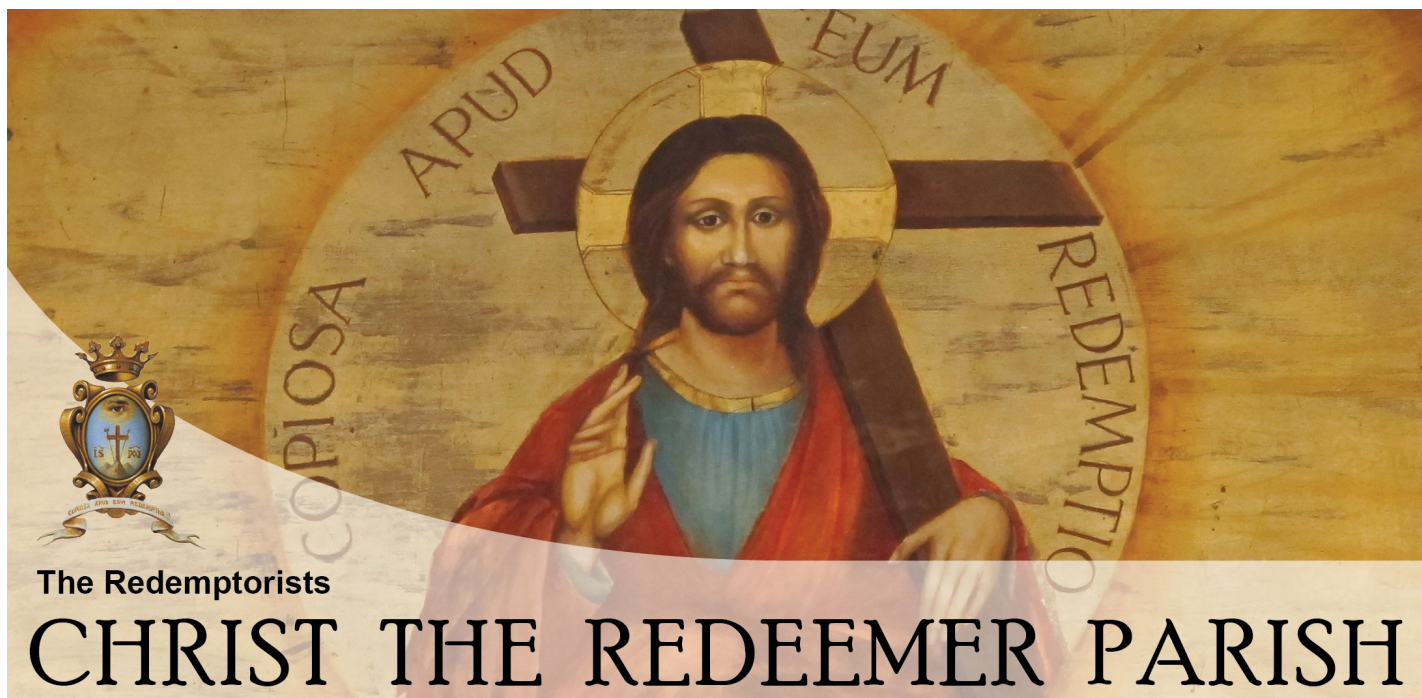


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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



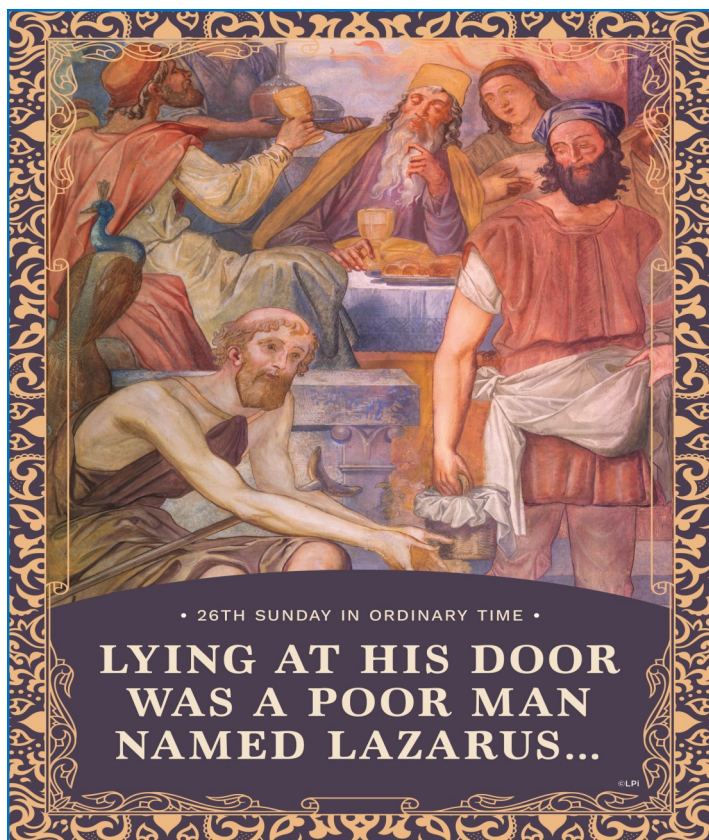
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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

TUESDAY 11:30AM - 9PM
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 9:00AM to 3:00PM.
Office closed on Fridays. Saturdays and Evenings: By Appointment.



Mass Intentions

Monday, September 29 (Poniedziałek)

**STS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL –
ARCHANGELS**

8:00AM †Piotr Karnas r/o family

11:00AM †Francis Fiduk r/o family

Tuesday, September 30 (Wtorek) -

St. Jerome

8:00AM †Antoni Niecikowski r/o Elzbieta Niedbala

11:00AM †Piotr Karnas r/o family

11:30AM OLPH Novena in English

Wednesday, October 1 (Środa)

St. Therese of the Child Jesus

11:00AM †Anna Maziarz r/o family & friends

11:30AM Exposition and Rosary

6:30PM Recitation of the Holy Rosary in Polish

7:00PM OLPH Novena & Mass in Polish

Thursday, October 2 (Czwartek)

The Holy Guardian Angels

8:00AM †Jan Chorzepa r/o Jozefa Werynska

11:00AM †Anna Maziarz r/o family & friends

Friday, October 3 (Piątek)

11:00AM †Anna Maziarz r/o family & friends

6:30PM Recitation of the Holy Rosary in Polish

7:00PM †Janina Szeremeta r/o Donna Zemielski

Saturday, October 4 (Sobota) - St. Francis of Assisi

8:00AM †Piotr Karnas r/o family

11:00AM †Anna Maziarz r/o family & friends

5:00PM †Richard Gola r/o wife & family

Respect Life Sunday - October 5 (Niedziela)

7:00AM †Eugeniusz Kolodziej r/o Kolodziej Family

9:00AM †Bernice Smolinski r/o family

†Florine Limyansky r/o family

†Maria Garlewska r/o Maria & Marian Puzio

†Jean Ketusky r/o son & family

†Raymond Charneski r/o cousin, Celeste Onka

†John, Anna & Henry Krynski r/o estate

†Stanley Jasinski r/o Eleanor Pisowacki

†Jadwiga Beuhl r/o godson, Michael

†Rosalinda Villanueva r/o RWJ Somerset Nurses

†Julian & Anna Maziarz r/o Ramirez Family

†Ivan Irizarri r/o Cara & Pete Irizarri

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

For the People of the Parish

10:30AM †Anna Maziarz r/o family & friends

The Altar Bread & Wine is consecrated & the
Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the repose
of the soul of **Florine Limyansky** at the request of
the Roger & Lisa Limyansky.

**“Abraham replied, ‘My child, remember that
you received what was good during your lifetime
while Lazarus likewise received what was bad;
but now he is comforted here, whereas you are
tormented.’” - Lk 16:25**



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER

UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

September 28, 2025

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I am embarrassed to admit that I frequently find myself dining and socializing with people who have millions and sometimes billions of dollars. I've eaten more caviar, lobster and wagyu steak than most people on the planet. I justify it by saying it's part of my job. But I have seven pairs of nice jeans and expensive shoes.

So it is rather uncomfortable to hear Our Lord say: “My child, remember that you received what was good in your lifetime, while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented” (Luke 16:25). Fellow rich people (and if you're American, you're rich), do we not vehemently though quietly object to this parable's karma-esque reward system? Why bless the rich man just to curse him later? And curse Lazarus just to bless him later? So Americans go to hell, while Burundians and Afghans go to heaven? What is going on?

One clue is that the condemned rich man doesn't complain of injustice. Rather, he simply begs to help his brothers to repent. Of what? We don't know exactly.

Perhaps another clue is that the rich man now seems more like the downtrodden Lazarus. He knows what it is to be hungry and thirsty, to be wounded in the gutter; that he deserved that, not fancy meals and clothes. Maybe the rich man finally understands how to receive true blessings, but it is too late for him.

But not for me. Not for us.

— Father John Muir

"...IN THIS WORLD I CANNOT SEE
THE MOST HIGH SON OF GOD WITH
MY OWN EYES, EXCEPT FOR HIS
MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD."
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI



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.

SECOND COLLECTION DRUGA SKŁADKA

OCTOBER 4 & 5

DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT

OCTOBER 11 & 12

REDEMPTORIST VOCATION

OCTOBER 18 & 19

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

OCTOBER 25 & 26

FALL CEMETERY

UPCOMING EVENTS ZBLIŻAJĄCE SIĘ WYDARZENIA

October 4th Saturday

First Saturday Devotion

October 4th Saturday

Pet Blessing

October 11th Saturday

K of C Clothing Drive

October 13th Monday

Columbus Day-Office Closed

October 19th Sunday

Altar Rosary Mass

November 1st Saturday

All Saint's Day

November 2nd Sunday

All Soul's Day

November 15th Saturday

Parish Fall Dance

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Competing Like a Steward

Picture it: family game night. What are you playing?
Monopoly? Clue? Chess? Poker?

Whatever your game of choice, I'll bet the night is a lot more fun when everyone tries their best to win. Sure, no one likes an obnoxiously competitive opponent — but if we're being honest with ourselves, it's actually more annoying to face off with someone who just doesn't care. A little competition gives the activity a pulse. It keeps everyone interested. It speaks to the worthiness of the endeavor.

We are told to "compete well for the faith." These are confusing words, perhaps, since cutthroat competition doesn't jive with the spiritual ideals of submission and humility. So why is God asking this of us? He isn't setting up some kind of cosmic contest to reward the smartest, strongest, and fastest among us with His mercy and grace.

Competition doesn't have to mean aggressive self-interest. It doesn't have to mean ferocity and lack of principle. Competition can — and should — mean witness. Think of the Olympics. There's a competition that isn't a conquest or a performance but rather a testimony — a feat of strength! A celebration of ability, hard work, and effort. Does anything glorify God more than that?

Let's strive to be competitive, but with the competitive nature of an everyday steward: that which seeks the good of all running the race. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

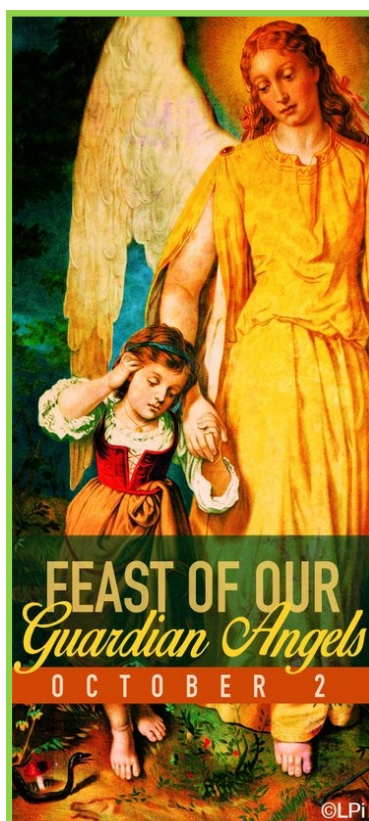
Welcome To Our New Parishoners:

Lukasz & Natalia Wojcik

and their children Igor, Oliwer & Nelia.

Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule

Sunday: Natalie Day
Monday: Roberta Caswell
Tuesday: Neil Christie, Deacon Bill & Barbara Stefany
Wednesday: John Tardy, Dolores Finlan
Thursday: Angelica R. L. Ocaso
Friday: Cassie Badella
Saturday: Terry Tardy





Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31
 Monday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51
 Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 9:51-56
 Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Lk 9:57-62
 Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 (458)/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 18:1-5, 10
 Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Lk 10:13-16
 Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37/Lk 10:17-24
 Next Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

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

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 **John Clougher** will be presenting the reflections and next week **Veronica Ramirez** will be the presenter.

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



The Christ the Redeemer collection for the weekend of September 21, 2025

Offertory	\$ 5,699.00
Children's Donations	\$ 3.00
Air Conditioning	\$ 2,194.00
Mail Ins	\$ 588.00
On-line Giving	\$ 2,114.00
Total	\$ 10,598.00

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

Announcing the Christ the Redeemer Parish Feasibility Study

In conjunction with the Diocese of Metuchen a Feasibility Study is being conducted to determine the scope of work to be completed at both the parish rectory and the Sacred Heart Church. Our church has not undergone any major renovation in over 50 years and for our 100-year-old rectory it has been much longer. Both structures need major improvements for the health and safety of our parishioners and priests.

The four major projects to be addressed are:
Parish Rectory Renovation , Sacred Heart Church Roof Replacment, Church Interior Renovation, Support for the 2026 Bishop's Appeal

This study is being conducted by Mr. Richard Lanahan, Director of the Office of Stewardship Development of the Diocese of Metuchen. You should have already received a letter under Father Slaby's signature requesting your participation. We expect the study to be completed by the end of 2025. All responses will be tabulated and summarized by the diocese reported to our pastor in early 2026. The results will be announced as well as printed in the parish bulletin. Please respond to this request for your essential input. Your participation plays a critical role in shaping the future of Christ the Redeemer Parish.

October is Respect Life Month

Join the **Life Chain** on Sunday, October 5th, on Mountain Avenue in Somerville, in front of [Immaculate Conception Church](#). Signs are available with life-affirming messages to hold or you may stand or sit quietly and pray.

Opening prayers at 1:45pm.
 Chain will start at 2pm and end at 3:30pm.



OUR CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP GIFTS

My Good Deed was when I:
 Helped my nonna food shop and put the food away
 Brooke-Lynn



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 Liccadi, Vitoria Marricino, Veronika Mleczo, 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 Quintana, 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 Kemmet, 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 next **ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY MASS** will be said on **October 19th 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 4th 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 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 items:

**Canned Spam, Canned Chicken,
Tuna,
Boxed Milk,
Toaster Pastries, Instant Potatoes,
Body Wash, Shampoo,
Toothpaste**

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 - October 11th - 9AM - 12 noon - St. John Neumann Center.



LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE AND PROTECT

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. Please share the good news with us when one of the above soldiers returns home!

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – BENEATH THE SURFACE
By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Snow Days and Second Chances

Yesterday morning, my kids were playing outside in the snow, and I decided to take advantage of the quiet house to make a few important phone calls.

Fool. I forgot Murphy's Law of Parenting, which dictates that as soon as you dial a phone number, a bomb of irritation and neediness explodes within the heart of your loudest child. Sure enough, as soon as the person on the other end of the line picked up, my son was at the back door, whimpering loudly. Horror of horrors, he had snow in his boot I gestured to the phone. He whimpered more loudly. I mouthed and mimed threats. He threw his boot at me. I gave him The Look. He started to scream. Well, needless to say, the phone call didn't go well, and my son's snow day was cut short. He begged for a second chance, but I explained to him that life doesn't always give you second chances. The phone call was over. Ruined. I couldn't get it back.

But that's when I remembered that moms have a superpower: creating second chances where none had existed before. So I told him that if he could be quiet while I made the rest of my calls, he could go back outside. My son is young right now. I give him lots of second chances because second chances help him learn. Second chances are the training wheels of life.

I dread the day when the training wheels come off, and I can't save him from his bad decisions. I think every parent does.

The parable of the rich man and Lazarus highlights a reality that we often wish to ignore: at some point, we will run out of chances, and it's not because God tires of giving them to us. It's because a truly endless supply of chances would strip us of our free will. It would deny us the right of being taken at our word — and God respects us too much to do that.

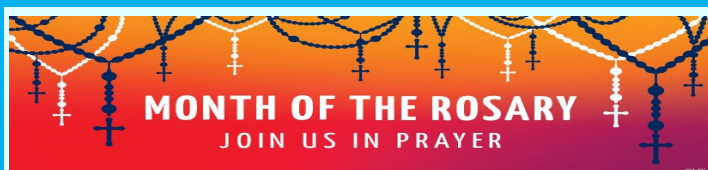
My son saved his snow day. It's a good reminder: take the second (and third and fourth) chance. Don't wait for the next one.

St. Francis of Assisi | Feast Day October 4

St. Francis of Assisi (1181 – 1226) left a life of luxury for a life devoted to Christianity after reportedly hearing the voice of God, who commanded him to rebuild the Christian church and live in poverty. He founded the men's Order of Friars Minor, the women's Order of St. Clare, the Third Order of St. Francis and the Custody of the Holy Land.

Born in 1181 in Italy, St. Francis of Assisi was renowned for drinking and partying as a youth. During a military expedition/battle between Assisi and Perugia, he was captured and imprisoned for ransom. He spent nearly a year in prison and began receiving visions from God. After his release from prison, St. Francis of Assisi claimed to have heard the voice of Christ, who told him to restore the Christian Church and live a life of poverty. As a result, St. Francis of Assisi abandoned his life of luxury and became a devotee of the Catholic faith.

Today, St. Francis of Assisi, known for his deep love of nature and animals, is the patron saint of the environment and animals. Each October, many animals are blessed on his feast day.



The month of October is especially dedicated to
Our Lady of the Rosary
We invite our parishioners to come and pray during
the month.

*Rosary in English - Monday and Wednesday after the
11AM Mass.
Rosary in Polish - Wednesday and
Friday 6:30PM.*

Zachęcamy do codziennego odmawiania



CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

