

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

Fax ----- 908-689-3436

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.

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 8, 2022**



Mass Intentions
for the Week

Saturday	<u>May 7</u>
5:00pm	+Michael Griffin
r/o	<i>The Griffin Family</i>
Sunday	May 8
	<u>Fourth Sunday of Easter</u>
7:30am	+All Deceased Mothers of Parishioners
9:00am (Spanish)	People of the Parish
11:00am	All Living Mothers of the Parish
Monday	<u>May 9</u>
9:00am	+Joseph Clark
r/o	<i>Joyce Rock</i>
Tuesday	<u>May 10</u>
9:00am	+Bruno Berardini
r/o	<i>Sister, Rita</i>
Wednesday	<u>May 11</u>
9:00am	+Nicholas Bruffey
r/o	<i>The Dante Family</i>
Thursday	<u>May 12</u>
9:00am	+Michael & Etta Kovacs
r/o	<i>Ron & Mary Lou Kovacs</i>
Friday	<u>May 13</u>
9:00am	+Rae Selvester
r/o	<i>Patricia Selvester</i>

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
April 23 / 24	\$4,535.00
Electronic Giving	1,109.00
Easter Donations	395.00
Other	350.00
Total	\$6,389.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$2,007.06)
April 30 / May 1	\$6,673.00
Electronic Giving	1,209.00
Bingo Income	1,027.00
Other Income	272.00
Total	\$9,181.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$784.94

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

DIACONAL ORDINATIONS 2022

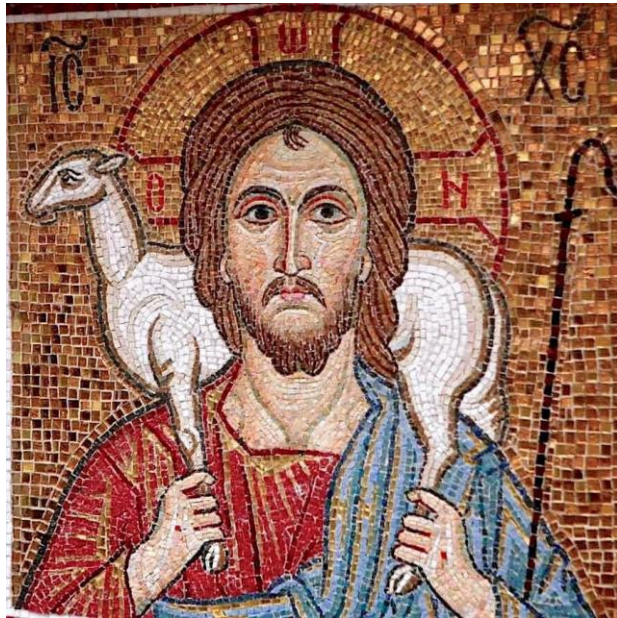
All are welcome to join Bishop James F. Checchio as he ordains 15 men to the permanent diaconate at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 14, at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen. The men to be ordained are part of the Diocese of Metuchen's first ever Spanish-speaking diaconate class. Access to the livestream and updates about the ordination can be found on the diocesan website: diometuchen.org/ordinations.

Please hold in prayer all deacons of the Diocese of Metuchen and this year's candidates: Ysidro Abreu; William Chirinos; Jose R. Diaz; Sergio Diaz; Richard Ferreira; Paul Flor; German Gonzalez; Vidal Gonzalez Zelaya; Francisco Jaurides; Jose Fritz Molina; Hernando Patino; Freddy Perez Sena; Pedro Sanchez Duval; Jose Suarez Aular; and Ubaldo Valdez.

SYNOD - HAVE YOU BEEN HEARD?

Two additional Synod Listening Sessions will be held in May for those who have not yet had the opportunity to make their voices heard. A virtual session will be offered on Zoom from 7 p.m. –9 p.m. on May 25 and an in-person session will be offered the following day, May 26, at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

All are invited to participate, though registration is required: diometuchen.org/synod2023



SPANISH MASS/MISA EN ESPAÑOL

Please take note that beginning in May there will be a change to our Mass schedule. The Spanish Mass which has been celebrated at 9:30 AM every Sunday will be moved back one half hour and be celebrated at 9:00 AM.

This change will make it possible for us to receive the assistance of a priest who is a native Spanish-speaker and who will be coming here twice each month to assist with the Spanish Mass.

So, starting in May and from now on the Spanish Mass will take place at 9:00 AM every Sunday.

A partir de mayo habrá un cambio en nuestro horario de Misas. La misa en español que se ha celebrado a las 9:30 a. m. todos los domingos se retrasará media hora y se celebrará a las 9:00 a. m.

Este cambio hará posible que recibamos la asistencia de un sacerdote cuyo idioma nativo es el español y que vendrá aquí dos veces al mes para ayudar con la misa en español.

Entonces, a partir de mayo y de ahora en adelante, la Misa en español se llevará a cabo a las 9:00 a.m. todos los domingos.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus Council 5170 will be sponsoring a blood drive on Sunday, June 19 in the Parish Center 8:00am -2:00pm.

Appointments are required. To schedule your appointment follow this link
donor.giveapint.org/donor/schedules/driveschedule85313

FROM THE PASTOR



Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

I pray the joy of the Resurrection continues to fill your hearts and lives.

I am happy to announce that beginning this weekend our parish will receive some regular help with the celebration of our Spanish Mass. Twice per month Fr. Yohan Serrano, a priest of the Diocese of Paterson who is a native of Colombia, will come here to celebrate Mass and hear Confessions in Spanish. Father is the Parochial Vicar at St. Lawrence Church in Chester.

This will be a tremendous benefit to our Latino Community. My Spanish isn't very good and they have patiently put up with me as celebrant every Sunday for too long. In addition, regular Confessions for them have been difficult because my Spanish isn't good enough to hear Confessions except in an emergency. Father Serrano will, therefore, also be a big help to me personally.

He will be here every other week. His coming to help us is a large part of the reason that we have ***changed the time of the Spanish Mass to 9:00*** because that works much better for his schedule and he is, after all, assisting us as a favor in addition to his own assignment. Welcome Father Yohan!

I also ask you to pray for the 8th grade children in our Religious Education program. This coming Friday, May 13, they will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from the Rt. Rev. Richard Cronin, OSB from St. Mary's Abbey in Morristown.

Have a week ahead filled with blessings and Easter joy! Keep the Faith. Christ is truly Risen! Alleluia!

RELICS OF ST. BERNADETTE

From April to August 2022, the relics of Saint Bernadette will tour the United States for the first time, bringing the grace of Lourdes to parishes across the country. The Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes is organizing the pilgrimage of the relics in partnership with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, North American Volunteers, Hospitalité of Miami and the Order of Malta. The Relics of Saint Bernadette will visit the Diocese of Metuchen, the only diocesan stop in New Jersey, from May 17-20, 2022. Learn more: diometuchen.org/saintbernadette

THANK YOU

The Knights of Columbus Council 5170 would like to thank all those who supported our recent fundraisers for the Ukraine Relief. We will be preparing a donation of \$2,000 for this relief fund.

Also, our council is in desperate need of new members to carry on with our charitable works. Please consider joining our council by contacting our Grand Knight, Ron Haber at rondeb@verizon.net or call the Parish Office.