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

Most Rev. Paul G. Bootkoski, D.D.
Bishop Emeritus

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Rev. John Werner, Parochial Vicar
Rev. David J. Wejnerowski, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Timothy A. Christy, In Residence

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Deacon Rick Fortune
Deacon Emeritus Frank J. Cammarano
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Deacon Emeritus Guido J. Brossoni
Deacon Emeritus Ed Olegario, M.D.

Ann Major, Principal (732-548–3107)
www.StFrancisCathedralSchool.org

WEEKEND MASSES
Saturday Vigil 5:00 and 7:00 pm
Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am; 12:00 noon

HOLY DAY Masses
Vigil 5:00 pm
Feast Day 7:00, 8:00 am; 12:10, 7:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES
Monday–Friday 7:00, 8:00 am;
12:10 pm (Rosary 11:45 am)
Thursday 7:30 pm Communion Serv. monthly
Saturday 8:00 am

MORNING PRAYER Monday–Friday 7:40 am

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 7:00am—11:00pm
(Monday—Friday) Lady Chapel - Parish Center

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Penance)
Saturdays 1:00-2:00 pm and 6:00-6:30 pm
or by appointment.
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  Executive Assistant: Kara Kwiatkowski
  Religious Education: Debra Schurko, PCL (548-0100 x226)
  Business Manager: David Liantonio
  Pastoral Council: Ed Williamson, Chairman
  Finance Council: George Trapp, Chairman
  Social Ministry: Josepha Flanigan (548-0100 x225)
  Coordinated Ministries: Cheryl Saggese (632-9564)
  Music Ministry: Thomas DeLessio, (548-0100 x235)
  Youth Ministry: Sr. Maria Lan Nguyen
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  - COORDINATORS -
    Advocates for Disabled: Jane Conlon & Janet Onufer Michael (548-0100)
    Lectors: Jerry LaPointe - pandj57@aol.com
    Ushers: Tom Hansen (548-0100)

- PARISH GROUPS -
  Adult Acolytes: John Grigo (548-0100)
  Body of Christ Prayer Group: PamGendlek-pzgendlek@comcast.net
  Cathedral Choirs: Thom DeLessio: tdelessio@diometuchen.org, 548-0100 x 235 Folk - Steve Kirbos - steve@kirbos.net
  Eucharistic Adoration: Marie D’Amico - dghmad@aol.com
  Evangelization: Ralph Quaglia-rquaglia19@gmail.com
  Filipino/American Families: Gil Vendiola & Helen Vendiola (548-0100)
  Greeters: Robert/Susan Riolo (548-0100)
  Home School Assn. Co-presidents: Angela Kelly/ Brooke Garcia - HSA@stfranciscathedralschool.org
  Knights of Columbus: KoFC.org/joinus
  Legion of Mary: Fri. 11:00am - Rod Altz (548-0100)
  Marriage Encounter: Russ and Janet Baker - jnrbaker@optonline.net
  Marriage Prep: Pam Schlecke-schleckfamily@gmail.com
  Mens’ Group: Tom Thomas:sfc.mensgroup@gmail.com
  MOMS Group: Sandra Spinelli:sandra@spinelli.us
  Parish Historical Guild: Rod Altz (548-0100)
  Parish Prayer Tree: Belinda Coakes-sfprayertree@msn.com
  Parishes Altar Society: Carmela Guarnera (548-0100)
  Scripture Study: Pat Morgan - (548-0100)
  Widows/Widowers: naunijud@hotmail.com

- SOCIAL MINISTRY - 548-0100 x225
  Support Groups (as scheduled):
    Bereavement Separated/Divorced Caregivers Prayer Shawl Ministry
  Pro Life: contact Elaine Yunker - elbo1974@yahoo.com
  Nat Fam Planning Hotline: 800-334-0699/562-1990 x1623
  Ozanam (Provide-A-Meal) Committee
  Friendly Visitors (Visit with elderly or homebound)
  Elizabeth Ministry (Share sanctity of life with mothers/mothers-to-be)
  Social Concerns Committee (Serves the poor confidentially)
  Intrafaith Network of Care: Volunteers for homebound
  Unemployment Support Group (Networking)
Masses For The Week...

SUNDAY, July 8 - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am - Paul DuBois r/o Nora Kenny-Eidson
9:00am - Ting Kiang Koh r/o Barbara & Steven Reilly
10:30am - Michael J. Rapach r/o Maureen Rapach
Noon - John A. Wolt r/o Lignell Family

MONDAY, July 9 - Saint Augustine Zhao Rong
7:00am - Carole Mongelli r/o Rocco
8:00am - Margaret Ramos r/o Mr. & Mrs. Brian Rayack
12:10pm - McCabe/McKnight Family r/o Family

TUESDAY, July 10
7:00am - Lori Prehodka r/o Kathy Gross
8:00am - Viola Skeba r/o Muglia Family
12:10pm - Frank Dowd r/o Pat Walsh

WEDNESDAY, July 11 - Saint Benedict
7:00am - Hank Decato r/o Lou Nagy
8:00am - Felix Capito r/o Roger & Pina Coquia
12:10pm - Dr. Evangeline Gatmaitan r/o Benson & Renzi Del Rosario

THURSDAY, July 12
7:00am - Francis McGrath r/o Deacon Guido & Mary
8:00am - Michael Rapach r/o Maureen Rapach
12:10pm - Vincent DeAndrea, Sr. r/o Bob & Dee Sneddon

FRIDAY, July 13 - Saint Henry
7:00am - Christina Grimmie r/o Thomas Mockoviak
8:00am - Migue Malave r/o Andrew & Lauren
12:10pm - Jane Schreck Timoney r/o Mom & Dad

SATURDAY, July 14 - Saint Kateri Tekakwitha
8:00am - Marie Kaczmar r/o Maggie Manza & Margaret Manza
5:00pm - Mildred D’Aloisio r/o Bill & Margaret Manza
7:00pm - Irene Wilson r/o Joan Slavik

SUNDAY, July 15 - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am - (Liv.) Special Intention r/o Jerry & Marlene Yaros
9:00am - Living & Deceased Employees of St. Francis
10:30am - Mildred D’Aloisio r/o Flanigan Family
Noon - Mary McComas r/o Charles A. Barker

The Sanctuary Candles for this week have been donated in loving memory of

Michael Burchock
by Mary Ann Cackowski
(in the Cathedral)

in loving memory of

Anne Krokosz
by Bernadette & Bill Kaiser
(in The Lady Chapel)
SERVING OVERSEAS: for all those serving in Covert Operations

SICK: Joseph Wejnerowski, Janice Grigo, David Brennan, Michael Schramm, Mary Ann Christensen, John Sorber, Margaret Smith, Ralph Quaglia, James Gazzale, Dee Rodemer, Jane Parker, Daniel Campbell, Donna Serednicki, Kaye Young, K.J. Phillips, Niece of Andrea & Tom Hansen, Diana Yashinski, Becky Lapoint, Mary Thompson, Nicole Miller, Joseph Sudnick, Sr., Ellie Markano, Dee Burner, Eileen Nielsen, John Gazis, Rose Pollifrone, Mark Annichiarico, Michael McCauley, Rudy Maldonado, Nathan Minucci, Jeanine Kachersky, Mary Kelton, David Kleman, Kathy Werner, Joyce Martin, Kathy Byram, Baby Genevieve Bonk, Nadia Ruiz, Mary Anne Hale, Peter Barnes, Sr., Kathleen Carroll, Patricia Mulkerin, Kathleen Cremone, April Quinn, grandson of Sue & Bill Martin

DECEASED: Rev. Msgr. John B. Szymanski, Therese Morgan, John Mac Arthur, Mary Lecky, Eileen Schrecke, John DeAmorin, Rosalei Vincz

...and all those recommended in the Book of Intentions

**GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING**

Tithing

Because of the Fourth of July holiday, this bulletin was printed before tithing amounts for last weekend were received. The tithing amounts for the weekend of June 30/July 1 will be published next week.

**e-Giving**: Please consider using our parish e-Giving program. 
Sign up at: http://www.stfranciscathedral.org/FaithDirect

**Give The Gift of Faith**: More and more Catholics are responding to the idea of giving a gift that perpetuates faith. Please consider remembering St. Francis Cathedral Parish in your will. By doing so, you establish a legacy of love for others by enabling our Parish to respond to the needs of our faith community through its many ministries. For more information on naming St. Francis parish and/or the Diocese of Metuchen in your will, please call the diocesan Stewardship & Development Office at 732-562-2433.

**Opportunities For Memorials**

Did you know that in addition to Mass intentions for your loved ones you may remember them through the following memorial opportunities:

– Cathedral Vestments Fund: St. Francis Cathedral Parish is in need of Mass and other liturgical vestments: each vestment will be memorialized by embroidery either In Memory of, In Honor of, In Thanksgiving for, etc.. Each vestment begins at $1,000. Vestments needed are:
  1. Principal Celebrant Chasuble
  2. 4 Priest Concelebration Chasubles
  3. 4 Dalmatics (for Deacons)
  1 or more Ceremonial Cope(s) and Humeral Veil(s)

  Please contact our Cathedral Parish Executive Assistant, Kara Kwiatkowski, for more information or to make a gift (732-548-0100 x210).

– Altar Flowers: Available weekly in the Cathedral at the High Altar for memorials, weddings and other occasions. Please contact Rectory Office for details.

– Sanctuary Candles: Available weekly in the Cathedral and The Lady Chapel. Donation: $20. Please enclose in an envelope with information and place in collection basket or mail or bring to the Rectory.

– Msgr. Behl St. Francis School Endowment and The St. Francis Scholarship Fund: Memorial gifts may be made to either of these funds which are used to enhance the academic excellence of the parish school and offer tuition assistance. Please inquire at the parish or school office for further information.

**Connections Program**

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen is looking for volunteers, men and women, to participate in one-to-one activities and become a mentor to a youth of Middlesex County and Franklin Township. **Do you:**
1. Have a minimum of 3 hours a week to offer a child?
2. Like having fun? 3. Want to make a difference to a child?
4. Enjoy being a positive role model? Then call Jeanette Cullen at 732-738-1323 or email jcullen@ccdom.org for more info.

**RCIA Training**

A series of training sessions will take place at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, Piscataway on consecutive Wednesdays this summer from 7:30 - 9:30pm. Registration will be accepted online at http://diometuchen.org/offices-and-ministries/evangelization-and-communication/rcia-events. Contact Sara Sharlow: ssharlow@diometuchen.org or 732-243-4577

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Are you suffering after an abortion? Help is available. Call Project Rachel’s confidential, non-judgmental Helpline at 877-877-4300, or visit HopeAfterAbortion.org. You may also call the Sisters of Life at 866-575-0075.

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Banns of Marriage

I Kimberly Treacy/Jacob Herlihy

Summer Choir

Summer Choir will sing on Sundays, July 8, 15, 22 and 29 at 10:30 Mass, with a meet time of 10:15am. It is an informal, multi-generational ensemble of singers open to anyone of any age. We sing the music in unison, adding any harmonies that we are comfortable with. Leaders from the year-round music ministry are present to encourage and support new singers. If you are interested in singing in an ensemble, come to the choir loft at 10:15 on any of these Sundays. Hope you can join us.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Luncheon

Come join us at 12:10pm Mass on Monday, July 16 for the annual commemoration of the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Following Mass we will go to Charlie Brown’s Restaurant (Plainfield Avenue, Edison) for those who wish to attend. Come and enjoy a lovely luncheon as you celebrate this beautiful feast day of Our Lady and her. Deacon Guido will join us and give a blessing and reflection. If you are interested in attending, please phone Carmela Guarnera (732-549-7587).

SAVE THE DATE!
St. Francis Cathedral School 90th Anniversary Gala
“Start with a Solid Foundation, Finish with a Successful Future.”
Sunday, September 9, 12:30 - 4:30pm
The Pines Manor, Edison
More Information To Follow

SMARTER START
The Diocese of Metuchen has schools near you! From Pre-K to 8th Grade, we offer a Smarter Start in school and in life. Call 732-562-2446/metuchencatholicschools.org/schools/
Hello High School
calling ALL incoming freshmen - Girls & Boys!
Sharpen English & Math Skills
July 16 - 20, 9:00am - 12 noon

Seton Summer Academy
July 23 - 27, 2018 for Girls Grades 5 - 8
Various Courses
8:45am - 3:15pm
$275 half-day; $400 full-day
To Register: log on to website or phone

BGA Boys Basketball Camp
Bishop George Ahr High School (One Tingley Lane, Edison) offers this sports camps during the summer at its own campus.

Date Mon., July 16 - Fri., July 20
Time 9:00am - 2:00pm
Cost $150, payable to BGAHS
Place BGA High School
For additional information, call 732-549-1108 or email Mwolfthal@bgahs.org.

Become An Apostle of Prayer
A 2 - 3 Minute Daily Commitment
Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities is seeking people to become Apostles of Prayer - offering prayers each day for those who make requests through our 24 hour prayer line. As a member of the apostolate, you would make a commitment to pray the Prayer for Persons with Earthly Crosses, at least once a day or more often if possible. (A copy of the prayer will be sent to you.) If you are interested in participating in this prayer ministry, please contact our office at 732-765-6432/catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com. Please leave your name, telephone number and mailing address.

Celebrate Yourselves
Give your spouse the special gift of a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. This weekend will give you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next WWMEW will be held July 20 - 22. Early registration is advisable as space is limited. Phone 1-732-904-9636/ www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org.

Rejoice and Be Glad - Gaudete et Exsultate
The Diocesan Office of Adult Faith Formation is sponsoring a presentation by Fr. Gregory Uhrig. Fr. Uhrig will review and discuss Pope Francis’ new Apostolic Exhortation “Gaudete et Exsultate,” Rejoice and Be Glad. It will take place on July 10, 17, 24, 31 from 7:00 - 8:30pm. Each session will cover a different topic. This publication is easy to read and provides practical advice on how to grow spiritually in our busy lives. The cost is $5 for the discussion booklet. All are welcome. To register, call Fr. Uhrig at 732-529-7933 or email guhrig@diometuchen.org

Golden/Silver Wedding Anniversaries
Couples observing 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversaries are cordially invited to celebrate with the Church of Metuchen. Renew your marriage vows at a special Evening Prayer Service celebrated by Bishop James Checchio here in the Cathedral on Sunday, October 21, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. Application forms may be secured by contacting your parish office or by logging on to the diocesan website: www.diometuchen.org/silver and gold. The system will automatically send a confirmation message for your records. Applications will be ONLINE ONLY. People without access to a computer must call their parish secretary or Family Life Office to register. Applications will be accepted by the Family Life Office until the deadline for registration, Wednesday, October 3rd. A confirmation letter with further details will be sent once your application has been processed. For additional information, please call Aida Matos at 732-243-4573 or amatos@diometuchen.org

Eucharistic Adoration in The Lady Chapel
If you like to pop into the Chapel whenever the Spirit moves you, would you prayerfully consider signing up an hour each week? Keep Jesus Company and help assure that Eucharistic Adoration remains ongoing at Saint Francis Cathedral parish.

AM PM
Monday 6:00, 9:00
Tuesday 3:00, 4:00, 10:00
Wed’day 11:00 12:00, 3:00, 8&9:00
Thursday 8:00, 11:00 1:00
Friday 8:00,10:00 7:00
Contact Marie D’Amico: dghmad@aol.com./732-906-6537.

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–St. Peter Julian Eymard
“My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.”

-- 2 Corinthians 12:9

FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST

Mark's Gospel account today is built on a double astonishment or amazement: the neighbors and family of Jesus are astonished that He taught in the synagogue with wisdom and worked powerful signs. Jesus, in turn, is amazed that they have no faith in Him because they know His origins, not because of any fault with His teaching or ministry. As with many of Mark's passages, we get a rather intimate glimpse here of the human part of Jesus' two-fold nature. To reinforce his point, Mark tells of Jesus' return to His native place, and further points out that He is in the midst of His own family members there. From the very people He expected the most, Jesus received the least. In the day of the Gospel's writing, Mark was attempting to illustrate a lesson to the house of Israel: the God of the covenant expected the greatest faith from the house of Israel, but often received the least. This is a good source for reflection on our part, we who are Jesus' followers today. For the wisdom of Christ to continue and for our lives to be seen as signs of His power, He must expect and be able to find great faith among us. Will He? Can He? Does He? Or is He, once again, amazed by its absence?

OBSTACLES

The prophet Ezekiel, Saint Paul, and the Lord Jesus share something in common in today's scripture readings. They all experience obstacles to their ministry. Ezekiel is summoned to prophesy to the Israelites, who are "[hard of face and obstinate of heart]"(Ezekiel 2:4). Saint Paul recounts how he has been given a "thorn in the flesh" (2 Corinthians 12:7). The Lord Jesus is unable to perform many signs in His native place. The Gospel tells us that "[He was amazed at their lack of faith]" (Mark 6:6). We, too, sometimes encounter obstacles as we travel along the journey of faith. So often we experience weakness on this journey. Let the words of the Lord to Saint Paul encourage us today: "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:9).
Youth Group Teen Travel Camp
- Youth Group Teen Travel Camp 2018 for 6 - 8 graders. All days begin with 8:00am Mass in Cathedral in modest attire. Deposit of $50 due right now to reserve a space. Return Form Now - $25 late fee non-returnable. Included is transportation, lunch, drink, snacks. Bring extra $$, sun block and hat.

WEEK 2  - July 16 - July 19 - 4 days. Fee: $320/week or $85/day or $325/week or $80/day with Season Passes. Return form and non-refundable $50 deposit and $25 late fee. Mon - Hurricane Harbor; Tuesday - St. Vincent de Paul/Bowling; Wednesday - B’way Show in NYC Aladdin; Thurs - Vets Nursing Home/cook Vietnamese eggrolls

WEEK 3  - July 23 - July 27. Fee: $400/week or $85/day or $325/week or $80/day with season passes. Return form and non-refundable $50 deposit and $25 late fee. Mon - Foodbank / I Play American; Tuesday - Trip to Metropolitan Museum, NYC; Wednesday - SVDP/Movie; Thurs-- Hurricane Harbor; Friday - Elijah Promise/Duke Farm Biking.

WEEK 4  - July 30 - August 3 Fee: $400/week or $85/day or $325/week or $80/day with season passes. Return form and non-refundable $50 deposit and $25 late fee. Monday - Hurricane Harbor; Tuesday - Foodbank/JMonster Mini Golf; Wednesday - B’way show in NYC, Wicked; Thursday - Veteran’s Nursing Home/Movie; Friday - Six Flags.

Call Sister Maria Lan: 732-770-2506 or 732-548-0100 x306. Please provide your email address and phone number. Thanks.

Traveling? If you are heading out for a weekend trip or going away on an extended vacation, you can retrieve information nationwide about times of Masses, Church location, telephone/fax numbers and handicapped accessibility by going to a great website: Masstimes.org You can also find out this information by looking in the Yellow Pages under “Churches - - Roman Catholic.”

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Prior to setting the Reception date, contact Margaret Manza (732-548-0100 x212) for initial information about celebrating weddings at the Cathedral. Proper preparation usually requires one year advance planning.

The Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities receives prayer intentions from persons with disabilities, the homebound, their caregivers, relatives and friends. Call the prayer line phone number 732-765-6431 / catholiccatholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com holy Mass.

“It is not the suffering but the cause that makes the martyr.” –English Proverb

Novena To Saint Ann
The Annual Novena to Saint Ann will once again be hosted by Most Holy Name of Jesus Parish. These days of prayer and praise will begin on Tuesday, July 17. Daily Mass, novena prayers and veneration of the relic will take place at Holy Trinity Church, 315 Lawrie Street, Perth Amboy on weeknights at 7:00pm. On Saturday, July 21, Mass will be celebrated at 4:00pm. On Sunday, July 22, Mass will be celebrated at 10:00am. On Thursday, July 26 at 7:00pm, bilingual Mass will be celebrated in honor of Saint Ann and Saint Joachim and the Closing of the 2017 novena will take place. Call Sharon at 732-442-0512 for additional information.

Religious Education News
Registration for 2018 - 2019 school year is currently open. Please make sure to re-register your child(ren) as soon as possible, especially if you need a certain program model. Registration forms were sent home with the students and can also be found online at the Parish website (www.stfranciscathedral.org. - - click on the Religious Ed tab). If you have any questions, please call the Office at 732-548-0100 x226 or email us at ReligiousEd@stfranciscathedral.org.

Hope & Help After Abortion: The Sisters of Life offer a Day of Prayer & Healing for women who have had an abortion. Information/Registration: 866-575-0075 or email: postabortion@sistersoflife.org

Catholic Center at Rutgers, New Brunswick
The Catholic Center at Rutgers strives to help students feel welcome and supported in an environment which is diverse, questioning and sometimes challenging to their faith. It is a home away from home where students can relax and enjoy friends, discuss issues, study and pray. During the summer months the Center (84 Somerset Street, New Brunswick) will be open Monday - Friday 10:00am - 2:00pm; and be closed on Saturdays and Sundays. Mass Monday - Friday at 7:30am at St. Peter’s Church; Mass Monday - Thursday at 12:15pm in the CC Chapel. During the summer, weekend Mass at St. Peter’s Church will be 5:00pm Saturday vigil and 8:00, 11:00am and 6:00pm on Sundays. Feast of the Assumption , August 15, Masses at 7:30am, 12:15pm, 7:30pm at St. Peter’s. Confession on Saturdays at 11:00am - 12 noon in Church. Summer Events will be posted on website (www.rutgerscatholic.org) and on Facebook page.
**HOW TO HANDLE REJECTION**

Like so many of the prophets of old, Jesus and His message were rejected by those closest to Him. Does someone close to you seem interested in learning more about Jesus or the Catholic Faith Community? Sometimes one gets nervous about discussing faith with someone close who is not of that faith, because we are all afraid of the rejection that Jesus experienced. Invite your relative or your friend to an RCIA Inquiry Session. Inquiry Sessions do not ask for commitments. Inquiry sessions are a place to ask questions about God or about the Catholic Faith. Inquiry Sessions are opened to anyone who is unbaptized, baptized into another Christian Denomination or baptized Catholic but has not received BOTH sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Call Sara Sharlow at 732-562-1990 x 1633 for more information.

**Social Concerns**

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45 Library Place - Metuchen 08840 - Parish Center

548-0100 x225

–Thank you to everyone who participated in last week’s Food Collection Weekend. We are so grateful for your ongoing generous donations.

–Help Support Catholic Charities: Please support our local poverty relief services by donating gently used clothing, bedding, shoes, small household items. A Drop Box is located in our CYO parking lot and at Edison Family Service Center, 26 Safran Avenue, Edison.

Contact 1-877-343-3651.


**Greeters:** Come to Mass 15 or 20 minutes early to greet fellow parishioners and visitors. We strive to have someone at each of the three entrances. You choose the Mass you want to attend. If you would like to share your smile with others, call Susan or Bob Riolo:732-548-0326.

**Nails in the Wall Gallery** at St. Luke’s, Metuchen invites artists 18 + years to submit up to 3 pieces by **July 15** on the topic: **Animals.** Artists are asked to share images that allow us to catch a glimpse into the soul of the animal. All media are welcome. **Questions? Contact Exhibits@StLukesMetuchen.org.**

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**SUN:** -Summer Choir, 10:30am Mass  
-Filipino American Community, 1:00pm, SOL

**MON:** -TEEN TRAVEL CAMP WEEK 1  
-VBS, 9:00am - noon, CCR

**TUE:** -Prayer Group, 1:00pm, JR

**THU:** -Body of Christ Prayer Group, 8:00pm, CCR  
-Legion of Mary, 11:00am, JP II

**FRI:** -Rectory Closes at noon  
-VBS concludes at noon

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**Eucharistic Ministers - July 14/15**

5:00pm: N. Davis, M. DePasquale, M. & A. Quizon, E. & J. Lyons, J. Bundoc, K. Garner

7:00pm: E. Gutierrez, J. Pasquale, N. Cadorna, E. Swan, C. Roberts, C. Evangelista

7:30am: C. Kozak, D. Monek, B&R.Cushing, T&J Sharlow

9:00am: M. Kushnerick, D. Heyden, J. Morrison, A.Major, M.D’Amico, E.Fortune, G.Monteleone, S/MSantangelo

10:30am: L. Taylor, P. Bixel, E. Beyers, J. Kelly, R. Bonk, S. Francis, B&E Williamson, A. Bianchini

12:00pm: L. Moriarty, K. Manchery, T./N. Rossi, A. McGuire, R.Cron, E & T. Pana, M. Licameli

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**Lectors - July 14/15**

5:00pm: Larry McHugh 7:00pm: Maria Walsh

7:30am: Eileen Lishinsky 9:00am: Elizabeth Rooney

10:30am: Boris Moczula & Maureen Varley

12:00pm: Catherine Murphy Barron

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**Altar Servers - July 14/15**

5:00pm Team 16 7:00pm Team 17

7:30am Team 18 9:00am Team 19

10:30am Team 20 12:00pm Team 21

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**Mike Thompson’s Basketball Camp**

at St. Joseph High School, Metuchen

**FULL DAY ($250)**  
9am - 3pm  
**EVENING ($95)**  
6 - 8pm

**July 9 - 13**  
**July 16 - 20**

**August 6 - 10**  
**July 23 - 27**

**August 13 - 17**  
**July 30 - August 3**

Mike Thompson is the Head Coach of Saint Joseph High School varsity basketball team. The Falcons finished this year with a 23 - 5 record, including some tournament wins. All questions should be directed to mthompson@stjoes.org.