

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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Website----- stjosephwashingtongnj.org

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*

Rev. J. Michael Venditti, M.Div. ----- *In Residence*

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

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

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

Mrs. Joyce Rock----- *Parish Catechetical Leader (PCL)*

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

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

Mary Jane Lusardi ----- *Trustee*

Patti-Sue 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

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----- 9:30 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.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

June 19, 2022



Mass Intentions
for the Week

Saturday	<u>June 18</u>
5:00pm	+Deceased Members of the Callahan Family
r/o	Edie & Bob Callahan
Sunday	<u>June 19</u>
	<u>The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ</u>
7:30am	+All Deceased Fathers of Parishioners
9:00am (Spanish)	People of the Parish
11:00am	All Living Fathers In The Parish
Monday	<u>June 20</u>
9:00am	Gabriel Serrao Joan Serrao
Tuesday	<u>June 21</u>
	<u>Saint Aloysius Gonzaga</u>
9:00am r/o	+Patti-Sue Rolak Family
Wednesday	<u>June 22</u>
9:00am r/o	Kenneth Russell Milletich Family
Thursday	<u>June 23</u>
	<u>The Nativity of Saint John The Baptist</u>
9:00am r/o	+Knights & Dames of the Order of Malta Fr. Guy
Friday	<u>June 24</u>
	<u>The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</u>
9:00am r/o	John & Agnes Melious Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

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

WEEKLY OFFERING

WEEKLY COSTS:

Church Expenses (Including Mortgage)	\$8,396.06
<u>June 4 / 5</u>	\$6,105.00
Electronic Giving	1,164.00
Bingo Income	192.75
Other	656.00
Total	\$8,117.75
Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$278.31)
<u>June 11 / 12</u>	\$6,641.00
Electronic Giving	2,271.00
Other	275.00
Total	\$9,187.00
Surplus / (Deficit)	790.94

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

"Honoring Our Past; Celebrating Our Present; Building Our Future"

An update of the status of our Capital Campaign as of June 13 is as follows:

Pledged & Received - **\$385,284.00**

Cash Received - **\$206,396.42**

Pledge Balance - \$178,887.58

There are Pledge Gifts from 62 households.

There are One-Time Cash Gifts from 36 households.

Total Number of households making a gift is 98.
(There are approximately 400 households in the parish)

If you have not yet done so we ask you PLEASE to take part in the campaign. None of the work projects can begin until we have successfully raised more funds.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

On Sept. 24, 2022, the Diocese of Metuchen will conclude its year-long 40th Anniversary celebration with a diocesan pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. As we hope this to be a joyous celebration of our diocesan anniversary, we hope to have many Catholics from our diocese in attendance as possible, so please save the date and encourage your fellow parishioners to do the same. More information and materials will be forthcoming.





QUO VADIS DAYS 2022

July 19-22, 2022
Young men ages 14-17!

You're invited to spend a few days living, praying and interacting with priests, seminarians and faith-filled teens your own age. The days will include dynamic talks, a visit from Bishop Checchio, sports and activities, prayer, small group discussion and so much more. For more information, please email quovadis@diometuchen.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registrations for the 2022 / 2023 session have been mailed. Please return as soon as possible as books need to be ordered and classes are being scheduled.

Please call Mrs. Joyce Rock at the Office of Religious Education 908-689-0093 if you have any questions.

MASS TIMES ALL OVER THE U.S.

Are you traveling this coming summer and in need of finding out the location of the local Catholic Church and their Mass schedule? You can go to: <https://www.usccb.org/mass-times> and easily look it up! Just enter the city/town and state -OR- the zip code and the information will be at your fingertips!

FROM THE PASTOR



O Sacrament Most Holy! O Sacrament Divine! All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment Thine.

That old hymn helps us to celebrate the Solemnity the Church keeps today: The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ, more commonly called "Corpus Christi".

Having celebrated the great Paschal Mystery of the passion, death, resurrection and ascension of Jesus Christ, and having celebrated the coming of the Holy Spirit we then celebrated a feast in honor of the true nature of God in the Trinity.

Now we come to another "theological feast" and we celebrate the abiding presence of the Triune God in His Church by means of the great gift of the Eucharist. This Sacrament is no mere symbol. We do not merely recreate the Last Supper of the Lord as a way of remembering Him and honoring what He taught us.

Rather, the Eucharist is the Body and Blood; Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ truly present here with us and becoming the spiritual food we need to guide and sustain us in this life. The Mass is a participation in the one sacrifice that Jesus made of Himself on the cross. It is not a new sacrifice offered over and over each time Mass is celebrated. Rather, it is our participation in that one bloody sacrifice of Himself that Christ made on the cross presented over and over again in an un-bloody way.

So, at each Mass we are becoming participants in that one sacrifice and experiencing the gift of the grace that flows throughout time from that one great act of love and redemption offered by Jesus who Himself became the Priest; the Victim and the Altar of Sacrifice by His glorious death.

This is why the Eucharist (which means "thanksgiving") is the central act of worship in the Church and the focal point of our lives as Catholic Christians.

We must never take for granted the enormity of this gift to us. Paul's Letter to the Romans reminds us that "While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." There is nothing we can do to merit this gift. In fact we **don't** deserve it and it most certainly isn't a "right". This is why all of us must be vigilant to ensure that we prepare to receive this Sacrament of Salvation with a good disposition, properly formed, with a clear conscience and in humility.

May the week ahead be filled with graces and blessings flowing from the Eucharist. May God bless each of you and your families with His Presence and also with His Peace. Remember to do your part as well and in all things strive to **Keep The Faith!**

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, JUNE 20 IN OBSERVANCE OF THE FEDERAL HOLIDAY – JUNETEENTH.

