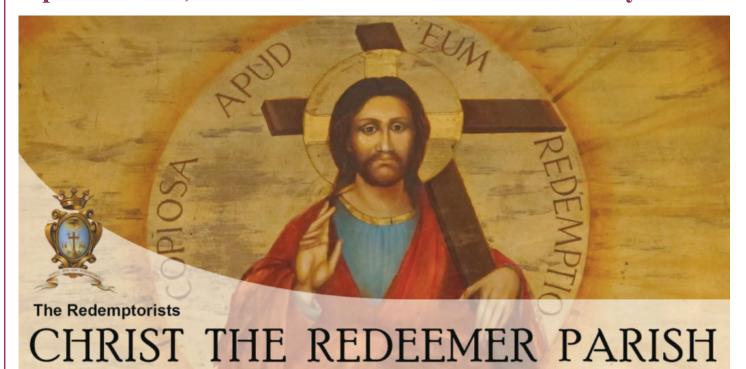
# **September 14, 2025**

# The Exaltation of the Holy Cross



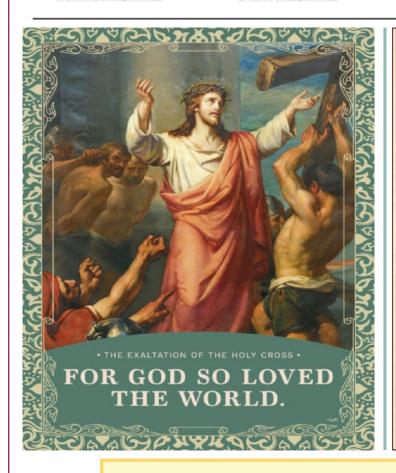
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# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, September 15 (Poniedziałek) **Our Lady of Sorrows**

8:00AM †Piotr Karnas r/o family 11:00AM †Mary & Stanley Stoj r/o niece

### Tuesday, September 16 (Wtorek) -Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian

8:00AM †Antoni Niecikowski r/o Stanislaw Zala

11:00AM †Piotr Karnas r/o family

11:30AM OLPH Novena in English

### Wednesday, September 17 (Środa)

St. Robert Bellarmine, St. Hildegard of Bingen

11:00AM †Piotr Karnas r/o family

11:30AM Exposition and Rosary

7:00PM OLPH Novena & Mass in Polish

### Thursday, September 18 (Czwartek)

8:00AM †Antoni Niecikowski r/o Bogdan & Malgorzata

11:00AM †Piotr Karnas r/o family

### Friday, September 19 (Piątek)

St. Januarius

11:00AM †Piotr Karnas r/o family

7:00PM †Eliza & Jan Muzyczenko r/o Klara Konopka

### Saturday, September 20 (Sobota) - Sts. Andrew Kim Tea-Gon & Payk Chong Ha-Sand and Companions

8:00AM †Piotr Karnas r/o family

11:00AM †Stefania Ziebka r/o friend

5:00PM †John & Ann O'Mara r/o Gola Family

### Catechetical Sunday - Sept. 21 (Niedziela)

7:00AM †Piotr Karnas r/o family

9:00AM †Deacon Richard A, Kenton r/o wife

†Charlotte Snow r/o Stanley & Janina Lesniewski

†Jozef Malinowski r/o Janina Woznicki

†Paul & Stella Menkowski r/o Matthew Menkowski

†Janina Szeremeta r/o Stella Wiercinski

†Irena Jelski r/o daughter

†Stanley Jasinski r/o Eleanor Pisowacki

†Rosalinda Villanueva r/o RWJ Somerset Nurses

†Jakub Koscielny r/o mom, Bozena & brother,

Wojciech

Children, Teachers & Parents of Religious **Education Program** 

For the People of the Parish

10:30AM 55th Wedding Anniversary of Jozefa & Stanislaw Kurasinki r/o family

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the repose of the soul of Mary Sue Schlenker at the request of the Schlenker Family.





"And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life." For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. - Jn 3:14-16

## 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

**GOSPEL MEDITATION -**

September 14, 2025

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross John 3:13-17

One of my favorite movies is the 1991 comedy What About Bob? Bill Murray plays a troubled, paranoid hypochondriac named Bob Wiley who innocently but annoyingly hounds Dr. Leo Marvin, played by Richard Dreyfuss. Bob is paralyzed by his fear of, well, everything, and is convinced the psychologist can heal him. But Dr. Marvin's failed attempts to heal Bob end up driving the doctor to attempt to murder Bob. He fails.

The surprise is that, having faced death head on, Bob is suddenly healed. He attributes his healing to Dr Marvin for break-through "death therapy." In facing the cause of his deepest illness and dysfunction, Bob is healed.

Underneath this light-hearted comedy is a dead-serious resonance with this week's feast: the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Christ is lifted up on the cross to force us to face the truth of sin and death. In that reckoning we find healing. Like Moses' snake on a pole, the cross says: this is what is causing your sickness – rebellion, disobedience, sin. Look at it! Don't run from it. Now seeing it exposed, we see life. We see our physician mercifully healing us. In this sense, we are all like Bob Wiley. The 'death therapy" of the cross is our only hope for healing.

This week I invite you to "exalt the cross." If you don't have one in your house, get one. Use it for prayer. Gaze on it frequently. It teaches us to not be afraid. It heals us.

— Father John Mui**r** 

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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.



NEXT WEEKEND, SEPTEMBER 20 & 21

THE SECOND COLLECTION taken up after Holy Communion will be for the Air Conditioning.

Please be generous.

NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY – 9AM MASS. Our Religious Education teachers will be commissioned. Please keep the teachers and students in your prayers.

Please keep the teachers and students in your prayers Children should bring their school backpacks to Mass for blessing.

# Ogłoszenia Parafialne

Niedziela, 21 wrzesień

**DRUGA SKŁADKA**, po Komunii świętej, będzie przeznaczona na Air Conditioning. Prosimy o ofiarność!

# MINISTRY TO THE HOSPITALIZED AND HOMEBOUND

Please notify the Parish Office if you or someone you know is ill in the hospital or homebound. It is your responsibility to let us know about these parishioners in order for us to provide an adequate spiritual ministry.

### DUSZPASTERSTWO LUDZI CHORYCH

Jeśli ktoś z Waszych bliskich jest już dłuższy czas lub ciężko chory w domu lub szpitalu, to kapłan chętnie przyjedzie, aby porozmawiać z nim i udzielić mu sakramentów pojednania, namaszczenia chorych i Komunii Świętej. Kontakt - biuro parafialne.

# EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Where's the Sacrifice?

"It's not that I want you to do it. It's that I want you to want to do it."

If you're married or in a relationship, your partner has probably either said something like this to you or you have said it to them. If one of you hasn't said it, you have probably wanted to, and it's likely that a big argument or two was had where you dance around the sentiment, these exact words flashing in your mind like an old-time movie marquee.

The "it" never really matters much. Taking out the trash, painting the bedroom, traveling to your in-laws' for Christmas — whatever the subject matter of the disagreement is, it's all just so much set dressing. The heart of the matter is the sacrifice and desire. That's what it all hangs on. Am I with a person who will sacrifice for me?

When Paul writes to Philemon that he is sending Onesimus to him, he says exactly this. He tells Philemon that he would prefer to keep Onesimus with him, but that he does not want to deprive Philemon both of Onesimus and the opportunity to make a sacrifice worthy in the sight of the Lord.

The point is not who gets to hang out with Onesimus. The point is, as it says in the Gospel, who is willing to carry his cross? Who is willing to renounce his possessions? Who is willing to do the good deed for the sake of the other?

God doesn't care that much about what we have to offer. He cares much more that we have the strength to offer whatever we have.— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

### WECONNECT PARISH

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## **Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule**

Sunday: Ralph & Christine Trksak,

Lachac Family

Monday: Mary Lou Cebula

Tuesday: Jane Biago

Wednesday: Elizabeth Urooklay, Landon Calulo

Thursday: LaLa Llarena Friday: Mirna Gonzalez

Saturday: Laura Christie, Leose Calulo,

Donna Puma

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/

Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk

2:33-35

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6/Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 7:31

-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10/Lk 7:36-50 Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 8:4-15 Next Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-

You can find the complete Daily Scripture Readings at http://www.usccb.org/nab/.

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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 <u>Carol-Borysewicz</u> will be presenting the reflections and next week JamieToporowski will be the presenter.

# Pierogi \$12/Dozen Stuffed Cabbage 4 for \$10 Cabbage & Noodle 12oz \$5 For sale in the parish office.



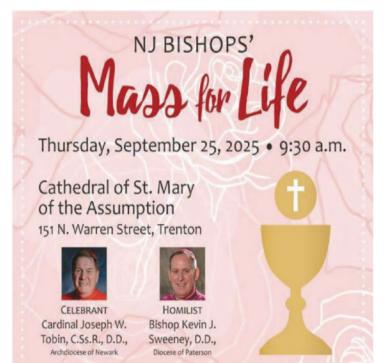




## The 2025-26 Religious Education School Year Begins Sept 30th

See the Religious Education page on the parish website for more details. A child is not considered enrolled until tuition is paid. Parents please pay your childs tuition as soon as possible; Before classes resume.

Rejestracja na Program Katechetyczny 2025-26 jest już otwarta. Szczegóły można znaleźć na stronie internetowej parafii w zakładce "Katecheza". Dziecko nie będzie uznane za zapisane, dopóki czesne nie zostanie opłacone.





\*The NJ Rally & March for Life will begin at 11 am at the Statehouse Annex, a short walk from the Cathedral















For full information, visit: dioceseoftrenton.org/nj-march-for-life

### **The Catholic Parent**

Parents are invited to a new group which will meet Two Fridays a month at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom beginning on September 26th,2025

Meetings will include watching a brief video on a topic particular to Catholic parenting and discussing as a group. Topics will include desiring holiness for your child, child temperaments, family culture, strong marriage, and being an effective witness, among others. The group is intended for those with children in the home and new parents are particularly welcome as developmental stages will be discussed! If interested, please contact

Cristina at cdaverso@diometuchen.org

#### CATHOLIC TRIVIA - JUST FOR FUN

Question: What is the time limit that cardinals have to elect a new pope?

Answer: There is no official time limit.

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, Keith Bielanski, Pat Bohar, Harold Bok, Bishop Paul Bootkoski, Shawn Brickley, Denise Buanano, Lorraine Burkoski, Marie Callahan, Marylou & Jason Cebula, Sofia Chantel, Luke Chartowich, Palo Cizmar, John Clougher, Allison Collins, Jean Courtney, Kaiden Crothwer, Bill Davison, Marge Demski, Malcolm Ferraira, Maureen Femiano, Valerie Frank, Nancy Franklin, Karter Fridlund, Joe & Mirella Gazo, Joann Genovese, Helen Gilmore, Margaret Guerrazzi, Savannah Hemenway, Frank Honkisz, Maryann Hughes, Marge Iarkowski, Maria Inglot, Raul Jaime, Lucy Jankowski-McClure, Stanislaw Jelski, Kim Jenkins, Dennis Koslowski, Theresa Kraska, Wiktoria Lach, Ken Lake, Rita Lagasse, Janice Lalley, Donna Lawler, Judy Lentzsch, Lincoln & Chris Levash, Cheyenne Liccardi, Vitoria Marrcino, Veronika Mleczko, Quaid Mobus, Alexander Monto, Ed Nawracaj, Mai Nguyen, Joyce Nipps, Dolores O'Bara, Robert Oliver, Celeste Onka, James O'Reilly Jr., Susan, Brian, Robert & John Parlier, Irene Pastula, Dora Perna, Barbara Perone, Rachel & Vince Petrone, Rosemary Phillips, Steven Pirello, Joseph G. & Mark Pschar, Carolyn Puia, Ava & Steve Ouintana, Marcelle Reed, Peg Reilly, Laura Rodaman, Marie Rogusky, Jon Severson, Cindi Shandor, Michael Sheehan, Pat Sherwood, Eric Slaight, Jim Spinola, Albert Stanski, Steve Szabo, Gertrude Szczecina, Michelle Tranter, Helen Turiano, David & Robert Urban, Rita Wass, 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.

# 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<sup>+</sup> are invited to reach out to Chester

Makowski (<u>chester.makowski@gmail.com</u>) 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** - October 11<sup>th</sup> - 9AM - 12 noon - St. John Neumann Center.

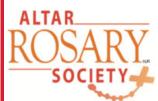


Our Men and Women in the Service

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

SPC Christopher Elsen
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
Master 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 next ALTAR ROSARY
SOCIETY MASS will be said on
October 19<sup>th</sup> 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 October 4<sup>th</sup> at 11:30AM.



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 donation bins in the church vestibule or at the parish office.

Monetary donations can be made through on-line giving.

The Pantry is most in need of the following tems:

Canned Spam, Canned Chicken,
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Toaster Pastries, Instant Potatoes,
Ramen Noodles,
Dry Beans

# (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – BENEATH THE SURFACE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini reflection: When the unfaithful of the Israelites were bitten by the serpents, they were healed by looking upon the instrument of their suffering: the serpent itself, mounted on Moses' staff. To heal us, God invites us to look upon the cross.

The Cross is Not Negotiable. "Holiness isn't for wimps," Mother Angelica famously said. "And the cross isn't negotiable, sweetheart — it's a requirement." I love Mother Angelica, and I love this quote. Following God is tough, and to do it you have to make a decision to be tough, to endure tough things — and ultimately, to love the toughness of it all, because within that struggle God meets us with mercy and salvation.

But in light of today's readings, I think Mother Angelica would forgive me for tweaking her words a tiny bit. Holiness is for wimps, because the cross isn't negotiable.

When the unfaithful among the Israelites were bitten by the serpents, they were healed by looking upon the instrument of their suffering: the serpent itself, mounted on Moses' staff. With a literary flourish that puts Homer and Shakespeare to shame, God inverts that primitive symbol. To heal us, he invites us to look upon the cross — the sacrifice which achieved our redemption.

Jesus came here to die on that cross for us. For the wimps. Because we couldn't do it ourselves, even if we tried. We couldn't right all of our wrongs, not if we had a million years to do it. We would keep screwing it up. We would keep failing. We're wimps; that's what we do.But the cross — the cross is a magnificent invitation to something more. Divinity Himself, assuming the cloak of flesh and the weight of sin, so that when we look at the cross we might recognize ourselves. So that we might see what we have been, what we are, what we could be.

And none of it is negotiable.

#### **OUR CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP GIFTS**

My Good Deed was when I: helped mom and dad clean the garage Brooke-Lynn





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# The Christ the Redeemer collection for the weekend of August 31, 2025

Offertory	\$ 7,082.00
Children's Donations	\$ 3.00
On-line Giving	\$ 2,252.00
Total	\$ 9,337.00

The Christ the Redeemer collection for the weekend of September 7, 2025

Offertory	\$ 5,763.00
Children's Donations	\$ 3.00
Diocesan Assessment	\$ 2,063.00
On-line Giving	\$ 2,600.00
Total	\$ 10,429.00

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May God bless you Fr. Stan

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