

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...
9:00 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*
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:** 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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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 7:15 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.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 21, 2022



Mass Intentions
for the Week

Saturday	August 20 <u>Saint Bernard</u>
5:00pm	+Jean Vanderhoof <i>r/o Family</i>
Sunday	August 21 <u>Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time</u>
7:30am	+Michael Griffin <i>r/o The Griffin Family</i>
9:00am (Spanish)	People of the Parish
11:00am	+George W. Moorhead <i>r/o The Selvester Family</i>
Monday	August 22 <u>The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</u>
9:00am	+John H. Melious, Sr. <i>r/o Family</i>
Tuesday	August 23
9:00am	+Patti-Sue Rolak <i>r/o Family</i>
Wednesday	August 24 <u>Saint Bartholomew</u>
9:00am	+Michael Wojtowicz <i>r/o Maryellen Hudock</i>
Thursday	August 25
9:00am	+George W. Melious <i>r/o Family</i>
Friday	August 26
9:00am	+Louis Parise <i>r/o Ralph & Marge Parise</i>

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Saria Adria, Willie Baker, Karole Bradunas, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Phyllis Chiappa, Eric Chiarulli, Kathy Chiarulli, Kristine Rhee Cy, 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, Rose Reddan, Charles Roseberry, Marilyn Russo, Jose Santiago, Sr., Emily Setteducato, Albert Schaare, Barbara Schaare, Dave Scott, Dawn Scott, George Trimarche, James Todd, Woody Wagner, Daniel Walker, Bill Wargin, Emma

WEEKLY OFFERING

WEEKLY COSTS:

Church Expenses (Including Mortgage)	\$8,396.06
August 6 / 7	\$6,307.00
Electronic Giving	1,054.00
Bingo Income	60.25
Other	80.00
Total	\$7,501.25
Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$894.81)
August 13 / 14	\$5,281.00
Electronic Giving	2,296.00
Solemnity of the Assumption	466.00
Total	\$8,043.00
Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$353.06)

SAVE THE DATE!

Two events in the parish that are coming up are worth putting on your calendar now so that you can plan to be here and share in them.

Sunday, November 6, 2022: The Mass in celebration of the Parish's 150th Anniversary. On that day we will celebrate our sesquicentennial with a Mass presided over by our Bishop, James Checchio. We will mark 150 years of a Catholic presence in Washington and also the paying off of the mortgage on our present church building. The **11:00AM Mass** will be followed by refreshments in the Parish Hall.

Sunday, September 25, 2022: This year Fr. Guy celebrates his Silver Jubilee. He was ordained on Sept. 27, 1997. We will celebrate this milestone with him on **Sunday, September 25 at the 11:00AM Mass** and this will be followed by a light reception in the Parish Hall. Come and help our Pastor celebrate 25 years of priestly ministry.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION: NEW DEADLINE

Because we got such a great response in the last two weeks and because we have a bit of time yet before we need to order books we are announcing that the deadline for registering your child for Religious Education has been extended again! This is to try to make it easier for those families who may have been trying to make the last deadline but were prevented by circumstances. Please note that the new deadline for registration for Religious Education classes for the 2022-2023 school year is now **Friday, August 26.**

If you have questions please contact the Religious Education Office at 908-689-0093. (please note that this phone number is different than the Rectory Office number!)



FROM THE PASTOR



I'm continuing to be on the mend, as they say. Thanks for all your kind words and support during this personally challenging time.

Last Monday we celebrated the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady. This week, on Monday August 22, the Church celebrates, on the octave day of the Assumption, the **Feast of the Queenship of Mary**, sometimes called the Memorial of Mary, Mother and Queen.

For most of the Church this is a Memorial, that is, the third to the lowest of five kinds of days on the liturgical calendar. That calendar is arranged in descending order with Solemnities, Feasts, Memorials Optional Memorials and Ferial days.

Most of the Church keeps the Queenship of Mary as a Memorial but here in our diocese it is a Feast because the Queenship of Mary is the patronal feast of the Diocese of Metuchen.

If you look at the diocesan coat of arms (a banner which depicts it hangs on the back wall of our church near the statue of St. Francis) you will see, in the lower right corner, the letter "M" with a crown on top of it. Many people foolishly think the "M" stands for Metuchen. It doesn't. Rather, the "M" is for Mary and the crown on top of it indicates it is a symbol of Mary, the Queen of heaven. So, it is in the diocesan coat of arms as a sign the the Queenship of Mary is our diocesan patronal feast. That's why in this diocese we "bump it up" one notch on the hierarchy of liturgical days to celebrate it with a little more festivity.

The feast was originally established by Pope Pius XII in 1954 and was placed on May 31, the last day of Mary's Month. In 1969 St. Paul VI moved it to August 22, the octave day of the Assumption in order to emphasize the close bond between Mary's queenship and her glorification in body and soul next to her Son.

Mary is called Queen not only because of her Divine Motherhood of Jesus but also because of her exceptional role in the history of salvation. The Blessed Virgin is Queen because of this unique manner in which she assisted in our redemption by giving of her own substance, by freely offering Him for us, by her singular desire and petition for, and active interest. Mary was chosen Mother of Christ so she might help fulfill God's plan for the redemption of humanity.

Mary, Our Queen and the Queen of Heaven: **PRAY FOR US!**

I hope that by her intercession for you all you and those you love may have a happy week ahead filled with blessings and good things. Try to say safe and healthy and please remember, above all things, to **Keep The Faith!**

DAILY MASS IN AUGUST

Please take note that for the entire month of August, starting Monday, August 1 and continuing until Friday, September 2 the daily Mass celebrated every morning at 9:00AM will take place in the Cry Room/Chapel. It is considerably easier and more efficient to run the air conditioning for that smaller space rather than air condition the whole church, especially since daily Mass has a relatively small attendance. We did this last year and it worked out very well so we're doing it again this year too. It will last only for the duration of the dates already noted.

NEW LOCATION OF WOMEN'S OPTIONS

On Tuesday, August 23 at 11:00am Fr. Guy is going to bless the new office of Women's Options located at 137 Belvidere Avenue in Washington. This will be open to the public and all are invited to attend.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
Wednesday, August 31 – Monday, September 5