

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

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-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 8, 2020



Mass Intentions
for the Week

Saturday	November 7
5:00pm	+Angelina C. Olivio r/o Anthony & Phyllis Lamberto
Sunday	November 8
	Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am	+Patti-Sue Rolak r/o Knights of Columbus Council 5170
9:30am (Spanish)	People of the Parish
11:00am	+Kristin Thorsen r/o Mike Thorsen
Monday	November 9
	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
9:00am	+Patti-Sue Rolak r/o Family
Tuesday	November 10
	Saint Leo the Great
9:00am	+Nicholas Plakotaris r/o Yvonne & family
Wednesday	November 11
	Saint Martin of Tours
9:00am	George W. Melious r/o Family
Thursday	November 12
9:00am	+William J. Melious r/o Family
Friday	November 13
9:00am	+Deceased Members of the Meleo Family r/o Deacon Ed Hartmann

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 Gantesano, Francine Gore, Theresa Grogan, Charles Hemsel, Jane Jenkins, Nina Lopez, 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 24 / 25 \$5,110.00

Electronic Giving 1,387.00

Total \$6,497.00

Weekly Surplus / (Deficit) (\$1,899.06)

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)

MEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

The group will meet on Saturday, November 7 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

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

Because this weekend overlaps two months the Monthly collection of food items for the Washington Food Pantry will take place **THIS WEEKEND: November 7, 8 & 9**. You may drop off non-perishable food items Saturday-Monday in, or next to, the shopping cart placed in the Narthex.

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.

OUTREACH MINISTRY

It is that time of year when we assist those in need. The third page of the bulletin has a list of items for Thanksgiving baskets. You may also donate \$25 gift cards for ShopRite.

Please phone Karole Bradunas 908-907-7765 or e-mail kbradunas@comcast.net



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.

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.

PLEASE NOTE: Holy Hour will take place on Monday, November 9.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month in the Community Room at 9:30AM.

The next meeting will be held Friday, November 13

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

FROM THE PASTOR



As I write this on Friday morning we are all still waiting for a result in the Presidential election. It can be anxiety building and frustrating but the combination of huge amounts of mail-in voting and a very close race in several places means that we have to do something we don't normally have to do. Namely, we have to wait and count each and every vote. That takes time. But, a lot is at stake. If you are concerned about the outcome I fully understand. If you're just annoyed because you think we should be able to declare a winner in one day then I would ask you to consider that you may just be giving in to our modern, American desire for instant gratification. We all need to be patient and get this right.

In the mean time, while we are watching and waiting and hoping and praying there are **LOTS** of other things to be concerned about. There is still a global pandemic going on and showing no signs of stopping. We still have troops overseas in harm's way and they have families here at home worried about them. There are lots of people in the world affected by hunger, poverty, violence, illness, etc. and they are in need of our help and prayers.

Here in the parish we are trying to somehow carry on in the midst of pandemic lockdowns but we are dealing with reduced ministries and activities, dwindling weekly collections, an inability to plan accordingly not knowing what's going to happen and we still have an entire roof on the classroom building that is going to need replacing. So, there is a lot happening right here that could use your help and, most importantly, your prayers.

This coming Wednesday, November 11, is **Veterans' Day**. On that day we remember with great gratitude all those men and women who have served our country in the military in the past. It's not a day for the war dead, that's Memorial Day. It's not a day for those currently serving in the Armed Forces because they aren't "veterans" yet. The word veteran comes from the Latin, "vetus" meaning "old". This is a day to say "Thank You for Your Service" to those who have served and who, thankfully, got to complete their service and continue in life to be able to grow old. They so richly deserve our gratitude. **The Parish Office will be closed all day on Veterans' Day.**

So we have so much to pray for and about. In the days and weeks ahead let's remember to place all these things in God's hands and not give in to the anxiety and worry they may cause. Jesus told us that no one has ever been able to lengthen his life by one day by worrying. So, worry is useless. What is required of those of us who follow the Lord is faith.

Stay Calm; Stay Safe; **Keep the Faith!**

