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 Parish Email ------stjosephchurch1871@gmail.com 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 |
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| Paul FlorDeacon |
| Edmund M. Hartmann, JrDeacon |
| 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 McAloonTrustee |
| 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/M | ass |
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| 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.

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

June 4, 2023

Mass Intentions

| Saturday | June 3 <u>Saint Charles Lwanga</u> |
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| 5:00pm | +Peggy Morrisroe |
| Sunday | June 4 <u>The Most Holy Trinity</u> |
| 7:30am <i>r/</i> o | +Patti-Sue Rolak <i>Family</i> |
| 9:00am <i>(Spanish)</i> | People of the Parish |
| 11:00am <i>r/</i> o | +William Paul <i>Terry Clark</i> |
| Monday | June 5 <u>Saint Boniface</u> |
| 9:00am <i>r/o</i> | +Deceased Members of the Yarmel Family <i>Maryellen Hudock</i> |
| Tuesday | <u>June 6</u> |
| 9:00am <i>r/o</i> | +All Souls A Parishioner |
| Wednesday | <u>June 7</u> |
| 9:00am <i>r/</i> o | +Virginia Yawger Ron & MaryLou Kovacs |
| Thursday | June 8 |
| 9:00am <i>r/</i> o | For the Sick A Parishioner |
| Friday | <u>June 9</u> |
| 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 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, Luigi Paterno, Rose Reddan. Charles Roseberry, Marilyn Russo, Angelo Saccos, Barbara Schaare, Dave Scott, Dawn Scott, Nicholas Torres, George Trimarche, James Todd, Woody Wagner, Daniel Walker, Emma

| WEEKLY OFFERING WEEKLY COSTS: | | |
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| Church Expenses: | \$6,464.00 | |
| May 20 / 21 | \$5.882.00 | |
| Electronic Giving | 1,132.00 | |
| Bingo Income | 426.75 | |
| Other Income | 96.92 | |
| Tot | al \$7,537.67 | |
| Weekly Surplus / <mark>(Deficit)</mark> | \$1,073.67 | |
| Diocesan Communication Campaign | \$204.00 | |
| <u>May 27 / 28</u> | \$5,496.00 | |
| Electronic Giving | 1,022.00 | |
| То | tal \$6,518.00 | |
| Weekly Surplus / <mark>(Deficit)</mark> | \$54.00 | |

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

On behalf of the Bishop, all are invited to attend a Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations and the Sanctification of Priests on Friday, June 23, 2023, at 5 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen. Included in the intentions of this Holy Hour are Deacon Jose Lim, who will be ordained a priest the following day, and the sanctification of all priests of our diocese. Everyone is also invited to the Priesthood Ordination, which will take place on <u>Saturday, June 24, 2023, at 10:30 a.m.</u> at the Cathedral in Metuchen. Bishop Checchio will ordain Deacon Jose Lim as a priest for service in the Diocese of Metuchen. Access to the livestream and updates about the ordination can be found on the diocesan website: diometuchen.org/ordinations.

BISHOP'S APPEAL

Our Bishop's Annual Appeal Goal this year is once again \$28,000.00. So far, this year, as of May 26, our parish has pledged **\$15,742.60** which represents **56.22%** of our goal. So far there have been 83 individual donations made.

WARREN COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Warren County Habitat for Humanity is currently accepting applications for its Home Repair for Critical Home Repair and Aging in Place.

Projects with costs of up to \$20,000 can be approved to low and moderate income homeowners that need repairs such as roof or window replacement, heating, plumbing or electrical issues, or home safety modifications that may be needed by the elderly.

Project cost forgiveness and 0% interest loans are available if you qualify. Additional information can be obtained at <u>www.warrenhabitat.org</u> or by calling 908-835-1300 Ext. 16. The deadline for applications is June 20, 2023.



CORPUS CHRISTI

On the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (usually called Corpus Christi) we will be doing two things to mark the observance.

The first is as a result of a request from our Bishop. Beginning on that day, June 11, we will observe a period of silent reflection after Communion. This is a moment for everyone to make a personal thanksgiving after Communion and to reflect on the awesome Mystery of the Eucharist we have just received. Then we will recite together a communal thanksgiving by praying the prayer written by St. Thomas Aquinas known as "O Sacrum Convivium" (O Sacred Banquet) which goes:

"O sacred banquet, in which Christ is received, the memory of His Passion is renewed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us."

After that we will have the Prayer After Communion followed by the announcements and then the blessing and dismissal. This practice will continue at every Mass until further notice.

In addition, On June 11, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi we will expose the Blessed Sacrament on the altar at the conclusion of the 11:00am Mass. The Blessed Sacrament will remain exposed for adoration until 3:00pm at which time we will celebrate Solemn Benediction.

During the period of adoration (from Noon until 3pm) the Blessed Sacrament cannot be left unattended. There needs to be at least two people in church all during that time. Next week after all Masses there will be sign-up sheets in the Narthex so that individual parishioners can sign up to spend either 30 minutes or an hour in adoration in front of the Blessed Sacrament. In particular, I call on members of the Knights of Columbus, the Rosary Altar Society, the Choir and all other Parish organizations to volunteer for a time slot.

FROM THE PASTOR



We are very grateful for the presence of Rev. John R. Basiimwa,FMH in our parish this weekend making the annual Mission Appeal. I know that you will be as generous to his appeal as your means allow.

Please take note that there are sign up sheets in the Narthex after the Masses for two (count 'em TWO) events taking place here next weekend:

First is the sign-up to volunteer to help with the **Parish Center Clean-Up Day** sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. This will take place on <u>Saturday, June 10 from</u> <u>10:00am - 2:00pm</u> and will be followed by pizza for any volunteers. Even if you can only come for part of that time please sign up to help us out.

Second is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. This takes place on Sunday, June 11, the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (aka Corpus Christi). This is part of the world-wide Eucharistic Revival going on in the Church all over the world. The Eucharist will be exposed after the 11:00am Mass and remain in church for adoration from 12:00pm - 3:00pm. The time of adoration will conclude with Benediction. From 12:00 until 3:00 the Blessed Sacrament cannot be left unattended. We are asking for volunteers to sign up to commit to being present for 30 minute or 60 minute blocks of time (or longer!) to ensure that there is always someone with the Blessed Sacrament and there is no chance of sacrilege. Please consider spending some time with the Lord!

After next week the Church enters into a long stretch of the season known as *Ordinary Time*. After the Advent/Christmas cycle and the Lent/Easter cycle and then the great Dogmatic Feasts of Pentecost, Holy Trinity, Corpus Christi and the Sacred Heart the Church then spends some twenty-five weeks of time following the normal order of things (hence the name "Ordinary Time") during which we reflect on the great Mysteries of our salvation and how we, as faithful disciples of the Lord, put into practice all that we have celebrated and experienced in these holy seasons. It is the time when we figure out how to live out, day by day, what it means to be a people peculiarly God's own who walk in the light of His truth.

I hope that this time that lies before us is a fruitful time for you. I pray that in the warmer, lighter months that are coming you are able to draw closer to the Lord and deepen your faith in Him. For many it is a time of "vacation" and of stepping back. Just make sure you don't step so far back that you lose sight of God and of the Church. He never steps back from us; we owe it to Him to make a similar effort to continue our walk with God.

I hope the week ahead is one that is filled with blessings and peace for you and those whom you love. Be assured of my prayers for you. If you think of it, spare one for me? Remember, above all, to **Keep The Faith!**