

Saint Joseph Roman Catholic Church

200 CARLTON AVENUE • WASHINGTON, NEW JERSEY 07882

"Everyone who acknowledges me before others, I will acknowledge them before my Father." —Matthew 10:32



Parish Office/Rectory----- 908-689-0058

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Open Monday - Friday...

9:00 am - 12:00 noon & 1:00 - 4:00 pm

After 4:00 pm, by appointment only.

Parishioner on the Move
Please notify the Parish Office.

PASTORAL & SUPPORT STAFF

(Rt.) Rev. Guy W. Selvester, M.Div., M.A.----- *Pastor*

Rev. J. Michael Venditti, M.Div. ----- *In Residence*

Edmund M. Hartmann, Jr.-----*Deacon*

Sylvan H. Webb -----*Deacon*

Laura A. Torres----- *Parish Secretary*

Mrs. Joyce Rock----- *Parish Catechetical Leader (PCL)*

Shirley A. Firling ----- *Director of Sacred Music*

James Mc Aloon----- *Pastoral Council Chairperson*

Mary Jane Lusardi ----- *Trustee*

Patti-Sue Rolak ----- *Trustee*

Anthony Tomeski ----- *Web Master*

Bob Opdyke----- *Finance Council Chairperson*

Jose Santiago-----*Cemetery Committee Chairperson &
Hispanic Committee Chairperson*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / 908-689-0093

Tuesday: 5:30 - 6:30 pm / Grades: 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a

7:00 - 8:15 pm / Grades: 6a, 7a, 8a

Wednesday: 5:30 - 6:30 pm / Grades: 1b, 2b, 4b, 5b

7:00 - 8:15 pm / Grades: 6b, 7b, 8b

SAINT JOSEPH CEMETERY / 908-689-0058

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SACRAMENTAL & PRAYER LIFE

Sacrament of Eucharist/Mass

Saturday Vigil-----5:00 pm

Sunday-----7:30 & 11:00 am

Spanish Mass----- 9:30 am

Daily Mass ----- 9:00 am

Holy Days ----- 9:00 am, 12:10 & 7:00 pm

Sacrament of Baptism

Expectant parents are requested to attend a Baptism Preparation Session prior to the birth of the child. Please pre-register with the parish office. The sessions are held on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Meeting Room. Baptisms are held the 2nd Saturday of each month at 11:30 am at the church.

Sacrament of Penance

The Sacrament of Penance is celebrated on Saturday from 4:00 to 4:45 pm and Wednesday from 7:15 to 8:00 pm in the reconciliation chapel.

Sponsorship/Eligibility Forms

Only registered and practicing Catholics can receive a letter attesting to their sponsorship eligibility. One must request the form from the parish office prior to being a sponsor. The form will then be mailed or picked up at the parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning marriage are requested to make an appointment with the Pastor. Arrangements should be made one year in advance.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parish family of Saint Joseph Church, are brothers and sisters in Christ. Under the Guidance of the Holy Spirit and through the nourishment of the sacraments, we are called to love and serve in His name. We will promote the Kingdom of God to all, through education, witness, service and worship, by giving of our time, talents and treasures.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
February 9, 2020



Mass Intentions
for the Week

Saturday February 8
Saint Jerome Emiliani
Saint Josephine Bakhita

5:00pm Helen & Edward Grochowski
r/o Michael & Joanne Cuff

Sunday February 9
Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am Laura Macarone
r/o The Cruz Family

9:30am People of the Parish
(Spanish)

11:00am Olga Selvester
r/o Fr. Guy

Monday February 10
Saint Scholastica

9:00am John Smith
r/o The Merlo Family

Tuesday February 11
Our Lady of Lourdes

9:00am John T. Goleskie
r/o Reverend Blaise R. Baran

Wednesday February 12

9:00am Isabel Giugliano
r/o Marie Walker

Thursday February 13

9:00am Daniel Fuentes
r/o Bob & Maureen Ball

Friday February 14
Saints Cyril, Mark and Methodius

9:00am Michael Setteducato & Michael, Jr.
r/o Mary Kovacs

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Saria Adria, Willie Baker, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Denise Chiarulli, Kathy Chiarulli, Jill Dubay, Anthony Francisco, Joseph Gallagher, Julie Galloway, Peter Garon, Vincent Giancesano, Francine Gore, Charles Hemsel, Josie Kaspereen, Ann Krouse, Dave Lewis, Barbara McAloon, Ann McComb, Robert Meleo, George Melious, John W. Mulvenna, Eddie O'Donnell, Catherine Papp, Richard Polhemus, Margaret Ricci, Charles Roseberry, Barbara Russian, Marilyn Russo, Jose Santiago, Sr. Albert Schaare, Barbara Schaare, Dave Scott, Dawn Scott, James Todd, Frances Wadnik, Woody Wagner, Daniel Walker, Bill Wargin, Jamie Zimmerman, Emma

WEEKLY OFFERING

WEEKLY COSTS:

Church Expenses (Including Mortgage)	\$8,396.06
<u>Weekend of January 25 / 26</u>	\$6,696.00
Electronic Giving	602.00
Bingo Income	1,023.00
Other Income	225.00
Total	\$8,546.00
Weekly Surplus / (Deficit)	149.94
<u>Weekend of February 1 / 2</u>	\$5,904.00
Electronic Giving	630.00
Total	\$6,534.00
Weekly Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$1,862.06)

This Week in Our Parish.....

Sunday, February 9

Coffee & Refreshments will be served in the Community Room following all Masses

9:45am – 10:45am Choir Practice / Choir Room
7:00pm Bingo / Parish Center

Monday, February 10

6:00pm Children's Choir / Church
7:15pm Bell Choir / Church

Tuesday, February 11

9:30am Prayer Shawl Ministry / Rectory Meeting Room
Religious Education
5:30-6:30pm Grades 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a
7:00-8:15pm Grades 6a, 7a, 8a

Wednesday, February 12

Religious Education
5:30-6:30pm Grades 1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5b
7:00-8:15pm Grades 6b, 7b, 8b
7:15pm Confessions

Friday, February 14

7:00-9:00pm Spanish Ministry / Choir Room

Saturday, February 15

7:00-8:00am Men's Spirituality Group / Community Room
4:00-4:45pm Confessions
4:00pm Choir Practice / Choir Room

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 5170

The Knights of Columbus will award two \$500 scholarships during spring 2020. High school and college age students are eligible to apply.

An application can be downloaded from www.council5170.org

The application **MUST** be submitted by April 1, 2020 and can be found under the news and announcements section of the website.



Lord God, you showered heavenly gifts on the virgin Agatha. Hear the prayers of those who recall her devoted life and who ask her to intercede for them in their necessity. (Mention your intention here...) Help us to imitate her virtue during our earthly life and enjoy eternal happiness with her in heaven. Amen

EMERGENCY SAFETY PLANS

If we had a situation or a problem in church during Mass what would you do? How would you ensure your safety and the safety of your loved ones and fellow parishioners? What plans do you have in case that happens?

In order to address this we are pleased to welcome Dennis Reilly from the County Prosecutor's Office and Police Chief Tom Cicerelle of Washington Township to speak to all parishioners about an Emergency Preparedness Plan.

They are coming to speak to us **after the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday, February 15 and after the 11:00AM Mass on Sunday, February 16.** All you have to do is stick around after Mass. We urge all parishioners to stay after Mass on one of those days or plan to be here after one of those Masses in order to hear this important presentation. The presentation will last approximately 30 minutes.

SCRIP/GIFT CARDS

At the January 16 meeting of the Parish Council it was decided to discontinue the SCRIP/Gift card Program until further notice. This is because of an extremely low level of participation in the program.

Very few of our parishioners have been participating to the point that we aren't making any significant money for the parish and are actually close to merely breaking even. Since this is supposed to be a parish fundraiser that sort of defeats the purpose.

In addition, it has become increasingly difficult to get a sufficient number of parishioners to volunteer to take orders and sell the gift cards after Masses on the weekends.

As a result, the Parish Council advised, and I have concurred, that the program will be discontinued for the present. Perhaps, at some point in the future, we can reinstate the program. The discontinuation is effective as of February 9, 2020.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Join the upcoming global effort February 26 – April 6 for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Offer time to peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood here in Washington. For more information contact Jennifer English ajmadopt@comcast.net 973-525-6692 or visit <https://40daysforlife.com>

FROM THE PASTOR



It's good to be home! I like traveling (well, not so much flying these days, but traveling in general) but I always enjoy coming home again. One of the things I enjoy about going to Catania for the Feast of St. Agatha is that it gives me the chance to see how Catholicism is practiced in other countries. The kind of huge, city-wide festival they have

there is nothing like anything you would see in this country. It's a great outpouring of religious devotion and fervor and not just for show.

I'm grateful to our Deanery Supply Priest, Fr. Michael Venditti, for covering the Masses while I was away. Of course, Fr. Michael has residence right here at St. Joseph so, luckily, he didn't have too far to come.

St. Valentine's Day happens this Friday, February 14. The Office will be open as usual, unlike the following Monday, February 17, which is **Presidents' Day**. The Parish Office will be closed all day on Presidents' Day.

Please be sure to look at the notice in this bulletin concerning the SCRIP/Gift Card Program.

Have a Blessed Week!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

Saturday, February 15

5:00PM

Lector: Ann Marie Lee

Extraordinary Ministers: Karole Bradunas, Barbara Ward

Servers: Nicholas Carucci, Sean Altmann

Cantor: Terry Bradunas

Sunday, February 16

7:30AM

Lector: Jeff Wiessler

Extraordinary Ministers: Cindy Hudock, Steve Martinko

Server: Olivia Camporini

9:30AM (SPANISH)

Lector: Diego Zamora, Cristina Santiago

Extraordinary Minister: Roxana Balan

Server: Edward Velasquez

11:00AM

Lector: Cynthia Magno

Extraordinary Ministers: Bob Oakley, Kerry Pflugh

Servers: Louis Desrosiers, William Desrosiers

Cantor: Bethany Slovak

GERTRUDE HAWK CANDY FUNDRAISER

Our annual candy fundraiser has begun! All orders must be **returned by Monday, March 2.**

Remember, no order is too small.

Thank you for your support and generosity.