

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...

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

After 4:00 pm, by appointment only.

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Please notify the Parish Office.

PASTORAL & SUPPORT STAFF

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

Paul Flor ----- *Deacon*

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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-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 24, 2023



Mass Intentions
for the Week

Saturday September 23
Saint Pius of Pietrelcina

5:00pm +Joe Clark
r/o *The Clark Family*

Sunday September 24
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

7:30am +David Tivnana
r/o *Yvonne Plakotaris*

9:00am People of the Parish
(Spanish)

11:00am +Bill Wargin
r/o *Terry & Lori Finnegan*

Monday September 25

9:00am +George W. Melious
r/o *Family*

Tuesday September 26

9:00am +Anthony Riccardello
r/o *The Orłowski Family*

Wednesday September 27
Saint Vincent de Paul

9:00am Rev. Guy W. Selvester
r/o *Ordination Anniversary*
The Selvester Family

Thursday September 28
Saint Matthew

9:00am +Marilyn Russo
r/o *Nina Crivello & Grace Scodari*

Friday September 29
Saints Michael, Gabriel, and
Raphael, Archangels

9:00am +Deceased Members of the
r/o *Graziano Family*
Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Saria Adria, Greg Aurigemma, Willie Baker, Patricia BarozAdrianna Berrios, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Eric Chiarulli, Kathy Chiarulli, Nicholas Cottone, Kristine Rieh 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

WEEKLY OFFERING

<u>WEEKLY COSTS:</u>		
Church Expenses:		\$6,464.00
<u>September 9 / 10</u>		\$4,880.00
Electronic Giving		1,247.00
Other Income		200.00
	Total	\$6,327.00
Weekly Surplus / (Deficit)		(\$137.00)
Diocesan Peter's Pence		\$670.00
<u>September 16 / 17</u>		\$5,208.00
Electronic Giving		2,924.00
Other Income		400.00
	Total	\$8,532.00
Weekly Surplus / (Deficit)		\$2,068.00

BISHOP'S APPEAL

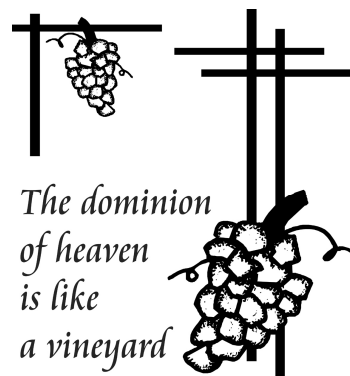
Our Bishop's Annual Appeal Goal this year is once again \$28,000.00. So far, this year, as of September 1, our parish has pledged **\$18,117.60** which represents **64.71%** of our goal.

OUTREACH MINISTRY.....LOOKING AHEAD

2023 Outreach Thanksgiving Program
This year we are once again helping feed the people in our community. Along with other churches in the area, we will be contributing \$50 (2 - \$25 ShopRite gift cards) per family for a Thanksgiving dinner. We are hoping that Saint Joseph Parish can sponsor 25 families.

We will have sign-ups the weekends of October 14/15 and October 21/22. We would like to have the gift cards returned the weekends of October 21/22 and October 28/29. They can be put in the offertory basket. If you have any questions, please contact Karole Bradunas 908-907-7765 or kbradunas@comcast.net

Thank you again for your generous support!



FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners of Saint Joseph,

Recently, I announced that our parish would be starting Eucharistic Adoration. Our plan is to expose the Blessed Sacrament in the Monstrance on our Altar for one hour each Friday following the 9:00am Daily Mass. Our start date for this will be Friday, September 29th, the Feast of the Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael. Our hope is that parishioners will come out for that hour of Adoration and that we can extend the time of Adoration if more adorers would like to come out.

I can't tell you how many times parishioners in various parishes where I've served or helped out have reported how Adoration has transformed their relationship with God. Individuals and couples who were not really familiar with Adoration previously, found out about it in their parish, decided to give it a try and some time and dedication, and soon found out that they longed to return because of the benefits they experienced from Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. This is what people say about their experience with Adoration: They experience a more profound peace in their lives; a deepening in their assurance of God's abiding presence, sustenance, providence and loving care; a more accurate sense of self, the meaning of life and their own purpose before God and within His community; a greater willingness to accept all things, circumstances and occurrences as coming from or permitted by God so as to more easily bear the burdens of life (our crosses) in union of Christ as well as to more fully share our joys with Him and to experience the overflow of His joy into our lives and so, in these and many other ways to feel more fulfilled in life, despite its daily challenges.

As a seminarian student, I recall it being said that studies have actually shown that, in

parishes and dioceses where Eucharistic Adoration is prevalent, there is an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Our prayers for vocations are evidently greatly increased through a devotion to adoration of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Please consider, if your work schedule and other commitments in the fulfillment of your daily duty permits, to come out to our church and spend some time before our Lord Jesus, truly and really present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

In Christ,

Father James

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes begin on Tuesday, September 26. Grades 1 – 4 will from 5:30pm -6:30pm. Grades 5 -8 from 7:00pm – 8:00pm. Letters have been mailed with instructions to please bring your child to the church and remain with them for the first class. If you should have any questions please call Mrs. Joyce Rock 908-689-0093

We look forward to a new year of faith formation with Father James, Mrs. Joyce Rock, our Catechists and Aides.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

The Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi is Wednesday, October 4. The blessing of animals will take place following the 11:00am Mass on Sunday, October 1 on the parish grounds.

LIFE CHAIN

On Sunday, October 1 from 2:00pm-3:30pm our church will join with churches throughout Warren County to stand along the sidewalks in Phillipsburg, Washington and Great Meadows in a silent, peaceful and prayerful presence to pray for the unborn child and their mothers. Come join us! For more information please call 908-454-9880

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