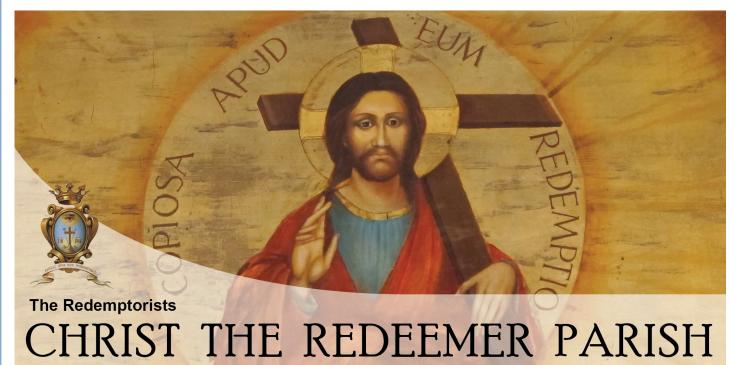
## July 20, 2025

## **Parish Feast of Christ the Redeemer**



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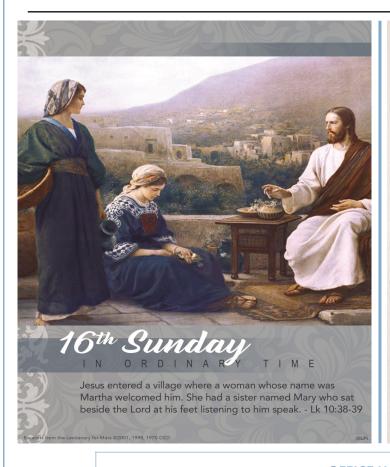
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### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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 10:00AM to 3:00PM.

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



# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

## Monday, July 21 (Poniedziałek) - Lawrence of Brindisi

8:00AM †Antoni Niecikowski r/o wife & family

11:00AM **†**Stanislaw Pasek r/o daughter

11:30AM Precious Blood Devotions in English

#### Tuesday, July 22 (Wtorek) - Mary Magdalene

8:00AM †Piotr Karnas r/o Zolnierczyk Family

11:00AM †Antoni Niecikowski r/o wife & family

11:30AM OLPH Novena in English

## Wednesday, July 23 (Środa) - Bridget

11:00AM †Antoni Niecikowski r/o wife & family

11:30AM Exposition and Rosary

6:45PM Precious Blood Devotions in Polish

7:00PM OLPH Novena & Mass in Polish

#### Thursday, July 24 (Czwartek) - Sharbel Makhluf

8:00AM †Antoni Niecikowski r/o wife & family

11:00AM †Stanislaw Pasek r/o daughter

11:30AM Precious Blood Devotion in English

## Friday, July 25 (Piatek) - James, Apostle

11:00AM †Antoni Niecikowski r/o wife & family

6:45PM Precious Blood Devotions in Polish

7:00PM †Janina Wardek r/o grandson

#### Saturday, July 26 (Sobota)

8:00AM †Zofia i Michal Romanik r/o Klara Konopka

11:00AM †Antoni Niecikowski r/o wife & family

4:00PM †Summer Festival Workers

#### 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 27 (Niedziela)

7:00AM †Antoni Niecikowski r/o wife & family

9:00AM †Dolores Serra r/o daughter

†John Baraniecki r/o daughter

**†**Buster Fregeolle r/o wife & family

†Rosemarie Charneski r/o Deacon Bill & Barbara

**†**Charlotte Snow r/o Stanley & Janina Lesniewski

†Mark Glowacki r/o family & friends

†Deceased Members of the Olejnik Family r/o

Juliana Jasinski

†Maria Nidia Belcea r/o Laura Riccardi

**†**Szczepan Mazurkiewicz

God's Blessing for Sharon Grabowski r/o Barbara Gural

†Victims of the Texas Flood, especially the children at camp r/o Madeline

For the People of the Parish

10:30AM †Living & Deceased Members of the Blessed Virgin Mary Society

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the repose of the soul of **Dolores Serra** at the request of her daughter.

The Altar Bread & Wine is consecrated this week in memory of **Dolores Serra** at the request of her daughter.

On Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, the Vigil Mass will be at 4PM due to the Summer Festival.



The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." - Lk 10:41-42

## **16th Sunday of Ordinary Time**

One of my close friends is a hermit priest who lives on a desert mountain. Recently I found myself in a group conversation about him. One vehemently objected, "What does he do up there all day? Nothing! Priests are down here working, running parishes, making a difference, and he...he is doing nothing! What a waste." The words dripped with indignation and resentment. Most of the group quietly nodded in silent agreement. Were they correct?

No! To see why, consider a similar scenario in this week's gospel. Jesus visits his friends Martha and Mary. A hardworking and exasperated Martha complains to Jesus that her sister is attending to him rather than to urgent household tasks. Our Lord, rather than praising hospitality, explicitly celebrates the less-productive sister for doing the "one necessary thing." He praises her for she "has chosen the better part" (Luke 10:42). Mary is busy doing what matters.

Before we freak out like Martha, consider that all work-domestic, manual, professional, ministerial, contemplative—is done to help us (sooner or later) to experience the love that makes us happy. We should be thankful for those who focus on the "better part" of radical, ceaseless prayer. They invite us to remember the purpose of all work is the enjoyment of love. Contemplatives, hermits, anyone fervently committed to prayer—they invite us to cast aside our forgetful, resentful, and self-aggrandizing attitudes in exchange for hearts ready to do what is finally necessary.

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.



TODAY, JULY 20





# FEAST OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THE ENTIRE WEEK OF THE SUMMER FESTIVAL.

EMERGENCIES, I.E., SICK CALLS,
FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS, WILL BE, OF COURSE,
HANDLED SHOULD THEY OCCUR.

TUESDAY, JULY 22
THERE WILL BE NO ADORATION DUE TO
FESTIVAL PREPARATION.

## Ogłoszenia Parafialne

BIURO PARAFIALNE BĘDZIE NIECZYNNE Z POWODU FESTIWALU PARAFIANLEGO. WSZYSTKIE SYTUACJE WYJĄTKOWE, TJ. POGRZEBY, WEZWANIA DO CHO-RYCH BĘDĄ JEDNAK PRZYJMOWANE.



Registration is now open for the 2025-26 Religious Education School Year

See the Religious Education page on the parish website for more details. A child is not considered enrolled until tuition is paid.

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.

## **Teacher needed:**

As we prepare for the upcoming CCD schoolyear, Christ the Redeemer Parish is looking for someone to teach our 8th grade class. Please consider volunteering for this rewarding and fulfilling opportunity to teach a new generation of the faithful. For more information please contact the parish office at 908 725-0072 or speak to Deacon Anthony or Father Stan.

## **Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule**

Sunday: Laura Christie; Leose Calulo; Donna

Puma

Monday: Marianne Kenton

Tuesday: Rosemary Jablonski; Keily Camacho

Wednesday: Suzanne Runyon

Thursday: Barbara Porter; Dora Perna

Friday: Rachel Petrone Saturday: John Tardy

## Minister Schedule for July 26 & 27

| willington benedule for daily 20 to 2.           |                                  |        |                               |              |  |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------|--------------|--|
|                                                  | 4:00PM                           | 7:00AM | 9:00AM                        | 10:30AM      |  |
| Lectors                                          | Suzanne Runyon                   |        | Matt Menkowski                | Kazik Dziwak |  |
| Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharistic | Laurie Lukacs<br>Linda Cavaluzzo |        | John Tardy<br>Adele Szczecina |              |  |

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 (1a)/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

**Monday:** Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-

18

Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28/Mt 13:1-9

**Thursday**: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Mt 13:10-17

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28

Saturday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Mt 13:24-30

Next Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)/Col 2:12-14/Lk

11:1-13

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/.

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

My Good Deed was when I:

helped my friend when he fell off his bike Brooke-Lynn

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

#### St. James the Apostle | July 25

Saint James the Apostle is also called James, son of Zebedee, or James the Greater to distinguish him from the other James in Jesus' group of twelve. Most of what we know about Saint James is recorded in the New Testament. He and his brother John were collected by Jesus along the sea of Galilee. Matthew 4:18-22 tells the story of Jesus calling first Simon Peter and his brother Andrew and then the sons of Zebedee. In Mark 3:17 the brothers receive a nickname from Jesus who calls them "sons of thunder" because of their many extreme reactions, like that in Luke 9:54 when they offer to call down fire on a Samaritan village.

Saint James was part of Jesus' intimate circle, a witness to the Transfiguration, the resurrection of Jarius' daughter, and the agony in the garden of Gethsemane. In A.D. 44 Herod Agrippa had "James, the brother of John, killed by the sword." (Acts 12:2) He is the only apostle whose martyrdom is written of in the New Testament.

According to Spanish tradition, his body was taken to Santiago de Compostela, Spain where his relics were rediscovered in 9th century. This tradition has sometimes been attributed to a passage in the Song of Roland which tells of St. James appearing to Charlemagne in a dream, prophesying that Charlemagne would conquer the Moors in Spain. This was followed by a vision of stars which if followed would lead to the saint's lost tomb. In the Middle Ages Compostela was a hugely popular pilgrimage site. The saint's relics continue to rest in the cathedral there and one can still undertake the pilgrimage.

# The Christ the Redeemer collection for the weekend of July 13, 2025

| Offertory            | \$<br>5,501.00 |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Mail-Ins             | \$<br>1,679.00 |
| Children's Donations | \$<br>8.00     |
| On-line Giving       | \$<br>1,950.00 |
| Total                | \$<br>9,138.00 |

Property Insurance \$ 2,017.00

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

"Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'" Luke 10:37 This was Jesus' command at the end of the Good Samaritan story. Did you know that the Samaritans and Jews despised each other? The moral of the story is to love our neighbor. That means loving someone you may not know, or someone that looks different than you, or someone that has different beliefs than you, or someone that you don't like. All without expecting anything in return.

# 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 Lori Genovese will be presenting the reflections and next week Bonnie Giacobbe will be the presenter.

## Mary Magdalene

#### **Ouestion:**

July 22 is the feast of Mary Magdalene. I've heard a lot of stories about her, but who was she really?

## Answer:

Mary Magdalene has been the subject of speculation and scholarship over the last 2,000 years. Mary Magdalene makes her first named appearance in Luke 8:2. She is one of several women following Jesus. Luke specifically mentions that Mary had previously been delivered from demonic possession. Whatever her life looked like before she met Jesus, it wasn't good! Because of this association with being a repentant sinner, Mary Magdalene has been associated with other similar stories in the Gospel, such as the woman caught in adultery or the woman who bathes Jesus' feet with her tears.

Mary Magdalene shows up again by name at the end of the Gospels, when she stands with the Blessed Virgin Mary at the foot of the Cross. Mary is also present in the garden of the resurrection. She is one of the woman who goes to bring spices to Jesus' tomb, where they find the stone rolled away. Mary stays in the garden weeping, believing his body has been stolen. Jesus approaches her and calls her by name, and she becomes the first witness to the resurrection! While many of the details of Mary Magdalene's life have been lost to time, she is an example of powerful conversion, deep faith, and intimate love for Christ.

Pray For...

We ask you for your prayers for the health of those in need, especially: Toni

Antonelli, Evelyn Appenzeller, Cheryl Argento, John Bartlev, 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, Bill Corson, 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, Chevenne Liccardi, Vitoria Marrcino, Dottie Mesaris, 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 Quintana, Marcelle Reed, Peg Reilly, Laura Rodaman, Marie Rogusky, Cindi Shandor, Michael Sheehan, Pat Sherwood, Eric Slaight, 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

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 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** - August 9<sup>th</sup> - 9AM - 12 noon - St. John Neumann Center.



The next ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY MASS will be said on August 17<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 August 2<sup>nd</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 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:

Instant Oatmeal.
Applesauce.
Toaster Pastries.
Tomato Sauce.
Boxed Milk.





57th annual Parish Summer Festival July 23 - 26

6-9PM Wednesday—Friday & Saturday 5-9PM

WE ARE IN NEED OF DONATIONS OF
UNSWEETENED APPLESAUCE, POWDERED SUGAR
UNSALTED BUTTER, PAPER TOWELS AND
DISH TOWELS.
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od 18:00 do 21:00 i w sobotę od 17:00 do 21:00

Potrzebujemy darowizn w postaci ręczników papierowych. Darowizny można przynosić do biura parafialnego.

# Silver & Gold & 5 Year Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th, 50th, 50+ or 5th 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 19, 2025 at 3:00 PM. The Silver and Gold Anniversary Prayer Service will again include couples celebrating 5 years of marriage. Registration is required. Please register online at: https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversarycelebration. If you are unable to access, please contact the Life Office 732-562-1543 at arshall@diometuchen.org. Registration will close on October 10, 2025. 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 made online may be https:// www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversarycelebration or calling 732-562-1543.

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – BENEATH THE SURFACE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Before I embarked on my trip to the National Eucharistic Congress last summer with a group from my archdiocese, we had an orientation meeting. At that meeting, the coordinator of the trip shared with us "The Five Rules of Pilgrimage.

"If you're not familiar with them (I wasn't), here they are:

- 1. Don't complain.
- 2. Don't complain. (It's so important, it's listed twice.)
- 3. When you see a bathroom, use it.
- 4. When someone offers you something, receive it.
- 5. When someone asks you for something, give it.

It's great advice for a pilgrimage, but more than that, I think it's great advice in general. So when I read today's Gospel and I hear Jesus say essentially the same thing to his disciples as they set out to evangelize (well, minus the bathroom tip, but those weren't as much of a thing in biblical Judea), I come to an important realization. The whole Christian life is a pilgrimage.

Too often, life falls short of my expectations. An opportunity didn't work out. A day didn't go the way I planned (like, at all). A person didn't accept me. And I ball up my fists and stomp my feet like a full-grown Veruca Salt, and I yell: I cannot work in these conditions! And then, I imagine God, on his celestial throne, sighs and opens the Book of the Gospels (surely he keeps it handy, don't you think?) to Luke, Chapter 10. And he whispers in my heart what he said to his disciples 2,000 years ago.

Don't complain. Be open and give of yourself, and in turn, receive what comes your way, whatever it is. If it's good, rejoice. If it's not good, move on. And in the end, remember where you're headed — the place you're trying to go.

Oh, and again: don't complain.

## <u>Life-Giving Wounds Healing Retreat</u> <u>August 22-24, 2025</u>

A 3-day Life-Giving Wounds Healing Retreat for Adult Children of Divorce, Separation or Family Brokenness will be held on Friday, August 22 – Sunday, August 24, 2025 at the San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch NJ (right on the beach). Topics discussed will include identity, relationship with God, suffering, forgiveness, healing and reconciliation. Cost is \$315 per person which includes accommodations for 2 nights and all meals. For more information and/or to register, please visit www.diometuchen.org/adult-children-of-

<u>divorce</u> For questions, please contact Cristina at <u>cdaverso@diometuchen.org</u>.