

# Saint Joseph Roman Catholic Church

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*"Everyone who acknowledges me before others, I will acknowledge them before my Father." —Matthew 10:32*



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Open Monday - Friday...

9:30 am - 12:00 noon & 1:00 - 4:30 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: 1, 2, 3, 4

7:00 - 8:00 pm / Grades: 5, 6, 7, 8

## 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-----9:00 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 7:00 to 7:30 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.*

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 13, 2022



Mass Intentions  
for the Week

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>November 12</b> <b><u>Saint Josaphat</u></b>
5:00pm	+Rita Aurenzi <i>r/o</i> Connie Bearse
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>November 13</b> <b><u>Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time</u></b>
7:30am	+John & Agnes Melious <i>r/o</i> Family
9:00am (Spanish)	People of the Parish
11:00am	+Eugene Vanderhoof <i>r/o</i> Family
<b>Monday</b>	<b><u>November 14</u></b>
9:00am	+Robert Baudo <i>r/o</i> The Orlowski Family
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b><u>November 15</u></b>
9:00am	+William Blockus <i>r/o</i> Jeff Paliscak
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b><u>November 16</u></b>
9:00am	+Robert Minicus <i>r/o</i> The Finnegan Family
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>November 17</b> <b><u>Saint Elizabeth of Hungary</u></b>
9:00am	+Peter Maher <i>r/o</i> Mary Zvirbly
<b>Friday</b>	<b><u>November 18</u></b>
9:00am	+Michael A. Kovacs <i>r/o</i> Ron & Mary Lou Kovacs

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Saria Adria, Willie Baker, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Phyllis Chiappa, Eric Chiarulli, Kathy Chiarulli, Kristine Rreh 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, Nicholas Torres, George Trimarche, James Todd, Woody Wagner, Daniel Walker, Bill Wargin, Emma

**WEEKLY OFFERING**

**WEEKLY COSTS:**

Church Expenses (Including Mortgage)	\$8,396.06
<b><u>October 29 / 20</u></b>	<b>\$5,465.00</b>
Electronic Giving	1,404.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,869.00</b>
<b>Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$1,527.06)</b>
<b><u>November 5 / 6</u></b>	<b>\$5,936.00</b>
Electronic Giving	1,304.00
Other Income	530.00
All Saints Donations	653.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,423.00</b>
<b>Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$26.94</b>

**SAVE THE DATE!**

This is coming up and worth putting on your calendar now so that you can plan to be here and share in it.

**Sunday, November 27, 2022: Vespers with Benediction for the First Sunday of Advent.** To spend some extra time in prayer to prepare for the celebration of the Birth of Jesus BUT before things get too busy for the holidays we will have a Holy Hour with the Blessed Sacrament exposed for adoration from **4:00 - 5:00PM**. During this hour we will pray evening prayer (vespers) and the hour will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

**THANKSGIVING MASS**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO MORNING MASS HERE AT ST. JOSEPH ON EITHER THANKSGIVING DAY (Nov. 24) OR ON THE DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING (Nov. 25).**

**CELEBRATION OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE**

The Hispanic Ministry will be hosting a fiesta on Saturday, December 10.

Mass will be celebrated at 7:00pm followed with a reception in the Parish Center at 8:00pm.

All are invited to attend. There is no charge for this event.

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their annual **Breakfast With Santa** in the Parish Hall on Sunday, December 11 from **7:30am - 11:00am**. So after the 7:30 Mass, or the 9:00 Mass and up until the start of the 11:00 Mass come to the Parish Hall to enjoy some breakfast and get the chance to meet Saint Nick!



## OUR NEXT Q&A

Do you want to learn a bit more about your faith? Father Guy's Q&A, which is nicknamed: "*Everything You Always Wanted To Know About the Catholic Church...But Were Afraid To Ask*" will take place again next month. These sessions are a relaxed conversation during which people can learn about the Church and share their faith. Questions are submitted anonymously and pulled from a hat. This discussion is intended for those over 18 years of age. So, join us in the Community Room on **Thursday, November 17 from 7:00 - 8:30PM**. Everyone is welcome whether they are parishioners here or not, or even whether they are Catholic or not!

## ANNUAL LESSONS & CAROLS

Our Music Ministry will present their annual "***Evening of Lessons & Carols***" on **Sunday, December 18** at 5:00PM in the church. This hour of reflections and music consists of Scripture readings about the Christmas story with accompanying carols and hymns. There is no admission fee and all are welcome!

## SHARING THE SEASON COMMUNITY BENEFIT AUCTION & DINNER

Council 10419 of the Long Valley Knights of Columbus is holding its 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Auction on Saturday evening, December 3, 2022 at St. Luke's Catholic Church, 265 West Mill Road, Long Valley, NJ 07853. It is a wonderful evening out featuring both live and silent auctions, a buffet dinner, beer, wine, beverages and deserts. Be part of the action, help those in need and have fun! Proceeds fund programs that benefit the needy, seniors, youth and veterans. Live auction begins at 8 PM, silent at 6 PM. Admission is only \$35 (with a \$10.00 discount for early purchase). Visit their website [www.lvkofo.org](http://www.lvkofo.org) for additional details.



## FROM THE PASTOR



My very sincere ***thanks*** go out to all those who made last week's celebration of our Sesquicentennial such a wonderful event. To John Rolak, one of our Parish Trustees, who chaired the Sesquicentennial Luncheon Committee and to all the members of that committee who worked so hard and gave up so much time my heartfelt ***thanks***. To all the liturgical ministers who put together a beautiful liturgy my ***thanks*** go as well. To Laura, our Parish Secretary, for all the many and varied tasks she did in addition to her regular work I am also sincerely ***grateful***.

To all of you—the parishioners—for joining us for the Mass and the Lunch and making the day a beautiful and a special one: ***thanks!*** That's the first time since I've been here that I saw the Parish Hall so full.

As you heard at the end of Mass the Bishop has appointed me the Dean of the Morris Canal Deanery. This is a cluster of parishes in Warren County comprised of 10 churches in 9 parishes: St. Jude, Blairstown; Ss. Peter & Paul, Great Meadows; St. Theodore, Port Murray; Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Hackettstown; St. Patricks, Belvidere which is combined with St. Rose, Oxford; St. Philip & St. James, Phillipsburg; St. Mary, Alpha and St. Joseph, Washington, as well as the Blue Army Shrine.

I will continue here as Pastor of St. Joseph and also continue as the Diocesan Director of Ecumenical & Interfaith Affairs. Sadly, there is no salary increase but I do get a title bump from "Reverend" to "Very Reverend Guy Selvester, V.F." (which stands for Vicar Forane). The word "forane" means, "pertaining to persons or things remote". That means that since we are far from where the Bishop lives I am his Vicar (representative) to this specific part of the Diocese.

I am grateful to the Bishop for this opportunity to be of greater service and I know it won't intrude on my pastoral responsibilities here too much. For me personally one of the neatest things is that I get to add another doo-dad to my coat of arms!

I hope that this past Tuesday's Election Day has not left anyone feeling too upset or fearful. Remember, the Scriptures tell us, "*The nations are as a drop in the bucket; placed on the scales they weigh less than dust.*" Whatever the political reality around us God is still the sovereign Lord of our lives. We cannot always feel we trust our worldly leaders but we can always place our faith and our trust in the Lord. It is He who truly leads and guides us.

Have a wonderful week ahead filled with good things and blessings. As the happy holiday season rapidly approaches us make plans to do things with your much loved families and the other people in your life who you love the most. Remember, above all, to Keep The Faith!