

# 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.*

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**July 3, 2022**



**Mass Intentions  
for the Week**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b><u>July 2</u></b>
5:00pm	<b>+Jean Vanderhoof</b>
r/o	<b>Family</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July 3</b>
	<b><u>Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time</u></b>
7:30am	<b>+Patti-Sue Rolak</b>
r/o	<b>Family</b>
9:00am	<b>People of the Parish</b>
<b>(Spanish)</b>	
11:00am	<b>+Nicolo &amp; Lila Martini</b>
r/o	<b>Robert &amp; Carmen Kadi</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b><u>July 4</u></b>
9:00am	<b>+Oseas Gomez</b>
r/o	<b>Ileana Hannema</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b><u>July 5</u></b>
9:00am	<b>+Rick Dimestria</b>
r/o	<b>The Finnegan Family</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b><u>July 6</u></b>
9:00am	<b>+Eugene Kwiatowski</b>
r/o	<b>Grace Scodari</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b><u>July 7</u></b>
9:00am	<b>+Ricardo Aurenzi</b>
r/o	<b>Rita Aurenzi</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b><u>July 8</u></b>
9:00am	<b>+Adriana Bonilla</b>
r/o	<b>Yola Huilca</b>

**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

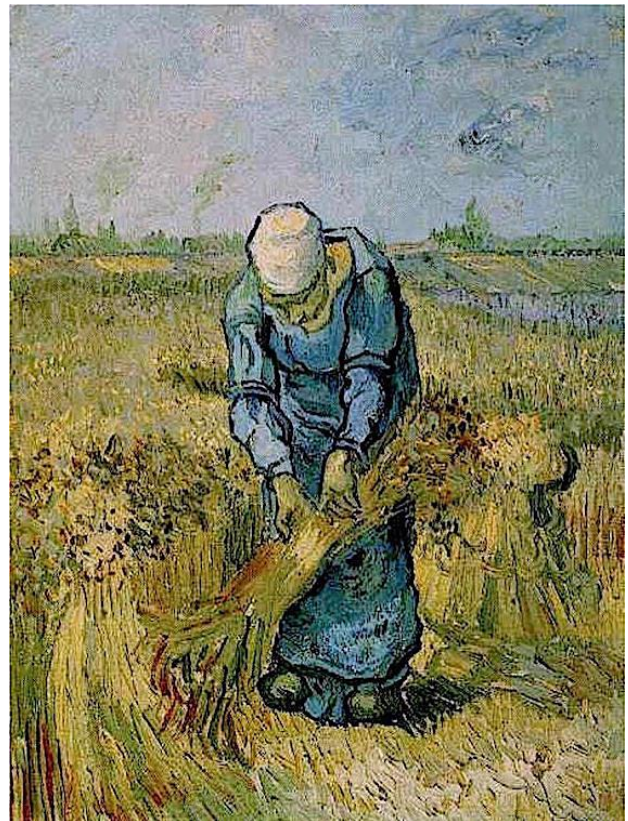
**WEEKLY OFFERING**

**WEEKLY COSTS:**

<b>Church Expenses (Including Mortgage)</b>	<b>\$8,396.06</b>
<b>June 18 / 19</b>	<b>\$4,906.00</b>
<b>Electronic Giving</b>	<b>1,114.00</b>
<b>Bingo Income</b>	<b>368.00</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>1,178.75</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,566.75</b>
<b>Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$829.31)</b>
<b>June 25 / 26</b>	<b>\$5,737.00</b>
<b>Electronic Giving</b>	<b>1,114.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,851.00</b>
<b>Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$1,545.06)</b>

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE**

On Sept. 24, 2022, the Diocese of Metuchen will conclude its year-long 40th Anniversary celebration with a diocesan pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. As we hope this to be a joyous celebration of our diocesan anniversary, we hope to have many Catholics from our diocese in attendance as possible, so please save the date and encourage your fellow parishioners to do the same. More information and materials will be forthcoming.





## **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](mailto:quovadis@diometuchen.org)

## **RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION**

A reminder that in order to receive Holy Communion worthily and in a state of proper preparedness *it is required that we fast from all food and drink for one hour prior to receiving Holy Communion.* Water is an exception to that and also so is medication.

However, breath mints, hard candy, and chewing gum violate the Communion fast! You may not be chewing gum during Mass, or sucking on a piece of candy or a breath mint and then also come forward to receive Holy Communion. If you inadvertently break the fast (by chewing gum, for example) and realize it after Mass has begun you should not receive at that Mass. Don't just dismiss it and think, "Oh well, I didn't mean to do it so it doesn't matter."

It matters.

The regulations used to be that in order to receive one had to fast from Midnight the night before. Now, the rule is that you have to fast for just one hour. This is an easy rule with which to comply. All it requires is that you be mindful of what you are doing and also have proper respect for the Eucharist.

**Remember: receiving Communion is not your right; it is a gift and a privilege!**

## **FROM THE PASTOR**



"America! America! God shed His grace on thee and crowned thy good with brotherhood, from sea to shining sea."

So go the words of the patriotic song, "America, the Beautiful". We think of such sentiments, sometimes with emotion, as we celebrate this coming week the 246th anniversary of our nation's independence.

Many will look at our country today and sometimes be blinded to the examples of where we have failed to live up to the ideals of our Founders. Others will go in the opposite extreme and focus solely on the problems and the failures of our country. Neither is a good or a healthy perspective. Our country, like others, is a mixture of great good and also challenging fails. On the whole, however, this place is still a great beacon of hope and opportunity to millions. As we celebrate our independence we still have great cause to be thankful that this is our nation. Like any other group or family there may always be room for improvement but we can work at that with hope and with confidence born out of long experience that The United States can do better, has done better and will continue to do better and better in the years to come.

When we look about at the strife and division that sometimes grips many of our citizens we Christians can always find hope in the words of the gospel and the teachings of Our Lord and Savior. There is great contention in our land at the moment but I am comforted by some words I came across last week reflecting on the feast of St. Irenæus which said:

***"A deep and genuine concern for other people will remind us that the discovery of truth is not to be a victory for some and a defeat for others. Unless all can claim a share in that victory, truth itself will continue to be rejected by the losers, because it will be regarded as inseparable from the yoke of defeat. And so, confrontation, controversy and the like might yield to a genuine united search for God's truth and how it can best be served."***

That is what our lives as Christians —and as Americans— can be described as: a search for the Truth. As we go on searching in this great land of freedom, justice and regard for the less fortunate, we always strive to make that search one which includes all people and invites all people to come to know the true peace that can be found in Christ.

Have a great week ahead. Enjoy your Fourth of July and have a safe one. Above all things Keep the Faith. Oh...and...God Bless America!

## **MASS TIMES ALL OVER THE U.S.**

Are you traveling this coming summer and in need of finding out the location of the local Catholic Church and their Mass schedule? You can go to: <https://www.usccb.org/mass-times> and easily look it up!