

Ss PETER & PAUL

MAY 4, 2025 | 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

"O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today!"



Sunday Reflection

During the month of May we honor Mary, the mother of Jesus. During the month of May we pray especially to her. Mary answered God's call to be the mother of Jesus. Today we honor Mary who followed the will of God all her life. Mary was faithful at the stable in Bethlehem, she was faithful on the flight to Egypt, and she was faithful at the foot of the cross. We pray today that we will follow Mary's example and listen to God and do what God asks with joy.

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

5:00 pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY

8:30 am | 10:00 am | 12:00 pm

DAILY LITURGIES

Monday ▶ Friday
Mass 12:10 pm

CHURCH OPENING HOURS

(Weather Permitting)

Monday thru Friday 11:30 am → 1:30 pm
Saturday 3:30 pm → 6 pm
Sunday 8 am → 1 pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday: 10 am - 4 pm
Saturday | Sunday: closed
Call for other urgent arrangements.

This Week's Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 3

10:30 am For Our Confirmandi
Confirmation Mass
2:00 pm For Our Confirmandi
Confirmation Mass
5:00 pm † *In Loving Memory of Angelina Corbett*

Sunday, May 4

8:30 am † William H Robinson
10:00 am Family Mass / People of the Parish
Crowning of the Blessed Mother
12:00 pm † *In Loving Memory of Frederick W. Eichler*

Monday, May 5

12:10 pm † For the Holy Souls in Purgatory and the Holy Innocents

Tuesday, May 6

12:10 pm In Honor of St. Peregrine

Wednesday, May 7

12:10 pm † *In Loving Memory of Robert Castellano*

Thursday, May 8

12:10 pm † *In Loving Memory of Maureen Fitzgerald*

Friday, May 9

12:10 pm † *In Loving Memory of Phyllis Brown*

Saturday, May 10

5:00 pm † *In Loving Memory of Gladys Hernandez*

Sunday, May 11 Mother's Day

8:30 am For All Living and Deceased Mothers
10:00 am For All Living and Deceased Mothers
12:00 pm † *In Loving Memory of Geraldine V. Andreano*

Baptism Ministry

See Dates & Details on Parish Website
Staff Contact: Stephanie Panzariello

Ministry Assistants:
Nico Vasil, Muzzi John Roggio

Marriage Ministry

See requirements & details on Parish Website
Staff Contact: Gina Andreano

Ministry Assistant:
Sheila Mulcahy

Confession

Confessions are by appointment.

Contact the Parish Office.

Please consider helping us to defray the expense of these necessary items by donating: Hosts, Altar Flowers, Sanctuary Tabernacle Candle, Altar Wine.

The requested donation for each is \$25.00.

This Week...

The Blessed Mother Votive Lamp is donated
In Loving Memory of
The Living & Deceased Mothers
of our Parish Families

The Saint Joseph Votive Lamp is donated
In Loving Memory of
William H Robinson

The Sacred Heart of Jesus Votive Lamp is donated
For
Our Confirmation Candidates

The Altar Flowers are donated
In Thanksgiving & Congratulations for
Dan Apadula and our 2025 Religious Education Group

The Altar Hosts are donated
In Thanksgiving for
Joan Allman, Jill Draper, & Maria Isabel Quintero

The Sacramental Wine is donated
In Thanksgiving & Congratulations for
Mr. Michael Duffy and our 2025 RCIA Group

The Sanctuary Tabernacle Candle is donated
For the Peaceful Repose of the Soul of
Pope Francis - Requiescat in Pace

God Bless Your Generosity.



The Disciple Maker Index Survey *is OPEN this week!*

Dear Parishioners and Supporters of Ss. Peter & Paul

Our Parish and Archdiocese is on a journey to know, love, and serve Christ as a parish community. Together we must embrace Christ's vision for missionary discipleship so our parish can thrive and be a place for others to grow together in faith.

The very first step in this process involves assessing our greatest strengths and opportunities, and that is where the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) comes in! The DMI is an important survey tool that invites you to reflect on your discipleship journey here at Ss Peter & Paul.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM OUR PARISHIONERS!

Complete the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) survey today by scanning the QR below or by visiting our website at spphoboken.com.



If you prefer a paper copy, you may pick up your survey after daily and Sunday Masses. They will be located in the Church Vestibule. To submit the completed paper survey, please drop off your completed survey to the Parish Office.

The Survey must Be completed by May 25, 2025

Your input helps strengthen our Parish and Archdiocese and the results help leadership prepare for the future. We are blessed in so many ways. Together, we will identify our strengths and opportunities in greater detail as we strive to grow in missionary discipleship.

Please continue to pray for this intention and for the growth and protection of our Parish and Archdiocese.

God Bless You,

Mary Anderson

2025 MASS BOOK

**The requested Donation
for intentions is as follows:**

Hosts: **\$25**

Sacramental Wine: **\$25**

Flowers: **\$25**

Sanctuary Candle: **\$25**

Mass: **\$10**

The Blessed Mother Votive Lamp: **\$25**

The Saint Joseph Votive Lamp: **\$25**

The Sacred Heart of Jesus Votive Lamp: **\$25**

**Check or Money Order made
payable to Ss Peter and Paul.**

In order to give everyone a chance at their requested Mass(es), please have your list prepared in advance - 10 per request. We will do our best to honor your request or provide you with the closest available date.

**Please Contact The Parish Office
with any questions or concerns.**

Additional Collection THIS MONTH

**Note: The Archdiocesan Assessment for the month of May will be collected on May 5, and The Archdiocesan Assessment for the month of June will be collected on May 25.*

May 4*

Archdiocesan Assessment



This collection supports our Parish's monthly assessment, payable to the Archdiocese.

May 11

Mother's Day



A gift that honors the mothers that are now with our Lord and those who continue to give us motherly care here on Earth. Make note of your loved one's name to be remembered at Mass.

May 25*

Archdiocesan Assessment



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WHY IS MAY Mary's Month?

In the Catholic Church the month of May is Mary's month. It's the month we honor Blessed Mary as the Mother of Jesus and our Heavenly Mother.



If you attended Catholic school, you probably remember taking part in the “May crowning” in the beginning of May—where a wreath of flowers was placed on the head of the statue of Mary as prayers were said. As an older student you understood that this ritual was a way to show our love for Mary.

When you were in pre-school or kindergarten, you probably only remember it as a day you got to be outside! As an adult, have you ever stopped and wondered why May is Mary's month? Why not April or June? With the arrival of May, we thought this is the perfect time to learn how this practice all began and to answer the question: “Why May?”

Why May? Historians aren't exactly sure why May was chosen to honor Mary, but many believe that May being the month when spring is in full bloom has a lot to do with it. May is the height of spring - gardens everywhere are alive with blooming flowers and trees are filling their branches with leaves. This new beginning and new birth in nature reminds us of the life Mary gave to Jesus. Without Mary giving birth to Jesus, all the events that followed: Jesus' life, death, and resurrection wouldn't have happened. So, it's believed that May (when nature is showing signs of life) is the ideal month to honor the woman who gave life to our Savior.

Ancient Connection Another belief as to why May was chosen to honor Mary dates back to the ancient Greeks and Romans. In the ancient Greek world, May was dedicated to Artemis, the goddess of fertility and life. Roman culture linked the month of May to Flora, the goddess of bloom and blossoms. The Romans celebrated *ludi florales* (floral games) as a preparation for entering into the month of May and to celebrate the beginning of spring. (The month of May was the official beginning of spring in the Roman culture). Over time, the ancient tradition of celebrating life and fertility in the May led Christians to adopt May as the month to honor the Mother of Jesus.

When Did the Tradition of Honoring Mary in May Begin?

The custom of dedicating the month of May to Mary dates back to the 13th century. But it might come as a surprise to know that it wasn't until the 18th century when this practice became popular. The practice became common among the members of the Jesuit Order in Rome. Because of the far reach of the order's schools, the devotion took hold, and by the 1700's it began to spread worldwide.

Purpose of Crowning Mary It's a Catholic tradition to honor Mary during the month of May by crowning her statue with flowers. The reason why we crown Mary is best summed up by Pope Paul VI who wrote in 1965 that May is an occasion for a “moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world pay to the Queen of Heaven.” The crown symbol is attributed to Mary because she is the Mother of the Son of God, who is our Heavenly King.

Source: catholicfaithstore.com

Marian Prayers

Why Pray to Mary? Because Jesus has given us his Blessed Mother as our great spiritual mother (Rev.12:17), a heavenly advocate who intercedes for us.

The Magnificat

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on his humble servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed, the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear Him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the humble.

He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.

Amen, Alleluia.

Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession, was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To you do I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy, hear and answer me.

Amen.

Hail, Holy Queen

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears.

Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O merciful, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

Amen.

Celebration of First Communion!

Saturday, April 26th was a joyous day for the Parish as we celebrated First Communions at Ss Peter & Paul! **Msgr. Michael** presided over the ceremonies of our **40 Communicants** who received the Blessed Sacrament for the first time. We are grateful to **Mr. Dan Apadula**, our Director of Religious Education, who has faithfully guided our Communicants over the past year, leading up to this special day. Our thanks also to the members of **Ss Peter & Paul's Women of Faith: Joan Allman, Jill Draper, and Maria Isabel Quintero** for leading by example and volunteering their time and assistance during the ceremonies, and to **Stephanie Panzariello & Bridget O'Toole-Donston** of the Parish Office for their preparations for these Sacred celebrations.

May God continue to bless our First Communicants and may they always feel the warmth of God's love.

First Communion on April 26th at 10:30am



Alicia Bacon
Justin Bakarich
Isabella Bellinetti Massaro
Phineas Carino
Luca Cesta
Ryan Corpuz
Nicholas Deaton
Vincent Deaton
Esmee Fernandez
Hope Hoshko
Margaret Janker
Penelope Lukin
Molly Mahat
Bianca Marchitelli
Adelaide Mok
James Myers
Emma Salcedo
Mikkel Santhmayor
Sofia Schofield
Spencer Schultz
Jane Zona

First Communion on April 26th at 2 pm



Evelin Andriyevsky
Alexander Berger
Celine Berger
Cooper Brennan
Parker Brennan
Gianella Chiang
Tucker Clarke
Cameron Coyle
Jack Coyle
Alessandro De Stefano
Henry Gioia
Georgia Grimm
Sophia Mangano
Cole Nazzaro
Gabriella Nicolosi
Albert Powers
Aiden Rimmer
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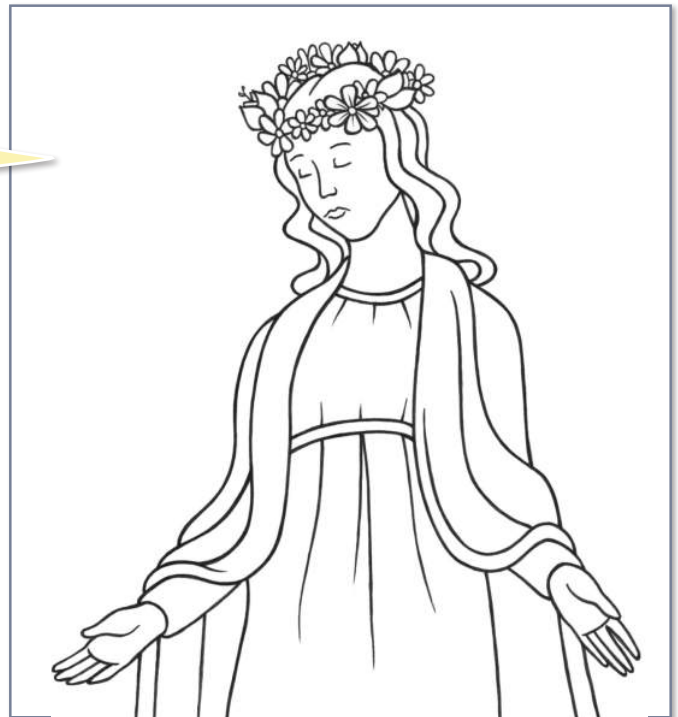
May is the Month of Mary!

We crown Mary at Family Mass this weekend. Color in your own picture of the Blessed Mother here and add extra flowers if you choose!

Do You Know the Hail Mary?

Practice this prayer this month as a special way to honor Mary.

Hail Mary, Full of Grace,
The Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit
of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now,
and at the hour of our death. Amen.



Mini Word Search

B L H S I N N E R S
F O O E J E S U S F
H K Y R A M C A R J
B D Y R D O S U F A
G E A H V W I U M N
R S R A D T L O O P
A S P I E L N R T N
C E D L A G H Z H E
E L O V T T H E E M
K B G M H O U R A

AMEN
AMONG
BLESSED
DEATH
FRUIT
FULL

GOD
GRACE
HAIL
HOUR
JESUS
LORD

MARY
MOTHER
PRAY
SINNERS
THEE
WOMEN

5 Things Kids Should Know About Mary

1. **Mary was a real person.** Mary really lived here on earth. Mary's parents were Joachim and Anne. What do you think Mary's life as a child might have been like?
2. **Mary never sinned.** Because Mary had a special calling from God, she never did anything that would offend or hurt God. She was full of grace and virtue.
3. **Mary is the mother of Jesus.** Mary was an important part of God's plan to bring Jesus, Our Savior, into the world. She loved and cared for Jesus from the time He was a baby to the time He went back to Heaven.
4. **Mary is our Heavenly Mother.** Mary has a special job to care for us and protect us. She wants all of God's children to be with her in heaven one day.
5. **Mary wants you to talk to her.** When we pray the Hail Mary or a rosary, we "talk" to Mary. She loves it when children come to her in prayer. Ask her to help you become more like Jesus.





CONGRATULATIONS, LUKE!

Our intern, **Luke McKenna**, has been accepted into a very special and competitive Catholic Teaching Graduate Program, through the Alliance for Catholic Education ('ACE') at the University of Notre Dame, Indiana.

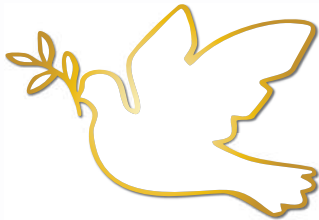
He will begin initial aspects of this experience as an 'ACE Ambassador' and following his completion of Undergraduate Studies at Stevens, he will be offered to continue on a scholarship as an ACE Fellow in the Masters in Education program through Notre Dame, teaching full-time in an under-resourced Catholic school while taking online graduate courses.

Luke is very grateful to the spiritual family he's found at SPP, and especially Msgr. Michael for all his support throughout the application process.

We are blessed by Luke's presence and work among us, and his example of a very responsible, mature, respectful, and devout young Catholic gentleman, who unapologetically lives out his Catholic faith in the world around him.

Congratulations and continued Blessings, Luke!

God Bless Our Confirmandi!



We congratulate our Confirmandi who will be receiving the gifts of the Holy Spirit this weekend...!

John Attanasio
Ryan Bartlett
Jake Cammarota
Vincent Deaton
Dylan Decker
Fiona Diegnan
Adrianna Diegnan
Aleksander Fennell
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Liam Popkoski
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Morgan Sullivan
Cole Thomas
Kiran Vasudevan
Ashwin Vasudevan

ANNOUNCEMENTS

5th Annual
**Super
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Tickets: \$20 *OR*
6 Tickets for \$100

*Purchase tickets after Weekend Masses
or at the Parish Office during the week!*

**Total Pot as of 4/27/25:
\$11,500!**

OPEN HOUSE AT SAINT PETER'S PREP

Saint Peter's Preparatory School will hold its Spring Open House on Sunday, May 4 from 1 pm – 3 pm at the school's campus in historic downtown Jersey City. Faculty and staff as well as coaches, students and parents, will be present to answer questions about the school, and tours of the campus will be provided. Saint Peter's Prep is an independent, college preparatory school for boys and it remains New Jersey's only Jesuit high school. **For more information on the Spring Open House, please call 201-547-6465.**



Ss Peter and Paul will be participating in the Arts and Music Festival on Sunday, May 18!

We are looking for volunteers to help staff our booth. **If you can help or if you have any questions please contact Nicole Spano at nicole.spano@spphoboken.com or call the parish office at 201-659-2276. We look forward to hearing from you!**

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