

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...

9:00 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 ASCENSION OF THE LORD
MAY 29, 2022



Mass Intentions
for the Week

Saturday	<u>May 28</u>
5:00pm	+Paul Paliscak, Jr.
r/o	Family
Sunday	May 29
	<u>The Ascension of the Lord</u>
7:30am	Special Intentions of Maria Meritz
r/o	Maria Meritz
9:00am	People of the Parish
(Spanish)	
11:00am	James Bucciaglia
r/o	Karole & Terry Bradunas
Monday	<u>May 30</u>
9:00am	+All Who Died In Service to Our Country
Tuesday	May 31
	<u>The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</u>
9:00am	+Alfred C. Selvester, Sr.
r/o	Fr. Guy
Wednesday	June 1
	<u>Saint Justin</u>
9:00am	The Donato Family
r/o	Emily Savarese
Thursday	<u>June 2</u>
9:00am	+Hamza Muheisen
r/o	Finnegan & Muheisen Families
Friday	June 3
	<u>Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions</u>
9:00am	+Joseph Clark
r/o	Larry Kaspereen & 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
May 14 / 15	\$5,218.00
Electronic Giving	2,286.00
Bingo Income	357.00
Other Income	51.00
Total	\$7,912.00
Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$484.06)
May 21 / 22	\$5,261.00
Electronic Giving	1,154.00
Total	\$6,415.00
Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$1,981.06)
Development of the Peoples	\$353.00

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIPS

In Summer of 2022, Knights of Columbus Council 5170 will award two \$500 college scholarships. Catholic youth from Saint Ann's Parish, Hampton, Saint Joseph Parish, Washington, Saint Patrick's Parish, Belvidere, and Saint Rose of Lima, Oxford are eligible to apply.

Applicants currently must be attending high school or enrolled in an undergraduate degree program. **High school age winners will receive their award during the Fall of their first undergraduate year.** Council 5170 will issue a check directly to the college or university that a student attends in the Fall.

Applications are due on June 17, 2022. For more information and to download an application please go to www.council5170.org





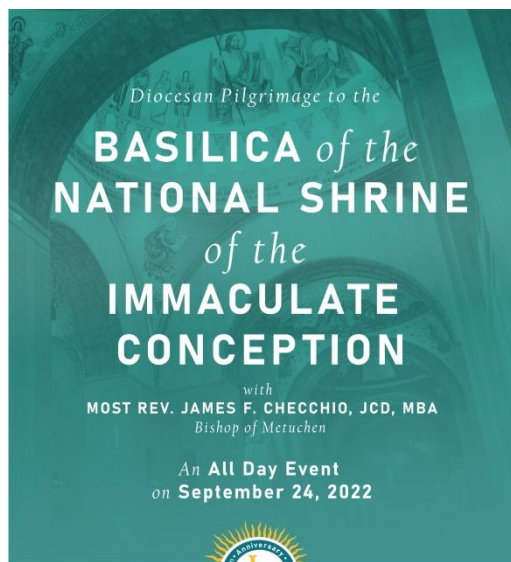
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Blood Drive Update! Blood supplies are critically low and every donation is desperately needed. We have many appointments still available for the blood drive at Saint Joseph on Sunday, June 19. You can schedule your appointment at www.council5170.org
Give blood and save a life!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CONFESSIONS

Please be aware that, as we do every year, we will suspend the Wednesday evening Confessions during the months of June, July and August. They will resume in the Fall.

Confessions will, of course, continue to be heard on Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:45PM.



FROM THE PASTOR



Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

I want to give you all an update about our **Parish Capital Campaign**. As of last Monday, the total amount pledged to the campaign so far is **\$383,234.00**. In addition, the total amount that has been paid to the parish is **\$202,504.42**.

That is good progress and we are extremely grateful to all those who have pledged and paid. **Thank You!**

However, we are far from finished and there is much yet to do. We want to try and begin on one of the projects for which we did this campaign: the roof of the classroom wing. At present we have two bids from contractors to do this work. One bid is for \$320,342.00 and the other bid is for \$316,000.00. I might add that those bids are already several months old and will almost certainly go up the longer we wait because of fluctuating prices in construction costs.

In addition, because of supply chain issues a job like this which used to require 3-5 weeks notice in order to begin now requires several months!

Our Finance Council had instructed me to ask the Diocese for a loan of some of this cost in order to begin the work ASAP. I have submitted that request but, as yet, have not received a reply. But, such a loan would be made with interest and would then be repaid from the money we are raising in the Capital Campaign. Obviously, the more we raise before getting the loan, the less there will be to be repaid. We had hoped to try and begin work on the roof this Fall but I must tell you now that such a possibility is looking less and less certain.

So, I urge all of you who have not yet made a pledge, please to consider doing so. For those who have pledged but who have not yet paid anything on that pledge, please consider doing so as soon as you are able.

Recall that this is a three-year Campaign and we have only just passed the 6-month mark. There is still much to be done and we need the help of everyone in the parish to achieve what we have set out to do. I purposely don't want to inundate you with constant talk and reminders about this Campaign but I did want to let you know where things stand at present. Won't you please help?

May God give you a week ahead filled with blessings and peace. May we all remember those who died in the service of our country this Memorial Day. Have both a safe and a restful holiday and remember to Keep the Faith!

He is truly Risen! Alleluia!

OFFICE CLOSED

Please note that the Parish Office will be CLOSED all day on Monday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day which is a Federal Holiday.