

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.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 24, 2022



**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

- Saturday April 23**
- 5:00pm **+John Doehner**
r/o **The Srnka Family**
- Sunday April 24**
Divine Mercy Sunday
- 7:30am **+Mary Beirne**
r/o **Family**
- 9:30am **People of the Parish**
(Spanish)
- 11:00am **+Jean Vanderhoof**
r/o **Family**
- Monday April 25**
Saint Mark
- 9:00am **+George W. Melious**
r/o **Family**
- Tuesday April 26**
- 9:00am **+Gilda & Constantino Berardini**
r/o **Rita Aurenzi**
- Wednesday April 27**
- 9:00am **+Rev. Msgr. Anthony Gambino**
r/o **Patricia Selvester**
- Thursday April 28**
- 9:00am **Hamza Muheisen**
r/o **Finnegan & Muheisen Families**
- Friday April 29**
Saint Catherine of Siena
- 9:00am **Jim McAloon**
r/o **Wife, Barbara**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Saria Adria, Willie Baker, Karole Bradunas, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Phyllis Chiappa, Kathy Chiarulli, Arsenia Del Rosario Jill Dubay, Gerry Farhan, Anthony Francisco, Joseph Gallagher, Julie Galloway, Francine Gore, Charles Hemsel, Donna Hewa, Jane Jenkins, Nina Lopez, Barbara McAloon, Ann McComb, Robert Meleo, Denise Melious, Emma Parrales, Charles Roseberry, Marilyn Russo, Jose Santiago, Sr., Emily Setteducato, Albert Schaare, Barbara Schaare, Dave Scott, Dawn Scott, James Todd, Woody Wagner, Daniel Walker, Bill Wargin, Emma

WEEKLY OFFERING

WEEKLY COSTS:

Church Expenses (Including Mortgage)	\$8,396.06
April 9 / 10	
Electronic Giving	\$9,877.00
Total	1,109.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$10,986.00
	\$2,589.94
April 16 / 17	
Electronic Giving	\$14,898.00
Holy Thursday	2,316.00
Total	585.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$17,799.00
	\$9,402.94
Diocesan Holy Land Collection	\$925.00

CONFESSIONS

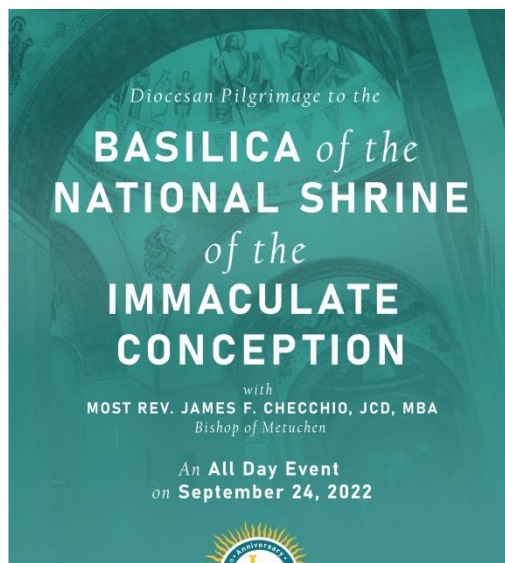
NOTE: Regularly scheduled Confessions will resume on Wednesday, April 27.

From that point onward Confessions will be heard every Wednesday evening from 7:15 - 8:00 PM (except in July and August) and every Saturday afternoon from 4:00 - 4:45 PM just prior to the Saturday evening Mass.

QUO VADIS DAYS 2022

July 19-22, 2022
Young men ages 14-17!

You're invited to spend a few days living, praying and interacting with priests, seminarians and faith-filled teens your own age. The days will include dynamic talks, a visit from Bishop Checchio, sports and activities, prayer, small group discussion and so much more. For more information, please email quovadis@diometuchen.org



The Closing Event to Celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the Diocese of Metuchen



More information about the pilgrimage will be made available at www.diometuchen.org/40



FROM THE PASTOR



Surrexit Dominus! Alleluia!

The Lord is Risen! Alleluia!

We continue to celebrate the great feast of our redemption. Easter lasts **fifty days** and today we celebrate the Octave of Easter, also known as “Low Sunday” and also Divine Mercy Sunday. While that last devotion —to Divine Mercy— may not be observed by everyone it has, since the pontificate of St. John Paul II, become a devotion to which many Catholics are attached.

At our own nearby Blue Army Shrine the Chaplain there, Fr. Luke Fletcher, CFR, who has already become a good friend to our parish, will be giving a talk at 2:30PM followed by the recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00PM.

Here at home I want to take a moment to say a special word of **thanks** to the members of our staff who worked so hard on seeing to it that Holy Week and Easter Sunday went so smoothly. In particular, my thanks go to Deacon Ed, Deacon Sylan and to our intrepid Parish Secretary, Laura Torres.

I'm very grateful to our Director of Sacred Music, Shirley Firling and all the vocalists, musicians and bell-ringers who added so much beauty to our liturgies with the gift of music.

I am also grateful to the altar servers, the Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, the Lectors and the Ushers who assisted us during the sacred liturgies for their time and efforts.

A special word of **thanks** goes to Sharon Levin and the volunteers who assisted her in decorating, un-decorating and re-decorating again for the Sacred Trinitum. They put in many hours this week and I am especially grateful to them for their efforts.

The resurrection of the Lord is so great a mystery and also so great a gift that celebrating it on one day just simply isn't enough. As we spent 40 days in penance preparing for Easter now we go even farther and spend 50 days proclaiming the glory of the resurrection. Christ is alive in our lives and in our world. We must all strive to live in the grace that comes from that saving act.

I hope you have been celebrating and will go on celebrating that the Lord is risen and that your Paschal-tide is filled with grace and blessings. Remember to Keep the Faith!

Surrexit Vere! Alleluia!

He is truly Risen! Alleluia!



SPANISH MASS/MISA EN ESPAÑOL

Please take note that beginning in May there will be a change to our Mass schedule. The Spanish Mass which has been celebrated at 9:30 AM every Sunday will be moved back one half hour and be celebrated at 9:00 AM.

This change will make it possible for us to receive the assistance of a priest who is a native Spanish-speaker and who will be coming here twice each month to assist with the Spanish Mass.

So, starting in May and from now on the Spanish Mass will take place at 9:00 AM every Sunday.

A partir de mayo habrá un cambio en nuestro horario de Misas. La misa en español que se ha celebrado a las 9:30 a. m. todos los domingos se retrasará media hora y se celebrará a las 9:00 a. m.

Este cambio hará posible que recibamos la asistencia de un sacerdote cuyo idioma nativo es el español y que vendrá aquí dos veces al mes para ayudar con la misa en español.

Entonces, a partir de mayo y de ahora en adelante, la Misa en español se llevará a cabo a las 9:00 a.m. todos los domingos.