## 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

Fax----- 908-689-3436

Website ----- stjosephwashingtonnj.org

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**

Rev.James A. KyrpczakPastor
Paul FlorDeacon
Edmund M. Hartmann, JrDeacon
Laura A. Torres
Mrs. Joyce Rock Parish Catechetical Leader (PCL)
Shirley A. Firling Director of Sacred Music
James Mc Aloon Pastoral Council Chairperson
James McAloon Trustee
John RolakTrustee
Anthony Tomeski Web Master
Bob Opdyke Finance Council Chairperson
Sonia Amparo Arevalo 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 & 7:00	pm

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Expectant parents are requested to attend a Baptism
Preparation Session prior to the birth of the child. Please preregister 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 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

## THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

#### December 31, 2023



Saturday December 30

5:00pm +Ed Tobin

Karole & Terry Bradunas

Sunday December 31

The Holy Family of Jesus,

Mary and Joseph

7:30am +Paul Paliscak, Jr.

> r/o Jeff Paliscak and Family

9:00am People of the Parish

(Spanish)

11:00am

Arthur Peters Terry & Lori Finnegan r/o

January 1, 202 Monday

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

9:00am **Birthday Blessings** 

Father James

The Parish Community

**Tuesday** 

January 2 Saint Basil the Great and

Gregory Nazianzen

9:00am **Birthday Blessings** 

Barbará McAloon

Husband, Jim r/o

Wednesday

January 3

+All Souls 9:00am r/o

A Parishioner

**Thursday** 

January 4 Elizabeth Ann Seton

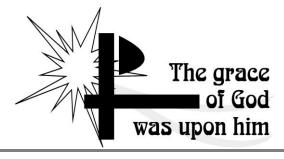
9:00am +Manuel Vidal

r/o Wife and Family

<u>January 5</u> Saint John Neumann Friday

9:00am +Jean Kosko

r/o Maryellen Hudock



#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Saria Adria, Debbie Antonillo, Greg Aurigemma, Willie Baker, Patricia Baroz, Adrianna Berrios, Tracy Berrios, Benjamin Bernstein, Benjamin Boschen, Alexis Capozzoli, Kathy Chiarulli, Nicholas Cottone, Kristine Rheh Cy, Arsenia Del Rosario, Jill Dubay, Gerry Farhan, Anthony Francisco, Joseph Gallagher, Julie Galloway, Peter Garon, Francine Gore, Kerry Groff, Tony Groff, Charles Hemsel, Carol Hutchins, Jane Jenkins, James Herring, Sharon Lawson, The Lewis Family, Nina Lopez, Christine Mathews, Barbara McAloon, Ann McComb, Robert Meleo, Denise Melious, Maureen Milletich, Emma Parrales, Vincent Pizzo, Rose Reddan, Charles Roseberry, Maureen Rosko, Angelo Saccos, Dave Scott, Dawn Scott, George Stine, Nicholas Torres, George Trimarci, Ğina Trimarci, James Todd, Woody Wagner, Daniel Walker, Joey Yangco, Emma

#### **WEEKLY OFFERING**

**WEEKLY COSTS:** 

**Church Expenses:** \$6,464.00

\$5.069.00 **December 16 / 17 Electronic Giving** 2,999.00 **Christmas Flowers** <u>1,517.00</u> \$9,585.00

Weekly Surplus / (Deficit) \$3,121.00

**December 23 / 24** To Be Updated

## **GIFT BEARERS AT MASS**

If the Mass intention is for your loved one, please see an Usher prior to Mass and let him / her know that you would like to bring up the gifts. If you choose not to do so, please let the Usher know that so other arrangements may be made. With that being said, we are in need of Gift Bearers.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Mass intentions for 2024 are available. Forms can be found in the Narthex or please stop by the Parish Office. Mass intentions cannot be taken of the phone.



# The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

#### First Reading: Gn 15:1-6, 21:1-3

Abram shows us the Lord keeps His promises, for his offspring were indeed many, like the stars in heaven. We, too, must trust in the Lord, so like Abram, our families might prosper.

## Second Reading: Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19

By faith Abraham and Sarah were blessed with Isaac, and through him, many descendants because they trusted in God's promise and believed in what they could not see. We see that faith, trust and prayer bring forth God's miracles in our lives.

## Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

Jesus was brought to Jerusalem to be consecrated according to the law of Moses. A man named Simeon had learned he would not die until he had seen God's anointed. Upon seeing Jesus, he immediately declared he had witnessed "the glory of your people of Israel." The prophetess Anna also gave thanks and spoke of Jesus to all who would listen. Both recognized the power of Jesus, although he was still an infant.

#### **FLOCKNOTES**

Our paish is now enrolled in Flocknotes. Stay in touch with Holiday Mass times, weather cancellations, ministry updates, and more delivered to your phone.

To sign-up, TEXT JMJNOW to 84576 or sign up online at

#### stjosephparish27.flocknote.com

Text STOP to 84576 to stop text notifications at any time. Text HELP for help. There is no charge for this service, but your carrier message and data rates may apply. View privacy policy and conditions at flocknote.com/txt



## **FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION**

Beginning the first weekend in <u>January 2024</u>, we will once again start our monthly food pantry collection.

Suggested items that are needed:

Dinty Moore Beef Stew (15 oz. cans)
Grape Jelly (Squeeze bottles)
Salad Dressings (all kinds)
Mayonnaise (NOT the huge jars)
Ketchup
Soups of all kinds
Chef Boyardee Pastas
Canned Fruit
Spaghetti Sauce (Rinaldi makes sauce in plastic jars)

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 5170**

The Knights of Columbus will sponsor a blood drive in the Parish Center from 8:00am until 2:00pm on <u>Sunday</u>, January 14, 2024.

Appointments are required. Sign-up at <a href="https://www.council5170.org">www.council5170.org</a>

Thank you for giving the Gift of Life.

