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/Recto	ry 908-689-0058
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Website st	josephwashingtonnj.org
Open Monday - Fri	iday on & 1:00 - 4:00 pm
After 4:00 pm, by a	

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, JrDeacon
Sylvan H. WebbDeacon
Laura A. Torres Parish Secretary
Mrs. Joyce Rock Parish Catechetical Leader (PCL)
Shirley A. Firling Director of Sacred Music
James Mc AloonPastoral Council Chairperson
Mary Jane LusardiTrustee
Patti-Sue Rolak Trustee
Anthony Tomeski Web Master
Bob OpdykeFinance Council Chairperson
Jose SantiagoCemetery 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

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SACRAMENTAL & PRAYER LIFE

Sacrament of Eucharist/Mass	
Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm
Sunday7:30	& 11:00 am
Spanish Mass	9:30 am
Daily Mass	9:00 am
Holy Days 9:00 am, 12:1	0 & 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.

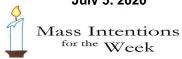
Sacrament of Marriage

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 5, 2020



Saturday July 4

5:00pm +Oseas Gomez

Ileana Hannema

Sunday July 5

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Patti-Sue Rolak

> Deacon Ed Hartmann r/o

9:30am People of the Parish

(Spanish)

+Jean Vanderhoof 11:00am

r/o Mary Ann Maynard

July 6 Saint Maria Goretti Monday

+Martin Rock 9:00am

Joyce Rock and Sons r/o

Tuesday July 7 9:00am

Olivia **Family**

Wednesday July 8

> Jennifer Halat and Baby Mikol 9:00am

Joseph & Barbara Halat

r/o **Thursday**

Saint Augustine Zhao Rong

9:00am Michael & Jenny & Baby Halat

Joseph & Barbara Halat

Friday **July 10**

> +Jennifer Halat & Baby Mikol 9:00am r/o

Joseph & Barbara Halat

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Saria Adria, Willie Baker, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Jill Dubay, Anthony Francisco, Joseph Gallagher, Julie Galloway, Vincent Giantesano, Francine Gore, Theresa Grogan, Charles Hemsel, Jane Jenkins, Barbara McAloon, Ann McComb, Robert Meleo, George Melious, John W. Mulvenna, Catherine Papp, Richard Polhemus, Margaret Ricci, Charles Roseberry, Marilyn Russo, Jose Santiago, Sr. Albert Schaare, Barbara Schaare, Dave Scott, Dawn Scott, James Todd, Frances Wadnik, Woody Wagner, Daniel Walker, Bill Wargin, Jamie Zimmerman, Emma

PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE AND WEBSITE

Please use the Parish Facebook Page (St. Joseph's Catholic Church) and also the Parish Website www.stjosephwashingtonnj.org in order to keep up with what's going on at the parish.

WEEKLY OFFERING

WEEKLY COSTS:

Church Expenses (Including Mortgage) \$8,396.06

Weekend of June 20 / 21 \$3,851.00 **Electronic Giving** 2,512.00 Other 450.00 Total \$6,813.00

Weekly Surplus / (Deficit) (\$1,583.06)

Weekend of June 27 / 28 \$3,927.00 **Electronic Giving** 1,592.00 Summer Fuel 395.00 Other Income 184.50 Total \$6.098.50

Weekly Surplus / (Deficit) (\$2,297.56)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Classes for 2020-2021 sessions is now in progress. Forms have been mailed to families.

New registrations and first grade registrations can be found on the parish website stjosephwashingtonnj.org or please stop by the Parish Office during office hours Monday – Friday from 9:00AM – Noon, 1:00PM – 4:00PM

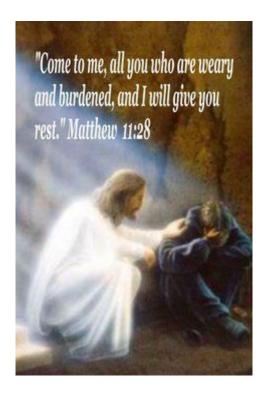
Please note: new registrations require a Baptismal certificate.

If you should have any questions, please call Mrs. Rock at the Religious Education Office 908-689-0093

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Because of all the restrictions imposed by the government shut-down and because we had no way of anticipating when that might end it became necessary to postpone the date for our parish First Holy Communion until the Fall. No date has yet been set but we are looking at September. Originally planned for May, it was postponed until June and finally we decided to move it to the Fall. There were too many families requesting we have it when it could be a more normal celebration with few restrictions. We regret the inconvenience but there was no other way.





MASS & CONFESSION

Daily Mass

Monday - Friday at 9:00AM

Saturday Evening Mass

Live-Streamed at 5:30PM (and available for viewing throughout the weekend**)**

Sunday Mass

7:30AM & 11:00AM
There is a limit of 100 people at these Masses

There is NO Spanish Mass until further notice.

Confession

Every Saturday from 4:00 - 5:00PM in the Sacristy.

JULY FOOD COLLECTION

We will hold the monthly food collection for the Washington Food Pantry on Monday, July 13 (in order to avoid the July 4^{th} holiday weekend).

Non-perishable food items may be dropped off on July 13 between 8:00AM and 6:00PM in the Narthex of the church. Just place your items in the shopping cart or, when the cart is full, on the floor near the cart.

Thank you!

FROM THE PASTOR



First, I wish to say Happy Independence Day to all of you! I hope that, despite restrictions, you are having a happy and restful holiday weekend without too much stress or anxiety. There may not be fireworks and parades and picnics this year but our nation's 244th birthday is still

something worth celebrating.

Our country is beset by a lot of problems these days. Many of these seem to run deep in our culture. But, none of them are insurmountable. Not everyone shares our faith but for those of us who profess a faith in God and a belief that Jesus is the Savior we must devote ourselves all the more to His teachings.

It's important that we pray for our country and for its people. I also think it is vital that we pray that God will give us the grace to be good examples of Christian love, mercy and understanding to all those around us. We are all children of God whether we profess a strong faith; have a faith that has become weakened or do not have faith at all. God's existence and His love for us is not conditional on our believing in Him or accepting His love.

Rather, God loves all His children and wants them all to come to love and understand one another. That's why He sent His Son into the world to live among us, to suffer and die for us, and to rise again to show us the glory that lies beyond death. Jesus gave us the example of how to live not so much so that we could make this world better but so that we could eventually go to a better world. However, in the mean time, as we strive toward the glory of salvation the effect of our striving will be that the world in which we now live will become a better one. We, by following the gospel will make a society that is more concerned with mercy, justice, compassion and love.

Neat how that works out, isn't it?

Throughout history there have been times and places where great strides have been taken toward achieving that. I believe that 244 years ago a group of imperfect men, most of whom were wealthy, well-educated, self-interested and not sharing many of the values that we now hold, nevertheless began an experiment in governing themselves that has been a beacon of hope to a world sorely starved for such hope. Our country may not be perfect but it has held out an opportunity to live freely for almost two and a half centuries in a world where many are still suffering under injustice and unkindness.

I think our country is worth celebrating - even with all its flaws - because, despite what troubles us presently, we have been and continue to be one nation, under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

Have a Blessed Week ahead. Happy Independence Day. God Bless America!