

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

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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 7:15 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.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 31, 2022



Mass Intentions
for the Week

Saturday	July 30 <u>Saint Peter Chrysologus</u>
5:00pm	+Al Daugert <i>r/o Ann Daugert</i>
Sunday	July 31 <u>Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time</u>
7:30am	+John Greco <i>r/o Ralph & Marge Parise</i>
9:00am (Spanish)	People of the Parish
11:00am	+Robert Aquino <i>r/o Mr. & Mrs. Richard Aquino</i>
Monday	August 1 <u>Saint Alphonsus Liguori</u>
9:00am	+Deceased Members of the <i>r/o Hartmann Family</i>
Tuesday	August 2
9:00am	+Jean Baran <i>r/o Family</i>
Wednesday	August 3
9:00am	+Virginia Bizzaro <i>r/o Jeanne Selvester</i>
Thursday	August 4 <u>Saint John Vianney</u>
9:00am	+Patti-Sue Rolak <i>r/o Family</i>
Friday	August 5
9:00am	The Melious Family <i>r/o Family</i>

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Saria Adria, Willie Baker, Karole Bradunas, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Phyllis Chiappa, Kathy Chiarulli, 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, Charles Roseberry, Marilyn Russo, Jose Santiago, Sr., Emily Setteducato, Albert Schaare, Barbara Schaare, Dave Scott, Dawn Scott, James Todd, Woody Wagner, Daniel Walker, Bill Wargin, Emma

WEEKLY OFFERING

WEEKLY COSTS:

Church Expenses (Including Mortgage)	\$8,396.06
<u>July 16 / 17</u>	\$5,130.00
Electronic Giving	2,271.00
Bingo Income	904.75
Other Income	87.00
Total	\$8,392.75
Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$3.31)
<u>July 23 / 24</u>	\$5,877.25
Electronic Giving	1,114.00
Other Income	500.00
Total	\$7,491.25
Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$904.81)

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION: NEW DEADLINE

Because of the construction project to replace the front walkway and entrance to the Rectory forced the closing of the Rectory Office for much of this past week we are announcing that the deadline for registering your child for Religious Education has been extended! This is to try to make it easier for those families who may have been trying to make the last deadline but were prevented by circumstances. Please note that the new deadline for registration for Religious Education classes for the 2022-2023 school year is now **Friday, August 12.**

If you have questions please contact the Religious Education Office at 908-689-0093. (please note that this phone number is different than the Rectory Office number!)



FROM THE PASTOR



We are praying this week in thanksgiving for the Pope's successful trip to Canada and for his health, which has not been the best in recent months. He suffers terribly with knee pain — I can identify!

Our Knights of Columbus Council is an active group of Catholic men who do a tremendous amount of good work in our community. In addition to refurbishing the statue of St. Joseph that stands on our parish grounds (as we noted in last week's bulletin) they also very kindly donated \$500.00 to our parish as a part of their regular annual charitable works. Our parish is one among many beneficiaries in our area of the Knights' generosity.

Last Saturday, after the 5:00PM Mass we held a short ceremony to install the new Council officers for the coming fraternal year. These are men who are dedicated to God, to their Church, to their country and to their families and they reach out to help others in the community.

Men: will you consider joining the Knights of Columbus? I've been a member since 1990 and I'm proud to serve as a Chaplain to the Knights.

I think that as we are moving from July into August we enter into what might be the "laziest" part of the summer. Temperatures are awfully hot. Many people are trying to get away for some vacation. Then, ironically, by the end of the month there is the frantic, mad dash to get everything you need for "back-to-school" and put everything in order for the start of a new school year.

I encourage all of you to remember that in these days, even though your minds might be focused on other things, not to neglect your prayer life. Please make sure to keep up with coming to Mass every Sunday and also take advantage of the slower summer days to come and make a good Confession. Don't wait until the run-up to Christmas or Easter, when **everyone** is trying to come. Do it now when there are fewer folks coming to confess.

If I may be so bold as to ask, please say a little prayer for me this coming week. On Saturday, August 6 I have a birthday. When I was a kid I couldn't wait for my birthday to come around. Now that I'm a bit older I'm not so sure. Sometimes I feel a little pensive and slightly sad on my birthday. Does that happen to any of you? I suppose it just makes me aware of the all-too-rapid passage of time. But, there's an opportunity once again to renew my trust in the Lord and place everything in His hands.

My prayer for all of you is that you will have a good, safe and blessed week ahead of you. Be sure to take some time for yourself to re-charge your batteries, so to speak. Above all things please remember to **Keep the Faith!**

DAILY MASS IN AUGUST

Please take note that for the entire month of August, starting Monday, August 1 and continuing until Friday, September 2 the daily Mass celebrated every morning at 9:00AM will take place in the Cry Room/Chapel. It is considerably easier and more efficient to run the air conditioning for that smaller space rather than air condition the whole church, especially since daily Mass has a relatively small attendance. We did this last year and it worked out very well so we're doing it again this year too. It will last only for the duration of the dates already noted.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

On Sept. 24, 2022, the Diocese of Metuchen will conclude its year-long 40th Anniversary celebration with a diocesan pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. As we hope this to be a joyous celebration of our diocesan anniversary, we hope to have many Catholics from our diocese in attendance as possible, so please save the date and encourage your fellow parishioners to do the same. More information and materials will be forthcoming.

