church on 93.5 FM (within a 2 mile radius). If you are not receiving it clearly it is because there are obstacles to the signal.

Download the Parish App...

Now is the perfect time to download the parish app to keep abreast of everything that's going on during this crisis. To download:

iPhone UsersText: ParishApp1 to 555888 Android Users Text: ParishApp2 to 555888

To learn more visit our website.

The Christ the Redeemer collection for Holy Week & Easter Sunday, 2021

Holy Thursday	\$ 1,797.00
Good Friday	\$ 2,195.00
Easter Offertory	\$ 5,091.00
Easter	\$ 13,767.00
Mail-Ins	\$ 2,376.00
On-line Giving	\$ 4,528.00
Children's Donations	\$ 28.00
Total	\$ 29,782.00

Thank you for your generosity and support. May God bless you. Fr. Stan

"The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own..." - ACTS 4:32

All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your life, your talents and your money – these are all gifts from God! We aren't really owners of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has blessed us with. We are called to be grateful and generous with all of our gifts for the benefit of others.

Give Online

Consider using ConnectNow Giving during this health crisis. Go to our website and use the "Quick Give" feature to give a one-time gift without creating a login, and you'll see a list of our special funds from which you can choose to contribute. Or you can create a login and set up a recurring donation.

Pomimo kryzysu związanego z koronawirusem prosimy o wsparcie finansowe dla parafii. Zachęcamy do korzystania z zakładki Online Giving na stronie internetowej parafii. Transakcje czynione za pomocą Online Giving są bezpieczne. Dziękujemy za wsparcie i zrozumienie.

Readings for the Week of April 11, 2021

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1

Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/

Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Jn 3:7b-15 **Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/

Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 [7a]/

Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [cf. 4abc]/Jn 6:1-15 **Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/Jn 6:16-21 **Next Sunday:** Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1

Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

The daily Scripture references are printed here. If you find it helpful and have internet access, you can find the complete Daily Scripture Readings at http://www.usccb.org/nab/.

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. For a complete list of drop-off locations, visit http://www.ccdom.org/how-you-canhelp/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.



We ask you for your prayers for the health of those in need, especially: Edwina Andreyko, To-

ni Antonelli, Evelyn Appenzeller, Cheryl Argento, John Bartley, Thelma Bartus, Jean Batula, Harold Bok, Shawn Brickley, Denise Buanano, Lorraine Burkoski, Marylou & Jason Cebula, Chester Cejnowski, Luke Chartowich, Palo Cizmar, Allison Collins, Lynn Cotty, Kaiden Crothwer, Bill and Denise Davidson, Dolores DeFazio, Marge Demski, Mary Evancho, Bernice Fatto, Maureen Femiano, Lou Fischer, Kathryn, Debbie, Madison & Michael Fisne, Valerie Frank, Nancy Franklin, Karter Fridlund, Marian Gano, Helen Gazo, Helen Gilmore, Dorothy Gluch, Robert Goffredo, Christopher Gregor, Dolores Hart, Frank Honkisz, Maryann Hughes, Marge Iarkowski, Maria Inglot, Raul Jaime, Kim Jenkins, Dennis Koslowski, Ed Kawalchuk, Theresa Kraska, Wiktoria Lach, Rita Lagasse, Ken Lake, Janice Lalley, Lenny Lazas, Donna Lawler, Ann Marie Lazor-Shapiro, Judy Lentzsch, Antoinette Leotti, Chevenne Liccardi, Rachel Lukacs, Nadine Mack, Jerry Mamola, Helen Michno, Ouaid Mobus, Alexander Monto, Ed Nawracaj, Mai Nguyen, Hunter Norz, Maria Oram, Ned Panfile, Barbara Pankowski, Robert & John Parlier, Barbara Perone, Steven Pirello, Mary Poltarek, Elijah Paul Prater, Joseph G. & Mark Pschar, Carolyn Puia, Steve Quintana, Chelsea Rivard, Laura Rodaman, Marie Rogusky, Sylvia Rubito, Jerry Russell, Jr., Dolores Serra, Michael Sheehan, Irene Shelcusky, Pat Sherwood, Holli Skrapits, Eric Slaight, Celia Smith, Charlotte Snow, Victoria Soika. Albert Stanski. Gertrude Szczecina. Michelle Tranter. David Urban, Frances & Barry Viola, Irena Walczak, Ramona Walsh, Mark Waugh, Cindy Weigel, Cathy Wildgust, Raymond Wisniewski, Barbara Wrigil, Rose Zakszewski, Michael Zamorsky, Margaret & Mark Zujkowski, Maria Zurawiecki and Regina Zydalis.

God of all consolation give life and health to our sisters and brothers for whom we pray in your Holy Name. Amen.



Our Men and Women in the Service

Please pray for all of our men and women serving in the Armed forces, especially

SPC Christopher Elsen
PFC Joshua Hussey
Major James A. Jablonski Jr.
Master Sergeant Kimberly Kaminski USAF
Airman Michael Edward Kassick III
I*Lieutenant John Limyansky USAF
First Sergeant Jeff Morella USMC
SR Jerry Lee Rogalski
Commander Peter G. Rybski, Jr.
PFC Steven Ubry
Staff Sergeant Lindsay Zaccardi USAF

Let us know if you have a family member who is serving in the military and we will acknowledge them in our weekly bulletin. Please share the good news with us when one of the above soldiers returns home!

The Knights of Columbus Saint Jude Council # 6573



Council Meetings and Social Gatherings: Held monthly on 1st and 3rd Tuesday, respectively at 7:00 pm; Saint John Neumann Center at Christ the Redeemer Parish, Manville N.J. Catholic men 18+ who are not fellow knights but may have an interest to join are invited to the

social events. For more information visit https://www.kofc.org/en/join/join-the-knights.html

CLOTHING DRIVE - Postponed until further notice!

Bible Study: Bible study is every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. . All are welcome to join the discussion.

We always have updates on our Facebook Page - https://www.facebook.com/kofc6573biblestudy/



The next Altar Rosary Society Mass will be said on **April 18**th at 10:00AM.

The next First Satur-

DAY DEVOTIONS to Our Lady of Fatima will take place on **May 1**^{sr} at 4PM.



The next Holy Name Society Meeting will be held on **May 5**th in the St. John Neumann Center at 6PM.



Thank you for your continued support of Caritas. The Caritas Team collects food every week at the church. Desperately needed items: Spaghetti Sauce, Soup, Cereal, Macaroni and

Cheese, Dried Potato Mixes, Rice, Canned Meat-Ham, Tuna, Chicken, Canned Fruit, Peanut Butter and Jelly. The Caritas Team also collect monetary donations and on-line through our church website.

For the month of April donations of of toiletries like shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes and deodorant would be appreciated.

This would be an enormous help as people don't normally think of these items when donating to a Food Bank. These can be dropped off at Sacred Heart Church or the parish office.

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Alleluia! Forgiveness has risen from the grave! What a wonderful joy fills us today as we ponder the inexhaustible mercy of God. When experienced, we are moved to do all in our power to avoid sin and embrace the loving presence of our risen God. God stands ever ready to receive us and wants nothing more than for us to come home. How reluctant we are to believe this truth! We want proof, tangible evidence and absolute assurance that what we have been told is true. Jesus has risen from the dead and brings us peace. It is the gift of wholeness and holiness that is breathed upon us by God's life-giving and healing mercy. May the rays of love that flow from the heart of Christ pierce ours!

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: Why are priests transferred from one parish to another? How is that decided?

Answer:

Bishops take the appointment of pastors to parishes very seriously and the decision to assign or transfer priests is one of the most important decisions bishops can make, effecting the lives of everyone in the parish community.

In 1984, the bishops of the United States implemented a six-year term limit for pastors (which can be renewed by bishop); term limits for associate pastors vary from diocese to diocese. Sometimes a particular priest is assigned to a parish or chaplaincy to respond to specific issues (such as a parish merger, a fundraising campaign, or because he has special qualifications that make him a good fit for the community). In the case of new or recently ordained priests, the vibrancy and diversity, the presence of a school, or certain social programs offer invaluable training and ongoing formation. In making their decisions regarding the placement of priests, most bishops rely on a priest personnel committee or a council of priests. There is also a period of dialogue with the priest(s) who will be moved, sometimes even including an extended period of discernment and self-assessment, helping to be as sure as possible that the assignment of a priest to a particular community will truly benefit the people and be a healthy one for the priest himself.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Eve Has Not Seen

They say seeing is believing. But if you've ever ordered a pair of pants online, you know that's not always the case. Whatever the photos promise us, what looked like a perfectly nice shade of navy blue on our computer screens comes in the mail as an unusual shade of blue green that only appears in the giant box of Crayola crayons.

The Apostle Thomas, who couldn't bring himself to accept that Jesus had risen from the dead without seeing him, is such an utterly relatable figure in the Gospels. Thomas is still reeling from a loss — not only of his good friend but his Lord, who was taken prisoner and crucified before his eyes. Thomas is guarding himself. He's not believing the hype. He's going to be the only judge of what is real and what is fiction.

Would any of us be any different? We've all had those thoughts. Can we believe it all — Jesus, salvation history, the Eucharist — when we haven't seen it with our own two eyes?

That's when we need to remember that those two eyes were absolutely positive they had ordered a pair of navy blue pants.

It's easy for us to sit back stroking our chins in judgment at Thomas, "you didn't believe the testimony of your friends!" But do we accept the testimony of our friends? The saints, the popes, the Church fathers themselves?

Sometimes the things that are most worthy of believing can't be seen with the naked eye.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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up-to-date information, schedules, church bulletins, pictures from parish events and much more...

Be sure to check out our video reflections on the Sunday Readings each week. This week Deacon Bill will be presenting the reflections and next week Ted Petrock will be the presenter. Have parish newsletter delivered to your email. Sign up for our newsletter on the website.