

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...

9:30 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

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.

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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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.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

April 2, 2023



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday	April 1
5:00pm	+Thomas Bruno
r/o	Marie Marrello
Sunday	April 2
	<u>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</u>
7:30am	+Patti-Sue Rolak
r/o	Family
9:00am	People of the Parish
(Spanish)	
11:00am	+Thomas James McDonald
r/o	Maribeth Palmer
Monday	April 3
9:00am	+Jane Ensor
r/o	Mary Zvirblys
Tuesday	April 4
9:00am	+Mary Jane Flynn
r/o	Joe & Jean Flynn
Wednesday	April 5
9:00am	+Mary Joseph
r/o	Benny Titus
Thursday	April 6
	<u>Holy Thursday</u>
	No Morning Mass
7:00pm	Priests Throughout the World
Friday	April 7
	<u>Good Friday</u>
	No Morning Mass
3:00pm	Passion of the Lord

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Saria Adria, Greg Aurigemma, Willie Baker, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Phyllis Chiappa, Eric Chiarulli, Kathy Chiarulli, Nicholas Cottone, Kristine Rheh 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, Jose Santiago, Sr., Emily Setteducato, 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
March 18 / 19	\$5,101.00
Electronic Giving	1,079.00
Easter Flowers	205.00
Bingo Income	746.75
Other Income	69.00
Total	\$7,200.75
Weekly Surplus (Deficit)	736.75
March 25 / 26	\$5,845.00
Electronic Giving	1,124.00
Other Income	1,070.00
Total	\$8,039.00
Weekly Surplus / (Deficit)	1,575.00
Retirement for Diocesan Clergy	\$784.00

SAINTS PHILIP & JAMES SCHOOL

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SAINTS PHILIP & JAMES SCHOOL

TRANSFER STUDENT INCENTIVE

TRANSFER & EXPERIENCE THE "SAINTS DIFFERENCE" WITH 1 MONTH OF FREE TUITION!

- Student must have been previously enrolled in a different school, in Kindergarten through grade 8.
- Student enrolls at SSPJ, records from previously school are transferred, and student completes the 2023-2024 school year.
- The family of the transfer student will receive 1 month's tuition credit applied to the May 2024 statement.

Gain: It be combined with any other special offer or bonus. All other financial obligations for the 2023-2024 school year must be fulfilled before the credit will be issued. One transfer incentive per family.



FROM THE PASTOR



The holiest of weeks is upon us. With this Palm Sunday weekend our Lenten journey now enters its final and most intense phase. We rehearse again the dramatic, powerful and tragic events that lead Christ through His Passion and Death and into His glorious

Resurrection. These are the days in which our salvation was won. These are the days that changed the course of human history.

The schedule for the Sacred Triduum is in this bulletin and was also mailed to you at home. The special liturgies of Holy Week are *not* holy days of obligation. However, you are obviously invited and strongly encouraged to participate in as many of them as you are able. Even if you cannot make it to all of them I strongly urge you to try to come to the Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday at 3:00pm.

Please take note of two things: 1) there are **THREE** Masses in English on Easter Sunday and we have a special schedule that day. *Mass in English will be celebrated on Easter at 7:30am, 9:30am and 11:00am. On Easter the Spanish Mass is moved to 12:45pm.* 2) there are **NO more scheduled Confessions** before Easter. There will not be Confessions heard this coming Wednesday and also not on Saturday. In fact, the next regularly scheduled Confessions are on Saturday, April 22.

Have a good and a blessed Holy Week. May the Paschal Mystery touch your hearts and your lives and fill you with the wonder and awe of the saving death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Remember, above all, to Keep the Faith!

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Knights of Columbus will sponsor an **EASTER EGG HUNT** on Holy Saturday, April 8 at 12:00 Noon on the church grounds in between the church and the Parish Center.

BLOOD DRIVE

Knights of Columbus Council 1570 will sponsor a blood drive in the Parish Center on Sunday, April 16 from 8:00am until 2:00pm. A blood donation can help save the life of numerous people and is an excellent way to live the spirit of the Easter season. Donors must schedule an appointment. Details can be found at www.council5170.org



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

8:00-10:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Good Friday

3:00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday

12:00 Noon Blessing of Easter Baskets

There is No 5:00pm Mass on Holy Saturday

7:45pm Great Vigil of Easter

Easter Sunday

7:30am Mass in English

9:30am Mass in English

11:00am Mass in English

12:45pm Mass in Spanish*

**The time of the Spanish Mass is changed only for Easter Sunday.*

NEW PRINCIPAL NEEDED

St. Philip and St. James is a Catholic school with grades PreK 3 through Eighth grade serving Warren County, NJ and Easton, PA. The school is currently searching for a principal for the 2023-2024 school year, starting July 1 or earlier. The successful candidate must be an active, practicing Catholic able foster academic achievement, possess leadership ability that inspires confidence, and have interpersonal and excellent communication skills that enable staff to be effective and productive. Requirements include Five years teaching experience, ideally in a Catholic school, and a master's degree with certification in administration and supervision. Applicants should send their resume to: St. Philip and St. James School, Attention Search Committee; 137 Roseberry Street, Phillipsburg, NJ 08865. Deadline for application is April 14.



April 2023



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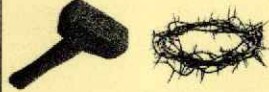


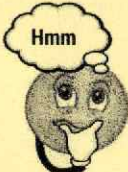
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CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA ... ALLELUIA

						1 No Confessions
2 Palm Sunday 	3	4 No Religious Ed	5 Holy Hour/- 7:00 - 8:00 pm (English & Spanish)	6 Holy Thursday No Morning Mass Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00 pm Adoration of Blessed Sacrament - 8:00 - 10:00 pm	7 Good Friday Day of Fast & Abstinence No Morning Mass Office Closed Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion—3:00pm 	8 Holy Saturday Blessing of Easter Baskets - 12:00 noon Easter Egg Hunt - 12:00 noon (Parish Grounds) No 5:00 pm Mass The Great Vigil of Easter 7:45 pm
9 The Resurrection of the Lord Masses: 7:30 am (English) 9:30 am (English) 11:00 am (English) 12:30 pm (Spanish) 	10 No Morning Mass Office Closed Altar Rosary Society - 1:00 pm (Community Rm)	11 No Religious Ed Office Closed	12 No Confessions	13	14 Prayer Shawl Ministry - 9:30 am (Rectory Mtg Rm)	15 No Confessions
16 K of C Blood Drive - 8:00 am - 2:00 pm (Appt. Req'd) (Parish Ctr/Bloodmobile) Bingo - 7:00 pm (Parish Ctr) 	17	18 Religious Ed Classes Grades 1-4 - 5:30 - 6:30 pm Grades 5-7 - 7:00 - 8:00 pm	19 No Confessions	20	21	22 Pre-Cana - 8:00 am - 6:30 pm (Community Rm)
23	24	25 Religious Ed Classes Grades 1-4 5:30 - 6:30 pm Grades 5-7 7:00 - 8:00 pm	26 No Confessions	27 Parish Council Mtg - 7:00 pm (Rectory Mtg Rm)	28 Prayer Shawl Ministry - 9:30 am (Rectory Mtg Rm)	29 Confessions - 4:00 - 4:45 pm
30	THOUGHTS TO PONDER					
<p>On Stewardship: When you stand before God at the end of your life, hope that you would have not a single bit of talent left and you can say, "I used everything You gave me."</p> <p>On Trust: Trust is the glue of life. It's the most essential ingredient in effective communication. It's the foundational principle that holds all relationships together.</p> <p>On Uniqueness: You may use your uniqueness to build a reputation, a retirement, an investment account or an empire ... but you will not be building God's Kingdom.</p>						