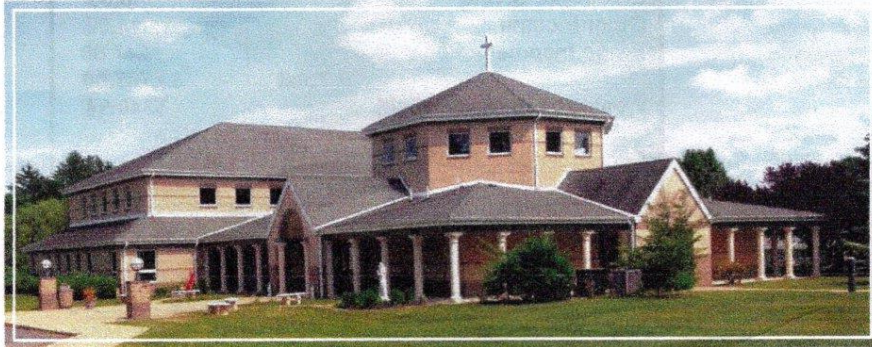


# Saint Joseph Roman Catholic Church

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

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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

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.*



**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE  
RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

April 9, 2023



Mass Intentions  
for the Week

**Saturday**      **April 8**

7:45pm      +Deceased Benefactors of the Parish

**Sunday**      **April 9**  
**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

7:30am      +Nicholas Plakotaris  
r/o      *Yvonne Plakotaris & Family*

9:30am      +George W. Melious  
(English) r/o      *Family*

11:00am      +Marie Teresa McDonald  
r/o      *Maribeth Palmer*

12:30pm      **People of the Parish**  
(Spanish)

**Monday**      **April 10**  
**No Morning Mass**

**Tuesday**      **April 11**

9:00am      +George Polachak  
r/o      *Jeff & Sharon Gulick*

**Wednesday**      **April 12**

9:00am      +Bill Wargin  
r/o      *Fr. Guy*

**Thursday**      **April 13**

9:00am

**Friday**      **April 14**

9:00am

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Saria Adria, Greg Aurigemma, Willie Baker, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Phyllis Chiappa, Eric Chiarulli, Kathy Chiarulli, Nicholas Cottone, Kristine Rreh 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, Emily Setteducato, Barbara Schaare, Dave Scott, Dawn Scott, Nicholas Torres, George Trimarche, James Todd, Woody Wagner, Daniel Walker, Emma

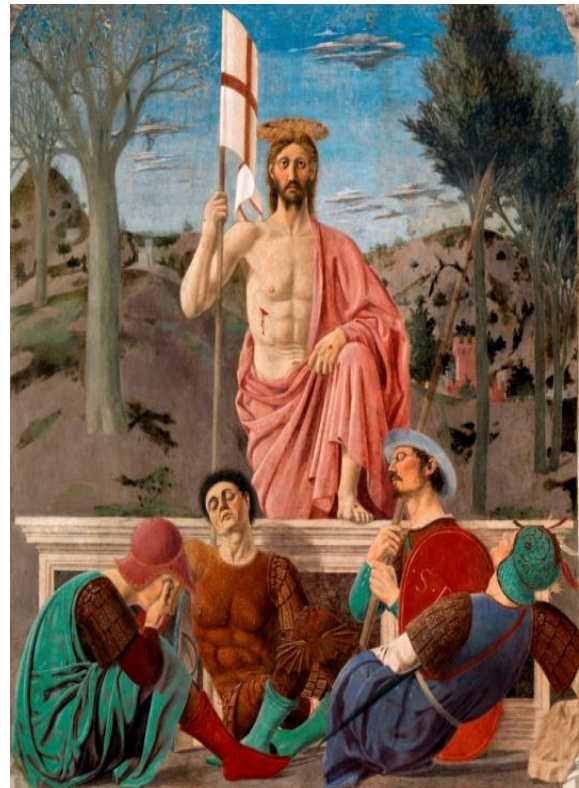
**WEEKLY OFFERING**

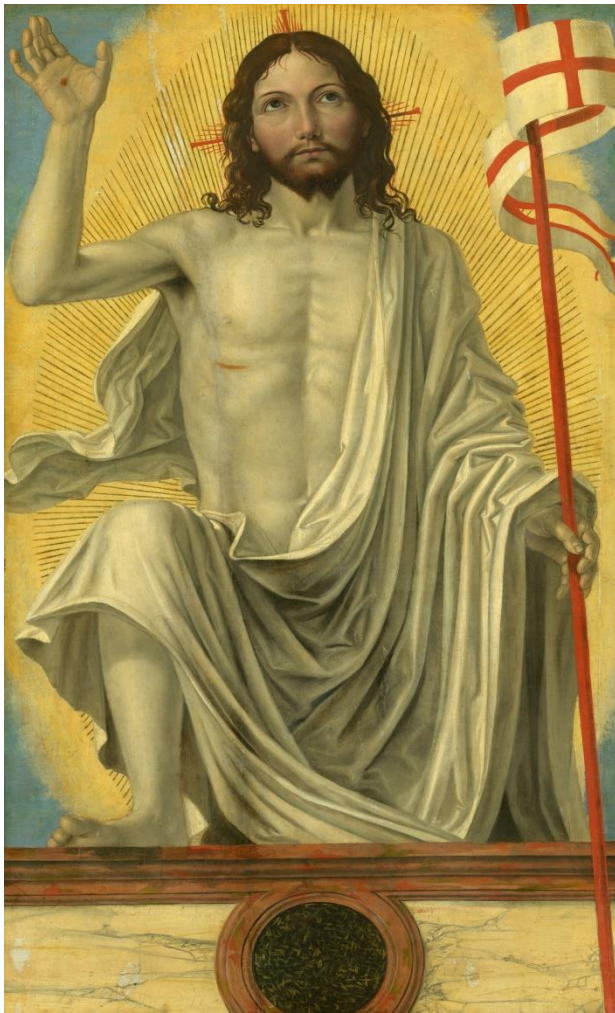
**WEEKLY COSTS:**

Church Expenses:	\$6,464.00
<b>March 25 / 26</b>	<b>\$5,845.00</b>
Electronic Giving	1,124.00
Other Income	1,070.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,039.00</b>
<b>Weekly Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>1,575.00</b>
<b>Retirement for Diocesan Clergy</b>	<b>\$784.00</b>
<b>April 1 / 2</b>	<b>\$7,090.00</b>
Electronic Giving	1,194.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,284.00</b>
<b>Weekly Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$1,820.00</b>
<b>Retirement for Diocesan Clergy</b>	<b>\$107.00</b>

**MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE**

Our 2023 Mass Book is not full yet! There are some Mass intentions available for the month of April. Mass intentions are available on April 13 and April 14. 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.





## FROM THE PASTOR



Surrexit Dominus! Alleluia!

The Lord is Risen! Alleluia!

A very Happy and Blessed Easter to all of you and your families. Our journey through Lent has reached a glorious conclusion in the celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord. This is a day when we happily remember the amazing and world-changing event of Christ's triumphant rising from the dead. It is also the day when we look again with hope to the future.

The promise made to us on our Baptism of a new and better life to come has been guaranteed by the Resurrection of Christ. Like Him we shall die. However, also like Him death will not hold us. We shall pass through death and into a new and glorified life in a world that is eternal.

So, even when life beats you down, hurts you, or makes things a struggle we know we can still have hope in the face of it all. No matter how powerful the forces of darkness, that seem to have such a stronghold in this world may become, we know that the victory is already won. Triumph over the power of sin and death is already ours thanks to the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Not just today but *always* we truly are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song. The joy and happiness of today are not just for a day. We must all strive to keep this joy alive in our hearts and in our lives. Because Christ is risen we can know—not merely believe—and we can count on—more than just hope in—the fact that when our days in this world draw to a close there is another world; a better world waiting for us. There, we shall dwell with Him in light and peace.

The to the cynical this sounds like pious “pie-in-the-sky”. But, for us who believe we are assured that our comfort comes from knowing that Christ came back from the dead. By His death He has destroyed the power and fear of death. To those who lay in the grave He offers eternal life. It is the center of our **faith**. It is the cause of our **hope**. It is the greatest sign of the **love** God has for us and of the love we offer to the world.

For the next eight days of the Easter Octave celebrate with joy the salvation and victory won for us in Christ. have a beautiful Easter Sunday and also have a week ahead that is filled with joy and blessings. Receive comfort in knowing that reconciliation and life are ours because of Jesus Christ. Keep The Faith!

Surrexit Vere! Alleluia!

He is Truly Risen! Alleluia!



## 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.council1570.org](http://www.council1570.org)

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