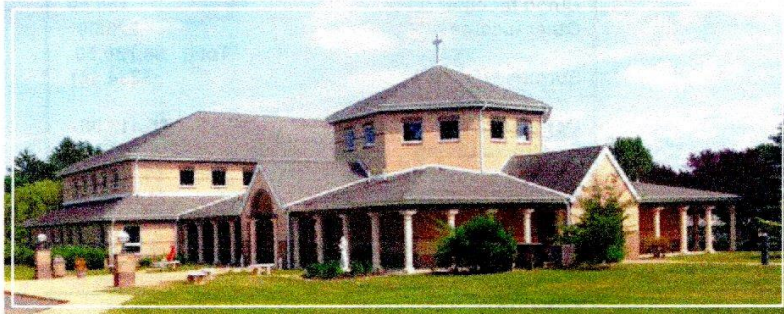


# Saint Joseph Roman Catholic Church

200 CARLTON AVENUE · WASHINGTON, NEW JERSEY 07882

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



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Open Monday - Friday...

9:30 am - 12:00 noon & 1:00 - 4:30 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*

Paul Flor ----- *Deacon*

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

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

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

Mrs. Joyce Rock---- *Director of Religious Education (DRE)*

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

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

Jim McAloon----- *Trustee*

John 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: 1, 2, 3, 4

7:00 - 8:00 pm / Grades: 5, 6, 7, 8

## 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-----9:00 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 7:00 to 7:30 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.*

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

November 20, 2022



Mass Intentions  
for the Week

<b>Saturday</b>	<b><u>November 19</u></b>
5:00pm	<b>+Anthony Edolo</b>
r/o	<b>Gale Edolo</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b><u>November 20</u></b>
	<b><u>Our Lord Jesus Christ,</u></b>
	<b><u>King of the Universe</u></b>
7:30am	<b>+Robert Stasyshan</b>
r/o	<b>Cindy Hayslette</b>
9:00am	<b>People of the Parish</b>
<i>(Spanish)</i>	
11:00am	<b>+Mary Aquino</b>
r/o	<b>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Richard Aquino</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b><u>November 21</u></b>
	<b><u>The Presentation of the</u></b>
	<b><u>Blessed Virgin Mary</u></b>
9:00am	<b>+Patti-Sue Rolak</b>
r/o	<b>Family</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b><u>November 22</u></b>
	<b><u>Saint Cecilia</u></b>
9:00am	<b>+Emil Hudock</b>
r/o	<b>Ann Daugert</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b><u>November 23</u></b>
9:00am	<b>+Kevin Hannon</b>
r/o	<b>Carolyn Quinn</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b><u>November 24</u></b>
	<b><u>Saint Andrew Dung-Lac and</u></b>
	<b><u>Companions</u></b>
	<b>NO MORNING MASS</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b><u>November 25</u></b>
	<b>NO MORNING MASS</b>

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Saria Adria, Willie Baker, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Phyllis Chiappa, Eric Chiarulli, Kathy Chiarulli, Kristine Rheh Cy, Arsenia Del Rosario Jill Dubay, Gerry Farhan, Anthony Francisco, Joseph Gallagher, Julie Galloway, Francine Gore, Charles Hensel, Donna Hewa, Jane Jenkins, Nina Lopez, Barbara McAloon, Ann McComb, Robert Meleo, Denise Melious, Emma Parrales, Rose Reddan, Charles Roseberry, Marilyn Russo, Jose Santiago, Sr., Emily Setteducato, Albert Schaare, Barbara Schaare, Dave Scott, Dawn Scott, Nicholas Torres, George Trimarche, 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><u>November 5 / 6</u></b>	<b>\$5,936.00</b>
<b>Electronic Giving</b>	<b>1,304.00</b>
<b>Other Income</b>	<b>530.00</b>
<b>All Saints Donations</b>	<b>653.00</b>
	<b>Total \$8,423.00</b>
<b>Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$26.94</b>
<b><u>November 12 / 13</u></b>	<b>\$6,284.00</b>
<b>Electronic Giving</b>	<b>1,124.00</b>
<b>Bingo Income</b>	<b>686.25</b>
<b>Other Income</b>	<b>59.00</b>
	<b>Total \$8,153.25</b>
<b>Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$242.81)</b>

**SAVE THE DATE!**

This is coming up and worth putting on your calendar now so that you can plan to be here and share in it.

**Sunday, November 27, 2022: Vespers with Benediction for the First Sunday of Advent.** To spend some extra time in prayer to prepare for the celebration of the Birth of Jesus BUT before things get too busy for the holidays we will have a Holy Hour with the Blessed Sacrament exposed for adoration from **4:00 - 5:00PM**. During this hour we will pray evening prayer (vespers) and the hour will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

**THANKSGIVING MASS**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO MORNING MASS HERE AT ST. JOSEPH ON EITHER THANKSGIVING DAY (Nov. 24) OR ON THE DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING (Nov. 25).**

**CELEBRATION OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE**

The Hispanic Ministry will be hosting a fiesta on Saturday, December 10.

Mass will be celebrated at 7:00pm followed with a reception in the Parish Center at 8:00pm.

All are invited to attend. There is no charge for this event.

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their annual **Breakfast With Santa** in the Parish Hall on Sunday, December 11 from **7:30am - 11:00am**. So after the 7:30 Mass, or the 9:00 Mass and up until the start of the 11:00 Mass come to the Parish Hall to enjoy some breakfast and get the chance to meet Saint Nick!



## **ANNUAL LESSONS & CAROLS**

Our Music Ministry will present their annual “***Evening of Lessons & Carols***” on Sunday, December 18 at 5:00PM in the church. This hour of reflections and music consists of Scripture readings about the Christmas story with accompanying carols and hymns. There is no admission fee and all are welcome!

## **CONFESSIONS BEFORE CHRISTMAS**

There is plenty of time to go to Confession prior to Christmas on either a Saturday or a Wednesday evening. On Wednesday, December 14 there will be a special opportunity easily to go to Confession to prepare for Christmas. On that evening there will be six priests present hearing Confessions from 7:00 - 8:00pm. During Confessions the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the monstrance for adoration. This is a great opportunity to do something extra in the busy season of Advent and to prepare yourself to celebrate Christmas worthily. **NOTE:** the final day to go to Confession before Christmas will be **Saturday, December 17** but don't wait until the last minute!

## **OUTREACH MINISTRY**

We are collecting \$50 ShopRite gift cards for Christmas for families in need. We ask that cards be returned the weekend of December 3 / 4.

Cards can be placed in the offertory basket or dropped off at the Parish Office. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

## **FROM THE PASTOR**



Long Live the King!

This last Sunday of the liturgical calendar is always kept as the Solemnity of Christ, the King of the Universe. As we get to the end of the Church's year we are thinking about the end times. This solemnity serves as a reminder that Christ promised He would return at the ending of the world and that all creation would see Him as Messiah and King. That means the end of the world—something most people dread—isn't really something for us to be frightened about.

The Kingdom of God, which is already within you by virtue of Baptism, will reach its fulfillment. The true existence that God always wanted for His creation will finally come about. It is true that it means all we now know will pass away but that is scary only if we are too attached to this world and to the things of this world.

If we have striven to live our lives in obedience to what Jesus taught us then the prospect of this world passing away and the fullness of God's kingdom coming to fruition should fill us with a sense of anticipation and joy, not dread and fear.

I know, too, that what follows the return of Christ, the King is final judgement. Once again, judgement is only something to truly fear if we have lived bad lives. For those who, sinful though they may be, try and with perseverance strive towards living a good and virtuous life, then judgement will be just but not terrifying. At least that's how it should be. We have every opportunity here and now to live as Christ taught. Don't waste it.

So much attention this year has been focused on the coming of a new king to the United Kingdom. The passing of Queen Elizabeth II truly marked the end of an era. Her death was of great historical significance even for those of us who are not subjects of the British Crown. The cries of “God Save the King!” regarding King Charles remind us all that God does not have to save our king because Christ is our true Lord and King.

As King Charles grows accustomed to his new role as a symbol of his nation and a kind of father-figure to his country we keep this feast to remember that our King is no mere figurehead or symbol. We are reminded that our God is not a “father-figure” but truly our Father, the Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier of all that is. We can cry, “Long Live the King!” because we desire Christ to live in our hearts and minds; to dwell in our lives and our homes; to rule over us now and always. Give yourself completely to Him. No matter what causes you fear or concern give it over entirely to Him, your true Lord and King.

Have a great week ahead. I hope the Lord touches your lives and those of the ones you love with abundant blessings. May you feel His love surrounding you. Remember, above all things, to Keep The Faith!