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

Rev. Msgr. Robert J. Zamorski, Rector
Rev. David J. Wejnerowski, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Edgar A. Madarang, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Timothy A. Christy, V G, In Residence

Mr. David Keyes, Seminarian

Deacon J.P. Saggese
Deacon Rick Fortune
Deacon Kenneth T. Hamilton
Deacon Retired Frank J. Cammarano
Deacon Retired Paul G. Licameli
Deacon Retired Guido J. Brossoni
Deacon Retired Ed Olegario, M.D.

SCHOOL 528 Main Street, Metuchen, NJ 08840
BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL
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

WEEKDAY MASSES
Monday-Friday 7:00, 8:00 am; 12:10pm (Rosary 11:45 am)
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 6:00pm or by appointment.

How To Report Sexual Abuse: You are encouraged to contact the Diocesan Response Officer- 908-930-4558 (24 hours/7 days a week) or visit the diocesan website: https://diometuchen.org/report-a-suspected-abuse.
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 - 5:05pm.; 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.

Online Gift Shop

http://stfranciscathedral.shop.trinityroad.com/
Purchase rosaries, crucifixes, holy water containers, medals, missals, gifts for upcoming First Communion and more.

Parish Contacts
- COORDINATORS -
  - Advocates for Disabled: Jane Conlon (548-0100); Janet Onufer Michael - JanetMOnufer@gmail.com
  - Lectors: Jerry LaPointe (548-0100)
  - Ushers: Tom Hansen (548-0100)
  - Eucharistic Ministers: Cheryl Saggese:548-0100x307

- PARISH GROUPS -
  - 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: Jose & Algin Lagdameco (548-0100)
  - Greeters: Robert/Susan Riolo (548-0100)
  - Home School Asn. Co-Presidents: Jessica DePasquale/Angela Hajduk - 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 Schleck -schleckfamily@gmail.com
  - Men’s Group: Tom Thomas: sfcmensgroup@gmail.com
  - Moms’ Group: Sandra Spinelli -sandra@spinelli.us
  - Parish Historical Guild: Rod Altz (548-0100)
  - Prayer Tree: Belinda Coakes-sfprayertree@msn.com
  - Rosary Altar Society: Kathy Divorkin-kdivorkin@optonline.net
  - Scripture Study:
    - Widows/Widowers: judifasano@gmail.com
      - Social Ministry - 548-0100 x225
  - Support Groups - as scheduled
    - Bereavement Separated/Divorced Caregivers
    - Pro Life - Elaine Yunker - elbo1974@yahoo.com
    - Nat. Family 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 - serve the poor confidentially
    - Interfaith Network of Care - volunteers for homebound
    - Unemployment Support Group - (Networking)
Masses For The Week...

SUNDAY, August 4 - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am  - Ted Saggese r/o Cathedral Clergy & Staff
9:00am  - Jack Granelli r/o Judy Granelli & Family
10:30am - Mary & Frank Wilson r/o Granddaughter Elaine
Noon   - Stella Cackowski r/o Cackowski Family

MONDAY, August 5 - Dedication of Basilica of Saint Mary Major
7:00am  - Keith Pahira r/o Christine & Peter Baio
8:00am  - Henry Malopolski r/o Kenny Family
12:10pm - Amilia Ciccone r/o Nina Schwarzman

TUESDAY, August 6 - Transfiguration of the Lord
7:00am  - Keith Pahira r/o David & Kathleen Kleman
8:00am  - Frank Bussiere r/o Danik Family
12:10pm - Joseph Coreschi r/o Stives Family

WEDNESDAY, August 7 - Pope Saint Sixtus II & Saint Cajetan
7:00am  - Agatha Loyacano r/o Shirley & Tom Mahoney
8:00am  - Sherwood Michael r/o Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Murphy
12:10pm - Kathy Freis r/o Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Convery, Jr.

THURSDAY, August 8 - Saint Dominic
7:00am  - Kathleen Linkin r/o Adrienne Morgan
8:00am  - Angelo, Paula & Ronald Clericuzio r/o Frank & Naomi Clericuzio
12:10pm - Olga Garcia r/o Dorothy Sewing

FRIDAY, August 9 - Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
7:00am  - Josephine Parmely r/o Morrison Family
8:00am  - Angeline & James Monek r/o Daughter Donna
12:10pm - Jerry Lynch r/o Bobby & Betty Aitken

SATURDAY, August 10 - Saint Lawrence
8:00am  - Raymond Muska r/o Robert Mazur
5:00pm  - Jennie & Michael Donofrio r/o Rosemarie Schwarzman
7:00pm  - Anna Hobbi r/o Murphy Family

SUNDAY, August 11 - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am  - Rita Naughton r/o Maureen & Ed Graham
9:00am  - John MacArthur r/o Rod & Dolores Altz
10:30am - Deacon Neil Smoyak r/o Shirley
Noon   - Kenneth Burke r/o Wife & Family

The Sanctuary Candles for this week
have been donated
in loving memory of
Anthony Tempesta
by Mickey & Ron Seppi
(in The Cathedral)

in loving memory of
Katie Hamilton
by The Schurko Family
(in The Lady Chapel)
SERVING OVERSEAS: In Africa: Capt. John F. Dalton IV; for all those serving in Covert Operations

SICK: Donald Alena, Marian Andrew, Thomas Arocho, William Carroll, Joseph Cash, Josepha Flanigan, Marty Gallagher, Maria Harrison, Carol Kuligowski, Brother of Sister Maria Lan, Jerry LaPointe, Deacon Paul Licameli, Rolando Locsin, Michael McCauley, Michael Meehan, Baby Lorelai Pepin, Ralph Quaglia, Rosemary Sardone, Francis Schwartz, Liam Stitt, Michaela Stoecker, Elizabeth Szabo, Kathy Werner, Joseph Wejnerowski, Sister and Brother of Bidgie Williamson

DECEASED: Girolamo Amato, Jane Burke, Mary Anne Hale, Patricia LaPointe, Asahiah Lawton, Vincent Naselli, Susan Rubino, Daughter-in-Law of Ruth Skudlarek ... all those recommended in the Book of Intention

Walking Pilgrimage
The Way of St. Juan Diego

On Saturday, September 21 a one-day, 9-mile Walking Pilgrimage will take place in our diocese from 10am - 8:00pm in preparation for the Consecration of the Diocese of Metuchen to Our Lady of Guadalupe. All youth, families and people of faith are invited to participate. The walk will begin and end at Immaculate Conception Parish, 316 Allerton Road, Annandale. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop James Checchio. Cost is $20 by August 30 or $25 thereafter. The walk will take place rain or shine. Registration is required. For details or to register, visit www.LightingHeartsOnFire.org/walking-pilgrimage or obtain forms from the Parish Office. Registration Deadline is September 13th.

God’s Plan For Giving
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Thank you for your generosity the weekend of 7/28:

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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:

–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. Enclose in an envelope with information and put 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.

Silver/Gold Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral on Sunday, October 27, 2019 at 4:00pm. Registration is required. Please register online at diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold or contact the Family Life Office (732-562-1543). Registration closes October 11. There is no fee, but in the past, many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of gratitude may be made online or by calling 732-562-1543.

McAuley Hall Care Center

McAuley Hall is a 5-Star skilled nursing facility conveniently located off Highway 22 West in Watchung. It is a 74 bed facility with all private rooms and ample closet space. Skilled nursing, physical, occupational, speech and restorative therapies are available with Genesis Rehab Services on site. There is a varied activities schedule. McAuley is a faith-centered facility offering Catholic Mass six days per week; all denominations are welcome. McAuley Hall Health Care Center accepts Commercial and Private Pay as well as Medicare and Medicaid Programs. A tour of the facility is available. Please call Admissions: 908-754-3663 x313.
Parish Notes...

–Last weekend the Missionary Cooperation Plan Appeal was taken and Sisters from the Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart spoke about their Order and its various works. On behalf of the Mission Helpers, thank you for your prayers and support of their missionary work throughout the United States and Latin America. Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated by all the Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart. Be assured of our prayers for you and your loved ones. Gratefully,

Sr. Maria Luz Ortiz & Sr. Onellys Villegas, MHSHP

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.

–TUESDAY: Our weekly Prayer Group meets at 1:00pm in Joseph Room.

–WEDNESDAY: Every Wednesday, following 12:10pm Mass, parishioners gather in front of the Cathedral to pray the Rosary for the intention of the Year of Consecration to Our Lord through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

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

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

–NEXT SUNDAY: Our Filipino-American Community will gather for its monthly meeting at 1:00pm in the Solarium.

–Advance Notice: Thursday, August 15 is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a holy day of obligation. Masses on the feast day will be celebrated at 7:00, 8:00am; 12:10, 7:00pm. The Rectory Office will be closed on August 15. There will not be a Vigil Mass on Wednesday, August 14.

NJ Independent Victim Compensation Program

As announced in February, the Diocese of Metuchen established an Independent Victim Compensation Program (IVCP) to compensate those who, as children or young adults, were sexually abused by a priest or deacon of the Diocese. The IVCP has been open to claims since June 15 and will conclude on December 31, 2019. All individual claims must be submitted during this period. Victims of clergy sexual abuse of a minor can begin the process of utilizing the program by going to www.njdiocesesivcp.com and reviewing the protocol for submitting a claim. IVCP is an important step in aiding victims in seeking justice and healing as we journey together as a Church toward a new day.

Give Our Catholic Schools A Try

Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Metuchen link living our faith with academic excellence. It’s a proven formula that leads to success in the classroom and in life. If you are new to this area or desire a faith-filled school experience for your child, we invite you to learn more about the Catholic school advantage. In the Diocese of Metuchen, we are proud to offer more than twenty Catholic elementary schools and four Catholic high schools located throughout Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon and Warren counties. Enrollment is available for students in Pre-K through Grade 12. Learn more and find a complete list at: http://diometuchen.org/schools

If you are looking for a quality Pre School Program for your 3 or 4 year old, look no further than St. Francis Cathedral School! We offer a two half-day program for 3 year olds and three and five full-day programs for 4 year olds. Please call our school office at 732-548-3107.

Save The Date - - Sun., Sept. 15 - Parish Picnic

1:00 - 5:00pm on the grounds of St. Joseph High School. An afternoon of good fellowship, barbecued burgers and hot dogs, soft drinks and fun! Bring lawn chairs, relax and enjoy the games and activities for kids. Music by a D.J. Contact Tom Thomas, SFC Mens group: sfc.mensgroup@gmail.com or at 732-692-4819.
Lighting Hearts On Fire
Diocesan Marian Consecration Preparation

Year
December 12, 2018 - December 12, 2019

Bishop Checchio will consecrate the Diocese of Metuchen to Our Lord through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe in 2019. A year-long preparation process was launched December 12, 2018, the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, with Evening Prayer at the Cathedral. Bishop Checchio’s intention for this year is that each one of us opens our heart wide to God’s grace so that authentic spiritual renewal can take place. We implore Our Lady’s intercession on our behalf.

During this year of preparation, our Diocese has planned several events that offer an opportunity to “light hearts on fire.” One of these opportunities is the Traveling Prayer Kit. It includes a framed image of Our Lady, a crucifix, a votive candle, holy water, rosary beads and prayer cards. Individuals and families are urged to pray and prepare for consecration by hosting a traveling image of Our Lady of Guadalupe in their homes for a week. Kits are handed out at the Mass of your choosing. Fill out the form below and return to the Rectory or Sign up at: info@stfranciscathedral.org.

Hosting The Traveling Prayer Kit

Name_____________________________________
Daytime Phone No.____________________
E-mail address________________________
Date You would like to Host_____________

5:00pm 7:00pm 7:30am
9:00am 10:30am 12:00noon

Widows & Widowers Social Group

Our group is comprised of widows and widowers who gather for enjoyment and participate in a variety of social activities. If you enjoy laughing, making new friends and being busy on weekends, then our friendly group is definitely for you. Meetings are usually scheduled on the first Friday of every month in a Cathedral meeting room. Our next meeting is on Friday, August 2 at 1:00pm in Parish Center Solarium. If you are interested, email judifasano@gmail.com. Leave your telephone number. We will return your call.

FYI: Come and discover leisure’s role in our lives and how it helps renew our souls and refresh our spirits at Mt. St. Mary House of Prayer, Watchung on Aug. 7 at 7pm. Call 908-753-2091 for information/registration.

How can you resist a bargain?

If we were to evaluate the principles governing our culture, we would likely concur that they are overtly materialistic. We are a people with a passion for things. The primary agenda for many of us is to be a consumer. The real "spiritual problem" is that we have learned to identify with our possessions; our self-esteem is associated with what we own. We buy more and more in hopes of elevating our status. We compare ourselves with others. Jesus teaches that effective living means living authentically. He tells us that an enriched life is living up, as best we can, to our God-given potential. If you, or anyone you know, would like to hear more about how Jesus helps us to come to terms with our true essence as human beings, we invite you to join us at an Inquiry Session. Inquiry sessions DO NOT assume a commitment to join the Catholic Faith family. All who are unbaptized, baptized into another faith denomination, or baptized Catholic but have not received Eucharist or Confirmation, are invited. Inquiry sessions are for those who wish to inquire, explore, and search for ways to grow in relationship with God. Call Sara: 732-562-1990 x 1633.

Awakening Year Personal Consecration

Looking for a simple way to be spiritually renewed and develop a deeper relationship with Our Lord? Just set aside 15 minutes a day for 9 days during this Awakening Year to deepen your faith and make a consecration on a personal level to Jesus through Our Lady of Guadalupe. Read, reflect and pray daily. On the ninth day, you are invited to pray the personal consecration prayer, committing yourself to be an active Catholic and sharing your Catholic faith with others. Just pick the nine days most convenient for you and get started at www.lightingheartsonguadalupe.org/prayers/Personal Consecration. Please Note: There are Personal Consecration booklets available in the pamphlet racks at Cathedral entrances and Rectory.

Mother Seton H.S. Gala: Mother Seton Regional High School in Clark is pleased to announce the 2019 Gala Evening of Celebration and Recognition. Alumnae, family and friends are invited to attend. Festivities will include cocktail hour, hors d’oeuvres, a pasta station and carving station. A Silent Auction is also planned, along with a Gift Basket Raffle. It will take place on Friday, October 4, 6:30 - 10:30pm at The Westwood, Garwood. Tickets/info, contact school at 732-382-1952 x175 or email Gala@motherseton.org.
VALUES TO LIVE BY

Today’s scriptures contain some catch phrases that are still quite familiar in our world: "All is vanity," and "Eat, drink, and be merry" are both scriptural in origin. In the same way that it is easy to pray last week's Lord's Prayer thoughtlessly, it is easy to let the potent passages of scripture that are built on these common sayings glide right off our slick ears.

Last week's scriptures instructed us to listen attentively to the Lord, so that we might pray carefully. Our listening and our prayer are intimately connected. In the same way, this week we learn that our values and our living are connected as well. It has become quite common to ask, "Do you own your possessions or do they own you?" Like the familiar maxims from today's readings, we might be tempted to quote this saying flippantly, and think that in the quoting of it we have truly considered it, perhaps lived it. Not true, Qoheleth, Paul, and Jesus tell us today. It is not wrong to treasure or cherish things of earth or of our own humanity; it is only wrong when those things we cherish are not of God, are not of the self-giving Christ.

BARNES FILLED WITH RICHES

The mortgage is paid off. So is the college tuition and children’s weddings. The second home that was once a far-off dream is now very close to reality. And then . . . a daughter or son can no longer take care of a child. It’s time to start over, this time as grandparents in the parents’ role. Thousands of older adults face this situation today, becoming temporary or permanent guardians of their grandchildren.

Vanity of vanities. The years of toil with sights set on a great reward now belong to someone else: food, clothing, braces, summer camps, and school tuition are the current realities. But, as one grandmother said of her 13-year-old granddaughter, Megan, “It has all been worth it. She brings such joy. What would I do without her?”

And so the barns filled with “riches” are again taken down and new and true riches are discovered. Once again a new self is found in Christ, and the storehouse is filled with life that is truly pleasing to God and truly rewarding.
Are You Being Called To The Diaconate?
The Diocese is looking for men who are interested in becoming Permanent Deacons. A new diaconate formation class will begin in spring 2020. Applications for that class will be accepted near the end of this summer. If you are between the ages of 35 and 60, and you believe you are being called to this ministry, please let us know of your interest by contacting the Diocesan Diaconate Office (732-562-2423).

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 23 - 25, 2019. Phone the Diocesan Family Life Office (732-562-1990 x1543) for more information or Rich & Annette Colasuonno (732-236-0671) or email 3024@retrovaille.org.

Bishop George Ahr- St. Thomas Aquinas H.S.
50th Anniversary Celebration
Saturday, September 8, 2019
Family Open House - 10:00am - 2:00pm
Cost: $5.00 per person
Mass with Bishop Checchio at 4:00pm
(Ticketed event - No Cost)
50th Anniversary Gala & Awards - 5:30pm
$100 per person
All events take place at the school
Visit www.bgahs.org/50th
(or 300 tickets - order by August 15)
Direct questions to jroche@bgahs.org

Holy Hour For Priests: Today at 3:00pm in the chapel at St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, a Holy Hour for Priests will take place. All are welcome. Visit www.diometuchen.org/evangelization and click on “Intercessors for the Shepherds.

St. Francis Cathedral School
Tentative Calendar 2019 - 2020

Please Note School Hours: 7:50 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

SEPTEMBER
2 Labor Day - No School
3 School Opens for 1st - 8th grades; Noon dismissal
Before & After Care begins
4 School Opens for Pre-K & K; Noon Dismissal Pre-K - 8
5 Pre-K - 8 Full Day/Hot Lunch Program begins
11 Middle School Back-to-School Night - 7pm
18 K - 5 Back to School Night - 7pm

OCTOBER
4 Noon dismissal
14 Columbus Day - No School
24 No School - Teacher in-service
27 Noon Dismissal
28-29 Thanksgiving Holiday
No School

NOVEMBER

DECEMBER
6 Noon dismissal
20 Noon Dismissal
23-31 Christmas Holiday - No School

JANUARY

FEBRUARY

MARCH

APRIL

MAY

JUNE

Please Note: Some Noon dismissals are on Fridays
Social Concerns

45 Library Place - Metuchen 08840 - Parish Center
732-548-0100 x225

–Our Food Pantry is open for people who are in need. Please call the above number. Please place donations in the Social Concerns Bin located in Cathedral vestibule. For information, call the above number. Thank you so much.

–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.

–Friendly Visitors: Looking for volunteers to be part of the Social Ministry as Friendly Visitors to the elderly. This entails a once or twice a week visitation to the Veterans Home and/or Roosevelt Hospital Care Center. Call Social Concerns at 732-548-0100 x225.

–Mark Your Calendar: Upcoming Blood Drive - Tuesday, August 20, 3:00 - 9:00pm in the Cathedral Community Room. 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 criteria and give physician’s letter each year.

Have You Met ALYX? Alyx is our latest technology which allows you to donate two units of red blood cells during one donation. During this automated procedure, only your red cells are collected and your platelets and plasma are returned to you. You also receive saline solution (salt water) to replace the volume of red cells collected. Other Alyx benefits include: One arm procedure, smaller needle than that used for whole blood, donate two units of red cells in one visit.


Eucharistic Ministers - August 10/11

5:00pm K.Konick, S. Francis, C. Tomaro, K. Garner, P.John, E.Yunker, E.Dick, L.Dalton
7:00pm: M. Brossoni, R &K Aiello, D. Reilly, D. Zensky F./M. Firmansjah
7:30am: A.Pecht, S&D Kovach, E.Lishinsky, A. McCadden, D.Monek
10:30am: R/M.Fuchs, R.Bonk, J. Grigo, J. Bundoc, F. Belmont, R. Baran, F. Corrente, M. Garni
12:00pm: A Bautista, D. Rossi, J.&R.Baker, L.Moriarty, C&C Evangelista

Lectors - August 10/11

5:00pm:Miriam DePasquale 7:00pm: Paul Zensky
7:30am:Ralph Quaglia 9:00am: James Dudley
10:30am:Marty & MaryE.Malague12:00pm:CatherineBarron

Altar Servers - August 10/11

5:00pm Team 22 7:00pm Team 23
7:30am Team 24 9:00am Team 25
10:30am Team 1 12:00pm Team 2

Assumption Feast Day 8/15 7:00pm Team 4

Religious Education Registration

Registration for 2019-2020 is underway for Traditional Weekly Program (Grades 1 - 8) and our Monthly Family Centered Program (Grades Pre-K - 8). Registration Forms may be obtained online at www.stfranciscathedr40l.org - - click Religious Ed tab. Families already in the program need to re-register their children for the new school year. Please call 732-548-0100 x226 /e-mail ReligiousEd@stfranciscathedr40l.org with any questions. New students must provide copy of their Baptismal Certificate along with registration form.