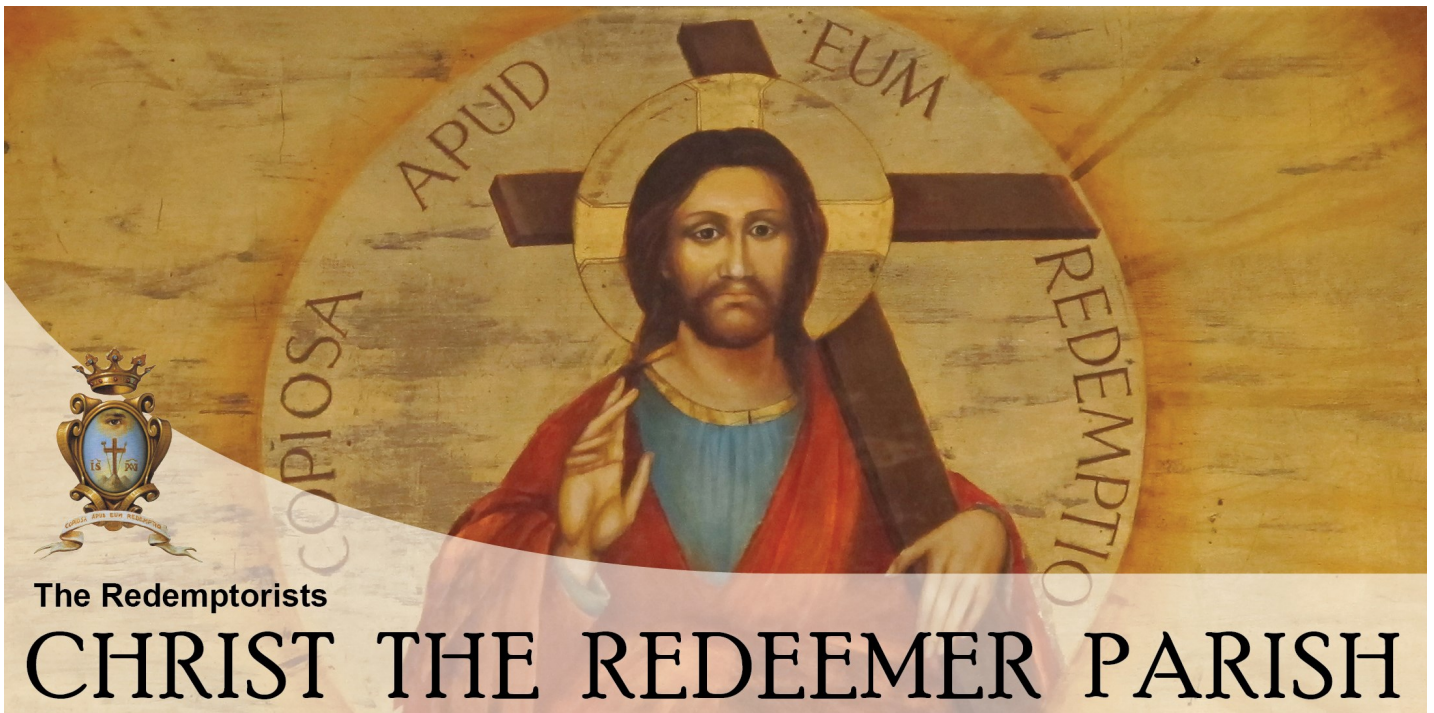


April 6, 2025

5th Sunday of Lent



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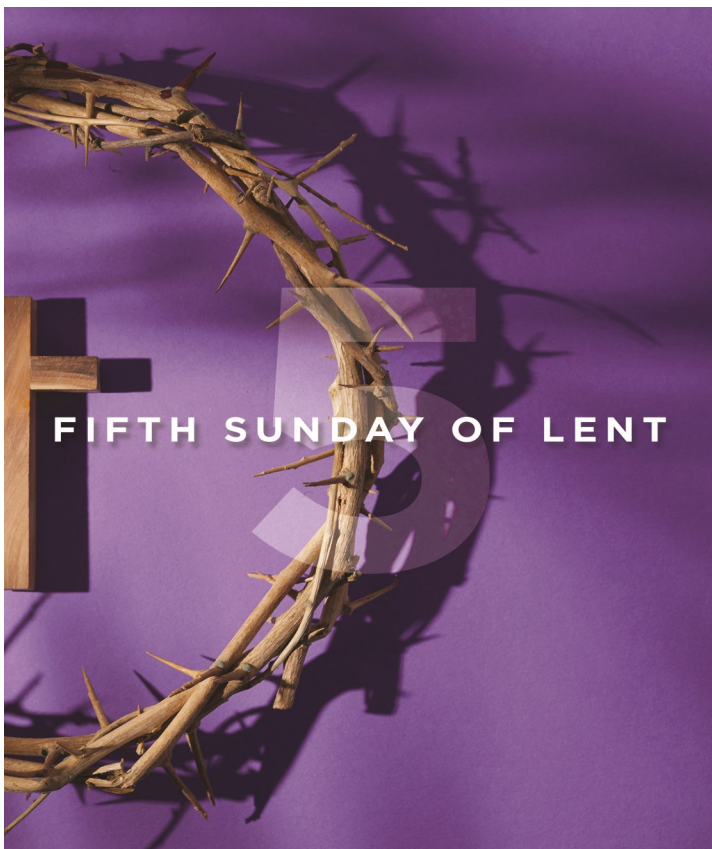
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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Rev. Stanislaw Slaby, C.Ss.R., *Pastor*
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Deacon Thomas Giacobbe
Deacon Anthony Scarpantonio

Ann Straszewski, *Office Business Manager*
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Maribeth Thomaszfski, *Cemetery Business Manager*
Charlotte Snow, *Director of Religious Education*

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sacred Heart Worship Site

SATURDAY 7:30 - 8:00 AM & 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 thru Thursday 10:00AM to 3:00PM.

Office closed on Fridays. Saturdays and Evenings: By Appointment.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 7 (Poniedziałek) - John Baptist de la Salle

8:00AM †Antoni Galent r/o Karnas Family
 11:00AM †Frank Serra r/o daughter
 7:00PM †Piotr Kleszcz r/o colleagues from work

Tuesday, April 8 (Wtorek)

8:00AM †Jozef Sowa r/o Karnas Family
 11:00AM †Albert Holl r/o daughter, Laura Riccardi
 11:30AM OLPH Novena in English
 7:00PM †Michael Florek r/o brata. siostra i dzieci

Wednesday, April 9 (Środa)

8:00AM †Piotr Ochman r/o Karnas Family
 11:00AM †Mary Ann Eltringham r/o Laura Riccardi
 11:30AM Exposition and Rosary
 7:00PM OLPH Novena & Mass in Polish

Thursday, April 10 (Czwartek)

8:00AM †Witold Niemiec r/o Karnas Family
 11:00AM †Edward Zujkowski r/o wife

Friday, April 11 (Piątek) - Stanislaus

11:00AM †Chester Menkowski r/o son, Matthew Menkowski
 4:30PM Stations of the Cross in English
 6:30PM Stations of the Cross in Polish
 7:00PM †Piotr Kleszcz r/o friends from work

Saturday, April 12 (Sobota)

8:00AM †Piotr Karnas r/o Anna Kleszcz
 11:00AM †Dorothy Tomasko r/o son, Michael
 2:00PM Mass of Thanksgiving occasioned by the 50th
 Wedding Anniversary of Zofia & Stefan Skoczylas
 r/o family
 4:30PM Lenten Lamentations
 5:00PM †Jozef & Jozefa Zalewski r/o daughter & family

Palm Sunday, April 13 (Niedziela)

7:00AM †Piotr Kleszcz r/o friends from work
 8:40AM Lenten Lamentations
 9:00AM †Dolores Serra r/o pierogi pals
 †Rosemarie Charneski r/o Deborah Myers
 †Anna Maziarz r/o Elizabeth & Tadek Kolodziej
 †Josephine Riley r/o Maria Ragucci
 †Jennifer Stark r/o Laura Riccardi
 †Scott, Olec, Damian, Patrick & Paul r/o Karnas
 Family
 †Jozef Wyka r/o Wladyslawa Malczewska
 For the People of the Parish
 10:30AM †Rozalia & Antoni Kurasinski r/o Stanislaw
 Kurasinski
 5:00PM Gorzkie Zale
 5:45PM †Zofia Puzio r/o Marian & Maria Puzio



*Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."
 - Jn 8:6b-7*

5th Sunday of Lent

"The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle" (John 8:3). Why do they make her stand in the middle? Why not expose her on the periphery? The reason is something that affects us practically every day.

The center is what stabilizes a community's identity. We humans tend to center ourselves around an accused and condemned victim — though we rarely admit it. This renews our fragile communities and our power as those who weaponize the accusation. This is effective because it is often a victim who represents something truly dangerous for the group. In this case, adultery stands for the breakdown of a community and those within it, because it forces questions like: who is my father? Whose child is this? Is this child one of us, or that of an outsider? The accusers place the adulteress in the center because their community, like most, is built around turning an enemy into a victim.

Once you understand this, you'll see it almost anywhere humans group together (families, politics, workplaces, sports, schools, etc.). The good news is Jesus exposes this dynamic by deftly pointing out the sin-infected hearts of everyone besides the woman. They all leave, symbolizing the breakdown of the old order, and she is **"left alone before him."** A new community has begun, structured around the merciful love of Christ.

What is in your center? What is in the center of our parish and family communities? Strive to center on Christ's forgiveness, and we experience the new, lasting community we call the Church.

— Father John Muir



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

To be a community of love, a family that joyfully proclaims and bears witness to the Gospel, and which serves the poor and one another.

This Week

MONDAY, APRIL 7

GUITAR CLASSES FOR CHILDREN - 5:15PM followed by Children's Polish Choir at 6PM.

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES - Christ the King School - 5:30 - 6:45PM.

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

CLOTHING DRIVE - 9AM - 12 noon - St. John Neumann Center.

NEXT WEEKEND, APRIL 12 & 13

THE SECOND COLLECTION taken up after Holy Communion will benefit the **DIOCESAN PRIEST RETIREMENT FUND**. Please be generous.

PALM SUNDAY – palms will be blessed and distributed at all the Masses.

EASTER BAKE SALE – sponsored by the Altar Rosary Society. The bake sale will be set up at the vestibule of the church.

NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 13

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION - Children from grades 2 and up – Please join Father Stan in a procession to celebrate Palm Sunday – no practices are required. Come to the cry room at 8:30AM to be fitted into a costume and you will be given a Palm to carry in procession.

Ogłoszenia Parafialne

PONIEDZIAŁEK, 7 KWIECIEŃ

LEKCJE GITARY - godz. 15.15; próba polskiej scholii dziecięcej - godz. 18.00.

WTOREK, 8 KWIECIEŃ

KATECHEZA – Christ the King School – 5:30-6:45PM.

NIEDZALA, 13 KWIECIEŃ

ZAPRASZAMY DO UDZIAŁU W PROCESJI Z PALMAMI w Niedzielę Palmową. Chętnych zapraszamy do przyjęcia na godz. 8.30 AM do zakrystii.

DRUGA SKŁADKA przeznaczona będzie na rzecz diecezjalnego funduszu na rzecz księży emerytów. Bog zapłać za złożone ofiary.

2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal *PILGRIMS OF HOPE: Journeying Together in Faith, Hope and Charity*

Central to our understanding of Christian stewardship is the concept of accountability. To safeguard the gifts you have entrusted to our care, we recently set up a special foundation, a separate trust, where all the money from this Appeal goes so that it can be used only for those ministries advertised in the Appeal materials and website. You can be assured that your gift is well protected and well used; making a difference in meeting the spiritual, educational and social needs of the people we serve. A gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal is a worthy investment.



From the Pastor

If any of the following items pertain to you or your family, please check the appropriate box in front of the listed item. This information will be a great help to us. You may tear off the form and deposit in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Office. Your cooperation in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Fr. Stan

- New in Parish and would like to register
- Change of address
- Request Collection Envelopes
- Moving out of Parish
- Need Information – Please CALL
- New Telephone Number: _____
- Family Member (Name: _____) is ill:
 - At Home
 - In the Hospital: Room #: _____
 - Would like to receive Holy Communion

Your name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____



Please visit our parish website:

www.ctrmanville.com

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 Chet Makowski will be presenting the reflections and next week Joe Oram will be the presenter.

Have the parish newsletter delivered to your email. Sign up for our newsletter on the website.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/
Jn 8:1-11 *Scrutiny:* Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
(7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/
Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/
Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/
Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18,
19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49

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/>.

The Christ the Redeemer collection for the weekend of March 30, 2025

Offertory	\$	6,747.00
Mail-Ins	\$	1,200.00
Children's Donations	\$	3.00
On-line Giving	\$	2,137.00
Total	\$	10,087.00

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

"...For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ..."
(PHILIPPIAN S 3:8)

The first commandment says that we should not put other gods before the Lord. Sharing all of our gifts - our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works, and our treasure to support the Church helps us keep God first in everything. It helps us from putting other gods before God. It helps us from becoming a slave to our possessions. It helps us to use our gifts for the glory of God and not for the glory of ourselves.

OUR CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP GIFTS

My Good Deed was when I:

read a book to my baby cousin.

Brooke-Lynn

Don't forget to put your first & last name on your envelope.

Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule

Sunday:	John Tardy
Monday:	Barbara Faist
Tuesday:	Roberta Caswell; Elizabeth Janlonski; 3rd Grade CCD Class
Wednesday:	John & Magdalena Daus
Thursday:	Susan Klein
Friday:	Suzanne Runyon
Saturday:	Joanne Krasnansky

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: How many items does the Vatican Secret Library supposedly hold?

Answer: 150,000

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"Go, and sin no more," Jesus tells the woman caught in adultery. Her life, like ours, has been saved. She, like us, has a chance for a new beginning. So he begs her, and he begs us: be changed by it. Let the mercy transform you. Go, and sin no more.



Pierogies are available for sale in the parish office.

Devotions, Explained!

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Explained

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is an intercessory prayer invoking God's mercy on the world, utilizing words drawn from the text of The Diary of St. Faustina Maria Kowalska. St. Faustina was a Polish nun who received visions of Christ imploring her to spread the message of his Divine Mercy, specifically through the recitation of this chaplet.

Prayed with an ordinary five-decade Rosary, the chaplet opens with a recitation of the Our Father, the Hail Mary and the Apostle's Creed. The beads usually used for the Our Father are used to recite this prayer: "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," followed by ten Hail Marys and the words "Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world."



We ask you for your prayers for the health of those in need, especially: Toni Antonelli, Evelyn Appenzeller, Cheryl Argento, John Bartley, Thelma Bartus, Andrew Bartushak, Frank Batula, Elizabeth Bednarczyk, Claire Biagini, Keith Bielanski, Pat Bohar, Harold Bok, Bishop Paul Bootkoski, Shawn Brickley, Denise Buanano, Lorraine Burkoski, Marylou & Jason Cebula, Sofia Chantel, Luke Chartowich, Palo Cizmar, John Clougher, Allison Collins, Bill Corson, Jean Courtney, Kaiden Crothwer, Bill Davison, Marge Demski, Malcolm Ferraira, Maureen Femiano, Lou Fischer, Valerie Frank, Nancy Franklin, Karter Fridlund, Joe & Mirella Gazo, Helen Gilmore, Margaret Guerrazzi, Savannah Hemenway, Frank Honkisz, Maryann Hughes, Marge Iarkowski, Maria Inglot, Raul Jaime, Lucy Jankowski-McClure, Waclaw & Stanley Jasinski, Stanislaw Jelski, Kim Jenkins, Dennis Koslowski, Theresa Kraska, Wiktoria Lach, Ken Lake, Rita Lagasse, Janice Lalley, Donna Lawler, Judy Lentzsch, Chris Levash, Cheyenne Liccardi, William McGlinchey, Dottie Mesaris, Veronika Mleczo, Quaid Mobus, Alexander Monto, Ed Nawracaj, Mai Nguyen, Joyce Nipps, Robert Oliver, Celeste Onka, James O'Reilly Jr., Susan, Brian, Robert & John Parlier, Irene Pastula, Dora Perna, Barbara Perone, Rachel & Vince Petront, Rosemary Phillips, Steven Pirello, Joseph G. & Mark Pschar, Carolyn Puia, Ava & Steve Quintana, Marcelle Reed, Peg Reilly, Laura Rodaman, Marie Rogusky, Cindi Shandor, Michael Sheehan, Pat Sherwood, Eric Slaughter, Charlotte Snow, Jim Spinola, Albert Stanski, Steve Szabo, Gertrude Szczecina, Michelle Tranter, Helen Turiano, David & Robert Urban, Carol Vinchur, Mark & Veronica Waugh, Cindy Weigel, Cathy Wildgust, Raymond Wisniewski, Veronica Wolenski, Patrick & Michael Zamorsky, Julia Zarbetski Kemmett, Celia Zelinski, Mark Zujkowski and Maria Zurawiecki.

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

*Airman Thomas Caswell
SPC Christopher Elsen*

*Lieutenant Colonel James A. Jablonski Jr.
Master Sergeant Kimberly Kaminski USAF*

*Airman Michael Edward Kassick III
Master Sergeant Michael John Lamonica USAF
Captain John Limyansky USAF*

*Specialist Allison Okurowski, Combat Medic
Airman Jason Pikula USAF*

*SR Jerry Lee Rogalski
PFC Steven Ubry*

Technical 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 Meeting: Council Meetings are held monthly on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 pm; Saint John Neumann Center

Recruiting: Catholic men 18+ are invited to reach out to Chester Makowski

(chester.makowski@gmail.com) or approach any of the brother knights.

Bible Study: All are welcome to join us in the Little Red Schoolhouse, (the Saint John Neumann Center) next to the Rectory on Thursday evenings at 7pm.

Clothing Drive - April 12th - 9AM - 12 noon - St. John Neumann Center.



The next **ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY MASS** will be said on **April 20th at 9:00AM. Please join us for the PARISH ROSARY OF THE MONTH AT 8:30AM.**

The next **FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS** to Our Lady of Fatima will take place on **May 3rd at 11:30AM.**



Caritas MANVILLE

God's Love in Action

The Christ The Redeemer Caritas Food Pantry depends on both monetary and grocery donations to keep its shelves stocked.

Please help us help those less fortunate. When going shopping please consider picking up something extra. Food items can be dropped off in our new donation bins in the church vestibule or at the parish office. Monetary donations can be made through on-line giving.

The Food Pantry is currently most in need of the following items:

**Granola/Snack Bars.
Canned Fruit.
Jelly & Jam.
Juice (64 oz.).
Boxed Milk.**





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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

April 6, 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

What a blessing that we have so many good, holy priests faithfully serving in the Diocese of Metuchen in our parishes, hospitals and other important ministries! I write to remind you that we also have **forty retired priests** of our diocese who have dedicated many years of devotion to God and our parish communities.

While all of our retired diocesan priests receive a monthly stipend to assist them with expenses, some go to live with relatives, while twelve live at our *Maria Regina Residence for Retired Priests*. Here our retired priests live each day with dignity while being able to live in community with brother priests. Those who are physically able continue to generously help in so many ways—offering Mass at local parishes, hearing confessions and sharing their spiritual and administrative wisdom with their brother priests. They also spend time in prayer in their chapel praying for the needs of everyone in our diocese, including you.

Our retired priests have served so many people over the course of their ministry, nourishing our Catholic faith, educating our youth and serving the poor and vulnerable. *Next weekend, April 12 and 13, as we celebrate Palm Sunday*, the faithful of the diocese will have the opportunity to gratefully acknowledge the life-long dedication of these priests by contributing to the *Annual Collection for our Retired Diocesan Priests*. All funds raised through this collection will be used exclusively to assist our retired priests.

Thank you for your generosity. Please keep all of our priests in your daily prayers. Please also continue to pray for vocations from our local Church to the holy priesthood for service in our diocese.

With renewed best wishes, I remain

Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA
Bishop of Metuchen