Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi

32 Elm Avenue * Metuchen, NJ 08840

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

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

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Rev. David J. Wejnerowski, Parochial Vicar

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

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

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

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

WEEKDAY MASSESS
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

EUCHARISTICADORATION 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.

RECTORY 32 Elm Avenue, Metuchen, NJ 08840
Office Hours Monday-Friday, 9:00 am-5:00 pm
Phone 732-548-0100
Emergency Phone 732-710-1416
Website www.StFrancisCathedral.org
Live Stream http://cvp.telvue.com/player?id=T05325

SCHOOL 528 Main Street, Metuchen, NJ 08840
BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL
NEW PARISHIONERS are welcome to register by completing a form available in our Parish Office as soon as possible after moving to the area.

EUCHARIST FOR SICK/HOMEBOUND: Phone Rectory (548-0100) and arrangements will be made.

BAPTISM: 1:30pm by appointment only (celebrated on most Sundays)
Baptismal Seminar: Pre-registration is required. Attendance during pregnancy is preferable. 7:45 pm, Rectory Meeting Room.

MARRIAGE: Registered parishioner(s) preparing for marriage should contact the rectory one year in advance.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES: Mon, Thurs: 4:00 - 5:05 pm.; Tuesday evening: (8th grade) 6:30 - 7:35 pm.

MARIAN NOVENA/ROSARY: Saturdays after 8:00 am Mass.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) - Those wishing to learn more about/be received into the Catholic Faith - please phone 548-0100. (Sara Sharlow).

SPONSORSHIP: Active practice of the faith, together with registration, is needed for sponsorship certificates and, possibly, the administration of some sacraments.

PARISH CONTACTS

- 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: Pam Gendlek-pzgendlek@comcast.net
- Cathedral Choirs: Thom DeLessio; tdelessio@diometuchen.org 548-0100 x235; 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: KolC.org/joinus
- Legion of Mary: Fri. 11:00am - Rod Altz (548-0100)
- Marriage Encounter: Russ and Janet Baker - jnr_baker@optonline.net
- Marriage Prep: Pam Schleck-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
- Rosary Altar Society: Kathy Divorkin - kdivorkin@optonline.net
- 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, August 19 - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am - Margaret Tobey r/o Peg Cash
9:00am - Cezar Jazmin, Sr. r/o Deacon Ed & Amy Olegario
10:30am - Deacon Neil Smoyak r/o Shirley Smoyak
Noon - Irene Wilson r/o Mr. & Mrs. A. Moglia

MONDAY, August 20 - Saint Bernard
7:00am - Morelli Family r/o Annette & John
8:00am - Fred Lackland r/o Moubarak Family
12:10pm - Francisco Ciocon r/o Sons, Chito & Juancho

TUESDAY, August 21 - Pope Saint Pius X
7:00am - (Liv.) Int. Pat Walsh r/o Pat Morgan
8:00am - Kathleen Lorence r/o Alice & Ed Wallace & Family
12:10pm - Betty Razal r/o Bill & Margaret Manza

WEDNESDAY, August 22 - The Queenship of Blessed Virgin Mary
7:00am - Jeanette Franco r/o Winnie Flaherty
8:00am - Anthony Ladolcetta r/o Charles Raimondo
12:10pm - Dave, Mary & Clair Bixel r/o Pat Bixel

THURSDAY, August 23 - Saint Rose of Lima
7:00am - Lou Fusaro r/o Davis Family
8:00am - Maria & Francis Pushpam r/o Children
12:10pm - Matt Martin r/o Joe, Diane & Patti

FRIDAY, August 24 - Saint Bartholomew
7:00am - Mae & Peter Salomone r/o Family
8:00am - John Curran r/o Pat Walsh
12:10pm - Gina DiCosola r/o Jim & Ann Reilly

SATURDAY, August 25 - Saint Louis & Saint Joseph Calasanz
8:00am - Salvatore DiStefano r/o Family
5:00pm - Gerard Petronella r/o Linda & Jeff Pino
7:00pm - Sally & Jim Conlon r/o Family

SUNDAY, August 26 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am - Fr. Joseph J. Connolly, Former Pastor r/o Cathedral
9:00am - Lenny Klein r/o Rod & Dolores Altz
10:30am - Richard Savner r/o Elizabeth Savner
Noon - Pablo Labao & Ernesto Almeda r/o Nenita Almeda

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

Stella Cackowski by Mary Ann Cackowski
(in the Cathedral)

in loving memory of

Thomas Murtaugh by Paul & Ann Battaglia
(in The Lady Chapel)
SERVING OVERSEAS: those serving in Covert Operations


DECEASED: Sister Patricia Meidhof, Rita Naughton, Joseph Coreschi, Jeanine Kachersky, Elizabeth Murray

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

GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING

Tithing

Thank you for your generosity the weekend of 8/12:

- Envelopes & Loose Cash: $13,574
- Electronic Offerings: $8,394
- Total: $21,968

e-Giving: Please consider using our parish e-Giving program.

Sign up at: http://www.stfranciscathedral.org/faithdirect

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. 1 Principal Celebrant Chasuble
  2. 4 Priest Concelebration Chasubles
  3. 4 Dalmatics (for Deacons)
  4. 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 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.

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.

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Marie D’Amico: dghmad@aol.com /732-906-6537.

FYI: If you are suffering after an abortion, confidential, non-judgmental help is available. Experience God’s merciful love and begin the healing journey: Project Rachel: 877-877-4300.
Parish Notes...

Rectory Summer Hours
Throughout the summer, the Rectory Office will be open Mondays through Thursdays from 9:00am - 5:00pm; on Fridays from 9:00am - noon.

–MONDAY: Mass will be celebrated at 1:30pm at the Metuchen Senior Residence.

–TUESDAY: Our weekly Prayer Group meets at 1:00pm in Joseph Room; Parish Blood Drive takes place from 3:00 - 9:00pm in the Community Room. Plan on giving the Gift of Life! Thank you. Walk-Ins Welcome.

–WEDNESDAY: Feast of the Queenship of Mary. On this feast day, let us each individually place ourselves in the arms of Mary, our Queen and Mother and ask for her help and protection; Charismatic Pastoral Team will meet at 7:30pm in the JPII Room.

–THURSDAY: Body of Christ Prayer Group meets at 8:00pm in the Community Room.

–FRIDAY: Members of the Legion of Mary meet at 11:00am in the JPII Room; Rectory Office closes at noon.

Registration Forms for Middle School Youth Group and High School Youth Group are in the pamphlet racks at the Cathedral entrances. Registration will be accepted through the end of October. No Registrations will be accepted after October 31, 2018. Thank you, parents, for all your support!

–Sister Maria Lan

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.

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.”

Please Note: Due to the re-installation of our Cathedral Pipe Organ, all daily Masses (7:00am, 8:00am, 12:10pm) including Rosaries, will be celebrated in The Lady Chapel from Monday, September 10 through Wednesday, October 31.

Banns of Marriage
I Caroline Ball/Kevin Tilli
III Gina Criscitello/Ryan Amberger

Baptisms
The following children were recently welcomed into our Church/Parish Family through the sacrament of Baptism:

Manolo Seven Ballate
Patrick Michael Bourgeois
Michael James Cassalia
Alexandria Iscaro
Zoey Emilia Manchisi
Callan Henry O’Shea
Benjamin Andrew Rush
Maeve Bernadette Saldanha
Grayson Thomas Scott
John Carlo Senande
David Soto
Sara Soto
James Thaddeus Udert
Grace Madelon Zisek

St. Francis Cathedral School 90th Anniversary Gala
Please join us for this joyous event on Sunday, Sept. 9, 2018 from 12:30 - 4:30pm at The Pines Manor, 2085 Route 27 in Edison. Ticket Price: $75 per person includes appetizer platters, beef, fish, chicken, pasta, salad and assorted pastries for dessert. Please send check made payable to SFCS, email and home address to 90th Anniversary Gala Committee, 528 Main Street, Metuchen, NJ 08840 by August 26, 2018. If you are unable to join us, please consider a donation to the Msgr. Richard A. Behl Endowment Fund. Thanks so much.
Vatican II and the Church of the Third Millenium

Join Fr. Gregory Uhrig for an exploration of the enduring power of Vatican II’s teachings in our day. The course will be held at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center on Wednesdays, August 22 and 29 from 10:00 - 11:00am. Based on a video series entitled “Vatican II and the Church of the Third Millenium” with Dr. Richard Gaillardetz, Ph.D., this course will offer an opportunity to reflect on and discuss the challenges facing the Catholic Church today. There is no charge to attend. The following sessions are Part I of a two-part series. The second part will take place in November.

Part One Sessions:
Aug. 22: The priesthood of the faithful
Aug. 29: A pilgrim church
If you would like to register, contact Fr. Uhrig at 732-529-7933 or email guhrig@diometuchen.org.

Mid-Atlantic Community Sisters of Mercy

Almost 900 Sisters of Mercy, founded by Catherine McAuley in 1831, live in NY, NJ and PA, committing their lives to God and their resources to serving others. They work in schools, hospitals and other ministries, helping thousands of people in need. To learn more, go to www.sistersofmercy.org/mid-atlantic/

Celebration of Marriage Retreat

The weekend of September 28 - 30 is intended for couples married at least 10 years. It takes place at the Marianist Family Retreat Center in Cape May Point. It honors and celebrates the commitment of marriage. We strike a deliberate balance among participation/reflection, liturgy, free time, fun activities and plenty of “couple time” for walks on nearby beaches. Cost: $270 per couple, includes all meals, room and program. Sign-up online at www.capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829 for more information.

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. Although there is no fee, many Jubilarian couples wish to give a donation of gratitude to the Church on this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude can be made online or by calling 732-243-4582, Monday through Friday during business hours. For additional information, please call Aida Matos at 732-243-4573 or amatos@diometuchen.org

The U. S. Bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life through September 28. Participants will receive weekly reminders to pray and fast, along with little-known facts about Roe v. Wade to share with others. Sign up at www.usccb.org/pray!

Women in New Evangelization Conference

Anchor of Hope

Ignite your Spirit! Join women from around the Diocese of Metuchen and throughout the country for a day of inspiration, faith, fellowship and fun. Dynamic Catholic speakers will inspire you to live your faith with renewed confidence, conviction and hope. The day will include Adoration, Confession, Mass, Prayer teams, Lunch, Shopping, Prizes and more. It will take place on Sat., September 22, 8:00am - 3:30pm at Immaculate Conception, Somerville. Cost: $55 until Sept. 1; $65 after Sept. 1. Call 908-725-1112 x1124 or register online at newjerseywine2018.eventbrite.com.

FYI: Mount Saint Mary House of Prayer, Watchung is offering Hildegard of Bingen: One Woman’s Story on Wed., Aug. 22 7:00 - 9:00pm. Call 908-753-2091 to register or to obtain information.
“Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink his blood, you do not have life within you.”
– John 6:53

AT THE TABLE
In today's first reading, Wisdom is imagined as a woman rich in poise and grace. She moves smoothly and confidently about her temple-like home. She doesn't flutter about, nervous with worry. Wisdom sends her maidens to invite all to her open house. The guests do not possess any particular genius or insight. They need only be a people of good will and common sense. They are summoned to leave behind foolishness and to find for themselves a place at Wisdom's table. There they may and can eat and drink deeply.
Today's Gospel draws us back to the table of the Eucharist. Jesus addresses those who seek to understand His words and, sadly, those who seek to avoid them. As people born of God, we are called and equipped to seek God's will and act on it.

THIS EUCHARISTIC FEAST
Some things about human nature don't change, even over the course of centuries. When we celebrate a holiday, we have a meal; when we celebrate a significant event, we have a feast. In today's first reading, Lady Wisdom is setting a feast, a sign of celebrating the covenant that Israel has with God. Israel's central remembrance of its saving Exodus covenant is the Passover meal. So it is natural – and not coincidental – that the Christian celebration of the new covenant sealed by the blood of Christ on the cross happens at a meal, our Eucharist, offered first by Jesus in the context of Passover remembrance. It is easy for us, sometimes, to forget the very long and rich religious and human origins of our eucharistic feasting on the bread and cup that are the Body and Blood of Jesus. Today, and for the next few Sundays that we hear the "Bread of Life" discourse from John, let us bring to mind the loving covenant that God makes with us, and be filled with great joy at this marvelous feast that we have come to attend!
Prayer Service
To Mark International Overdose Awareness
The Diocese of Metuchen’s Family Life Office and the Catholic Community of St. John Neumann are hosting a Prayer Service to mark International Overdose Awareness Day on Friday, August 31 at 7:00pm at St. John Neumann Parish, 398 County Road 513, Califon 07830. Rev. Abraham Orapankal will preside. Any person or family whose life has been touched by the pain of addiction or loss, or who seeks the grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the struggle to recovery is welcome. Refreshments and fellowship will follow. Information: visit diometuchen.org/family-life/732-243-4573.

Pipe Organ Restoration Photos
Numerous captioned photos of the inner workings of our pipe organ before disassembly and during the restoration process are now available on Facebook. Search for “St. Francis Cathedral Concerts,” like the page, and share with your contacts. A few representative photos will be at https://www.stfranciscathedral.org/musicministry

Stress in Your Marriage!
Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrovaille is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages. The program consists of a weekend experience, Friday night to Sunday afternoon, for couples (no group discussions) and six follow-up sessions. During the weekend, presentations are made by three married couples and a priest. Techniques of communication that enable a couple to examine their relationship are presented. All inquiries are confidential. Next Session: August 24 - 26, 2018. Phone the Diocesan Family Life Office (732-243-4573) for more information or Rich & Annette Colasuonno (732-236-0671) or email 3024@retrovaille.org.

Rejoice and Be Glad
There will be a discussion of Pope Francis’ Rejoice and be Glad on the call to holiness in the modern world, led by Rev. Gregory Uhrig of the Diocese of Metuchen. There will be four sessions: Sept. 13, 20, 27 and Oct. 4. This series will take place at St. Joseph Church, Hillsborough from 9:30 - 11:00am. No registration is necessary. Cost is $5 for the discussion booklet. If you have any questions, call the Rectory at 908-874-8220.

St. Francis Cathedral School
Tentative Calendar 2018 - 2019
Please Note School Hours: 7:50 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

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Please Note: Some Noon dismissals are on Fridays
Social Concerns
45 Library Place - Metuchen 08840 - Parish Center
732-548-0100 x225

– School Backpacks are requested for our annual distribution to children and families in need. Backpacks may be filled with some of the following: binders, filler paper, folders, notebooks, day planners, pencils, pens, colored pencils, markers, highlighters, glue sticks, scissors, rulers, erasers. Please drop off at Social Concerns in the Parish Center (548-0100 x225). Your generosity to this effort every year is very much appreciated.

– Our Food Pantry is in need of supplies. Please bring donations of food to the Cathedral entrances. Hunger does not go away just because it is summertime. We are very grateful for generosity.

– What Does It Take To Be A Blood Donor? Blood donors must be at least 16 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, and not have donated blood within the last 56 days. Sixteen-year-olds must present signed parental consent form, go to www.nybloodcenter.org to obtain the form. People aged 76 and older can donate blood if they meet all criteria and present a physician’s letter each year. Our next Parish Blood Drive will be on Tuesday, August 21, 3:00pm - 9:00pm in the Community Room.

– 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.

Hispanic Heritage Mass
All are invited to attend the Hispanic Heritage Mass on Friday, September 28 at 7:30pm in the Cathedral. As we come together to celebrate Hispanic heritage in the Diocese of Metuchen, we continue to be inspired by the words of Pope Francis which he wrote in a letter to the U.S. Bishops about V Encuentro: “We need to become ever more fully a community of missionary disciples, filled with love of the Lord Jesus and enthusiasm for the spread of the Gospel.” For more information, please contact the Diocese of Metuchen’s Hispanic Ministry at 732-243-4573.

FYI: St. Peter’s University Hospital, New Brunswick, is in need of female Eucharistic Ministers/Volunteers to help out with distributing Holy Communion. If you can help, please call Judith George-Roopnarine at 732-745-8600 x8565 or jroopnarine@saintpetersuh.com.

MON: - Mass at Senior Residence, 1:30pm
TUE: - Prayer Group, 1:00pm, JR
- Parish Blood Drive, 3:00 - 9:00pm, CCR
WED: - Charismatic Pastoral Team, 7:30pm, JP11 Rm.
THU: - Body of Christ Prayer Group, 8:00pm, CCR
FRI: - Legion of Mary, 11:00am, JP11
- Rectory Closes at noon

Eucharistic Ministers - August 25/26
5:00pm M. Roth, N. Hamilton, D. Reilly, C. Tomaro, E. Munoz, J. Franklin, P. Bershak, K. Garner
7:00pm K. Konick, C. Saggese, R. & K. Aiello, E. Swan, J.M. Onufer
7:30am D. Kovach, D. Ulbrich, C/J. Donahue, S. Riolo, J.O’ Mara
9:00am G. Monteleone, A. Cirelli, B. Zatorski, M. D’Amico, R. Quaglia, D. Heyden
10:30am M. Conroy, B. Coakes, R. Baran, F. Corrente, P. & J. Grigo, D. Pappalardo, J. Bundoc, E. Beyers
12:00pm M. Licameli, M. & J. Hernandez, J. & R. Baker, K. Manchery

Lectors - August 25/26
5:00pm: Maria Tomaro 7:00pm: Kieran Esposito
7:30am: Mary Brossoni 9:00am: Marnie Jeney
10:30am: Sr. Bridget Harakal 12:00pm: Dawn Gomes

Altar Servers - August 25/26
5:00pm Team 4 7:00pm Team 5
7:30am Team 6 9:00am Team 7
10:30am Team 8 12:00pm Team 9

Catholic Divorce Survival Guide
The Diocesan Family Life Office is pleased to announce the beginning of an exciting NEW ministry to men and women who are suffering from the pain and loneliness of divorce. “The Catholic’s Divorce Survival Guide” is a 12 session program featuring a thirty-minute DVD session each week that covers topics of shock, denial, anger, grief, guilt, forgiveness, money, children, the courts, the ex-spouse, annulment, dating, sexuality, spirituality, re-marriage or staying single and much more. This program, based on the teachings of the Catholic Church, is open to anyone who needs comfort, counsel and clarity after a divorce. Pre-registration is required and space is limited to 12 participants. Begins on Wednesday, October 3, 7:00 - 8:30pm and continues Oct. 10, 17, 24; Nov. 7, 14, 28; Dec. 5, 12, 19; Jan. 9, 16. Register at 732-243-4573. Information: Ro Bersch at 908-313-5947 or 908-470-0678.