

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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Website----- stjosephwashingtongnj.org

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

12 Jackson Valley Road • Washington, New Jersey

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.

**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME**

November 15, 2020



Mass Intentions
for the Week

Saturday November 14

5:00pm **+Michael Meritz**
r/o **Mom**

Sunday November 15
Thirty-Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time

7:30am **+Patti-Sue Rolak**
r/o **Family**

9:30am **People of the Parish**
(Spanish)

11:00am **+Lena Dick**
r/o **Gale Edolo**

Monday November 16

9:00am **+Vera Harzold**
r/o **Family**

Tuesday November 17
Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

9:00am **+Vera Quinnan**
r/o **A Parishioner**

Wednesday November 18

9:00am **+Peter Maher**
r/o **Mary Zvirblys**

Thursday November 19

9:00am **+Violet Donato**
r/o **Emily Savarese**

Friday November 20

9:00am **+Joseph DiGirolamo**
r/o **Frank & Andrea Marsello**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Saria Adria, Willie Baker, Daisy Barczak, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Joan Castella, Phyllis Chiappa, Jill Dubay, Anthony Francisco, Joseph Gallagher, Julie Galloway, Vincent Giancesano, Francine Gore, Theresa Grogan, Charles Hemsel, Jane Jenkins, Nina Lopez, Laura Marie, Barbara McAloon, Ann McComb, Robert Meleo, George Melious, Catherine Papp, Richard Polhemus, Donna Rogulski, Charles Roseberry, Marilyn Russo, Jose Santiago, Sr. Albert Schaare, Barbara Schaare, Dave Scott, Dawn Scott, James Todd, Frances Wadnik, Woody Wagner, Daniel Walker, Bill Wargin, Emma

WEEKLY OFFERING

WEEKLY COSTS:

Church Expenses (Including Mortgage) \$8,396.06

Weekend of October 31 / November 1 \$6,434.00

Electronic Giving 1,335.00

All Souls Donations 405.00

Other Income 495.00

Total \$8,174.00

Weekly Surplus / (Deficit) (\$222.06)

Weekend of November 7 / 8 \$5,208.00

Electronic Giving 1,447.00

Snow Removal Donations 538.00

Other Income 500.00

Total \$7,693.00

Weekly Surplus / (Deficit) (\$703.06)

MEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

The group will meet on Saturday, November 21 at 7:00AM in the Community Room (**please wear a mask**).

We will be considering the Mystery of the Incarnation, and how to enter more deeply into it. The meeting lasts for one hour. The group meets every other Saturday. Participants may attend as their schedule allows. For more information contact Terry Finnegan at finneganterence@msn.com

COME AND SEE

We all find comfort in the thought that God is a loving God, who desires that none should perish, but that all should have everlasting life. Come and see, through the eyes of the Catholic Church, this almighty and merciful God, who breaks the power of evil and makes all things new in His Son, Jesus Christ, the king of the universe. All are invited who are unbaptized, or baptized into another Christian denomination, or baptized Catholic but have never received BOTH sacraments of Confirmation AND Eucharist. No commitments are required. For more information call the parish Office at 908-689-0058 -OR- speak to Deacon Sylvan Webb.

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

The Parish Altar-Rosary Society have resumed their regular meetings on the first Monday of each month in the Community Room at 1:00PM. The next meeting will be held December 7.

They will also sponsor a monthly Holy Hour with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction on the first Monday of each month at 7:00PM in the church.



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month in the Community Room at 9:30AM. They **will not** be meeting on Friday, November 27.

The next meeting will be held Friday, December 11.

DASACC OF WARREN COUNTY

The **Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault Crisis Center** of Warren County is seeking donations for its Seventh Annual Holiday Shoppe, which provides free holiday gifts to Warren County residents in need.

This year we are collecting \$20 gift cards to Amazon for our gift baskets. We would need to have these returned by December 5 / 6. Please place the cards in the offertory basket or return to the Parish Office. Thank you for your support and generosity.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 5170

"Tiny Saints"....Want to give a unique Christmas gift that will also help someone pray? Then give a Tiny Saint, a saint charm that a person can keep with them throughout the day. There are over 140 saints to choose from and the charm can be attached to a key chain, a bracelet or carried in a purse or pocket.

Charms are just \$7.00 and each purchase will help local charities helping neighbors in need. Ordering information can be found at council5170.org
Orders must be received by December 1

TAKEOUT DINNER WITH THE SAINTS

On Saturday, November 21, Takeout Dinner With The Saints honors St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, a remarkable woman of firsts. Frances Xavier Cabrini is the patron of immigrants and the first American citizen to be declared a saint. She is also the first woman in American history to have a legal state holiday in her honor. Colorado celebrates Frances Xavier Cabrini Day on the first Monday of October.

This month's menu includes baked ziti with sausage, Caesar salad, garlic bread, biscotti and water or seltzer all for the remarkably low price of \$10.00 per meal. Proceeds benefit local charities. Ordering information can be found at council5170.org
Orders must be received no later than Thursday, November 20

THANK YOU

Outreach Ministry would like to thank all of our parishioners who have donated so generously to the Thanksgiving program. Your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated.

FROM THE PASTOR



We received some very sad news this week from our Vicar General who wrote to all the priests to inform us of the death of our brother priest, Fr. Ed Flanagan. Please remember Fr. Ed in your prayers and pray for the the repose of his soul. Father Flanagan was ordained on May 28, 1988. His first assignment was as Parochial Vicar at Immaculate Conception Church in Somerville. He served as Parochial Vicar at St. James, Woodbridge, Sacred Heart, South Plainfield, Immaculate Conception, Spotswood, Queenship of Mary, Plainsboro and St. Bernadette, Parlin. He was administrator and then pastor at Nativity of Our Lord Church, Monroe Township from June 2002 until his passing on November 8, 2020 aged only 58.

He will be greatly missed.

Keep praying, too, for our country as we continue in the aftermath of the Presidential Election. Pray that peace and unity will prevail in our nation.

This past week the Holy See issued the long awaited report on the situation with the former cardinal Theodore McCarrick who also served as the founding bishop of our diocese. The 449 page report is difficult to read (there is a link to it as well as a letter from our bishop on the parish Facebook page) but a necessary reporting of the findings of the investigation into that tragic and horrible affair. I hope that it is another step forward as the Church tries to become more transparent about the misdeeds of some of its clergy and that it is a step in the right direction of trying to prevent such occurrences again in the future. It is difficult but necessary that we bring these things to light if there is ever to be any healing.

I am happy to conclude on a happier piece of news by telling you that Mr. James McAloon and Mr. John Rolak have consented to serve as Trustees of the parish for the coming term of two years. Both men are long-time parishioners and, I think, well known to most of you. They have both been active parishioners serving in different capacities throughout the years. They are succeeding the two former Trustees, Mrs. Mary Jane Lusardi who has concluded her service after being a Trustee for several years and the late Mrs. Patty Sue Rolak who, sadly, was taken from us far too soon when she passed away last April after a battle with cancer. We are most grateful to Mary Jane and we continue to pray for the repose of Patty Sue.

Stay Calm; Stay Safe; KEEP THE FAITH!

