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 FlorDeacon
Edmund M. Hartmann, JrDeacon
Laura A. TorresParish Secretary
Mrs. Joyce Rock Director of Religious Education (DRE)
Shirley A. Firling Director of Sacred Music
James Mc Aloon Pastoral Council Chairperson
Jim McAloonTrustee
John RolakTrustee
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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 16, 2023



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday April 15

7:45pm +John H. Melious, Jr.

> r/o Family

April 16 Sunday

Second Sunday of Easter

7:30am +Isabel Bacenas

> Yvonne Plakotaris & Family r/o

9:00am People of the Parish

(Spanish)

11:00am +Joseph & Susan Stack

r/o Ann Daugert

Monday April 17

+Paul Paliscak, Jr. 9:00am r/o Family

Tuesday April 18

9:00am +Paul Paliscak, Jr.

r/o Famiy

Wednesday April 19

9:00am John Merlo

r/o Helen Merlo

April 20 **Thursday**

+James Donaldson, Sr. 9:00am

r/o Patricia Selvester

Friday April 21

George Merlo Helen Merlo 9:00am

r/o

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, 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

\$7,090.00 April 1 /2 1,194.00 **Electronic Giving** Total \$8,284.00 Weekly Surplus / (Deficit) \$1,820.00

Retirement for Diocesan Clergy \$107.00

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

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.

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.

GOODBYE JOSE SANTIAGO!

Our parish wishes many blessings to Jose Santiago and his wife, Cristina, as they move back to Puerto Rico.

Jose has served as Chairman of our Hispanic Committee for years. They will be greatly missed and we wish them farewell and Godspeed with our love and pravers.



BLOOD DRIVE

Knights of Columbus Council 1570 will sponsor a blood drive in the Parish Center on <u>Sunday, April 16</u> 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

BISHOP'S APPEAL

Our Bishop's Annual Appeal Goal this year is once again \$28,000.00. So far, this year our parish has pledged \$11,313.60 which represents 45.41% of our goal



FROM THE PASTOR



Surrexit Dominus! Alleluia!

The Lord is Risen! Alleluia!

I hope that you are all continuing to enjoy the happiness and the blessings of Easter. Today, the Church observes the

Easter Octave which is also celebrated as the Sunday of Divine Mercy. We are reminded that we pray to the Risen Lord, "...for the sake of his sorrowful passion; have mercy on us and on the whole world."

I want to express my THANKS to all of the many people who assisted in preparing for and carrying out the complex and meaningful liturgies of Holy Week. To Shirley Firling, our Director of Sacred Music, the choirs, and the instrumentalists I am grateful for how much they beautify and enhance our experience of worship. I'm very, very grateful to Sharon Levin and all the people who volunteer to help her in decorating (...and UN-decorating, and REdecorating) the church. Everything has to be re-set three times between Holy Thursday and Easter Sunday. Their help and talent is a benefit to everyone who prays here. I'm grateful to all the liturgical ministers which includes Ushers, Altar Servers, Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Your help is invaluable. I am particularly grateful to our Parish Deacons, Deacon Ed Hartmann and Deacon Paul Flor for their time and their efforts always but especially during Holy Week. I am also grateful that Fr. Luke, CFR & Br. Pius, CFR from the Blue Army Shrine spent the Triduum with us and assisted us so much. Last, but never least, I am very thankful for all the hard work done by our Parish Secretary, Mrs. Laura Torres, without whom things simply wouldn't happen here.

A final word of **THANKS** to all of you, our parishioners, for your attendance and participation in the liturgies of Holy Week.

May the blessings and the sheer joy of the Risen Christ be yours in the week ahead. Remember to Keep The Faith!

Christ is Truly Risen! Alleluia!

