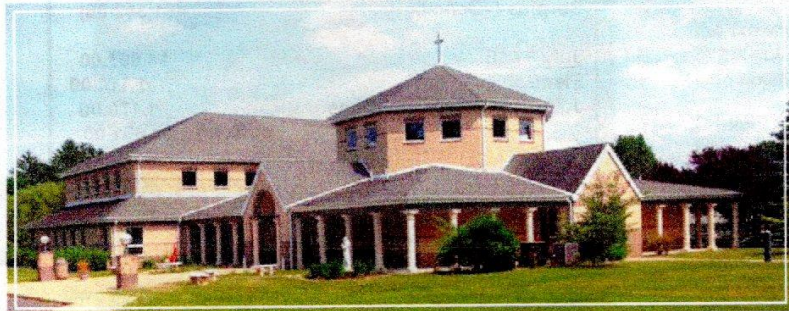


Saint Joseph Roman Catholic Church

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

SAINT JOSEPH CEMETERY / 908-689-0058

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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-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 4, 2022



Mass Intentions
for the Week

Saturday	September 3	<u>Saint Gregory the Great</u>
5:00pm	+Roger DeLuca	<i>The Ritchie Family</i>
	<i>r/o</i>	
Sunday	September 4	<u>Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time</u>
7:30am	+Patti-Sue Rolak	Family
	<i>r/o</i>	
9:00am	People of the Parish	
	<i>(Spanish)</i>	
11:00am	+Jean Vanderhoof	Family
	<i>r/o</i>	
Monday	<u>September 5</u>	
9:00am	+Michael Wojtowicz	Deacon Ed Hartmann
	<i>r/o</i>	
Tuesday	<u>September 6</u>	
9:00am	+Patti-Sue Rolak	Family
	<i>r/o</i>	
Wednesday	<u>September 7</u>	
9:00am	+Grace Napolitano	Mary Jo Trimmer
	<i>r/o</i>	
Thursday	September 8	<u>The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</u>
9:00am	+Mary & Joseph Lusardi	Lou & Mary Jane Lusardi
	<i>r/o</i>	
Friday	September 9	<u>Saint Peter Claver</u>
9:00am	+Vincent Fortunato, Jr.	Maryellen Hudock
	<i>r/o</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 20 / 21	\$5,675.00
Electronic Giving	1,114.00
Bingo Income	1,161.00
Other	594.00
Total	\$8,544.00
Surplus / (Deficit)	\$147.94
August 27 / 28	\$5,164.00
Electronic Giving	1,139.00
Other	45.00
Total	\$6,348.00
Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$2,048.06)

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.





The Birth of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
Feast Day - 8 September

DAILY MASS

Please take note that the daily Mass celebrated every morning at 9:00AM will resume taking place in the church.

WEDNESDAY EVENING CONFESSIONS

The Wednesday evening Confessions from 7:15 until 8:00 pm will resume on Wednesday, September 14.

OUTREACH SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION

This year we have been asked if we would donate ShopRite and/or Walmart gift cards for the nurses at the local schools.

The nurses would use the gift cards to buy changes of clothes for children who may have accidents, or would need a change of clothes for any reason. They would also buy any supplies students would need.

We are asking for \$20 or \$25 gift cards and they can be returned in the offertory collection at any Mass the weekends of September 3 / 4 and September 10 / 11, or they can be dropped off at the Rectory Office.

Thank you in advance.

FROM THE PASTOR



Recently, a number of people have commented to me that they thought the parish grounds were looking pretty good. Things are in better repair and the grounds are in somewhat better shape than in the previous two years. They also commented on how things look nice around the church itself and they wanted to thank me for taking care of all this.

Well, don't thank me! I actually have very little to do with it. Yes, I'll admit that as the Pastor I am "in charge" of everything that happens around here and it usually involves me signing off on something.

However, there are a lot of other people involved in this. For example, the recent renovation and refurbishment of the pedestal and statue of St. Joseph in front of the church was due to the initiative and generosity of the Knights of Columbus.

Similarly, it was a member of the Knights of Columbus who asked the contractor who refurbished the pedestal to take a look at the front walkway at the entrance to the Rectory. That's how I found someone to do the recent work there to replace the entire front entrance.

Hummel Landscaping services provide all the landscaping on our property and they also take care of the cemetery, including doing the grave-digging. This year we also hired a separate person to spray for weeds and help us stay ahead of all the weed growth that happens so easily in the summer.

The Finnegan's — Lori and Terry — give of their time and their effort to provide the planting and maintaining of the flowers and small plants that are in the planters and along the walkways outside of our church. They do that on their own initiative and provide all that labor as a service to their parish for which we are very grateful.

So, yes, it may be true that all such activity takes place here on the property with my knowledge and my permission. But, as you can see, it really isn't my doing. Trying to maintain a large piece of property like this one requires the efforts of many people. Some of them are paid for their work as is only right. Some do it as a donation to the parish to help keep up and beautify the church property for all who come here.

That's part of the essence of a parish: it is a family; a place where people pitch in as a group. The parish is not just the "Sacrament Store" where you come to consume religious goods and services.

Would you like to get more involved? Would you like to invest some of your time and effort into your parish to help your spiritual family? We are always looking for more help. Please get involved!

Have a good week. Enjoy the Labor Day holiday. And remember, above all, to Keep the Faith!