

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

Very Rev. Guy W. Selvester, V.F. ----- Pastor

Paul Flor ----- Deacon

Edmund M. Hartmann, Jr. ----- 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

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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 & 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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 23, 2023



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday	<u>April 22</u>
5:00pm	+Maria & Peter Imperatrice
r/o	Elisa & Family
Sunday	April 23
	<u>Third Sunday of Easter</u>
7:30am	+Marie Teresa McDonald
r/o	Maribeth Palmer
9:00am	People of the Parish
(Spanish)	
11:00am	+Anthony Zvirblys
r/o	Mary Zvirblys
Monday	<u>April 24</u>
9:00am	+Barry Biederman
r/o	Nick Cottone
Tuesday	April 25
	<u>Saint Mark</u>
9:00am	+George W. Melious
r/o	Family
Wednesday	<u>April 26</u>
9:00am	Joan Merlo
r/o	Helen Merlo
Thursday	<u>April 27</u>
9:00am	Gae Savino
r/o	Helen Merlo
Friday	<u>April 28</u>
9:00am	+Corinne Pursell
r/o	Judy Hariton

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Saria Adria, Greg Aurigemma, Willie Baker, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Phyllis Chiappa, Eric Chiarulli, Kathy Chiarulli, Nicholas Cottone, Kristine Rhee Cy, Arsenia Del Rosario Jill Dubay, Gerry Farhan, Anthony Francisco, Joseph Gallagher, Julie Galloway, Francine Gore, Kerry Groff, Tony Groff, Charles Hemsel, Donna Hewa, Carol Hutchins, Jane Jenkins, Sharon Lawson, Nina Lopez, Christine Mathews, Barbara McAloon, Ann McComb, Robert Meleo, Denise Melious, Sandra Mondello, Emma Parrales, Rose Reddan, Charles Roseberry, Marilyn Russo, Barbara Schaare, Dave Scott, Dawn Scott, Nicholas Torres, George Trimarche, James Todd, Woody Wagner, Daniel Walker, Emma

WEEKLY OFFERING

WEEKLY COSTS:

Church Expenses:	\$6,464.00
April 8 / 9	\$18,316.00
Electronic Giving	1,424.00
Holy Thursday	952.00
Total	\$20,692.00
Weekly Surplus / (Deficit)	\$14,228.00
Holy Land Collection	\$1,071.00
April 15 / 16	\$6,566.00
Electronic Giving	2,766.00
Easter Donations	845.00
Total	\$10,177.00
Weekly Surplus / (Deficit)	\$3,713.00

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIPS

In the Spring of 2023, the Knights of Columbus Council #5170 will award The Frank & Rose Felitti Memorial Scholarship and The John & Dorothy Sutton Memorial Scholarship. Two scholarships for qualified students from Saint Joseph's Parish in Washington are eligible and encouraged to apply. Applicants currently must be attending high school or enrolled in an undergraduate degree program. High school age winners will receive their \$500 award during the Fall their first undergraduate year. Council #5170 will issue a check directly to the college or university that a student attends in the Fall. Each winner may receive one award each year but scholarships winners are eligible to submit applications for future awards as they are announced.

Please go to www.council5170.org for more information.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS UPCOMING EVENTS

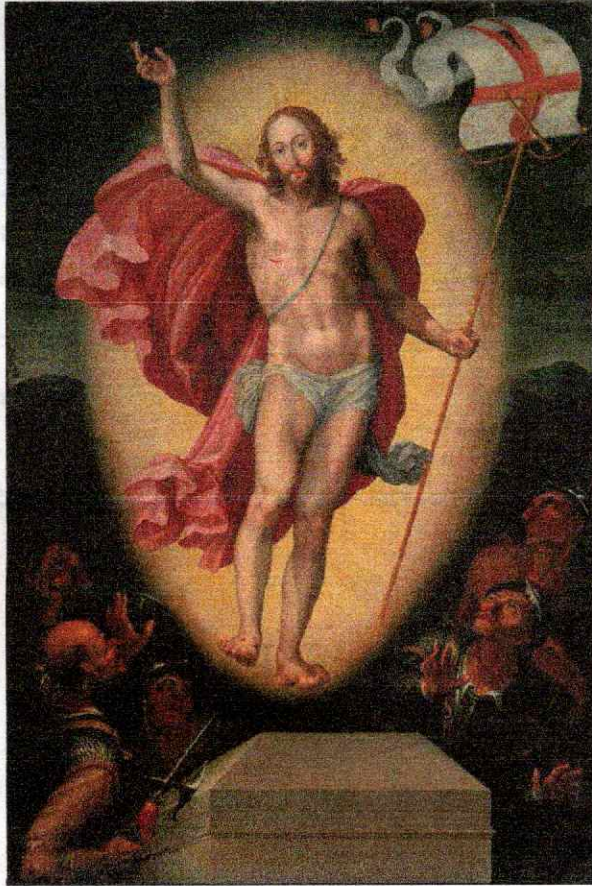
The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a spaghetti dinner on Saturday, May 6 from 4:00pm – 7:00pm in the Parish Center. Dinner includes pasta with meat or marinara sauce, garlic bread, Caesar salad, dessert and soft drinks. BYOB. Takeout will be available. Your free-will donation will support the Saint Joseph Capital Campaign.

FLOWER SALE will take place after all Masses on the weekend of May 6 / 7. Pre-order forms are available in the Narthex, but are not required. Payment will be accepted on the date of pick up.

EUCCHARISTIC ROSARY DEVOTION will take place on Sundays during the month of May. A rosary, focused on the Eucharist, will be prayed after Mass. Devotional booklets will be provided. The rosary will be prayed according to the following schedule:

May 6	5:00pm Mass, The Joyful Mysteries
May 4	7:30am Mass, The Luminous Mysteries
May 21	9:00am Mass The Glorious Mysteries (Spanish)
May 28	11:00am Mass The Glorious Mysteries

A social event will follow the recitation of the rosary.



BISHOP'S APPEAL

Our Bishop's Annual Appeal Goal this year is once again \$28,000.00. So far, this year, as of April 14, our parish has pledged \$13,319.60 which represents 47.57% of our goal.

MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE

Our 2023 Mass Book is not full yet! There are some Mass intentions available. We like to have all the intentions covered if possible. If you would like to request one of these intentions please stop by the Rectory Office Wednesday-Friday this week between 9:00am and 1:00pm to make the request. Mass intention requests cannot be taken over the phone because the offering must be made at the time of the request.

HOLY HOUR

There will be another Bi-Lingual Eucharistic Holy Hour on Wednesday, May 3 in the church. It takes place from 7:00 - 8:00pm. In addition, the usual Wednesday Confessions will be heard during this Holy Hour from 7:00 - 7:30pm. In this Easter season come and spend some time in prayer and also in quiet meditation before the Lord truly present in the Holy Eucharist. Our country is in the midst of a Eucharistic Revival. This Holy Hour is a perfect way to take part.

FROM THE PASTOR



Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

Surrexit Christus! Alleluia!

Please continue to keep **Fr. Blaise Baran** in your prayers. Fr. Blaise was my predecessor and served for nine years here as Pastor of St. Joseph. He has been ill and hospitalized for a couple of weeks now with respiratory problems. As of the writing of this column he is off the respirator they had him on but he is still being fed through a feeding tube. I know that he would appreciate a remembrance in your prayers.

Speaking of predecessors (and successors) I still do not have any new information about where I am being sent or, more importantly, who will be assigned here to succeed me. When I know, I'll let you know.

I hope that the Easter season is continuing to bring joy and blessings into your lives. We think of Lent as "the" time of year to do some extra praying. However, the joy of the Paschal season is also a good time to pray more whenever we have the chance. Please note that there will be another Holy Hour on Wednesday, May 3 from 7:00 - 8:00pm. During that time there will also be the usual Wednesday evening Confessions from 7:00 - 7:30pm. This is a great opportunity to spend some time with the Lord. This Holy Hour will once again be in English and Spanish.

Have a wonderful week ahead filled with the peace and the happiness that comes from knowing the Lord's victory over sin and death gives us the hope of blessings in this life and eternal life in the world to come.

Remember, above all, to Keep The Faith!

Christ is Truly Risen! Alleluia!

