

Saint Joseph Roman Catholic Church

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"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

Rev. James A. Kyrpczak ----- *Pastor*

Paul Flor ----- *Deacon*

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

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Sonia Amparo Arevalo --- *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

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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 & 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 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.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 10, 2023



Mass Intentions
for the Week

- Saturday **September 9**
Saint Peter Claver
- 5:00pm +Reverend Blaise R. Baran
r/o *The Gulick Family*
- Sunday **September 10**
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 7:30am +Reverend Blaise R. Baran
r/o *Yvonne Plakotaris*
- 9:00am People of the Parish
(Spanish)
- 11:00am +Rich Purdue
r/o *Terry & Lori Finnegan*
- Monday **September 11**
- 9:00am For the Sick
r/o *A Parishioner*
- Tuesday **September 12**
- 9:00am The Family of
r/o Jason Benjamin Fisher
Christina Carruthers
- Wednesday **September 13**
Saint John Chrysostom
- 9:00am +Jeanne Sylvester
r/o *Fr. Guy*
- Thursday **September 14**
The Exaltation of the Cross
- 9:00am +Roger DeLuca
r/o *Family*
- Friday **September 15**
Our Lady of Sorrows
- 9:00am The Del Rosario Family
r/o *Jo-Anne Ward*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Saria Adria, Greg Aurigemma, Willie Baker, Paticia Baroz, Adrianna Berrios, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Eric Chiarulli, Kathy Chiarulli, Nicholas Cottone, Kristine Rhee Cy, Arsenia Del Rosario, Jill Dubay, Gerry Farhan, Anthony Francisco, Joseph Gallagher, Julie Galloway, Peter Garon, Francine Gore, Kerry Groff, Tony Groff, Charles Hemsel, Donna Hewa, Carol Hutchins, Jane Jenkins, James Herring, Sharon Lawson, The Lewis Family, Nina Lopez, Christine Mathews, Barbara McAloon, Ann McComb, Robert Meleo, Denise Melious, Emma Parrales, Luigi Paterno, Rose Reddan, Charles Roseberry, Angelo Saccos, Dave Scott, Dawn Scott, Nicholas Torres, George Trimarche, James Todd, Woody Wagner, Daniel Walker, Joey Yangco, Emma

<u>WEEKLY OFFERING</u>	
<u>WEEKLY COSTS:</u>	
Church Expenses:	\$6,464.00
<u>August 26 / 27</u>	
Electronic Giving	\$4,573.00
Total	1,232.00
Weekly Surplus / (Deficit)	\$5,805.00
<u>September 3, 2023</u>	
Electronic Giving	\$6,712.00
Total	1,412.00
Weekly Surplus / (Deficit)	\$8,124.00
	\$1,660.00

BISHOP'S APPEAL

Our Bishop's Annual Appeal Goal this year is once again \$28,000.00. So far, this year, as of September 1, our parish has pledged **\$18,117.60** which represents **64.71%** of our goal.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

According to information received this past week from Giving Trend, the company administering our Capital Campaign the total amount pledged to the campaign as of August 22 is: **\$450,990.71**. The total amount that has been paid is: **\$363,399.71**.

Our goal is to reach \$600,000. So far expenses (including Giving Trend fees, last year's Bishop's Appeal goal and replacement of the Parish Center HVAC units) amounted to \$123,398.00. That means our adjusted cash-on-hand is: **\$240,001.71**.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Classes resume on Tuesday, September 26
FINAL registrations will be accepted this week

CATECHIST MEETING

There will be a Catechist Meeting on Tuesday, September 12 at 7:00pm in the Rectory Meeting Room.



FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners of Saint Joseph,

This past weekend was my first weekend here with all of you. I can't tell you how much it means to me that all of you took time to wait in line after each Mass just to welcome me. Truly, the love of Christ is vibrant in your hearts! After the Spanish Mass, I was invited for a delicious home-cooked breakfast over in the Community Room where I was able to spend some time getting to know some of our Spanish-speaking parishioners while, at the same time, they were able to get to know a little bit about me.

Just today, as I write this column, some parishioners from both the Spanish-speaking and English-speaking communities are outside on the parish grounds volunteering their time to do some much-needed grounds keeping. For this, I am very grateful, not only that this work is getting done, but that our parish community is being built up in the process. Without volunteers, no parish could remain viable. Seeing the willingness of parishioners to volunteer their time here at Saint Joseph's is a strong indication that our parish is built on the strong foundation of Christ Jesus who volunteered His time for the work of redemption.

Just this morning, following the 9:00am Daily Mass, a parishioner approached and offered to wash one of the albs that I wear at Mass. She's taken it home to do just that. Another parishioner has already repaired one of my clerical shirts and now has in her possession for mending a chasuble that I wear at Mass and a cope used for Stations of the Cross, Funeral Services and Cemetery Committals and Blessings.

This evening, another parishioner, with a background in construction work, is coming to the rectory to look at some of the needs in our parish that can be addressed through his willingness to volunteer.

Anyone of us, who has some time here or there to help out with this or that contributes in one way or another as one member of our parish community or as one member of the Mystical Body of Christ so that the whole parish (or whole structure) is strengthened through the efforts of all.

May God bless all of you for your willingness to volunteer your time in service of our parish in any way you can and whenever you are available. It seems that there is always plenty to do, not only here at Saint Joseph's, but in any parish community. So whenever anyone of you is available, your support of our parish is very much appreciated and is of a great benefit to our parish community since it helps to build us up in Christ conforming us ever more fully into His divine Image!

May God bless you for your kindness and your willingness to support our wonderful parish community of Saint Joseph!

In Christ,

Father James



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